

SCOPING REPORT

FOR LISTED ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH MINING RIGHT AND/OR BULK SAMPLING ACTIVITIES INCLUDING TRENCHING IN CASES OF ALLUVIAL DIAMOND PROSPECTING.

SUBMITTED FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATIONS IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 AND THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT WASTE ACT, 2008 IN RESPECT OF LISTED ACTIVITIES THAT HAVE BEEN TRIGGERED BY APPLICATIONS IN TERMS OF THE MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT, 2002 (MPRDA) (AS AMENDED).

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IMPORANT NOTICE

In terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002 as amended), the Minister must grant a prospecting or mining right if among others the mining "will not result in unacceptable pollution, ecological degradation or damage to the environment".

Unless an Environmental Authorisation can be granted following the evaluation of an Environmental Impact Assessment and an Environmental Management Programme Report in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), it cannot be concluded that the said activities will not result in unacceptable pollution, ecological degradation or damage to the environment.

In terms of Section 16(3)(b) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, any report submitted as part of an application must be prepared in a format that may be determined by the Competent Authority and in terms of Section 17(1)(c) the Competent Authority must check whether the application has taken into account any minimum requirements applicable or instructions or guidance provided by the Competent Authority to the submission of applications.

It is therefore an instruction that the prescribed reports required in respect of applications for an environmental authorisation for listed activities triggered by an application for a right or permit are submitted in the exact format of, and provide all the information required in terms of, this template. Furthermore please be advised that failure to submit the information required in the format provided in this template will be regarded as a failure to meet the requirements of the Regulation and will lead to the Environmental Authorisation being refused.

It is furthermore an instruction that the Environmental Assessment Practitioner must process and interpret his/her research and analysis and use the findings thereof to compile the information required herein. (Unprocessed supporting information may be attached as appendices.) The EAP must ensure that the information required is placed correctly in the relevant sections of the Report, in the order, and under the provided headings as set out below, and ensure that the report is not cluttered with un-interpreted information and that it unambiguously represents the interpretation of the applicant.

OBJECTIVE OF THE SCOPING PROCESS

- 1) The objective of the scoping process is to, through a consultative process:
 - a) identify the relevant policies and legislation relevant to the activity;
 - b) motivate the need and desirability of the proposed activity, including the need and desirability of the activity in the context of the preferred location;
 - c) identify and confirm the preferred activity and technology alternative through an impact and risk assessment and ranking process;
 - d) identify and confirm the preferred site, through a detailed site selection process, which includes an impact and risk assessment process inclusive of cumulative impacts and a ranking process of all the identified alternatives focusing on the geographical, physical, biological, social, economic, and cultural aspects of the environment;
 - e) identify the key issues to be addressed in the assessment phase;
 - f) agree on the level of assessment to be undertaken, including the methodology to be applied, the expertise required as well as the extent of further consultation to be undertaken to determine the impacts and risks the activity will impose on the preferred site through the life of the activity, including the nature, significance, consequence, extent, duration and probability of the impacts to inform the location of the development footprint within the preferred site; and
 - g) identify suitable measures to avoid, manage, or mitigate identified impacts and to determine the extent of the residual risks that need to be managed and monitored.

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2) Contact Person and correspondence address:

a) Details of:

i) The EAP who prepared the report:

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ii) Expertise of the EAP:

(1) The qualifications of the EAP: (With evidence attached as Appendix 1)

Professional registration of EAP:

Ms. Jooste is a registered EAP with the Environmental Assessment Practitioners Association of South Africa (EAPASA) (Reg. No. 2019/1983).

The qualifications of the EAP:

- Fourteen years professional experience, in terms of Section 15(1) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), Section 24H Registration Authority Regulations as published on 22 July 2016 under Government Gazette No. 40154 (849);
- Environmental Management Certificate; and
- BA in Environmental Management (UNISA).

(2) Summary of the EAP's past experience:

(Attach the EAP's curriculum vitae as Appendix 2)

Relevant past experiences in carrying out the Environmental Impact Assessment Procedures include Environmental Impact Assessments, Environmental Management Plans / Programmes / Reports, Performance Assessments, Rehabilitation Progress Assessments, Environmental Liability Assessments, Environmental Compliance Monitoring, Scoping Reports, etc.

b) Description of the property:

Farm Name:	 → Remaining Extent of the Farm Mierhoop 68 → Portion 1 of the Farm Mierhoop 68 → Remaining Extent of the Farm Baken Kop 69 → Portion 1 of the Farm Baken Kop 69 → Portion 2 of the Farm Baken Kop 69 The properties will be referred to as the 'PR Area' in this document.
Application area (Ha)	3 982.6753 Ha
Magisterial district:	Hay
Distance and direction	The PR Area is situated approximately 30km south-west
from nearest town	of Postmasburg in the Northern Cape Province. Access to the site is via a secondary road turning from the R383 between Postmasburg and the N8 linking Griekwastad and Groblershoop.
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General Code for	C0310000000006800001
each farm portion	C0310000000006900000
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c) Locality Map:
(show nearest town, scale not smaller than 1:250 000 attached as Appendix 3)

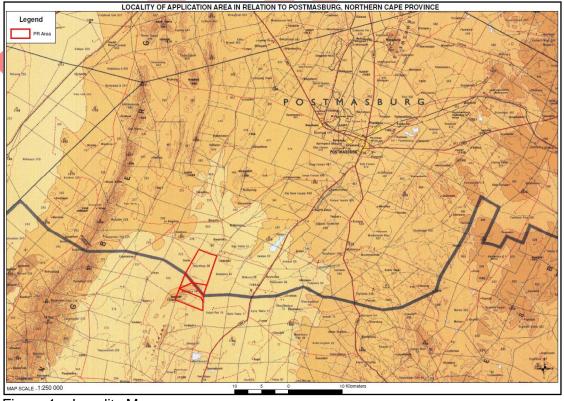


Figure 1 – Locality Map

d) Description of the scope of the proposed overall activity:

i) Listed and specified activities:

(Provide a plan drawn to a scale acceptable to the competent authority but not less than 1:10 000 that shows the location, and area (hectares) of all the aforesaid main and listed activities, and infrastructure to be placed on site and attach as Appendix 4)

A final Site Plan cannot be provided in this early stage of the application process as the locality of the proposed boreholes and trenches is dependent on the results of the following:

- → Reconnaissance visit;
- → Desktop study;
- → Geological mapping; and
- → Geophysical survey.

We do; however; insert below a Conceptual Site Plan indicating proposed localities of boreholes and trenches as well as all existing infrastructures and sensitive environmental features (including relevant buffer zones around these) to assist with planning when the results of the abovementioned phases have been obtained.

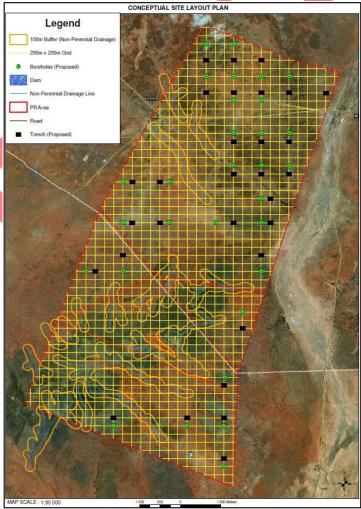


Figure 2 - Conceptual site layout plan

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1	Blasting: The tons of explosives consumed per month depend completely on the number of blasts that GEJ will conduct. The size of the blasts will be directly affected by the geology of the deposit.	Various	X	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 15 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NEMWA: GNR633: Activity 15 NWA: Section 21 NWA: GNR704	X
3	Boreholes: 30 x boreholes with a 10m x 10m surface disturbance each. Chemical toilets: Mobile chemical toilets shall be utilized.	30 x 10m x 10m = 0.3Ha 2m x 3m =6m ² each	X	MPRDA: Section 16 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
4	Diesel tanks: It is anticipated that the operation will utilize 1 x 24 000 litre (24m³) diesel tank.	10m x 20m = 200m²	Х	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 14	N/A

				NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NWA: Section 21	
5	Excavations (Bulk sampling): Provision is made for 30 trenches during phase 5 (22 months) of the prospecting operation. 30 x 50m x 40m = 6 Ha Only two excavations will be allowed to be open at any one time.	2 x 50m x 40m = 0.4 Ha	X	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 24 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 15 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 15 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 15 NEMA: GNR633: Activity 15 NWA: Section 21 NWA: GNR704	X
6	Generator: It is anticipated that the operation will utilize generators for its operation.	5m x 5m = 25m ² each		MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20	N/A
7	Offices: Mobile containers will be utilized as offices.	3m x 6m = 18m² each		MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20	N/A
8	Processing plant: Relevant processing plants, including recycling / settling dam, for the testing of the minerals applied for.	100m x 50m = 0.5Ha	Х	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 9 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 10 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20	х

