

**PAN AFRICAN RESOURCES GOLD BEARING TAILINGS RETREATMENT PROJECT, SITUATED IN THE WEST RAND**

**COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT**

**September 2022**

This Comments and Response Report (CRR) provides comments, questions and issues raised by stakeholders during the Environmental Regulatory Process when stakeholders were notified of the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) associated with Pan African Resources PLC (hereinafter PAR) Large-Scale Gold Tailings Retreatment Operation Project located in Mogale City Local Municipality (MCLM), Gauteng Province. The DSR was made available for a 30-day legislated commenting and reviewing period which commenced from **13 April 2022 to 19 May 2022**. *It is to be noted that commenting and reviewing period for the DSR was extended to 06 June 2022.* The DSR was released electronically on Digby Wells website via a data-free link which was shared with stakeholders. Hard copies of the Draft DSR were also made available at the MCLM, and another at the Kagiso Public Library.

These comments have been extracted from a Focus Group Meeting (FGM) that was held with stakeholders and email received from the stakeholders. All comments received as part of the project have been recorded and collated into this CRR which was appended to the Final Scoping Report (SR) for submission to Department of Mineral Recourses and Energy (DMRE).

The DMRE has accepted the Final SR and the Plan of Study for the proposed project submitted to their office on 13th June 2022. The letter was received from DMRE on 27th July 2022 with respect to the acceptance of the Final SR indicating that the applicant can now proceed to the EIA Phase of the Proposed Project. This CRR is a living document and will be updated throughout the proposed project.

**Table 1-1: Comments received**

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1. Project Specific						
FSE state that they do not reject/object to the Project, but outstanding issues/concerns will need to be addressed if PAR acquire these assets.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The project team acknowledge these concerns and these issues/concerns will be addressed as the project progresses and with the potential acquisition of the Mogale Gold assets associated with MR 206.
Digby Wells have stated that the Final Scoping Report will be updated to address concerns regarding ownership of certain Mining Rights.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	FSE are happy with this approach.  Digby Wells also mentioned that the response to issues/concerns raised will be addressed and documented in the CRR. Clarity with respect to ownership of the respective Mining Rights is provided below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>MR 206 – Currently owned by Mogale Gold (Pty) Ltd. This is the Mining Right that Pan African Resources in interested. Pan African Resources has entered into a Sale and Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of the share in and claims against Mogale Gold. The intended transaction is subject to a due diligence investigation which is in the process of being concluded.</li><li>MR 132 and 133 – Currently owned and operated by Amatshe Mining.</li></ul>
TCTA have asked if the Project team could explain if the hydraulic reclamation process (technology used) has been used before or if this is a new method of mining?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Hydraulic mining has been used before and is currently being applied in many areas/operations in South Africa and internationally. Examples include DRD Gold (most of their operations use this process) including Harmony Gold and Ashanti Gold. Refer to Section 5.2.3 of the EIA Report, which provides further information with respect to the mining method and other aspects associated with the project.

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Will PAR apply for a new Certificate of Registration (CoR) with the National Nuclear Regulator (NNR)?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Initial engagements have been undertaken. Further engagements will have to be undertaken as a new CoR application will be undertaken as part of the integrated environmental regulatory process. Mintails were granted a CoR, however this is not transferrable so a new CoR application will have to be undertaken. A full radiological assessment will be undertaken as part of the process.
What is the plan for deposition?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Teams	Deposition will initially take place within West Wits Pit (WWP), once this has reached capacity it will be closed, and a Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) will be constructed on top. Deposition will <del>take</del> take place within the 1L23-1L25 TSF complex. This TSF complex will be reused to house consolidate all the tailings that will be processed. The Radiological Public Safety Assessment has not completed during the Scoping Phase, however, is now complete and is appended to the EIA. The new Application with respect to the CoR process will be initiated shortly.
Why is Shaft 9 and AMD treatment plant not being considered for abstraction?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	There have been initial engagements with TCTA and DWS regarding the use of the AMD treatment plant, but these departments preferred if water was sourced from other alternatives. Based on engagements with TCTA and DWS it has been agreed that 17 Winze will be utilised as the preferred abstraction point for water that is required for reclamation and operational purposes. Water will also be recirculated from both tailings deposition sites, which includes West Wits Pit and 1L23 and 1L25 tailings storage facilities.
What is PAR and how can the details about the company be obtained?	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The Pan African Resources website can be accessed: <a href="https://www.panafricanresources.com/">https://www.panafricanresources.com/</a> . PAR is a mining company that has operations in Barberton and Evander

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	omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			undertaking similar activities as the proposed Project. The company is also listed on the JSE stock exchange. PAR has been operating since 2007 under different names.
It is necessary to consider the background of the proposed project and the historical performance of the Mintails Group of Companies in order to accurately identify the key issues to be addressed in the Draft Scoping Report; to accurately determine the nature, significance, consequence, extent, duration, and probability of the impacts.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>The Draft Scoping Report presents a list of preliminary impacts which are being considered. Impacts will be further investigated during the EIA Phase of the project, taking all stakeholder comments into consideration.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted.</p> <p>Pan African Resources understand the historical background and concerns raised as well as the historical performance of Mintails during their tenure and that Pan African Resources are well aware of the environmental liabilities.</p> <p>Pan African Resources are committed to undertaking the Project in order to avoid the perpetuation of non-compliances with legislation, inclusive of the health hazards and safety risks. Pan African Resources intention is to prevent further environmental degradation and pollution.</p> <p>A Closure and Rehabilitation Plan has been compiled by Digby Wells, which considers rehabilitation and closure measures to be adopted per operational area and historic impacts that have occurred. The financial provision costs are presented within the EIA (refer to Section 25 of the EIA Report and the Closure Plan that has been compiled for proposed project. Initial discussions with the DMRE have commenced based on the current closure costing that has been completed.</p>
The proposed Project must not be authorised unless such a “thorough investigation” has been conducted and considered and a strategic environmental management plan for the area has been developed.	The information has been omitted in	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	The DSR recommends that “a thorough investigation is required to assess potential impacts such as habitat loss, habitat fragmentation, AIP proliferation and loss of faunal and floral SCC” and “a strategic environmental

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	compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			management plan for the area should be developed through collaboration with other role players and adhered to.  A thorough investigation will be conducted as part of the EIA phase and potential mitigation measures have been provided for each impacted assessed. Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed through collaboration with other key stakeholders, which will go beyond the EIA Phase.
It is requested that the EAP addresses the subjoined perceived anomalies.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	These have been and included in the submission of the Final Scoping Report that was provided to the DMRE and made available for comment to all stakeholders.
Detailed environmental risks pertaining to open pits were explained	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Pan African Resources and the Project team are well aware of these risks and are currently planning for mitigation and management of these risks.  All risks presented in the report are duly noted and are currently being taken into consideration in the event that Pan African Resources does acquire MR 206.
The FSE urges the DMRE not to approve the Application by the PAR unless the above-mentioned recommendations have been implemented. Unless the said recommendations have been implemented, the risk will remain that the PAR may avoid its closure	The information has been omitted in	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Pan African Resources will take into consideration all recommendations provided and endeavour to implement said recommendations within the realm of what is practicable and taking into consideration what is economically viable. Pan African Resources are

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commitments after it has extracted the economically viable residual gold by either applying for liquidation or selling of its assets on to a less resourced company who neither has the resources, will or intention to manage closure responsibly. This “pass the parcel” approach is one of the most common practices for mining companies avoiding their closure commitments.	compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			dedicated to its closure commitments and accept responsibility for post-closure and rehabilitation with respect to the required remediation, as a result of the proposed activities to be undertaken. Pan African Resource is well aware of the historical transgressions of Mintails and want to change the way people view mining in this particular area. Mintails legacy issues will also need to be discussed with the DMRE and agreed upon with respect to the overall liabilities that will be taken on by Pan African Resources.
Will there be time made for the committee to go for site inspection?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	PAR and Digby Wells did arrange a site visit for the Ward Committee members who need clarity on the exact project locality as well as the work that PAR intends to do on the project area.
What type of mining will be taking place?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	For MR206, PAR is focused on surface tailings only (surface mining) and this will involve mostly hydraulic reclamation.
There are rumours circulating regarding PAR buying out people who live close to the mine, how true is this?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	These rumours are not necessarily true, PAR would in fact like to work hand in hand with the community and mitigate the impacts. There is no reason for PAR to buy the land the community currently occupies.



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There are a few tenants in the area and the project team should take this into consideration.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Yes, we are aware of the tenants in the area and PAR had either engaged with the respective tenants or are in the process of further engagements.
A review of the DSR will be done in order to get a better understanding of the proposed project and provide comments.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Noted, the DSR can be accessed on the Digby Wells website under public documents. The FSR was also made available to stakeholders for comment via Digby Wells website.
Is it possible to obtain a copy of the presentation for the proposed project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The project team noted that the presentation can be shared, and that the presentation will also be included in the Final Scoping Report.
The NNR require clarity on the map being displayed with regards to the green shaded areas (1L4, 1L5 & 1L6). Will PAR be utilizing these assets?	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	05/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR intend to acquire these assets within MR206, it should be noted that these assets fall within the same footprint as MR132 (underground workings). These are

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Are the assets already existing or are they proposed?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	05/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	These are existing dumps that are currently there. Engagements with landowners need to be undertaken so that PAR can acquire these assets, which is in the process of being undertaken.
It was mentioned in the past that Lancaster dam is radioactive. Could you please explain what this term means?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>Elevated levels of Uranium (Au) and Manganese (Mn) are indicated especially at the Lancaster Dam, which are likely emanating from the northern and western tailings facilities seepage.</p> <p>The low pH at the Lancaster Dam possibly implies that there is decant of Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) at this point or at some upstream point.</p> <p>The Radiological Public Safety Assessment was not complete during the Scoping Phase of the project, however, now has been completed and is appended to the EIA.</p> <p>Based on the findings of the assessment, it has been identified that Lancaster Dam, is not suitable for general human consumption or use based on the elevated radioactivity.</p> <p>Given the historical nature of the Project area, it can be assumed that the natural radiological background conditions of the area have been disturbed through decades of mining activities.</p> <p>The purpose of the Radiological Public Safety and Impact Assessment is to evaluate the potential impact of the Project on members of the public in a systematic,</p>



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						structured, and transparent manner during all phases of the Project, from construction to the post-closure phase.
We have bad roads with potholes. Will road be upgraded as part of the project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2022	Physical Meeting	The maintenance with respect to roads is the responsibility of the local municipality, however the comment is noted and will be further considered.
Truck and shovel methods will be used for the North and South sand dumps, is this part of the second phase of the project or will that be part of the entire operations?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	North and South sand dumps will be part of the entire operation/scope.
It was mentioned that there needs to be concrete information from the project team in order to make an informed decision.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	The project team does have some of the information, however additional sampling of the tailings is currently being undertaken. The numerical modelling will be complete in June where an engagement will be undertaken.
Who is Pan African Resources (PAR)? When was it invented? Why is PAR here today?	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	PAR is a PLC listed company and registered under the JSE. They have two main operations in Evander and

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	omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			<p>Barberton, which are underground mining and tailings retreatment operations.</p> <p>The company's website is <a href="http://www.panafricanresources.com">www.panafricanresources.com</a>.</p> <p>Additional information about the company can be obtained from the website.</p> <p>The reason we are here is to discuss the Mining Rights associated with Mogale Gold. They held three mining rights in the area, namely MR 132, MR 133, and MR 206. MR 132 MR 133 have been transferred to Amatshe mining through West Wits Gold.</p> <p>PAR has entered into a sale agreement with Mintails Mining SA (Pty) Ltd whom own Mogale Gold and are interested in the surface assets (slimes dams and sand dumps) associated with MR 206 and want to establish a tailings retreatment project. The project has a life of mine which is 13 years.</p> <p>There is an environmental liability that was left by Mogale Gold. PAR will take on the environmental liability once they take ownership of the assets.</p> <p>The sale agreement between PAR and Mintails is for the Mogale Cluster. The sale agreement will be in the process of being concluded and will be communicated in due course.</p>
Page ii of the Draft Scoping Report has Neelesh Ramasis as the report compiler however the executive summary indicates Mr Coutts as the EAP and then section 2.2 refers to Ms Smith as the EAP. Please clarify what roles and responsibilities each of the named persons have.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Neelesh Ramasis is the Project Administrator and responsible for the compilation of the respective reports. Ms Smith is the EAP and Mr Coutts is the overall Project Manager for Digby Wells.
The various specialist studies indicated must be undertaken. If necessary, once the specialist studies have been completed, additional comments will be made.	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted. The respective specialist assessments have been undertaken and are appended to the EIA Report that is available for Public Comment.

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Please provide details of environmental monitoring to be implemented both during the course of the project and long-term monitoring after completion of the mining of the various dumps.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	. Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed
Where is the mine located?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	The proposed Project is within the Mogale City Local Municipality (MCLM), which is located within the West Rand District Municipality. MCLM is the regional services authority, and the area falls under the jurisdiction of the Krugersdorp Magisterial District.
There were other mining companies who came before PAR which made commitments that until today have not been fulfilled.  Will the mine assist in destroying the other sand dumps? There are human remains on some of the sand dumps.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Two sand dumps are proposed to be reprocessed and the footprints rehabilitated. These are the North and South Sand Dump. Pan African Resources is aware that the community were affected by the transgressions of Mintails, therefore they are committed to engaging with the community and listening to their concerns.

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Why is PAR here? What do you want from us as the community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR is looking to get an Environmental License and the law states that we need to engage with the community. PAR does not only want to comply but wants to engage with the community and build a healthy working relationship. PAR go beyond just legal requirements with respect to community engagement and that it is important to work closely with the community.
<p>We stay in a country where individuals have the right to take cases to court, but we all are aware that a small group such as ourselves cannot take a big business such as PAR to court for a day.</p> <p>Big businesses have a tendency of stalling court proceedings, which results in a loss of funds that were meant to pay the advocate for that one day. So, we do not trust that process as well.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>PAR notes the concern raised regarding individuals taking large companies to court.</p> <p>PAR wants to consider communities in and around the project area and the company already has a strong track record in working with mine communities. There are going to be impacts within the local communities and these engagements are taking place so that PAR can understand those impacts and gain an understanding of how Interested and Affected Persons (I&amp;APs) feel about them.</p> <p>There are both negative and positive impacts associated with this project, and one of the positive aspects associated with the project is the removal of the North Sand Dump. If the dump had to remain the negative impacts associated with the dump would remain, such as dust.</p> <p>PAR acknowledges the environmental damage that has been left by Mintails for various reasons that PAR has no knowledge of. The best thing PAR can do is to work closely with the community in and around the area to ensure that the impacts are minimised whilst rehabilitating the sand dump that has been there for years.</p>
Roads that will be utilised by PAR should be marked on a map in the EIA phase and the MMC for roads should be informed to rehabilitate them and make it PARs responsibility to ensure that they leave them in a state they were found in.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>That point is noted and will be taken into consideration.</p> <p>With respect to site access existing access roads will be utilised and now new roads constructed, there may be certain upgrades to the access roads that will be undertaken to the processing plant. Dust suppression will be utilised on dirt access roads to mitigate against dust related impacts.</p>

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Rumours have been circulating with regards to evaluation processes that are taking place and the Cllrs therefore need confirmation on whether these evaluations have started or not.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Comment noted. PAR mentioned that this is one of first of initial engagements of different processes that are going to be undertaken. There is also the development of the Social and Labour Plan, which also requires separate consultations, which will be undertaken in due course
There have been complaints lodged by community members who claimed to have seen Mintails branded vans doing rounds on the mining site and when approached they mentioned that they will be fencing that area, which has caused a lot of confusion within the community	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>Digby Wells and PAR are proposing to come and present to the community and engage with the community so that their concerns can be addressed through the provision of the same level of information to them.</p> <p>In terms of people driving on site and putting fences around pits, Digby Wells, nor PAR cannot comment on that. The team can give comment with respect to some of the specialist assessments that have been undertaken or the process being undertaken. There have been different specialists, namely Wetland Specialist or Biodiversity Specialist that have gone out to the area to conduct their surveys. Digby Wells is one of a group of specialists and engineers that have been appointed by PAR to evaluate the merits of the project.</p> <p>PAR has started with internal processes of evaluating this particular acquisition before going to the community and creating certain expectations, it was a necessity to evaluate whether it is even worth- while to actually look at the asset. As part of the internal due diligence, PAR sent out a few teams on site with security because of the risks posed by illegal mining activities taking place and these evaluations have been ongoing since January 2021.</p> <p>Currently an environmental regulatory process being undertaken which requires public consultations.</p>



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Why did PAR not attend the meeting?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>At the time of the meeting representatives for PAR were not available to attend and apologies were given by PAR, that they could not be present.</p> <p>The consultation phase has been an ongoing process for some time; therefore, the project team present was able to provide responses to any project-related questions that were raised. However, if the project team is unable to provide an accurate or satisfactory response to the community's inquiries, those questions will be forwarded to PAR and further engagement undertaken during the EIA Phase of the project.</p>
<p>Mintails deceived community members by claiming to have acquired an open cast mining license when in actual fact they only had an underground mining license which belonged to West Wits.</p> <p>Having said that, it was suggested that should PAR's Mining Right be granted there should be a forum and a trust fund set in place which will monitor all</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>The three Mining Rights (MR) under which Mintails operated were MR132, 133, and 206.</p> <p>MR 132 and MR 133 were under West Wits and DRD. Amatshe is currently the owner of the two MR.</p> <p>Mogale Gold owned MR 206 (Sand and Slime Deposits), which PAR is interested in acquiring.</p>



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processes undertaken by PAR to ensure that their activities are aligned to their MR.	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					Mintails operated under existing MRs, whilst under a different company name.  However, we cannot discuss licensing and Mintails issues in detail because they are handled by DMRE Officials.
It was mentioned that Sinqobile is a community surrounded by mines, and several mines have made unfulfillable promises to the community. PAR is in the process of applying for the MR 206 license. Are there any other companies applying for the same license?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR is not aware of any competition from other mining companies. Because only one mining company is permitted to apply for a specific mining right, such as MR206.  Pan African Resources is aware that the community were affected by the transgressions of Mintails, therefore they are committed to engaging with the community and listening to their concerns.
Which other Mining companies have applied for the same license as PAR?  It was mentioned that in 2015, when Mintails engaged with the Sinqobile community the mine made numerous promises, such as a monthly income of R2,500.00 for all participants attending the education program. They only paid out the money once. In addition, Mintails did not repair the homes in Lushaba and Phase 3 that were damaged by the blasting. PAR must not deceive or exploit the community by engaging with the community but failing to improve their livelihoods.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	
2. Project Timeline						
Is PAR able to provide timeframes for the proposed Project and a pre-liminary schedule for the next engagement session?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The current timelines are that PAR have an agreement in place with the liquidators to acquire assets up until August 2022 (in order to make decision). As part of the due diligence PAR are looking at the economic viability of the assets, which is in the process of being concluded and a final decision will be determined  PAR have also initiated the EIA process in order to obtain all licenses. After receiving all licenses PAR will commence with construction in 2023, where construction will take 18 months, after which PAR will commence operations.

