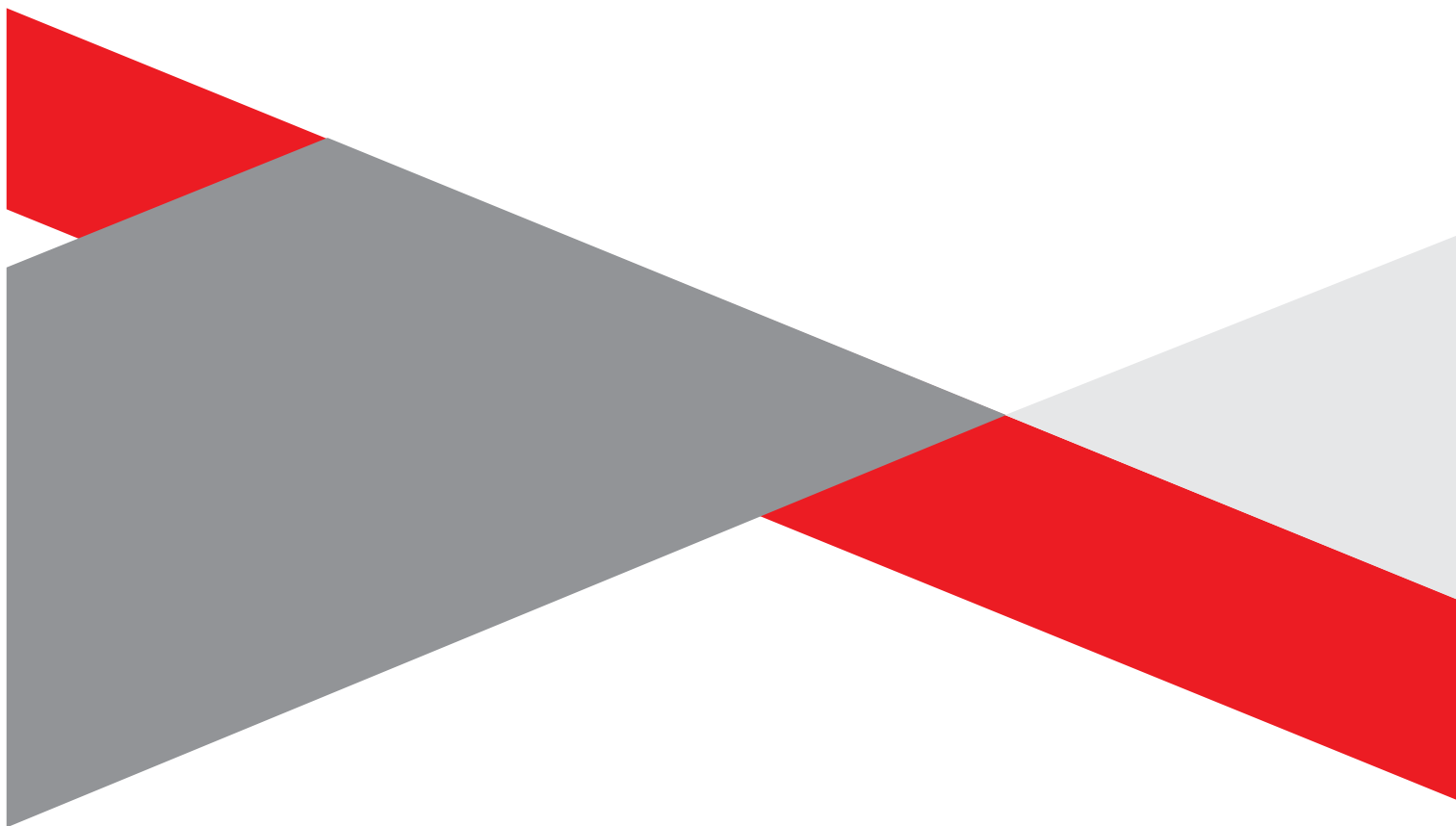


APPENDIX C4
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From: Savannah Environmental Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 06 December 2022 14:01
To: Sifiso Mkhize
Cc: Nicolene Venter
Subject: SE3543: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Reminder of EIAR review and comment period ending soon

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 18MW HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV FACILITY, THEUNISSEN, FREE STATE PROVINCE
(DESTEA Reference No.: EMS/11(i),12(ii)(a)(c),14,19, 24(ii), 1,15, 4(b) (i)(gg), 10(b) (i)(gg)(hh), 12(b)(i),
14(ii)(a)(b)(i)(hh)/22/16 and NEAS ref: FSP/EIA/0000492/2022)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Freegold Harmony (Pty) Ltd (a subsidiary of Harmony Gold Mining Company Ltd) is looking to supplement its energy supply by implementing Photovoltaic (PV) generation, aiding their transition to a more sustainable and environmentally friendly energy mix.