			NEMA: GNR327: Activity 24 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 27 NEMWA: GNR633: Activity 15 NWA: Section 21 NWA: GNR704	
9	Roads (both access and haulage road on the site): Although it is recommended that the operation utilize existing roads as far as possible, it is anticipated that the operation will create roads. The locality of these roads will be determined by the geology of the area (excavation areas) and the locality of the infrastructure.	500m x 10m wide = X 0.5Ha	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 24 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 27	N/A
10	Salvage yard (fenced)	20m x 50m = 0.1Ha	MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
11	Stockpile area: Provision is made for a maximum footprint of 0.2 hectares for the stockpile area at any one time.	20m x 100m = 0.2Ha X	MPRDA: Section 16 MPRDA: Section 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 24 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27 NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19 NEMA: GNR325: Activity 27 NEMWA: GNR325: Activity 15 NWA: Section 21 NWA: GNR704	X

12	Wash bay	20m x 30m = 600m ²	MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
			MPRDA: Section 20	
13	Waste rock dumps:	20m x 50m = 0.1Ha X	MPRDA: Section 16	X
	Provision is made for a maximum footprint of 0.1		MPRDA: Section 20	
	hectares for waste rock dumps at any one time.		NEMA: GNR327: Activity 19	
			NEMA: GNR327: Activity 20	
			NEMA: GNR327: Activity 24	
			NEMA: GNR327: Activity 27	
			NEMA: GNR327: Activity 30	
			NEMA: GNR325: Activity 19	
			NEMA: GNR325: Activity 27	
			NEMWA: GNR633: Activity 15	
			NWA: Section 21	
			NWA: GNR704	
14	Water tank:	3m x 3m = 9m ² each	MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
	It is anticipated that the operation will establish		MPRDA: Section 20	
	2 x 10 000 litre water tanks with purifiers for			
	potable water.			
15	Weighbridge and weighbridge control room	3m x 20m = 60m ²	MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
			MPRDA: Section 20	
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16	Workshop:	3m x 6m = 18m²	MPRDA: Section 16	N/A
	It is anticipated that the operation will make use	each	MPRDA: Section 20	
	of mobile containers for their workshop facilities.			
	This area will also include a compressor area and			
	tyre bay.			

		Full description of listed activities applied for:					
MPRDA	Section 16	Application for a Prospecting Right.					
MPRDA	Section 20	Permission to remove and dispose of minerals.					
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NEMA	GNR327	The development of infrastructure exceeding 1 000 meters in length for the bulk transportation of water or storm					
	Activity 9	water:-					
		i) with an internal diameter of 0.36 meters or more; or					
		ii) with a peak throughput of 120 litres per second or more.					
NEMA	GNR327	The development and related operation of infrastructure exceeding 1 000 metres in length for the bulk transportation					
	Activity 10	of sewage, effluent, process water, waste water, return water, industrial discharge or slimes					
		i) with an internal diameter of 0,36 meters or more; or					
		ii) with a peak throughput of 120 litres per second or more.					
NEMA	GNR327	The development and related operation of facilities or infrastructure, for the storage, or the storage and handling, of a					
	Activity 14	dangerous good, where such storage occurs in containers with a combined capacity of 80 cubic metres or more but not					
		exceeding 500 cubic metres.					
NEMA	GNR327	Any activity including the ope <mark>rati</mark> on of that activity which requires a prospecting right in terms of Section 16 of the					
	Activity 20	Mineral and Petroleum Res <mark>ources</mark> Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002), including-					
		(a) associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks, directly related to prospecting of a mineral resource; or					
		(b) the primary processing of a mineral resource including winning, extraction, classifying, concentrating, crushing,					
		screening or washing;					
		but excluding the secondary processing of a mineral resource, including the smelting, beneficiation, reduction, refining,					
		calcining or gasification of the mineral resource in which case activity 6 in Listing Notice 2 applies.					
NEMA	GNR327	The development of a road:-					
	Activity 24	(ii) with a reserve wider than 13.5 meters, or where no reserve exists where the road is wider than 8 meters.					
	(ii)						
NEMA	GNR327	The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation, except where such					
	Activity 27	clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for:-					
		i) the undertaking of a linear activity; or					
		ii) maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan.					

NEMA	GNR327	Any process or activity identified in terms of Section 53(1) of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity
	Activity 30	Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004).
NEMA	GNR325	The removal and disposal of minerals contemplated in terms of Section 20 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources
	Activity 19	Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002), including-
		(a) associated infrastructure, structures and earthworks, directly related to prospecting of a mineral resource; or
		(b) the primary processing of a mineral resource including winning, extraction, classifying, concentrating, crushing, screening or washing;
		but excluding the secondary processing of a mineral resource, including the smelting, beneficiation, reduction, refining,
		calcining or gasification of the mineral resource in which case activity 6 in this Notice applies.
NEMA	GNR325	The development of a road:-
	Activity 27	i) with a reserve wider than 30 meters; or
		ii) catering for more than one lane of traffic in both directions.
NEMA	GNR633	National Environmental Manag <mark>eme</mark> nt: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008); Category A:
Waste Act	Activity 15	The establishment or reclamation of a residue stockpile or residue deposit resulting from activities which require a
		prospecting right or mining permit in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No.
		28 of 2002).
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NWA	Section 21	Water use:
		- Section 21(a): Taking water from a water resource;
		- Section 21(b): Storing water; and
		- Section 21(g): Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource.
NWA	GNR704	Regulations published on 4 June 1999 in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).

ii) Description of the activities to be undertaken:

(Describe methodology or technology to be employed, and for a linear activity, a description of the route of the activity.)

Phase	Activity	Skill(s) required	Timeframe	Outcome	Timeframe for outcome	What technical expert will sign off on the outcome?
	(what are the activities that are planned to achieve optimal prospecting)	(refers to the competent personnel that will be employed to achieve the required results)	(in months) for the activity)	(What is the expected deliverable, e.g. Geological report, analytical results, feasibility study, etc.)	(deadline for the expected outcome to be delivered)	(e.g. geologist, mining engineer, surveyor, economist, etc)
1	Reconnaissance visit Desktop study Geological mapping	Geologist	Month 1	Memorandum to address any problems Geological maps	Month 2	Geologist
2	Geophysical Survey	Geophysicist	Month 2 - 6	Map & Report	Month 7	Geophysicist
3	Drilling (Percussion)	Drilling contractor	Months 7 - 12	Drill logs	Month 12	Geologist
4	Analysis of drill samples	Laboratory Months 7 - 12		Analyses sheets Laboratory Report	Month 12	Laboratory
5	Bulk sampling	Geologist	Month 13 – 34	Bulk sampling results	Month 34	Geologist
6	Consolidation and interpretation of all results/data	Geologist	Months 35 - 36	Detailed results and pre- feasibility reports including resource statements and geological maps/plans	Month 36	Geologist

Description of planned non-invasive activities:

(These activities do not disturb the land where prospecting will take place e.g. aerial photography, desktop studies, aeromagnetic surveys, etc)

Phase 1:

In order to direct the exploration programme in an efficient manner, there will be a review of all available information and data gathered by previous exploration on the farms. A desktop study will be undertaken of the mineral potential of the area.

A site investigation of the target areas will be undertaken to identify infrastructure and determine any potential problems that may need to be addressed.

Any anomalous features identified will be mapped in detail. The various rock types and their contacts will also be mapped.

Phase 2:

A 10-line kilometer magnetic survey (or any other suitable geophysical method) will be undertaken using a proton 5 magnetometer over selected areas as identified during the desktop study. This study will result in identifying potential mineral mineralization.

Phase 4:

Drill samples will be collected in one-meter intervals and logging will be done by a qualified geologist who will record the lithology, mineralogy, degree of mineralization and structural features. Mineralized samples will be analyzed at an internationally recognized (ISO certified) laboratory.

Phase 6

All the drill- and bulk sampling data will then be modeled to obtain a final interpretation of the potential of the deposit. A detailed feasibility report, containing resource calculations, will be compiled to evaluate the economic viability of the project.

 Description of planned invasive activities: (These activities result in land disturbances e.g. sampling, drilling, bulk sampling, etc)

Phase 3: Percussion drilling

Percussion drilling will be used initially to identify the position of a suspected base metal deposit. The position of the boreholes is dependent on the results of the review of historical activities, geological mapping, desktop study and geophysical survey.

Thirty boreholes, each 50m deep (can be more or less depending on results), are planned. The collar position of all boreholes will be surveyed. All drilling will be short term and undertaken by a contractor using truck-mounted equipment.

Angled percussion holes are planned to locate and intersect the mineralization. A traverse line or grid drilling is used to identify and define the extent of any mineralization. The sizes of the boreholes drilled will be determined by such factors as cost, proposed sampling, availability of drilling machines and the volume of sample required, among others.

Phase 5: Bulk sampling

Bulk sampling will be conducted during phase 5 of the prospecting period for a period of 22 months.

GEJ plans to bulk sample a total volume of 174 166.67m³ (330 000 tonnes) of minerals.