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						The Draft EIA will be submitted in August/September of 2022. The submission and approvals are anticipated based on legislated timeframes, so will receive authorisations early next year. The CoR application will be undertaken concurrently with the EIA and WULA in order to avoid any delays.
<p>Is PAR able to share timelines with regard to the proposed Project?</p> <p>The NNR understand that PAR is currently undertaking a due diligence and require a pre-liminary schedule for the next engagement session.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	05/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The current timelines are that PAR have an agreement in place with the liquidators to acquire assets up until August 2022 (in order to make decision). As part of the due diligence PAR are looking at the economic viability of the assets, which is in the process of being concluded and a final decision will be determined</p> <p>PAR have also initiated the EIA process in order to obtain all licenses. After receiving all licenses PAR will commence with construction in 2023, where construction will take 18 months, after which PAR will commence operations.</p> <p>The Draft EIA will be submitted in August/September of 2022. The submission and approvals are anticipated based on legislated timeframes, so will receive authorisations early next year. The CoR application will be undertaken concurrently with the EIA and WULA in order to avoid any delays.</p> <p>The Radiological Public Safety Assessment was not during the Scoping Phase of the project, however, has now been completed and is appended to the EIA. The new Application with respect to the CoR process will be initiated shortly.</p>
<p>The NNR understand that the process is regulated by the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) and the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA). The NNR also understand that Mintails is currently under liquidation.</p> <p>Has PAR received the Mining Right for MR206?</p> <p>The NNR understand that the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) is the lead regulator, the NNR suggest that PAR also apply for the Certificate of Registration (CoR) concurrently with the EIA application.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	28/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The Project team thanks Mr. Mohajane for raising his comments and questions. The DMRE is the lead authority because it is a mining project.</p> <p>In terms of the acquisition, the Project is currently within the Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) phase, which is in the process of being concluded. PAR has entered in a conditional sales agreement through the liquidator where a decision is currently being made on the acquisition of MR206. PAR have not acquired MR206 as yet and are still undertaking a due diligence in order to assess all assets.</p> <p>Digby Wells has appointed a subconsultant (AquiSim Consulting (Pty) Ltd) to undertake the CoR application. The subconsultant will be undertaking a radiological assessment that will form part of the application. This</p>

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						<p>process will run concurrently with the EIA process in order to avoid any delays.</p> <p>The Radiological Public Safety Assessment was not during the Scoping Phase of the project, however, has now been completed and is appended to the EIA. The new Application with respect to the CoR process will be initiated shortly.</p>
What are the timelines, till Pan African can commence?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>There are two things that need to transpire, which are applying for the Environmental licences and a MR.</p> <p>PAR has not acquired MR206 yet and a final decision is in the process of being concluded. Specialist Assessments have been concluded and are appended to the EIA, which is available for Public Comment.</p> <p>As soon as a decision is being made, Section 11 transfer from Mogale Gold to PAR will be undertaken. There are commitments made with the transfer that includes the drafting of the Social and Labour Plan (SLP), Financial Provision will need to be set aside.</p> <p>In terms of the Environmental Licences, Environmental Consultant companies have no control over the approvals, they facilitate the process, made recommendations, and conduct specialists' studies independently, submit to Competent Authorities to make the decision.</p> <p>There is a stipulated timeframe to do environmental process which is 300 days from the submission of the Application Form to the Final Submission of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report.</p> <p>An extension may be applied for during the process if there are any complexities.</p> <p>An estimated time for PAR to receive a decision on the environmental approvals is March 2023. There is also an appeal process. An estimated time to complete all these tasks is June 2023.</p> <p>There are no guarantees that PAR will be granted an Environmental Authorisation.</p>
When will the mine commence with the operations?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>There are two things that need to transpire, which are applying for the Environmental licences and a acquiring the MR prior to starting with the potential project.</p> <p>PAR has not acquired MR206 yet and a final decision is in the process of being concluded. Specialist Assessments have been concluded and are appended to the EIA, which is available for Public Comment.</p>

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	of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					<p>As soon as the MR is applied, Section 11 transfer from Mogale Gold to PAR will be undertaken.</p> <p>With the Section 11 transfer the SLP will need to be drafted and developed, through engagement with the Municipality and the community. In addition, Financial Provision will also need to be set aside and provided for.</p> <p>In terms of the Environmental licences, Environmental Consultant companies have no control over the approvals, they facilitate the process, made recommendations, and conduct specialists' studies independently, submit to Competent Authorities to make the decision.</p> <p>There is a stipulated timeframe to do environmental process which is 300 days from the submission of the application form to the final submission of the report.</p> <p>An extension may be applied for during the process if there are any complexities.</p> <p>An estimated time for PAR to receive a decision on the environmental approvals is March 2023. There is also an appeal process. An estimated time to complete all these tasks is June 2023.</p> <p>There are no guarantees that PAR will be granted an Environmental Authorisation.</p>
<p>It was mentioned that the presentation contains lot of technical terminology which is difficult to explain to the community. One cannot engage with the public with a lack of knowledge.</p> <p>On the previous Council meeting it was indicated that this presentation is vague. It is not inclusive of Addendums and Annexures which explain all the terminologies stipulated in the presentation.</p> <p>It was indicated that an urgency in this process is not understood. A suggestion to add the addendums into the presentation was raised so that people who are affected by the project can be well informed.</p> <p>Local consortiums were not addressed on the presentation.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>It is to be noted that the process is still in the beginning stages. Detailed assessments have been undertaken during the EIA phase this information will be presented during the next phase of engagements with all stakeholders.</p> <p>There will be a lot more detail given with respect to the proposed project, what it entails, what are impacts are associated with the project, what mitigation measures are going to be proposed etc.</p> <p>This (Scoping Phase) presentation is aimed at referring stakeholders to the Scoping report which was available for review. Most of the details that have been enquired can be found on the Scoping report and the Draft EAI that is available for Public Comment. Stakeholders are encouraged to review Draft EIA Report so that they can get larger context of the proposed project.</p> <p>The aim of the Scoping phase was:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To determine what will be done at high level in terms of the potential impacts.</li> </ul>

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						For stakeholders to assist the Project Team in identifying other impacts which might have been missed.
<b>3. Public Participation Process</b>						
Harmony Gold Mining requested to be registered as I&APs for the project.  It was mentioned that Digby Wells ensures that all correspondence related to the project are sent to Johann Raath, Melanie Vermaak and Nico Grewers.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	2 /12/2021	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. Harmony Gold Mining and Sibanye Stillwater have been registered as I&APs and included in the stakeholder database for the project.
Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	5/11/2021	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. You have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	5/11/2021	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. You have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project



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Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	1/12/2021	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. You have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	01/12/2021	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. You have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
The Federation for a Sustainable Environment (FSE) has requested to be registered as Interested and Affected Persons (I&APs) for the project.  In addition, FSE confirmed that the organisation will provide feedback on the Draft Scope Report within the allocated timeframe.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	14/04/2022	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. FSE have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
Concerns related to Amatshe Mining prospecting without undertaking any Public Participation Process (PPP).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR cannot comment on the level of engagement that has been undertaken by Amatshe Mining and the environmental authorisations that Amatshe hold or have applied for.



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Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	23/05/2022	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. Mohlogo Property Valuers have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/05/2022	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. Rand Leases Properties have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	05/05/2022	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. Mogale ward 26 Committee have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.

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Requested to be registered as I&APs on the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/04/2022	Email correspondence	Thank you for your participation in this project. You have been registered as an I&AP and included in the database for this project.
The Project team must address all concerns raised in the report that was submitted (24/04/2022).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	All comments contained within the report have been taken into consideration.
PAR proposed a meeting with FSE in order to explain the Project in detail.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	FSE stated that a tour of the site and explaining what exactly would be done would be better to clear up any confusion or misunderstanding.  PAR was happy to have an engagement session and go to site.
PAR suggest that the Project team provide a written response to all FSE's concerns.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	This has been noted and all written comments received have been captured within the CRR and responses provided.

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FSE indicate that the NNR proposed a Bill dealing with transferring the CoR and exemption from this process. If the Bill was promulgated than there will not be a need for a new CoR application.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Digby Wells will check to see if this legislation has been promulgated. It is advised that even if the transfer can be undertaken, that a new CoR will still be applied for based on the activities that will be undertaken.
Vahlengwe Advisory thanks FSE for raising concerns, it is essential that the Project team work together with FSE in order to find an amicable solution for all parties involved.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Digby Wells will provide written response to all queries/concerns raised during this engagement and this will be captured within the CRR.
Has PAR interacted with other neighbours in close proximity to the proposed Project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR's intent is to form strong collaborations with other operators in the area. PAR have already initiated engagements sessions with all relevant parties. Further engagements will be initiated as part of the process and are in the process of being undertaken

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When will the EIA Report be released for public comment?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The EIA report is available for Public Comment The commenting period for the EIA is 30 days. The WULA has also need released for public comment at the same time as the EIA., The WULA has a commenting period of 60 days.
The local communities will have high expectations regarding employment, how will communities be engaged?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Focus Group Meetings (FGMs) have already taken place, one on one meetings have been conducted with the communities. During the EIA Phase of the project additional consultations will be undertaken.
Since the community are the ultimate recipients of potential ongoing and historical pollution and the potential future land users, the above requirements entail that interested and affected parties must be involved in the agreements regarding future land use of affected areas and thus in the decisions regarding the establishment of objectives for such future land use, as well as in discussing the alternatives for engineering interventions where decisions regarding such options will affect the future land use.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Interested and affected parties (I&APs) will be involved in the agreements regarding future land use of affected areas. Communities will be included in discussions relating to future land uses and alternatives for engineering interventions. Pan African Resources is aware that the community were affected by the transgressions of Mintails, therefore they are committed to engaging with the community and listening to their concerns. A Social and Labour Plan (SLP) will be drafted taking into consideration all comments from stakeholders and engagements with the respective local municipalities.
What will happen should it be that the mitigation measures are not suitable for stakeholders?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	The National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) allows certain phases of the mining process to deal with certain issues. At this current moment PAR will take in all the information that needs to be considered in the next phase (Impact Assessment and Mitigation phase). The EIA has been made available for Public Comment

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	of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					and the specialist assessments that have been undertaken are appended to the EIA.
There was a request to have the meetings on Sunday afternoons and that an invite sent out to stakeholders 2 weeks prior.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted. The suggestion with respect to having engagements on a Sunday Afternoon will be considered for engagements moving forward. Consideration with respect to providing sufficient notification to stakeholders for potential meetings is noted and every effort will be made to provide sufficient notification.
It was suggested that the project team present the proposed project at the forum in order to inform all stakeholders	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	The project team have already been requested by DWS to present the proposed project on 31 May 2022.  Engagements with all stakeholders have already commenced and ongoing engagement is still underway.
Why are we invited to this meeting? This process does not really interest us, as the same process was already undertaken in the past.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	As part of the Environmental Regulatory Process, Public Participation must be undertaken. This includes undertaking Focus Group Meetings (FGMs) with all the affected stakeholders to discuss the project and to offer them an opportunity to raise their inputs/ concerns regarding the process. Further engagement sessions are planned for the EIA Phase of the project and will be communicated to all stakeholders.

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<p>The presentation for the proposed Pan African Resources (PAR) project should be sent back. PAR and Digby Wells should use the appropriate channels to introduce the proposed project, by communicating with the Mogale City Municipal Manager, and then proceeding with the Public Participation process. The council members must have adequate time to consider the project and provide feedback. Currently, the fact that PAR and Digby Wells were permitted to attend the Councillor meeting to present the project feels like an ambush, and the project has a shady aura due to the fact that Sunday Mabaso was at the DMRE when Mintails was in operations that is currently dealing with liquidators.</p> <p>Prior to the commencement of engagements, the Portfolio Committee must review the presentation and background information documents compiled by PAR &amp; Digby Wells.</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The concerns raised with respect to the formal process and channels to be followed are noted. Engagements with the Mogale City Municipal Manager will be investigated and scheduled as requested.</p>
<p>PAR &amp; Digby Wells W must follow the correct structural procedure, which is through the institution of the Mogale municipality. Furthermore, it was asked how the PAR project will would enlighten and benefit the society?</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The concerns raised with respect to the formal process and channels to be followed are noted. Engagements with the Mogale City Municipal Manager will be investigated and scheduled as requested</p> <p>With respect to benefits to society, the project should improve the lives of individuals surrounding the operations, through the improvement to certain environmental and conditions within the area.</p> <p>The process with respect to the Social and Labour Plan has not yet been initiated. During this phase of the project consultation with all respective stakeholders will be undertaken to determine what potential benefits, such as job opportunities, skills development and LED projects that could be initiated will be investigated.</p> <p>The drafting of the Social and Labour Plan has commenced, and further engagement sessions will be undertaken for this process.</p> <p>The intent of the presentation provided was specific to the Environmental Process that is being followed with respect to the Environmental Licences and Applications that have been initiated and are currently underway.</p>



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It was stated that PAR & Digby Wells must agree to follow the correct structural procedure, which involves delegating with the institution of the Mogale municipality to address all concerns raised regarding the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>Digby Wells Environmental on-behalf of PAR was informed of the procedure that needs to be followed for the Project. It was indicated that a meeting with the Municipal Manager (MM) must be scheduled first prior to engaging with the Council Meeting. A telephone correspondence was held with the Personal Assistant to MM. The MM's Office advised Digby Wells to liaise with the Department of Environmental Management and the Department of Economic Development, as they represent the Local Municipality on matters related to the environment and economic development.</p> <p>The Department of Environmental Management was informed of this request, they have confirmed telephonically that a meeting is not required as they have provided Digby Wells with comments in terms of the Draft Scoping Report. Furthermore, Digby Wells was advised to engage directly with the affected Ward Councillors (Ward 6,13,14, &amp;19) and engage with the Communities as part of the PPP for this Project.</p> <p>The Department of Economic Development – a meeting was held for Monday, 30 May 2022 at 12H00 via Microsoft Teams.</p>
<p>How will councillors have time to provide feedback on the proposed project if the comment period ends on 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022 and the meeting is today, 18<sup>th</sup> May 2022?</p> <p>How will the incorrect placement of the advertisement be corrected in the Randfontein newspaper?</p> <p>The commenting period was requested to be extended so that Mogale residents would have more time to provide input.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>Concerns with respect to the commenting period are noted. The commenting period for the Draft Scoping Reports was extended to the 6<sup>th</sup> of June 2022. A newspaper advisement regarding the extension was published on Krugersdorp News on 25 April 2022.</p> <p>It must be noted that the Environmental Application Process and associated environmental legislation allows comments and concerns to be raised at any point during the process, even if it is outside of the commenting period. These comments will be captured during the process and communicated to the Case Officer at the DMRE, who will then take comments raised and responses provided into consideration.</p> <p>The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.</p>

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Please note that no direct access / impact to any of Rand Leases land will be allowed without an appropriate agreement in place between Rand Leases and Pan African Resources.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted and ongoing engagement will be undertaken with respect to appropriate agreements that are required.  It is noted that there has been ongoing engagement with Rand Leases and Pan African Resources with respect to the above.
Should any of Rand Leases land be sterilized / rendered unusable as a result of either a new servitude, usufructs or wayleaves for a pipeline traversing their property, then a lease agreement, inclusive of appropriate compensation, needs to be entered into between the two parties prior to Rand Leases providing support for the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted and ongoing engagement will be undertaken with respect to appropriate agreements that are required.  It is noted that there has been ongoing engagement with Rand Leases and Pan African Resources with respect to the above.
Discussions for any potential lease agreement needs to take place prior to the finalization of the environmental application process.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted and ongoing engagement will be undertaken with respect to appropriate agreements that are required.  It is noted that there has been ongoing engagement with Rand Leases and Pan African Resources with respect to the above.
The various tenants / land occupiers must be consulted. This includes but is not limited to Dubar Crushers, Harsco Metals and Brick Mega Consortium.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted. Digby Wells contacted Mr Greg Coates to request for contact details, once received these stakeholders will be notified about the project and registered on the stakeholder database.

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Why is DMRE not present to this meeting?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	DMRE is the one that sent us to the community. PAR lodged an environmental authorisation application. As part of the regulatory process, it is legislative requirement to hold public meetings with affected communities. Moving forward an invitation will be extended to the DMRE, but it cannot be guaranteed that the DMRE will attend.
Community members mentioned that they have had a lot of issues, which they believe led to a closure of most mines around their community. They requested there be there be a meeting where an explanation is given as to what went wrong with the previous miners and what has transpired.  It was suggested that a DMRE and Municipality officials be brought to such meetings, in order to respond to these questions, we have regarding the footprint left by Mintails.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.  Moving forward an invitation will be extended to the DMRE, but it cannot be guaranteed that the DMRE will attend.
The first step of process legally is to advertise this project, why was that not done?  Why is it that only a few stakeholders were informed about these engagements? Digby Wells has not done enough Public Participation as the commenting period has already ended.  Why were stakeholders not invited to register as I&APs For this, I do not trust Digby Wells.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Stakeholders were invited through site notices which were translated into Setswana and Isizulu, they were erected in and around the project area.  Digby Wells undertook a site visit to the project site. The purpose of the site visit was to obtain an overview of the proposed project area as well as to obtain contact details of the stakeholders. In addition, a Background Information Document was distributed to invite stakeholders to register as I&APs.  Digby Wells understands concerns relating to the project being transparent and open in the process of placing advertisements and notifying I&APs. Due to the complexity of this project, the team is still putting together a stakeholder database to ensure that people are communicated to and engaged with. Digby Wells

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						<p>sends out its sincere apologies to those individuals who fell of the radar and all efforts are being made to develop a comprehensive database for the area.</p> <p>When Digby Wells got the stakeholder database from Mintails it had limited information, however all efforts are being made to build a database moving forward.</p> <p>We are putting in a request to the DMRE to extend the commenting period by two weeks, which was granted as noted earlier, this will not be the only engagement. The Final Scoping Report was made available on the website to comment on, so any comments or concerns raised during the process will also be captured within the required documentation and evaluated.</p> <p>Ultimately, it is not Digby Wells' decision to approve or reject the project, the decision is made by the DMRE based on merits. It has happened in the past where there was a lack of consultations and engagements which resulted in applications being rejected and that is what Digby Wells and PAR want to avoid.</p>
<p>Other mining companies do not consult the community with this process; what is it in for PAR to be so willing to engage with the community, what do they gain?</p> <p>How will the community benefit?</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>22/05/2021</p>	<p>Physical Meeting</p>	<p>PPP is a requirement as per the legislation, that is why PAR is here today, to record stakeholders' concerns. The community will benefit through the SLP and potential community projects that could be initiated. A skills audit is also conducted during the SLP process.</p> <p>PAR is currently busy with a due diligence exercise, which is one of the aspects that considers economic value, whether there is a possibility to make money or not. A pre-feasibility study has been conducted which is more like a bankable feasibility study. Once it has been established that there is value to make money, then PAR will go and acquire the assets.</p> <p>The two processes are conducted concurrently which are getting the EAs approvals and finalising the feasibility study.</p> <p>Each specialist that works on this project must sign an independent declaration, in addition to that they need to give a recommendation if they think a project should proceed or not.</p> <p>The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.</p>

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The Department of Integrated Environmental Management DIEM has formally (written) provided comments to Digby Wells regarding this project and they have acknowledged the receipt. I also spoke to their administration official on Friday (27 May 2022) who indicated that they are happy with our comments. Based on that, please continue with the meeting without DIEM	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/05/2022	Email Correspondence	Comment noted.
What was the reason of taking the presentation to the Members of the Mayoral Committee (MMC)?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	27/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	It was mentioned that Digby Wells engaged with one of the affected Councillors, who advised that the correct procedure is to engage with Councillors within MCLM through the MMC.  It was noted that this directive was not right, and that Digby Wells can engage directly with the Councillors in future.
Suggested that the community meetings are attended with the one of the representatives from the MCLM: Department of Environmental Management when engagements are undertaken with respect to the SLP.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	27/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The comment was acknowledged and noted.
Requested that Digby Wells include Sibanye Stillwater on the stakeholder database and to have further engagements regarding the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	31/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Comment noted. Digby Wells and PAR have engaged with Sibanye Stillwater before the Environmental Authorisation Application was submitted to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy and continuous engagements will be held.



