**APPENDIX C1: DMR MEETING MINUTES** 



# **TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING**

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES TO DISCUSS ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATIONS FOR PROPOSED CHANGES AT THE TSHIPI É NTLE OPERATIONS

DATE	09:30, 11 April 2017				
VENUE:	Department of Mineral Resources offices in Kimberly				
PROJECT:	Tshipi Waste Management Licence, EIA and EMP amendment process for a new Waste Rock Dump and partial backfilling of the opencast pit				
SLR COMPANY:	SLR Consulting (Africa) Pty Ltd (SLR)				
PROJECT NUMBER:	710.20008.00041				
PURPOSE:	The purpose of the meeting was:				
	To provide an overview of the project;				
	<ul> <li>To discuss the environmental authorisation application processes that are envisaged for the project;</li> </ul>				
	To record any comments and issues raised by the DMR.				
	Discuss the way forward				
ATTENDANCE:	An attendance register is presented in Appendix 1.				

# 1. OPEN AND INTRODUCTION

JC Pretorius (JC) from SLR Consulting (Pty) Ltd opened the meeting and introduced himself, after which all attendees were provided with an opportunity to introduce themselves. A list of all attendees is included in Appendix 1. Apology was made for representatives from Tshipi who were unable to attend the meeting due to prior engagements.

# 2. DISCUSSION

JC introduced the proposed project in question and briefed the attendees on all the proposed changes to the mine and the associated authorisation processes anticipated, including the Waste Management Licence (WML) Application, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and the Section 102 EMP Amendment for the proposed new Waste Rock Dump (WRD) and the partial backfilling of the pit. The current Section 24G application in process and the imminent EMP amendment by SLR was also referred to for further background to the proposed project. In this regard, the following was discussed:

- Tshipi is an existing opencast manganese mining operation in the Northern Cape and proposes to apply for the amendment of its approved EMP to increase its Surface Use Area to include Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 RD in order to extend their Western WRD/establish a new WRD. The EIA and WML, required prior to the establishment of the WRD, will inform the EMP amendment application. Portion 8 is owned by Tshipi but it is included in a Mining Right application of another mining company.
- It is further proposed to amend the approved EMP for the intended partial pit backfilling, leaving the existing and the new WRDs and the partially backfilled pit as permanent rehabilitated remnants.

Comments raised and the response provided as part of this meeting is outlined in the table below.

# TABLE 1: RECORD OF ISSUES RAISED AND RESPONSES GIVEN

ISSUE RAISED	BY WHOM	RESPONSE GIVEN BY SLR UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED
Has the other company applied for a Mining Right on Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan and does Tshipi want to apply for the surface use of that same portion?	Raisibe Sekepane	The other mining company has applied for a mining right on Portions 8 and 20 and the application is still in process, however Tshipi is the landowner of these two portions. The two mining companies have an agreement in place to allow Tshipi to utilise the surface area of Portion 8.
Please note that in order for that agreement to remain valid, you will have to confirm with the DMR's mineral laws directorate first as the area may not be utilised for a mining related activity for the same commodity by two different companies. The SAMRAD system will not accommodate such an application.		This has been noted and the message will be conveyed to Tshipi that the mineral laws directorate in Pretoria needs to be consulted for confirmation.
If the Mining Right application of the other mining company is rejected, then the Surface Use Area for Tshipi can be extended.		SLR has noted your comment for the attention of Tshipi.
The problem here is that if any incidents occur on Portion 8 of Mamatwan and we find out about it after an inspection, we will hold the other mining company (MR Holder) liable even though it would be as a result of Tshipi's doing. The MR Holder's financial provision would increase. Their liability would increase and their risk would increase because regardless of the agreements between Tshipi and the MR Holder, if Tshipi goes bankrupt the MR Holder is liable for the rehabilitation and closure of Portion 8. A solution would be for the MR Holder to exclude Portion 8 from their Mining Right application.	Machalla Ramaboea	SLR has noted your comment for the attention of Tshipi.
Is there a possibility that the other mining company would need portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan for their own mining purposes?	Ndidzulafhi Mavhungu	It is our understanding that the other mining company is proposing mining underground for manganese on these properties but that all of their surface infrastructure will be located on Portion 20.
Tshipi will run the risk of running out of space for their waste rock.		Tshipi is running out of space on their WRDs and the establishment of a waste rock dump on Portion 8 of Mamatwan seems to be a viable option to extend the Life of Mine. The Life of Mine plan is in the process of being compiled and will provide necessary detail regarding volumes of waste to be generated and managed.
The proposal of moving to Portion 8 of the Farm Mamatwan is a scope change so a full EIA will have to be conducted	Machalla Ramaboea	Yes, SLR has been appointed to conduct the EIA and Waste Management Licence Application.

ISSUE RAISED	BY WHOM	RESPONSE GIVEN BY SLR UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED
What is the reason behind the proposed partial backfilling?	Raisibe Sekepane	SLR cannot speak on behalf of Tshipi but it is perceived that the decision is considered from an economical perspective as it could ensure the long term viability of the mine as a producer of Manganese and contributor to the local economy and a provider of jobs. It would be very expensive to haul all of the waste rock back to the pit and could put the existence of the mine at risk.
From our point of view, this presents a high environmental hazard.		All the risks will be assessed during the EIA process. The risks of the current approved scenario will be assessed against the risks of the proposed partial backfilling scenario and the acceptability of the risks of each scenario as an option will also be determined.
In terms of environmental risk, what is your opinion of the submission of this application?	Humbulani Mashau	It is only after the assessments have been done, that the risks can be determined and also the acceptability of those risks.
We would advise you to wait for the outcome of the Section 24 Application and the imminent EMP Amendment. Once that has been concluded, then only can the proposed EMP Amendment Applications follow.	Machalla Ramaboea	SLR has noted your comment for the attention of Tshipi.
I concur with Machalla, you cannot amend something that has not been approved yet.	Vincent Muila	SLR has noted your comment.
From your closure costing, what is stopping Tshipi from backfilling according to the original plan?	Vincent Muila	I cannot answer that in great detail because we have not done a closure cost update with this scenario, however the specialists who will update the closure costing will be able to answer that from a more detailed economic point of view. At this point, with the high cost associated to the double handling of the waste rock it seems likely that partial backfilling and rehabilitating the stockpiles is a more economical solution for Tshipi.
The impacts of partially backfilling are high, too much space will be taken up by the WRDs and agricultural land and any minerals below the WRDs will be sterilised. Tshipi is running away from what they had initially planned.	Machalla Ramaboea	SLR has noted your comment for the attention of Tshipi.
Are they also proposing for another pit?	Vincent Muila	No, only the current pit will be mined.
What is the status of the Section 24G application?	JC Pretorius	It is still in process. An acknowledgement letter was submitted back to SLR and it was noted that an EIA would be required (Vincent Muila).

# 3. THE WAY FORWARD

JC outlined the way forward as follows:

- The results of the discussions will be distributed to Tshipi for consideration.
- All applications will be conducted in terms of the legislative requirements.
- The environmental risks will be assessed to determine the impacts of the proposed project.

# 4. CLOSE

JC thanked all attendees from the DMR for making time to attend the meeting after which the meeting was closed.

# APPENDIX 1: ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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**APPENDIX C2: I&AP DATABASE** 

# I&AP Database

# TABLE 1: PROJECT TEAM AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT TEAM

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APPENDIX C3: I&AP NOTIFICATION LETTERS (BID AND DRAFT SCOPING REPORT)



Project Reference: 710.20008.00041

File Ref. 20180726 Tshipi Scoping Report Submission Letter DMR

26 July 2018

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# ATTENTION: TAKALANI KHOROMBI

Dear Mr Khorombi,

# TSHIPI É NTLE (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT SUBMISSION OF SCOPING REPORT

Following our correspondence dated 15 June 2018 regarding the review of the scoping report for the Tshipi Borwa Waste Rock Dump Extension Project (DMR Reference No: NC/30/5/1/2/2/206MR), please find enclosed one (1) hard copy of the final Scoping Report. The report is also uploaded onto the SAMRAD system. The Scoping Report was prepared in terms of Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations 2014 and, having been subject to the prescribed 30 day public participation process, is hereby submitted to the DMR for consideration.

The draft Scoping Report was distributed for a 30-day comment period from 15 June to 16 July 2018. Comments from interested and affected parties on the draft Scoping Report were used to update the Scoping Report where relevant.

Please send us any queries, concerns or comments regarding the scoping report.

Yours faithfully

JC Pretorius



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15 June 2018

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Geagte Meneer / Mevrou,

# TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (EDMS) BPK: TSHIPI BORWA AFVAL ROTS MYNHOOP UITBREIDING PROJEK OMVANGSVERSLAG VIR OPENBARE OORSIG

Ons vorige korrespondensie rakende die bogenoemde projek het verwysing. Hiermee verskaf ons verdere inligting rakende hierdie voorgestelde projek, die Omvangbepalingsverslag en die geleentheid om kommentaar te lewer.

#### 1. INLEIDING

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Edms) Bpk (Tshipi) bedryf die Tshipi Borwa oopgroef mangaanmyn op die plase Mamatwan 331 (mynregte- en oppervlakgebruiksareas) en Moab 700 (oppervlakgebruiksarea), ongeveer 18 km suid-oos van Hotazel in die John Taolo Gaetsewe Distriksmunisipaliteit en Joe Morolong Plaaslike Munisipaliteit van die Noord-Kaap Provinsie van Suid-Afrika (verwys na die aangehegte liggingskaart).

Tshipi het 'n mynreg (NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) en 'n Omgewingsbestuursprogramverslag (OBPr) goedgekeur deur die Departement van Minerale Hulpbronne (DMR) ingevolge die Wet op die Ontwikkeling van Minerale en Petroleumhulpbronne, 2002 (Wet Nr. 28 van 2002) (MPRDA). 'n OBPr word nou beskou as 'n Nasionale Omgewingsbestuurswet, 1998 (Wet Nr. 107 van 1998) (NEMA) Omgewingsgoedkeuring (OG). As sodanig word hierdie wysigingsaansoek gedoen ingevolge regulasie 31 van die NEMA Omgewingsimpakstudie regulasies, soos gewysig (OIS Regulasies 2014), wat substantiewe OG wysigings beheer. Tshipi het ook ander magtigings ingevolge die Nasionale Waterwet, 1998 (Wet Nr. 36 van 1998) (NWA) en NEMA.

Tshipi stel die volgende voor:

- Uitbreiding van die bestaande Oos afval rots mynhoop (ARM) in 'n suid-oostelike rigting na die mynreggrens en sodanig uiteindelik saamsmelt met die nabygeleë Mamatwan ARM, wat in wese die smal leemte tussen hierdie twee ARMe sal vul;
- Uitbreiding van die bestaande Wes ARM na 'n gedeelte van Gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 ten einde bykomende bergingskapasiteit vir afval rots te verskaf;
- Konstruksie van 'n 11kV oorhoofse kraglyn vanaf 'n goedgekeurde Eskom-substasie wat nog gebou moet word, langs die suidelike grens van gedeelte 8 op die bestaande mynregterrein, en die verbinding van hierdie nuwe lyn in die hoofverspreidingsentrum op die myn; en



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 Konstruksie van 'n bogrondse vervoerbandstelsel tussen die bestaande gebreekte produkbergingshope by die sekondêre breek- en siftingsaanleg na die bestaande produkbergingshope geleë naby die trein laaiplek.

#### 2. OPSOMMING VAN MAGTIGINGS VERLANG

Voor die aanvang van die voorgestelde projek en ter ondersteuning van die aansoek om die Tshipi Borwamyn OBPr te wysig ingevolge Artikel 102 van die MPRDA, word verskeie omgewingsmagtigings deur die bevoegde owerhede vereis. Dit sluit in:

- 'n Omgewingsgoedkeuring (OG) van die DMR ingevolge die NEMA. Die voorgestelde projek sluit verskeie aktiwiteite gelys in die Regeringskennisgewing Regulasie (GNR) 983 en 984 van 4 Desember 2014, soos gewysig (OIS Regulasies 2014) in. Dit lei tot die vereiste dat Tshipi 'n OG moet verkry voor die aanvang van die aktiwiteite ;
- 'n Afvalbestuurslisensie (ABL) van die DMR in terme van die Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur: Afval Wet, 2008 (Wet No. 59 van 2008) (NEM:WA). Die voorgestelde projek bevat afvalbestuursaktiwiteite gelys in Regeringskennisgewing Regulasie (GNR) 921 van 29 November 2013, soos gewysig;
- 'n Watergebruikslisensie (WGL) van die Departement van Water en Sanitasie (DWS) benodig vir die watergebruike soos gelys in Artikel 21 van die NWA wat deel van die projek uitmaak. 'n Aansoek sal ook by die DWS ingedien word vir vrystelling van die vereistes van relevante bepalings van Regulasie 704 (1999) ingevolge die NWA; en
- Geskrewe magtiging word vereis ingevolge Artikel 102 van die MPRDA, gelees tesame met die NEMA OIS Regulasies om die bestaande Tshipi OBPr te wysig.

Enige bykomende goedkeurings/permitte wat benodig word vir die Projek sal tydens die OIB-proses geïdentifiseer word. 'n Volledige lys van sulke vereistes sal in die Omgewingsimpakverslag (OIV) voorsien word, wat 'n OBPr sal insluit.

Ander permitte in terme van gesondheids- en veiligheidsregulasies mag deur Tshipi verkry word, maar dit val buite die omvang van die OIB-proses.

#### 3. OIS-PROSES

'n OIB wat in terme van regulasie 21 van die OIS-regulasie 2014, soos gewysig geïnisieer is word in twee fases uitgevoer. Die eerste fase is die Omvangbepalingsfase en die tweede fase is die omgewingsimpakbepaling (OIB) fase. Die doelwitte van hierdie fases word kortliks hieronder uiteengesit.

#### **Omvangbepalingsfase**

In die konteks van die voorgestelde projek is die doel van die omvangbepalingsfase om:

- Relevante beleide en wetgewing te identifiseer;
- Oorweeg die behoefte en wenslikheid;
- Oorweeg alternatiewe tegnologieë en terreine;
- Identifiseer die potensiële omgewingsvraagstukke;
- Bepaal die vlak van assessering en openbare deelname wat benodig word vir die OIB-fase;
- Identifiseer en beskryf watter ondersoeke gedoen moet word; en
- Identifiseer voorlopige maatreëls om potensiële impakte te vermy, te verminder of te bestuur.



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'n Plan van Studie sal gegenereer word vir die OIB-fase waarin uiteengesit word hoe die potensiële impakte geassesseer sal word.

#### OIB-fase

Die doelwitte van die OIB-fase is om die potensiële impakte wat met die voorkeur projek-alternatiewe geassosieer word, te evalueer volgens die opdrag vir die assessering wat in die Omvangsbepalingsverslag uiteengesit word. Die OIB sal die assesseringsbevindings dokumenteer en sal die nodige maatreëls aandui om die moontlike impakte te vermy, te versag en/of te bestuur. Hierdie fase sluit ook publieke deelname in en bied belanghebbende en geaffekteerde partye (B&GPe) die geleentheid om by te dra tot die OIB-proses.

#### 4. WATERGEBRUIKSLISENSIE AANSOEK

'n WGL aansoek proses is van stapel gestuur in 2017 met DWS om aansoek te doen vir verskeie watergebruike ingevolge Artikel 21 van die NWA wat verband hou met voorgestelde veranderinge by die myn tydens die 2017 OBPr wysigingsproses. B&GPe is gedurende Junie 2017 in kennis gestel van die WGLA-proses en was uitgenooi om insette in die proses te lewer. Die OBPr wysigingsproses is voltooi, maar die WGLA is nog nie aan DWS voorgelê nie. Die huidige projek sal vereis dat nuwe watergebruike gemagtig word, wat ingesluit sal word in die bogenoemde WGLA. Die nuwe watergebruik is geadverteer as deel van die huidige OIB-proses en B&GPe word uitgenooi om insette te lewer in hierdie proses.

# 5. POTENSIËLE IMPAKTE

Potensiële impakte wat tydens die omvangsbepaling geïdentifiseer is, word hieronder gelys:

- Verlies en sterilisasie van minerale hulpbronne;
- Veranderende natuurlike topografie;
- Besoedeling vanweë emissies in die lug;
- Verandering van natuurlike dreineringspatrone;
- Besoedeling van oppervlakwaterhulpbronne;
- Besoedeling van grondwaterhulpbronne;
- Verlies van grondhulpbronne en grondvermoë deur fisiese versteuring en besoedeling;
- Verandering in grondgebruik;
- Fisiese vernietiging en algemene versteuring van biodiversiteit;
- Negatiewe visuele impakte;
- Versteuring van paaie deur projekverwante verkeer;
- Toename in steurende geraasvlakke;
- Verlies van of skade aan erfenis- en/of paleontologiese hulpbronne;
- Positiewe sosio-ekonomiese impakte (Ekonomiese impak); en
- Negatiewe sosio-ekonomiese impakte (inwaartse migrasie).

Hierdie impakte sal tydens die OIB-fase ondersoek word en die bevindings sal in die OIV en OBPr gerapporteer word.



#### 6. OPENBARE DEELNAMEPROSES

'n Openbare deelnameproses is geïnisieer en het tot op hede kennisgewing van B&GPe ingesluit deur die verspreiding van 'n Agtergrondinligtingsdokument (AID), plasing van koerantadvertensies, terrein kennisgewings en 'n openbare vergadering.

B&GPe word hiermee uitgenooi om hierdie Omvangsbepalings-verslag vir 'n tydperk van 30 dae gedurende Junie 2018 te hersien. Die proses van openbare deelname sal deurlopend deur die OIB en WGLA-proses voortgesit word en B&GPe sal die geleentheid kry om insette daaroor te lewer. Die kommentaar wat deur die B&GPe tot dusver ontvang is, is in Bylae 1 ingesluit, tesame met gepaardgaande antwoorde.

## 7. OORSIG VAN OMVANGSVERSLAG EN INLEIDING VAN KOMMENTAAR

Die omvangsbepalingsverslag sal beskikbaar wees vir kommentaar van 15 Junie 2018 tot 16 Julie 2018. Eksemplare van die verslag is by die volgende plekke vir openbare oorsig beskikbaar gestel:

- Kathu Biblioteek;
- Hotazel Biblioteek; en
- https://slrconsulting.com/za/slr-documents

Vir kwessies om ingesluit te word in die finale omvangsverslag moet dit teen die einde van besigheidsure op 16 Julie 2018 ingedien word aan SLR. Kommentaar moet skriftelik ingedien word aan:

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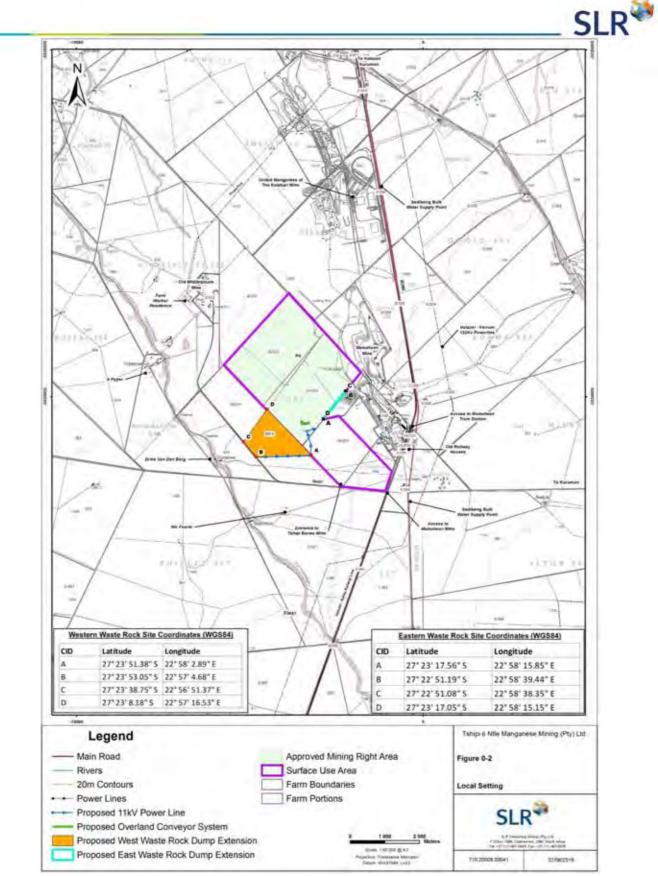
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Indien u verdere inligting benodig, kontak asseblief JC Pretorius met die kontakbesonderhede hierbo verskaf.

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Figuur 1: Ligging



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Bylae A: Kwessies en kwellinge geopper tot op hede (Alternatiewe bewoording: "Publieke Kommentare en Reaksies")



## OPSOMMING VAN DIE KWESSIES WAT DEUR REGULATORIESE OWERHEDE EN BGPE GEOPPER IS

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GEAFFEKTEERDE	PARTYE			
Omliggende gron	deienaars			
Andries van den Berg	14 September 2017, by die publieke vergadering.	X	Ek woon baie naby aan die myn en ek is bekommerd oor die dust aside chemikalieë wat in my weiding kan inspoel, is die chemikalieë skadelik en hoe sal dit hanteer word? Sal die toegangspad geteer word of hoe sal die dust aside afloop beheer word?	Die gebruik van dust aside is 'n manier om die opwekking van stof langs grondpaaie te bestuur. Dit is in ooreenstemming met Tshipi se EMP bestuursaksies wat die gebruik van stof bindende middels stipuleer. Dit word verstaan dat dust aside nie as skadelik vir die omgewing beskou word nie en nie tot besoedeling sal bydra nie. Tydens die toediening van die dust aside moet Tshipi verseker dat die dust aside slegs op die padoppervlak beperk word.
			Watter hellings gaan julle vir die mynhope gebruik? Wat is die aanvaarbare helling volgens die wet of beste praktyk en hoe ver sal dit van die heining af kom? Watter stormwaterinfrastruktuur sal rondom die ARM gebou word om te verhoed dat besoedelde afloop op my land inloop?	Tydens 'n vergadering met die DMR is bevestig dat 18 tot 26 grade aanvaarbaar sal wees. James Manis het aangedui dat die afstand tussen die syhelling en die heining 30 meter sal wees. Die OIV sal detail oor die hellingshoeke van die WRD's bevat. Ingevolge die wetlike vereistes moet die afloop van die stormwater van die ARM beheer word. Die OIV sal besonderhede bevat oor hoe water by die ARMe bestuur sal word.
			Wat grondwater betref, het ek twee boorgate wat langs die substasie en plaashuis op die restant gedeelte van die plaas Mamatwan 331 lê. Die twee boorgate het opgedroog en lewer geen water nie. Ek wil graag weet wat sal gebeur in die toekoms en of die myn ons van water sal voorsien?	Die voorgestelde projek sal nie verdere ontwateringsaktiwiteite vereis nie. As sodanig bly die ontwateringsimpakte wat in die 2017 OBPr geassesseer is, steeds geldig. Die ontwateringsmodellering het getoon dat jou boorgat 'n daling in watervlakke van 4 tot 7 meter kan ervaar. Die Tshipi OBPr sluit 'n verbintenis in om derdeparty boorgate te moniteer en as boorgatgebruikers enige mynverwante waterverlies ervaar, sal Tshipi, in samewerking met ander myne in die gebied wat bydra tot die kumulatiewe impak, vergoeding verskaf, wat verskaffing van alternatiewe water van gelykwaardige watergehalte en hoeveelheid kan insluit soos per die



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				goedgekeurde OBPr. James Manis van Tshipi het tydens die vergadering bevestig dat daar 'n verbintenis is in die goedgekeurde OBPr (SLR, Oktober 2017), ten opsigte van watervoorsiening om water te voorsien
				as dit bewys is dat die myn watertoevoer aan derde partye in gevaar gestel het, wat oorgedra word in hierdie EMPr.
		reë in die top	k is bekommerd oor die veranderende eënvalpatrone. Daar is 'n skerp afname n reënval op my grond om die myn, kan ie verandering in die plaaslike opografie deur die put en ARMe en vindpatrone iets hiermee te doen hê?	Inset is verkry van Airshed Planning Professionals soos volg: Die meeste van die reën oor die drie jaar (2015 - 2017) is gedurende die maande Januarie en Februarie 2017 ontvang. In totaal het 2016 die hoogste reënval in Kuruman oor die drie jaar gehad. Reënval sal waarskynlik nie aansienlik beïnvloed word deur plaaslike topografiese veranderinge nie en is waarskynlik die gevolg van klimaatsverandering. Die Waternavorsings- kommissie (WRC) ondersoek die veranderinge in uiterste reënval in die medium termyn (2040 - 2060) en die sinoptiese bestuurders van hierdie verandering in die lang termyn (2070 - 2099). 'n Aanvanklike assessering dui op droër as normale toestande wat oor baie van Suider-Afrika geprojekteer word, asook die verhoogde moontlikheid van uiterste reënval.
ANDER GEÏNTER	ESSEERDE EN GEAFFEKTE		ΔΩRTVF	( <u>http://www.csag.uct.ac.za/projected-changes-in-extreme-</u> rainfall-over-south-africa/)



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L Mathonsi Waarnemende Depot Bestuurder, Transnet, Kimberley	6 September 2017, brief.	X	Hierdie kantoor het geen beswaar teen die voorstel nie. Transnet en sy OD's word nie geraak nie aangesien die terrein ongeveer 2,4 km suid-oos van die naaste ontwikkeling (dieselplaas) lê. Tegnies gesproke, vanuit 'n siviele oogpunt, het ons geen besware teen die voorstel nie. Transnet Freight Rail sal egter die geleentheid hê om ons standpunt te hersien met betrekking tot hierdie voorstel sodra finale planne voorberei is.	Kennis word geneem van u kommentaar. Die OIV sal meer gedetailleerde inligting verskaf oor die voorgestelde projek en u sal die geleentheid kry om hierdie verslag te hersien.
Masthidiso	14 September 2017, by die publieke vergadering.	y die publieke	Soos u die betrokkenheid van regulerende owerhede in u aanbieding genoem het, sal u nog 'n ontmoeting met hulle hê?	Ja, 'n afsonderlike vergadering is op 14 September 2017 om 12:00 geskeduleer en alle relevante regulerende owerhede is uitgenooi, maar geen amptenare het hierdie vergadering bygewoon nie. Daar is ook vergaderings gehou met die Departement van Minerale Hulpbronne (DMR) voor die aanvang van die projek (voor-aansoek vergaderings).
			Hoe sal die hervulproses plaasvind? Sal Tshipi afval rots uit die bestaande ARMe haal?	Gelyktydige terugvulling vind plaas as die put ontwikkel word. Ten tye van hierdie openbare vergadering het Tshipi die gedeeltelike terugvulling oorweeg in plaas van die volle hervulling van die put. Tshipi het egter later sy onmiddellike mynontwikkelingsvereistes heroorweeg en as gevolg van veranderde prioriteite sal dit nie op hierdie stadium aansoek doen om 'n verandering in die mynvervulling / sluiting doelwitte nie. Daarom sal afval rots van die oorblywende ARMe op hierdie stadium in die finale put geplaas word tydens sluiting, alhoewel sommige afval rots permanent op die oppervlak kan bly.



