

CROMEX
(PTY) LTD.



PRISM
ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SERVICES

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (NEMA), 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) AS AMENDED FOR A PROPOSED PROSPECTING RIGHT FOR CROMEX (PTY) LTD, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

Purpose of Document

The purpose of this document is to:

- Provide all potential Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with information about the proposed application for environmental authorisation.
- Introduce, explain and initiate the Public Participation Process (PPP) that is prescribed by the relevant legislation.

All I&APs are requested to provide comment on:

- The environmental (bio-physical) and socio-economical environmental and/or considerations and potential impacts.
- The proposed Public Participation Process (PPP) to be followed.
- The proposed application and authorisation process being followed.
- Any other suggestions and/or recommendations.

Location of the Project

The prospecting activities are situated across Portions 63, 64, 65, 69 and 111 of the farm Elandsdrift 467 JQ, Madibeng, North West Province (See Figure 1 below).

Date of Publication: 25 April 2017

Applicant: Cromex (Pty) Ltd

EAP: Prism EMS CC.

Ref No.: NW 30/5/1/1/3/2/12061 PR

Project Description

Cromex (Pty) Ltd aims to undertake prospecting activities on Portions 63, 64, 65, 69 and 111 of the farm Elandsdrift 467 JQ, Madibeng, North West Province.

The intention of this is to identify whether there are economically exploitable minerals located on the above-mentioned properties.

Activities related to prospecting will include both non-invasive activities and invasive activities. A summary of these activities are provided below.

Non-Invasive:

-] Desktop study
-] Design and monitoring of prospecting program
-] Layouts for drilling
-] Modelling and resource estimation
-] Mine design and feasibility study

Invasive:

-] Diamond and percussion drilling
-] Core, chip logging and sampling

Competent Authority

The competent authority for this environmental authorisation is the Department of Mineral Resources.