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Simone Liefferink commented that this project has potential positive impacts for the area, in terms of the rehabilitation perspective.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	31/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Comment noted.
Comments received from Sibanye Stillwater must be recorded and included on the CRR.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	31/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Comment noted. All the comments received to date have been incorporated into a CRR.
The short notice of the PPP generates scepticism and raises doubts about the legitimacy of the proposed project, as participants were not given sufficient time to voice their concerns, issues, and ideas.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The NEMA stipulates a timeframe for conducting different types of assessments. There is a Basic Assessment and an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).</p> <p>EIA is divided into two components. The Scoping phase, which we are currently in, is followed by the EIA phase.</p> <p>During those phases, there is a stipulated timeframe for submitting documents to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE)</p> <p>For the Scoping phase, there is 44 days from the submission of the application to the final submission of the Scoping report to the DMRE. Within that timeframe, it is stipulated that a 30-day consultation or public engagements must be undertaken. It is a short period in</p>



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						<p>terms of consultations, however due to the complexities various communities and stakeholders involved in this process, an extension was requested from the DMRE regarding the consultations</p> <p>It should be noted that even though there is a 30-day commenting period, comments and engagement can take place throughout the entire process.</p> <p>There is a stipulated period of 300 days from the time an application is submitted to the submission of the Final EIA report. Engagements or comments can be received at any time during the phase.</p> <p>The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA (30 days) and IWWMP (60 days) are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.</p>
Digby Wells was advised not to distribute a newspaper advertisement on Randfontein Herald, as this does not distribute in our area.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>Yes, notifications regarding the extension of the commenting period were published in the Krugersdorp News.</p>
<p>What is expected from the Cllrs in terms of the PPP? Are Cllrs meant to inform the community of the activities that will take place or the benefits of these activities?</p> <p>Cllr NS mentioned he is aware that Digby Wells and PAR are working on tight timeframe, however it must be noted people need enough notice and that they are hardly available on weekends.</p> <p>Proceeding with a PPP consisting of a few people will not be conducive. The distribution of project material must be considered within the community so they can be well informed and be able to attend.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>Digby Wells and PAR are planning to have engagements with the community members to present the project and obtain their concerns and comments.</p> <p>Digby Wells will be printing information material to be distributed to community members prior to the engagements, these will also include meeting invitation letters.</p> <p>Community members will be given enough notice regarding the engagement. Cllrs were requested to assist with arranging these engagements.</p> <p>The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes. Engagement sessions are in the process of being planned for the EIA Phase and will be communicated in due course.</p>

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All this has been short notice and the Cllrs cannot relay any information to the community because they are not well knowledgeable on mining processes.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	It was emphasised to participants that PAR has not yet acquired a licence to operate. PAR's objective is to engage stakeholders from the commencement to the end of the project.  If there are still a number of questions that are not yet answered, please bear with PAR there will be more answers and clarity once the project progresses. Cllrs can inform community members that this is still the early stages of the project, and the project team is still conducting evaluation studies to measure whether this project is economically viable or not.
In terms of PPP, what are the resources that will be acquired to ensure that everyone is well informed about activities that will happen once the study is completed?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Normally, the Stakeholder Engagement Team prints out invitation letters and hands them out to Cllr who in turn need to distribute them to the community members. The team also prints out copies of the presentation prior to the community engagements.  The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.
There was an existing mining forum during the Mintails era which was made up of different individuals in the area. It was suggested that forum be re-established.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR and Digby Wells can work together with the Cllr towards their requested PPP on the process in a manner which they find to be suitable, this can be done at the latest stage. The merits with respect to the reestablishment of the forum will be investigated further.
What are the affected wards?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	Ward 6, 13,14,15,16, 19 and 26.

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<p>A comment was made that it is heart-breaking to witness yet another mining company approaching the community of Sinqobile, considering the fact that the previous mining company did not fulfil its promises.</p> <p>A plea was then made to PAR that they should not blindside the community by partaking in underground mining whereas the presentation states otherwise. The community fears witnessing a repeat of what unfolded at Lily Mine.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Comment noted.</p> <p>Pan African Resources is aware that the community were affected by the transgressions of Mintails, therefore they are committed to engaging with the community and listening to their concerns.</p> <p>No underground mining will be undertaken by PAR as MR 206 is associated with the surface assets and not underground mining.</p>
<p>A suggestion was made to the project team that they should share project related information with the community leadership (Councillors) to make it easier for the information to be distributed in community social media groups.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Comment noted.</p>
<p>A comment was made that there is an increased number of youth unemployment within the community, therefore PAR was requested to directly inform community members when job opportunities arise and to not communicate through the Ward Councillor.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Comment noted.</p>

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A representative of the Ward 14 Youth League commented by saying "there should be nothing for us without us". It was stated that the community is being informed of a project that is already far ahead with its processes. For instance, a report was compiled and submitted without the involvement of the Ward 14 community; and secondly there were concerns with regards to guarantees that the Scoping Report will be amended with the community members comments.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Consultations were done with the council and municipal officials; and all the other communities raised the exact same issues that are being raised by the Ward 14 community. It needs to be noted that there was a deadline for the submission of the Scoping Report to the DMRE that needed to be adhered to.</p> <p>As previously stated, comments are still welcomed even though the first stage of the process has been finalized. In ensuring that all comments are recorded, there is a data free link which can be accessed online via the Comments and Response Report where all the comments and responses are listed.</p> <p>The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.</p>
A comment was made that it does not seem like there is a way forward with the current engagements considering the fact that PAR is not part of the meeting, and they are the ones with answers related to job creation; compensation measures and commit to take social responsibility. It is concerning that PAR is not present in this meeting to listen to the community members terms and conditions.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>No response provided during the meeting.</p> <p>At the time of the meeting representatives for PAR were not available to attend and apologies were given by PAR, that they could not be present.</p> <p>The consultation phase has been an ongoing process for some time; therefore, the project team present was able to provide responses to any project-related questions that were raised. However, if the project team is unable to provide an accurate or satisfactory response to the community's inquiries, those questions will be forwarded to PAR and further engagement undertaken during the EIA Phase of the project.</p> <p>It must be noted that the SLP that will be drafted will require further engagement with communities and at this stage potential opportunities with respect to employment etc. can be discussed and raised.</p>
A request for the hard copy of the Scoping Report was requested because community members were concerned about the private discussions between PAR and Councillor Khol.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	The document can be found on the website and can be accessed free of charge.

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It was brought to the project teams' attention that referral to the data free link is not accommodative of elders residing in the community.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	The comment was noted, and a commitment was made by the project team that during the EIA phase, a hard copy of a Draft EIA report will be delivered to the Ward Councillor, for community members to access.
The Ward Councillor clarified that there were no private agreements between himself, and PAR and he further explained that he requested the project team to address the community of Ward 14 instead of relying on placement of notification letter. Of which the request was fulfilled.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.
<b>4. Air Quality</b>						The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).
If the possibilities of relocation people who are directly affected is not feasible, how safe are these people in terms of noise, dust, and water pollution? Please consider the application of a WUL.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/04/2022	Comment and Registration Form.	The EIA and associated specialist studies will assess the concerns raised and appropriate mitigation measures provided to mitigate as far as reasonably possible the potential negative impacts.  The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes.



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	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts.
It was requested that other dumps such also be considered and that the project should aim at trying to eradicate environmental challenges related to the Mogale Cluster.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	Noted, these dumps are at the edge of MR206 and MR133 and that Vahlengwe Advisory, will engage with the DMRE further on this matter. It was noted that it is important not to just look at the financial aspects associated with the project and that further engagement with the Municipality is required. PAR indicated that engagement with the municipalities is already underway.
It is essential that the Applicant includes in its EIA the impacts of dust fallout and the foreseeable health effects on communities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	It is noted that impacts of dust fallout must be taken into consideration and will be evaluated further in the EIA. The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.
Which measures will be utilized in ensuring that the noise levels do not affect residents, especially in West Village where the housing structures are quite old?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	It has been noted that noise is a concern and forms part of one of the specialist assessments that is being undertaken in terms of the noise impact assessment to inspect what type of noise will be generated, the radius of it, whether the noise levels fall under the threshold of the mitigation measures to be put in place for silencers on the plant area to reduce noise levels. Further clarity was provided with regards to impacts to housing and the fact that Mining Right 206 does not involve any blasting, so potential cracks and vibrations possibilities are eliminated.



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<p>In accordance with the Dust Control Regulations on 13 November 2013 under the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, (ACT NO. 39 OF 2004).</p> <p><b>Dust control measures:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A Dust Control Management Plan must be included in the Environmental Management Plan Report (EMPr).</li> <li>All mitigation and management measures as proposed in this plan must be adhered to during the operations on site.</li> <li>Adequate dust suppression techniques must be implemented, including but not limited to regular wetting of exposed soil or roads and stockpiles, the use of dust retardant sprays, and where applicable, covering of stockpiles.</li> <li>Continuous reduction, management, and monitoring of fugitive emissions (especially dust) from the operations on site must be done.</li> <li>Monitoring results and dust all-out monitoring reports must be submitted on a quarterly basis to Mogale City Local Municipality DIEM.</li> </ul>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Comment noted, the appropriate management plan will be compiled as part of the Air Quality Impact Assessment that is being undertaken and the appropriate mitigation measures proposed.</p> <p>The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.</p>
<p>In terms of the provisions of Regulation 13(2) of the Gauteng Noise Control</p> <p>Regulations issued in terms of the Environment Conservation Act (Act 73 of 1989),</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Comment noted, as part of the EIA a Noise Impact Assessment will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts and appropriate mitigation measures provided.</p> <p>The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to</p>

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<p>No noise nuisance or noise disturbance above threshold levels, as defined in terms of the said Act, will be allowed at any given time.</p> <p><b>Noise Control Measures:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The permissible day time ambient noise level of 50dB (A) — measured</li> <li>• on the property boundary - may not be exceed at any given time.</li> <li>• The permissible night-time ambient noise levels at any time may not exceed 40 dB (A) — measured on the property boundary - may not be exceed at any given time.</li> </ul>	of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					<p>Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is a Noise Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of potential noise levels, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.</p>
<p>How will you manage air pollution? We have heard that the air pollution in this area, is so bad that we won't even live up to the age of 95.</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>21/05/2021</p>	<p>Physical Meeting</p>	<p>We are still at the early stages in terms of the environmental process. Detailed specialist studies will be compiled, which will include potential impacts of the proposed development and will be discussed in later engagements.</p> <p>These specialist studies will evaluate what the impacts are going to be and appropriate mitigation measures will be provided.</p> <p>Should this project bring more harm than good, the competent authority will not approve this application.</p> <p>Looking at this area, if nothing is done and it stays the same way people will still be suffering from dust produced by tailings facilities.</p> <p>This proposed project does have the potential to improve the environment by removing some of this legacy tailing facilities and sand dumps.</p> <p>The two tailing facilities mentioned on the presentation will be rehabilitated.</p> <p>The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain</p>

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Can it be written in black and white that there will be compensation measures in place for damages community members incur through PAR's mining activities?  How will dust be mitigated?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	We need to consider the fact that PAR will not be the only mine operating in and around the area. If PAR does acquire the right and continue with the project a solution on how to deal with such issues will need to be investigated. If it is proven that PAR is responsible for any cracks or damages caused to private properties, then mitigation measures will be considered. There are currently specialist investigations that are being undertaken. One of these assessments is an Air Quality Assessment, that will provide mitigation measures for the management of dust. This will be presented in future engagements with communities.  The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.
Certain mining activities trigger a requirement for an Atmospheric Emission Licence, for which an application needs to be lodged with the West Rand District Municipality	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	An application for an Atmospheric Emissions Licence will be submitted for the activities that are triggered. This process will be initiated in due course.
A dust fall-out monitoring program for the proposed activity should be established. The location of these monitoring sites must take into account the predominant wind direction in the vicinity and potential sensitive receptors (e.g., communities, schools, etc.)	The information has been omitted in compliance	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	The Air Quality Impact Assessment, will provide recommendations with respect to a dust fall-out monitoring program, taking the comments noted into consideration.

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which are likely to be negatively impacted by dust generated from the proposed site.	with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.  In addition to the above please refer to Section 8.1 1(h)(i) with respect to proposed monitoring that has been recommended.
All disturbed areas must be rehabilitated with plants that are indigenous to the immediate surroundings to avoid dust from open areas.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Comment noted. The Closure and Rehabilitation Plan will recommend a grass species list that could be utilised to rehabilitated areas that have been disturbed.  A Wetland Rehabilitation Plan has been compiled for the proposed project; within the report (Section 8.1) a grass species list has been recommended.
Adequate dust suppression techniques must be implemented, including but not limited to, regular wetting of the exposed soil and stockpile, the use of dust retardant sprays and where applicable, covering of stockpiles.  Implement all mitigation measures that have an impact on the nearby communities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Appropriate mitigation measures will be provided as part of the Air Quality Impact Assessment to minimise the potential negative impacts.  The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.
<b>5. Water Issues</b>						

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A new WULA will need to be applied for all water uses and the IWWMP will need to be updated and the potential uses where presented in the meeting and discussed. Digby Wells requested clarity with respect to the inclusion of any potential 21 (f) water uses, specifically discharge of water from dams during extreme flood events.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) indicated that the water needs to meet certain requirements with respect to water quality and environmental criteria and a motivation provided for authorisations for such activities. It was also noted that water in consideration for section 21(f) water use is polluted and will have an impact on the resource.</p> <p>DWS explained that the reason for discharge needs to be explained during the Integrated Water Use License Application (IWULA) process and that further engagement will be required once more information becomes available.</p> <p>It was mentioned that the listed activities identified within the National Water Act no 36 of 1998 will also be taken into consideration for the National Nuclear Regulator (NNR) application.</p>
The dams are contaminated, and the pits are not lined, this will surely have effects on ground and surface water including wetlands. Is PAR planning to line any pits?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>PAR is currently engaging with the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) regarding liner requirements. PAR has mentioned that if a liner is required it would make the Project impractical and the chances of the Project continuing are very unlikely. It is very costly to line a pit, Sibanye are undertaking deposition without a liner, within the same Project area. Engagements with competent authorities are currently being undertaken.</p>
The quality of the Acid Mine Drainage (AMD) is not good, is DWS considered as important stakeholder?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>The DMRE and DWS are important stakeholders and are currently being engaged and will continue being engaged. The groundwater study will provide more information on water quality of the area.</p> <p>The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is a Groundwater Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts on the Groundwater environment, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts. Information with</p>



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						respect to the current groundwater quality is also included within the respective reports.
Has there been any considerations with regards to East shaft 9 being used for the abstraction of water since it is located closer than #17 Winze?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The project team will look at this as another source for abstracting water. Through engagements with TCTA and DWS it has been agreed upon that 17 Winze should be utilised as the recommended abstraction point.
Where will the project be sourcing water from?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Abstraction from underground workings, particularly #17 Winze. Water will be abstracted from Lancaster Dam. Water will also be abstracted from West Wits Pit where this water will be used within the processing plant; and It should also be noted that through in-pit deposition water will be recirculated back into the processing plant.
With reference to the deposition of the residue in the pits, we raise the following concerns. These pits are unlined and Mintails unlawful open cast mining of the Princess Pits has resulted in the breaching of the aquifer. The deposition of the residue, containing a wide spectrum of metals including uranium and its radioactive progeny and iron pyrite, within these Pits will result in the near certainty of the contamination of the groundwater.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Groundwater and Surface water assessments have been compiled taking into consideration that these pits are unlined. A geochemistry and waste classification assessment has taken these concerns into consideration.  Engagement sessions are well under way with competent authorities (DMRE & DWS) with respect to the concerns raised. Alternative options/technology will be used in order to minimise impacts to the surrounding environment and watercourses. The findings with respect to potential impacts as a result of the proposed project will be further discussed and evaluated and appropriate mitigation measures will be provided in order to reduce the significance of the impacts.



