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NW 30/5/1/1/2/13562 PR

BONA COBALT PROPOSED PROSPECTING PROJECT

Results of the Public Participation Report

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Bona Resources (Pty) Ltd Tel No.: 072 336 4205



PROJECT DETAILS

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ABBREVIATIONS AND ACCRONYMS

BAR: Basic Assessment Report

BID: Background Information Document

DMRE: Department of Mineral Resources and Energy

DWS: Department of Water and Sanitation

EMPr: Environmental Management Programme

GNR: Government Notice Regulation

ha: Hectare

I&AP: Interested and Affected PartyI&APs: Interested and Affected Parties

km: kilometrem: Metre

PR: Prospecting Right

NEMA: National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)

NWA: National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998)

PPP: Public Participation Process

ZC: Zyntha Consulting



1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Background

Bona Resources (Pty) Ltd has been accepted for the rights to conduct prospecting operations as per Section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (No 28 of 2002), as amended by Section 12 of Act 49 of 2008 and Environmental Authorisations in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (107 of 1998) as amended on Portion 13 of the Farm Marais Hoop 251 IM, Portion 14 of the Farm Dutoit 251 IM and Portion 19 of the Farm Fouche 251 IM located in the magisterial district of Bloemhof. The farms are located within the Kagisano/Molopo local municipality of the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati district municipality. The Prospecting Works Programme for Zinc Ore, Zirconium Ore, Amazonite (Gemstone), Antimony Ore, Beryllium Ore, Bismuth Ore, Chrome Ore, Clay (General), Cobalt, Copper Ore, Diamond (General), Diamond, Diamond (Alluvial), Diamond (in Kimberlite), Gold Ore, Graphite, Iron Ore, Lead, Manganese Ore, Nickel Ore, Platinum Group Metals, Pyrite, Tin Ore, Uranium Ore, Vanadium Ore, Zeolite was submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), North West. The DMRE accepted the application and issued an acceptance letter with reference NW 30/5/1/1/2 (13562) PR.

The project area is located approximately 130 km north-west of Vryburg in the North West Province of South Africa. The project is situated in the Kagisano/Molopo local municipality of the Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati district municipality. Refer to **Figure 1**.

The Acceptance letter for the application of the prospecting right (NW 30/5/1/1/2 (13562) PR), signed on 19 October 2022, state that the applicant is required to consult with the Department of Land Affairs if the land is state owned and in the event that the land is subject to restitution, to consult the office of the Commission on Land Restitution and Land Rights and submit online and hard copy to the office of the Regional Manager: North West Region, Department of Mineral Resources and Energy on or before 25 November 2022.

Included in this report is the list of identified I&APs, refer to **Table 1**. Refer to **Figure 2** for a map indicating the locations of landowners and adjacent landowner's properties.