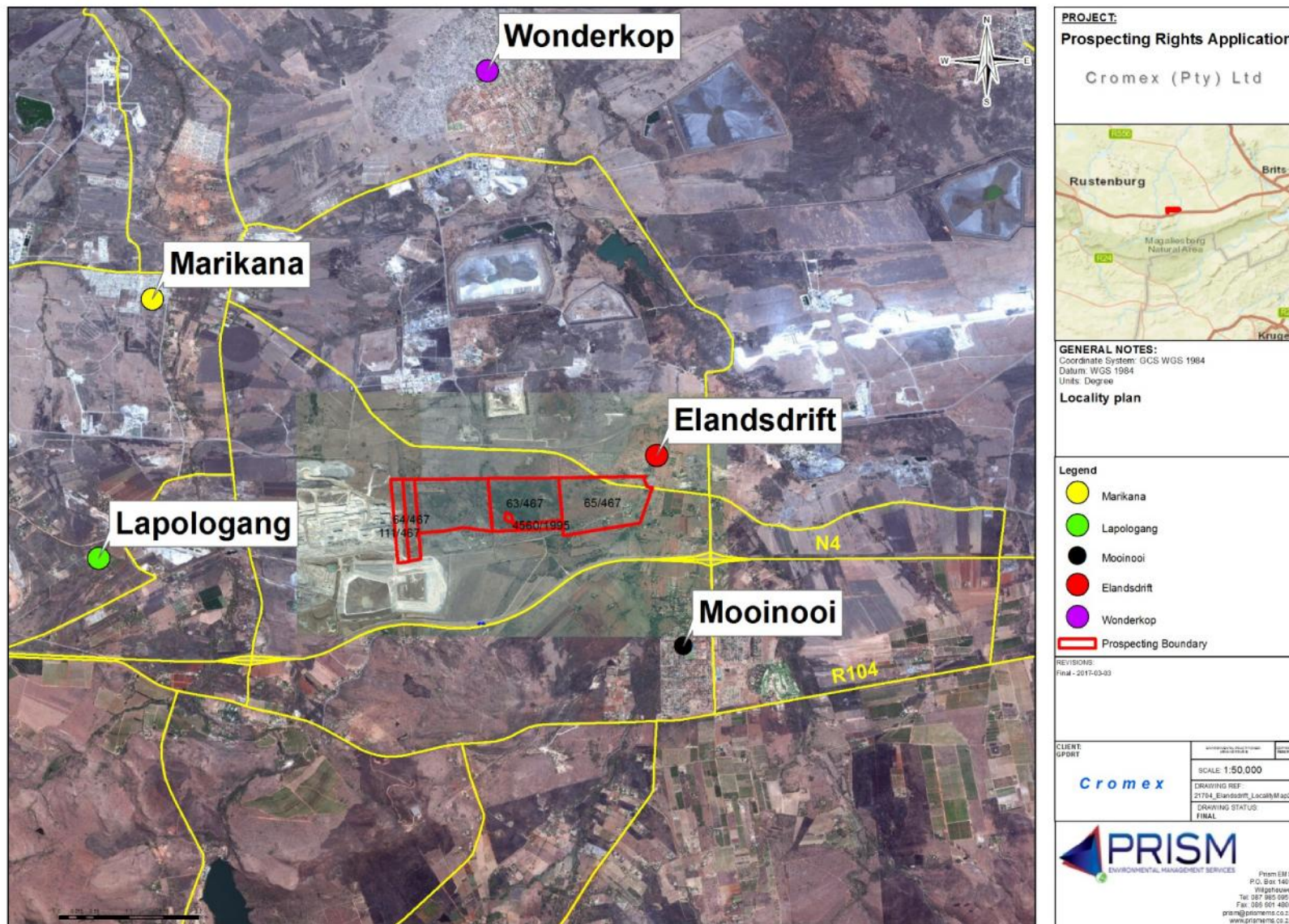


Figure 1: Overview of prospecting right area

Environmental Assessment Practitioner: Prism EMS is a multi-disciplinary Environmental Management consulting firm. With a vision encompassing a holistic understanding of integrated environmental management in combination with sustainability, the company prides itself on excellent service and value-added solutions to a range of clients:

Environmental Assessment Practitioner: Candis Lubbe Pr.Sci.Nat.

Qualification: BSc. (Hons.) Ecology, Environment and Conservation, University of the Witwatersrand

Experience: 10 years.

Be an Integral Part of the Environmental Authorisation Process: Public involvement is an essential part of any environmental assessment process. Parties wishing to register as I&APs, who wish to participate by contributing comments, or require additional information, should register and/or submit their contact details and correspondence in writing to Prism EMS, using the attached Comment Sheet. Please also note that the Basic Assessment Report will be available for public review between 25 April 2017 and 26 May 2017. Comments on the Basic Assessment Report can be submitted to Prism EMS at the contact details provided on the Comment Sheet.

Environmental Authorisation and Public Participation Processes

The key objective of Public Participation is to assist stakeholders to identify issues of concern and suggestions for enhanced benefits, and to comment at various phases of the amendment process. The Public Participation Process is an integral part of the impact assessment and will be undertaken throughout the environmental authorisation process. The public participation process to be followed by the EAP is described below.

➤ Identification of Interested and Affected Parties

A detailed Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) Database will be compiled.

The database will include organs of state that have jurisdiction over the area such as the Local and District Municipality, National Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF), Department of Rural, Environmental and Agricultural Development (READ), Department of Water and Sanitation, Provincial Heritage Resources Agency (PHRA) North West. In addition, Department of Rural Development and Land Reform will also be notified.

In addition, the I&AP database will include the affected ward councillor of the area as well potentially affected stakeholders.

➤ Public Participation and Consultation with I&APs:

Written notification in the form of a Background Information Document (BID) will be emailed to all I&APs on the I&AP Database (where email addresses are available). In addition, a public participation map will be compiled to show all adjacent landowners and hand Delivery of BIDs will then take place where necessary.

Four site notices will also be placed around the site on the same day.

An advert will be placed in the Rustenburg Herald which is a local newspaper in the area.

A 30-day review of the Basic Assessment Report between 25 April 2017 and 26 May 2017 will take place.

Copies of the report will be provided to the relevant Organs of State. All comments received during this period will be added to the project Comments and Responses Register.

Public Meeting: All registered I&APs may be invited to a public meeting where a presentation (if applicable) and discussion session will be held in the event of adequate interest.

➤ Final Submission and Decision and Appeal Phase

Copies of the Final Basic Assessment Report will be submitted to the Department within 90 days of the submission of the Application Form and will include all comments received during the public review of the documents. The Department will then have 107 days to review the information and make a decision. Registered I&APs will be notified of the Department's decision.

Application for Environmental Authorisation – Prospecting Right
 I&AP Comment and Registration Form
 NW 30/5/1/1/3/2/12061 PR
 Prism EMS Ref No: 21704



Name:				Surname			
Title				Initials			
Organisation / interest:				Capacity (e.g. Chairperson):			
Postal / Residential Address:							
	Area:					Code:	
Contact Details:	Tel:	()					
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	Mobile:	()					
	Email:						
Please mark with an X to indicate whether you would like to participate in the process:						Yes	
						No	
Preferred Method of Communication	Email		Fax		Post		
Date of Comment							
What is your main area of interest with regard to the proposed project?							
What are your points of concern or support for this project?							
Please indicate in which aspects you would require more information							
Name:				Surname:			
Tel:				Fax:			
Mobile:				Email:			
<p>In order to be registered as an I&AP for this project, fax, mail, or e-mail the completed registration form to Prism EMS:</p> <p>Attention: Candis Lubbe Tel: (011) 475 0210 Fax: (086) 601 4800 Email: candis@prismems.co.za Post: PO Box 1401, Wilgeheuwel, 1736</p> <p>Thank you for your participation.</p>							