Commodity	Tonnes / Month	Months	Total Tonnes	S.G.	Total m ³
Attapulgite	5 000.00	22	110 000.00	1.5	73 333.33
Copper Ore	5 000.00	22	110 000.00	2	55 000.00
Gold Ore	5 000.00	22	110 000.00	2.4	45 833.33
Total			330 000.00		<u>174 166.67</u>
Waste	Tonnes / Month	Months	Total Tonnes	S.G.	Total m ³
1:1 Stripping Ratio	Tollies / World	WIOTICIIS	Total Tollines	3.0.	Total III
Waste Rock Material	15 000.00	22	330 000.00	2.5	132 000.00

With the 1:1 stripping ratio the total m³ excavated for the prospecting period calculates to ~306 166.67m³ (~660 000 tonnes).

e) Policy and Legislative Context:

Applicable Legislation and Guidelines used to compile the report (a description of the policy and legislative context within which the development is proposed including an identification of all legislation, policies, plans, guidelines, spatial tools, municipal development planning frameworks and instruments that are applicable to this activity and are to be considered in the assessment process.)	Reference where applied
Atmospheric Pollution Prevention Act (Act 45 of 1964) and	- Sections 27 – 35: Dust control
Regulations	- Sections 36 – 40: Air pollution by fumes emitted by vehicles.
Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act (Act 43 of 1983) and Regulations	- Section 6: Implementation of control measures for alien and invasive plant species.
Constitution of South Africa (Act 108 of 1996)	- Chapter 2: Bill of Rights
	- Section 24: Environmental rights
	- Section 25: Rights in Property
Environment Conservation Act (Act 73 of 1989) and	- Section 19 and 19A: Prevention of littering by employees and sub-
Regulations	 contractors during construction and maintenance phases of the proposed project. Sections 21, 22, 25, 26 and 28: EIA Regulations, including listed activities. Section 28A: Exemptions.
Fencing Act (Act 31 of 1963)	- Section 17: States that any person erecting a boundary fence may clean
	any bush along the line of the fence up to 1.5m on each side thereof and remove any tree standing in the immediate line of the fence. However, this provision must be read in conjunction with the environmental legal provisions relevant to protection of flora.
Hazardous Substances Act (Act 15 of 1973) and Regulations	- Definition, classification, use, operation, modification, disposal or dumping of hazardous substances.
Intergovernmental Relations Act (Act 13 of 2005)	- This Act establishes a framework for the National, Provincial and Local
	Governments to promote and facilitate intergovernmental relations.
Mine, Health and Safety Act (Act 29 of 1996) and Regulations	- The Act
Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002) and Regulations	- The Act
Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act	- The Act

49 of 2008)		
National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998)	-	Section 2: Strategic environmental management goals and objectives.
as amended and Environmental Impact Assessment	-	Section 24: Foundation for Environmental Management frameworks.
Regulations, 2014	-	Section 28: The developer has a general duty to care for the environment
National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (Act		and to institute such measures to demonstrate such care. Section 32: Control of dust
39 of 2004)		Section 34: Control of noise
39 01 2004)	-	Section 35: Control of offensive odours
National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act (Act	-	Sections 65 – 69: These sections deal with restricted activities involving
10 of 2004)		alien species; restricted activities involving certain alien species totally
,		prohibited; and duty of care relating to alien species.
	-	Sections 71 and 73: These sections deal with restricted activities
	4	involving listed invasive species and duty of care relating to listed invasive
		species.
National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act	-	The Act
(Act 57 of 2003) National Environmental Management: Waste Management		Chapter 4: Waste management activities
Act (Act 59 of 2008)		Chapter 4. Waste management activities
National Forest Act (Act 84 of 1998) and Regulations	-	Section 7: No person may cut, disturb, damage or destroy any
, , ,		indigenous, living tree in a natural forest, except in terms of a licence
		issued under Section 7(4) or Section 23; or an exemption from the
		provisions of this subsection published by the Minister in the Gazette.
	-	Sections 12 – 16: Deals with protected trees, with the Minister having the
		power to declare a particular tree, a group of trees, a particular woodland,
		or trees belonging to a certain species, to be a protected tree, group of trees, woodland or species.
	_	Section 15: No person may cut, disturb, damage, destroy or remove any
		protected tree; or collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate
		or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any protected tree, except
		under a licence granted by the Minister.
National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and	-	Section 34: No person may alter or demolish any structure or part of a
Regulations		structure which is older than 60 years without a permit issued by the
		relevant provincial heritage resources authority.
	-	Section 35: No person may, without a permit issued by the responsible
		heritage resources authority destroy, damage, excavate, alter, deface or

	-	otherwise disturb any archaeological or palaeontological site. Section 36: No person may, without a permit issued by SAHRA or a provincial heritage resources authority destroy, damage, alter, exhume, remove from its original position or otherwise disturb any grave or burial ground older than 60 years which is situated outside a forma cemetery administered by a local authority. Section 38: This section provides for HIA which are not already covered under the ECA. Where they are covered under the ECA the provincial heritage resources authorities must be notified of a proposed project and must be consulted during HIA process.
National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) and Government Notice No. 704 of 1991	- -	Section 4: Use of water and licensing. Section 19: Prevention and remedying the effects of pollution. Section 20: Control of emergency incidents.
Nature Conservation Ordinance (Ord 19 of 1974)	-	Chapters 2, 3, 4 and 6: Nature reserves, miscellaneous conservation measures, protection of wild animals other than fish, protection of Flora.
Northern Cape Nature Conservation Act (Act 9 of 2009)	-	Addresses protected species in the Northern Cape and the permit application process related thereto.
Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and Regulations	-	Section 8: General duties of employers to their employees. Section 9: General duties of employers and self-employed persons to persons other than their employees.
Road Traffic Act (Act 93 of 1997) and Regulations	-	The Act
Water Services Amendment Act (Act 30 of 2007)	-	It serves to provide the right to basic water and sanitation to the citizens of South Africa.
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Basic Conditions of Employment Act (Act 3 of 1997)		To control employment aspects
Basic Conditions of Employment Amendment Act (Act 11 of 2002)	-	Amendments to BCEA
Community Development (Act 3 of 1966)	-	To promote community development
Development Facilitation (Act 67 of 1995)	-	To provide for planning and development
Development Facilitation (GN24, PG329, 24/07/1998)	-	Regulations re Northern Cape LDO's
Development Facilitation (GNR1, GG20775, 07/01/2000)	-	Regulations re application rules S26, S46, S59
Development Facilitation (GN732, GG14765, 30/04/2004)	-	Determines amount, see S7(b)(ii)
Land Survey Act (Act 8 of 1997)	-	To control land surveying, beacons etc.
Land Survey Act (GNR1130, GG18229, 29/08/1997)	-	Agriculture, land survey S10

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National Veld and Forest Fire Act (Act 101 of 1998)	-	To regulate law on veld and forest fires
National Veld and Forest Fire Act (GN1775, GG22527,	-	Draft Regulations S21
01/08/2001))		
Municipal Ordinance, 20/1974	l _	To control pollution, sewers etc.
Municipal Ordinance, PN955, 29/08/1975	_	Nature conservation Regulations
Cape Land Use Planning Ordinance, 15/85	_	To control land use planning
Cape Land Use Planning Ordinance, PN1050, 05/12/1988		Land use planning Regulations
•	_	
Planning and Development Act (Act 7 of 1998)	-	To control planning and development

f) Need and desirability of the proposed activities:

(Motivate the need and desirability of the proposed development including the need and desirability of the activity in the context of the preferred location.)

Need and desirability is based on the principle of sustainability, set out in the Constitution and in NEMA. Addressing the need and desirability of a development is a way of ensuring sustainable development – in other words, that a development is ecologically sustainable and socially and economically justifiable – and ensuring the simultaneous achievement of the triple bottom-line.

Need:

Assessment of the geological information available has determined that the area in question may have various mineral targets. In order to ascertain the above and determine the nature, locality and extent of the mineral targets within the prospecting area, it will be necessary that prospecting be undertaken. The prospecting will also determine if there are any features that may have an impact on the economic extraction of the minerals.

The information that will be obtained from the prospecting to be done will be necessary to determine, should the minerals be found, how and where the minerals will be extracted and how much economically viable mineral reserves are available within the proposed prospecting area.

Should the minerals applied for be found in the application area, GEJ will be able to ensure employment opportunities and support to the local business sector for a certain period.

GEJ expects that substantial benefits from the project (should the minerals applied for be found) will accrue to the immediate project area, the sub-region and the Northern Cape Province. These benefits must be offset against the costs of the project, including the impact to the surface owners.

Desirability:

No	Description	Yes/No
1	Does the proposed land use / development fit the surrounding	Yes
	area?	
2	Does the proposed land use / development conform to the	Yes
	relevant structure plans, SDF and planning visions for the	
	area?	
3	Will the benefits of the proposed land use / development	Yes
	outweigh the negative impacts of it?	
4	Will the proposed land use / development impact on the sense	Yes
	of place?	
5	Will the proposed land use / development set a precedent?	No
6	Will any person's rights be affected by the proposed land use /	Yes
	development?	
7	Will the proposed land use / development compromise the	No
	"urban edge"?	

- Benefits:

No	Description	Yes/No
1	Will the land use / development have any benefits for society in	Yes
	general?	
2	Will the land use / development have any benefits for the local	Yes
	communities where it will be located?	

g) Period for which the environmental authorisation is required:

3 Years

h) Description of the process followed to reach the proposed preferred site:

(NB!! – This section is not about the impact assessment itself; it is about the determination of the specific site layout having taken into consideration (1) the comparison of the originally proposed site plan, the comparison of that plan with the plan of environmental features and current land uses, the issued raised by interested and affected parties, and the consideration of alternatives to the initially proposed site layout as a result.)

