Development plan template

This template contains all the requirements for lodging a development plan. Once you have completed this template and attached the required additional information, you need to first submit the development plan and additional information to DNRM for a s22A determination to confirm the proposed clearing meets the requirements for high value agriculture clearing or irrigated high value agriculture clearing in accordance with section 22A of the Vegetation Management Act 1999.

Once you have your s22A determination, you will be able to lodge your development application with the State Assessment and Referral Agency (SARA) for assessment.

Prior to lodgement, you are strongly advised to arrange a pre-lodgement meeting through SARA to discuss application requirements. Visit this website for more information: http://www.dilgp.qld.gov.au/planning/development-assessment/state-assessment-and-referral-agency.html

Development plan

Stage 1

Part 1: Applicant's information

1.1 Applicant name:

1.2 Contact name:

1.3 Postal address:

1.4 Telephone number:

1.5 Mobile:

1.6 Email:

Part 2: Vegetation clearing particulars

2.1 Proposed vegetation clearing is for:

- High-value agriculture
- Irrigated high-value agriculture
  (you will need to complete part 4)
- Irrigated cropping
- Irrigated pasture

2.2 Are you proposing one or more of the following:

  - Broadacre cropping
  - Annual horticulture
  - Perennial horticulture

  Note: You can select more than one option.

2.3 Type of crop/s proposed to be cultivated as a result of the vegetation clearing:

2.4 Proposed timeframe for completing vegetation clearing:
### Part 3: Vegetation clearing location, extent and no suitable alternative

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<td>3.1</td>
<td>Lot/Plan description/s for property you are proposing to clear</td>
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<td>Local Government Area</td>
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<td>Size of area proposed to be cleared in hectares</td>
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<td>Method used to supply clearing location and extent:</td>
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<td>☐ Image base to show area to be cleared and five reference coordinates (GPS points) for the department to spatially reference the data.</td>
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<td>☐ Providing reference coordinates (GPS points) around the entire area of the proposed clearing.</td>
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<td>☐ Providing a digital mapping layer of the proposed clearing, suitable for use in a Geographic Information System.</td>
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#### Ensure you attach information which identifies the vegetation clearing footprint. Refer to section 4.1 of the Guidelines for determining high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture

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<td>3.5</td>
<td>Are there existing cleared areas on the property that would also be suitable for the proposed development?</td>
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<td>No ☐</td>
<td>Go to Part 4.</td>
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<td>Yes ☐</td>
<td>Why can’t these cleared areas be used? Provide details below or in an attachment.</td>
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*Refer to section 4.2 of the Guidelines for applying for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture*

### Part 4: Irrigated high-value agriculture – water entitlements

**Note:** You only need to complete this section if you indicated in section 2.1 that the proposed clearing is for irrigated high-value agriculture.

*Refer to section 5 of the Guidelines for applying for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture*

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<td>4.1</td>
<td>Do you hold, are you authorised, or do you have access to enough water for the proposed development?</td>
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<td>Yes ☐</td>
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<td>1. details of water entitlement or authorisation and the water requirements of the proposed development (refer to section 5 of the Guidelines for applying for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture); and</td>
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<td>2. for land suitability category 2, a signed statement from a suitably qualified person that the volume of water is sufficient to irrigate the proposed development and any existing irrigated agriculture.</td>
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<td>3. for land suitability categories 3 and 4, a land suitability report that demonstrates that the volume of water is sufficient for the proposed development and any existing irrigated agriculture.</td>
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You cannot apply for irrigated high-value agriculture and will need to consider applying for dry land cropping under the high-value agriculture clearing purpose.

**Part 5: Land suitability**
*Refer to section 6 of the Landholders guide to high-value agriculture applications for more information*

5 Please indicate the land suitability category you are applying for:

- Attach details of how you meet the selected land suitability category.
  - For 5.1 provide a map showing the development is limited to minor expansion and a copy of the land suitability map and report.
  - For 5.2 provide a copy of the land suitability map and report.
  - For parts 5.3 and 5.4 attach the Land Suitability Report prepared by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the supporting *Guidelines for meeting the land suitability and economic viability requirements for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture*.

- 5.1 Minor expansion of existing cropped areas: Clearing is adjacent to an existing cropped area and is no more than 5ha or 10% of the cropped area of the property, up to a maximum of 100ha, and has same soil and slope as the existing cropped area.
- 5.2 Detailed land resource mapping / information available (up to 1:100,000 scale) showing land suitable for proposed crop and management system.
- 5.3 Some land resource mapping / information available (up to 1:100,000 scale)
- 5.4 No suitable land resource mapping available. (no suitable imagery ≤1:100,000)

**Part 6: Economic viability**
*Refer to section 7 of the Guidelines for applying for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture*

6.1 A business plan is required to ensure the proposed development involving vegetation clearing and establishment of crops will be economically viable.

The business plan must be provided with the application to ensure this obligation is met.

- For development proposing minor expansion of existing cropped areas (part 5.1), attach the business plan for your farming enterprise and sign below: I certify that the development proposal is likely to be economically viable and can be supported by the existing farming enterprise.
  
  Signed:____________________________
  Print name:________________________
  Date:___/___/___
For developments other than minor expansion of existing cropped areas, the business plan must be prepared by a suitably qualified person in accordance with the Guideline for meeting the land suitability and economic viability requirements for high-value agriculture and irrigated high-value agriculture.

For all other development (5.2-5.4), attach a:
1. business plan prepared by a suitably qualified person; and
2. statement provided and signed by a suitably qualified person:
   a) outlining how they meet the suitably qualified person requirements, including a copy of their qualifications, membership, and curriculum vitae;
   b) certifying that the business plan attached was prepared in accordance with the Guideline for meeting the land suitability and economic viability requirements for high-value and irrigated high-value agriculture and the proposal is likely to be economically viable.

Part 7: SDAP requirements

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<td>Integrated Development Assessment System (IDAS) Form 1 (Common details)</td>
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Part 8: Supporting information

List below all of the supporting information that accompanies this development plan template. For example, where you see the icon and you need to provide additional information.

Description of attachment or title of attachment:

Part 9: Applicant's declaration

☐ By lodging this development plan, I declare that all information in this development plan is true and correct.

Signed: __________________________
Print Name: _______________________
Date: ___/___/___

Privacy Notice
The Department of Natural Resources and Mines (the Department) is collecting the information in the application to assess your application for the clearing of native vegetation for the purpose of High Value Agriculture / Irrigated High Value Agriculture and to carry out departmental functions relevant to the Vegetation Management framework. This information will only be accessed by authorised employees within the Department. Some information may be provided to an appropriately qualified independent person / entity bound by a confidentiality agreement / deed to assess and / or audit any part/s of this...
application including any supporting material. The information provided will include the application and supporting material. Your information will not be disclosed to any other parties unless authorised or required by law. If you have any questions regarding your privacy, please contact privacy@dnrm.qld.gov.au.