The development of a solar photovoltaic (PV) facility with a generating capacity of up to 18MW is proposed ~20km north east of the town of Theunissen within the Masilonyana Local Municipality and within the Lejweleputswa District Municipality, Free State Province. The PV facility is located on Portion 0 of the Farm Leeuwbult 580 and is owned by the Mine. The solar PV development will be known as Harmony Joel Solar PV Facility

The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in the Background Information Document (BID) that was distributed with the notification letter on 14 November 2022. This notification letter also served to inform you that a full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV facility and associated infrastructure and that the Scoping Report is available for review and comment from **14 November 2022 to 14 December 2022**.

The Scoping Report can be downloadedg from our website [CLICK HERE](#)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those stakeholder who had already submitted their written comments and we would like to urge those who had not yet done so to please submit your written comments before or on **Wednesday, 14 December 2022**.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Environmental Impact Assessment Process.

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	Mpeqeka	Sipho	
African Farmers Association of South Africa	Mahlati	Vuyo	
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Masilela	Simphiwe	
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Department of Science and Technology	Kgampe	Mere	
Department of Water Affairs	Starkey	A	
Department of Water and Sanitation	Cloete	Shaun	
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Sirius Power (Pty) Ltd	Nunez	David	
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Sent: Monday, 14 November 2022 14:18
To: Sifiso Mkhize
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Subject: SE3270: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Notification of Scoping Report available for review and comment
Attachments: SE3270-Harmony_Joel_Solar_PV_SR_Notification-FINAL.pdf; SE3270-Harmony_Joel_Solar_PV_BID-FINAL.pdf; SE3270-Harmony_Joel_Solar_PV_RegComm_Form-FINAL.pdf

HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV FACILITY, THEUNISSEN, FREE STATE PROVINCE (DESTEA Reference No.: To be Issued)

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The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in this Background Information Document (BID). A full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV facility and associated infrastructure. The public participation process provides the public with an opportunity to comment on the project.

Please find attached for your perusal the following documents:

- Background Information Document; and
- Notification of availability of the Scoping Report.

The Scoping Report is available for downloading from our website [click here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Environmental Impact Assessment Process.

Kind regards,

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**HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV FACILITY, THEUNISSEN, FREE STATE PROVINCE
(DESTE Reference No.: To be Issued)**

**NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
and
NOTIFICATION OF SCOPING REPORT AND AVAILABILITY FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

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- » Access roads, internal roads and fencing around the development area.
- » Temporary and permanent laydown areas.
- » Grid connection solution which will tie-in to Shafts 1 & 2 HJ Joel Mining via a 1.2km south west overhead line.

Additional technical information regarding this Solar PV facility is available in the Background Information Document attached to this notification letter.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

In accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the applicant requires Environmental Authorisation from the Department of Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental (DESTE), as the Competent Authority. In terms of Section 24(5) of NEMA, the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended) and Listing Notices (GNR 327, GNR 325, and GNR 324), the application for EA is subject to the completion of a Scoping/EIA process. The application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

The EIA is an effective planning and decision-making tool. It allows for potential environmental consequences resulting from a proposed activity to be identified and appropriately managed during the construction, operation, and decommissioning phases of development. It also provides an opportunity for the project applicants to be forewarned of potential environmental issues and allows for the resolution of impacts identified and reported on as part of the EIA process, as well as provides opportunity for dialogue with key stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs).

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the application for EA and undertaking the supporting EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the project, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr). I&APs will be actively involved in the EIA process through the public participation process.

You and/or the Department/Organization/Company, which you represent, have been identified as a stakeholder for the proposed project as described above. The nature and extent of the solar PV is explored in more detail in the BID which is attached to this letter and is also available for download from the Savannah Environmental website <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/harmony-joel-solar-pv/>.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

The public participation (PP) process is being undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326). The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application is made available to I&APs for review;
- » I&AP participation is facilitated in such a manner that they are provided with reasonable opportunity to comment on the project;
- » adequate review periods are provided for I&APs to comment on the findings of the Scoping/EIA Reports; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

Savannah Environmental have established an online stakeholder engagement platform, where you are invited to register your interest in the project, and view project documentation. Please visit our website (link provided above).