(i) Details of all alternatives considered:

With reference to the site plan provided as Appendix 4 and the location of the individual activities on site, provide details of the alternatives considered with respect to:

(a) The property on which or location where it is proposed to undertake the activity:

Title Deed	Property	Landowner
T284/2010	Remaining Extent of the Farm	Mr. T.J. Snyman
	Mierhoop 68	•
T601/2009	Portion 1 of the Farm Mierhoop 68	Mr. P.J.vdB. Lambrechts
T601/2009	Remaining Extent of the Farm Baken	Mr. P.J.vdB. Lambrechts
	Kop 69	
T601/2009	Portion 1 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Mr. P.J.vdB. Lambrechts
T184/2010	Portion 2 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Mr. T.J. Snyman

Alternatives considered:-

GEJ has considered the following:

- The Geological formation that supports the possibility that the minerals applied for could be found within the PR Area.
- The availability of farms within the area that is not already occupied by existing prospecting or mining rights.
- The availability of infrastructure, such as a road network, in the immediate surrounding area, which could be utilized to allow easy access to the site.

(b) The type of activity to be undertaken:

GEJ plans to conduct prospecting activities: Percussion drilling and bulk sampling.

Alternatives considered:-

Alternative land uses include: Livestock / Game farming and/or other agricultural farming activities.

GEJ's main economic activity is prospecting/mining and for this reason does not favour these alternative land uses.

(c) The design or layout of the activity:

GEJ plans to establish the following, amongst other, infrastructure on their site during the initial construction (bulk sampling) phase:

- Ablution facilities (chemical toilets)
- Diesel tank
- Generator
- Offices (mobile containers)
- Processing Plant and recycling/settling dam
- Roads (access & haul)
- Salvage Yard
- Security access point
- Stockpile area
- Storage facilities (mobile containers)
- Washbay
- Water tanks (drinking water)
- Weighbridge and weighbridge control room
- Workshops (mobile containers)

Alternatives considered:-

The final locality of the above infrastructure can only be determined after the first stages of the prospecting period (reconnaissance visit; desktop study; geological mapping; geophysical survey and drilling) have been finalized.

The following features will be taken into account during the planning phase:

- Locality of any infrastructure (i.e. residential and associated buildings);
- Locality of the ore bodies;
- Topography of the area;
- Sensitive environmental features; and
- Discussions with the surface owners of the land.

(d) The technology to be used in the activity:

Attapulgite: Primary Crushing and Screening Plant as well as a drying plant.

Copper Ore: Jaw Crusher, Ball Mill, Spiral Classifier, Magnetic Separator, Flotation, Thickner, Rotary Dryer.

Gold Ore: Jaw Crusher, Hammer Crusher, Ball Mill, Spiral Classifier, Centrifugal Machine, Shaking Table, Heating Furnace.

Alternatives considered:-

These types of processing plants have been proven to be the most effective technology, thus no viable alternatives have been identified.

(e) The operational aspects of the activity:

Bulk sampling will be done by the conventional opencast method. It is designed based on the nature of the ore-bodies on the site, which proposes that each resource area be treated as a separate pit. Bulk sampling can be done on two ore bodies at any one time.

Where present vegetated soil overlying the planned excavation area is to be stripped prior to bulk sampling and stockpiled on a dedicated (temporary) dump to be used for rehabilitation purposes at a later stage.

A haul road network will provide access to the opencast excavation areas and to the dry (modular) processing plants.

Alternatives considered:-

The conventional opencast drill-blast-load-haul-mining method has been proven to be the most cost effective mining method in the Northern Cape Province and for this reason no viable alternatives were identified.

(f) The option of not implementing the activity:

If the activity is not implemented the current land uses will continue.

Five measures of economic impacts can be used to demonstrate the potential effect of the proposed prospecting operation on the local economy:

- Employment The extent of employment can be measured as number of jobs or in terms of full time equivalents.
- Payroll income The gross remuneration of employees in terms of salaries and wages.
- Capital Expenditure (CAPEX) The total amount spent on the purchasing of fixed assets and total spent on construction.
- Operating expenditure and maintenance (OPEX) The total amount spent locally by businesses on goods and services, excluding salaries and wages as well as rents or interest.
- Revenue The total value of sales arising from business activity at the prospecting operation.

The abovementioned positive impacts will be lost if the proposed prospecting project is not developed.

(ii) Details of the Public Participation Process Followed:

(Describe the process undertaken to consult interested and affected parties including public meetings and one on one consultation. NB the affected parties must be specifically consulted regardless of whether or not they attended public meetings. Information to be provided to affected parties must include sufficient detail of the intended operation to enable them to assess what impact the activities will have on them or on the use of their land.)

Notification:

Identified interested and/or affected parties were notified of the proposed activity as follows:

- Notification letters were sent to all identified interested and / or affected parties (either by registered mail or by e-mail) on the 3rd of August 2022. Attached to each of these letters was a draft Scoping Report, containing information relating to the proposed project.
- A newspaper advert was placed in the 'Kathu Gazette' local newspaper on the
- A notice board was placed at the entrance to the site.

Proof of notification is attached as Appendix '5'.

The following responses have been received to the notification letters (refer to Appendix '6'):

• ...:

Meetings:

Minutes of all meetings held and attendance registers of these meetings are included under Appendix '7'. The outcome of the meetings has been summarized below:

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Summary of issues raised by I&AP's (Complete the table summarising comments and issues raised, and reaction to those responses.)

		D (EAD (d : (d
Interested and Affected Parties		Date	Issues raised	EAPs response to the issue of the
List the names of persons consulted in this column, an with an X where those who must be consulted were in	d mark	comments		I&AP
consulted.	ii iact	received		
			AFFECTED PARTIES	
Landowner/s	Χ			
Mr. T.J. Snyman			•	•
Mr. PJvdB. Lambrechts			•	•
Lawful occupier/s of the land				
N/A				
Landowners or lawful occupiers on	Χ			
adjacent properties				
Hennie Tjaart Snijman Testamentere			•	•
<u>Trust</u>				
Mr. & Mrs. J.F. Vermeulen			•	•
Henque 2168 CC			•	•
QCK Lezmin 4677 (Pty) Ltd			•	•
Pieter Bredenkamp Trust			•	•
Mr. H.T. Snijman			•	•
Municipal Councillor	Χ		•	•
Ms. H. English			•	•
(Mayor Councillor)				
Municipality	X			
Siyancuma Local Municipality				
Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality				
Tsantsabane Local Municipality				
ZF Mgcawu District Municipality				
Organs of State				
(Responsible for infrastructure that may be affected Roads Department, Eskom, Telkom, DWA, etc.)				
None identified				
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Communities				
Not applicable: There are no known cor	nmunit	ies in the imm	nediate vicinity of the prospecting right application area.	
Department of Land Affairs				
Department: Agriculture,				
Environmental Affairs, Rural				
Development and Land Reform				
Traditional Leaders				
Not applicable: There are known no cor	nmunit	ies, with Trad	ditional Leaders, in the immediate vicinity of the prospecting right application area.	
Department of Environmental Affairs				
Department: Agriculture,				
Environmental Affairs, Rural				
Development and Land Reform				
Other Competent Authorities				
Department: Water and Sanitation				
		OTHER INT	TERESTED / AFFECTED PARTIES	
SAHRA				
Unthando Lwethu Investments (Pty)				
Ltd				

^{*} Note: The contents of this table have been recorded until

(iv) The Environmental attributes associated with the sites:

(1) Baseline Environment:

(a) Type of environment affected by the proposed activity:

(its current geographical, physical, biological, socio-economic and cultural character.)

Air quality:

The PR Area is situated in a rural area approximately 30km south-west of the town of Postmasburg and thus the air quality is expected to be good.

• Archaeological, cultural & heritage environment:

The Screening Reports, as obtained from the national web-based environmental screening tool, lists the archaeological and palaeontological sensitivities of the PR Area as follows:

Property	Archaeological and Cultural Heritage	Palaeontology
Remaining Extent of the Farm Mierhoop 68	Low	High
Portion 1 of the Farm Mierhoop 68	Low	Medium
Remaining Extent of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Low	Medium
Portion 1 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Low	Medium
Portion 2 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Low	Medium

A specialist shall be appointed to assess the Palaeontological features at the PR Area and the findings of this report will be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

Fauna:

Most large antelope species are absent from the area, although nomad game like Blesbok, Gemsbok, Duiker, Kudu, Steenbok and Springbok occasionally traverse the properties.

The normal array of small mammals and birds that are associated with the Kuruman Mountain Bushveld, Northern Upper Karoo, Olifantshoek Plains Thornveld and Postmasburg Thornveld Vegetation Types might be expected.

• Flora:

There are four broad vegetation types found on the PR Area:

Northern Upper Karoo (NKu 3):

Shrubland dominated by dwarf karoo shrubs, grasses and *Acacia mellifera* subsp. *detinens* and some other low trees (especially on sandy soils in the northern parts). Flat to gently sloping, with isolated hills of Upper Karoo Hardeveld in the south and Vaalbos Rocky Shrubland in the northeast and with many interspersed pans.