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						Pan African Resources have noted that if liners are required, this would make the proposed project unfeasible and the current status quo with respect to the environment in question would remain the same. Through the project there are potential opportunities to enhance and improve the current status quo, however consideration needs to be given to what is practical and what can be implemented in a sustainable economic environment through the implementation of the proposed project.
What will happen to those people who live close to Lancaster Dam?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	Through interactions with the DWS it was confirmed that the dam was not authorised, the water needs to be pumped out so the dam can be closed, and alternative land uses considered.
The community has water supply issues, there is a shortage of water. How will the mine intervene?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>PAR cannot comment with respect to the current water supply issues within the community and potential interventions.</p> <p>Water for reclamation activities will be sources for the underground workings. Rand Water will supply additional clean water for elution processes that specifically require clean water, if needed.</p> <p>Offices, workshop and change houses receive water from the Rand Water for consumption and other domestic uses including ablution and washing.</p>
In terms of deposition (looking at the West Wits Pit), historically that pit is linked to the western basin. There is a concern that water quality will be negatively affected. DWS ask if there are any alternative options for in-pit deposition?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>The project team acknowledge the statement and question from DWS.</p> <p>A groundwater and numerical model have been compiled in order to address the impacts associated with in-pit deposition within the West Wits Pit (WWP).</p> <p>From Sibanye operations (deposition), water quality has improved over time.</p> <p>The historical Tailings Storage Facilities (TSFs) in the region are not lined and seepage is draining into the</p>

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	Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).				<p>underlying groundwater system. The current hypothesis is that if there were no TSFs located directly over the mine void, dolomite and fractured aquifers, the current decant volume would have decreased, and it is likely that the water pumped from the underground chambers would be of better quality than the current status. In addition, the pumping and treatment cost would be substantially less if the TSFs seepage portion could be eliminated.</p> <p>Further to this, infiltration from the TSFs will be reduced if the tailings is removed from surface. The contaminant loads will be less from a pollution perspective. At present, the presence of the TSF and the continued dewatering activities in the compartment will encourage continued infiltration of seepage to the deeper aquifer units, the consequent deterioration of water quality, increased decant rates and increased volumes of water to be pumped from the underground chambers.</p> <p>The long-term impact as a result of the reclamation operations at the TSFs is therefore anticipated to be positive since the TSFs, which are a source of contamination, will be removed and filled into the pits. If the pits are all filled, a new TSF will be constructed on surface. The new TSF will be unlined, and no underdrains are planned to be constructed. Interception drains (solution trench) will be constructed on its perimeter to capture seepage in the shallow aquifer.</p> <p>In the short-term, however, the hydraulic reclamation could result in the partial seepage through the TSF. The exposure of the tailings to oxygen and water can result in AMD. To minimise potential seepage of acid-mine during operation, no water ponds should be allowed to form for a prolonged time on top of the TSFs.</p> <p>Backfilling of the open pits with the reprocessed tailings is likely to result in the increase of the groundwater level, increase of decant rate and potentially impact on the groundwater quality. The impact rating for all the pits is expected to be similar.</p> <p>The water in the underground mine void is affected by AMD and is already of poor quality with low pH. Without backfilling, the open pits are a constant source of water ingress into the Western Basin mine void as rainwater falls into the pits and enters the mine voids.</p>

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						<p>This rainwater then comes into contact with pyrite on the exposed pit walls and assumes the characteristics of acid mine drainage, similar to that of the underlying mine void. Filling the pits with tailings would therefore reduce the groundwater recharge thereby reducing decant and subsequent water treatment costs.</p> <p>The reprocessed tailings are treated with lime in the metallurgical plant and is generally deposited at high pH values (around 10 – 11). This is expected to have a positive impact in the groundwater quality as the pH of the mine void will increase and precipitate the dissolved metals. As described in the water quality section above, the mine void represents poor water quality of pH less than 5 up until 2012. This has been improving since then to its current value of 6.5. This is likely to be due to the alkaline slurry deposited from the reclaimed TSFs from the nearby mines and is one of the positive impacts associated with the discharging of alkaline tailings into the pits, as this would mean that dissolved metals will precipitate.</p> <p>The deposition of the slurry is, however, expect to increase the salt load which overall has a negative impact.</p> <p>During the operational phase, water will be added to the pits in the tailings slurry. This will result in an increase in the pits and mine void water levels. As the pits are filled with tailings slurry, water levels in the pits will be higher than the surrounding groundwater level. Rising of water level is however not expected to occur if the same volume of water is also returned at a 1:1 slurry to returned water ratio. The pumping will potentially take place from 17 Winze or 8 East Shaft with the intent of maintaining the groundwater level and the abstracted water will be used for the reclamation of the old TSFs.</p> <p>Based on the findings and modelling information contained within the Groundwater Report (Digby Wells, 2022) it is anticipated that the overall water quality should improve, with the metals, particularly Fe and Mn, to precipitate from solution. However, there is a potential risk that TDS levels could increase due to slurry addition, but overall general water quality should improve because the removal of the TSFs which are direct</p>

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						<p>sources of contamination to the shallow aquifer and nearby surface water bodies.</p> <p>In terms of the alternative in-pit deposition sites, there are no alternative sites that have been assessed. PAR will have to utilize West Wits Pit and 1L23-1L25. PAR have mentioned that if deposition cannot take place within these pits, the project will not proceed.</p>
DWS require more clarity on a comment made regarding an improvement in water quality.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>The groundwater modelling has been undertaken and impacts have been assessed. The reference to improved water quality was based on Sibanye's operations within the same area.</p> <p>The historical Tailings Storage Facilities (TSFs) in the region are not lined and seepage is draining into the underlying groundwater system. The current hypothesis is that if there were no TSFs located directly over the mine void, dolomite and fractured aquifers, the current decant volume would have decreased, and it is likely that the water pumped from the underground chambers would be of better quality than the current status. In addition, the pumping and treatment cost would be substantially less if the TSFs seepage portion could be eliminated.</p> <p>Further to this, infiltration from the TSFs will be reduced if the tailings is removed from surface. The contaminant loads will be less from a pollution perspective. At present, the presence of the TSF and the continued dewatering activities in the compartment will encourage continued infiltration of seepage to the deeper aquifer units, the consequent deterioration of water quality, increased decant rates and increased volumes of water to be pumped from the underground chambers.</p> <p>The long-term impact as a result of the reclamation operations at the TSFs is therefore anticipated to be positive since the TSFs, which are a source of contamination, will be removed and filled into the pits. If the pits are all filled, a new TSF will be constructed on surface. The new TSF will be unlined, and no underdrains are planned to be constructed. Interception drains (solution trench) will be constructed on its perimeter to capture seepage in the shallow aquifer.</p> <p>In the short-term, however, the hydraulic reclamation could result in the partial seepage through the TSF. The exposure of the tailings to oxygen and water can result</p>

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In terms of quantity of water to be abstracted from Lancaster dam, how much water is required for the operations?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>Quantity of water required for the operation is approximately 36ML/day. Lancaster Dam does not hold the required volume of water to support this abstraction volume, thus majority of the water will be abstracted from the underground voids from 17 Winze. Water will also be recovered during the operational life of mine in order to reduce the pumping volume from the underground workings.</p> <p>Water will be first abstracted from Lancaster Dam, once all water is abstracted rehabilitation will commence and the dam will be decommissioned.</p> <p>Once all water has been abstracted from Lancaster Dam, water will be sourced from #17 Winze.</p>



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<p>DWS asked since the quantity of water to be abstracted is approximately 36ML/day, there would be a western base linkage. If #17 Winze is to be used will the operations not run into issues?</p> <p>The AMD treatment plant is currently treating 30ML/day, this will lower the level, DWS ask if PAR will be able to go deeper into the shaft in order to pump water?</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>Digby Wells noted that the same concern is being raised by Sibanye. As deposition occurs, that amount will decrease over time as it is reticulated within the system. The project team will have to look at the water balance in order to ascertain the impacts and also look at the assessments.</p> <p>Based on modelling scenarios it is anticipated that there could be a lowering of the water table within the western basin mine void, however, is dependent on the operational requirements that Sibanye need, the natural and discharges both from PAR and Sibanye into the underground voids. Several different scenarios have been considered with respect to the potential impacts to the mine void water levels have been assessed and further work is currently being undertaken on this. These scenarios take into consideration abstraction volumes from the voids, natural recharge and direct recharge from in pit deposition. What has also been considered within the scenarios is in the event if Sibanye is not operational, how this would impact on water levels and the requirements on TCTA with respect to pumping.</p> <p>Early on in the stage of deposition from PAR into the West Wits Pit, it has been assumed that not water would be recovered and the total amount of water being discharge would make its way into the underground workings. As deposition continues, it is anticipated that the recovery rate of water from the West Wits Pit and 1L23 -1L25 would increase, this resulting in a reduction of abstraction of water from 17 Winze.</p> <p>Based on the modelling results it is anticipated that during the first two years of operation, TCTA would still need to pump approximately 24ML/day from the underground voids. As water is recovered, it has been assumed that less water would enter the underground voids, thus potentially reducing the inflow, thus ultimately impacting upon the pumping that is undertaken by PAR. Assuming a 50% recovery rate of water, PAR pumping requirements would decrease to about 18ML/day from Winze 17 and assuming that no recharge is being undertaken, TCTA pumping requirements could potentially reduce to approximately 6ML/day.</p> <p>If Sibanye is not operational and there is recharge of water into the mine voids and no recovery from PAR,</p>

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What is the water quality of Lancaster Dam?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>The water at Lancaster Dam was assessed sometime last year where the results indicate that the dam has a pH of 2.6 which indicates that the dam consists of acidic water.</p> <p>PAR confirm that a Water Treatment Plant (WTP) will be constructed for treating water for reclamation processes. This is still being assessed as part of the DFS phase.</p>
After all water is abstracted from Lancaster Dam, will rehabilitation take place immediately or after some time?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>Concurrent rehabilitation will be undertaken. DWS are happy with this approach.</p>
Please ensure that a detailed storm water management plan is provided within the surface water specialists studies.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Comment noted and this will be provided, and this will be provided during the EIA Phase. The Surface Water Impact Assessment contains a Storm water management plan and is also based on information provided by the engineers who have been doing the</p>

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	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					designs for the TSF's and other water storage facilities proposed for the operation.
Please provide a detailed site layout diagram of the proposed access route, infrastructure, storm water management structures and pipelines associated with all the tailings dams to be reprocessed, as well as the processing plant.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted and this will be provided, and this will be provided during the EIA Phase. A composite site layout plan has been included into the EIA Report for consideration and comment.
<p><i>According to the Draft Scoping Report, the residue from the reprocessing activities will be deposited in the open pits (Lancaster Pit, Princess Pits, Monarch and Emerald Pits, and the West Wits Pit) as well as on the footprint of 1L23-25.</i></p> <p>With reference to the deposition of the residue in unlined pits, the deposition of the residue, containing a wide spectrum of heavy metals (including uranium and other radioactive materials), may result in the contamination of the groundwater. This is especially relevant to the Princess Pits, which has already bridged the perched aquifer.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Deposition of slurry will be within the West Wits Pit and on the reclaimed footprint of 1L23-25. Other pits within the area are also being considered as alternative deposition sites, however ongoing engagement is required with respect to the owner of these pits to determine if deposition will be undertaken within these pits.</p> <p>The respective specialists' assessments, specifically the groundwater assessment has taken into consideration the potential negative impacts associated with the two depositions sites. The comment with respect to the perched aquifer being bridged for the Princess Pit is noted and will need to be further investigated, prior to deposition within this pit.</p> <p>The historical Tailings Storage Facilities (TSFs) in the region are not lined and seepage is draining into the underlying groundwater system. The current hypothesis is that if there were no TSFs located directly over the mine void, dolomite and fractured aquifers, the current decant volume would have decreased, and it is likely that the water pumped from the underground chambers would be of better quality than the current status. In addition, the pumping and treatment cost would be substantially less if the TSFs seepage portion could be eliminated.</p>

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						<p>Further to this, infiltration from the TSFs will be reduced if the tailings is removed from surface. The contaminant loads will be less from a pollution perspective. At present, the presence of the TSF and the continued dewatering activities in the compartment will encourage continued infiltration of seepage to the deeper aquifer units, the consequent deterioration of water quality, increased decant rates and increased volumes of water to be pumped from the underground chambers.</p> <p>The long-term impact as a result of the reclamation operations at the TSFs is therefore anticipated to be positive since the TSFs, which are a source of contamination, will be removed and filled into the pits. If the pits are all filled, a new TSF will be constructed on surface. The new TSF will be unlined, and no underdrains are planned to be constructed. Interception drains (solution trench) will be constructed on its perimeter to capture seepage in the shallow aquifer.</p> <p>In the short-term, however, the hydraulic reclamation could result in the partial seepage through the TSF. The exposure of the tailings to oxygen and water can result in AMD. To minimise potential seepage of acid-mine during operation, no water ponds should be allowed to form for a prolonged time on top of the TSFs.</p> <p>Backfilling of the open pits with the reprocessed tailings is likely to result in the increase of the groundwater level, increase of decant rate and potentially impact on the groundwater quality. The impact rating for all the pits is expected to be similar.</p> <p>The water in the underground mine void is affected by AMD and is already of poor quality with low pH. Without backfilling, the open pits are a constant source of water ingress into the Western Basin mine void as rainwater falls into the pits and enters the mine voids. This rainwater then comes into contact with pyrite on the exposed pit walls and assumes the characteristics of acid mine drainage, similar to that of the underlying mine void. Filling the pits with tailings would therefore reduce the groundwater recharge thereby reducing decant and subsequent water treatment costs.</p> <p>The reprocessed tailings are treated with lime in the metallurgical plant and is generally deposited at high pH values (around 10 – 11). This is expected to have a</p>

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Where is the water going to be collected or taken from?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>There are two water sources. One being the Lancaster Dam and the other will be water abstracted from the underground workings.</p> <p>Engagements held with the Department of Water and Sanitation, and they have recommended that Lancaster Dam must be exploited and then rehabilitated. The main source of water will be from the underground workings and will be abstracted from 17 Winze. Water will also be</p>

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	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					recovered during the operational Life of Mine in order to reduce water pumping requirements from the underground voids.
How will you manage water pollution, Will our boreholes be affected as you will be mining?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>We are still at the early stages in terms of the environmental process. Detailed specialist studies will be compiled, which will include potential impacts of the proposed development and will be discussed in later engagements.</p> <p>These specialist studies will evaluate what the impacts are going to be and appropriate mitigation measures will be provided.</p> <p>Should this project bring more harm than good, the competent authority will not approve this application.</p> <p>Looking at this area, if nothing is done and it stays the same way people will still be suffering from dust produced by tailings facilities.</p> <p>This proposed project does have the potential to improve the environment by removing some of this legacy tailing facilities and sand dumps.</p> <p>The two tailing facilities mentioned on the presentation will be rehabilitated.</p> <p>A hydrocensus was conducted in May and October 2021 to assess the baseline groundwater conditions and the current monitoring network. A total of 24 groundwater monitoring points were identified, of which 4 were shafts and 20 were boreholes.</p> <p>The 20 boreholes are consisted of Mintails monitoring boreholes, and other old boreholes with no background record. Water samples were collected from 11 representative boreholes for baseline groundwater quality in the shallow and fractured aquifer.</p> <p>In addition, 9 shaft was also sampled for mine void water quality study. DWS (2013) indicate that the mine voids in the West Rand are interconnected, hence the water quality of 9 shaft will be indicative of the qualities of the other nearby shafts. The interconnection of the shafts is also confirmed during this study due to the similarity of their water qualities.</p> <p>Following the geophysical surveys and review of available boreholes on site, 7 percussion boreholes were drilled for aquifer characterisation and to fill the</p>



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						<p>monitoring gaps. The boreholes were also pump tested for rock permeability calculations.</p> <p>All the boreholes are poor in quality (i.e., above Class II) and are not suitable for drinking unless treated. Many parameters were analysed, including anions and cations. Of these, sulphate is chosen during this study to show the extent of contamination as sulphate is almost entirely generated by mine related activities, and not by natural processes. It is also more conservative and is hardly retarded by geochemical reactions in the aquifer matrix. Other elements and metals can also be used to plot the contamination plume, but sulphate generally shows the largest contamination footprint due to its conservative nature and is good indicator of mine impact on the groundwater quality.</p> <p>The ideal sulphate level in drinking water is 200 mg/L, while concentration up to 400 mg/L is acceptable. The concentration in the newly drilled boreholes, however, ranges between 516 mg/L to 2720 mg/L, with an average of 1745 mg/L. This indicates that the shallow aquifer is highly contaminated due to seepage from the historical TSFs.</p> <p>Please refer to the Groundwater Impact Assessment with respect to further information regarding the current groundwater quality and potential impacts as a result of the proposed project. Based on the modelling that has been undertaken it is anticipated that water quality should improve over time as a result of reclamation activities and removal of contamination sources.</p>
What will the impact on groundwater be when the mine starts pumping water from the environment where houses are located?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>There has been a series of projects that have been undertaken for the past 15 years in terms of the Central Eastern and Western basin in terms of AMD.</p> <p>Sibanye Stillwater in connection with Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority are currently pumping from the Western Basin with respect to the water treatment that is being undertaken. They are pumping about 30 mega litres per day. Treating that water with lime and discharging it.</p> <p>If this water is not pumped the Environmental Critical Limit will be reached and there is a risk this water could then reach surface and enter into the environment.</p> <p>This project will utilise water from underground workings.</p>

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						<p>There are engagements between PAR, Sibanye Stillwater, and Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority in terms of how this process will impact on their current pumping levels, which will probably reduce the level.</p> <p>There is a larger scale project that is being undertaken in terms of treatment management within the eastern, central, and western basin with respect AMD management and treatment.</p> <p>Based on modelling scenarios it is anticipated that there could be a lowering of the water table within the western basin mine void, however, is dependent on the operational requirements that Sibanye need, the natural and discharges both from PAR and Sibanye into the underground voids. Several different scenarios have been considered with respect to the potential impacts to the mine void water levels have been assessed and further work is currently being undertaken on this. These scenarios take into consideration abstraction volumes from the voids, natural recharge and direct recharge from in pit deposition. What has also been considered within the scenarios is in the event if Sibanye is not operational, how this would impact on water levels and the requirements on TCTA with respect to pumping.</p> <p>Early on in the stage of deposition from PAR into the West Wits Pit, it has been assumed that not water would be recovered and the total amount of water being discharge would make its way into the underground workings. As deposition continues, it is anticipated that the recovery rate of water from the West Wits Pit and 1L23 -1L25 would increase, this resulting in a reduction of abstraction of water from 17 Winze.</p> <p>Based on the modelling results it is anticipated that during the first two years of operation, TCTA would still need to pump approximately 24ML/day from the underground voids. As water is recovered, it has been assumed that less water would enter the underground voids, thus potentially reducing the inflow, thus ultimately impacting upon the pumping that is undertaken by PAR. Assuming a 50% recovery rate of water, PAR pumping requirements would decrease to about 18ML/day from Winze 17 and assuming that no recharge is being undertaken, TCTA pumping requirements could potentially reduce to approximately 6ML/day.</p>

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Enquiring about the impacts on the quality groundwater the project will have, considering historical underground mining that was previously undertaken on the area.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	07/06/2022	Telephonic Correspondence.	<p>The historical Tailings Storage Facilities (TSFs) in the region are not lined and seepage is draining into the underlying groundwater system. The current hypothesis is that if there were no TSFs located directly over the mine void, dolomite and fractured aquifers, the current decant volume would have decreased, and it is likely that the water pumped from the underground chambers would be of better quality than the current status. In addition, the pumping and treatment cost would be substantially less if the TSFs seepage portion could be eliminated.</p> <p>Further to this, infiltration from the TSFs will be reduced if the tailings is removed from surface. The contaminant loads will be less from a pollution perspective. At present, the presence of the TSF and the continued dewatering activities in the compartment will encourage continued infiltration of seepage to the deeper aquifer units, the consequent deterioration of water quality, increased decant rates and increased volumes of water to be pumped from the underground chambers.</p> <p>The long-term impact as a result of the reclamation operations at the TSFs is therefore anticipated to be positive since the TSFs, which are a source of contamination, will be removed and filled into the pits. If the pits are all filled, a new TSF will be constructed on surface. The new TSF will be unlined, and no underdrains are planned to be constructed. Interception drains (solution trench) will be constructed on its perimeter to capture seepage in the shallow aquifer.</p> <p>In the short-term, however, the hydraulic reclamation could result in the partial seepage through the TSF. The exposure of the tailings to oxygen and water can result in AMD. To minimise potential seepage of acid-mine during operation, no water ponds should be allowed to form for a prolonged time on top of the TSFs.</p> <p>Backfilling of the open pits with the reprocessed tailings is likely to result in the increase of the groundwater level, increase of decant rate and potentially impact on the groundwater quality. The impact rating for all the pits is expected to be similar.</p> <p>The water in the underground mine void is affected by AMD and is already of poor quality with low pH. Without backfilling, the open pits are a constant source</p>