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities or access to internet, alternative means for consultation and to facilitate comment on the projects will be made through the Ward Councillor and/or Ward Committee Members. I&APs are also able to make contact via the "Please call me" functionality available on our public participation mobile phone (060 978 8396).

SCOPING REPORT AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT

The Scoping Report for Harmony One Solar PV facility is available for review and comment from **14 November 2022** to **14 December 2022**. The report is available for download from the Savannah Environmental website (link provided above).

In terms of Regulation 3(1) of the NEMA EIA regulations, the report will be available on 14 November 2022, with 15 November 2022 being the first day of the 30-day review and comment period. The due date for written comment is 14 December 2022.

Please submit your written comments on the Scoping Report via one of the following means:

- E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com
- Post: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157xxx
- Fax: 086 684 0547
- Telephone: 011 656 3237
- Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including "please call me")

All comments should be addressed to Nicolene Venter at Savannah Environmental.

All comments received during the 30-day review and comment period will be recorded and included in the Final Scoping Report for submission to the Free State Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (DESTE) in line with Regulation 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended (GN R326).

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require additional information and/or clarification regarding the project. Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout this process.

Kind regards



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Public Participation and Social Consultant

Email: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

Attached: Background Information Document
Registration and Comment Form

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SE3270: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Notification of EIA Process and Availability of Scoping Report for review and comment (POE)

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Harmony Joel Solar PV

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV FACILITY, THEUNISSEN, FREE STATE PROVINCE

Applicant: Freegold Harmony (Pty) Ltd

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Scoping & Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) Processes: In terms of Sections 24 & 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 –R327, as amended, a S&EIA process is required, and Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required S&EIA and public participation process for this project.

Scoping Report available for Review & Comment: The Scoping Report is available for review and comment and can be downloaded from the Savannah Environmental website (savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/). The 30-day review and comment period of the Scoping Report is from **14 November 2022** to **14 December 2022**.

To obtain further information and register on the project database and submit comments or queries, please refer to the contact information:

Nicolene Venter of Savannah Environmental

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Tel: 011 656 3237 / Fax: 086 684 0547

Mobile: 060 978 8396 (including pls call me)

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Documents for public review are available for download.

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Joel Draft Scoping Report

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SAHRA Application Closure

Please note the following concerning applications submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) during the December 2022 to January 2023 period.

The full notice is available here: [Notice](#)

Erratum: Please note that point 5 of the notice should be read as follows; "The last day for section 38(8) applications to receive comments in 2022 is the 15th November 2022 (not December). Any comments on section 38(8) applications submitted from the 16th November 2022 (not December) will be issued from the 6th January 2023". We apologise for any inconvenience.

Proposed development of the 18MW Harmony Joel Solar PV Facility, Theunissen, Free State Province

46 reads

CaseHeader	LocationInfo	Admin
<p>ProposalDescription: The development of a renewable energy facility, overhead powerline and associated infrastructure proposed by FREEGOLD HARMONY (PTY) LTD. The project entails the development of an 18MW solar PV over 36 ha of land and will be known as Harmony Joel Solar PV Facility, the facility will include a grid connection solution and other associated infrastructure. The Solar PV facility is based approximately 2.3km north of the Harmony Joel mining operations, located ~20km NorthEast of the town of Theunissen within the Masilonyana Local Municipality, and within the Lejweleputswa District Municipality, Free State Province.</p> <p>ApplicationDate: Friday, August 26, 2022 - 14:02</p> <p>CaseID: 19409</p> <p>Applicants: Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd</p> <p>Consultants/Experts: Jenna Lavin</p> <p>OtherReferences:</p> <p>Heritage Reports: Heritage Screener: Joel PV HIA: Joel PV</p> <p>ReferenceList:</p>		

Additional Documents

1. [SE3270 Harmony Joel APP C1 - I&AP Database.pdf](#)
2. [SE3270 Harmony Joel APP C2 - Site Notices & Newspaper Adverts.pdf](#)
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Subject: RE: SE3270: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Notification of Scoping Report available for review and comment

Dear Ndou,

Thank you for notifying me who to consult with going forward for this Environmental Authorisation process.