Conservation:

- → Least threatened.
- → Target 21%.

- → None conserved in statutory conservation areas.
- → About 4% has been cleared for cultivation or irreversibly transformed by building of dams.
- \rightarrow Erosion is moderate (46.2%), very low (32%) and low (20%).
- → Prosopis glandulosa, regarded as one of the 12 agriculturally most important invasive alien plants in South Africa, is widely distributed in this vegetation type.

Kuruman Mountain Bushveld (SVk10):

Rolling hills with generally gentle to moderate slopes and hill pediment areas with an open shrubveld with *Lebeckia macrantha* prominent in places. Grass layer is well developed.

Conservation:

- → Least threatened.
- → Target 16%.
- → None conserved in statutory conservation areas.
- → Very little transformed.
- → Erosion is very low to low.
- → Some parts in the north are heavily utilised for grazing.

Olifantshoek Plains Thornveld (SVk 13):

A very wide and diverse unit on plains with usually open tree and shrub layers with, for example, *Acacia luederitzii*, *Boscia albitrunca* and *Rhus tenuinervis* and with a usually sparse grass layer.

Conservation:

- → Least threatened.
- \rightarrow Target 16%.
- → Only 0.3% statutorily conserved in the Witsand Nature Reserve.
- Only about 1% of the area has been transformed.
- → Erosion is very low.

Postmasburg Thornveld (SVk14):

Flats surrounded by mountains supporting open, shrubby thornveld characterised by a dense shrub layer and often lacking a tree layer; the grass layer is very sparse. Shrubs are generally low and with a karroid affinity.

Conservation:

- → Least threatened.
- → Target 16%.
- → None of the unit is conserved in statutory conservation areas, but very little has been transformed.
- → Erosion is very low.

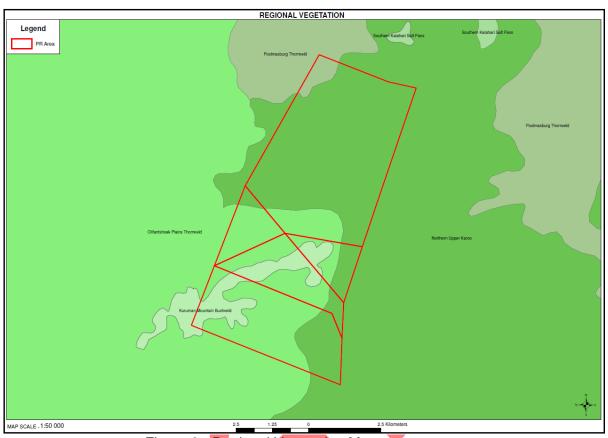


Figure 3 - Regional Vegetation Map

Geology:

The geology and soil is described per vegetation type:

Northern Upper Karoo (NKu 3):

Shales of the Volksrust Formation and to a lesser extent the Prince Albert Formation (both of the Ecca Group) as well as Dwyka Group diamictites form the underlying geology. Jurassic Karoo Dolerite sills and sheets support this vegetation complex in places. Wide stretches of land are covered by superficial deposits including calcretes of the Kalahari Group.

Soils are variable from shallow to deep, red-yellow, apedal, freely drained soils to very shallow Glenrosa and Mispah forms. Mainly Ae, Ag, and Fc land types.

Kuruman Mountain Bushveld: (SVk 10):

The Kuruman and Asbestos Hills consist of banded iron formation, with jaspilite, chert and riebeckite-asbestos of the Asbestos Hills Subgroup of the Griqualand West Supergroup (Vaalian).

Most common land type lb, followed by Ae, Ic and Ag. Soils are shallow sandy soils, of the Hutton form.

Olifantshoek Plains Thornveld (SVk 13):
 Red Aeolian sand of Tertiary to Recent age (Kalahari Group) with silcrete and calrete and some andesitic and basaltic lava of the Grigualand West Supergroup.

Hutton soil forms, deeper than 1.2m, on the overwhelmingly dominant Ae and to a far lesser extent Ah land types.

Postmasburg Thornveld (SVk 14):
 Red Aeolian sand of the Kalahri Group overlying the volcanic and sediments of the Griqualand West Supergroup that outcrop in places.

Deep soils are of the Hutton form. Dominant land type Ag.

• Groundwater:

The PR Area falls over the D73A and D73B quaternary drainage regions.

These drainage regions form part of the Lower Vaal Management Area (nr. 10 in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act no. 36 of 1998) as published in the Government Gazette 20491, 1 October 1999).

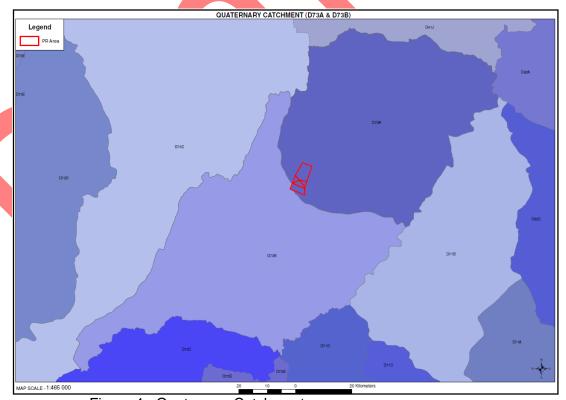


Figure 4 - Quaternary Catchment

Noise:

The only current anticipated source of noise at the PR Area is vehicles travelling on the secondary and farm roads transecting the PR Area and immediate surrounding area.

Sensitive landscapes:

"Sensitive environments" that have statutory protection are the following:

- Limited development areas (section 23 of the Environment Conservation Act, 1989 (Act 73 of 1989).
- Protected natural environments and national heritage sites.
- o National, provincial, municipal and private nature reserves.
- o Conservation areas and sites of conservation significance.
- o National monuments and gardens of remembrance.
- o Archaeological and palaeontological sites.
- Graves and burial sites
- Lake areas, offshore islands and the admiralty reserve.
- o Estuaries, lagoons, wetlands and lakes.
- o Streams and river channels, and their banks.
- Dunes and beaches.
- Caves and sites of geological significance.
- Battle and burial sites.
- Habitat and /or breeding sites of Red Data Book species.
- Areas or sites of outstanding natural beauty.
- Areas or sites of special scientific interest.
- Areas or sites of special social, cultural or historical interest.
- Declared national heritage sites
- Mountain catchment areas.
- Areas with eco-tourism potential

The following sensitive environments have been identified within the PR Area:

→ Streams and river channels, and their banks:

There are a number of non-perennial drainage lines within the PR Area.

A specialist shall be appointed to conduct a Palaeontological assessment of the PR Area to determine if there are any sites of heritage importance within the area applied for. The findings of this report will be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

Any other sensitive environments shall be identified through the public participation process with input from the surface owners and/or any other interested/affected party. These shall be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

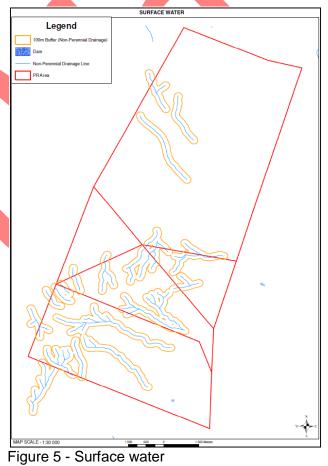
Socio-Economic:

The last census was held in 2022; however these results are not yet available. The following section was compiled using data from Census 2001 and 2011 for the Tsantsabane Local Municipality.

Description	Census 2001	Census 2011
Total population	27 082	35 093
Young (0 – 14)	31.4%	27.9%
Working age (15 – 64)	67.6%	67.6%
Elderly (65+)	4.7%	4.4%
Dependency ratio	56.4%	47.8%
Sex ratio	96.1	109.8

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Growth rate	0.38%	2.59%
	(2001 - 2011)	(2001 - 2011)
Population density	-	2 persons/km²
Unemployment rate	33.9%	26.1%
Youth unemployment rate	43.1%	32.3%
No schooling aged 20+	24.2%	13.7%
Higher education aged	4.1%	6.3%
20+		
Matric aged 20+	16.7%	25.3%
Number of households	6 800	9 839
Number of Agricultural	-	1 132
households		
Average household size	3.9	3.5
Female headed	33.1%	31.3%
households		
Formal dwellings	81.4%	71.8%
Housing owned/paying off	53.9%	44.7%
Flush toilet connected to	61.7%	66.7%
sewerage		
Weekly refuse removal	67.5%	57.4%
Piped water inside	35.5%	45.3%
dwelling		
Electricity for lighting	74.4%	83.5%

Surface water:



There are a number of non-perennial drainage lines within the PR Area.

(b) Description of the current land uses.

- Current land use: Agriculture (livestock farming).
- Evidence of disturbance:
 No previous prospecting or mining activities have taken place on the PR Area.

(c) Description of specific environmental features and infrastructure on the site.

Infrastructure:

Existing infrastructure on the PR Area includes:

- Residences and associated infrastructure;
- Secondary Road;
- Farm roads;
- Farm fencing; and
- Windmills.
- Environmental:

There are a number of non-perennial drainage lines within the PR Area.