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						<p>of water ingress into the Western Basin mine void as rainwater falls into the pits and enters the mine voids. This rainwater then comes into contact with pyrite on the exposed pit walls and assumes the characteristics of acid mine drainage, similar to that of the underlying mine void. Filling the pits with tailings would therefore reduce the groundwater recharge thereby reducing decant and subsequent water treatment costs.</p> <p>The reprocessed tailings are treated with lime in the metallurgical plant and is generally deposited at high pH values (around 10 – 11). This is expected to have a positive impact in the groundwater quality as the pH of the mine void will increase and precipitate the dissolved metals. As described in the water quality section above, the mine void represents poor water quality of pH less than 5 up until 2012. This has been improving since then to its current value of 6.5. This is likely to be due to the alkaline slurry deposited from the reclaimed TSFs from the nearby mines and is one of the positive impacts associated with the discharging of alkaline tailings into the pits, as this would mean that dissolved metals will precipitate.</p> <p>The deposition of the slurry is, however, expect to increase the salt load which overall has a negative impact.</p> <p>During the operational phase, water will be added to the pits in the tailings slurry. This will result in an increase in the pits and mine void water levels. As the pits are filled with tailings slurry, water levels in the pits will be higher than the surrounding groundwater level. Rising of water level is however not expected to occur if the same volume of water is also returned at a 1:1 slurry to returned water ratio. The pumping will potentially take place from 17 Winze or 8 East Shaft with the intent of maintaining the groundwater level and the abstracted water will be used for the reclamation of the old TSFs.</p> <p>Based on the findings and modelling information contained within the Groundwater Report (Digby Wells, 2022) it is anticipated that the overall water quality should improve, with the metals, particularly Fe and Mn, to precipitate from solution. However, there is a potential risk that TDS levels could increase due to slurry addition, but overall general water quality should improve</p>

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Mitigation measures should be implemented to prevent pollution of any water resources.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Appropriate mitigation measures have been recommended within the respective specialists reports and within the EIA.
What will occur with subterranean water and how will the mine deal with it?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>The historical Tailings Storage Facilities (TSFs) in the region are not lined and seepage is draining into the underlying groundwater system. The current hypothesis is that if there were no TSFs located directly over the mine void, dolomite and fractured aquifers, the current decant volume would have decreased, and it is likely that the water pumped from the underground chambers would be of better quality than the current status. In addition, the pumping and treatment cost would be substantially less if the TSFs seepage portion could be eliminated.</p> <p>Further to this, infiltration from the TSFs will be reduced if the tailings is removed from surface. The contaminant loads will be less from a pollution perspective. At present, the presence of the TSF and the continued dewatering activities in the compartment will encourage continued infiltration of seepage to the deeper aquifer units, the consequent deterioration of water quality, increased decant rates and increased volumes of water to be pumped from the underground chambers.</p> <p>The long-term impact as a result of the reclamation operations at the TSFs is therefore anticipated to be positive since the TSFs, which are a source of contamination, will be removed and filled into the pits. If the pits are all filled, a new TSF will be constructed on surface. The new TSF will be unlined, and no underdrains are planned to be constructed. Interception</p>

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It was commented that there seems to be plenty of projects that PAR will be undertaking, this is because Mariette's studies indicated a need for water purification systems, which entails that once PAR obtains authorization for this project there will be employment opportunities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.
<b>6. Environmental Regulatory Processes</b>						
How must an application be submitted?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	DMRE agreed that a hard/electronic copy can be submitted.



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Digby Wells indicated that SAMRAD does not allow upload of this specific document as there is an existing Mining Right that was converted.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	DMRE mentioned that if there are new listed activities there will be a need for an Intergraded Environmental Application Process. It was noted that the project does trigger new activities and that one environmental system approach will be followed and that the IWULA process will be initiated once all information is gathered. DMRE indicated that the liability assessment will need to be submitted with the application.
It was asked if two separate applications will be submitted. One for the reclamation activities and one for the deposition/rehabilitation.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	Digby Wells noted that the application will be one application addressing all aspects associated with the project. DMRE noted that they will clarify if one application could be submitted.
It was indicated that the Mogale Cluster lies in the scope of COR80, and it was asked if the COR80 and the COR for Mintails can be provided from the NNR.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	NRN indicated that a formal request can be made and that the reasons for requesting the COR's must be provided, and it must be noted that Mintails is under liquidation. The Radiological Public Safety Assessment has not completed during the Scoping Phase, however, is now complete and is appended to the EIA. The new Application with respect to the CoR process will be initiated shortly.
It was indicated that prior to submitting the IWULA, that engagement be undertaken with the DWS Gauteng Provincial Office and that DWS Regional will link Digby Wells with the relevant officials.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted, ongoing engagement with the respective DWS Offices will be undertaken as part of the process and is ongoing

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	compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			
A discussion also took place with respect to the security threats in the area.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR indicated that they are aware of these risks and that a plan of action will need to be developed to project assets.
Have you considered transferring Mintails WULA transferred to PAR?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The abstraction volumes that are in the Mintails WULA could be utilized, however since a new processing plant and pipelines will be constructed a new WULA will have to be lodged with DWS. The volumes contained in the Mintails WULA does not cover the full volumes that are required for the operation.
Has PAR received the Mining Right for MR206?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	28/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	In terms of the acquisition, the Project is currently within the Definitive Feasibility Study (DFS) phase. PAR has entered in a conditional sales agreement A decision is currently being made on the acquisition of MR206. PAR have not acquired MR206 yet and are still undertaking a due diligence in order to assess all assets.

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The NNR suggests that PAR should apply for the Certificate of Registration (CoR) concurrently with the EIA application.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	28/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Digby Wells has appointed a subconsultant (AquiSim Consulting (Pty) Ltd) to undertake the CoR application. The subconsultant will be undertaking a radiological assessment that will form part of the application. This process will run concurrently with the EIA process in order to avoid any delays.  The Radiological Public Safety Assessment has not completed during the Scoping Phase, however, is now complete and is appended to the EIA. The new Application with respect to the CoR process will be initiated shortly.
It is assumed that the three mining rights, which are referred to in the Draft Scoping Report, are MR 206, MR 132, and MR 133. It is our understanding that MR132, which was held by West Wits Mining (DRD), was transferred to West Wits Monarch (Pty) Ltd and that the entire issued share capital of West Wits Monarch was transferred by the Director General of the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) to Amatshe Mining (Pty) Ltd on the 19 <sup>th</sup> of January 2021.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	This is correct the three Mining Rights that have been referred to in the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) are MR 206, MR132 and MR 133.  MR132 was held by DRDGold and transferred to Amatshe Mining (Pty) Ltd through a section 11 approved by the Director General on 19 January 2021.  MR133 was held by West Wits Monarch (Pty) Ltd which Amatshe Mining has bought the entire issued share capital in West Wits Monarch. This transaction did not need a section 11 consent as the mining right still belongs to West Wits which is now wholly owned subsidiary of Amatshe Mining. Both mining rights MR132 and MR133 are operated by Amatshe Mining.  The Final Scoping Report was amended and updated to reflect the above and submitted to the DMRE.
In terms of the 2014 EIA Regulations a closure plan must include closure objectives and “measures to rehabilitate the environment affected by the undertaking of any listed activity or specified activity and associated closure to its natural or predetermined state or to a land use which conforms to the generally accepted principle of sustainable development”.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	A Closure Plan has been drafted by Digby Wells taking into consideration closure objectives and measures to rehabilitate the environment. This has been further assessed during the EIA Phase of the Project and appropriate recommendations provided.

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It was mentioned that the Water Use Licence (WUL) will also come into play. Trans Caledon Tunnel Authority (TCTA) were concerned on the downstream impact as there is a nature reserve in close proximity to the project area. TCTA are unsure if there is an EIA being undertaken;	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	DWS have advised that the compilation of the EIA is currently underway, and the EA application has already been submitted to DMRE. A WULA will form part of the proposed project.  The Public Commenting Period for the EIA has commenced and both the EIA and IWWMP are available for public review based on the respective legislative timeframes and associated impacts assessed.
Potential concern was highlighted in terms of ECL level and how this could potentially impact on Sibanye Stillwater pumping operations;	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	DWS refer to prior meeting where they have asked PAR to consider alternative water sources. PAR made reference to Lancaster Dam and West Wits Pit Water and noted that water will also be abstracted from these sources.  Based on modelling scenarios it is anticipated that there could be a lowering of the water table within the western basin mine void, however, is dependent on the operational requirements that Sibanye need, the natural and discharges both from PAR and Sibanye into the underground voids. Several different scenarios have been considered with respect to the potential impacts to the mine void water levels have been assessed and further work is currently being undertaken on this. These scenarios take into consideration abstraction volumes from the voids, natural recharge and direct recharge from in pit deposition. What has also been considered within the scenarios is in the event if Sibanye is not operational, how this would impact on water levels and the requirements on TCTA with respect to pumping.  Early on in the stage of deposition from PAR into the West Wits Pit, it has been assumed that not water would be recovered and the total amount of water being discharge would make its way into the underground workings. As deposition continues, it is anticipated that the recovery rate of water from the West Wits Pit and 1L23 -1L25 would increase, this resulting in a reduction of abstraction of water from 17 Winze.  Based on the modelling results it is anticipated that during the first two years of operation, TCTA would still need to pump approximately 24ML/day from the

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						<p>underground voids. As water is recovered, it has been assumed that less water would enter the underground voids, thus potentially reducing the inflow, thus ultimately impacting upon the pumping that is undertaken by PAR. Assuming a 50% recovery rate of water, PAR pumping requirements would decrease to about 18ML/day from Winze 17 and assuming that no recharge is being undertaken, TCTA pumping requirements could potentially reduce to approximately 6ML/day.</p> <p>If Sibanye is not operational and there is recharge of water into the mine voids and no recovery from PAR, TCTA would still need to pump water out of the mine voids to maintain the current water levels. Taking into account a 50% recovery of water and no recharge from PAR into the underground voids there is the potential that TCTA would not need to pump from the underground voids to maintain the water levels.</p> <p>Based on this it is anticipated that there is water available for PAR to utilise for reclamation purposes, however engagement with all roleplayers is in the process of being undertaken to ensure that pumping does not negatively impact on the void water levels to an extent where pumping costs become too excessive as a result of the lowering of the water table.</p>
DWS go on to raise a concern with regards to using water from the AMD Treatment plant (pumped and discharged to Tweelopiespruit and Crocodile). Prior to DWS making an informed decision regarding this, they would need a Hydrological Assessment pertaining to the impacts (pertaining to Cradle territories);	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	19/10/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Comment noted and the requested report will be provided during the course of the project and required environmental authorisations.</p> <p>A Hydrological Assessment has been conducted and is appended to the EIA that is currently out for Public Review.</p>
It was stated that surface flow contributes to recharge of Dolomite. Implementations made by Sibanye Stillwater and TCTA have resulted in less impact in terms of Groundwater.	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.

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DWS have also made mention to a concern made by Sibanye Stillwater relating to the ECL. It was noted that PAR need to take into consideration the offtake out of the western basin treatment facility. The plant is declared as a government water works and there are certain regulatory requirements that need to be met.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.
PAR will be liable for raw water tariff. Also have to consider latent cost associated with capital that's incurred inclusive of treatment costs.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	The alternative sources such as Lancaster Dam will be the starting point for water abstraction. PAR understand that they have to rehabilitate the dam.
It was mentioned that PAR will have to look at a staged water abstraction process through the course of the project. A Hydrological study is currently being undertaken as part of the process. PAR further state that there needs to be an understanding of the impact on the Cradle. PAR have stated that all other sources of water will be used first before considering use of the AMD Treatment Plant.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Section 21 (g) water use (discharging waste or water containing waste into a water resource through a pipe, canal, or other conduit). An understanding around this water use is required for DWS. Risks have to be considered to Sibanye Stillwater as well as TCTA in terms of managing potential decants out of that facility. DWE respond to above statement by DWS stating initial tailings will be deposited into West Wits Pit and using the footprint of 1L23-1L25. Assessments have to take into consideration potential impacts that could occur due to decant and where those locations could be.



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A site visit was requested.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	A site visit was arranged, where Bashan Govender attended the visit. Further site visits with DWS will be undertaken as part of the Water Use Licence Application Process.
It was stated that there is extensive information pertaining to hydrological regime with discharge associated to Tweelopiespruit including other systems.  Council for Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) have published numerous documents pertaining to these concerns. CSIR reports will aid PAR and DWE in terms of ascertaining impacts of the proposed project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.
There will be positive impacts associated with the proposed project. TCTA want to see the assessments and the potential impacts.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Further information with respect to all impacts have been discussed in the EIA and associated specialist reports.
PAR require feedback from DWS & TCTA on the maximum volume that can be abstracted. Also require an indication of costs. DWS have indicated cost	The information has been omitted in	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	DWS indicated that they would provide information associated with potential tariffs for both treated and untreated water.

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associated in previous meeting and finalize costs associated with getting water from different sources.	compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			
A phased implementation plan is required from PAR in terms of ideology for taking water from various sources. DWS also indicate that the operation could stand weeks on end with no water as a result of the security risks in the area.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted. PAR is aware of the security risks in the area and are assessing the appropriate plans that will need to be put into place.
It was stated that DWS is not against the abstraction of water, however gaps and risks need to be taken into consideration.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/11/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Comment noted and further impacts and risk have been presented within the EIA and respective specialist assessments.</p> <p>Based on modelling scenarios it is anticipated that there could be a lowering of the water table within the western basin mine void, however, is dependent on the operational requirements that Sibanye need, the natural and discharges both from PAR and Sibanye into the underground voids. Several different scenarios have been considered with respect to the potential impacts to the mine void water levels have been assessed and further work is currently being undertaken on this. These scenarios take into consideration abstraction volumes from the voids, natural recharge and direct recharge from in pit deposition. What has also been considered within the scenarios is in the event if Sibanye is not operational, how this would impact on water levels and the requirements on TCTA with respect to pumping.</p> <p>Early on in the stage of deposition from PAR into the West Wits Pit, it has been assumed that not water would be recovered and the total amount of water being discharge would make its way into the underground workings. As deposition continues, it is anticipated that</p>

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						<p>the recovery rate of water from the West Wits Pit and 1L23 -1L25 would increase, this resulting in a reduction of abstraction of water from 17 Winze.</p> <p>Based on the modelling results it is anticipated that during the first two years of operation, TCTA would still need to pump approximately 24ML/day from the underground voids. As water is recovered, it has been assumed that less water would enter the underground voids, thus potentially reducing the inflow, thus ultimately impacting upon the pumping that is undertaken by PAR. Assuming a 50% recovery rate of water, PAR pumping requirements would decrease to about 18ML/day from Winze 17 and assuming that no recharge is being undertaken, TCTA pumping requirements could potentially reduce to approximately 6ML/day.</p> <p>If Sibanye is not operational and there is recharge of water into the mine voids and no recovery from PAR, TCTA would still need to pump water out of the mine voids to maintain the current water levels. Taking into account a 50% recovery of water and no recharge from PAR into the underground voids there is the potential that TCTA would not need to pump from the underground voids to maintain the water levels.</p> <p>Based on this it is anticipated that there is water available for PAR to utilise for reclamation purposes, however engagement with all roleplayers is in the process of being undertaken to ensure that pumping does not negatively impact on the void water levels to an extent were pumping costs become too excessive as a result of the lowering of the water table.</p>
What are the expectations from competent authorities in terms of relevant approvals/authorisations?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	<p>There are new listed activities that will be applied whilst conducting the EIA phase of the Project.</p> <p>The previous EMP (2013) will be taken into consideration.</p> <p>A new WULA will be undertaken. Further engagement sessions have been set up with the DWS and are currently ongoing.</p> <p>PAR will be using a different technique (reclamation). Mintails were not reclaiming any sand dumps and were undertaking tolling and retreatment within the processing plant.</p>

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						All relevant departments/competent authorities are aware of the integrated environmental regulatory process, as initial engagements have already been conducted.
The NNR advise the Project team that a letter of intent has to be submitted in order to initiate the CoR application process. Once the NNR receive the letter of intent they can formally respond and provide guidance.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	05/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The Project team agrees with this approach and all members are aligned with the approach suggested by the NNR. The Radiological Public Safety Assessment was not complete during the Scoping Phase of the project, however, now has been completed and is appended to the EIA. The application for a new CoR will be initiated shortly.
Digby Wells asks the NNR, when the letter of intent is submitted can the Project team request documentation (CoR80 as well as associated documents)?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	05/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The NNR does not have a problem in providing these requested documents but will have to ask owners (Mogale) to provide a response to NNR saying that they are not currently under liquidation and will then supply PAR with all requested documents/information.
A Scoping process was conducted on the same area previously, why the repetition? A lot of money was spent by MAMH, when we were applying for an EA. Why did the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy reject our application? We believe that Mr SM deliberately destroyed us.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	When MAMH applied for a Mining Right (MR) back in the past, Mintails already had an existing MR within the same area. PAR is interested in acquiring the 206 MR from Mogale Gold. As part of the acquisition of the MR, there are several processes that need to be followed one being applying for an Environmental Authorisation, which involves PPP as explained above. The Radiological Public Safety Assessment was not complete during the Scoping Phase of the project, however, now has been completed and is appended to the EIA. The application for a new CoR will be initiated shortly.