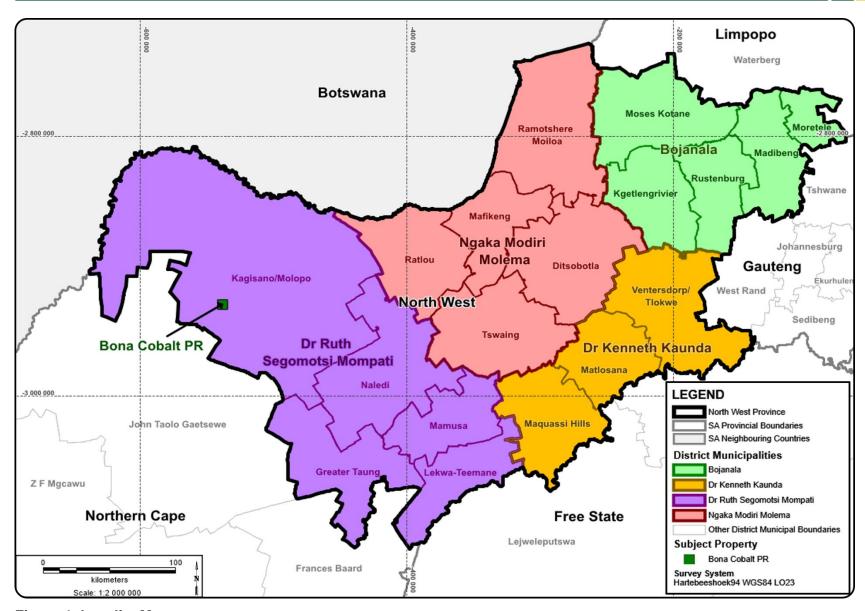


Figure 1: Locality Map



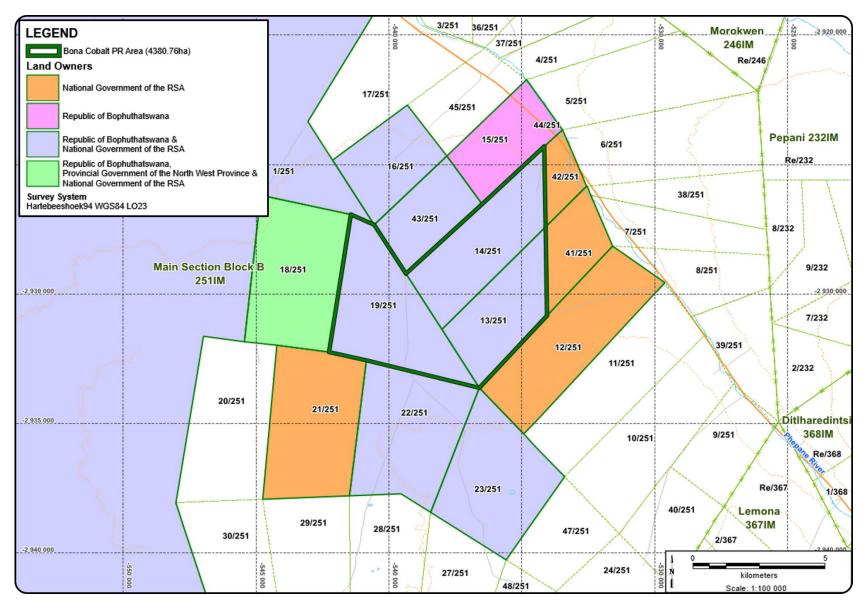


Figure 2: Landowners and Adjacent Landowners



2. PURPOSE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The purpose of public participation is set out in Section 40 of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998 (NEMA) Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 982. In essence all information must be subjected to comments from Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), the Competent Authority, every State Department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment and any Organs of the State which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates. A period of at least 30 days must be provided for comments and no consultation may be conducted between 15 December and 5 January. This process is intended to ensure that the above-mentioned parties had an opportunity to raise issues/questions, make comments, and provide inputs for the project. It will further ensure that the project in its totality is understood and potential impacts and proposed management measures are known.

Another important aspect of the process will be for I&APs to understand what processes are available to object to the proposed activities in the event that they feel to do so.

3. IDENTIFICATION OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

The following stakeholders have been identified and will be added to the I&AP Register:

- Landowners;
- Adjacent Landowners;
- Regulatory Authorities;
- I&APs.



Table 1: I&APs

Stakeholder Group	Organisation / Registered Landowner	Position	Stakeholder Contact	Property	Physical Address (if any)
Provincial Government	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development		Moduku Khwene		Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho
Provincial Government	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development	Head of Department	Thupi Mokhatla		
Land Owner	Republic of Bophuthatswana and Republic of South Africa	Regional Land Claims Commisioner	Ms Agnes Montwedi	Main Section Block B Portion 13 of 251 IM, Main Section Block B Portion 14 of 251 IM, Main Section Block B Portion 19 of 251 IM	Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho
Direct Neighbour	Republic of Bophuthatswana and Republic of South Africa	Regional Land Claims Commisioner	Ms Keabetswe Mothupi	Main Section Block B Ptn 1, Ptn 16, Ptn 22, Ptn 23 and Ptn 43 of 251 IM	Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho
Direct Neighbour	Republic of Bophuthatswana	Regional Land Claims Commisioner	Ms Keabetswe Mothupi	Main Section Block B Ptn 15 and Ptn 44 of 251 IM	Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho
Direct Neighbour	National Government of RSA	Regional Land Claims Commisioner	Ms Keabetswe Mothupi	Main Section Block B Ptn 12, Ptn 21, Ptn 41 and Ptn 42 of 251 IM	Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho



Stakeholder Group	Organisation / Registered Landowner	Position	Stakeholder Contact	Property	Physical Address (if any)
Direct Neighbour	Republic of Bophuthatswana, Provincial Government of the North West Province & National Government of the RSA	Regional Land Claims Commisioner	Ms Keabetswe Mothupi	Main Section Block B Ptn 18 of 251 IM	Cnr Dr James Moroka Drive & Sekame Drive, West Gallery, Megacity Complex Mmabatho
Provincial Government	Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (NW)	Regional Manager	Mr Pumudzo Nethwadzi		Vaal University of Technology Building, c/o Voortrekker & Margaretha Prinsloo Streets, KLERKSDORP, 2570
Provincial Government	Department Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism	Head of Department	Lufuno Tshikovhi		NWDC Building, 1st Floor, Cnr Provident Street & University Drive, Mmabatho
Provincial Government	Department Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism	Chief Director: Environmental Services	Ms Q Imasiku		80 Kerk Street, Rustenburg, 0299
Provincial Government	Department of Water and Sanitation	Crocodile (West) Marico WRM	Ms. Cornia Theunissen		Old Rustenburg Road, Hartbeespoort Dam
Provincial Government	Department of Agriculture	Land Use Management	Mr Wally Mutle		
Local Government	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality	Mayor	Cllr M Maje		34 Church Street, Vryburg, 8601
Local Government	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality	Manager Office of the Municipal Manager	Phenyo Chwene		35 Church Street, Vryburg, 8601
Local Government	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality	Municipal Manager	Johnny Shai		35 Church Street, Vryburg, 8601
	North West Provincial Heritage Resources Authority		Mr Mosiane Mothlabane		1st Floor Gaabomotho Building 760 Dr.James Moroka Drive Mmabatho