(d) Environmental and current land use map: (Show all environmental and current land use features.)



Figure 6 – Current land use and environmental map

(v) Impacts identified:

(Provide a list of the potential impacts identified of the activities described in the initial site layout that will be undertaken, as informed by both the typical known impacts of such activities, and as informed by the consultations with affected parties together with the significance, probability and duration of the impacts.)

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	•	Nuisance dust on roads will be created by the excavating equipment hauling material between the open excavation areas, the plant area, stockpile areas and waste dump areas on the site.						
	•	Nuisance dust will be created by the equipment during excavation activities.						
	•	Nuisance dust will be created by the drilling and blasting activities.						
	•	Vehicle and equipment emissions in workshop, stores and office areas.						
r quality	•	Nuisance dust will be created at the modular processing plants.		Regional	Long term	Low	Definite	Low
	•	Nuisance dust will be created in the topsoil storage site, stockpile and waste dump areas when the material is dumped.	Negative					
₹	•	Nuisance dust will be created when new infrastructure is established.						
		Nuisance dust from the roads transecting the properties and surrounding area.						
	•	Dust created by surrounding prospecting and mining activities.						
	•	Fumes and noxious gases generated by blasting.						
	•	Emmissions from vehicles utilizing the road network in the area immediately surrounding the site.						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	•	Archaeological artefacts						
Archaeological, cultural & heritage	•	Burial grounds and graves	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	No impact
cultural & Heritage	•	Buildings and structures older than sixty years						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
Fauna	•	Where new haulage roads will be created the natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed. Road kills. Where the firebreak will be created the natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed. Where new excavations will be created the natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed. The natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed where buildings and infrastructure will be built / established. The natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed where the modular processing plant will be established.	Negative	Extent Local	Duration Long term	Intensity Medium	Probability Definite	Significance Medium
	•	The natural habitat of the animals will be disturbed and/or destroyed where the topsoil storage site, stockpile and waste dump areas will be established.						

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Impact	Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	Where new haulage roads will be created the vegetation will be disturbed and/or destroyed.	and/or destroyed. Where the firebreak will be created the vegetation will be disturbed and/or estroyed. Where new excavations will be created the vegetation will be disturbed and/or destroyed. Where new excavations will be disturbed and / or destroyed in the areas where the buildings and infrastructure will be built / established. Where vegetation cover will be disturbed and / or destroyed where the modular					
	 Where the firebreak will be created the vegetation will be disturbed and/or destroyed. 						
	 Where new excavations will be created the vegetation will be disturbed and/or destroyed. 						
Flora	 The vegetation cover will be disturbed and / or destroyed in the areas where the buildings and infrastructure will be built / established. 		Site	Long term	High	Definite	High
	 The vegetation cover will be disturbed and / or destroyed where the modular processing plant will be established. 						
	 The vegetation cover will be disturbed and / or destroyed where the topsoil storage site, stockpile and waste dump areas will be established. 						
	Grazing.						
	Runaway veld fires.						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	•	Possible hydrocarbon spills from vehicles and equipment.				Low	Probable	Low
Groundwater	•	Abstraction of groundwater for the use in the prospecting operation.	Negative	Regional	Long term			
	•	The utilization of groundwater for the cleaning of vehicles and equipment.						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
Noise	•	Noise from the vehicles and equipment on the haulage roads.				Intensity Probability Medium Definite		
	•	Noise from the equipment and vehicles during excavations activities.						
	•	Noise from drilling and blasting activities.						
	•	A high noise impact is expected in the immediate vicinity of the processing plant.	Negative	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	Medium
	•	Noise created by traffic on surrounding road network.						
	•	Noise created by farming activities.						

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Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	•	Capital Expenditure	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
	•	Payroll income	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
	•	Operating expenditure and maintenance	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
	•	Revenue	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
m ic	•	Employment	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
e e	•	Employment of contractors	Positive	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
Egr	•	Provision of skills development	Po <mark>sitiv</mark> e	Regional	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
Socio-	•	Opportunities for local SMME's	Positive	Site	Long term	Medium	Definite	Medium
S	•	Community involvement	Positive	Site	Long term	Medium	Definite	Medium
	•	Poverty alleviation	Positive	Site	Long term	Medium	Definite	High
	•	Community health	Positive	Site	Long term	Medium	Definite	Medium
	•	Community proximity	Negative	Site	Long term	Medium	Definite	Medium
	•	Security risk	Negative	Regional	Long term	Medium	Probable	Low

Impact	Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	 Compaction of soil is expected on the roads that are used by the prospecting operation. 						
	Possible hydrocarbon spills from vehicles and equipment.						
.	Removal and disturbance of soil structure by excavation activities.	Nogativo	Cito	Long town	Medium Definite Mediur	Madium	
S.	 Disturbance of soil structure where buildings and infrastructure will be built / established. 	Ne <mark>gativ</mark> e	Site	Long term		Medium	
	 Disturbance of soil structure where the topsoil storage sites, stockpile and waste dump sites will be created. 						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
vater	•	If roads are not properly maintained, water erosion after thunder storms can occur.				Low	Probable	
rface w	•	Possible contamination of surface water by hydrocarbon spills during a rain event.		Regional	Long term			Low
Sul	•	Collection of water in open excavations during and after thunderstorms.						

Impact		Description	Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
	•	Changing of natural slopes will take place.						
Topography	•	Temporary stockpiles, topsoil storage sites and waste rock dumps will be	Negative	Site	Long term	Long term Low	Definite	Low
		created, temporarily altering the topography.						

Impact	Description		Nature	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
-	•	The prospecting activities will be visible to some extent from the immediate surroundings.						
Visua	•	Changing of natural aesthetic view of environment could take place from prospecting activities and relating infrastructure.	Negative	Site	Long term	Low	Definite	Low
	•	Breaking of natural skyline.						

Impact	Description		Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance
Vibrations	Ground vibrations due to blasting activities	Negative	Site	Long term	Low	Definite	Low

(vi) Methodology used in determining the significance of environmental impacts:

(Describe how the significance, probability and duration of the aforesaid identified impacts that were identified through the consultation process were determined in order to decide the extent to which the initial site layout needs revision.)

The assessment of the impacts has been conducted according to a synthesis of criteria required by the integrated environmental management procedure.

Nature of impact

This is an appraisal of the type of effect the activity would have on the affected environmental component. Its description should include what is being affected, and how.

Extent

The physical and spatial size of the impact. This is classified as follows:

Local

The impacted area extends only as far as the activity, e.g. a footprint.

Site

The impact could affect the whole, or a measurable portion of the property.

Regional

The impact could affect the area including the neighbouring farms, transport routes and the adjoining towns.

Duration

The lifetime of the impact which is measured in the context of the lifetime of the proposed phase (i.e. construction or operation).

Short term

The impact will either disappear with mitigation or will be mitigated through natural process in a short time period.

Medium term

The impact will last up to the end of the mining period, where after it will be entirely negated.

Long term

The impact will continue or last for the entire operational life of the mine, but will be mitigated by direct human action or by natural processes thereafter.

Permanent

The only class of impact, which will be non-transitory. Mitigation either by man or natural process will not occur in such a way or in such a time span that the impact can be considered transient.

Intensity

This describes how destructive, or benign, the impact is. Does it destroy the impacted environment, alter its functioning, or slightly alter it. These are rated as:

Low

This alters the affected environment in such a way that the natural processes or functions are not affected.

• Medium

The affected environment is altered, but function and process continue, albeit in a modified way.

• High

Function or process of the affected environment is disturbed to the extent where it temporarily or permanently ceases.

This will be a relative evaluation within the context of all the activities and the other impacts within the framework of the project.

Probability

This describes the likelihood of the impacts actually occurring. The impact may occur for any length of time during the life cycle of the activity, and not at any given time. The classes are rated as follows:

• Improbable

The possibility of the impact occurring is very low, due either to the circumstances, design or experience.

Probable

There is a possibility that the impact will occur to the extent that provisions must be made therefore.

Highly probable

It is most likely that the impacts will occur at some or other stage of the development.

Definite

The impact will take place regardless of any preventative plans, and mitigation measures or contingency plans will have to be implemented to contain the impact.

Determination of significance

Significance is determined through a synthesis of impact characteristics. Significance is an indication of the importance of the impact in terms of both physical extent and time scale, and therefore indicates the level of mitigation required. The classes are rated as follows:

No significance

The impact is not likely to be substantial and does not require any mitigatory action.

Low

The impact is of little importance, but may require limited mitigation.

Medium

The impact is of importance and therefore considered to have a negative impact. Mitigation is required to reduce the negative impacts to acceptable levels.

• High

The impact is of great importance. Failure to mitigate, with the objective to reduce the impact to acceptable levels, could render the entire development option or entire project proposal unacceptable. Mitigation is therefore essential.

(vii) The positive and negative impacts that the proposed activity (in terms of the initial site layout) and alternatives will have on the environment and the community that may be affected:

(Provide a discussion in terms of advantages and disadvantages of the initial site layout compared to alternative layout options to accommodate concerns raised by affected parties.)