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			Sal SLR betrokke wees by die implementering van die voorgestelde projek (d.w.s. konstruksie) of sal hulle net die omgewingsevaluering doen?	SLR is 'n onafhanklike omgewingskonsultant en sal nie betrokke wees by die implementering van die voorgestelde projek nie. James Manis het dit bevestig dat Tshipi die dienste van 'n onafhanklike maatskappy vereis om deursigtig te rapporteer oor enige projekverwante omgewingskwessies aan die publiek.		
	Х	X	Na aanleiding van my vorige vraag, sal enige indiensnemingsgeleenthede aangebied word?	James Manis het bevestig dat die indiensnemingsproses uitsluitlik deur die myn hanteer sal word, afhangende van die goedkeuring van die projek.		
			Sal daar 'n tweede ronde openbare deelname wees voor die indiening van die finale OIS?	Die proses van openbare deelname sal gedurende die OIS-fase voortduur. As sodanig sal alle B & GPe op hoogte bly van die projek en die geleentheid kry om die verslae te hersien en insette te lewer in enige stadium van die OIB-proses.		
Lennox Ka Tong	14 September 2017, X by die publieke vergadering.	X	Sal Tshipi adverteer tydens die implementeringsfase van hierdie projek?	SLR sal nie betrokke wees by die advertering van tenders of kontrakte vir die projek nie. Tshipi sal tydens die implementeringsfase normale indiensnemingsprosedures volg.		
Erol Tshelang Motlhatlhedi	3 Junie 2018, via e- X pos	X	Ek het 'n klein konstruksiemaatskappy hier in Kathu. My siening van hierdie projek is dat met projekte soos hierdie dit baie belangrik is, aangesien die werkloses sal voordeel trek in ons streek, aangesien daar baie werkloosheid hier is. Ten minste sal 'n paar mans en vroue die geleentheid kry vir permanente en tydelike werk. Dit is goeie nuus vir ons plaaslike sake, aangesien ons ook geleentheid kan hê om sake te doen. My maatskappy is Termo Construction (Edms) Bpk. My besigheid is algemene boukonstruksie en verskaffing van goedere en materiale.	Kennis word geneem van u kommentaar.		



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Natasha Higgitt South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	5 June 2018, via e- pos	Dankie dat u die SAHRA in kennis gestel het van die voorgestelde ontwikkeling. Let asseblief daarop dat alle ontwikkelingsaansoeke via ons aanlynportaal verwerk word. Die Suid- Afrikaanse Erfenishulpbronne- inligtingstelsel (SAHRIS) word by die volgende skakel gevind: http://sahra.org.za/sahris/. Skep asseblief 'n aansoek op SAHRIS en laai alle dokumente wat verband hou met die aansoek om omgewingsmagtiging. Kragtens artikel 38 (8) van die Wet op Nasionale Erfenishulpbronne, Wet 25 van 1999 (NHRA), moet 'n assessering van erfenishulpbronne deel vorm van die proses en die assessering moet voldoen aan artikel 38 (3) van die NHRA. Sodra alle dokumente, insluitend alle bylaes, na die saak aansoek opgelaai is, maak asseblief seker dat die status van die saak verander word van KONSEP tot INGEDIEN. Maak asseblief seker dat alle dokumente wat as deel van die omgewingsmagtigings-proses geproduseer word, as deel van die	'n Aansoek sal op SAHRIS geskep word soos versoek. 'n Erfenisspesialis studie sal as deel van die OIS uitgevoer word en sal voldoen aan die toepaslike wetlike vereistes. Die Omvangsbepalingsverslag, OIB en OBPr, tesame met toepaslike spesialisverslae sal op SAHRIS opgelaai word, soos dit vir hersiening beskikbaar word.



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		van die publieke oorsigperiodes voorgelê word aan die SAHRA. Sodra al hierdie dokumente opgelaai is, sal ek 'n ingeligte kommentaar kan lewer ingevolge artikel 38 (4) en 38 (8) van die NHRA.	

X = indicates I&AP's that were consulted



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# **ATTENTION: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES**

Dear Sir/Madam,

# TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

Our previous correspondence regarding the above mentioned project has reference. We hereby provide further information regarding this proposed project, the Scoping Report and the opportunity to comment.

# 1. INTRODUCTION

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd (Tshipi) operates the Tshipi Borwa open pit manganese mine located on the farms Mamatwan 331 (mining right and surface use areas) and Moab 700 (surface use area), located approximately 20 km to the south of Hotazel with boundaries falling within the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality and Joe Morolong Local Municipality, Northern Cape Province of South Africa (refer to the attached locality map).

Tshipi holds a mining right (NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) and an Environmental Management Programme Report (EMPr) approved by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in terms of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). Tshipi intends to amend its EMPr in terms of section 102 of the MPRDA. An EMPr is now considered to be a National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) Environmental Authorisation (EA). As such, this amendment application is made in terms of regulation 31 of the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, as amended (EIA Regulations 2014), which governs substantive EA amendments. Tshipi also holds other authorisations in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA) and the NEMA.

Tshipi is proposing the following changes to its current operation:

- extending the Tshipi East Waste Rock Dump (WRD) in a south-easterly direction towards the mining right boundary and finally to ultimately merge with the nearby Mamatwan WRD, essentially filling the narrow void between these two WRDs;
- extending the Tshipi West WRD in a south-westerly direction onto a portion of Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331, in order to provide additional storage capacity for waste rock;
- constructing an 11kV overhead powerline from an approved Eskom sub-station still to be built, along the southern boundary of Portion 8 onto the existing mining right area, and connecting this new line into the main distribution centre on the mine; and
- constructing an overland conveyor system between the existing crushed product ore stockpiles at the secondary crushing and screening plant, to the existing product ore stockpiles located in close proximity to the train load-out station.



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# 2. SUMMARY OF AUTHORISATIONS REQUIRED

In order to obtain approval for the proposed project and in support of the application to amend the Tshipi Borwa Mine EMPr in terms of Section 102 of the MPRDA, as read with the NEMA EIA Regulations, various authorisations are required from the competent authorities. These include:

- an EA from the DMR in terms of NEMA. The proposed project encompasses several activities listed in Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 983 and 984 of 4 December 2014, as amended (EIA 2014 Regulations). This triggers the requirement for Tshipi to obtain an EA prior to the commencement of the activities;
- a Waste Management License (WML) from the DMR in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act (No. 59 of 2008) (NEM:WA). The proposed project includes waste management activities listed in Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 921 of 29 November 2013, as amended; and
- a WUL is required from the DWS for the water uses listed in section 21 of the NWA, as triggered by the Project. An application will also be lodged with the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for exemption from the requirements of relevant conditions in terms of the Regulations on Use of Water for Mining and Related Activities Aimed at the Protection of Water Resources (GNR 704 of 4 June 1999) in terms of the NWA; and
- Written consent in terms of Section 102 of the MPRDA, as read with the NEMA EIA Regulations to amend Tshipi's exisiting EMPr.

Any additional approvals/permits needed for the project will be identified during the course of the EIA process. A detailed list of such requirements will be provided in the Environmental Impact Report (EIR), which will include an EMPr.

Tshipi may be required to obtain other permits and authorisations in terms of health and safety legislation , however, this falls outside the scope of the EIA process.

#### 3. EIA PROCESS

An EIA initiated in terms of regulation 21 of the EIA Regulation 2014, as amended, is conducted in two phases. The first phase is the Scoping Phase and the second is the EIA Phase. The objectives of these phases are briefly outlined below.

#### Scoping Phase

In the context of the proposed project the aim of the scoping phase is to:

- identify relevant policies and legislation;
- consider the need and desirability;
- consider alternative technologies and sites;
- identify the potential environmental issues;
- determine the level of assessment and public participation required for the EIA phase;
- identify and outline what investigations need to be conducted; and
- identify preliminary measures to avoid, mitigate or manage potential impacts.

A Plan of Study will be generated for the EIA Phase outlining how the potential impacts will be assessed.



#### EIA Phase

The overall objective of the EIA Phase is to assess the potential impacts associated with the preferred project alternatives as per the terms of reference for the assessment that are set out in the Scoping Report. The EIA will document the assessment findings and detail the measures required to avoid, mitigate and/or manage the potential impacts. This phase also includes public participation and provides interested and affected parties (I&APs) the opportunity to contribute to the EIA process.

#### 4. WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION

A Water Use Licence application (WULA) process was initiated in 2017 with the DWS to apply for various water uses in terms of Section 21 of the NWA, related to proposed changes at the mine during the initial EMPr amendment process. I&APs were informed of the WULA process during June 2017 and invited to provide input into the process. The EMPr amendment process was completed; however, the WULA has not yet been submitted to DWS. The current project will require authorisation of new water uses which will be included in the above-mentioned WULA. The new water uses have been advertised as part of the current EIA process and I&APs are invited to provide input into the process.

#### 5. POTENTIAL IMPACTS

Potential impacts that were identified during the scoping process are listed below:

- loss and sterilization of mineral resources;
- altering natural topography;
- reduction in air quality due to air emissions;
- alteration of natural drainage patterns;
- contamination of surface water resources;
- contamination of groundwater resources;
- loss of soil resources and land capability through physical disturbance and pollution;
- change in land use;
- physical destruction and general disturbance of biodiversity;
- negative visual impacts;
- disturbance of roads by project related traffic;
- increase in noise levels;
- loss of or damage to heritage and/or paleontological resources;
- positive socio economic impacts (Economic impact); and
- negative socio economic impacts (Inward migration).

These impacts will be investigated during the EIA Phase and the findings will be reported in the EIA and EMPr.

#### 6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

The public participation process to date has included notification of interested and affected parties (I&APs) through distribution of a Background Information Document (BID), placement of newspaper advertisements, site notices and a public meeting.

I&APs are now invited to review this Scoping Report for a period of 30-days during June and July 2018. The WULA will be made available for public review upon request. The public participation process will continue throughout the EIA and WULA process and I&APs will be given the opportunity to provide input thereon.



Comments received from I&APs to date have been included in Appendix 1, along with the corresponding responses.

## 7. REVIEW OF SCOPING REPORT AND SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

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- Kathu Library;
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- The SLR website at: <u>https://slrconsulting.com/za/slr-documents</u>

For comments to be included in the final Scoping Report they must reach SLR by close of business on **16 July 2018**. Comments should be submitted in writing to:

## **Clive Phashe or JC Pretorius**

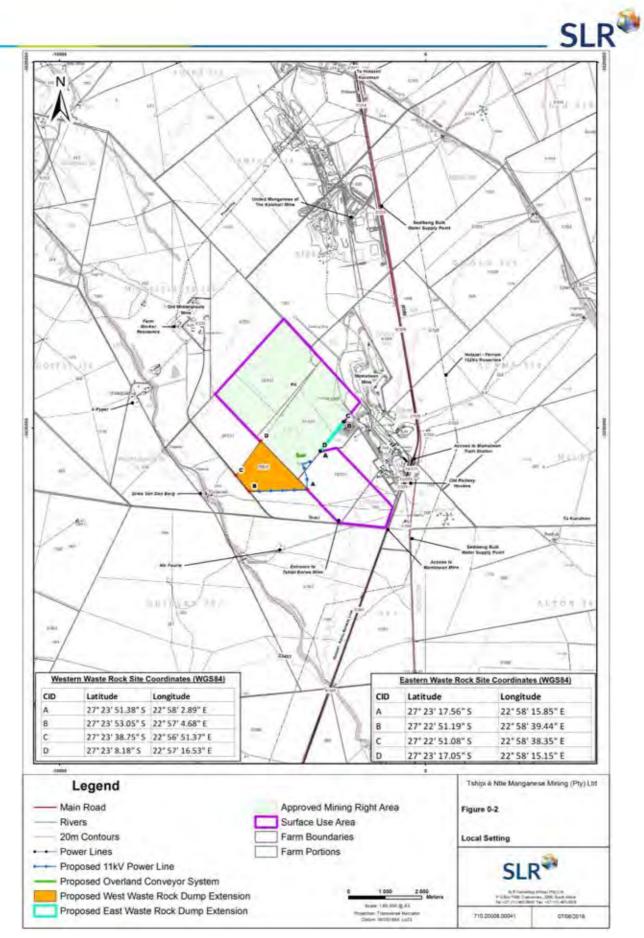
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Should you require further information please contact JC Pretorius using the contact details provided above.

Yours faithfully

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# Appendix A: Issues and Concerns Raised to Date (Alternatively wording: "Public Comments and Responses")

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14 September 2017 at the public scoping meeting.	Х	I live very close to the mine and I am concerned about the dust aside chemicals that wash into my grazing, are the chemicals harmful and how will that be handled? Will the access road be tarred or how will the dust aside runoff be controlled?	The use of dust-a-side is a means of managing the generation of dust along gravel roads. This is in compliance with Tshipi's EMP management actions that stipulate the use of dust binding agents. It is understood that dust-a-side is not considered to be harmful to the environment and will not contribute towards pollution. During the application of the dust-a-side, Tshipi needs to ensure that the dust-a-side is limited to the road surface only.				
		What angles are you going to use for the stockpiles? What is the acceptable angle according to the law or best practise and how far will they be from the fence? What stormwater infrastructure will be constructed around the WRD to prevent contaminated runoff running onto my	<ul> <li>During a meeting with the DMR it was confirmed that 18 to 26 degrees would be acceptable.</li> <li>James Manis indicated that the distance between the side slope and the fence would be 30 metres. The EIR will contain detail on the slope angles of the WRDs.</li> <li>In terms of the legal requirements the stormwater runoff from the WRD must be contained. The EIR will contain detail on how water will be managed at the WRDs.</li> </ul>				
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#### SUMMARY OF ISSUES RAISED BY REGULATORY AUTHORITIES AND IAPS



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		In terms of groundwater, I have two boreholes that lie next to the substation and farmhouse on the remainder of the farm Mamatwan 331. The two boreholes have dried up and deliver no water. I would like to know what will happen in future and whether the mine will supply us with water?	The proposed project will not require further dewatering activities. As such the dewatering impacts assessed in the 2017 EMPr remain valid. The dewatering modelling showed that your borehole could experience a drop in water levels of 4 to 7 metres. The Tshipi EMPr includes a commitment to monitor third party boreholes and if borehole users experience any mine related water loss, Tshipi will, in conjunction with other mines in the area that are contributors to the cumulative impact, provide compensation, which could include an alternative water supply of equivalent water quality and quantity as per the approved EMPr.
			James Manis from Tshipi confirmed at the meeting that there is a commitment in the approved EMP (SLR, October 2017) in terms of water provision to provide water if it is proven that the mine has compromised water supply to third parties, and that commitment will be carried across into this EMPr.



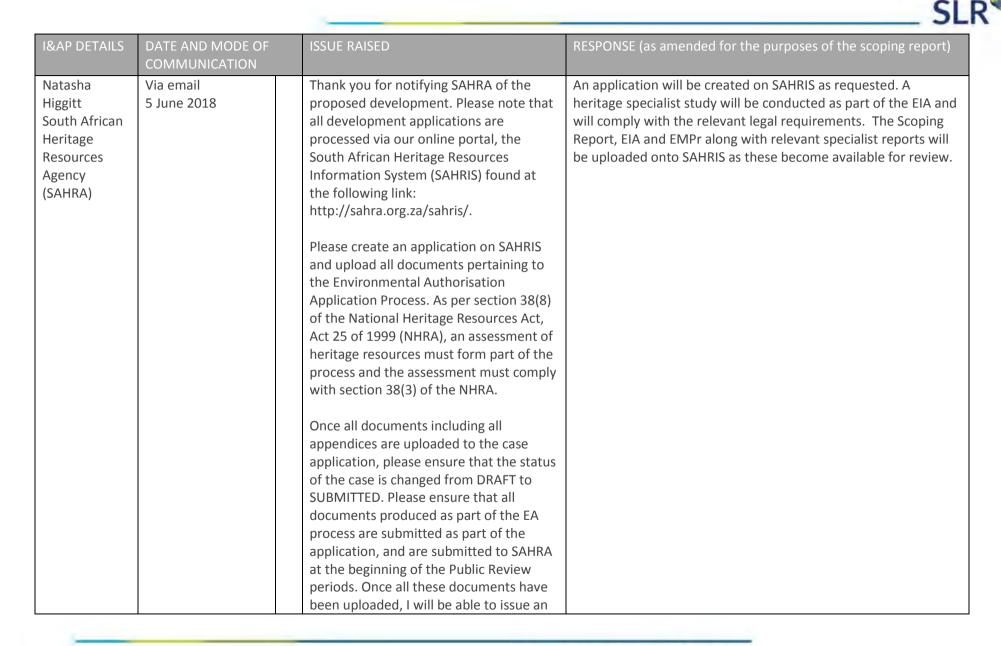
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			I am concerned about the changing rainfall patterns. There seems to be a sharp decline of rainfall on my land surrounding the mine, could the change in the local topography by the pit and WRDs and wind patterns have anything to do with this?	Input has been obtained from Airshed Planning Professionals as follows: Most of the rain over the three years (2015 – 2017) was received during the months of January and February 2017. In total, 2016 had the highest rainfall at Kuruman over the three years. Rainfall is not likely to be significantly influences by local topographical changes and is more likely the result of climate change. The Water Research Commission (WRC) is investigating the changes in extreme rainfall in the medium term (2040 – 2060) and the synoptic drivers of this change in the long term (2070 – 2099). An initial assessment indicates drier than normal conditions projected over much of southern Africa alongside increased possibility of extreme rainfall. (http://www.csag.uct.ac.za/projected-changes-in-extreme- rainfall-over-south-africa/)
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L Mathonsi Acting Depot	6 September 2017, letter.	Х	This office has no objection to the proposal. Transnet and its OD's are not	Your comment is noted. The EIR will provide more detailed information about the proposed project and you will be given
Manager,	letter.		affected as the site lies approximately 2,4	the opportunity to review this report.
Transnet,			km south-east from the closest	
Kimberley			development (diesel farm).	
			Technically speaking, from a Civil point of view, we foresee no objections to the proposal.	
			Transnet Freight Rail would however, like the opportunity to re-evaluate our position with regards to this proposal once final plans have been prepared.	



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Sepalamelo Masthidiso	14 September 2017 at the public scoping meeting.	X	As you have mentioned the involvement of regulatory authorities in your presentation, will you be having another meeting with them?	Yes, a separate meeting was scheduled to take place on 14 September 2017 at 12:00 and all relevant regulatory authorities were invited, however no officials attended this meeting. Meetings were also held with the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) prior to the commencement of the project (pre-application meetings).
			How will the backfilling process take place? Will Tshipi haul some waste rock from the existing waste rock dump?	Concurrent backfilling takes place as the pit is developed. At the time of this public meeting, Tshipi was considering partial backfill instead of complete backfill of the pit. However Tshipi has subsequently reconsidered its immediate mine development requirements and due to changed priorities it will not at this stage apply for a change in the mine backfill/closure objectives. Therefore, at this stage waste rock from the remaining WRDs will be placed in the final pit void during closure, although some waste rock may remain on surface in perpetuity.
			Will SLR be involved in implementing the proposed project (i.e. construction) or will they just do the environmental assessment?	<ul><li>SLR is an independent environmental consulting firm and will not be involved in implementing the proposed project.</li><li>James Manis confirmed that by law, Tshipi requires the services of an independent company to transparently report on any project related- environmental issues to the public.</li></ul>
		Х	Following my previous question, will any procurement opportunities be presented?	James Manis confirmed that the procurement process will solely be handled by the mine, depending on whether it receives authorisation for the project.
			Will there be a second round of public participation before the submission of the final EIA?	The public participation process will continue during the EIA phase. As such all I&APs will continue to be informed about the project and have the opportunity to review the reports and provide input at any stage in the EIA process.



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Lennox Ka Tong	14 September 2017 at the public scoping meeting.	Х	Will Tshipi advertise during the implementation phase of this project?	SLR will not be involved in advertising any tenders or contracts for the project. Tshipi will follow normal procurement and employment procedures during the implementation phase.
Erol Tshelang Motlhatlhedi	3 June 2018 via email	X	I have a small construction company based here in Kathu. My view to this project is that with projects like these it is highly important as this will benefit the unemployed in our region as there is a lot of unemployment here. At least few men and women will get the opportunity for permanent and temporary jobs and this is the best breaking news also to us local business as we also can have opportunity to make business. My company is Termo Construction (Pty) Ltd, my business is general building construction and supply of goods and materials.	Your comment is noted.



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I&AP DETAILS	DATE AND MODE OF COMMUNICATION	ISSUE RAISED	RESPONSE (as amended for the purposes of the scoping report)
		informed comment as per section 38(4) and 38(8) of the NHRA.	

X = indicates I&AP's that were consulted



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15 June 2018

Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) Northern Cape Private Bag X6093 Kimberley 8300

## ATTENTION: TAKALANI KHOROMBI

Dear Mr Khorombi,

## TSHIPI É NTLE (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW

## 1. INTRODUCTION

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Prior to the commencement of these activities an EIA regulatory process must be conducted and approved by the DMR. In addition Tshipi must amend the mine's EMPr in terms of Section 102 of



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Yours faithfully

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## TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT UPDATE ON TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

(SLR PROJECT NO.: 710.20008.00041) MAY 2018

#### INTRODUCTION

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In September 2017 you were informed that Tshipi proposed to:

- \* Change the mine backfill strategy and closure objectives to allow for partial backfilling instead of complete backfilling of its pit; and
- Extend the mines existing West Waste Rock Dump (WRD) onto the remaining extent of Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 to provide additional storage capacity.

These activities required that a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) be undertaken and various environmental authorisation processes to be followed.

Tshipi has subsequently reconsidered its immediate mine development requirements which now include the following (see Figure 1):

- Extend the existing West WRD onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 and include this area into the mining right area;
- \* Extend the existing East WRD towards the Mamatwan WRD by filling the void between these dumps to provide additional storage capacity;
- Construct an 11kV powerline along the West WRD extension boundary; and
- \* Construct an overland conveyor system from the existing crushing and screening plant to the existing manganese product stockpiles.

Thus the scope of the EIA will change to address these proposed project components. The mine will not at this stage apply for a change in the mine backfill/closure objectives as part of the current process.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION**

Tshipi Borwa Mine holds an approved mining right (Reference number NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR). It operates in accordance with an environmental authorisation (EA) (NC/KGA/KATHU/37/2008) issued by the Department of Tourism, Environment and Conservation (currently the Department of Nature Conservation) and an Integrated Water Use Licence (10/D41K/AGJ/1735) issued by the Department of Water Affairs (currently the Department of Water and Sanitation; DWS).

The proposed project triggers listed environmental and waste management activities which require environmental authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 59 of 2008 (NEM:WA). An Environmental Authorisation and Waste Management Licence is therefore required for the project from the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) as the competent authority and an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process will be undertaken to inform the DMR in its decision-making.

An amendment of the Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) in terms of Section 102 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002 is also required, and Tshipi will apply to extend its mining right to include the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331.

A water use licence (WUL) is required from the DWS for relevant water uses listed in section 21 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 (NWA).

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### PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

- This document serves to update you about:
- \* The proposed project
- \* The baseline environment of the project area
- The required EIA Regulatory and WULA processes
- \* Possible environmental impacts
- How you can have input into the application process for EA and a WUL.

#### YOUR ROLE

You have been identified as an interested and/or affected party (IAP) who may want to be informed about the proposed project and have input into the EIA and WULA processes.

You have an opportunity to review this document and provide your initial comments to SLR for incorporation in the EIA and WULA processes. You will also be given the opportunity to provide input through review and comment on the following reports:

- \* Scoping Report (planned for June 2018)
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) report (planned for Sept/Oct 2018)

All comments will be recorded and included in the reports submitted to the DWS and DMR for decision-making.