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Amatshe are basically operating as illegal miners. They claimed to be using West Wits' mining license, which was done so illegally, and they have destroyed Durban Deep.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	For clarity purposes Eddie Milne and Izak van Zyl own Amatshe and have nothing to do with PAR. The only reason PAR mentioned West Wits and Mintails on the presentation is because there are mining rights in the area that Eddie Milne and Iza van Zyl acquired the rights to, which are MR 132 and MR133. PAR consulted Eddie Milne and Izak van Zyl as Interested & Affected Persons because they have the underground MR's. PAR consulted them the same way they consult with the rest of the stakeholders.
Was Amatshe granted a license while SM was still working for the DMRE or after?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	Yes, the process needs to be followed by the DMRE and signed by the Director General, not an individual. The application process is straight forward, if the applicant is unhappy with the process, they appeal against the decision, and it gets reviewed, but if the applicant failed to appeal, they cannot turn back and want the decision to be revoked. Race does not form part of any decisions made by the DMRE.
MAMH will not stop PAR from applying, however MAMH's interest as a local company is to remove the dumps and clean the area. MAMH is not interested in mining, they are more concerned about rehabilitation and chasing the illegal miners away. Rehabilitation which will bring our natural resources back in to their normal state.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	The comment is noted. PAR and MAMH must find an amicable way going forward. PAR have noted MAMH's interest and will go back to find an approach on how they can accommodate those interests. SM mentioned that during various engagements with Mogale previously about other dumps, it was stated that the law says if the dumps do not have a MR, meaning there is no current owner, the dump can be donated.
Is it because our company is small that our application was rejected?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	MAMH applied for a Section 28 EA in 2019 which is a directive issued to a landowner or the person who has created the environmental damage or the Right Holder. DMRE's response to MAMH was that there is an existing right held by Mintails, so DMRE cannot issue any right or approve any application while this right still exists because it would have led to court action. This is not an

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	of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					individual decision; it is the law. So PAR is not applying for any right, but they are buying the right itself, in buying the right there is a requirement to do the necessary Applications that support the buying of the right. In terms of DMRE procedures if you lodged an application and it gets rejected then you have a right to appeal to the higher authorities, of which MAMH did not do so as it was not feasible to do so.
What studies are being undertaken to protect the Environment and what risks are we looking at facing?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>The project is still in the early stages. Detailed specialist studies will be conducted during the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase, which will include potential impacts of the proposed project.</p> <p>Within these studies, mitigation measures will be recommended. Should this project bring more harm than good, the competent authority will not approve this application.</p> <p>Detailed studies will be presented to all I&amp;APs.</p> <p>It is noted that the EIA is currently available for Public Review and respective specialist assessments are appended to the EIA.</p>
You mentioned that Mogale had an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) which was not approved. How then do we ensure that the EMP for this process becomes approved?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>The old mines were complying with the old regulation. There was a change in law when the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) came into effect in 2002. These mines were already operating. During the past mines were not required to have an EMP. MPRDA gave in a transitional period for old mines to comply with MPRDA.</p> <p>Mintails is one of the mines that were given time to comply with a new law while they were still operating, however they failed to meet the requirements and thus the EMP was not approved in 2013 as there was a dispute with respect to the closure and rehabilitation guarantee. DMRE stopped Mintails operating before they were liquidated.</p> <p>Today, no mining company is allowed to operate without an approved EMP and Financial Provision in place.</p>
All relevant statutory requirements in terms of policies, guidelines, by-laws, and legislation form National, Provincial and Local government spheres must be adhered to.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Comment noted.



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The activities should be in line with the proposals as contained in the Spatial Development Framework and Environmental Management Framework of the Mogale City Local Municipality	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	The Spatial Development Framework and Environmental Management Framework will be taken into consideration with respect to future land uses that could be established post closure.
Ensure compliance with Section 19 of the National Water Act 36 of 1998 requires that all reasonable measures be taken to prevent any water pollution from occurring, continuing, or recurring.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Comment noted and this will be taken into consideration and further evaluated within the Water Use Licence Application that will be applied for.
<b>7. Environmental Liabilities, Rehabilitation and Closure</b>						
FSE required clarity on which entity PAR will be applying for the Environmental Authorisation, as Mintails has a complex corporate structure. It was also stated that in their view PAR will be responsible for pollution and degradation caused by Mintails during their operation;	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The sale agreement is between Mintails Mining SA (Pty) Ltd, and PAR and that the sale agreement is for the acquisition of MR206 (Owned by Mogale Gold) and its associated surface infrastructure. It should be noted that the sale is a conditional agreement. In order for the sale to be undertaken some conditions need to be satisfied. The project team note FSE's concern regarding historical transgressions of Mintails. PAR also understand that they will also acquire the environmental liabilities associated with the purchasing of assets associated with MR206.

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						PAR state that the intent of the acquisition of assets needs to be understood. PAR is currently evaluating if the assets that they want to acquire are economically feasible from a mining perspective.
PAR must have the capability to compensate for Mintails transgressions, PAR will have to understand that acquiring the assets means acquiring the environmental liability and being responsible for the rehabilitation of the area.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR understand that acquiring these assets means acquiring the environmental liability and being responsible for the rehabilitation of the area. PAR is currently developing a compensation structure that will be used for rehabilitation of the area.
FSE took the Project team through multiple concerns within the document that was sent through (24/04/2022). The historical significance was explained. It was stated by FSE that a closure and rehabilitation plan is paramount to the Project being successful. FSE have also mentioned that PAR will need to have funds available in order to carry out rehabilitation of the area.  FSE has stated that the Tudor Dam is in the south-eastern portion of the headwaters of the Wonderfontein spruit and has been identified by the NNR and the DWAF in 2009 as a radioactive hotspot and needs to be rehabilitated.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The project team notes all these concerns and will provide a response to the document that was sent, and these responses have been captured within the CRR.
FSE state that Lancaster Dam impacts downstream areas and was classified as a toxic dam. Mintails were supposed to rehabilitate the Lancaster Dam inclusive of the downstream area, but this has not been done. FSE ask if PAR will be able to rehabilitate Lancaster Dam inclusive of the areas downstream.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The project team are aware of the associated impacts downstream. The aim is to abstract all the water from Lancaster Dam and rehabilitate and decommission the dam. Specialist studies are currently being undertaken in order to assess the impacts and further information will be provided during the EIA phase.  Rehabilitation of the area is part of PAR's plans and is currently being assessed as part of the DFS phase of the process.  PAR state that all slimes dams will be consolidated into one footprint and rehabilitated

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FSE stated that it is opposed to deposition within 1L23-1L25 as it will recreate more pollution.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR state that they are committed to remine and rehabilitate areas and that a balance must be reached with respect to what is economical and what can be rehabilitated. PAR mention that in order for the resources to be remined they require space for re-deposition. 1L23-1L25 will have to be used as a deposition site as PAR require space for the operations. PAR stated that the footprint of 1L23-1L25 will be better managed as a proper designed facility will be constructed.
FSE stated that there are a lot of concerns in the area due to Mintails transgressions.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR mentioned that they understand the environmental liability of the Project but have also mentioned that if the Project does not commence these negative impacts will continue without the area being rehabilitated.
FSE mentioned that there were many directives issued to Mintails, however none have been carried out or done. PAR will have to understand what they will be responsible for.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR understand the liability associated with MR206.
With regards to Mintails operations, which is currently in liquidation, was there funding set aside for rehabilitation?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Teams	Mintails had funding for certain rehabilitation activities, but the EMP which was submitted to the DMRE for approval was not approved due to the DMRE being of the opinion that Mintails did not have sufficient funds for rehabilitation.  The closure and rehabilitation cost have been calculated. Once the amount has been calculated, an

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	of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					engagement session will be held with the DMRE in order for the amount to be approved and to reach a consensus, which is in the process of being undertaken. The Mintails costing looked at in-situ rehabilitation of dumps, but the current cost is being calculated based on reprocessing and rehabilitation.
Has PAR worked out the life of Mine (LoM)? What will happen post-closure, how will communities be affected by prevalent health and safety issues?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Teams	The LoM is 13 years. Post- closure, Digby Wells will be assisting PAR with closure and rehabilitation of the Project area. Engagement sessions have been held with the DMRE regarding these closure and rehabilitation costs. It should be noted that the cost estimate is much higher as compared to what Mintails previously had. The land will be rehabilitated to a normal sustainable land use post- closure.
Due to the complex corporate structure of the Mintails Group of Companies it will be necessary for the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), on behalf of its client, to explain the relationship between Mintails Limited, Mintails SA (Pty) Ltd (the controlling and majority shareholder of Mintails Mining South Africa (Pty) Ltd and largest creditor in the estate of the company in liquidation, having a potential – albeit unproven – claim of approximately R1.3 billion arising from inter-company loans made by Mintails SA to Mintails Mining), Mintails Mining SA (Pty) Ltd (the local holding company, which holds a 100% share in inter alia Mogale Gold (Pty) Ltd) and Mogale Gold, the owner of the mine dumps and holder of MR 206, the Mining Right under consideration in this Application.  This explanation is crucial in order to understand how the environmental liabilities and responsibilities, including the duty for mine closure, will be apportioned. Listed mining companies currently have the option of existing a liability escalating venture by changing the controlling interest of the corporate. There is no state oversight of this process at present.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Pan African Resources has entered into a provisional sales agreement between Mintails Mining SA (Pty) Ltd for the purchase of the assets associated with GP30/5/1/2/2 (206) MR.</p> <p>As noted, Mogale Gold (Pty), is a subsidiary company, wholly owned by Mintails Mining SA (Pty) Ltd and Pan African Resources is in the process of evaluating the purchase of the assets associated with MR206, though the definitive feasibility assessment that is currently underway. A final decision of the acquisition of MR206 and associated assets is still in the process of evaluation and a final decision will be made in August 2022.</p> <p>Pan African Resources is aware of the liabilities associated with MR206 and in the event that the acquisition does go through that the associated liabilities will become the responsibility of Pan African Resources to address.</p> <p>The liabilities are being reviewed and updated are presented within the Environmental Impact Assessment Report. Further engagements will also need to be undertaken with the Department of Mineral Resource (DMRE) with respect to the overall liabilities and the final amount that will be provided will need to be agreed upon.</p>

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In the past dump reclamation activities by Mintails, the re-mining of the TSFs and dumps was not completed, either due to Mintails' lack of funding or due to the heterogeneity in the dumps which were mined. The selective extraction of value from portions of the TSFs and dumps by Mintails, without ploughing some of that value back into the rehabilitation of the entire area, has significantly exacerbated the environmental degradation and pollution of the area notwithstanding the claims by Mintails that it is a "rehabilitation company".	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>As previously mentioned, Pan African Resources is committed to rehabilitating the Project area, as they understand the associated environmental liabilities. PAR have a compensation structure that is currently in place in order to address rehabilitation of the area. The main aim of Pan African Resources is to prevent further degradation and pollution of the area by being accountable for their actions.</p> <p>Pan African Resources is not undertaking selective remining of the associated tailings facilities and is proposing to completely remine all the dumps and consolidate them into two facilities.</p> <p>Pan African Resources need to ensure that the project is viable and economical and that there is a balance struck between the economics associated with the proposed project and the overall liabilities and rehabilitation that will be required.</p>
The Applicant must specify post-closure use of the mining land and must plan for commercially viable activities within and around the land on which its mining activities will take place. This must transform what is currently a major liability within the region into a significant capital asset for the local economy and mining dependent communities within Randfontein and Mogale City Local Municipality	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>This has been further assessed during the EIA Phase and recommendations provided for within the Closure Plan. It must be noted that the land most likely will not be able to be returned to pre mining land uses, however alternative sustainable land uses will need to be investigated and recommended, this will include engagement with all roleplayers to potentially discuss and agree upon sustainable end land uses. It must be noted that the EIA will make recommendations with respect to sustainable end land uses, however the final decision on the required land use will be further investigated during the operational life.</p>
The DMRE will be urged not to approve the Application by the PAR unless the above-mentioned recommendations have been implemented. Unless the said recommendations have been implemented, the risk will remain that the PAR may avoid its closure commitments after it has extracted the economically viable residual gold by either applying for liquidation or selling of its assets on to a less resourced company who neither has the resources, will or intention to manage closure responsibly. This "pass the parcel" approach is one of the most common practices for mining companies avoiding their closure commitments.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Pan African Resources will take into consideration all recommendations provided and endeavour to implement said recommendations within the realm of what is practicable and taking into consideration what is economically viable. Pan African Resources are dedicated to its closure commitments and accept responsibility for post-closure and rehabilitation with respect to the required remediation, as a result of the proposed activities to be undertaken. Pan African Resource is well aware of the historical transgressions of Mintails and want to change the way people view mining in this particular area. Mintails legacy issues will also need to be discussed with the DMRE and agreed</p>



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						upon with respect to the overall liabilities that will be taken on by Pan African Resources.
The Application must not be approved unless the Applicant can demonstrate that the current pollution and ecological degradation caused by Mintails' irresponsible mining operations will be stopped and rehabilitated. In terms of Section 28 (1A) of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998, it will be no defence for the Applicant to say that the pollution and ecological degradation is historic – the responsibility to take reasonable steps to prevent significant pollution or degradation of the environment from occurring, continuing, or recurring, remains.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	PAR understand that the area was previously impacted by historical mining and Mintails transgressions. PAR is committed to rehabilitating the Project area and will take reasonable steps to prevent further pollution and degradation of the environment. A closure and rehabilitation plan has been compiled and engagement sessions with the DMRE have been initiated in order to get the closure and rehabilitation costs approved.
The Application ought not to be approved unless the Applicant rehabilitates the degraded and destroyed wetlands and marshes and restores its functions.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Pan African Resources as far as practicably possible will rehabilitate the degraded and destroyed wetlands and marshes to restore its functionality. This is currently being assessed as part of the DFS phase and more information is provided within the EIA that is currently out for public comment. A Wetland Rehabilitation Plan has also been compiled and addressed rehabilitation measures for the surrounding wetlands.
The DMRE should only approve the PAR's Application if it involves the removal of the entire residue deposits and the rehabilitation of the remaining footprints to a sustainable future land use.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>During the preliminary engagement with FSE Pan African Resources have noted they will try as far as practicably possible to undertake rehabilitation of the remaining footprints to a sustainable future land use.</p> <p>This will be further evaluated during the EIA Phase of the project, taking into considerations raised by stakeholders.</p> <p>Concurrent rehabilitation will be undertaken during the life of the project.</p> <p>Lancaster Dam will be rehabilitated and closed.</p> <p>Rehabilitation activities will consist of removing historic tailings footprints and consolidating the tailings material, this will ultimately result in removal of historic contamination sources, thus resulting in a potential positive effect to the surrounding environment.</p>



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						Appropriate rehabilitation will also be undertaken with respect to the West Wits Pit and 1L23-1L25 tailings facilities that will remain. Both of these facilities will be proper engineered designed facilities.
Is there a clause for rehabilitation and can PAR provide the community members with a document stipulating their intentions of rehabilitating the area?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	There are regulations that govern the calculation of financial provision and rehabilitation plan audits, which is GNR1147 Financial Provision Regulations. However, this will be discussed in further detail in the impact assessment phase.
MAMH mentioned that they received a letter from DMRE, which does not state anything about Mintails owning the MR, the letter states that the MR is held by DRD. MAMH engaged with DRD, and they said that they are called DRD Gold Limited, however the letter received from the DMRE only stated DRD.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	DMRE may have said DRD or DRD Gold. They are the same company, that has changed its name and become a subsidiary of DRD. Initially the MR 132 was held by DRD/DRD Gold and then later they had a Section 11 transfer of that right to Mintails, which is on file as proof. MR 206 only has four dumps and others are still under DRD, so PAR had to get proof of the transfer of ownership from DRD to Mintails.
The community of Kagiso took DRD to court and won the case, the dump was allocated to the community of Kagiso. So, Section 11 was done without the involvement of the community.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	The yellow line on the site layout map shows the boundary of MR 206, of which one half falls within Mintails and the other half could be the one MAMH state was donated to the community of Kagiso, PAR does not have a history of that dump.

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The area was rehabilitated because the community of Kagiso complained and then the DMRE gave the area Skhosana.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	Documentation related to the application must be re-checked to understand what really transpired. It could be that some Section 28 were revoked due to incorrect information and DMRE need to check if this is not one of those.  It must also be noted that there are other illegal activities taking place in the area, some of them report to have DMRE's signature, further investigation will be done once SM has seen the letter.
When PAR acquire these assets (MR206), will they be acquiring the associated liabilities that are linked to MR206?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	In terms of liabilities, Mintails had three Mining Rights (as explained above), the liabilities are associated with the entire cluster. If PAR acquire these assets, they will have to take over liability associated with MR206. PAR will also have to engage with Amatshe Mining to separate liabilities associated with MR133, and MR132. It was mentioned by Vahlengwe Advisory that the liability for MR206 is over R260 million, the liability for MR132 is R86 million and the liability for MR133 is R13 million.  These figures were calculated in 2013/2014. These figures will have to be re-evaluated in order to get the proper values. The Closure Plan that has been drafted for the EIA indicates how the current liability has been assessed.
MAMH indicated that rehabilitation is not only referring to the removal of dumps, but rivers also need to be rehabilitated due to heavy materials and heavy chemicals in on these water resources. The DMRE also needs to be called to close the shaft.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	One of the major goals for PAR is to rehabilitate the area, however PAR cannot at this stage provide responses on whether they can be able to assist MAHM to rehabilitate on the area or not.
Given the mining operation's proximity, a question was raised about the availability and quality of surface water, as well as the plan on how the sludge rehabilitation will be considered. It was also suggested that the presentation include information about land	The information has been omitted in compliance	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	There are several specialist assessments that have undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase. Specific assessments related to water aspects have taken this into consideration and this

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ownership, who owns the land on which the mine will operate and provided information on the Social and Labour Plan.  It was stated that the presentation must be more detailed.	with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			<p>information will be further presented during the next phase of the project.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted.</p> <p>A Closure and Rehabilitation Plan and Wetland Rehabilitation Plan has also been drafted and further information with respect to the rehabilitation measures that are proposed are contained within these specialist assessments and are available for comment during the EIA Phase of the project.</p> <p>The Draft Scoping Report contains further information with respect to the land on which the operation is located within. Further information with respect to landownership can be provided at follow up presentation given in the future.</p> <p>The comment is noted with respect to the level of information contained within the presentation. The intent of the presentation was to provide a high-level overview of the information contained within the Draft Scoping Report and high-level overview of the project. Taking this into consideration, further information is contained within the Environmental Impact Assessment Report that is currently out for Public Comment.</p>
<p>Please ensure a detailed closure / concurrent rehabilitation plan is provided for all the tailings dams and processing plant. The closure plan requirements should follow the requirements of the Financial Provision Regulations for mining operations, inclusive of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An annual concurrent rehabilitation plan</li> <li>• A closure plan, including indication of what would happen in the case of unexpected premature stopping of the project during mid reclamation of the tailing's dams. A detailed explanation of what the relinquishment criteria would be for the dumps.</li> <li>• An environmental risk assessment, the environmental risk assessment should</li> </ul>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>A Closure and Rehabilitation Plan has been compiled and has taken into consideration the requirements of the Financial Provision Regulations.</p>

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consider the implications of residual radiation levels and the impact of groundwater pollution plumes.						
Pan African Resources must provide a financial guarantee (to be held by the DME) for rehabilitation requirements of the dump foot prints. This guarantee should cover the financial requirements to implement rehabilitation activities for both unexpected stopping of the project and at the planned end of life of the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted, this will be one of the requirements that PAR will need to adhere to and the closure costing that will have been undertaken indicate costs associated with both scheduled and unscheduled closure.
Since the corporate structure of the Mintails Group of Companies is complex it is crucial to understand how the environmental liabilities and responsibilities, including the duty for mine closure, will be apportioned between Mintails Limited, Mintails SA (Pty) Ltd (the controlling and majority shareholder of Mintails Mining South Africa (Pty) Ltd and largest creditor in the estate of the company in liquidation?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted. PAR is only interested in MR 206 and the associated surface assets. Closure costs calculations have taken into account the proposed activities for the reclamation project that is associated with MR 206.
<p><i>According to the Draft Scoping Report the Project area will be rehabilitated during the tailing's operation, the Lancaster Dam will be rehabilitated and closed, and that rehabilitation will consist of removing historic tailings, rehabilitation of impacted footprints and rehabilitation of facilities and removal of contamination sources, thus resulting in a positive effect on the surrounding areas.</i></p> <p>The closure of Lancaster Dam is not supported since it still acts as an attenuation facility and pollution control facility for all upstream surface pollution sources.</p> <p>It is important to specify post-closure use of the rehabilitated mining land, which must conform to the generally accepted principle of sustainable development.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Through engagements with DWS, it has been indicated that the Lancaster Dam should be closed and rehabilitated.</p> <p>It is noted that the dam does act as an attenuation facility and pollution control facility for all upstream surface pollution sources, and this is important to note. The mining sequence will need to evaluate when the potential closure of the dam will be required. It must be noted that the tailings facility located above the dam is one of the proposed facilities to be reclaimed and the footprint rehabilitated, which would remove a contamination source of water reporting to Lancaster Dam.</p> <p>PAR is happy to have further engagements with the Mogale City Local Municipality with respect to the above</p>