Please confirm that I can remove you from the project database.

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Dear Zanele

For consideration.

NB: Nicolene, please send future communications in this regard to Ms. Zanele Manyathi.

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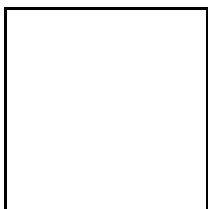
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Subject: RE: SE3270: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Notification of Scoping Report available for review and comment

Good day

The Directorate: Presidential Hotline and Call Centre acknowledge with thanks receipt of your email dated 14 November 2022 regarding the subject matter.

Kindly note that the matter has been referred to PSSC: Free State for further assistance.

Should you wish to make a follow up on this matter please email Ms Makwadi Moloji and Ms Tina Ndiwa on makwadi.moloji@dalrrd.gov.za / tina.ndiwa@dalrrd.gov.za / Tel (051) 400 4200/4270

Regards

Ms Hazel Tema

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Cc: Maseloane Kereemang; Kumalo Zodwa(BFN); Letloenyane Maureen (BFN)
Subject: RE: SE3270: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Notification of Scoping Report available for review and comment
Attachments: 03. DWS Harmony Joel Solar Project.pdf

Dear Mr Lenong,

Thank you for your Department's email below.

Please be informed that a hard copy of the Scoping Report has been courier to Dr Ntuli for the DWS' written comments.

It would be appreciated if the DWS can confirm whether the written comments received on the Harmony Joel Solar PV project (see attached) is still applicable for the new Application.

Kind regards,



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Good afternoon Colleagues,

Ntate Musekene, for your information and assistance, please.

Dear Nicolene, on behalf of the Provincial Head of the Department of Water and Sanitation: Free State, I hereby would like to acknowledge receipt your mail and its contents with kindness.

The matter is being addressed.

Thanks and kind regards,

Pule Joseph Lenong (PJL)
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Subject: FW: SE3543: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Reminder of EIAr review and comment period ending soon

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Ntate Musekene, for your information and attention.

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To: Lenong Pule (BFN) <LenongP@dws.gov.za>

Subject: SE3543: HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV - Reminder of EIAr review and comment period ending soon

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The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in the Background Information Document (BID) that was distributed with the notification letter on 14 November 2022. This notification letter also served to inform you that a full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV facility and associated infrastructure and that the Scoping Report is available for review and comment from **14 November 2022** to **14 December 2022**.

The Scoping Report can be downloadedg from our website [CLICK HERE](#)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those stakeholder who had already submitted their written comments and we would like to urge those who had not yet done so to please submit your written comments before or on **Wednesday, 14 December 2022**.

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Cc: Central Point
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Good day,

On behalf of the Director-General, Dr Sean Phillips, this email serves to acknowledge receipt of your correspondence below which will receive the necessary attention by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).

Kindest regards

Central Point

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**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE 18MW HARMONY JOEL SOLAR PV FACILITY, THEUNISSEN, FREE STATE PROVINCE
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14(ii)(a)(b)(i)(hh)/22/16 and NEAS ref: FSP/EIA/0000492/2022)**

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The nature and extent of the solar PV facility is explored in more detail in the Background Information Document (BID) that was distributed with the notification letter on 14 November 2022. This notification letter also served to inform you that a full Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the development of the PV facility and associated infrastructure and that the Scoping Report is available for review and comment from **14 November 2022 to 14 December 2022**.

The Scoping Report can be downloaded from our website [CLICK HERE](#)

We would like to take this opportunity to thank those stakeholder who had already submitted their written comments and we would like to urge those who had not yet done so to please submit your written comments before or on **Wednesday, 14 December 2022.**

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Applicant: Freegold Harmony (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity:

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The infrastructure associated with the 30MW solar PV facility will include:

- PV modules and mounting structures.
- Inverters and transformers a SCADA room, and maintenance room.
- Cabling between the project components, to be laid underground where practical.
- Access roads, internal roads and fencing around the development area.
- Temporary and permanent laydown areas.
- Grid connection solution which will tie-in to Shafts 1 & 2 HJ Joel Mining via a 1.2km south west overhead line.

The Scoping Report is now available for review & comment. The 30-day review and comment period is from **24 August 2022** to **23 September 2022**. The final day to submit written comment is **23 September 2022**.

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Documents for public review are available for download.

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