#### HOW TO RESPOND

If you are interested in receiving further information on the project please register your details with the persons listed below. Responses to this document can be submitted by means of the attached comments sheet and/or through communication with the persons listed below by 15 June 2018. All registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) will continue to be given the opportunity to

participate and comment for the full duration of the EIA (until 18 October 2018) and WULA (until 31 July 2018).

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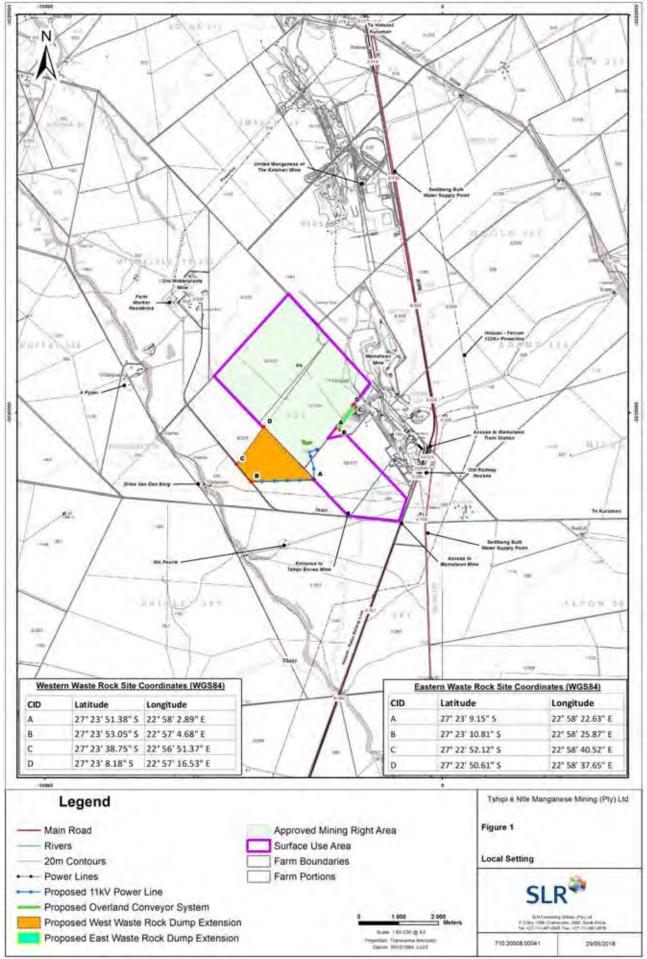


Figure 1: Local Setting

### **EXISTING OPERATIONS**

Tshipi Borwa Mine is an existing opencast manganese mine that has been in operation since 2012. Key mine infrastructure includes an open pit, haul roads, run-of mine ore tip, a primary crusher, a secondary crushing and screening plant, various stockpiles for crushed and product ore, a train load-out facility, a private siding, offices, workshops, warehouses and ancillary buildings, an access control facility, various access roads, diesel generator house, electrical reticulation, clean and dirty water storage dams, water reticulation pipelines and drains, topsoil stockpiles and waste rock dumps.

### **PROPOSED PROJECT COMPONENTS**

The proposed project entails extensions to the mine's approved WRD infrastructure.

## West Waste Rock Dump Extension

An extension of the West WRD would be established on the remaining extent of Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 (Figure 1) and will be approximately 142 ha in extent. The West WRD is located on the western boundary of Portion 19 of the farm Mamatwan, adjacent to the remaining extent of Portion 8. The topsoil removed for the establishment of the facility would be stockpiled on the existing topsoil stockpile. Water management infrastructure will be established. The final WRD will be shaped and rehabilitated for end-use in accordance with an amended rehabilitation plan.

### East Waste Rock Dump Extension

The East WRD will be extended in a south-easterly direction to merge with the Mamatwan WRD and essentially fill the narrow void between these two WRDs (Figure 1). The East WRD extension will be approximately 3 ha. Water management infrastructure such as berms around the existing WRDs will be adapted as required to manage run-off from the WRD once the void is filled. The final WRD will be shaped and rehabilitated for end-use in accordance with an amended rehabilitation plan.

#### 11kV Powerline

The 11kV overhead powerline will consist of aluminium cables strung along wooden poles, and will be constructed along the southern boundary of the remainder of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331. A single-lane service road will provide access to the overhead powerline for maintenance.

### **Overland Conveyor**

The overland conveyor system will be constructed within the existing mining right area (Figure 1) and will consist of numerous conveyors that will receive crushed manganese ore from the stockpiles at the existing crushing and screening plant and will transfer it to the manganese product stockpiles adjacent to the train load-out station.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The process of considering alternatives is on-going and will form part of the EIA process. The locations of the proposed infrastructure and the 'no-project' option will be considered during the scoping phase of the EIA.

### MOTIVATION FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

- As the mine has developed it has become apparent to Tshipi that additional waste rock storage areas are needed to allow continued optimal operation of the mine.
- The powerline and conveyor system will contribute towards optimal operation of the mine.
- The mine offers significant positive socioeconomic benefits including employment, procurement, skills development and taxes on a local, regional and national scale. In addition, the mine indirectly contributes to economic growth in the national, local and regional economies by strengthening the national economy and because the increase in the number of income earning people has a multiplying effect on the trade of other goods and services in other sectors.



Tshipi Borwa pit and West WRD



Toe of the West WRD to be extended



Void between Tshipi East WRD and Mamatwan WRD

### **BASELINE ENVIRONMENT**

Below is a basic description of the existing status of the environment:

<u>Geology:</u> Tshipi falls in the Kalahari Manganese Field and is covered by gravels, clays, calcretes and aeolian sands of the Kalahari Group.

<u>Climate:</u> The project area falls within the Northern Steppe Climatic Zone. It is a semi-arid region characterised by seasonal rainfall, hot temperatures in summer, and colder temperatures in winter. Rainfall ranges from 1.3 mm to 72.3 mm per month and winds from the north, north-east are dominant in the area.

**Topography**: The area is gently sloping towards the north-west. Elevation varies between 1 087 m to 1 107 m above mean sea level.

<u>Soils and land capability</u>: Kalahari sand of the Hutton soil type is dominant in the area. Its agricultural potential is low but has potential for supporting grazing.

Animal life: The animal population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. Several bird and mammal species are expected in the area and protected or endangered species that are likely to occur in the area and include the Honey Badger, Pangolin, Southern African Hedgehog, Dent's Horseshoe Bat, Schreibers' Bat, various endemic desert birds and raptors e.g. Ludwig's Bustard, Martial Eagle and Secretary Bird. It should be noted that the area between the Tshipi East WRD and Mamatwan WRD has already been impacted with no significant animal life present.

**Plant life:** The plant population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. The area falls within the Kathu Bushveld and the Griqualand West Centre of Endemism. The protected *Vachellia erioloba* (Camel Thorn) and *Vachellia haematoxylon* (Grey Camel Thorn) occur in the area as well as on Portion 8 of Mamatwan. It should be noted that the area between the Tshipi East WRD and Mamatwan WRD has already been impacted with no trees present.

**Surface water:** Tshipi falls within the catchment of the Ga-Mogara River, a tributary of the Kuruman River which joins the Molopo River and flows into the Orange River. Runoff from Tshipi drains west towards the Vlermuisleegte River that only flows during high rainfall events. There is no third party reliance on surface water. No wetlands are located in the area.

**Groundwater:** The site is in a poor/minor aquifer region with a shallow aquifer with low yield and a deeper fractured bedrock aquifer with a higher yield. Groundwater levels range between 41m to 74m below ground level. Groundwater quality is generally below the drinking water standards and is primarily used for livestock watering.

<u>Air quality</u>: Ambient air quality has been influenced by mines, household fuel combustion, vehicle tailpipe emissions and agricultural activities. Dust fallout is generally within the limits of the National Dust Control Regulations.

**Noise:** Noise levels in the surrounding area are typical of ambient noise levels for rural areas. Existing noise in the project area is mainly caused by farming activities, localised traffic movements and mining operations.

<u>Visual</u>: The area southwest and west of Tshipi can be described as a flat open area with drainage lines and open views of bushveld which are visually dominant and has a high visual value. The disturbed areas within the mine's surface use area have a low visual value.

<u>Heritage/cultural resources</u>: No heritage/cultural sites have been identified and there is a low possibility of palaeontological resources occurring at the Tshipi Borwa Mine.

**Socio-economic**: Communities, mines, private landowners and farm occupants are located around the project area. Unemployment and education levels in the area are higher than the provincial and municipal average. Water and sanitation provision is very good.

Land use: Land uses in the project area include agriculture, isolated residences, infrastructure/servitudes and mining activities.



Vachellia erioloba (Camel Thorn) present on the remaining extent of portion 8

### POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The following list of preliminary issues and potential impacts has been identified and will be investigated as part of the environmental impact assessment process.

- Change in drainage patterns by altered topography;
- \* Change in land use;
- \* Contamination of water resources;
- \* Creation of noise pollution;
- Destruction of vegetation, habitat units and related ecosystem functionality and faunal species;
- \* Increase in dust generation;
- \* Loss and sterilisation of mineral resources;
- \* Loss of soil and land capability; and
- \* Visual impact by altered topography, mining and infrastructure.

### ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WULA PROCESS

An EIA and EMPr and a WULA will be conducted to inform DMR and DWS in decision-making. The EIA and EMPr and WULA process is conducted simultaneously in three phases.

# STEPS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WULA PROCESS

The environmental authorisation and WULA process provides information on the project and environment in which it is being undertaken; identifies, in consultation with registered interested and affected parties (IAPs), the potential negative as well as positive impacts of the project; and reports on management measures required to mitigate impacts to an acceptable level. The likely process steps and timeframes are provided below. Registered IAPs and other stakeholders on the project's database will receive notification of public participation opportunities in advance.



- Pre-application meetings with the DMR
- Notify other regulatory authorities and IAPs of project and environmental assessment (via press advertisements, site notices and Background Information Documents)
- \* Scoping public meeting held on 14 September 2017
- Scoping meeting with regulatory authorities (if required); DWS pre-application meeting
- Provide registered IAPs opportunity to comment and make queries
- Submission of NEMA and NEM:WA, mining right application to the DMR
- Public review of scoping report (30 calendar days) planned for June 2018
- Update the scoping report with comments received during the review period
- \* Submit updated scoping report to the DMR
- Review of the scoping report by the DMR (43 calendar days)
- Complete specialist studies
- Public review of EIR and EMPr (30 calendar days) planned for Sept/Oct 2018
- Update the EIR and EMPr report with any comments received during the review period
- Submit updated EIR and EMPr to the DMR
- Submit WUL application to DWS
- Review of EIR and EMPr by DMR (107 calendar days) and WULA by DWS (139 calendar days)
- Circulate decision to registered IAPs on the project database.

## PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATION PROCESSES

#### IAPs

- Surrounding landowners, land users and communities
- Traditional and local authorities
- \* Surrounding mines and industries
- Non-governmental organisations and associations
- Parastatals

### **REGULATORY AUTHORITIES**

- Department of Water and Sanitation
- Department of Environment and Nature Conservation
- \* Department of Mineral Resources
- \* Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- \* Provincial South Africa Heritage Resource Agency
- \* Department of Rural Development and Land Reform

### LOCAL AUTHORITIES

- \* John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality
- \* Joe Morolong Local Municipality (including the ward councillor)

Please let us know if there are any additional parties that should be involved.

## TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT UPDATE ON TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

(SLR PROJECT NO.: 710.20008.00041) MAY 2018

### **REGISTRATION AND RESPONSE FORM FOR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES**

DATE		TIME	
PARTICULARS OF THE INTER	ESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY		
NAME			
POSTAL ADDRESS			
		POSTAL CODE	
STREET ADDRESS			
		POSTAL CODE	
WORK/ DAY TELEPHONE		WORK/ DAY FAX NUMBER	
NUMBER			
CELL PHONE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS	

### PLEASE IDENTIFY YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROPOSED PROJECT

PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS HERE

Please return completed forms by 15 June; however all registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) will continue to be given the opportunity to participate and comment for the full duration of the EIA (until 18 October 2018) and WULA (until 31 July 2018).

Please return completed forms to: Clive Phashe or JC Pretorius SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

Email: <u>cphashe@slrconsulting.com</u>; jcpretorius@slrconsulting.com Tel: 011 467 0945

Fax: 011 467 0945

## TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING AGTERGRONDINLIGTINGSDOKUMENT OPDATERING VAN DIE TSHIPI AFVAL ROTS MYNHOOP PROJEK

(SLR PROJEK NO.: 710.20008.00041) MEI 2018

### INLEIDING

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Edms) Bpk (Tshipi) bedryf die Tshipi Borwa Myn geleë op die plase Mamatwan 331 en Moab 700, ongeveer 18 km suid van Hotazel in die John Taolo Gaetsewe Distrik Munisipaliteit in die Noord-Kaap Provinsie (verwys na Figuur 1).

In September 2017 was u verwittig van Tshipi se voorneme om:

- Die myn se terugvulstrategie en sluitingsdoelwitte te wysig om voorsiening te maak vir die gedeeltelike terugvulling van die oopgroef; en
- \* Om die Wes afval rots mynhoop (ARM) op die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 te vergroot vir addisionele kapasiteit. Dus sal die restant van gedeelte 8 in die myn se oppervlakgebruiksarea ingesluit word.

Hierdie aktiwiteite het vereis dat 'n Omvangs- en Omgewingsimpakstudie (OIS) onderneem word en dat verskeie omgewingsmagtigingsprosesse gevolg moet word.

Tshipi het sedertdien sy onmiddellike mynontwikkelingsvereistes heroorweeg wat nou die volgende insluit (sien Figuur 1):

- Uitbreiding van die bestaande Wes ARM na die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 en die insluiting van hierdie gedeelte in die mynregarea;
- Uitbreiding van die bestaande Oos ARM na die Mamatwan ARM deur die leemte tussen hierdie ARMe op te vul om bykomende bergingskapasiteit te verskaf;
- Konstruksie van 'n 11kV kraglyn langs die grens van die Wes ARM uitbreiding; en
- Konstruksie van 'n bogrondse vervoerbandstelsel vanaf die bestaande breek- en siftingsaanleg na die bestaande mangaanprodukhope.

Die omvang van die OIS sal dus verander om hierdie voorgestelde projekkomponente aan te spreek. Tshipi sal nie op hierdie stadium aansoek doen om 'n verandering in die myn terugvulling / sluitingsdoelwitte as deel van die huidige proses nie.

### OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSES

Tshipi Borwa Myn hou 'n goedgekeurde mynreg (Verwysingsnommer NC/30/5/1/2/20206MR). Die myn word bedryf ooreenkomstig 'n omgewingsmagtiging (OM) (NC/KGA/KATHU/37/2008) uitgereik deur die Departement van Toerisme, Omgewing en Bewaring (huidiglik die Departement van Natuurbewaring) en 'n Watergebruikslisensie (10/D41K/AGJ/1735) uitgereik deur die Departiment van Waterwese (huidiglik die Departiment van Water en Sanitasie (DWS).

Die projek gee aanleiding tot gelysde omgewings- en afvalbestuursaktiwiteite wat OM benodig in terme van die Nasionale Omgewings-bestuurswet, 107 van 1998 (NEMA) en die Nasionale Omgewings-bestuur: Afval Wet, 59 van 2008 (NEM:WA). 'n OM en Afvalbestuurslisensie word dus benodig vir die projek van die Departement Minerale Hulpbronne (DMR) as die bevoegde owerheid en 'n OIS proses sal onderneem word om die DMR se besluit in te lig. Daarby word 'n Wysiging van die Omgewingsbestuursprogram verslag (EMPr) benodig in terme van Artikel 102 van die Minerale en Petroleum Hulpbron Ontwikkellingswet, 28 van 2002 (MPRDA). Thshipi sal aansoek doen om die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 in hulle mynregarea in te sluit.

'n Watergebruikslisensie (WUL) word benodig van die DWS vir die relevante water gebruike gelys in Artikel 21 van die Nasionale Waterwet, 36 van 1998 (NWA).

SLR Consulting (Afrika) (Edms) Bpk (SLR), 'n onafhanklike firma van omgewingskonsultante, is aangestel deur Tshipi om die OIS- en WULA prosesse te bestuur.

### DOEL VAN DIE DOKUMENT

Hierdie dokument dien om u in te lig van:

- Die voorgestelde projek
- \* Die basislyn omgewing van die projek area
- \* Die vereiste OIS Regulatoriese- en WULA prosesse
- \* Moontlike omgewingsimpakte
- \* Hoe u insette kan lewer in die OM- en WULA prosesse.

#### U ROL

U as 'n geïntereseerde en geaffekteerde party (I&AP) het geleentheid om hierdie dokument na te sien en u aanvanklike kommentaar te lewer aan SLR vir insluiting in die OM proses. U sal ook kans hê om insette te lewer gedurende publieke vergaderings, en om die volgende verslae na te sien en op kommentaar te lewer:

- \* Omvangsverslag; en
- \* OIS en EMPr verslae

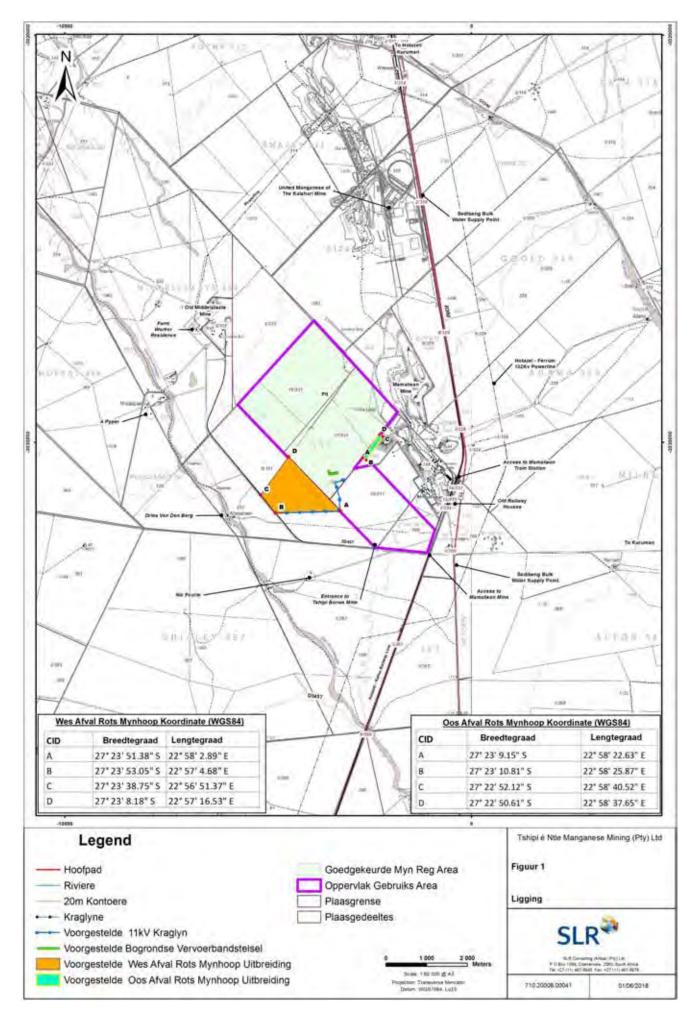
Alle kommentaar word vervat in die verslae wat aan die DMR voorgelê sal word vir besluitneming.

### HOE OM TE REAGEER

Om inligting oor die projek te ontvang, registreer u besonderhede by die kontakpersone hieronder. Reaksies op hierdie dokument kan ook ingedien word d.m.v. die aangehegde kommentaar blad en/of deur kom-munikasie met die SLR kontakpersone hieronder teen 15 Junie 2018. Alle geregistreerde belanghebbende en geaffekteerde partye (RI&APs) sal steeds die geleentheid kry om deel te neem en kommentaar te lewer oor die volle duur van die OIS (tot 18 Oktober 2018) en WULA (tot 31 Julie 2018).

### WIE OM TE KONTAK

JC Pretorius en/of Clive Phashe by: <u>jcpretorius@slrconsulting.com</u> en/of <u>cphashe@slrconsulting.com</u> en/of (011) 467 0945 (Tel) of (011) 467 0978 (Faks)



**Figuur 1: Ligging** SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd

### **BESTAANDE BEDRYWIGHEDE**

Tshipi Borwa Myn is 'n bestaande oopgroef mangaan myn, operasioneel sedert 2012. Die kern infrastruktuur sluit in 'n oopgroef, vervoer paaie, erts aflaai punt, 'n primêre breker, 'n sekondêre breeken siftingsaanleg, verskeie erts hope, 'n trein-laaifasiliteit, 'n privaat spoor sylyn, kantore, werkswinkels, pakhuise en addisionele geboue, 'n toegangsbeheerfasiliteit, verskeie toegangspaaie, dieselopwekkerhuis, elektriese retikulasie, skoon- en vuil water opgaardamme, water retikulasiepyplyne en dreine, bogrondhope en ARMe.

### KOMPONENTE VAN VOORGESTELDE PROJEK

Die voorgestelde projek behels die uitbreiding van die myn se goedgekeurde ARM infrastruktuur.

### Wes Afval Rots Mynhoop Uitbreiding

'n Vergroting van die Wes ARM sal ontwikkel word op die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 (Figuur 1) en sal ongeveer 142 ha in omvang wees. Die Wes ARM is geleë op die wes grens van gedeelte 19 van die plaas Mamatwan 331, aangrensend aan die restant van gedeelte 8. Die bogrond wat verwyder sal word vir die ontwikkelling van die fasiliteit sal gestoor word in die bestaande bogrondhope. Water bestuur infrastruktuur sal ontwikkel word. Die finale ARM sal gevorm wees en gerehabiliteer word in lyn met 'n gewysigde rehabilitasie plan.

### **Oos Afval Rots Mynhoop Uitbreiding**

Die Oos ARM sal in 'n suid-oostelike rigting verleng word om saam te smelt met die Mamatwan ARM en in wese die smal leemte tussen hierdie twee ARMe te vul (Figuur 1). Die Oos ARM-uitbreiding sal ongeveer 3 ha wees. Waterbestuursinfrastruktuur soos walle rondom die bestaande ARMe sal aangepas word soos benodig om afloop van die ARM te bestuur sodra die leemte gevul is. Die finale ARM sal gevorm en gerehabiliteer word vir eindgebruik in ooreenstemming met 'n gewysigde rehabilitasieplan.

### 11kV Kraglyn

Die 11kV oorhoofse kraglyn sal bestaan uit aluminiumkabels wat langs houtpale gespan word. Dit sal langs die suidelike grens van die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 opgerig word. 'n Enkellaan-dienspad sal toegang bied tot die oorhoofse kraglyn vir onderhoud.

### **Bogrondse Vervoerband**

Die bogrondse vervoerbandstelsel sal binne die bestaande mynregarea (Figuur 1) gebou word en bestaan uit talle vervoerbande wat gebreekte mangaanerts uit die voorraadhope by die bestaande breek- en siftingsaanleg sal ontvang en dit na die mangaanprodukvoorraadhope naas die trein laai stasie sal vervoer.

### **ALTERNATIEWE WAT OORWEEG IS**

Die proses om alternatiewe te oorweeg is deurlopend en sal 'n deel vorm van die OIS proses. Die ligging van die voorgestelde infrastruktuur en die 'geen-projek' opsie sal ook oorweeg word gedurende die omvangfase van die OIS proses.

### MOTIVERING VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE PROJEK

- Soos die myn ontwikkel het, het dit duidelik geword aan Tshipi dat addisionele ARM areas benodig word vir optimale operasie van die myn.
- \* Die kraglyn en vervoerbandstelsel sal bydra tot die optimale werking van die myn.
- Die myn bied beduidende positiewe sosioekonomiese voordele insluitend indiensneming, aankope, vaardigheidsontwikkeling en belasting op 'n plaaslike-, streeks- en nasionale skaal. Bykomend hieraan dra die myn indirek by tot die ekonomiese groei in die nasionale, plaaslike en streeksekonomië deur die nasionale ekonomie te versterk en omdat die toename in die hoeveelheid mense wat inkomste verdien 'n vermenigvuldigende effek het op die handel van goedere en dienste in ander sektore.



Tshipi Borwa groef en Wes ARM



Toon van die Wes ARM wat uitgebrei gaan word



Leemte tussen die Tshipi Oos ARM en die Mamatwan ARM

Hieronder is 'n basiese beskrywing van die stand van die bestaande omgewing:

<u>Geologie</u>: Tshipi val in die Kalahari Mangaan Veld en is bedek deur gruis, klei, kalkrete en and eoliese sand van die Kalahari Groep.

<u>Klimaat:</u> Die projek area val binne die Noordelike Steppe Klimaat sone. Dit is 'n semi-woestyn area gekenmerk deur seisoenale reënval, warm temperature in die somer, en kouer temperature in die winter. Reënval wissel van 1.3 mm tot 72.3 mm/maand en winde van die noord, noordoos is dominant in die area.

**Topografie**: Die area het 'n geleidelike helling na die noord-weste. Hoogte bo seespieël wissel tussen 1 087 tot 1 107 m.

<u>Grond en grond vermoë</u>: Kalahari sand van die Hutton grond tiepe is dominant in die area. Die grond se landbou potensiaal is laag maar dit het potensiaal vir ondersteunende weiding.