A final Site Plan cannot be provided in this early stage of the application process as the locality of the proposed boreholes and trenches is dependent on the results of the following:

- → Reconnaissance visit;
- → Desktop study;
- → Geological mapping; and
- → Geophysical Survey

The following will be taken into consideration when the site layout is planned:

- → Existing infrastructure:
- → Sensitive environmental features, including no-prospecting buffer zones;
- → Topography of the PR Area;
- → Locality of ore bodies;

The negative impacts should be avoided / minimized as far as practically possible to ensure a sustainable prospecting operation.

(viii) The possible mitigation measures that could be applied and the level of risk:

(With regard to the issues and concerns raised by affected parties provide a list of the issues raised and an assessment / discussion of the mitigations or site layout alternatives available to accommodate or address their concerns, together with an assessment of the impacts or risks associated with the mitigation or alternatives considered.)

Impact	Mitigation	Risk
Air quality	 Speed limits; Spraying of surfaces with water (where necessary); Avoidance of unnecessary removal of vegetation; Re-vegetation; Monitoring; Backfilling and rehabilitation of disturbed areas; and Controlled drilling and blasting operations, preferably on wind-free days. 	Low
Fauna	 Speed limits; Avoidance of unnecessary removal of vegetation; Continuous backfilling of open excavations; Low angle access ramp in excavations; Continuous rehabilitation of disturbed areas; Snares & traps removed and destroyed; and Maintenance of firebreaks. 	Medium
Flora	 Avoidance of unnecessary removal of vegetation; Continuous backfilling of open excavations; Continuous rehabilitation of disturbed areas; Maintenance of firebreaks; No trees felled for firewood; Obtain relevant permit before removal of protected tree or plant species; and 	High

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	Re-seeding where necessary.	
Ground water	Immediate removal of any hydrocarbon spill;	Low
Ordana water	Maintenance in dedicated area;	20
	 Re-fuelling in dedicated area; 	
	 Drip pans; 	
	 Storage of hydrocarbons in dedicated areas; 	
	Monitoring of groundwater abstraction and quality; and Clean & Dirty water system	
Noise	Clean & Dirty water system.	Medium
ivoise	Hearing protection;	iviedium
	Non-metallic washers to join infrastructure;	
	Working hours;	
	Controlled drilling & blasting operations;	
	Silencers on equipment and vehicles;	
	Acoustic enclosure for generators; and	
	Distance from residences of surface owners.	
Soil	 Avoidance of unnecessary removal of vegetation; 	Medium
	 Continuous backfilling of open excavations; 	
	 Continuous rehabilitation of disturbed areas; 	
	Ripping of compacted areas;	
	Replacing layer of topsoil over backfilled areas;	
	Maintenance & refuelling in dedicated areas;	
	Drip pans;	
	 Storage of hydrocarbons in dedicated areas; and 	
	Immediate removal of any hydrocarbon spill.	
Surface water	Storm water control;	Low
	Immediate removal of any hydrocarbon spill;	
	Maintenance & re-fuelling in dedicated areas;	
	 Drip pans; 	
	Storage of hydrocarbons in dedicated areas; and	
	Clean & dirty water plan.	
Topography	Continuous backfilling of open excavations;	Low
Topograpity	 Replacing layer of topsoil over backfilled areas; 	LOW
	 Sloping of rehabilitated and disturbed areas; and 	
Mayol	Sloping of topsoil dumps, stockpiles and waste rock dumps.	Low
Visual	Continuous backfilling of open excavations;	Low
	Replacing layer of topsoil over backfilled areas;	
	Sloping of rehabilitated and disturbed areas;	
	 Sloping of topsoil dumps, stockpiles and waste rock dumps; 	
	and	
	Removal of all infrastructure upon closure.	

The outcome of the site selection Matrix:- Final site layout plan: (Provide a final site layout plan as informed by the process of consultation with interested and affected

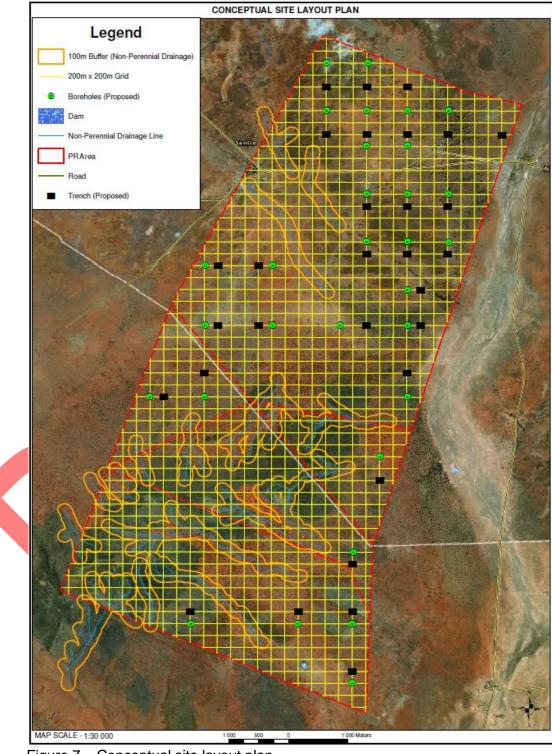


Figure 7 – Conceptual site layout plan

Motivation where no alternative sites were considered: (x)

No viable alternative sites were identified for the following reason:

A detailed Site Plan cannot be provided in this early stage of the application process as the locality of the proposed boreholes and trenches is dependent on the results of the following:

- → Reconnaissance visit;
- → Desktop study;
- → Geological mapping; and
- → Geophysical Survey

(xi) Statement motivating the preferred site:

(Provide a statement motivating the final site layout that is proposed.)

GEJ has considered the following:

- The Geological formation that supports the possibility that the minerals applied for could be found within the PR Area.
- The availability of farms within the area that is not already occupied by existing prospecting or mining rights.
- The availability of infrastructure, such as a road network, in the immediate surrounding area, which could be utilized to allow easy access to the site.

i) Plan of study for the Environmental Impact Assessment process:

- (i) Description of alternatives to be considered including the option of not going ahead with the activity:
 - Land use development alternatives:

The site layout may vary, depending on the operational requirements, but the final design and layout of the infrastructure can only be decided upon by the management team after granting and execution of the Prospecting Right.

No-go option:

The following positive impacts will be lost if the proposed project is not developed:

- Foreign income and TAX obligations to SARS
- CAPEX spent locally and regionally
- Employment
- Payroll income
- Operating expenditure and maintenance (OPEX)
- Revenue

(ii) Description of the aspects to be assessed as part of the environmental impact assessment process:

(The EAP must undertake to assess the aspects affected by each individual mining activity whether listed or not, including activities such as blasting, loading, hauling and transport, and mining activities such as excavations, stockpiles, discard dumps or dams, water supply dams and boreholes, accommodation, offices, ablution, stores, workshops, processing plant, storm water control, berms, roads, pipelines, power lines, conveyors, etc...etc...)

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affected by each individual a	ctivity who	ether listed of	or not.		

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Date:	

(iii) Description of aspects to be assessed by specialists:

The Screening Report, as obtained from the national web-based environmental screening tool, lists the sensitivities of the PR Area as follows:

Property	Agriculture	Animal Species	Aquatic Biodiversity	Archaeological and Cultural Heritage	Civil Aviation	Defence	Palaeontology	Plant Species	Terrestrial Biodiversity
Remaining Extent of the Farm Mierhoop 68	Medium	Medium		Low	Low	Low	High	Low	
Portion 1 of the Farm Mierhoop 68	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium	Low	Very High
Remaining Extent of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium	Low	Very High
Portion 1 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium	Low	Very High
Portion 2 of the Farm Baken Kop 69	Medium	Medium	Low	Low	Low	Low	Medium	Low	Very High

Sensitive environmental features, i.e. the non-perennial drainage lines, shall be avoided by the placement of a no-prospecting buffer around these.

The relevant specialists, for sensitivities higher than 'Medium' that is not covered by no-prospecting buffer zones, will be appointed to conduct a site visit and assess sensitive environmental features of the PR Area. The findings of the specialist reports shall be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

(iv) Proposed method of assessing the environmental aspects including the proposed method of assessing alternatives:

The assessment of the impacts shall been conducted according to a synthesis of criteria required by the integrated environmental management procedure.

The findings in the specialists' reports will be evaluated and measured against the identified potential impacts that could occur from the prospecting activities.

(v) The proposed method of assessing duration significance:

The lifetime of the impact will be measured in the context of the lifetime of the proposed phase or activity.

Short term

The impact will either disappear with mitigation or will be mitigated through natural process in a short time period.

Medium term

The impact will last up to the end of the mining period, where after it will be entirely negated.

Long term

The impact will continue or last for the entire operational life of the mine, but will be mitigated by direct human action or by natural processes thereafter.

Permanent

The only class of impact, which will be non-transitory. Mitigation either by man or natural process will not occur in such a way or in such a time span that the impact can be considered transient.

(vi) The stages at which the Competent Authority will be consulted:

Consultation with the Competent Authority will take place throughout the application process, however more specifically; consultation will take place before submission of the Scoping Report and again before submission of the EIA/EMPR Report.

(vii) Particulars of the public participation process with regard to the Impact Assessment process that will conducted:

1. Steps to be taken to notify interested and affected parties:

(These steps must include the steps that will be taken to ensure consultation with the affected parties identified in (h)(ii) herein.)