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Stakeholder Group	Organisation / Registered Landowner	Position	Stakeholder Contact	Property	Physical Address (if any)
Provincial Government	SAHRA	Heritage Officer	Mr. Elijah Dumisani Kaketse		
Land Occupant	Kroonbelt Community	Local Farmer	Mr Matibako		
Local Government	Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality	Mayor	M Marabutse		New Municipal Building Tlakgamaneng Road , (Next to Ganyesa Clinic), Ganyesa 8612
Local Government	Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality	Municipal Manager	Kagisano Morapedi		New Municipal Building Tlakgamaneng Road , (Next to Ganyesa Clinic), Ganyesa 8612
Local Government	Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality	Ward 9: Councillor	Cll Pona Mereyabone		New Municipal Building Tlakgamaneng Road , (Next to Ganyesa Clinic), Ganyesa 8613
Local Government	Victor Tong Thusong Service Center (Morokweng)	Center Admin Officer	Mr Motseokae Duncan Cwaile		Next to Morokweng tribal Office Gamokgopa Section, Morokweng 8614
State-owned Enterprise	ESKOM	Transmission Communication	Camille Shah		
State-owned Enterprise	ESKOM	Grid Planning	Makoanyane Theku		



Any I&APs registering during the process will be added to the register and be submitted as part of the Basic Assessment Report.

An I&AP's personal information (name, organisation, contact numbers, email address, etc.) is collected for communication purposes to fulfil the public participation requirements of the NEMA and the NWA. Personal information, with the exclusion of their names and comments recorded, will not be made available during the PPP. This is done in order to protect all I&APs personal information in accordance with the requirements set out in the Protection of Personal Information Act 4 of 2013, (as amended). The I&APs personal information will only be made available to the Competent Authority on their request but will never be included in any documents that will be in the public domain.

4. PROCESS OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The PPP is set out in Section 41 of the NEMA GNR 982.

The objectives of the PPP:

- Identification of all I&APs.
- Allow for opportunities of other I&APs to register.
- Transparency throughout the process.
- Availability of documents to all I&APs for an opportunity to comment on the project.
- Incorporation of all comments received in the document submitted to the Regulatory Authority.
- Addressing all comments or concerns raised by I&APs.

4.1 Announcement of the Project

- Two specific actions are defined in section 41 (2)(a) and 41 (2)(c) of the GNR 982. In the first instance fixing of a notice board at a place conspicuous and accessible by the public on the border of the mining project area and secondly placing a newspaper notification in the local newspaper:
 - Site notices were placed at the proposed Kroonbelt Community near the boundary of the application area (26°19'33.19" S;23°39'34.88" E) as well as at the boundary of the application area (26°21'50.19" S; 23°40'42.98" E); refer to **Annexure 1.**
 - A notice of the application was be placed in the Daily Sun on 7 November 2022;
 refer to Annexure 2.
- Landowners, adjacent landowners and lawful occupiers are part of the stakeholder register and will be used as distribution list for this Background Information Document (BID). A copy of the BID is attached in Annexure 3:



- Public meetings will be held with I&APs if requested;
- A database of all I&APs and stakeholders will be used and updated on a regular basis to add any new I&APs that will register during the process. All relevant information will be made available to them as soon as registration is done; and
- A register of comments and responses will be developed and maintained. All
 comments and issues of concern raised by stakeholders and I&APs will be clearly
 recorded and taken into consideration and will also be consolidated into the BAR
 that will be submitted to the relevant authorities.
- The BID was delivered to the Department of Land Affairs and to the Commission on Land Restitution and Land Rights, refer to Annexure 7.

4.2 Distribution of Draft Basic Assessment Report

The draft Basic Assessment Report will be issued for comments on or before 13 December 2022. Comments need to be returned to this office on or before 7 February 2023. The draft will be issued via emails to I&APs and hard copies will be submitted to:

- Department of Mineral Resources and Energy: North West Regional Office in Klerksdorp
- Department of Water and Sanitation: Hartbeespoort Office
- Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development in Mmabatho
- Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism in Rustenburg
- Regional Land Claims Commissioner in Mmabatho
- Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompati District Municipality in Vryburg
- Kagisano/Molopo Local Municipality in Ganyesa
- Republic of Bophuthatswana and Republic of South Africa in Mmabatho

Proof of distribution will be added to the final report in **Annexures 5** and **6**.

5. CONCLUSION

To date no comments were received, but once comments are received it will be included in a comments register and an issue response will also be compiled. This report will be updated and included in the draft basic assessment report as well as into the final basic assessment report.