**Dierlewe**: Dier bevolking in die area is alreeds versteur as gevolg van bestaande mynbou en landbou aktiwiteite. Verskeie voël en soogdier spesies word verwag in die area en beskermde of bedreigde spesies wat moontlik in die area gevind sal word sluit die Ratel, letermago, Suidelike Afrikaanse Krimpvarkie, Dent se Perdeskoen Vlermuis, Schreiber se Vlermuis, endemiese woestynvoëls en roofvoëls soos die Kroonarend en die Sekretarisvoël. Kennis moet geneem word dat die gebied tussen die Tshipi Oos ARM en die Mamatwan ARM reeds geraak is met geen beduidende lewende lewende diere nie.

**Plantlewe:** Die plantbevolking in die area is reeds versteur as gevolg van bestaande mynbou- en landbou aktiwiteite. Die area val binne die Kathu Bosveld en die Griqualand Wes Sentrum van Endemisme. Die beskermde *Vachellia erioloba* (Kameeldoring) en *Vachellia haematoxylon* (Grys Kameeldoring) kom in die area voor asook op die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 Die gebied tussen die Tshipi Oos ARM en Mamatwan ARM is reeds versteur met geen bome teenwoordig nie.

**Oppervlakwater:** Tshipi val binne die opvanggebied van die Ga-Mogararivier, 'n sytak van die Kurumanrivier wat by die Moloporivier ansluit en in die Oranjerivier inloop. Afloop van Tshipi dreineer wes na die Vlermuisleegterivier wat slegs vloei tydens hoë reënval. Daar is geen derde party afhanklikheid van bogrondse water nie. Geen vleilande is in die area geleë nie.

<u>Grondwater</u>: Die erf is in 'n swak/klein akwifer area met 'n vlak akwifer met lae opbrengste en 'n dieper gebreekte bodemrots akwifer met 'n hoër opbrengs. Grondwatervlakke wissel tussen 41m tot 74m onder grondvlak. Grondwaterkwaliteit is oor die algemeen onder die drinkwater standaarde en word hoofsaaklik gebruik vir veesuiping.

**Lugkwaliteit**: Omliggende lugkwaliteit is beïnvloed deur die myne, huishoudelike brandstof verbranding, voertuiguitlaatgasse en landbou aktiwiteite. Stof uitval is oor die algemeen binne die perke van die Nasionale Stofbeheer Regulasies.

<u>Geraas:</u> Geraasvlakke is tiepies vir agtergrond geraasvlakke in landelike areas. Bestaande geraas in die projekarea is hoofsaaklik veroorsaak deur landbou aktiwiteite, gelokaliseerde verkeersvloei en nabye mynbou bedrywighede.

<u>Visueel</u>: Die area suidwes en wes van Tshipi kan beskryf word as 'n plat, oop area met dreineringslyne en oop uitsigte van die bosveld wat visueel dominant is en het 'n hoë visuele waarde. Die versteurde areas binne die myn se oppervlakgebruiksarea het lae visuele waarde.

**<u>Erfenis/kulturele hulpbronne</u>**: Geen erfenis/kulturele terreine is geïdentifiseerd nie, en daar is 'n lae moontlikheid van palaeontologiese hulpbronne by die Tshipi Borwa Myn.

<u>Sosio-ekonomies</u>: Daar is gemeenskappe, myne, privaat grondeienaars en plaas bewoners om die projek area. Werkloosheid en onderwys vlakke in die area is hoër as die munisipale gemiddeld. Water en sanitasie voorsiening is baie goed.

**Grond gebruik:** Grondgebruike in die area sluit landbou, geisoleerde wonings, infrastruktuur/serwituut en mynbou aktiwiteite in



*Vachellia erioloba* (Kameeldoring) teenwoordig op die restant van gedeelte 8

### POTENSIËLE OMGEWINGSIMPAKTE

Die volginde lys van aanvanklike kwessies en potensiële impakte is geïdentifiseer en sal ondersoek word as deel van die omgewingsimpak assesseringsproses.

- \* Besoedeling van waterhulpbronne
- \* Skepping van geraasbesoedeling
- \* Toename in stofgenerasie
- \* Verandering in grondgebruik.
- \* Verandering in dreineringspatrone deur veranderde topografie
- \* Verlies en sterelisasie van minerale hulpbronne
- \* Verlies van grond en grondvermoë
- Vernietiging van plantegroei, habitateenhede en verwante ekosisteem funksionaliteit en dierspesies
- \* Visuele impakte deur veranderde topografie, mynbou en infrastrutuur

'n OIS en EMPr en 'n WULA sal onderneem word om die DMR en DWS se besluite in te lig. Die OIS en EMPr en WULA proses word te gelyke tyd uitgevoer in drie fases.

### STAPPE IN DIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING- EN WULA PROSES

Die omgewingsmagtiging en WULA proses verskaf inligting oor die projek en die omgewing waarin dit plaasvind, identifiseer, deur konsultasie met geregistreerde geïnteresseerde en geaffekteerde partye (RI&APs), die potensiële negatiewe asook positiewe impakte van die projek, en lewer verslag op bestuursmaatreëls benodig om impakte te versag tot 'n aanvaarbare vlak. Die waarskynlike proses stappe en tydsraamwerke word hieronder voorsien. RI&APs en ander belanghebbendes op die projek se databasis sal vroegtydig kennisgewing ontvang van publieke deelame geleenthede.





en EMPr fase (Mei 2018 tot Februarie 2019)

- Voor-aansoek vergadering met die DMR
- Lig ander regulatoriese owerhede en RI&APs in oor die projek en omgewingsassessering (via koerant advertensies, erf kennisgewings en hierdie dokument)
- Omvangsvergadering gehou op 14 September 2017
- \* Omvangsvergadering met regulatoriese owerhede (indien nodig); DWS vooraansoek vergadering
- Gun RI&APs die kans om kommentaar te lewer en om navrae to maak
- Indiening van NEMA en NEM:WA mynreg aansoek aan die DMR
- Publieke nasien van die omvangsverslag (30 kalenderdae) beplan vir Junie 2018
- Opdattering van die omvangsverslag met kommentaar ontvang gedurende die nasien periode
- Dien opgedatteerde omvangsverslag in aan DMR
   Nasien van die omvangsverslag deur die DMR (43 kalenderdae)
- Voltooi spesialis studies
- Publieke nasien van die OIS en EMPr (30 kalenderdae) beplan vir Sept/Okt 2018
- Opdattering van die OIS en EMPr verslag met kommentaar ontvang gedurende die nasien periode
- Dien opgedateerde OIS en EMPr in aan die DMR
- \* Dien WUL aansoek in aan DWS
- Nasien van OIS en EMPr en WULA deur DMR (107 kalenderdae) en WULA deur DWS (139 kalenderdae)
- Sirkuleer die besluit aan RI&APs op die projek databasis

PARTYE BETREK IN DIE OMGEWINGSAANSOEK PROSES

### I&APs

- \* Omliggende grondeienaars, -gebruikers en gemeenskappe
- \* Traditionele en plaaslike owerhede
- \* Omliggende myne en industrië
- \* Nie-regeringsorganisasies en -assosiasies
- Semistaatinstellings

### **REGULATORIESE OWERHEDE**

- Departiment van Water en Sanitasie
   Departiment of Omgewing en Natuur Bewaring
- \* Departiment of Minerale Hulpbronne
- \* Departiment of Landbou, Bosbou en Visserye
- Provinsiale Suid Afrikaanse Erfenis Hulpbron Agentskap
- Departiment of Landelike Ontwikkelling and Grond Hervorming

### PLAASLIKE OWERHEDE

- John Taolo Gaetsewe Distrik Munisipaliteit
- Joe Morolong Plaaslike Munisipaliteit (insluitend die wyksraadslid)

Laat ons asseblief weet as daar enige ander partye wie betrek moet word.

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# TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT FOR THE PROPOSED TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP AND PARTIAL BACKFILLING PROJECT

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### INTRODUCTION

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd (Tshipi) operates the Tshipi Borwa Mine located on the farms Mamatwan 331 and Moab 700, located approximately 18 km to the south of Hotazel in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province (refer to Figure 1).

Tshipi proposes to change its backfill strategy and closure objectives to allow for partial backfilling instead of complete backfilling of its pit. This requires that existing temporary dumps must become permanent and its Western waste rock dump (WRD) be extended onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 to provide additional capacity. This requires the inclusion of the remaining extent of portion 8 into the mine's surface use area.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS**

Tshipi Borwa Mine holds an approved mining right (Reference number NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR). It operates in accordance with an environmental authorisation (EA) (NC/KGA/KATHU/37/2008) issued by the Department of Tourism, Environment and Conservation (currently the Department of Nature Conservation) and an Integrated Water Use Licence (10/D41K/AGJ/1735) issued by the Department of Water Affairs (currently the Department of Water and Sanitation).

The project triggers listed environmental and waste management activities which require environmental authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 59 of 2008 (NEM:WA). An Environmental Authorisation and Waste Management Licence is therefore required for the project from the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) as the competent authority and an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process will be undertaken to inform the DMR in its decision-making. In addition, an amendment of the Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) in terms of Section 102 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002 is required.

A water use licence (WUL) is required from the Department of Water and Sanitation for the water uses listed in section 21 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 (NWA) triggered by the project.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR), an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Tshipi to manage the environmental assessment and WULA processes.

### PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

**AUGUST 2017** 

SLR has prepared this document to inform you about:

- \* The proposed project
- \* The baseline environment of the project area
- \* The required environmental assessment and WULA processes
- \* Possible environmental impacts
- \* How you can have input into the environmental authorisation and WULA processes.

### YOUR ROLE

You have been identified as an interested and/or affected party (IAP) who may want to be informed about the proposed project and have input into the environmental assessment and WULA processes and environmental reports.

You have an opportunity to review this document and provide your initial comments to SLR for incorporation in the environmental assessment process. You will also be given the opportunity to provide input at public meetings, and to review and comment on the following reports:

- \* Scoping Report
- Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) report

All comments will be recorded and included in the reports submitted to the DMR for decision-making.

### HOW TO RESPOND

If you are interested in receiving further information on the project please register your details with the persons listed below. Responses to this document can be submitted by means of the attached comments sheet and/or through communication with the persons listed below by **22 September 2017**. WHO TO CONTACT

JC Pretorius and/or William Berry (011) 467 0945 (Tel) **or** (011) 467 0978 (Fax) **or** <u>jcpretorius@slrconsulting.com</u> or <u>wberry@slrconsulting.com</u>

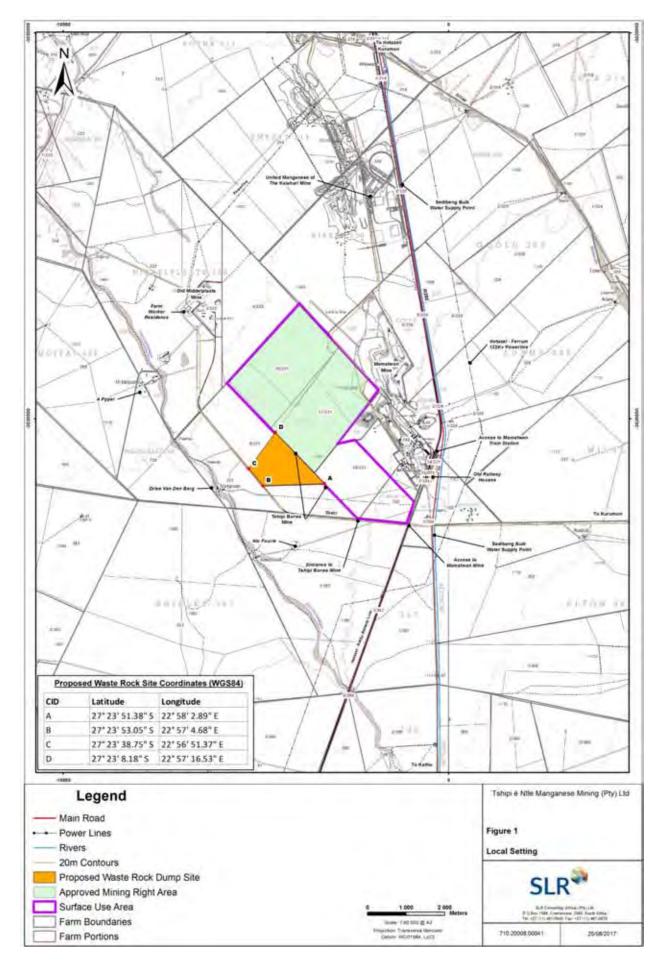


Figure 1: Local Setting

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### **EXISTING OPERATIONS**

Tshipi Borwa Mine is an existing opencast manganese mine in operation since 2012. The key infrastructure includes an open pit, haul roads, run-of mine ore tip, a primary crusher, a secondary crushing and screening plant, various stockpiles for crushed and product ore, a train load-out facility, a private siding, offices, workshops, warehouses and ancillary buildings, an access control facility, various access roads, diesel generator house, electrical reticulation, clean and dirty water storage dams, water reticulation pipelines and drains, topsoil stockpiles and waste rock dumps.

### **PROPOSED PROJECT COMPONENTS**

The proposed project entails a change in its closure objectives by applying partial backfilling and an extension of the mine's approved WRD infrastructure.

## **Concurrent Backfilling/In-pit Dumping**

During opencast mining, concurrent backfilling will be conducted with a view to achieve partial backfilling of the pit. A final void will remain and the side slopes shaped, angled and rehabilitated and made safe.

### Waste Rock Dump

An extension of the Western WRD will be established on the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 (Figure 1). The Western WRD is located on the western boundary of Portion 19 of the farm Mamatwan, adjacent to the remaining extent of portion 8. The topsoil removed for the establishment of the facility will be stockpiled on the existing topsoil stockpile. Water management infrastructure will be established. The final WRD will be shaped and rehabilitated for end-use in accordance with an amended rehabilitation plan.

### **ALTERNATIVES CONSIDERED**

The process of considering alternatives is on-going and will form part of the scoping and EIA process. The location of the proposed WRD extension is limited due to spatial constraints and the risk of locking up potentially viable manganese reserves. Different backfill options are being considered. The 'no-project' option will be considered and the proposed partial backfilling option will be comparatively assessed against complete backfilling of the pit during the impact assessment phase.

### MOTIVATION FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT

- Partial backfill of the pit would positively influence the longevity of the mine. This is because complete backfill requires significant expenditure at the end of mine life when the waste rock already deposited on the WRD must be loaded, hauled and dumped into the final void before it is levelled, covered with stockpiled topsoil and vegetated. Partial backfill which caters for concurrent rehabilitation as mining advances and a final void that is made safe would minimise the end of life of mine costs and related financial provision effectively decreasing Tshipi's cost of production and making the company more competitive when compared against the market.
- In addition as the mine has developed it has become apparent to Tshipi that all the waste rock cannot be accommodated in the final pit void and residual waste rock dumps will need to remain on surface. Additional waste rock disposal area is therefore required.
- \* The mine offers significant positive socioeconomic benefits including employment, procurement, skills development and taxes on a local, regional and national scale. In addition, the mine indirectly contributes to economic growth in the national, local and regional economies by strengthening the national economy and because the increase in the number of income earning people has a multiplying effect on the trade of other goods and services in other sectors.



Tshipi Borwa pit and Western WRD

### **BASELINE ENVIRONMENT**

Below is a basic description of the existing status of the environment: **Geology:** Tshipi falls in the Kalahari Manganese Field and is covered

by gravels, clays, calcretes and aeolian sands of the Kalahari Group. **Climate:** The project area falls within the Northern Steppe Climatic

Zone. It is a semi-arid region characterised by seasonal rainfall, hot temperatures in summer, and colder temperatures in winter. Rainfall ranges from 1.3 mm to 72.3 mm per month and winds from the north, north-east are dominant in the area.

**Topography**: The area is gently sloping towards the north-west. Elevation varies between 1 087 m to 1 107 m above mean sea level.

<u>Soils and land capability</u>: Kalahari sand of the Hutton soil type is dominant in the area. Its agricultural potential is low but has potential for supporting grazing.

Animal life: The animal population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. Several bird and mammal species are expected in the area and protected or endangered species that are likely to occur in the area and include the Honey Badger, Pangolin, Southern African Hedgehog, Dent's Horseshoe Bat, Schreibers' Bat, various endemic desert birds and raptors e.g. Ludwig's Bustard, Martial Eagle and Secretary Bird.

**Plant life:** The plant population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. The area falls within the Kathu Bushveld and the Griqualand West Centre of Endemism. The protected *Vachellia erioloba* (Camel Thorn) and *Vachellia haematoxylon* (Grey Camel Thorn) occur in the area.

**Surface water:** Tshipi falls within the catchment of the Ga-Mogara River, a tributary of the Kuruman River which joins the Molopo River and flows into the Orange River. Runoff from Tshipi drains west towards the Vlermuisleegte River that only flows in high rainfall events. There is no third party reliance on surface water. No wetlands are located within the area.

**Groundwater:** The site is in a poor/minor aquifer region with a shallow aquifer with low yield and a deeper fractured bedrock aquifer with a higher yield. Groundwater levels range between 41m to 74m below ground level. Groundwater quality is generally below the drinking water standards and is primarily used for livestock watering.

<u>Air quality</u>: Ambient air quality has been influenced by mines, household fuel combustion, vehicle tailpipe emissions and agricultural activities. Dust fallout is generally within the limits of the National Dust Control Regulations.

<u>Noise</u>: Noise levels are typical of ambient noise levels for rural areas. Existing noise in the project area is mainly caused by farming activities, localised traffic movements and nearby mining operations.

<u>Visual</u>: The area southwest and west of Tshipi can be described as a flat open area with drainage lines and open views of bushveld which are visually dominant and has a high visual value. The disturbed areas within the mine's surface use area have a low visual value.

<u>Heritage/cultural resources</u>: No heritage/cultural sites have been identified and there is a low possibility of palaeontological resources occurring at the Tshipi Borwa Mine.

**Socio-economic**: There are communities, mines, private landowners and farm occupants around the project area. Unemployment and education levels in the area are higher than the provincial and municipal average. Water and sanitation provision is very good.

**Land use:** Land uses in the project area include agriculture, isolated residences, infrastructure/servitudes and mining activities.



Toe of the Western WRD to be extended



Vachellia erioloba (Camel Thorn) present on the remaining extent of portion 8

An EIA and EMPr and a WULA will be conducted to inform the DMR and DWS in decision-making. The EIA and EMPr and WULA process is conducted simultaneously in three phases.

# STEPS IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WULA PROCESS

The environmental authorisation and WULA process provides information on the project and environment in which it is being undertaken; identifies, in consultation with registered interested & affected parties (RI&APs), the potential negative as well as positive impacts of the project; and reports on management measures required to mitigate impacts to an acceptable level. The likely process steps and timeframes are provided below. RI&APs and other stakeholders on the project's database will receive notification of public participation opportunities in advance.

PHASE I - Preapplication phase (April to October 2017) PHASE II – Scoping phase (October 2017 to February 2018) PHASE III – EIA and EMP phase (February to July 2018)

- Pre-application meeting with the DMR & DWS
- Notify other regulatory authorities and RI&APs of project and environmental assessment (via press advertisements, site notices and this document)
- \* Scoping public meeting with RI&APs and regulatory authorities (if required)
- Provide RI&APs opportunity to comment and make queries
- Submission of NEMA and NEM:WA application to the DMR
- Public review of scoping report (30 calendar days)
- \* Update the scoping report with comments received during the review period
- \* Submit updated scoping report to the DMR
- Review of the scoping report by the DMR (43 calendar days)
- Complete specialist studies
- Public review of EIR and EMPr (30 calendar days) Update the EIR and EMPr report with any
- comments received during the review period \* Submit updated EIR and EMPr to the DMR
- Submit WUL technical report and application forms to DWS
- Review of EIR and EMPr and WULA by DMR (107 calendar days) and DWS (139 calendar days)
- Circulate decision to RI&APs on the project database

## POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

The following list of preliminary issues and potential impacts have been identified and will be investigated as part of the environmental impact assessment process.

- \* Change in drainage patterns by altered topography
- \* Change in land use.
- \* Contamination of groundwater resources
- \* Contamination of surface water resources
- \* Creation of noise pollution
- \* Destruction of vegetation, habitat units and related ecosystem functionality and faunal species
- \* Increase in dust generation
- \* Loss and sterilisation of mineral resources
- Loss of soil and land capability
- \* Visual impact by altered topography, mining and infrastructure

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## PARTIES INVOLVED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATION PROCESSES

### IAPs

- \* Surrounding landowners, land users and communities
- \* Traditional and local authorities
- \* Surrounding mines and industries
- \* Non-governmental organisations and associations
- \* Parastatals

### **REGULATORY AUTHORITIES**

- Department of Water and Sanitation
- Department of Environment and Nature Conservation
- \* Department of Mineral Resources
- Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- \* Provincial South Africa Heritage Resource Agency
- \* Department of Rural Development and Land Reform

### LOCAL AUTHORITIES

- John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality
- Joe Morolong Local Municipality (including the ward councillor)

Please let us know if there are any additional parties that should be involved.

PUBLIC SCOPING MEETINGS			
Venue Meeting date & t			
Hotazel Recreation Club	14 September 2017 at 9:30		

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### **REGISTRATION AND RESPONSE FORM FOR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES**

DATE		TIME			
PARTICULARS OF THE INTERE	PARTICULARS OF THE INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY				
NAME					
POSTAL ADDRESS					
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NUMBER					
CELL PHONE NUMBER		E-MAIL ADDRESS			

PLEASE IDENTIFY YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROPOSED PROJECT		
PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS HERE		
Please return completed forms by 22 September 2017 to:		
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# TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING

## AGTERGRONDINLIGTINGSDOKUMENT VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE TSHIPI AFVAL ROTSTORTINGSTERREIN EN GEDEELTELIKE TERUGVULLING PROJEK

## (SLR PROJEK NO.: 710.20008.00041)

AUGUSTUS 2017

### INLEIDING

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Edms) Bpk (Tshipi) bedryf die Tshipi Borwa Myn geleë op die plase Mamatwan 331 en Moab 700, geleë omtrent 18 km suid van Hotazel in die John Taolo Gaetsewe Distrik Munisipaliteit in die Noord-Kaap Provinsie (verwys na Figuur 1).

Tshipi stel voor om sy terugvulstrategie en sluitingsdoelwitte te verander om voorsiening te maak vir die gedeeltelike terugvulling van die oopgroef. Tshipi stel ook voor om die Westelike afval rots mynhoop (ARM) op die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 te vergroot vir additionele kapasiteit. Hierdie benodig die insluiting van die restant van gedeelte 8 in die myn se oppervlakgebruiksarea.

### OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSES

Tshipi Borwa Myn hou 'n goedgekeurde mynreg (Verwysingsnommer NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR). Die myn word bedryf ooreenkomstig 'n omgewingsmagtiging (OM) (NC/KGA/KATHU/37/2008) uitgereik deur die Departiment van Toerisme, Omgtewing en Bewaring (huidiglik die Departiment van Natuur Bewaring) en 'n Geïntegreerde Watergebruikslisensie (10/D41K/AGJ/1735) uitgereik deur die Departiment van Waterwese (huidiglik die Departiment van Water en Sanitasie (DWS)).

Die projek gee aanleiding tot gelysde omgewings- en afvalbestuursaktiwiteite wat omgewingsmagtiging benodig in terme van die Nasionale Omgewingsbestuurswet, 107 van 1998 (NEMA) en die Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur: Afval Wet, 59 van 2008 (NEM:WA). 'n Omgewingsmagtiging en Afvalbestuurslisensie word dus benodig vir die projek van die Departiment van Minerale Hulpbronne (DMR) as die bevoegde owerheid en 'n Omgewingsimpakstudie (EIA) proses sal onderneem word om die DMR se besluit in te lig. Bykomend is 'n wyseging van die Omgewingsbestuursprogram verslag (EMPr) in terme van Artikel 102 van die Minerale en Petroleum Hulpbron Ontwikkellingswet, 28 van 2002, benodig.

'n Watergebruikslisensie (WUL) is benodig van die DWS vir die water gebruike gelys in Artikel 21 van die Nasionale Waterwet, 36 van 1998 (NWA) waarna hierdie projek aanleiding gee.

SLR Consulting (Afrika) (Edms) Bpk (SLR), 'n onafhanklike firma van omgewingskonsultante, is aangestel deur Tshipi om die omgewingsassesserings- en WULA proses te bestuur.

## DOEL VAN DIE DOKUMENT

SLR het hierdie dokument voorberei om u in te lig van:

- \* Die voorgestelde projek
- \* Die basislyn omgewing van die projek area
- \* Die benodigde assesserings- en WULA prosesse
- \* Moontlike omgewingsimpakte
  - Hoe u insette kan lewer in die
    - omgewingsmagtiging- en WULA prosesse.

