



DE BEERS GROUP

**UPDATED NOTIFICATION OF GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY IN SOUTH AFRICAN PROSPECTING RIGHTS AREAS**

**NC 30/5/1/1/2/12043 PR (4C) AND NC 30/5/1/1/2/12022 PR (5C)**

<b>NOTIFICATION DATE:</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2020
<b>PURPOSE:</b>	The purpose of this notice is to update interested and affected parties regarding the commencement of planned geophysical survey activities to take place in De Beers Consolidated Mines (Pty) Ltd.'s marine prospecting rights areas NC 30/5/1/1/2/12043 PR (4C) and NC 30/5/1/1/2/12022 PR (5C). Notification is intended for the Department of Mineral Resources, Department of Environmental Affairs, SAMSA, the SA Navy and other interested and affected parties.

De Beers Marine (Pty) Ltd, the appointed Operator by De Beers Consolidated Mines (Pty) Ltd.'s for their South African Sea Concession prospecting rights, intends conducting geophysical survey operations (contracting a geophysical survey company), in the South African Sea Concession areas 4c and 5c. Fugro Survey Africa (Pty) Ltd has been contracted to undertake this survey and will make use of the *m.v. Fugro Helmert*. The expected survey dates are between 5 May 2020 and 31 May 2020. The position of the survey region area is provided in the attached map (Figure 1) and coordinates in the table below. Activities will not enter the Namaqua Fossil Forest Marine Protected Area and will be limited to inshore of the 150m isobath and predominately offshore of the 100m. A surface and a sub-surface towed system will be used, streamer-type towed arrays are not utilised.

Name	Eastings	Northings	WGS Lat	WGS Long
1	683362.57	6751186.05	16° 53' 20.00" E	29° 21' 18.46" S
2	701040.40	6689998.46	17° 4' 56.00" E	29° 54' 15.44" S
3	668260.81	6690389.94	16° 44' 34.08" E	29° 54' 20.45" S
4	658107.57	6724362.32	16° 37' 57.70" E	29° 36' 1.99" S
5	669506.99	6724153.94	16° 45' 1.44" E	29° 36' 3.36" S
6	669775.58	6744576.12	16° 45' 0.00" E	29° 25' 0.00" S
7	654416.03	6744790.13	16° 35' 30.12" E	29° 25' 0.20" S
8	652748.37	6751565.56	16° 34' 24.87" E	29° 21' 20.87" S

De Beers Marine is committed to minimising the impact of its activities on the environment, an undertaking which is implemented through the company's ISO14001-certified Environmental Management System. Environmental aspects and impacts associated with prospecting activities have been assessed and mitigation measures are contained within the approved Environmental Management Plan for the prospecting right. While the impacts of prospecting activities on other marine users are regarded as low, ongoing engagement with stakeholders forms an important part of this management programme. A Marine Mammal Observer will be onboard to ensure compliance with mitigation measures during geophysical surveying.

*We thank you for your courtesy in this regard. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any matters further, please do not hesitate to contact us.*

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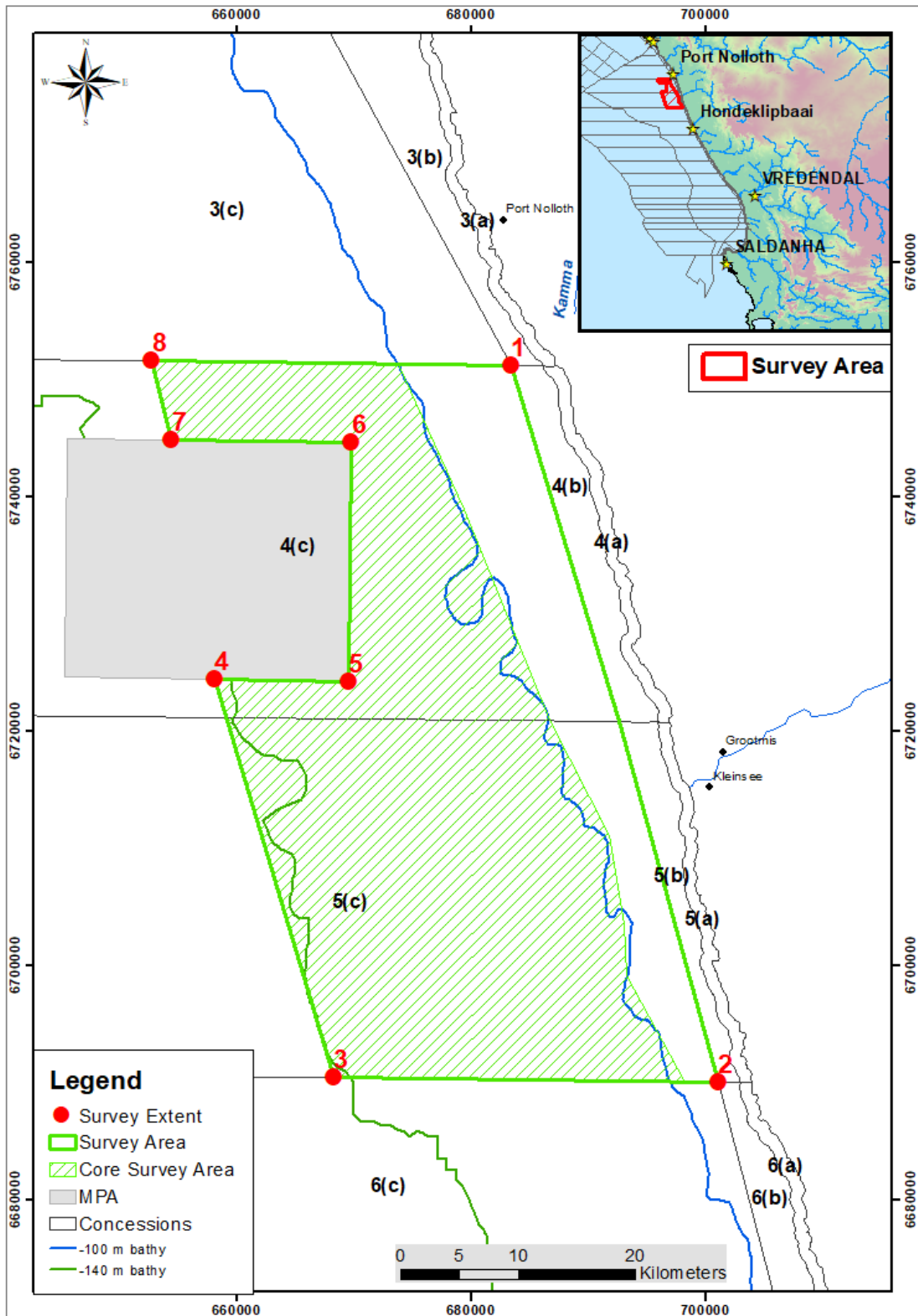


Figure 1: Map showing the location of the Geophysical Survey locality