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						and consideration for alternative land uses that could be proposed for Lancaster Dam.
During rehabilitation, will PAR also be considering removing the dumps located adjacent to Boltonia.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Rehabilitation of dumps outside the mining right will require a different process altogether. Unfortunately, it is not part of the mining right PAR are applying for. However, this issue will be taken up when the SLP is compiled as PAR could assist with potentially supporting LED or community projects such as this and provide guidance.
What is PAR bringing that Mintails could not do and managed to be liquidated?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	The difference between Mintails and PAR is that Mintails was focusing on both the underground as well as opencast mining. This started to go wrong for them, and they got liquidated.  PAR is mainly focusing on mining dumps and rehabilitating the area, as such it is quite unlikely that PAR will end up in liquidation.  Financial Provision will be set aside by PAR for rehabilitation and has been calculated within the Closure Plan
Is PAR aware that there are issues which were left behind by Mintails? For example, an estimated number of about 300 former-employees were left without jobs. They might cause conflicts when PAR commences with their mining operations.  What will happen to employees that were initially employed by Mintails before it filed for liquidation?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Yes, PAR is aware of these former employees, and according to PARs knowledge there is still ongoing communication between the liquidators and those individuals.  On the introduction of the presentation, it was mentioned that PAR is looking at acquiring the Mining Right 206.  During the liquidation phase employees, creditors and other people that were associated with Mintails were registered as creditors, and that it will be the responsibility of the liquidators to communicate with employees and other creditors with respect to compensation and that PAR is not involved with this process.
Mintails initially committed to rehabilitate the left-hand side of the R28 road and revert it back to a natural park, till to date that has still not been done.	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR noted that they will need to adhere to Environmental Management Plan/Programme once approved and that the required monitoring in terms of



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The mine dump has not been rehabilitated and now the community has to inhale the dust on a daily basis. In the old legislation Environmental tests were the mines responsibility, which seems to not apply anymore which negatively affects community members.	omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			<p>the licence conditions will need to implement and adhered too.</p> <p>Impacts have been assessed within the respective specialist assessments and within the Environmental Impact Assessment report. Mitigation measures proposed to reduce the significance of negative environmental impacts have also been recommended by each specialists.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted.</p> <p>It should be noted that I&amp;APs are allowed to appeal DMRE's decision.</p>
Measures such as sloping, grassing/re-vegetation, phyto-remediation, woodlands, stockpiling for road building material, etc. cannot be regarded as reasonable measures for remediation and mine closure and are at best measures for interim stabilisation. Future land uses such open spaces and wilderness status cannot be considered as a "land use which conforms with the concept of sustainable development".	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Rehabilitation measures have been provided for within the Closure Plan and Wetland Rehabilitation Plan that has been compiled for the proposed project. Rehabilitation measures have been further assessed during the EIA Phase and potential options proposed within the Closure Plan. It must be noted that ultimately determining a sustainable end land use, will go beyond just the EIA Phase of the project and that extensive engagement will need to be undertaken.
The Applicant must ensure that each of its mining sites is prepared for closure in such a way as it has a residual, sustainable economic value to those impacted by the closure of its operations. To ensure sustainability, the post-mining economic alternatives identified for mine sites must be commercially viable and be substantially independent of the mining value chain in order to ensure post-mining sustainability.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	These will be further assessed when the Closure and Rehabilitation Plan is compiled. All stakeholder concerns/comments will be taken into consideration when drafting these plans. As noted previously engagements with respect to sustainable land uses and economic value will go beyond the EIA Phase and that continual engagement will be required during the life cycle of the project. Further information with respect to the above has been taken into consideration when drafting of the Closure Plan and Wetland Rehabilitation Plan, which is currently available for comment during the EIA Phase of the project.
Mintails has never acquired any MR; they operated under West Vits. However, the presentation states	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Mintails operated under three Mining Rights (MR) which are MR 132 (Hard Rock Opencast Underground was under DRD, MR 133 (Hard Rock Opencast and



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that PAR is interested in purchasing Mintails MR, which is confusing and unclear please clarify?	omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			Underground) was under West Wits and MR 206 (Sand Slime Deposits) was under Mogale Gold.  Mintails operated under existing rights with different company names. PAR is interested in acquiring MR 206 only.
PAR does not have a MR, as such it will operate similarly to Mintails, get liquidated. Since MRs are not affected by liquidation, this will bring the same problems to the community that Mintails appears to have done, after which another company will apply for MR. Basically, the cycle will repeat itself.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Yes, PAR does not have a license to operate. Consultation meeting is part of the process to acquire the license. PAR will not operate until the DMRE grants them a license. Consequently, this environmental regulatory application is a component of this procedure. It was mentioned that PAR and Digby Wells are willing to engage further with the Cllrs, should they need more clarity on the project and if they do not understand the process.
It must be put on record that if PAR is doing a rehabilitation, that is basically mining in the area, minerals will be taken from the dumps. Rehabilitation is like an open cast; you dig and rehabilitate.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	It is to be noted that tailings reclamation is a form of mining like open pit or open cast mining or underground mining. It is just a different form of mining where you are mining a previous deposit or resource that was put there that may have not been seen as a resource 40 - 50 years ago and as technology has gotten better, it is now possible to recover that material.  It does seem like a form of mining, but with respect to the reclamation of PAR, it is only reclaiming the dumps and will undertake in pit deposition into West Wits and potential different pits. They are not doing open pit mining or underground mining in the area and with that comes different regulations with respect to rehabilitation and financial guarantee that needs to be provided so those footprints that are reclaimed need to be rehabilitated.
Rehabilitation of existing footprints should take place simultaneously with the other operations.	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	It is proposed that concurrent rehabilitation be undertaken during the operational phase.

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<p>It was mentioned that the initiative taken in rehabilitating the area is remarkable, however with the good comes the bad. An example was given that in the process of rehabilitation PAR might try to manage/mitigate dust, and at the moment none of the community members are suffering from any illnesses.</p> <p>A question was then posed as to what measures will be put in place to ensure that PAR takes responsibility should people fall sick from their rehabilitation activities?</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>As part of the studies that will be undertaken, the atmospheric and radiation license will outline the steps necessary to protect the community's health. If the mine does not adhere to the policies, it will be considered as non-compliance with laws and regulations, this means that the law must take its course, which will result in the removal of the mining rights for PAR.</p> <p>In addition, the hydraulic process will be followed, as the dust that will be produced by the mining activities will not be major.</p>
<b>8. Biodiversity (Including Protected Areas and Wetlands)</b>						
<p>Most of the Project Area is classified as High Biodiversity Importance with High Risk for Mining according to the Mining and Biodiversity Guideline and Draft Scoping Report.</p> <p>Various areas in an around the Project Area are depicted as Critical Biodiversity Areas and Ecological Support Areas (West Rand Bioregional Plan and C-Plan 3.3).</p> <p>The Krugersdorp Nature Reserve (KNR) is a Level 2 Protected Area (Gauteng EMF, 2018), and is known to suffer from impacts of inter alia AMD and bioaccumulation of lead (originating from uranium decay) in antelopes.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted.
<p>A thorough investigation has to be conducted to ensure that the dolomite which links the Western Basin with the KNR, are not compromised (from an integrity/ stability and ground water quality point of view) and all the likely affected watercourses (including the Hugenotespruit, Wonderfonteispruit and/or Tweelopiesspruit) are not affected by any residual (direct/indirect) impact associated with Operational, Rehabilitation and/or Post-Closure Phases.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Respective specialist studies have been undertaken during the EIA Phase of the project to assess potential negative impacts.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted.</p>

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In the light of the aforementioned classification, the EIA should include an assessment of optimum, sustainable land use for these particular areas and determine the significance of the impacts on biodiversity. Even If the proposed Project is authorised, the DMRE DFFE and DWS should set limits and specify biodiversity offsets (e.g., within the KNR and Wonderfonteinspruit wetland system), which should be written into licence agreement and /or authorisations.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	20/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Comment noted. Rehabilitation that is undertaken within MR 206 will need to take into consideration potential sustainable end land uses and how these uses could enhance and improve the overall biodiversity within the area.
Ensure compliance with the provision contained under National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act (Alien and Invasive Species Regulations, 2014) regarding alien invasive species on the subject site: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eradicate all Listed Invasive Species (Category 1a) if present</li> <li>• Control all Listed Invasive Species (Category 1b), if present.</li> <li>• Apply for a permit for all Listed Invasive Species (Category 2), if present.</li> </ul> Apply for exemptions for all Listed Invasive Species (Category 3), if present.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	Comment noted. The Ecological Assessment, the Closure Plan and Wetland Rehabilitation Plan have made recommendations with respect to the management of Alien Invasive Plant species.
<b>9. Radiological Study</b>						
FSE further stated that there is a radiological concern within the area (due to historical mining activities). This will have a negative impact on the surrounding community. These impacts need to be considered in the EIA phase in order to manage and mitigate these impacts and that a Health Impact Assessment should be considered.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	A subcontractor has been appointed to undertake a radiological study and asses the impacts of the proposed project. More information will be available during the EIA phase of the project.  The Radiological Public Safety Assessment has not completed during the Scoping Phase, however, is now complete and is appended to the EIA.  PAR stated that it would be very difficult to rehabilitate the entire area (radiological concern) and propose that the area with the most concern be rehabilitated, and that rehabilitation is focused on the areas where PAR will be remining.
<b>10. Socio Economic Issues</b>						

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I have come across a poster depicting the forthcoming mining restoration endeavour that will/should take place around the Mogale City Local Municipality in the not-so-distant future. My curiosity is only in regard to the matter of workforce, particularly the vacancy department that is. I am a young man whose always on the lookout for any job opportunities, so my question is how does one go about enquiring in connection to that?  Your response would be a bonus in such unpromising times.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	01/12/2021	Email Correspondence.	At this stage the exact numbers of jobs and or opportunities cannot be provided as there is work that is still required with respect to the mine planning.  Employment and Business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.  The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.  This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage.
What will happen to the houses in close proximity of the proposed project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/04/2022	Comment and Registration Form.	PAR would like to work hand in hand with the community and mitigate the impacts. There is no reason for PAR to buy the land the community currently occupies or moving of people.
Is there any consideration of relocating people who are directly affected by the project? If yes, what form of compensation will be offered?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/04/2022	Comment and Registration Form.	Currently there is no consideration with respect to the relocation of people. PAR would in fact like to work hand in hand with the community and mitigate the impacts. There is no reason for PAR to buy the land the community currently occupies.
Has the Project team taken into consideration health and safety of the community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	25/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The list of impacts that were presented represent a small number of the actual impacts that are contained within the DSR. Health and safety of the community is taken

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Will there be availability of job opportunities and will the community benefit from the proposed project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	Employment opportunities will be made available in the construction and operational phase, although they will be limited. However, there is an intention to have a strategy in place which will be focused on providing construction contractors with a target for employing local community members. The contractors will be monitored monthly to ensure that they adhere to the target. When it comes to the business side of things PAR tends to focus on the technical aspects and provide local businesses which have these skills the opportunity to provide their services to the mine.
There needs to be measures in place which will ensure that community members living close to the project area are prioritized when it comes to job opportunities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	30/04/2022	Physical Meeting	Community members will also need to be involved as it will be difficult for the mine to resolve this alone.
Will there be a large influx of strangers in the Village and if so, where will they be based? Will we be able to easily identify staff employed by the various concerns who will play a role in this project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Physical Meeting	West Village Community Member	The impacts associated with social aspects, specifically influx of people, have been considered in the Social Impact Assessment that it was undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase of the project. Appropriate mitigation measures have been provided within the Social Impact Assessment.  Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation



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	(Act 4 of 2013).					measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed  Employment and Business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.
How is the community SMMEs going to benefit from the project? What percentage will be contributed to the community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Physical Meeting	West Village Community Member	At this stage the exact numbers of jobs and or opportunities cannot be provided as there is work that is still required with respect to the mine planning.  Employment and Business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.  The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.  This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage.
What is the percentage of employment opportunities that will be created by the mine to the locals/ community members?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Physical Meeting	West Village Community Member	At this stage the exact numbers of jobs and or opportunities cannot be provided as there is work that is still required with respect to the mine planning.  Employment and Business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.  The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.  This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage.



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Does the PAR operation in Evander consider the local community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	Communities within the operation are not excluded and are taken into consideration A R 1.7 billion tailing retreatment operation has been constructed in the area. 2000 jobs were created during the process of constructing the operation, and there was a clear requirement for the contractors to employ locally. During the operational phase, contractors and our employees are local people. The company only bring the skills that are not found in the area from outside.
MAMH mentioned that their organisation must not form part of people covered by the SLP, as they initially applied for the MR on the same area as PAR?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	13/05/2022	Physical Meeting	PAR developed interest in this asset long before SM left the DMRE. PAR partnered with SM as they found him relevant to assist because he is familiar with the legal history of this asset. PAR would have gone ahead with their own process with or without SM. MAMH and Kagiso community members was included as one of the stakeholders to be consulted for this process because SM had identified them as directly affected stakeholders, and he suggested to Digby Wells to also include them on the list of engagements to be held.
Please provide details of what measures will be implemented on partially reclaimed tailings dams should the project be temporarily halted due to a downturn of the gold price?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Adequate financial provision will need to be provided to ensure that in the event dumps are only partially reclaimed that there are sufficient funds to do so.  Some of the actions that could be implemented are indicated below: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construct contour walls on upper surface or repair existing wall as required.</li> <li>Establish vegetation on upper surfaces between contour walls as required.</li> <li>Establish vegetation on side walls where no vegetation has established – leach for 18 months; and</li> <li>Implement vegetation maintenance for 3 years.</li> </ul> Further rehabilitation actions are provided for within the Closure and Rehabilitation Plan that has been compiled.

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The project will assist on the upliftment of the economy. Protection of environment must be considered when implementing the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	Thank you for the comments raised.  Specialist investigations will be undertaken as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Phase to determine both the potential positive and negative impacts. The Environmental Impact Assessment Report will document appropriate mitigation measures with respect to protection of the environment when implementing the project.  Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed
What standard procedure will the PAR establish to address the refugee crisis and ensure that when mine operations commence, employment opportunities will be given to locals? It was also raised that the Municipality must not block an opportunity for the community members to benefit through the project.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR note the concern raised with respect to the refugee crisis and note that this is not unique to this specific project and is a problem across South Africa, however this will be taken into consideration and investigated.  The process with respect to the Social and Labour Plan has not yet been initiated. During this phase of the project consultation with all respective stakeholders will be undertaken to determine what potential benefits, such as job opportunities, skills development and LED projects that could be initiated will be investigated.
What is the linkage between the community and PAR? Where will we as the community fit in?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR is interested in the Tailings facilities and the sand dumps associated with MR 206.  The linkage is that this is just like any other projects that has potential for jobs creation and opportunities for businesses.  PAR project will also be cleaning the environment, as the sand dumps which produces dust that is a risk to people's health. There will be channels where the communities are able to interact with the mine.
What are we benefiting and at what stage of the process will the community benefit? How often will we get feedback?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Employment and Business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts

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	omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.  The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.  This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage.  SLP will apply to all affected communities.
There was mention of SLP and the community benefiting through transfer of skills and employment of locals. Can this commitment be fulfilled, to avoid conflicts?  Most of the times presentations are so good, however these promises are not fulfilled when the SLP stage has been reached.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted. As indicated, employment and business opportunities will be available. However, most of these will be during the construction phase of the project. Once the mine starts operating, a detailed SLP will be developed prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities there will be a how the local community can benefit.  The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.  This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage.  SLP will apply to all affected communities.
It was suggested that PAR assist Boltonia community with removing dumps adjacent to their community, as part of giving back to the community. This is a request from Boltonia community to PAR.  This footprint was left by Mintails and the community must live with it. The very same footprint is bringing illegal miners. This is the main challenge the community is facing.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	As part of a responsible company, such activities could be considered to assist the community, however there are legal requirements associated with removing mining dumps outside of a particular MR. However, these are also opportunities to be provided to SMMEs and other organisations in the community to work together with the support of PAR and can be further investigated during the SLP.
Most people residing in this community are uneducated, which has resulted in a high unemployment rate.  We would suggest PAR to rather introduce skills transfer initiatives and consider individuals over the age 45 for employment.	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	It would be premature of PAR to have those engagements now, those discussions will take place during the Social and Labour Plan phase, and this is once the mining license has been granted.  Within the SLP there is the Community Portable Skills training. At other communities we took about 20

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	Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).					community members who were trained in portable skills. These are the types of initiatives that PAR will be looking to apply in this community as well.
At the previous meeting when a question of employment was posed PAR provided responses, but in this current meeting we are told this question can only be answered at a later stage, this is concerning.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR did not have answers at any point, the last time we were here it was for the same process, and we also mentioned that this is the first stage of consultation and when we come for the SLP we will return for consultations once again. PAR cannot provide responses when we have not completed a mine plan yet.
To be frank, 99% of people in attendance today are here for job opportunities. We as a community have been lied to by both the National, Local government and mining institutes. To be honest I do not trust Environmental specialists and secondly PAR has done excellent work in many places in SA, and I want to give them a thumbs up for that, however PAR has been taken to court for not adhering to the Environmental Impact Study for dust, so once again have lost trust in PAR.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR is not aware of that court case, but that is a good thing about the South African law, people are able to appeal and take matters to court. However, PAR strives to work hand in hand with the community to handle issues and concerns they might have arisen. PAR has a good track record with communities, with particular reference to PAR's operation in Evander.
This project is a health hazard due to the project areas proximity to communities. I feel that PAR is taking advantage of us because we are vulnerable.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	There is a lot of Hydraulic Mining taking place in South Africa. Hydraulic Mining is possible and just needs to be done responsibly so.