### U ROL

U is geïdentifiseer as 'n geïntereseerde en geaffekteerde party (IAP) wie moontlik ingelig sal wil wees oor die voorgestelde projek en moontlik insette het om te lewer in die omgewingsmagtigings- en WULA prosese en omgewingsvreslae

U het 'n kans om hierdie dokument na te sien en u aanvanklike kommentaar te lewer aan SLR vir insluiting in die omgewingsmagtigingsproses. U sal ook kans gegun word om insette te lewer gedurende publieke vergaderings, en om die volgende verslae na te sien en op kommentaar te lewer:

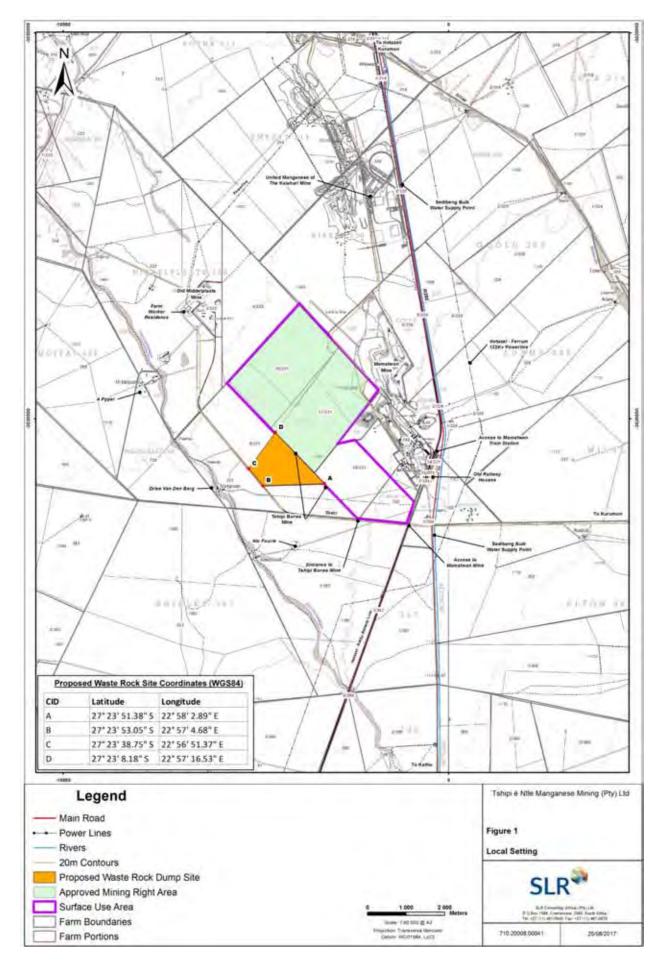
- \* Omvangsverslag
- Omgewingsimpakassessering (EIA) en Omgewingsbestuursprogram (EMPr) verslae

Alle kommentaar sal opgeneem en ingesluit word in die verslae wat aan die DMR voorgelê sal word vir besluitneming.

### HOE OM TE REAGEER

Indien u verdere inligting oor die projek wil ontvang, registreer assebief u besonderhede met die persone gelys hieronder. Reaksies op hierdie dokument kan ingedien word deur middel van die aangehegde kommentaar blad en/of deur kommunikasie met die persone gelys hieronder teen **22 September 2017**. **WIE OM TE KONTAK** JC Pretorius en/of William Berry

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Figuur 1: Ligging

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### **BESTAANDE BEDRYWIGHEDE**

Tshipi Borwa Myn is 'n bestaande oopgroef mangaan myn, operasioneel sedert 2012. Die kern infrastruktuur sluit in 'n oopgroef, vervoer paaie, erts aflaai punt, 'n primêre breker, 'n sekondêre breeken siftingsaanleg, verskeie erts hope, 'n trein laaifasiliteit, 'n privaat spoor sylyn, kantore, werkswinkels, pakhuise en addisionele geboue, 'n toegangsbeheerfasiliteit, verskeie toegangspaaie, dieselopwekkerhuis, elektriese retikulasie, skoon en vuil wateropgaardamme, water retikulasiepyplyne en dreine, bogrondhope en afval rots mynhope.

### **KOMPONENTE VAN VOORGESTELDE PROJEK**

Die voorgestelde projek behels die uitbreiding van die myn se goedgekeurde ARM infrastruktuur en 'n verandering in die sluitingsdoelwitte deur om gedeeltelike terugvulling toe te pas.

### Gelytydige Terugvulling/ In-groef Storting

Gedurend oopgroefmynbou, sal gelyktydige terugvulling onderneem word met die doel met gedeeltelike terugvulling ten doel. 'n Finale leemte sal agter bly en die syhellings sal gevorm en gerehabiliteer word teen 'n helling wat veilig is.

### Afval Rots Mynhoop

'n Vergroting van die Westelike ARM sal ontwikkel word op die restant van gedeelte 8 van die plaas Mamatwan 331 (Figuur 1). Die Westelike ARM is geleë op die westelike grens van gedeelte 19 van die plaas Mamatwan, aangrensend aan die restant van gedeelte 8. Die bogrond wat verwyder sal word vir die ontwikkelling van die fasiliteit sal gestoor word in die bestaande bogrond bergingsarea. Water bestuur infrastruktuur sal ontwikkel word. Die finale ARM sal gevorm wees en gerehabiliteer word in lyn met 'n gewysigde rehabilitasie program.

### **ALTERNATIEWE WAT OORWEEG IS**

Die proses om alternatiewe te oorweeg is deurlopend en sal 'n deel vorm van die omvang- en EIA proses. Die ligging van die voorgestelde ARM is beperk aangesien daar ruimtelike beperkings is en 'n risiko om potensiele mangaan reserwes op te sluit. Verskillende terugvulopsies word ook oorweeg. Die 'geen-projek' opsie sal ook oorweeg word en die voorgestelde gedeeltelike terugvulopsie sal vergelykend geassesseer word teen algehele terugvulling van die groef gedurende die impak assesseringsfase.

### MOTIVERING VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE PROJEK

- Gedeeltelike terugvulling sal 'n positiewe invloed invloed hê op die langslewenheid van die myn. Dit is hoofsaaklik omdat terugvulling beduidende uitgawes benodig teen die einde van die leeftyd van die myn wanneer die afval rots wat reeds op die ARM gedeponeer was gelaai, vervoer en gestort moet word in die groef voordat dit gelyk gemaak word, bedek word met die gestoorde bogrond beplant word. Gedeeltelike terugvulling, wat voorsiening maak vir gelyktydige rehabilitasie soos die myn voort gaan en 'n finale leemte wat veilig gemaak word sal die kostes van die myn sluiting en die verwante finansiële voorsiening minimaliseer, wat Tshipi se koste van produksie verlaag en die maatskappy meer mededingend maak wanneer dit vergelyk word in die mark
- Bykomend, soos die myn ontwikkel het, het dit duidelik geword aan Tshipi dat nie al die afval rots in die groef geakkommodeer sal kan word in die finale groef leemte nie en oorblywende ARM sal op die oppervlak moet bly. 'n Addisionele ARM is dus benodig.
- Die myn bied beduidende positiewe sosioekonomiese voordele insluitend indiensneming, vaardigheidsontwikkeling en belasting op 'n plaaslike-, streeks- en nasionale skaal. Bykomend hieraan dra die myn indirek by tot die ekonomiese groei in die nasionale, plaaslike en streeksekonomië deurom die nasionale ekonomie te versterk en omdat die toename in die hoeveelheid mense wat inkomste verdien het 'n vermenigvuldigende effek op die handel van goedere en dienste in ander sektore.



Tshipi Borwa groef en Westelike ARM

Hieronder is 'n basiese beskrywing van die bestaande status van die omgewing:

<u>Geologie</u>: Tshipi val in die Kalahari Mangaan Veld en is bedek deur gruis, klei, kalkrete en and eoliese sand van die Kalahari Groep.

<u>Klimaat:</u> Die projek area val binne die Noordelike Steppe Klimaat sone. Dit is 'n semi-woestyn area gekenmerk deur seisoenale reënval, warm temperature in die somer, en kouer temperature in die winter. Reënval wissel van 1.3 mm tot 72.3 mm/maand en winde van die noord, noordoos is dominant in die area.

**Topografie**: Die area het 'n geleidelike helling na die noord-weste. Hoogte bo seespiel wissel tussen 1 087 tot 1 107 m.

<u>Grond en grond vermoë</u>: Kalahari sand van die Hutton grond tiepe is dominant in die area. Die grond se landbou potensiaal is laag maar dit het potensiaal vir ondersteunende weiding.

**Dier lewe**: Die dier bevolking in die area is alreeds versteur as gevolg van bestaande mynbou en landbou aktiwiteite. Verskeie voël en soogdier spesies word verwag in die area en beskermde of bedreigde spesies wat moontlik in die area gevind sal word sluit die Ratel, letermago, Suidelike Afrikaanse Krimpvarkie, Dent se Perdeskoen Vlermuis, Schreiber se Vlermuis, endemiese woestynvoëls en roofvoëls soos die Kroonarend en die Sekretarisvoël.

**Plant lewe:** Die plantbevolking in die area is reeds versteur as gevolg van bestaande mynbou- en landbou aktiwiteite. Die area val binne die Kathu Bosveld en die Griqualand Wes Sentrum van Endemisme. Die beskermde *Vachellia erioloba* (Kameeldoring) en *Vachellia haematoxylon* (Grys Kameeldoring) kom in die area voor.

**Oppervlakwater:** Tshipi val binne die opvanggebied van die Ga-Mogararivier, 'n sytak van die Kurumanrivier wat by die Moloporivier ansluit en in die Oranjerivier inloop. Afloop van Tshipi dreineer wes na die Vlermuisleegterivier wat slegs vloei tydens hoë reënval. Daar is geen derde party afhanklikheid van bogrondse water nie. Geen vleilande is in die area geleë nie.

**Grondwater:** Die erf is in 'n swak/klein akwifer area met 'n vlak akwifer met lae opbrengste en 'n dieper gebreekte bodemrots akwifer met 'n hoër opbrengs. Grondwatervlakke wissel tussen 41m tot 74m onder grondvlak. Grondwaterkwaliteit is oor die algemeen onder die drinkwater standaarde en word hoofsaaklik gebruik vir veesuiping.

**Lugkwaliteit**: Agtergrond lugkwaliteit is beïnvloed deur die myne, huishoudelike brandstof verbranding, voertuiguitlaatgasse en landbou aktiwiteite. Stof uitval is oor die algemeen binne die perke van die Nasionale Stofbeheer Regulasies.

<u>Geraas:</u> Geraasvlakke is tiepies vir agtergrond geraasvlakke in landelike areas. Bestaande geraas in die projekarea is hoofsaaklik veroorsaak deur landbou aktiwiteite, gelokaliseerde verkeersvloei en nabye mynbou bedrywighede.

<u>Visueel:</u> Die area suidwaarts en wes van Tshipi kan beskryf word as 'n plat, oop area met dreineringslyne en oop uitsigte van die bosveld wat visueel dominant is en het 'n hoë visuele waarde. Die versteurde areas binne die myn se oppervlakgebruiksarea het lae visuele waarde.

<u>Erfenis/kulturele hulpbronne</u>: Geen erfenis/kulturele terreine is geïdentifiseerd nie, en daar is 'n lae moontlikheid van palaeontologiese hulpbronne by die Tshipi Borwa Myn.

<u>Sosio-ekonomies</u>: Daar is gemeenskappe, myne, privaat grondeienaars en plaas bewoners om die projek area. Werkloosheid en onderwys vlakke in die area is hoër as die munisipale gemiddeld. Water en sanitasie voorsiening is baie goed.

<u>Grond gebruik:</u> Grondgebruike in die area sluit landbou, geisoleerde wonings, infrastruktuur/serwituut en mynbou aktiwiteite in



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'n EIA en EMPr en 'n WULA sal onderneem word om die DMR en DWS se besluite in te lig. Die EIA en EMPr en WULA proses word te gelyke tyd uitgevoer in drie fases.

### STAPPE IN DIE OMGEWINGSMAGTIGING- EN WULA PROSES

Die omgewingsmagtiging en WULA proses verskaf inligting oor die projek en die omgewing waarin dit plaasvind, identifiseer, deur konsultasie met geregistreerde geïnteresseerde en geaffekteerde partye (RI&APs), die potensiële negatiewe asook positiewe impakte van die projek, en lewer verslag op bestuursmaatreëls benodig om impakte te versag tot 'n aanvaarbare vlak. Die waarskynlike proses stappe en tydsraamwerke word hieronder voorsien. RI&APs en ander belanghebbendes op die projek se databasis sal vroegtydig kennisgewing ontvang van publieke deelame geleenthede.



- Voor-aansoek vergadering met die DMR & DWS
- Lig ander regulatoriese owerhede en RI&APs in oor die projek en omgewingsassessering (via koerant advertensies, erf kennisgewings en hierdie dokument)
- Omvangsvergadering met RI&APs regulatoriese owerhede (indien nodig)
- Gun RI&APs die kans om kommentaar te lewer en om navrae to maak
- Indiening van NEMA en NEM:WA aansoeke aan die DMR Publieke nasien van die omvangsverslag (30 kalenderdae)
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- Nasien van EIR en EMPr en WULA deur DMR (107 kalenderdae) en DWS (139 kalenderdae)
- Sirkuleer die besluit aan RI&APs op die projek databasis

### POTENSIËLE OMGEWINGSIMPAKTE

Die volginde lys van aanvanklike kwessies en potensiële impakte is geïdentifiseer en sal ondersoek word as deel van die omgewingsimpak assesseringsproses.

- \* Besoedeling van bogrondse waterhulpbronne
- \* Besoedeling van grondwaterhuplbronne
- \* Skepping van geraasbesoedeling
- \* Toename in stofgenerasie
- \* Verandering in grondgebruik.
- \* Verandering in dreineringspatrone deur veranderde topografie
- \* Verlies en sterelisasie van minerale hulpbronne
- \* Verlies van grond en grondvermoë
- \* Vernietiging van plantegroei, habitateenhede en verwante ekosistem funksionaliteit en dierspesies
- \* Visuele impakte deur veranderde topografie, mynbou en infrastrutuur

### PARTYE BETREK IN DIE OMGEWINGSAANSOEK PROSES

## IAPs

- \* Omliggende grondeienaars, -gebruikers en gemeenskappe
- \* Traditionele en plaaslike owerhede
- \* Omliggende myne en industrië
- \* Nie-regeringsorganisasies en -assosiasies
- Semistaatinstellings

## **REGULATORIESE OWERHEDE**

- Departiment van Water en Sanitasie Departiment of Omgewing en Natuur Bewaring
- \* Departiment of Minerale Hulpbronne
- \* Departiment of Landbou, Bosbou en Visserye
- Provinsiale Suid Afrikaanse Erfenis Hulpbron Agentskap
- \* Departiment of Landelike Ontwikkelling and Grond Hervorming

## PLAASLIKE OWERHEDE

- John Taolo Gaetsewe Distrik Munisipaliteit
- \* Joe Morolong Plaaslike Munisipaliteit (insluitend die wyk raadslidincluding)

Laat ons asseblief weet as daar enige ander partye wie betrek moet word.

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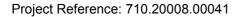
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## AGTERGRONDINLIGTINGSDOKUMENT VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE TSHIPI AFVAL ROTS MYNHOOP EN GEDEELTELIKE TERUGVULLING PROJEK (SLR PROJEK NO.: 710.20008.00041)

### REGISTRASIE EN REAKSIE VORM VIR GEÏNTERESSEERDE EN GEAFFEKTEERDE PARTYE

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Dien asseblief voltooide vorms in teen 22 September 2017 aan:			
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File Ref. 2017-08-31 Tshipi IAP notification letter

31 August 2017

## ATTENTION: LAND OWNER/STAKEHOLDER

Dear Sir/Madam

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED TSHIPI PARTIAL BACKFILLING AND WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

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Tshipi is required to make an application for **environmental authorisation** of the project to the Department of Mineral Resources. The project triggers listed environmental and waste management activities which requires environmental authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 59 of 2008 (NEM:WA). A Section 102 amendment of the Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) is required in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002 for the incorporation of the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 into the mine's surface use area, the change to the closure objectives for the partial backfilling and creating remnant WRDs and a final pit void. A water use licence is required from the Department of Water and Sanitation for the water uses listed in section 21 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 (NWA) triggered by the project.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR), an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Tshipi to manage the public participation and environmental assessment required to inform a decision by the competent authorities, the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) and Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). As part of the initial phase of this work we are distributing information to as many interested or affected parties as possible.

Our information leads us to believe that you may be an owner or occupier of land in the proximity of the application area or a stakeholder with interest in the application. We would thus like to notify you of the application and provide you with introductory information on the proposed project. The Background Information Document explains the proposed project and outlines the application

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A public scoping meeting will be hosted at the Hotazel Recreation Club on 14 September 2017 at 9:30 and you are invited to attend to obtain further information on the proposed project and to raise any issues or concerns to be addressed in the scoping report.

Please also pass this document on to any other persons whom you know reside in or near to the application area. We welcome any comment or questions.

Yours faithfully

JC Pretorius Environmental Assessment Practitioner



Project Reference: 710.20008.00041

File Ref. 2017-08-31 Tshipi Authorities notification letter

31 August 2017

### ATTENTION: COMPETENT OR COMMENTING AUTHORITY

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This letter serves to notify you of the proposed project and to invite you to a regulatory authorities scoping meeting on 14 September 2017 at the Hotazel Recreational Club at 12:00.

In preparation of the meeting please find attached a copy of the project's background information

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document (BID) prepared by SLR for your information.

Should you have any queries or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

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#### ATTENTION: COMPETENT OR COMMENTING AUTHORITY

Dear Sir/Madam

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED TSHIPI PARTIAL BACKFILLING AND WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

Please be informed that Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd (Tshipi) proposes to extend its Western waste rock dump (WRD) onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 to provide additional dump capacity. This requires the inclusion of the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 into the mine's surface use area. Tshipi also proposes to change its backfill strategy and closure objectives of its approved Environmental Management Plan (EMPr). It proposes to conduct partial backfilling instead of total backfilling of its pit, which will create remnant WRDs and a pit void at the end of the life of mine.

Tshipi is required to make an application for **environmental authorisation** of the project to the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR). The project triggers listed environmental and waste management activities which requires environmental authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 59 of 2008 (NEM:WA). A Section 102 amendment of the Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) is required in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002 for the incorporation of the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 into the mine's surface use area, the change to the closure objectives for the partial backfilling and creating remnant WRDs and a final pit void. A **water use licence** is required from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for the water uses listed in section 21 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 (NWA) triggered by the project.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd (SLR), an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Tshipi to manage the public participation and environmental assessment required to inform a decision by the competent authorities, the DMR and DWS. As part of the initial phase of this work we are distributing information to the relevant authorities and as many interested or affected parties as possible.

This letter serves to notify you of the proposed project and to invite you to a regulatory authorities scoping meeting on 14 September 2017 at the Hotazel Recreational Club at 12:00.

In preparation of the meeting please find attached a copy of the project's background information document (BID) prepared by SLR for your information.

Should you have any queries or comments, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

See more about: JC Pretorius.

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From: Sent: To: Cc: Subject:	JC Pretorius 11 July 2018 09:39 AM takalani.khorombi@dmr.gov.za Linda Munro RE: Tshipi Borwa Project - DMR notificati	on
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Dear Takalani,

With regards to the email below, we have not had any response from you in this regard and we trust that the matters pointed out below is in order and that you would not require to meet in this regard.

All the best.

JC

From: JC Pretorius Sent: 21 June 2018 12:24 PM To: takalani.khorombi@dmr.gov.za Cc: Linda Munro Subject: Tshipi Borwa Project - DMR notification

Dear Takalani,

I have been unable to get in touch with you telephonically for the past two weeks. Your office lines are down and I have left you a couple of voice mails on your cell number.

I just wanted to discuss the Tshipi Borwa Waste Rock Extension Project. On Friday 15 June 2018 you were sent a copy of the scoping report for the project. The report is out for review by authorities and the I&APs for a 30-day period until 16 July 2018.

I wanted to point out a couple of matters to you before the report landed on your desk as follows:

- 1. The scope for the EIA process has been reduced from what we had discussed at the pre-application meeting on 29 August 2017. The scope now includes: extension of the East and West Waste Rock Dumps, an 11 kV powerline and a conveyor (the powerline and conveyors are below threshold and do not trigger additional listed activities).
- 2. The project has been advertised, and IAPs have been informed of the reduction in scope prior to the distribution of the scoping report for public review.
- 3. Tshipi will still investigate a change in closure objectives (which formed part of the initial scope for this EIA as discussed in our pre-application meeting) and address this in a different authorisation process.

Please let me know if you would like to discuss these matters in more detail or if you would require to meet in this regard.

All the best

JC

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ON THURSDAY, 31 MAY 2018, 15:56:52 SAST, JC PRETORIUS@SLRCONSULTWROODEN

DEAR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY,

ATTACHED PLEASE FIND THE NOTICE AND BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT OF THE UPDATE ON THE TSH PROJECT FOR YOUR ATTENTION.

PLEASE CONTACT SLR CONSULTING WITH ANY QUERIES IN THIS REGARD.



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From:	Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za></nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>
Sent:	05 June 2018 08:31 AM
То:	JC Pretorius
Subject:	RE: TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING: UPDATE ON TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP
	PROJECT

Good morning,

Thank you for notifying SAHRA of the proposed development. Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <u>http://sahra.org.za/sahris/</u>.

Please create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA.

Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case application, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application, and are submitted to SAHRA at the beginning of the Public Review periods. Once all these documents have been uploaded, I will be able to issue an informed comment as per section 38(4) and 38(8) of the NHRA.

Kind regards,

From: Phillip Hine
Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 4:19 PM
To: Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>; Nokukhanya Khumalo <NKhumalo@sahra.org.za>
Subject: FW: TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING: UPDATE ON TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

Hi both,

I am not sure who this belongs to.

Regards,

From: JC Pretorius <<u>icpretorius@slrconsulting.com</u>> Sent: Thursday, May 31, 2018 3:55 PM To: JC Pretorius <<u>icpretorius@slrconsulting.com</u>> Cc: Linda Munro <<u>Imunro@slrconsulting.com</u>> Subject: TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING: UPDATE ON TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

Dear Interested and affected party,

Attached please find the notice and Background Information Document of the update on the Tshipi Waste Rock Dump Project for your attention.

Please contact SLR Consulting with any queries in this regard.



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From:	erolmotlhatlhedi@gmail.com
Sent:	03 June 2018 02:22 PM
То:	JC Pretorius
Subject:	Fw: Hi i'm registering as an interested individual on the Waste Rock Dump
	Extension Project at Tshipi Borwa Mine. My name is Erol Tshelang Motlhatlhedi and has a small construction company based here in Kathu. My view to this project is that with proj

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: <u>erolmotlhatlhedi@gmail.com</u> Sent: Sunday 3 June 2018 14:19 To: <u>cphashe@slrconsulting.com</u>

**Subject:** Hi i'm registering as an interested individual on the Waste Rock Dump Extension Project at Tshipi Borwa Mine. My name is Erol Tshelang Motlhatlhedi and has a small construction company based here in Kathu. My view to this project is that with projects like these it is higly important as this will benefit the unemoyed in our region as there is a lot of unemployment here. At least few men and women will get the opportunity for permanent and temporary jobs and this is the best breaking news also to us local business as we also can have opportunity to make business. My company is Termo Construction (Pty) Ltd, my business is general building construction and supply of goods and materials.

SENT FROM MY BLACKBERRY 10 SMARTPHONE.

From:	Riaan Karriem Transnet Freight Rail KBY <riaan.karriem@transnet.net></riaan.karriem@transnet.net>	
Sent:	08 September 2017 09:40 AM	
То:	JC Pretorius	
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Subject:	Freight Rail JHB FW: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMETAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF TSHIPI PARTIAL BACK FILLING	
Attachments:	KBYTFRWPUPS01_FRP388_11_0030718_170908093532_0001.pdf	

### Our Ref: TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/108

### Apologies Mr. Pretorius,

The correct reference should be as mentioned above , and not TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/105 as it was the previous file ref.

Kind regards

Riaan Karriem Chief Admin Official Infrastructure Maintenance Transnet Freight Rail Kimberley

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From: Riaan Karriem Transnet Freight Rail KBY
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Subject: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMETAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF TSHIPI PARTIAL BACK
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Your Ref: 2017-08-31- Tshipi IAP Transnet Property Ref: LS.BFX.25/7/42 Our Ref: TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/105

Good day Mr. Pretorius

Please find attached letter for your attention.

Your co-operation in this regard is highly appreciated.

Thanking you in advance

Kind regards

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J.C. Pretorius SLR Consulting (Africa) PTY LTD PO BOX 1596 Cramerview 2060

Dear J.C Pretorius

### KAMFERSDAM-HOTAZEL:NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED TSHIPI PARTIAL BACKFILLING AND WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

Your notice ref: 2017-08-31-Tshipi IAP notification letter refers.

This office has no objection to the proposal. Transnet and its OD's are not affected as the site lies  $\pm$  2,4km south- east from the closest development (diesel farm).

Technically speaking, from a Civil point of view, we foresee no objections to the proposal.

Transnet Freight Rail would however, like the opportunity to re-evaluate our position with regards to this proposal once final plans have been prepared.

Yours truly

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Goeie Dag, mnr. Pretorius - Ontvang hiermee Reaksievorm van SALTRIM RANCHES (PTY) LTD.