Registered interested and/or affected parties shall be notified of the EIA process as follows:

- Notification letters:
- Newspapers advert in one local newspaper; and
- Notice board at the entrance of the site.

2. Details of the engagement process to be followed:

(Describe the process to be undertaken to consult interested and affected parties including public meetings and one on one consultation. NB the affected parties must be specifically consulted regardless of whether or not they attended public meetings and record of such consultation will be required in the EIA at a later stage.)

- One-on-One meeting with surface owners (should it be possible to arrange such a meeting) and/or legal occupant.
- Public meeting with all other interested and/or affected parties, should the need arise.

3. Description of the information to be provided to Interested and Affected Parties:

(Information to be provided must include the initial site plan and sufficient detail of the intended operation and the typical impacts of each activity, to enable them to assess what impact the activities will have on them or on the use of their land.)

A draft copy of the EIA / EMPR document will be provided to the surface owners and/or legal occupant of the properties and all other registered interested and / or affected parties for comment and input.

A draft copy of the EIA / EMPR document will be placed at the local Municipality for comment and input from any other interested and/or affected party. I&AP's will be notified that the EIA/EMPR is available for review by means of a newspaper advert in one local newspaper.

(viii) Description of the tasks that will be undertaken during the environmental impact assessment process:

The process shall entail the appointment of specialists, review of all available information, impact assessment, consultation and drafting of EIA/EMPR.

(ix) Measures to avoid, reverse, mitigate, or manage identified impacts and to determine the extent of the residual risks that need to be managed and monitored:

ACTIVITY Whether listed or not listed (e.g. excavations, blasting, stockpiles, discard dumps or dams, loading, hauling and transport, water suppy dams and boreholes, accommodation, offices, ablution, stores, workshops, processing lant, storm water control, berms, roads, pipelines, power lines, conveyors, etcetcetc)	POTENTIAL IMPACT (e.g. dust, noise, drainage, surface disturbance, fly rock, surface water contamination, groundwater contamination, air pollution etcetc)	modify, remedy, control or stop (e.g. noise control measures, stormwater control, dust control, rehabilitation, design measures, blasting controls, avoidance, relocation, alternative activity etcetc) (e.g. modify through alternative method. Control through management and monitoring through rehabilitation.)	POTENTIAL FOR RESIDUAL RISK
Blasting	 Dust Fly-rock Noise Removal and disturbance of vegetation cover and natural habitat of fauna Surface disturbance Surface water contamination 	 Dust control and monitoring Noise control and monitoring Access control. Continuous rehabilitation. Stormwater run-off control. 	Medium
Boreholes	 Dust Noise Removal and disturbance of vegetation cover and natural habitat of fauna Surface disturbance 	 Dust control and monitoring Noise control and monitoring Continuous rehabilitation 	Medium
Chemical toilets	 Soil contamination Groundwater contamination 	 Maintenance of toilets on regular basis. Monitoring of groundwater quality. Removal of toilets upon closure. 	Very low
Diesel tanks	 Groundwater contamination Removal and disturbance of vegetation cover and natural habitat of fauna Soil contamination 	 Maintenance of diesel tanks and bund walls. Oil traps. Groundwater quality monitoring. Drip tray at re-fuelling point. 	Medium

	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill.	
Excavations	Dust	Access control Mediui	m
	Groundwater contamination	Dust control and monitoring	
	Noise	Groundwater quality monitoring	
	Removal and disturbance of	Noise control and monitoring	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Continuous rehabilitation	
	of fauna	Stormwater run-off control	
	Soil contamination	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill	
	Surface disturbance	Drip trays	
	Surface water contamination	Rock stability control and monitoring	
	Erosion	Erosion control	
Generator	Groundwater contamination	Access control Mediui	m
	Noise	Maintenance of generator and bund	
	Removal and disturbance of	walls	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Noise control and monitoring	
	of fauna	Oil traps	
	Soil contamination	Groundwater quality monitoring	
	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill	
Office – mobile container	 Removal and disturbance of 	 Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill Very lo)W
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth	
	of fauna	of vegetation cover	
	Soil contamination		
	Surface disturbance		
Processing plant	Dust	Access control Mediui	m
	Noise	Maintenance of processing plant	
	 Groundwater contamination and 	Dust control and monitoring	
	usage	Groundwater quality and level	
	 Removal and disturbance of 	monitoring	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Noise control and monitoring	
	of fauna	Drip trays	
	Soil contamination	Stormwater run-off control.	
	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spills	
		Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth	

	Groundwater contamination	Groundwater quality monitoring	
Waste rock dumps	Dust	Dust control and monitoring	Low
	vegetation cover and natural habitat of fauna • Soil contamination	Stormwater run-off controlImmediately clean hydrocarbon spills	
Washbay	 Groundwater contamination and usage Removal and disturbance of 	 Groundwater quality and level monitoring Concrete floor with oil/water separator 	Low
M/a alabay	vegetation cover and natural habitat of fauna • Surface disturbance	 Stormwater run-off control. Immediately clean hydrocarbon spills Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth of vegetation cover 	1 200
	Noise Removal and disturbance of	Noise control and monitoringDrip trays	
•	Groundwater contamination	Groundwater quality monitoring	
Stockpile area	Dust	Dust control and monitoring	Low
	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill	
	of fauna • Soil contamination	Stormwater run-off control	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Groundwater quality monitoring	
	Removal and disturbance of	Maintenance of fence.	
Salvage yard	Groundwater contamination	Access control	Low
		of vegetation cover	
		 Immediately clean hydrocarbon spills Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth 	
	Surface disturbance	Erosion control	
	of fauna	Stormwater run-off control.	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Speed limits	
	Removal and disturbance of	Noise control and monitoring	
	Noise	Groundwater quality monitoring	
	Groundwater contamination	Dust control and monitoring	
Roads	Dust	of vegetation cover Maintenance of roads	Low

	Noise	Noise control and monitoring	
	 Removal and disturbance of 	Stormwater run-off control.	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth	
	of fauna	of vegetation cover	
	Surface disturbance		
Water tank	Groundwater abstraction and usage	Maintain water tanks and structures. Lov	W
	Surface disturbance	Groundwater levels and quality	
		monitoring.	
Weighbridge and weighbridge	• Dust	Access control Lov	W
control room	Groundwater contamination	Maintenance of weighbridge	
	Noise	Dust control and monitoring	
	 Removal and disturbance of 	Noise control and monitoring	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Groundwater levels and quality	
	of fauna	monitoring	
	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill	
		Rip disturbed areas to allow re-growth	
		of vegetation cover	
Workshop – mobile containers	 Groundwater contamination 	Access control Lov	W
	 Noise 	Concrete floor with oil/water separator	
	Removal and disturbance of	Maintenance of mobile containers	
	vegetation cover and natural habitat	Noise control and monitoring	
	of fauna	Groundwater quality monitoring	
	Surface disturbance	Immediately clean hydrocarbon spill	

(x) Other information required by the Competent Authority:

1. Compliance with the provisions of Sections 24(4)(a) and (b) read with Section 24(3)(a) and (7) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998), the EIA report must include the:-

a. Impact on the socio-economic conditions of any directly affected person:

(Provide the results of investigation, assessment and evaluation of the impact of the mining, bulk sampling or alluvial diamond prospecting on any directly affected person including the landowner, lawful occupier, or, where applicable, potential beneficiaries of any land restitution claim, attach the investigation report as Appendix '7' and confirm that the applicable mitigation is reflected in 2.5.3, 2.11.6 and 2.12 herein.)

Impact on landowner:

Positive: Compensation of land lost to prospecting activities.

Negative: Loss of agricultural land.

Impact on other I&AP:

 To be determined during consultation process. The results shall be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

b. Impact on any national estate referred to in Section 3(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act:

(Provide the results of investigation, assessment and evaluation of the impact of the mining, bulk sampling or alluvial diamond prospecting on any national estate referred to in Section 3(2) of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act 25 of 1999) with the exception of the national estate contemplated in Section 3(2)(i)(vi) and (vii) of that Act, attach the investigation report as Appendix '8' and confirm that the applicable mitigation is reflected in 2.5.3, 2.11.6 and 2.12 herein.)

A specialist shall been appointed to conduct a palaeontological assessment. The findings of this report will be included in the EIA/EMPR document.

(xi) Other matters required in terms of Sections 24(4)(a) and (b) of the Act:

(The EAP managing the application must provide the Competent Authority with details, written proof of an investigation as required by Section 24(4)(b)(i) of the Act and motivation if no reasonable or feasible alternatives, as contemplated in sub-regulation 22(2)(h), exist. The EAP must attach such motivation as Appendix '9'.)

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- The availability of infrastructure, such as a road network, in the immediate surrounding area, which could be utilized to allow easy access to the site.

(xii) Undertaking regarding correctness of information:

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Signature of EAP						
Date:	-					

(xiii) Undertaking regarding level of agreement:

I, T. Jooste, ID number ..., herewith undertake that the information provided in the foregoing report is correct, and that the comments and inputs from stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties have been correctly recorded in the report.

Signature of EAP	
Date:	
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