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Will the value of the surrounding properties increase or decrease?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	This will be one of the impacts presented in the Impact Assessments phase to analyse how will this area be affected. According to my personal view (OS) the value of the property will increase because the area will be rehabilitated and developed.
Our roads are in bad condition, how can a mine be involved in the upgrading of the roads.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment is noted and will be taken into consideration as noted with respect to the comment raised with respect to providing the routes of where trucks will travel within the area.
The Department of Social Development Services (DSDS) are more concerned on the numbers with respect to employment. It was noted that the SLP phase, will need to consider Local Economic Developments (LED), bursaries etc.  In terms of the SLP from where PAR is situated, what kilometres radius will they be looking at.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	27/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	It was mentioned that the first phase of the project is the application of all the required Environmental Authorisations, currently underway.  The second phase is the finalisation of Sale Agreement for PAR to obtain the assets, which is in the process of being concluded.  The third phase will be the Section 11 Transfer, which at this stage the SLP will be developed, and further engagements undertaken.  At the time of the development of the SLP discussions around the number of employments, LED and bursaries will be undertaken.  Further engagements will be held with MCLM Department of Economic Development regarding the Integrated Development Planning to be implemented as part of the SLP. This phase is anticipated to commence before the end of year 2022.
It is critical that the Applicant does not create high, unrealistic expectations of jobs and benefits.	The information	The information has been omitted in	The information has been omitted in compliance	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	Pan African Resources will not create unrealistic expectations from the community members as they are



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Engagements by the Applicant with its host communities must include awareness raising and disclosure of post-project options. Communities must be capacitated to understand the importance of sustainable post-closure land use and sustainable livelihood opportunities to ensure that the interests of both current and future generations are not compromised.	has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).			<p>aware that community members were affected by the transgressions of Mintails. An SLP will be compiled following consultations with community members and the respective municipality. PAR is committed to community upliftment and development and want to create a better relationship with surrounding communities and landowners.</p> <p>Awareness raising and disclosure of post-project options will be done for all surrounding communities. Communities will be educated regarding post-closure land uses as well as sustainable livelihood opportunities.</p>
How will the community of Sinqobile ward 14 benefit from the project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>The community will benefit through the Social Labour Plan and LED projects that will be developed. Engagements process for the SLP will be undertaken prior to any appointments as it will guide and determine what opportunities will be provided and how the local community can benefit.</p> <p>The SLP also outlines the types of community projects that will be applied.</p> <p>This is the first phase to record communities' questions and inputs which will also be considered when developing an SLP and attached to the report Scoping phase report. There are no benefits that the community must expect at this stage. PAR is currently busy with a due diligence exercise, which is one of the aspects that considers economic value, whether there is a possibility to make money or not. A pre-feasibility study has been conducted which is more like a bankable feasibility study.</p> <p>In addition, the SLP will apply to all affected communities.</p>
What is the purpose of these studies and how will they benefit the youth?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>PAR is interested in the Tailing's facilities and the sand dumps associated with MR 206.</p> <p>The objective of the study is to identify potential impacts of the proposed project. In these studies, mitigation measures will be recommended. These studies are conducted by a research specialist. PAR is not currently hiring, and no community member will conduct the study; only a qualified and appointed specialist will conduct the research.</p>



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We request to be considered when PAR starts recruiting and advertising employment opportunities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	Comment noted.
PAR has appointed Digby Wells to conduct a pre-feasibility study; what will Digby Wells do for the community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	NEMA stipulates that before a mining company can begin mining or prospecting, it must appoint an independent, unbiased, or neutral company to conduct the application. Therefore, PAR cannot independently submit the application. As previously stated, the SLP will be developed for the community's benefit once PAR obtains the mining license.
How many people per Ward will be hired by PAR once the MR has been granted?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	The process is still in its early stages, and it will therefore be premature to provide a response at this point. PAR has not assessed the number of people that will be hired in the Construction and Operational Phase yet. However, once the SLP is drafted and finalised, there will be a percentage committed to in terms of local employment.
<b>11. Waste Management</b>						
Will the Monarch and Princess Pits be used for deposition and has this information been included in the DSR?	The information has been omitted in compliance	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	These pits have been included within the DSR for consideration and further engagement with Amatshe Mining will be required to determine the feasibility of such.

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Where will effluent (slurry material) be discharged?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The slurry material will be deposited in West Wits Pit, where water will be recirculated within the system in order to optimise water efficiency and diminish the strain put on the municipality for water.
Will this slurry have any effect on the Vaal River?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	26/04/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	There will be no discharge directly into the Vaal River.
With reference to the proposed re-deposition of the residue on the footprint of 1L23-25, this option will - instead of rehabilitating the impacted footprints and removing the contamination - result in the re-creation of a contaminated site.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	29/04/2022	Letter of Correspondence	As part of the operation 1L23-1L25 is being considered as part of the deposition process. Pan African Resource have stated that they require space for deposition and the 1L23-1L25 TSF complex will be used for consolidation of tailings material. It should be noted however that Pan African Resources understand that rehabilitation of this surface infrastructure is critical and will aim at preventing further degradation and pollution of this resource by managing and mitigating all potential impacts in a manner that is practicable and financially economical.

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						<p>These impacts have been assessed during the EIA phase of the Project and specialist studies and will be presented during the Public Review Period of the EIA and further discussed.</p> <p>. Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed</p>
<p>The current and residual environmental impacts relating to the Mintails' Group of Companies' abandoned clusters of open pits, stockpile overburdens, partially reclaimed TSFs and sand dumps, unrehabilitated footprints and mine residue areas, and toxic and radioactive dams were assessed in detail. Where a number of impacts are currently occurring due to Mintails transgressions</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>29/04/2022</p>	<p>Letter of Correspondence</p>	<p>All potential impacts will be thoroughly assessed and discussed as part of the EIA phase. A subcontractor has been appointed regarding the radiological assessment of the area. This consultant will be compiling a Radiological Assessment taking all potential impacts into consideration. A new Certificate of Registration (CoR) will be undertaken via the National Nuclear Regulator (NNR).</p> <p>Please refer to Section 12 Item 3(k) for a summary of the impacts assessed per specialist assessment. Each specialist assessment goes into further detail with respect to impacts assessed and appropriate mitigation measures to be adopted. With respect to the development of a strategic environmental management plan, this is noted and will need to be developed.</p> <p>Monitoring, management, or mitigation measures pertaining to dust and radioactivity have been y assessed during the EIA phase.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 8.1 1(h)(i) with respect to proposed monitoring that has been recommended.</p> <p>In terms of water quality, the respective specialist assessments have taken into consideration the proposed activities and have rated the impacts within the respective assessments and discussed and provided management measures that should be implemented.</p> <p>A soil, land use and land capability study has been undertaken in the EIA phase in order to assess soil and sediment contamination and provide mitigation and management measures, inclusive of monitoring requirements.</p> <p>In terms of the destroyed or degraded wetlands and riparian zones. A wetland assessment has been</p>

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						<p>undertaken as part of the EIA phase where mitigation and management measures have been thoroughly assessed. It should be noted that Digby Wells has also compiled a wetland rehabilitation plan in order to rehabilitate and improve wetland conditions within the project area.</p> <p>Geotechnical safety and stability risks have already been considered, there were numerous geotechnical assessments undertaken as part of the DFS phase of the Project and mitigation and management measures contained within these reports will be taken into consideration and implemented.</p> <p>With respect to site access, Pan African Resources will take the necessary practicable steps to limit access to areas of risk.</p> <p>Pan African Resources understand the risk of open, unsealed mine shafts and the affect this could have on the surrounding community. The necessary steps will be taken to limit access to areas that are within the control of Pan African Resources.</p> <p>All findings pertaining to 1L8 have been duly noted and will be taken into consideration.</p> <p>As mentioned previously there are many specialist studies that are currently being undertaken, so as to inform the Project team and competent authorities of the current state of the environment. Mitigation, monitoring management measures as well that potentially will need to be adopted taking into consideration comments raised by all stakeholders.</p> <p>Pan African Resources is aware of the illegal mining activities that is currently taking place in the Project area, a plan is currently being drafted in order to handle these security threats and to ensure the Health and Safety of the surrounding communities.</p> <p>Lancaster Dam- Water will be abstracted from this dam, once all water is abstracted the dam will be rehabilitated and closed.</p> <p>PAR will also assess impacts to downstream users affected as part of the various specialist assessments that have been completed</p> <p>It should be noted that in light of the findings and recommendations contained within the document submitted by FSE the rehabilitation of Lancaster Dam is</p>

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						<p>considered as a high priority once water has been abstracted from this Dam. Rehabilitation of wetlands further downstream of the project area will require further investigation ultimately to determine the full extent of rehabilitation activities required and what Pan African Resources will be responsible for.</p> <p>In terms of the Tudor Dam, all recommendations contained within the report submitted by FSE is duly noted and will be taken into consideration with respect to overall responsibility with respect to rehabilitation. As previously noted, consideration needs to be given to what is practical and what can be implemented in a sustainable economic environment through the implementation of the proposed project.</p> <p>Spillages by Mintails operations caused negative effects to the surrounding environment (wetlands, rivers, and marshes). Pan African Resources notes the concern raised and ensures that spillages of this magnitude are prevented from occurring in the future. As part of their Environmental and Social Management System (ESMS) a spill procedure will be compiled and implemented on site. Further mitigation and management measures are currently being assessed. Pan African Resources as far as practicably possible will try to prevent or mitigate these impacts but also rehabilitate the wetlands and water courses within the project area.</p>
<p>Digby Wells require guidance from DWS regarding a potential liner requirement.</p> <p>Digby Wells have mentioned that a liner requirement will make the project impractical from an economic perspective.</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	<p>The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).</p>	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>DWS have mentioned that liner requirements are dependent on waste material that will be deposited. A discussion surrounding the liner requirement with DWS specialists will have to be undertaken once all information has been provided. DWS have advised that a liner requirement will be dependent on the material deposited, the area and the sensitivity. Engagement with DWS is currently underway with respect to the above.</p> <p>These will all be discussed as part of the authorisation process.</p> <p>DWS cannot make a decision now regarding the liner requirement as it will depend on the identified impacts and results of the waste classification study.</p> <p>Digby Wells mention that the DWS team must take into account the consolidation of tailings, removal of contamination sources. The project will need to be looked at holistically.</p>

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DWS require clarity on if a liner is required, why would the project not be feasible?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	11/05/2022	Physical Meeting	<p>Discussions will need to be undertaken surrounding the liner requirements. PAR will need to understand the process from a DWS perspective. Engagement with DWS is currently underway with respect to the above.</p> <p>PAR mention that if deposition does not occur in West Wits Pit the project cannot proceed as there is no other alternative deposition site. Similarly, if a liner is required for 1L23-1L25 the project would not be economically viable.</p> <p>PAR also mentioned deposition into West Wits Pit was previously authorised for Mogale and would also like to discuss the validity of the WUL that was authorised by DWS to Mogale.</p> <p>PAR suggest a separate engagement with DWS in order to discuss the liner requirement once all specialist studies have been undertaken and more information is available.</p> <p>Vahlengwe Advisory suggest another engagement with DWS where more details/information will be provided.</p> <p>Digby Wells supports the idea and also mention that the Groundwater specialist will also attend this meeting in order to provide more context and information on the assessment/study that will be undertaken.</p>
Waste minimisation must be implemented in line with the National Waste Management Strategy, 2020.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/06/2022	Letter Correspondence.	A waste management strategy will be implemented and will take into account the National Waste Management Strategy of 2020 as part of the IWWMP that has been compiled and is available for Public Review
<b>12. Emergency Preparedness Safety and Security</b>						
With illegal miners roaming freely on the streets, how will the project ensure safety and security?	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Operational areas that PAR work in will be secured with security. Additional security measures are still in the process of being evaluated. A security management plan will be drafted and implemented.



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We have housing issues, how will the mine assist?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	We need to consider the fact that PAR will not be the only mine operating in and around the area. If PAR does acquire the right and continue with the project a solution on how to deal with such issues will need to be investigated. If it is proven that PAR is responsible for any cracks or damages caused to private properties, then mitigation measures will be considered.
What are the mitigation measures for cracks to houses due to blasting?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	It must be noted that no blasting activities will be undertaken for the proposed reclamation project, thus the risk to houses cracking as a result of blasting activities is not a risk. There are other mining activities within the area, however PAR cannot confirm if these operations utilising explosives cannot be confirmed.
What are the mitigation measures associated with the health issues and risk caused by dust from the mine?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	The EIA Report and associated specialist studies provide specific mitigation measures for all identified negative impacts and has been further discussed within each of the respective specialist reports that have been completed.

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What are the mitigation measures for the negative impacts?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	The EIA Report and associated specialist studies provide specific mitigation measures for all identified negative impacts and has been further discussed within each of the respective specialist reports that have been completed.
What solutions will be put in place with regards to safety and illegal mining;	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	08/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Operational areas that PAR work in will be secured with security. Additional security measures are still in the process of being evaluated.
How will PAR manage the situation with illegal miners? The community's safety is at risk because of them.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	The safety concerns noted with respect to the issues associated with illegal miners is noted. PAR intent is to secure operational areas where activities will be undertaken to deal with the issue of illegal miners operating within the area. Further security measures are being considered and investigated by PAR and further information can be provided in due course with respect to the above.
Provide detail concerning the proposed security arrangement in terms of securing the pipelines and access control to the tailings dams and ensuring trespassing of private land is prevented.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	PAR is aware of these risks and that a plan of action will need to be developed to project assets. Operational areas that PAR is in will be secured with security.

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<p>Please provide an emergency preparedness plan which details potential emergencies and what plans are in place to ensure emergency are avoided or managed where avoidance measures have failed. Such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Measures to ensure no spillage of the tailings dams onto Rand Leases property</li> <li>Leak detection measures for the pipelines.</li> <li>Actions / commitments to be made in the event an emergency occurs such as unintended spillage of tailings material onto Rand Leases land.</li> </ul>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	18/05/2022	Letter of Correspondence	<p>Comment noted. This will be further elaborated on within the EIA Phase of the Project.</p> <p>Please refer to Section 51(e) with respect to proposed mitigation measures that have been recommended.</p> <p>In addition to the above the IWWMP that has been compiled provides further information with respect to emergency preparedness and actions that need to be undertaken.</p>
How safe is our community?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	Operational areas that PAR work in will be secured with security. Additional security measures are still in the process of being evaluated.
How will the mine handle issue of cracks in our houses?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>There are no blasting activities that will be undertaken. This will be a surface operation on the dump. There are no risk of blasting associated with PAR project.</p> <p>PAR and Digby Wells cannot comment on what Amatshe is doing with their underground operations</p>

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Why is blasting not required for this project?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Mintails operated under three rights namely 132 MR, 133 MR and 206 MR.</p> <p>132 MR was acquired from DRD to Mintails, that transaction was not finalised. They were operating under the licence of West Wits.</p> <p>West Wits was a subsidiary of DRD. 132 MR is for underground operations.</p> <p>The same footprint on surface is owned by Mogale which is 206 MR.</p> <p>132 MR and 206 MR are on the same footprint, one being underground and one being surface.</p> <p>132 and 133 MR was sold to Amatshe when Mintails got liquidated.</p> <p>PAR will not dig the ground and will only work on the surface area. 206 MR is what PAR is interested in which is surface. There are no blasting activities associated with the proposed mining method that PAR is undertaking as blasting is not required to remove the facilities, thus no blasting will be undertaken.</p>
<p>As the community of Boltonia, we would appreciate it PAR could have a look at the dumps that have been left by the previous mining company. Who is responsible for the mining dumps? we know it's Mintails but we are now being told it has been liquidated.</p> <p>It is bringing illegal miners and is not safe for this community.</p>	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	21/05/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Mintails operated under the old legislation which did not stipulate guarantees of rehabilitation, it was only in the MPRDA 2002 which required rehabilitation guarantee. At this point Mintails did not have sufficient funds for that process and later filed for liquidation. With the new legislation PAR will need to make provision for rehabilitation upfront.</p> <p>Operational areas that PAR work in will be secured with security. Additional security measures are still in the process of being evaluated.</p>
We have concerns with regards to potential visual impacts and the safety of our houses. Previous mines left our houses with cracks, even the flooring was affected.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR will be undertaking hydraulic mining; therefore, no blasting will take place and the state of houses will not be impacted in any way

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In most cases truck drivers drive recklessly, how can PAR guarantee safe driving?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	22/05/2021	Physical Meeting	We will have a traffic management plan which drivers will need to adhere to. Failure to do so will be dealt with through the required PAR disciplinary procedures.
How will PAR address the issue of illegal miners, given the fact that they are interfering with the operations of the mine and have spread everywhere in Krugersdorp?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	03/06/2022	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	PAR's security experts investigated the area and recommended that a security plan be implemented. The illegal miners are usually found in the pits, particularly the Emerald, Monarch, and Lancaster pits. Part of the plan is to close these pits once the operation begins and tighten up security in the area. PAR recognize the illegal miner's issue, and with the mine operating in the area, it should be brought under control.
In addition to uranium, are there any other toxic substances that have been discovered that PAR is not disclosing?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	Currently, PAR has no indication of the number of toxic elements present. The study undertaken by specialists will identify the number of toxic elements found.  The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.
What risks does this PAR project pose to the community?	The information has been	The information has been omitted in compliance with	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts/risk of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures

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Which risks have been identified so far from the risk assessments which were undertaken; and how does PAR intend to mitigate the risks associated with illegal miners?	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR recognizes the issue of illegal miners. They are most found in pits, specifically the Emerald, Monarch, and Lancaster pits. Once the operation begins, it is planned to close these pits and tighten security in the surrounding area. The security plan cannot be fully explained until a comprehensive mine program is developed, and the mine is operational. When the mine is operational in the area, illegal miners should be brought under control.  The EIA and IWWMP assesses the potential impacts of the project, both positive and negative and makes recommendations and mitigation measures to reduce the significance of potential negative impacts. Refer to Section 12 (3)k of the EIA report, which assess the potential impacts. In addition to this there is an Air Quality Impact Assessment which has been compiled assessing the impacts of dust fallout, which is appended to the EIA. This report provides certain recommendations aiming at mitigating the severity of negative impacts.
It was mentioned that the issue of mining is quite complex because there are several discussions held without any form of commitments. Furthermore, there were concerns raised with regards to illegal mining and PAR was requested to make a commitment to the community on how they plan to compensate for any damages caused through their mining activities.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	PAR is applying for MR 206 dumps, and Amatshe oversees MR 132 underground operations on the same surface. However, they are old legacy mining issues that the community has in terms of abandoned mines or any other mining company, and those issues must be reported to the DMRE because they are outside of PAR and Amatshe mining rights.



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A request was made to PAR to study the old mining structures which have been tampered with by illegal miners, this is so PAR can prevent any further damages.	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	The information has been omitted in compliance with Protection of Personal Information Act ,2013 (Act 4 of 2013).	09/07/2021	Physical Meeting	<p>Commented Noted, PAR is aware of these risks and that a plan of action will need to be developed to protect assets.</p> <p>Pan African Resources is aware of the illegal mining activities that is currently taking place in the Project area, a plan is currently being drafted in order to handle these security threats and to ensure the Health and Safety of the surrounding communities. .</p>



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