Baie dankie. H P Venter (MD SR (Pty) Ltd)

#### **TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING**

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From:	Natasha Higgitt <nhiggitt@sahra.org.za></nhiggitt@sahra.org.za>
Sent:	01 September 2017 12:47 PM
То:	JC Pretorius
Subject:	Re: NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN
	SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED TSHIPI PARTIAL BACKFILLING AND WASTE ROCK
	DUMP PROJECT

GOOD AFTERNOON,

THANK YOU FOR NOTIFYING SAHRA OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT. PLEASE NOTE THAT SAHRA DOES NOT AGE EMAILED, HARDCOPY OR WEBSITE LINKS AS OFFICIAL SUBMISSIONS. PLEASE CREATE AN APPLICATION O RESOURCES INFORMATION SYSTEM (SAHRIS) AND UPLOAD ALL DOCUMENTS TO THE CASE. ONCE THIS IS COMPLICATION GET THE STATUS OF THE CASE FROM DRAFT TO SUBMITTED, NOTIFY ME, AND REFERENCE THE CASE ID NUM

KIND REGARDS,

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#### ATTENTION: COMPETENT OR COMMENTING AUTHORITY

DEAR SIR/MADAM

#### NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION IN SUPPORT OF THE PROPOSED TSHIPI PARTIAL BACKFILLING AND WASTE ROCK DUMP PROJECT

PLEASE BE INFORMED THAT TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD (TSHIPI) PROPOSES TO EX WASTE ROCK DUMP (WRD) ONTO THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 8 OF THE FARM MAMATWAN 33 ADDITIONAL DUMP CAPACITY. THIS REQUIRES THE INCLUSION OF THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION MAMATWAN 331 INTO THE MINE'S SURFACE USE AREA. TSHIPI ALSO PROPOSES TO CHANGE ITS BACK CLOSURE OBJECTIVES OF ITS APPROVED ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMPR). IT PROPOSES TO BACKFILLING INSTEAD OF TOTAL BACKFILLING OF ITS PIT, WHICH WILL CREATE REMNANT WRDS AN OF THE LIFE OF MINE.

TSHIPI IS REQUIRED TO MAKE AN APPLICATION FOR environmental anthonis area and the deploy of mineral resources (DMR). The project triggers listed environmental and waste man which requires environmental authorisation in terms of the national environmental of 1998 (NEMA) and the national environmental management: waste act, 59 of 2008 (NEM: SECTION 102 AMENDMENT of the environmental management programme report (EMPR) is of the mineral and petroleum resources development act, 28 of 2002 for the incorporatio remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm mamatum and 331 into the mine's surface use are closure objectives for the partial backfilling and creating remnant wrds and a final

**licence** IS REQUIRED FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION (DWS) FOR THE WATER USE 21 OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 36 OF 1998 (NWA) TRIGGERED BY THE PROJECT.

SLR CONSULTING (AFRICA) (PTY) LTD (SLR), AN INDEPENDENT FIRM OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT APPOINTED BY TSHIPI TO MANAGE THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT DECISION BY THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES, THE DMR AND DWS. AS PART OF THE INITIAL PHASE OF DISTRIBUTING INFORMATION TO THE RELEVANT AUTHORITIES AND AS MANY INTERESTED OR AFFECT.

THIS LETTER SERVES TO NOTIFY YOU OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND TO INVITE YOU TO A REGULATORY MEETING ON 14 SEPTEMBER 2017 AT THE HOTAZEL RECREATIONAL CLUB AT 12:00.

IN PREPARATION OF THE MEETING PLEASE FIND ATTACHED A COPY OF THE PROJECT'S BACKGROUND I (BID) PREPARED BY SLR FOR YOUR INFORMATION.

SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES OR COMMENTS, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CONTACT US.

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> Enquiries: J Mans E-mail: JacolineMa@daff.gov.za Date: 16 July 2018 Ref: 40.8.14.2/NC/114

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ATTENTION: J.C. Pretorius (jcpretorius@slrconulsting.com)

RE: COMMENTS ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT, FARMS MAMATWAN & MOAB, HOTAZEL DISTIRCT (DMR REF: NC/30/5/1/2/2/206MR)

#### 1. DEPARTMENTAL MANDATE

The Directorate: Forestry Management (Other Regions) in the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) is responsible for implementation of the National Forests Act, Act 84 of 1998 (NFA) and the National Veld and Forest Fires Act, Act 101 of 1998 as amended. The developer must take note of the following sections of the NFA:

- 1.1 Section 12(1): "The Minister may declare-
  - (a) a particular tree,
  - (b) a particular group of trees,
  - (c) a particular woodland; or
  - (d) trees belonging to a particular species, to be a protected tree, group of trees, woodland or species.
- 1.2 Section 15(1): "No person may-
  - (a) Cut, disturb, damage or destroy any protected tree; or
  - (b) Possess, collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any protected tree, or any forest product derived from a protected tree, except-

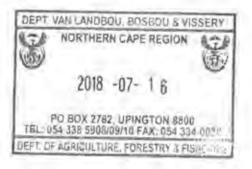


- (i) under a license granted by the Minister; or
- (ii) in terms of an exemption from the provision of this subsection published by the Minister in the Gazette on the advice of the Council."
- 1.3 "Any person who contravenes the prohibition on-
  - The cutting, disturbance, damage or destruction of temporarily protected trees or groups of trees referred to in section 14(2) or protected trees referred to in section 15(1)(a); or
  - (ii) The possession, collection, removal, transport, export, purchase or sale of temporarily protected trees or groups of trees referred to in section 14(2) or protected trees referred to in section 15(1)(b), or any forest product derived from a temporarily protected tree, group of trees or protected tree, is guilty of a first category offence.
- I.4 Section 58 (1): "Any person who is guilty of a first category offence referred to in sections 62 and 63 may be sentenced to a fine or imprisonment for a period of up to three years, or to both a fine and such imprisonment."
- 1.5 The list of protected tree species under section 12(1) (d) of the National Forests Act, 1998 (Act No. 84 of 1998) is published annually; the most recent publication was in GN690 of 8 September 2017.
- 2. COMMENTS ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT
- 2.1 The proposed East Waste Rock Dump (WRD) extension area is approximately 13 ha and the proposed West WRD extension area is approximately 142 ha (including access roads), thus a total anticipated footprint of approximately 155 ha in Kathu Bushveld vegetation type. The draft Scoping Report confirmed that the habitat is considered to be in a good condition, and is populated by a high number of the protected tree species Vachellia erioloba and Vachellia haematoxylon. The Department would like to point out that cumulative impacts on protected trees will be assessed and once a certain threshold is exceeded, the DAFF may request a biodiversity offset.
- 2.2 A Forest Act License NCU 6530516 was granted in 2016, permitting the felling of 1858 V. erioloba and 91 V. haematoxylon to clear 11.4 ha. The license contained a special condition regarding implementation of a greening project whereby three trees must be planted for every protected tree destroyed under the license. The compliance report was due on 23 May 2018, but is still outstanding. Tshipe Mine should note that the Department will not process any new license applications until the previous license conditions were complied with to the satisfaction of this office and the report submitted.

- 2.3 The clearing of 11 ha resulted in the loss of almost 2000 protected trees, therefore clearing of an additional 142 ha may have significant impacts on protected trees. It is important to provide an accurate estimation of number and sized of protected tree species that will be destroyed in the 155 ha proposed development footprint.
- 2.4 Please note that trees with bird nests may not be damaged or disturbed without a valid <u>Fauna Permit</u> from the provincial Department of Environment and Nature Conservation (DENC) under the Northern Cape Nature Conservation Act, Act 9 of 2009 (NCNCA), if affected.
- 2.5 The Draft Scoping Report mentioned the construction of a 2.5 km long 11kV overhead powerline along the Portion 8 boundary onto the existing mining right area, with 22 m wide servitude. Page 19 of the report stated that "this strip will be cleared of all trees and bushes..." Kindly note the DAFF has specific guidelines for clearing of protected trees under power lines. The guidelines were developed in consultation with Eskom and only permits clearing of protected trees directly under and up to 4 meters away on either sides of the outer lines. The whole servitude of 22 meters may not be cleared of protected trees.
- 2.6 The proposed development footprint must be overlaid on the Northern Cape Critical Biodiversity Area (CBA) map and the map must be supplied to the DAFF and DENC. Impacts on Critical Biodiversity Areas and Ecological Support Areas must be avoided.
- 2.7 The report mentioned a number of provincially protected plant species present on site. Some can be rescued and relocated under a Flora Permit, for example Boophone disticha. Therefore, prior to disturbance of plant species a suitable qualified botanist must do a search and rescue of plants of conservation concern and where possible relocate such plant.
- 2.8 If a specialist fauna and flora impact assessment is conducted as part of the EIR, please forward a copy thereof to the Forestry Office in Upington.

Kind Regards,

Jacoline Mans Chief Forester: NFA Regulation





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#### **Interim Comment**

#### In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd

331 Mamatwan Farm

### Tshipi Borwa Waste Rock Dump expansion project on the farms Mamatwan 331 and Moab 700 in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality and Joe Morolong Local Municipality of the Northern Cape Province

Thank you for notifying SAHRA of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the proposed Tshipi Borwa Waste Rock Dump Extension Project, near Hotazel, Northern Cape Province.

As the proposed development is undergoing an EA Application process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 28 of 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended), it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment** (HIA) is done as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). This must include an archaeological component, palaeontological component and any other applicable heritage components. The HIA must be conducted **as part of the** EA Application in terms of NEMA and the NEMA EIA Regulations.

A draft Scoping Report has been submitted and the report states that the HIA will be done as part of the EIA phase of the EA applications. We await the draft EIA phase and HIA.

The quickest process to follow for the archaeological component of the HIA, would be to contract a specialist (see <u>www.asapa.org.za</u> or <u>www.aphp.org.za</u> to provide an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA). The AIA must comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments. Should the project be highly disturbed, the archaeologist may draft a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption for further studies to be completed.

The proposed expansion area is located within an area of moderate sensitivity in terms of palaeontological resources. An assessment of the impact of the development on palaeontological resources is required to be completed by a qualified palaeontologist. The report must comply with the SAHRA 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Component of Heritage Impact Assessments (see <u>www.palaeontologicalsociety.co.za</u> for

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qualified paleontologists). Should the project be highly disturbed, the palaeontologist may draft a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption for further studies to be completed.

Any other heritage resources as defined in section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as maritime archaeology, built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewscapes must also be assessed.

The Final Scoping Report, Draft EIA and appendices must be submitted to the SAHRIS Case application so that an informed comment can be issued.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

Natasha Higgitt Heritage Officer South African Heritage Resources Agency

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#### **JC Pretorius**

From:	JC Pretorius
Sent:	10 July 2018 10:34 AM
То:	Tshiping WUA
Subject:	RE: TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK
	DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORT FOR
	PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT
Attachments:	2018-06-08 WUL site notice Tshipi WRD.pdf

Dear Mr Viljoen,

Thank you for your email. My apologies for the delayed response. I was out of the office for two weeks.

The WULA has not been submitted to DWS as yet and the WULA process has commenced with the placement of the attached notice on site and in public places in Hotazel and Kathu.

Please forward any comments in this regard to us.

All the best

JC

From: Tshiping WUA [mailto:info@tshiping.co.za]
Sent: 26 June 2018 08:45 AM
To: JC Pretorius
Subject: RE: TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION
PROJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

GOOD MORNING MR PRETORIOUS

THE REPORT MENTIONS THAT A WULA WAS NOT SUBMITTED TO DWS.

PLEASE ADVISE ON THE CURRENT SITUATION OF SUCH APPLICATION.

REGARDS ALBERTUS VILJOEN CEO - TSHIPING WUA



SEL: 083 649 5452 TEL: 053 313 0595

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#### **ATTENTION: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES**

DEAR SIR/MADAM,

#### TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD: TSHIPI BORWA WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF SCOPING REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

OUR PREVIOUS CORRESPONDENCE REGARDING THE ABOVE MENTIONED PROVECTERES YREREVED E. INFORMATION REGARDING THIS PROPOSED PROJECT, THE SCOPING REPORT AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO COMM

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (1997) (19) OPERATES THE TSHIPI BORWA OPEN PIT MANGANESE I THE FARMS MAMATWAN 331 (MINING RIGHT AND SURFACE USE AREAS) AND MOAB 700 (SURFAC APPROXIMATELY 20 KM TO THE SOUTH OF HOTAZEL WITH BOUNDARIES FALLING OLD THE SOUTH OF HOTAZEL WITH BOUNDARIES FALLING OLD THE SOUTH AF MUNICIPALITY AND JOE MOROLONG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE OF SOUTH AF LOCALITY MAP).

TSHIPI HOLDS A MINING RIGHT (NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) AND AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PF (EMPR) APPROVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES (DMR) IN TERMS OF THE MINERALS A DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002) (MPRDA). TSHIPI INTENDS TO AMEND ITS EMPR IN TERMS OF MPRDA. AN EMPR IS NOW CONSIDERED A TONATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (NO. 107 OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA). AS SUCH, THIS AMENDMENT APPLICATION IS MADE IN TERMS NEMA ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, AS AMENDED (EI20174E, GWLAICHONSOVE SUBSTANTIVE EA AMENDMENTS PI ALSO HOLDS OTHER AUTHORISATIONS IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL W OF 1998) (NWA) AND THE NEMA.

TSHIPI IS PROPOSING THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO ITS CURRENT OPERATION:

• EXTENDING THE TSHIPI EAST WASTE ROCK DUMP (WRD) INEAST SERVET HDIRECTION TOWARDS THE BOUNDARY AND FINALLY TO ULTIMATELY MERGE WITH THE NEARBY MAMATWAN WRD, ESSENTIA BETWEEN THESE TWO WRDS;

- EXTENDING THE TSHIPI WEST WRD IN A SOUTH-WESTERLY DIRECTION **OORDIONPORTIONE** FARM MA 331, IN ORDER TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL STORAGE CAPACITY FOR WASTE ROCK;
- CONSTRUCTING AN 11KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE FROM AN APPROX EDD SSKOWL STOBLE BUILT, ALONG BOUNDAY OF PORTION 8 ONTO THE EXISTING MINING RIGHT AREA, AND CONNECTING THIS NEW LINE CENTRE ON THE MINE; AND
- CONSTRUCTING AN OVERLAND CONVEYOR SYSTEM BETWEEN THE EXISTING CRUSHED PRODUCT OF CRUSHING AND SCREENING PLANT, TO THE EXISTING PRODUCT ORE STOCKPILES LOCATED IN CLOSE PROXI STATION.

#### 2. SUMMARY OF AUTHORISATIONS REQUIRED

IN ORDER TO OBTAIN APPROVAL FOR THE PROPOSED PROJECT AND IN SUPPORT OF THE APPBORATION AME EMPR IN TERMS OF SECTION 102 OF THE MPRDA, AS READ WITH THE NEMA EIA REGULATIONS, VARIO REQUIRED FROM THE COMPETENT AUTHORITIES. THESE INCLUDE:

- AN EA FROM THE DMR IN TERMS OF NEMA. THE PROPOSED PROJECT ENCOM**RCATSSESEMER**AL GOVERNMENT NOTICE REGULATION (GNR) 983 AND 984 OF 4 DECEMBER 2014, AS AMENDED (EIA 20 THIS TRIGGERS THE REQUIREMENT FOR TSHIPI TO OBTAIN AN EA PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE
- A WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENSE.)(WROM THE DMR IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENT/ WASTE ACT (NO. 59 OF 2008) (NEM:WA). THE PROPOSED PROJECT INCLUDES WASTE MANAGEMEN GOVERNMENT NOTICE REGULATION (GNR) 921 OF 29 NOVEMBER 2013, AS AMENDED; AND
- A WUL ISREQUIRED FROM THE DWS FOR THE WATER USES LISTED IN SECTION 21 OF THE NWA, AS 1 AN APPLICATION WILL ALSO BE LODGED WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION (DW REQUIREMENTS OF RELEVANT CONDITIONS INHEREGULATIONS ON USE OF WATER FOR MININ ACTIVITIES AIMED AT THE PROTECTION OF WATER RESOURCES (GNR 704 OF 4 JUNE 1999) IN TERMS OF TH
- WRITTEN CONSENT IN TERMS OF SECTION 102 OF THE MPRDA, AS READ WITH THE NEMADERAMEREGULAT TSHIPI'S EXISITING EMPR.

ANY ADDITIONAL APPROVALS/PERMITS NEEDED FOR THE PROJECT WILL BE IDENTIFIED DURING THEACOURSE DETAILED LIST OF SUCH REQUIREMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTINGERODET (EIR), EMPR.

TSHIPI MAY BE REQUIRED TO OBTAIN OTHER PERMITS AND AUTHORISATIONS IN TERMS OF HEALTCHAND SAFET' THIS FALLS OUTSIDE THE SCOPE OF THE EIA PROCESS.

#### 3. EIA PROCESS

AN EIA INITIATED IN TERMS OF REGULATION 21 OF THE EIA REGULATION 2014, AS AMENDED, IS CONDUC FIRST PHASE IS THE SCOPING PHASE AND THE SECOND IS THE EIA PHASE. THE OBJECTIVES OF THESE F BELOW.

#### Scoping Phase

IN THE CONTEXT OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT THE AIM OF THE SCOPING PHASE IS TO:

- IDENTIFY RELEVANT POLICIES AND LEGISLATION;
- CONSIDER THE NEED AND DESIRABILITY;
- CONSIDER ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES AND SITES;
- IDENTIFY THE POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES;
- DETERMINE THE LEVEL OF ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REQUIRED FOR THE EIA PHASE;
- IDENTIFY AND OUTLINE WHAT INVESTIGATIONS NEED TO BE CONDUCTED; AND
- IDENTIFY PRELIMINARY MEASURES TO AVOID, MITIGATE OR MANAGE POTENTIAL IMPACTS.

A PLAN OF STUDY WILL BE GENERATED FOR THE EIA PHASE OUTLINING HOW THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS WILL BE /

#### EIA Phase

THE OVERALL OBJECTIVE OF THE EIA PHASE IS TO ASSESS THE POTENTIAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED ALTERNATIVES AS PER THE TERMS OF REFERENCES INTENTITIEARS ARE SET OUT IN THE SCOPING REPOR DOCUMENT THE ASSESSMENT FINDINGS AND DETAIL THE MEASURES REQUIRED TO AVOID, MITIGATE A IMPACTS. THIS PHASE ALSO INCLUDES PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND PRONDDESFENTING STARTINGS (I&A) OPPORTUNITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE EIA PROCESS.

#### 4. WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION

A WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION (WULA) PROCESS WAS INITIATED IN 2017 WITH THE DWS TO APPLY IN TERMS OF SECTION 21 OF THE ENAMED TO PROPOSED CHANGES AT THE MINE DURING THE INITIAL PROCESS&APS WERE INFORMED OF THE WULA PROCESS DURING JUNE 2017 AND INVITED TO PROPOSES. THE EMPR AMENDMENT PROCESS WAS COMPLETED; HOWEVER, TO THE YEAR SOUBMITT DWS. THE CURRENT PROJECT WILL REQUIRE AUTHORISATION OF NEW WATER USES WHICH WIME INTO LUDED WULA. THE NEW WATER USES HAVE BEEN ADVERTISED AS PART OF THE CURRENT EIA PROCESS A PROVIDE INPUT INTO THE PROCESS.

#### 5. POTENTIAL IMPACTS

POTENTIAL IMPACTS THAT WERE IDENTIFIED DURING THE SCOPING PROCESS ARE LISTED BELOW:

- LOSS AND STERILIZATION OF MINERAL RESOURCES;
- ALTERING NATURAL TOPOGRAPHY;
- REDUCTION IN AIR QUALITY DUE TO AIR EMISSIONS;
- ALTERATION OF NATURAL DRAINAGE PATTERNS;
- CONTAMINATION OF SURFACE WATER RESOURCES;
- CONTAMINATION OF GROUNDWATER RESOURCES;
- LOSS OF SOIL RESOURCES AND LAND CAPABILITY THROUGH PHYSICAL DISTURBANCE AND POLLUTION;
- CHANGE IN LAND USE;
- PHYSICAL DESTRUCTION AND GENERAL DISTURBANCE OF BIODIVERSITY;
- NEGATIVE VISUAL IMPACTS;
- DISTURBANCE OF ROADS BY PROJECT RELATED TRAFFIC;
- INCREASE IN NOISE LEVELS;
- LOSS OF OR DAMAGE TO HERITAGE AND/OR PALEONTOLOGICAL RESOURCES;
- POSITIVE SOCIO ECONOMIC IMPACTS (ECONOMIC IMPACT); AND
- NEGATIVE SOCIO ECONOMIC IMPACTS (INWARD MIGRATION).

THESE IMPACTS WILL BE INVESTIGATED DURING THE EIA PHASE AND THE FINDINGS WILL BE REPORTED IN THE E

#### 6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS TO DATE HAN INVESTIGATION PROTECTED PARTIES DISTRIBUTION OF A BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (BID), PLACEMENT OF NEWSPAPER ADVERIPUBLIC MEETING.

I&APS ARE NOW INVITED TO REVIEW THIS SCOPING REPORT FOR A PERIOD OF 30-DAYS DURINGEDUNELAND JUL WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW UPPOIN REQUESPARTICIPATION PROCESS WILL CONTINUE EIA AND WULA PROCESS AND I&APS WILL BE GIVEN THE OPPORTUNITY TO PROVEDED INTERPREDING RESPONSES.

#### 7. REVIEW OF SCOPING REPORT AND SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS

THE SCOPING REPORT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR A 30-DAY REVIEW FROM 15 JUNE 20 030 POE \$60 FUTHE 0386 (REPORT HAVE BEEN MADE AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATIONS:

- KATHU LIBRARY;
- HOTAZEL LIBRARY; AND
- THE SLR WEBSITE <u>ATTPS://SLRCONSULTING.COM/ZA/SLR</u>-DOCUMENTS

FOR COMMENTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE FINAL SCOPING REPORT THEY MUST REACH SLR BNG OLDS 20 08. BUSINI COMMENTS SHOULD BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING TO:

#### **Clive Phashe or JC Pretorius**

EMAIL<u>CPHASHE@SLRCONSULT</u>IMABI**D/OBC**PRETORIUS@SLRCONSULTING.COM TEL: 011 467 0945 FAX: 011 467 0978 POST: PO BOX 1596, CRAMERVIEW, 2060 (NOTE: IF USING POST, PLEASE ALSO CONTACT US TELEPHONICALLY TO NOTIFY US OF YOUR SUBMISSION).

SHOULD YOU REQUIRE FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT JC PRETORIUS USING THE CONTACT DETAILS

YOURS FAITHFULLY

JC PRETORIUS

**APPENDIX C4: ADVERTISEMENTS AND SITE NOTICES** 

#### UPDATE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS – NOTICE OF SCOPING REPORT AVAILABILITY FOR PUBLIC REVIEW & COMMENT <u>TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING</u>

#### PROPOSED EIA, WML, EMPR AMENDMENT AND WUL PROCESS ASSOCIATED WITH THE WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT AT THE TSHIPI BORWA MINE

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd (Tshipi) currently operates the Tshipi Borwa Mine located on the farms Mamatwan 331 (mining right and surface use areas) and Moab 700 (surface use area), located approximately 20 km south of Hotazel with boundaries falling within John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality, Northern Cape Province.

Tshipi holds a mining right (NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) and an Environmental Management Programme Report (EMPr) approved by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) in terms of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA). Tshipi intends to amend its EMPr in terms of section 102 of the MPRDA. An EMPr is now considered to be a National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) Environmental Authorisation (EA). Tshipi also holds other authorisations in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA) and NEMA.

As per the previous advert published on 31 May 2018 in this newspaper, Tshipi is proposing to:

- 1. Extend the existing West Waste Rock Dump (WRD) onto the remaining extent of Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331, and include this area into the mining right area;
- 2. Extend the existing East WRD, on Portion 17 of the farm Mamatwan 331, towards the Mamatwan WRD by filling the void between these dumps to provide additional storage capacity;
- 3. Construct an 11kV overhead powerline along the Portion 8 boundary onto the existing mining right area; and
- 4. Construct an overland conveyor system from the existing crushing and screening plant to the existing manganese product stockpiles.

In order to obtain approval for the proposed project and in support of the application to amend the Tshipi Borwa Mine EMPr in terms of Section 102 of the MPRDA, as read with the NEMA EIA Regulations, various authorisations are required from the competent authorities. Notice is hereby given of the applications to be made for authorisation of the proposed project in terms of the environmental legislation listed below:

Legislation	Listed Activities	Key Process Elements	Competent Authority
National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 as amended.	GNR 983. LN 1: Activity 24 (development of haul roads), Activity 27 (clearance of indigenous vegetation>1ha for linear activity) 28 (extension of WRDs >1 ha); Activity 30 (activity requiring permit to remove protected trees); Activity 34 (extension of WRDs requiring a Water User Licence amendment); Activity 56 (widening of road). GNR 984. LN 2: Activity 6 (extension of WRDs requiring a Water Use Licence), Activity 15 (clearance of > 20 ha of indigenous vegetation); Activity 17 (activity requiring mining right).	Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) reports, including Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).	DMR
National Environmental Management: Waste Act (No. 59 of 2008)	GNR 921. Activity 10 (the construction of waste facilities), 11 (establishment of residue deposits i.e. WRDs)	S&EIA reports in support of the Waste Management License Application	
National Water Act (No 36 of 1998)	Section 21 (a) taking water from a water resource – water supply boreholes, 21(g) disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource for the East and West WRD extensions; as well as the North WRD extension which is already authorised in terms of NEMA and NEM:WA. GNR 704 Section 3 (exemption application to dispose of residue in the open pit through backfill)	Water Use Licence Application (WULA) and related management plans	DWS

Note: the activities and water uses to be applied for the project have been refined

Tshipi will apply for a Section 102 EMPr amendment from the DMR in terms of the Mineral & Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA), which will be supported by the EMPr included in the EIA report. The Amendment application will also be made in terms of Regulation 31 of the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, as amended (EIA Regulations 2014), which governs substantive EA amendments.

**SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd**, an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Tshipi to manage the S&EIA and the WULA processes.

All stakeholders are invited to review the **Scoping Report from 15 June to 16 July 2018**. The report will be made available for public review at the Hotazel and Kathu public libraries and on this website: <a href="https://sirconsulting.com/za/sir-documents">https://sirconsulting.com/za/sir-documents</a>.

All registered I&APs will continue to be provided the opportunity to participate and comment for the full duration of the EIA (expected to be until 18 October 2018) and WULA (expected to be until 31 July 2018). To register, check that you are registered and/or submit any comment and/or query on the proposed project, the EIA and WULA process or Scoping Report, to SLR at the contact details below:

**Clive Phashe or JC Pretorius** 

Email: <u>cphashe@slrconsulting.com</u> and/or jcpretorius@slrconsulting.com Tel: 011 467 0945 Fax: 011 467 0978 Post: PO Box 1596, Cramerview, 2060 (Note: If using post, please also contact us telephonically to notify us of your submission). Thank you.

Date of advert: 14 June 2018

# TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING (PTY) LTD WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE WASTE ROCK DUMP EXTENSION PROJECT AT TSHIPI BORWA MINE

Project: Waste Rock Dump Extension
Farms: Remaining extent of Portion 8, Portion 16 and Portion 17 of the farm Mamatwan 331
Location: 20 km south of Hotazel, Northern Cape
Application for the following water uses: Section 21(a) water supply boreholes; 21(g): extension of the West Waste Rock Dump (WRD) onto the remaining extent of Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331, extension of the East WRD on Portion 17 of the farm Mamatwan 331 and extension of the North WRD on

- Portion 16 of Mamatwan 331
- **Application**: For submission to the Department of Water and Sanitation in terms of Regulation No. 267 (24 March 2017) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998).
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#### UPDATE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

#### **TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING**

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In September 2017 stakeholders were informed that Tshipi proposed to:

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- 2. Change its backfill strategy and closure objectives of its approved EMPr to allow for partial backfilling.

Tshipi has subsequently reconsidered its immediate mine development requirements which now include the following (see Figure 1):

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- 3. Construct an 11kV overhead powerline along the Portion 8 boundary onto the existing mining right area; and
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Thus the scope of the EIA will change to address only these proposed project components.

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**Project**: Waste Rock Dump Expansion

**Farms**: Remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331

**Location**: 18 km south of Hotazel, Northern Cape **Water uses being applied for**: Section 21(g): expansion of the Western waste rock dump onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331

Application: To be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation in terms of Regulation No. 267 (24 March 2017) of the National Water Act (36 of 1998).
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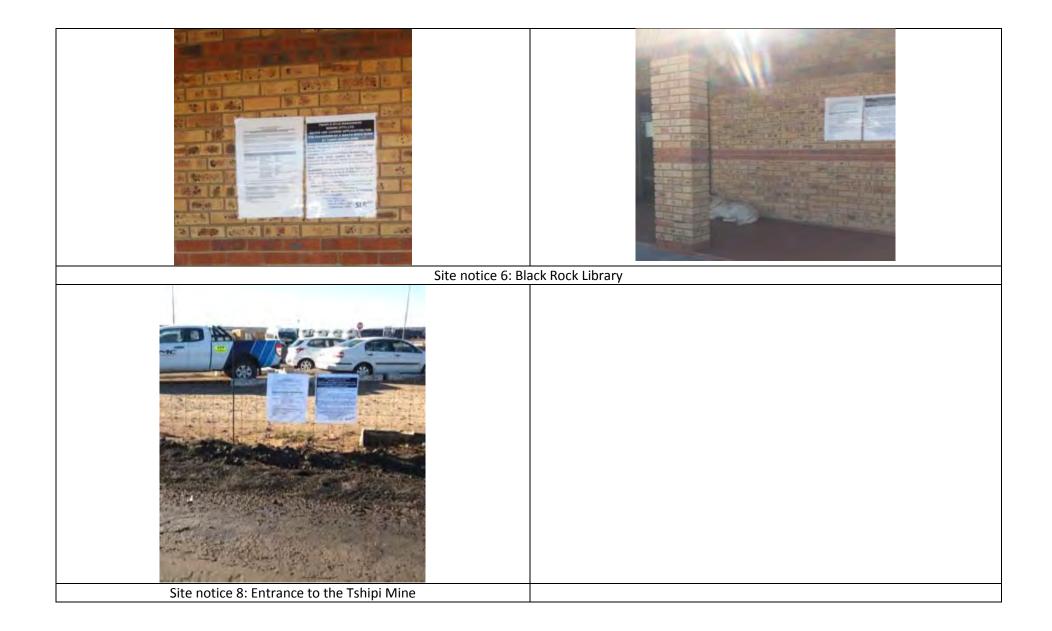


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#### Tshipi WRD Amendment Site Notices







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However, it is not that simple. When you start earning your own money, you realise that there are various credit and lending options available which can cause you to spend money you do not necessarily have behaviour that will catch up with you sooner than you think.

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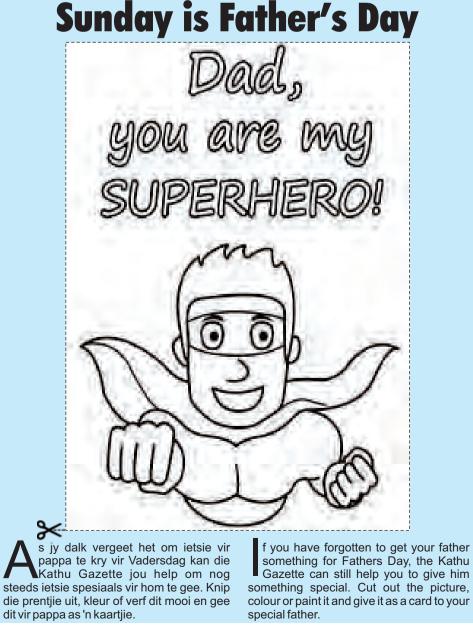
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Loans and Debts "Having a vehicle or home loan from an early age is not necessarily a bad thing as it can increase your chances of qualifying for other debt. The key is to manage your debt responsibly by paying your instalments on time, every time! A good place to start is by taking out an **by investing** educational loan. This way you invest in

Culture of saving Save for your retirement when you first start working. Individufrom an early age. In light of Youth Day on als who begin saving and investing in their twenties have a far better chance of reaching financial independence by age sixty.

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emas het 'n langtermyn verbintenis met Hoërskool Kathu gesluit om sodoende meer betrokke te raak en terug te ploeg in die gemeenskap, die leerders uit die gemeenskap en die skool.

Mnr Abie Rabekane van Iemas het dit beklemtoon dat dit vir hul gaan om terug te ploeg in die gemeenskap. Vir Hoërskool Kathu is dit 'n eer om met lemas verbind te wees en die skool sien werklik uit na die verbintenis met lemas.



Invest in the youth in financial education

SALE IN EXECUTION IN THE MAGISTRATES COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF JOHN TAOLO GAETSEWE HELD AT KATHU In the matter between FABAO ("SAM") WENG and MPISEKHAYA GILBERT MBUYANI NOTICE OF SALE IN TERMS of a Judgement granted on 16/05/2018 in the above-mentioned Honourable Court and a Warrant of Execution thereafter issued, the goods described below will be auctioned on 3 JULY 2018 AT THE BUTCHERY AT ERF 3029, FIRST STREET, MAPOTENG at 10:00 Belt saw machine (Meat cutter) 1x Microwave oven (no name) 1x 1x 1x Daewoo television 1x 2x Pots Зx Pans 5x Knifes 2x 1x Camera system set 1x 1x Seater couch 1x Steel locker 6x Steel tables 1x Glass & steel meat fridge 2x 1x KIC deep freezer fridge (small) 1x Зx 1x Samsung home theater 1x Komet Vocuboy machine 1x 1x DATED AT KATHU ON THIS 6th DAY OF JUNE 2018 LOUW & DA SILVA ATTORNEYS

1x Diamond brand hot plate stove

CASE NO: 171/2018

Execution Creditor

**Execution Debtor** 

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- (Samsung)
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In order to obtain approval for the proposed project and in support of the application to amend the Tshipi Borwa Mine EMPr in terms of Section 102 of the MPRDA, as read with the NEMA EIA Regulations, various authorisations are required from the competent authorities. Notice is hereby en of the applications to be made for authorisation of the proposed project in terms of the environmental legislation listed below

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NOTICE

Note: the activities and water uses to be applied for the project have been refined

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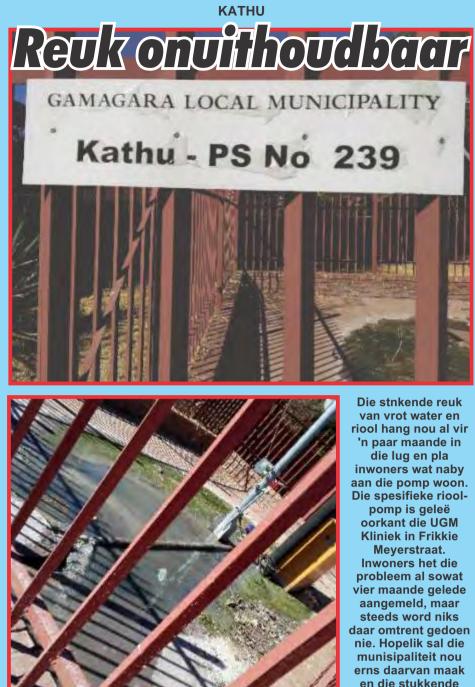
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All stakeholders are invited to review the Scoping Report from 15 June to 16 July 2018. The report will be made available for public review at the Hotazel and Kathu public libraries and on this website: https://slrconsulting.com/za/slr-documents

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Die stnkende reuk van vrot water en riool hang nou al vir 'n paar maande in die lug en pla inwoners wat naby aan die pomp woon. Die spesifieke rioolpomp is geleë oorkant die UGM Kliniek in Frikkie Meyerstraat. Inwoners het die probleem al sowat vier maande gelede aangemeld, maar steeds word niks daar omtrent gedoen nie. Hopelik sal die munisipaliteit nou erns daarvan maak en die stukkende rioolpomp regmaak.



## 7<sup>th</sup> Annual **Cancervive** Awareness **Ride ready to** hit the road !

ancer is one of the world's leading many myths and social stigmas surrouncauses of death and each year ding these Cancers. thousands of South Africans hear the words "you have cancer".

disease. It is, therefore, Cancervive's mis- more than R160 million through publicity

Since its inception in 2011, Cancervive has spread the message of hope to more This devastating news is even worse for than 190 000 people across all 9 provinces, those unaware or lacking the necessary in 7 languages, spanning a distance of over information, care and support regarding the 16 000 kilometres. We have also generated



### RESPONSE TO THE SIOC-CDT RESTRUCTURE ARTICLE

The Gamagara Development Forum has been a long outstanding Development trust in the Gamagara Area with a footprint of 20 years. The Gamagara Development Forum was identified as one of the aboriginal trusts that would benefit out of the three percent (3%) dividends due to the local communities from Kumba Iron Ore. GDF is entitled to thirty percent (30%) of the three percent (3%) as a beneficiary trust and the relationship is managed by a trust deed which clearly and explicitly states the functions of the donor (SIOC) and the beneficiary trust.

The Donor will administer the funds due to the community and the Beneficiary Trust would identify the projects within their jurisdiction and implement those projects for the benefit of the community.

This relationship was accepted and worked well until the strategy was changed by SIOC-cdt instructing BT's to collapse despite the objection by BT's.

With reference to the article of Sioc dated 19th August titled "SIOC-CDT RESTRUCTURES"

The explanation by the CEO of SIOC-cdt is misleading, safe to say GDF didn't opt out but could not honour its mandate as SIOC-cdt refused to release funds that were committed and allocated as far back as 2011&2012. GDF as a responsible corporate citizen deemed it fit to allow SIOC-cdt to implement the projects and declared a dispute in court following unsuccessful attempts to resolve the matter amicably.

GDF strongly believe that even though there was a down turn in global Iron Prices the committed projects should continue so that the community should not be adversely affected. These projects were therefore not supposed to be reliant on dividends due in 2016. Some of these projects affected the rights of the community such as right to health care and education as the Hospital. Hostel has ceased to operate since the project was approved for an upgrade.

The further press release of the 26th August 2017 wherein SIOC-CDT continues to vilify GDF about the projects that were incomplete and claiming to have completed them in an exceptional manner is applauded, dubious as it is, for the truth is funds were choked to create an excuse to implement them directly.

It is therefore GDF's contention that the restructuring was not done in good faith and has been done to the prejudice of GDF who has been a catalyst in the development of the communities

This matter is therefore still subjudicere but GDF will not tolerate distorted information to the community let alone false propaganda of by any institution. GDF will remain committed to the development of its community and will support any developmental initiatives with any stakeholder

Communicated by GDF's CEO-Advocate Dennis Dituku

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sion to continue to raise awareness of Cancer and to eradicate fear through providing knowledge, support and hope during our 7th annual Cancervive Awareness Ride. This 10-day motorbike ride is our flagship by Cancervive as we appeared live on TV event and will see more than 60 survivors, supporters, media and crew take to the open road from 14<sup>th</sup> to 24<sup>th</sup> September 2017 Northern Cape.

Through creative engagements such as music, performing arts, poetry, dance and storytelling, our message will reach thousands of people – empowering them with the knowledge that they are not alone and that this disease can be conquered!

Our team will visit schools, hospitals, factories, communities, etc. to share their own personal journeys of recovery and lend South Africans affected by the disease. their care and support to those affected by the disease. By openly addressing the 'shy' Cancers and providing education on early detection, methods of prevention and associated risk factors, we hope to abolish the #YouAreTheSolution

and even attracted international cancer survivors to participate in our annual Canvervive Awareness Ride.

In 2016 great new heights were reached screens across the country, with SABC as a new sponsor.

We were also joined by a new sponsor in Gauteng, Eastern Free State and the Mercedes-Benz We are elated to have sponsors SPAR, Revlon and Triumph join us again this year as they have been supporting Cancervive ever since its inception in 2011.

> Cancer does not have to be a death sentence and through love, care and compassion we will continue to educate thousands of South Africans about Cancer and also ease the suffering of thousands of

Join us as we celebrate life, save lives and spread the message that those affected by Cancer are not alone! #Cancervive #YouAreNotALone! #WeWillNotBeSilent

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### RIETFONTEIN

# **Rietfontein se** drome verpletter

'n Skrum word uitgevoer tydens die rugbywedstryd op Rietfontein.



Agter vlnr : Die netbalspan se spelers en afrigter, juf. Andrews, Leigh Ché Cloete, Kimberley Cloete, Andruscha Meyer, Petro-Ann Mouton, Vanessa Afrikaner, Regina Moswang en Juffrou Koetzee.

a Rietfontein se sprokie begin het in swaar gekry. Keimoes het baljaar met die moontlike deelname in die uitspeel rondtes in hul span. daarmee heen na die loesing deur Keimoes Hoërskool.

Kort na hanekraai het die rugby en netbal-In 'n naelbyt stryd het Rietfontein se netbal-

die Klein Skole liga is hulle nou hul oorvloed balbesit. Veral die losskakel en onoorwonne status kwyt en hul die linkervleuel van Keimoes was die angel

Ten spyte van die loesing is daar 'n paar insidente wat 'n skadu oor die wedstryd werp. Daar was geen paramedici teenspan die lang pad na Keimoes aangepak woordig. Toe Anver du Plessis beseer was, om Keimoes Hoër in hul agterplaas te pak. was hy net van die veld gehaal sonder dat 'n kundige sy besering geassesseer het. span goed rekenskap van hulleself gegee, Marquin Vries, haker van Rietfontein se kop gekloof. Daar was net 'n bietjie water oor sy kop gegooi, die wond met gaasverband toegedraai en die skeidsregter het hom toegelaat om verder te speel. Die speler moet onmiddellik volgens Boksmart vir harsingskuddingstoets gestuur gewees het. Rietfontein se bestuur het hom na die wedstryd na Keimoes hospitaal geneem vir steke. Gedurigdeur was daar geniepsige spel deur Keimoes en laat in die wedstryd het die skeidsregter uiteindelik 'n Keimoesspeler met 'n geelkaart afgestuur. Verder was daar geen doodlyn agter die pale wat beteken die spelers kon enige plek 'n drie druk

## **GAMAGARA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY** GAMAGARA PLAASLIKE OWERHEID

### **ELECTRICITY INTERRUPTION: OLIFANTSHOEK**

Please take note that due to unforeseen emergency work at the Eskom Olifantshoek Substation, there will be interruptions in the provision of electricity. All power supply points must be treated as live as the power will be restored without prior warning. The interruption will take place on the following day and time:

## Thursday 07 June 2018 from 06:00 to 20:00

The Municipality apologise for any inconvenience that may occur due to the above action.

### ELEKTRISITEITS ONDERBREKING: OLIFANTSHOEK

As gevolg van onvoorsiene noodsaaklike onderhoudswerke by die Eskom Olifantshoek Substasie, is die Munisipaliteit genoodsaak om die elektriese toevoer af te skakel. Alle elektriese punte moet as "lewendig" hanteer word aangesien die elektriese toevoer enige tyd weer aangeskakel kan word, sonder enige kennisgewing. Onderbreking sal op die volgende datum en tyd plaasvind:

## Donderdag 7 Junie 2018 vanaf 06:00 tot 20:00

Die Munisipliteit vra om verkoning vir enige ongerief wat mag voortspruit uit bogemelde aksie

MUNICIPAL MANAGER: MR. K. P. LESERWANE P.O.BOX 1001 KATHU 8446 Notice Number: 2018/15

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maar moes met 18-16 die knie voor die is teen die atletiekbaan se randsteen oop gasheer buig.

Skuins na twaalfuur die middag het die twee onoorwonne rugby spanne mekaar gepak. Die atmosfeer was elektries en die fanatiese tuisskare was bankvas agter die tuisspan. Binne die eerste vyftien minute was Rietfontein geskok met twee vinnige drieë deur Keimoes. Die keerpunt in die wedstryd was toe Rietfontein se losskakel, Anver du Plessis die veld met 'n nekbesering verlaat het. Dit was 'n gevoelige slag vir Rietfontein wie se span deur 'n string beserings gery word. As gevolg van hierdie besering moes daar gedwonge verskui-wings aan die agterlyn gemaak word en dit het die span planloos en eendimensieel laat voorkom. Keimoes het die situasie uitgebuit deur taktiese skopwerk en met aanvallende spel Rietfontein beer afsluit. tot foute gedwing en veld gewen. In die skrum het Rietfontein Keenan Bock en Renaldo Benn gemis want Rietfontein het

Ten spyte van die loesing van 31-0 gaan Rietfontein op 21 Julie Groblershoop pak om hul seisoen op 'n hoogtepunt te pro-

Keimoes druk vyf drieë en verdoel drie daarvan.

In addition, Tshipi will apply for a Section 102 EMPr amendment from the DMR in terms of the Mineral & Petroleum Resources Development Act MPRDA), which will be supported by the EMPr included in the EIA report.

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NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

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Sanparke vier van Maandag 18 September tot Vrydag 22 September sy 12de jaarlikse Suid-Afri-Nasionale kaanse Parkeweek.

In dié week krv alle Suid-Afrikaners gratis toegang tot die meeste van Sanparke se 21 Suid-Afrikaanse parke wanneer hulle hul Suid-Afrikaanse ID toon.

Veral dagbesoekers en plaaslike gemeenskappe word aangemoedig om hul naaste nasionale park dan te besoek.

Sommige van die parke wat aan die Suid-Afrikaanse Nasionale Parkeweek deelneem, het ook die gratis aanbod tot die naweek of 'n gedeelte van die naweek verleng.

Die inisiatief word saam met Total SA en First National Bank aangebied, volgens hul filosofie van 'n volhoubare stelsel van nasionale parke wat die samelewing verbind.

Volgens Sanparke se uitvoerende hoof, Fundisile Mketeni, is die Suid-Afrikaanse Nasionale Parkeweek in 2006 ingestel en het parke sedertdien toevloei van 'n 286 935 dagbesoekers gesien.

Slegs twee van die parke wat deur Sanparke bestuur word, die Namakwa- Nasionale Park naby Kamieskroon en die Boulders-pikkewynkolonie naby Simonstad, neem vanjaar nie aan die Parkeweek deel nie en die gewone toegangsgeld sal daar geld. Die Parkeweek se gratis aanbod sluit nie verblyf of aktiwiteite in die park in Dit behels net gratis toegang tot die parke. Vir meer inligting oor watter parke hieraan deelneem, besoek Sanparke se webwerf by sanparks.org.

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A public meeting has been arranged as part of the public participation processas follows

Date	Venue	Time
14 September 2017 at 14:30	Hotazel Recreation Club	09h30 - 11h00

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#### JC Pretorius (Project Manager) and/or Mase Rantsieng (Project Assistant)

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# Stem vir jou dorp

Dorpe oor Suid-Afrika heen, en een van Namibië, is in die jaarlikse stryd gewikkel om as Kwêla se dorp van die jaar gekroon te word.

kykNET se gewilde joernaalprogram wil hê die publiek moet oudergewoonte vir hul gunstelingdorp vóór Vrydag (01/06) per SMS stem.

Kwêla sal dan die wendorp op dié program se uitsending op Sondag 17 Junie aankondig.

Die dorp wat die meeste stemme kry, wen R1 miljoen se bemarkingswaarde van kykNET en Homebrew Films.

Die vervaardigers van Kwêla sal 'n 45 sekonde-advertensie oor die dorp maak, wat gedurende kykNET se advertensietyd uitgesaai sal word.

Daar sal ook 'n groot KIA dorp van die jaar-makietie in die wendorp gehou word.

By dié makietie sal musiek, kos, pret en sommer baie van die wendorp se gees hoogty vier.

Kwêla sal daar wees om dit te verfilm, en die insetsel sal later die jaar uitgesaai word.

In 2017 het Mosselbaai met die louere

weggestap. Voorheen het Hentiesbaai, Graaff-Reinet, De Rust, Sabie, Fouriesburg en

Middelburg ook al die titel verower. "Met die kompetisie kry Suid-Afrikaanse en Namibiese dorpe 'n kans om op te staan en te sê: kyk na al die wonderlike goed wat in my dorp aangaan!" sê die Kwêla-aanbieder en organiseerder van die kompetisie, Therese Benade.

#### Vanjaar se finaliste is:

- Fochville (Gauteng)Wakkerstroom (Mpumalanga)
- Modimolle (Limpopo)
- Jeffreysbaai (Oos-Kaap)Montagu (Wes-Kaap)
- Upington (Noord-Kaap)
- Parys (Vrystaat)

■ St. Lucia (KwaZulu-Natal)

#### ■ Mariental (Namibië)

Stem só vir 'n dorp:

SMS slegs die dorp se naam na 33157. 'n Maksimum van 30 SMS'e per nommer word toegelaat. Elke SMS kos R1,50. Stemlyne sluit Vrydag (01/06) om 12:00.

Kwêla word Sondae om 18:00 op kykNET (kanaal 144 op DStv) uitgesaai.

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### MOKALA MANGANESE (PTY) LTD WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE MOKALA MANGANESE PROJECT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Project: Mokala Manganese Project

Farms: Remaining extent of farm Gloria 266, farm Umtu 281 and farm Kipling 271

Location: 4 km north-west of Hotazel, Northern Cape

Water uses being applied for: On remaining extent of farm Gloria 266: 21(a) abstraction of water from open pit and groundwater; 21(b) storage of potable water in tanks; 21(c)&(i) re-alignment of Ga-Mogara, pit encroachment on Ga-Mogara, road crossing across Ga-Mogara and overburden dump within 100m of Ga-Mogara; 21(g) ROM, fines, overburden and product stockpiles, recycling ponds, water storage tanks, pit backfill with overburden, overburden berm and dust suppression; 21(j) dewatering the open pit.

On farm Umtu 281: 21(c)&(i) realignment of Ga-Mogara. On farm Kipling 271: 21(c)&(i) road crossing across Ga-Mogara.

Application: Will be submitted to Department of Water and Sanitation in terms of Regulation No. 267 (24 March 2017) of the NWA.

Any queries, comments and/or objections to the application are to be received in writing by the person listed below by no later than 31 July 2018.

#### **Contact Details: JC Pretorius**

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Queries Tel:	

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#### **KAKAMAS HYDRO GEMEENSKAP TRUST**

#### **OPENBARE KENNISGEWING APRIL 2018**

#### **VERKIESINGS VAN GEMEENSKAPSTRUSTEES**

**AAN:** Die Kakamas Hydro Community Trust Begunstigdes Inwoners van Kai! Garib Plaaslike Munisipaliteit (Kakamas, Lutzburg, Marchand en Augrabies)

Die Industriële Ontwikkelingskorporasie (IDC) en Kakamas Hydro Electric Power RF (Edms) Bpk, wat die eienaars van Kakamas Hydro Electric Power Plant is, het die proses van nominasies en keuring van 5 (vyf) gemeenskapstrustees vir die Kakamas Hydro Community Trust voltooi.

Die onderstaande kandidate is goedgekeur om as Trustees geregistreer te word-

Naam en van	Dorp	Photo
1. Shirley Denise Zimasa Ntsenge	Marchand	
2. Asoned Dorethy Bezuidenhout	Augrabies	
3. Lodewyk Beukes	Kakamas	
4. Gert Adriaan Heese	Augrabies	
5. Johan Derrick Owies	Kakamas	
Let asseblief daarop dat geen verkiesing verkry is. Daar was oorspronklik <b>6 kand</b> omdat hy nie aan die vasgestelde Kriteria	<b>idate</b> wat genomi	neer is, maar een (1) is gediskwalifisee
Vir enige navrae kontak asseblief: Industrial Development Corporation (IE Aandag: Peter Mokomele E-pos: PeterM@idc.co.za Tel. 053 807 1050	Aa	akamas Hydro Electric Power SA andag: Ms Vania Heyns pos: vania@khep.co.za
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nominate themselves or be nominated at the school or place of education. The monthly winner will receive a

The monthly winner will receive a Let's Play hamper. At the end of the year, one player from all the winners will be chosen as the SuperSport Let's Play Sports Star of the Year. Nominations received before the 20th of the month will be included in that month's selection. Nominations received after the 20th of the month's selection. The nomination must include your

selection. The nomination must include your name, age, contact details and a short paragraph (less than 200 words) about what you have achieved in sport. Send your nomination to supersport (Zeptco.ze or fax it to 086-552-4922. Dial 051-522-9574 for more informa-tion

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### Young football players scouted

The Northern Cape phase of the Copa Coca-Cola tournament will be played at the Msolisi Dicky Jacobs Stadium in Upington on 21 July. All u.15 footbell players will have the chance to qualify to compete against the best talent from across the country. The competing schools in the province are among the 57 schools who advanced from the regional play-offs that started in June countrywide.

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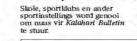
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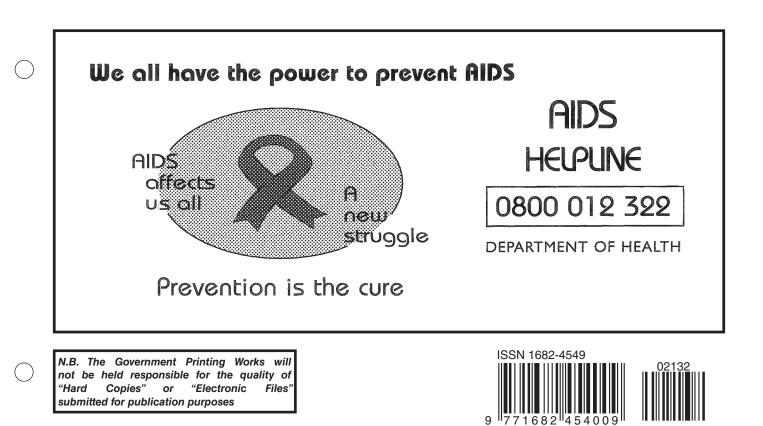
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### GENERAL NOTICES • ALGEMENE KENNISGEWINGS

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#### NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

#### TSHIPI É NTLE MANGANESE MINING

#### PROPOSED EIA, WML, EMPr AMENDMENT AND WUL PROCESS ASSOCIATED WITH A WASTE ROCK DUMP EXPANSION AND CHANGE IN BACKFILL STRATEGY AND CLOSURE OBJECTIVES AT THE TSHIPI BORWA MINE

Tshipi é Ntle Manganese Mining (Pty) Ltd (Tshipi) currently operates the Tshipi Borwa Mine located on the farms Mamatwan 331 (mining right and surface use areas) and Moab 700 (surface use area), approximately 18 km to the south of Hotazel in the John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province.

The mine holds a mining right (NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) and an Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) issued and approved by the Department of Mineral Resources, an environmental authorisation (EA) (NC/KGA/KATHU/37/2008) issued by the Department of Environment and Nature Conservation and a Water Use Licence (IWUL) (10/D41K/AGJ/1735) issued by the Department of Water and Sanitation. In terms of environmental law, the approved EMPr is now deemed to be an EA

Tshipi proposes to extend its Western waste rock dump (WRD) onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 to provide additional capacity. This requires the inclusion of the remaining extent of portion 8 into the mine's surface use area. Tshipi also proposes to change its backfill strategy and closure objectives of its approved EMPr to allow for partial backfilling.

Notice is hereby given of the applications to be made for authorisation of the proposed project in terms of the environmental legislation listed below:

Legislation	Listed Activities	Key Process Elements	Competent Authority
National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 as amended.	GNR 983. LN 1: Activity 24 (development of haul roads), 28 (WRD development >1 ha on agricultural land). GNR 984. LN 2: Activity 6 (development of a WRD requiring a WULA),15 (clearance of > 20 ha of indigenous vegetation)	Scoping Report and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) report	Department of Mineral Resources (Northern Cape)
National Environmental Management: Waste Act (No. 59 of 2008)	GNR 921. Category B: Activity 7 (disposal of waste to land), 10 (the construction of a waste facility), 11 (establishment of a residue deposit)	S&EIA in support of the Waste Management License Application	
National Water Act (No 36 of 1998)	Section 21g (disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource) GNR 704 Section 3 (exemption application to dispose of residue in the open pit)	WULA and related management plans	Department of Water & Sanitation

In addition, Tshipi will apply for a Section 102 EMP amendment from the DMR in terms of the MPRDA.

SLR Consulting (Africa) (Pty) Ltd, an independent firm of environmental consultants, has been appointed by Tshipi to manage the S&EIA process and the WULA process.

#### A public meeting has been arranged as part of the public participation process as follows

Date	Venue	Time
14 September 2017 at 14:30	Hotazel Recreation Club	09h30 – 11h00

All stakeholders are invited to register as Interested & Affected Parties (IAP) and submit comments by 22 September 2017. You must register as an IAP if you would like more information or wish to participate in the environmental assessment of the project. To do so, or to raise any environmental issues or concerns regarding the project, please contact:

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### TSHIPI MANAGANESE MINE (PTY) LTD (TSHIPI)

## PUBLIC MEETING FOR THE PROPOSED TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP AND PARTIAL BACKFILLING PROJECT

DATE	14 September 2017 09:30	
VENUE:	Hotazel Recreational Club	
PROJECT:	Proposed Waste Rock Dump (WRD) and partial backfilling	
SLR COMPANY:	SLR Consulting (Africa) Pty Ltd	
PROJECT NUMBER:	710.20008.00041	
PURPOSE:	The purpose of the meeting was:	
	To provide an overview of the project;	
	<ul> <li>To provide an overview of the scoping and environmental impact assessment process that will be undertaken for the project;</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>To provide an overview and obtain input on the existing status of the environment;</li> </ul>	
	To outline and obtain input on impacts identified for the project;	
	<ul> <li>To record any comments and issues raised. These issues and concerns will be used to inform the Plan of Study for the EIA Phase;</li> </ul>	
	• Agree on the way forward and the logistics for report distribution.	
ATTENDANCE:	An attendance register is presented in Table 2.	

### 1. OPEN AND INTRODUCTION

The meeting was opened by JC Pretorius (JC) who then introduced SLR Consulting, represented by himself as project manager and Mase Rantsieng as the project assistant. Mr Pretorius then introduced Tshipi Manganese Mine (Tshipi), represented by James Manis (James).

### 2. APOLOGIES

JC apologised for William Berry who will be the project assistant going forward and who will be engaging with registered interested and affected parties (RIAPs) in future.

#### 3. PRESENTATIONS

JC presented the Tshipi WRD and partial backfill Project. The presentation delivered, gave an overview of the project; an outline of the EIA process to be followed; an overview of the legal framework; an overview of the current status of the existing environment; and the anticipated environmental impacts. The presentation is attached in Appendix 2.

#### 4. DISCUSSION

A number of issues were raised during the meeting. These have been recorded in Table 1 below. Where a response was provided during the meeting, the response has also been included in the table. It was highlighted at the meeting that the environmental process is in its early stages and as such not all answers to issues raised were available.

### TABLE 1: RECORD OF ISSUES RAISED AND RESPONSES GIVEN

ISSUE RAISED	BY WHOM	RESPONSE GIVEN BY SLR UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED
As you have mentioned the involvement of regulatory authorities in your presentation, will you be having another meeting with them?	Sepalamelo Masthidiso	Yes, there will be a separate meeting with the authorities today at 12:00. In addition, we previously had a meeting with the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) prior to the commencement of the project (pre-application meeting).
How will the backfilling process take place? Will Tshipi haul some waste rock from the existing waste rock dump?	-	There will be load and haul activities from the pit to the WRD. Tshipi may transport some waste rock from the dumps to the pit during backfilling, however the routes to be used is yet to be confirmed (James).
Will SLR be involved in implementing the proposed project (i.e. construction) or will they just do the environmental assessment?		SLR is an independent environmental consulting firm and will not be involved in implementing the proposed project. SLR will disclose and report on the results of the impact assessment and whether Tshipi receives an authorisation or not; thereafter it's up to the mine to implement the project. By law, Tshipi requires the services of an independent company to
		transparently report on any project related- environmental issues to the public (James).
Following my previous question, will any procurement opportunities be presented?	-	The procurement process will solely be handled by the mine, depending on whether we receive authorisation from the project (James).
Will there be a second round of public participation before the submission of the final EIA?	-	Yes, there will be another round of public participation during the EIA phase.
I live very close to the mine and I am concerned about the dust aside chemicals that wash into my grazing, are the chemicals harmful and how will that be handled? Will the access road be tarred or how will the dust aside runoff be controlled?	Andries van den Berg	Your comment has been noted and will be considered in the forthcoming studies.

ISSUE RAISED	BY WHOM	RESPONSE GIVEN BY SLR UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED
What angles are you going to use for the stockpiles? What is the acceptable angle according to the law or best practise and how far will they be from the fence?		During a meeting at the DMR, James asked what the DMR's accepted angle is, and the response was that anything from 18 to 26 degrees would be acceptable. There is no rule of thumb, however it must be assessed and motivated to the DMR what will be stable into perpetuity.
		The distance between the slope and the fence must be 30 metres (James)
What storm water infrastructure will be constructed around the WRD to prevent contaminated runoff running onto my land?		In terms of water use license that we are going to apply for, storm water and runoff containment infrastructure around the WRD, to be approved by DWS (James).
In terms of groundwater, I have two boreholes that lie next to the substation and farmhouse on the remainder of the farm Mamatwan 331. The two boreholes have dried up and delivers no water. I would like to know what will happen in future and whether		The groundwater model being undertaken for the project will determine what effect the partial backfill and the new WRD will have on groundwater.
the mine will supply us with water?		There is a commitment in EMP1 in terms of water provision and that commitment will be carried across into EMP2 (James).
I am concerned about the changing rainfall patterns. There seems to be a sharp decline of rainfall on my land surrounding the mine, could the change in the local topography by the pit and WRDs and wind patterns have anything to do with this?		Your comment will be considered and an opinion will be sought from a specialist in climatology.
Will Tshipi advertise during the implementation phase of this project?	Lennox Ka Tong	It is anticipated that the mine contractor at the time will conduct the operation of the WRD and backfill. SLR will not be involved in advertising any tenders or contracts for the project.

### 5. THE WAY FORWARD

JC outlined the way forward as follows:

- The application will be submitted to the DMR.
- The scoping report will be made available for public and regulatory review and RIAPs will be notified of the availability thereof.
- A summary document of the scoping report will be compiled in English and Afrikaans and will be distributed to all RIAPs registered on the public involvement database via e-mail and post.
- Copies of the scoping report will be placed at the following venues for public review:
  - Joe Morolong Local Municipality;
  - John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality;
  - Hotazel Public Library;
  - Kathu Public Library;
  - Black Rock Library.

Electronic copies of the scoping report will be made available on the Public Documents page of the SLR website (www.slrconsulting.com/za).

• RIAPs and regulatory authorities will have 30 days from the date of the notification and availability of the scoping report to submit comments on the report in writing via fax, email or post to SLR.

### 6. CLOSE

JC thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

### APPENDIX 1: ATTENDANCE REGISTER

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### **APPENDIX 2: PRESENTATION**

# TSHIPI É NTLE (PTY) LTD PROPOSED TSHIPI WASTE ROCK DUMP AND PARTIAL BACKFILLING PROJECT

## PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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## AGENDA

- Welcome and opening
- Meeting protocol
- Overview of the proposed project and listed activities being applied for
- Motivation for the project
- Environmental process overview
- Anticipated environmental impacts
- Overview of the existing status of the environment
- Proposed public participation process
- General discussion
- Close



## **MEETING PROTOCOL**

- Please switch cell phones off or onto a silent setting.
- There will be a dedicated question and answer session.
- Before asking a question, please raise your hand and state your name clearly so that we may correctly record it in the minutes.
- This is a Scoping Meeting, and therefore the emphasis is on recording the questions and comments correctly, so that they may be addressed during the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). We do not have all the answers at this stage.



# **OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT (1)**

- Tshipi Borwa Mine holds an approved mining right (Reference number NC/30/5/1/2/2/0206MR) on the farms Mamatwan 331 and Moab 700 in the Northern Cape Province.
- Tshipi proposes to change its backfill strategy and closure objectives to allow for partial backfilling instead of complete backfilling of its pit.
- This requires that existing temporary dumps must become permanent and its Western waste rock dump (WRD) be extended onto the remaining extent of portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331 to provide additional capacity.
- The remaining extent of portion 8 will be included into the mine's surface use area.

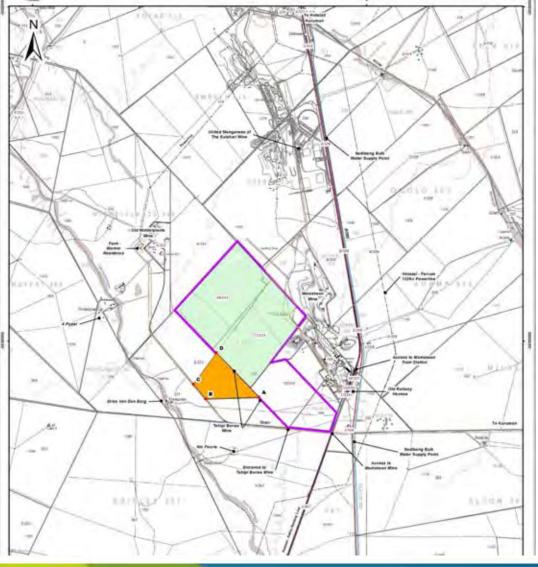


# **OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT (2)**

- Tshipi is planning to apply for an amendment of its Environmental Management Programme report (EMPr) in terms of section 102 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 28 of 2002 to cater for changes to the approved backfill strategy and closure objectives and the inclusion of the WRD extension.
- This includes new listed activities in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA, No. 107 of 1998) and National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (NEM:WA, No.59 of 2008).
- An Environmental Authorisation and Waste Management Licence is required from the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) as the competent authority. An Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process will be undertaken to inform the DMR in its decision-making.
- A water use licence (WUL) is required from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for the water uses listed in section 21 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998.



## LOCAL SETTING OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT





# **OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT (3)**

Legislation	Listed Activities and Water Uses	Key Process Elements	Competent Authority
MPRDA	Change in the backfill strategy and closure objectives	Section 120 EMP Amendment	DMR
NEMA	<ul> <li>GNR 983. LN 1: Activity 24 (development of haul roads), 28 (WRD development &gt;1 ha on agricultural land).</li> <li>GNR 984. LN 2: Activity 6 (development of a WRD requiring a WULA),15 (clearance of &gt; 20 ha of indigenous vegetation)</li> </ul>	Scoping Report and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) report	DMR
NEM:WA	<b>GNR 921 Category B:</b> Activity 7 (disposal of waste to land), 10 (the construction of a waste facility), 11 (establishment of a residue deposit)	S&EIA in support of the Waste Management License Application	DMR
NWA	Section 21g (disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource) GNR 704 Section 3 (exemption application to dispose of residue in the open pit)	WULA and related management plans	DWS



# **OVERVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT (4)**

## Alternatives

- The location of the proposed WRD extension is limited due to spatial constraints and the risk of locking up potentially viable manganese reserves.
- The partial backfill option is being considered and will be comparatively assessed against complete backfilling of the pit during the impact assessment phase.
- The 'no-project' option will be considered.



## **MOTIVATION FOR THE PROJECT**

- Partial backfilling of the pit would positively influence the longevity of the mine
  - Complete backfill requires significant expenditure at the end of mine life
  - Partial backfill would minimise the end of life of mine costs and related financial provision effectively decreasing Tshipi's cost of production and making the company more competitive when compared against the market
- Extend significant positive socio-economic benefits and direct and indirect contribution to economic growth on a local, regional and national scale
  - Employment, procurement, skills development and taxes
- Require additional waste rock disposal area
  - All the waste rock cannot be accommodated in the final pit void and residual waste rock dumps will need to remain on surface.



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS (1)**

## What?

- Assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed project on the environment.
- Environment definition (water, soils, air etc.).
- Implementing appropriate management measures.

## Why?

- Legal requirement.
- It is the right thing to do.



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS (2)**

## How?

- Scoping phase
  - Identification and participation of IAPs (landowners, adjacent landowners, land users, NGO etc.)
  - o Identification of potential impacts and preliminary assessment\*
  - Identification of possible mitigation measures\*
  - Sets out scope of work for further investigations
  - \* This will be verified during the environmental impact assessment (EIA) and environmental management programme (EMPr) phase
- EIA/EMPr phase
  - o Assessment of impacts with input from specialists where applicable
  - o Outline mitigation measures including monitoring plan



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS (3)**

- Specialist investigations
  - Air Quality impact assessment
  - Surface Water includes design of storm water measures
  - Groundwater impact assessment
  - Soil and Land Capability impact assessment
  - Biodiversity study
  - Heritage desktop study
  - Closure costing update
  - Detailed WRD design



# **ENVIRONMENTAL PROCESS (4)**

- Authorities
  - Competent authorities
    - Department of Mineral Resources;
    - Department of Water and Sanitation;
  - Commenting authorities
    - Department of Environment and Nature Conservation;
    - Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries;
    - Department of Agriculture and Rural Development;
    - Department of Roads ad Transport;
    - Department of Rural development and Land Reform;
    - South African Heritage Resources Agency.
  - Local authorities
    - John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality;
    - Joe Morolong Local Municipality; and
    - Applicable Ward Councillors.



# **STATUS OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT (1)**

- <u>Geology:</u> Tshipi falls in the Kalahari Manganese Field and is covered by gravels, clays, calcretes and aeolian sands of the Kalahari Group.
- <u>Climate:</u> The project area falls within the Northern Steppe Climatic Zone. It is a semi-arid region characterised by seasonal rainfall, hot temperatures in summer, and colder temperatures in winter. Rainfall ranges from 1.3 mm to 72.3 mm per month and winds from the north, north-east are dominant in the area.
- <u>Topography:</u> The area is gently sloping towards the north-west. Elevation varies between 1 087 m to 1 107 m above mean sea level.
- <u>Soils and land capability:</u> Kalahari sand of the Hutton soil type is dominant in the area. Its agricultural potential is low but has potential for supporting grazing.



# **STATUS OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT (2)**

- <u>Animal life:</u> The animal population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. Several bird and mammal species are expected in the area and protected or endangered species that are likely to occur in the area and include the Honey Badger, Pangolin, Southern African Hedgehog, Dent's Horseshoe Bat, Schreibers' Bat, various endemic desert birds and raptors e.g. Ludwig's Bustard, Martial Eagle and Secretary Bird.
- <u>Plant life:</u> The plant population in the area has been disturbed due to existing mining and agricultural activities. The area falls within the Kathu Bushveld and the Griqualand West Centre of Endemism. The protected *Vachellia erioloba* (Camel Thorn) and *Vachellia haematoxylon* (Grey Camel Thorn) occur in the area.
- <u>Surface water:</u> Tshipi falls within the catchment of the Ga-Mogara River, a tributary of the Kuruman River which joins the Molopo River and flows into the Orange River. Runoff from Tshipi drains west towards the non-perennial Vlermuisleegte River that only flows in high rainfall events. There is no third party reliance on surface water. No wetlands are located within the area.



# **STATUS OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT (3)**

- <u>Groundwater:</u> The site is in a poor/minor aquifer region with a shallow aquifer with low yield and a deeper fractured bedrock aquifer with a higher yield. Groundwater levels range between 41m to 74m below ground level. Groundwater quality is generally below the drinking water standards and is primarily used for livestock watering.
- <u>Air quality:</u> Ambient air quality has been influenced by mines, household fuel combustion, vehicle tailpipe emissions and agricultural activities. Dust fallout is generally within the limits of the National Dust Control Regulations.
- <u>Noise:</u> Noise levels are typical of ambient noise levels for rural areas. Existing noise in the project area is mainly caused by farming activities, localised traffic movements and nearby mining operations.



# **STATUS OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT (4)**

- <u>Visual:</u> The area southwest and west of Tshipi can be described as a flat open area with drainage lines and open views of bushveld which are visually dominant and has a high visual value. The disturbed areas within the mine's surface use area have a low visual value.
- <u>Heritage/cultural resources:</u> No heritage/cultural sites have been identified and there is a low possibility of palaeontological resources occurring at the Tshipi Borwa Mine.
- <u>Socio-economic:</u> There are communities, mines, private landowners and farm occupants around the project area. Unemployment and education levels in the area are higher than the provincial and municipal average. Water and sanitation provision is very good.
- <u>Land use:</u> Land uses around the project area include agriculture, isolated residences, infrastructure/servitudes and mining activities.



# **POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS**

- Change in drainage patterns by altered topography
- Change in land use
- Contamination of groundwater resources
- Contamination of surface water resources
- Creation of noise pollution
- Destruction of vegetation, habitat units and related ecosystem functionality and faunal species
- Increase in dust generation
- Loss and sterilisation of mineral resources
- Loss of soil and land capability
- Visual impact by altered topography, mining and infrastructure



## **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (1)**

- Notify authorities and RI&APs of project and environmental assessment (via press advertisements, site notices and BID)
- Scoping public meeting with RI&APs and regulatory authorities
- Initial comments for inclusion in the scoping report in writing via fax, email or in person to SLR Africa (September 2017).
- Submission of NEMA/NEM:WA application to DMR (October 2017).



# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (2)**

- Scoping Report will be available for public comment for 30 calendar days (October 2017):
  - Summary (English and Afrikaans): via post, fax and e-mail;
  - Scoping report (English): at public venues;
  - Suggested venues (Joe Morolong Local Municipality, John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality, Hotazel Public Library and Kathu Public Library, Black Rock Library, SLR website).
- Public and authority review : 30 calendar days to submit comments on the scoping report in writing via fax, e-mail or in person to SLR Africa.
- Competent authority (DMR) review to accept scoping report or refuse application (43 calendar days).



# **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (3)**

- Conduct specialist investigations and complete EIA/EMP report
- Public and authority review: 30 calendar days to submit comments on EIA/EMP report (February 2018)
- Submit WUL technical report and application forms to DWS (February 2018)
- Review of EIR and EMPr and WULA by DMR (107 calendar days) and DWS (139 calendar days)



## **QUESTIONS, COMMENTS AND QUERIES**



## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT DETAILS

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## Thank you for you time and participation



**APPENDIX C6: LAND CLAIMS CORRESPONDENCE** 



OFFICE OF THE REGIONAL LAND CLAIMS COMMISSIONER: NORTHERN CAPE Hyesco Arcade, 4-8 Old Main Road, Kimberley, 8300 | PO Box 2458, Kimberley, 8300 Tel: (053) 807 5700 | Fax: (053) 831 6501

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#### SLR CONSULTING 1 Macbeth Avenue

Johannesburg Gauteng 2191

Dear Mr / Ms C Phase

### LAND CLAIMS ENQUIRY

1. Portion 8 of the farm Mamatwan 331, portion 16 of the farm Mamatwan 331; portion 17 of the farm Mamatwan 331 portion 18 of the farm Mamatwan 331 and the remaining extent of the farm Moab 700 in the Northern Cape Province.

We refer to your letter received: 07 June 2018

We confirm that as at the date of this letter no land claims appear on our database in respect of the Properties. This includes the database for claims lodged by 31 December 1998; and those lodged between 1 July 2014 and 27 July 2016 in terms of the Restitution of Land Rights Amendment Act, 2014.

Whilst the Commission takes reasonable care to ensure the accuracy of the information it provides, there are various factors that are beyond the Commission's control, particularly relating to claims that have lodged but not yet been gazetted such as:

- 1. Some Claimants referred to properties they claim dispossession of rights in land against using historical property descriptions which may not match the current property description; and
- 2. Some Claimants provided the geographic descriptions of the land they claim without mentioning the particular actual property description they claim dispossession of rights in land against.



The Commission therefore does not accept any liability whatsoever if through the process of further investigation of claims it is found that there is in fact a land claim in respect of the above property.

If you are aware of any change in the description of the above property after 19 June 1913 kindly supply us with such description so as to enable us to do a further search.

Yours faithfully

ASPOST Ms. M. Du Toit

Chief Director: Land Restitution Support-Northern Cape Date: 07.06.2018



Enquiries: Ryan Oliver

SLR

Dear Sir/ Madam

## LAND CLAIMS ENQUIRY – Remaining extent of portion 8 of the Farm Mamatwan No. 331, Kuruman RD, Province Northern Cape.

We refer to your letter dated 16/11/2017

We confirm that as at the date of this letter no land claims appear on our database in respect of the Property. This includes the database for claims lodged by 31 December 1998; and those lodged between 1 July 2014 and 27 July 2016 in terms of the Restitution of Land Rights Amendment Act, 2014.

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Ms. M. Du Toit Chief Director: Land Restitution Support-Northern Cape Date: こうしい、 えつにす APPENDIX C7: DMR ACCEPTANCE OF SCOPING REPORT