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— MINING RIGHT**

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PROOF OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION REPORT

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EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA

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1. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

Roodepoort Coal (Pty) Ltd applied for a Mining Right of coal to the Regional Department of Mineral Resources (“DMR” Mpumalanga) in respect of Portion 15 of the farm Roodepoort 40 IS in the Emalahleni Local Municipality, Mpumalanga, South Africa.

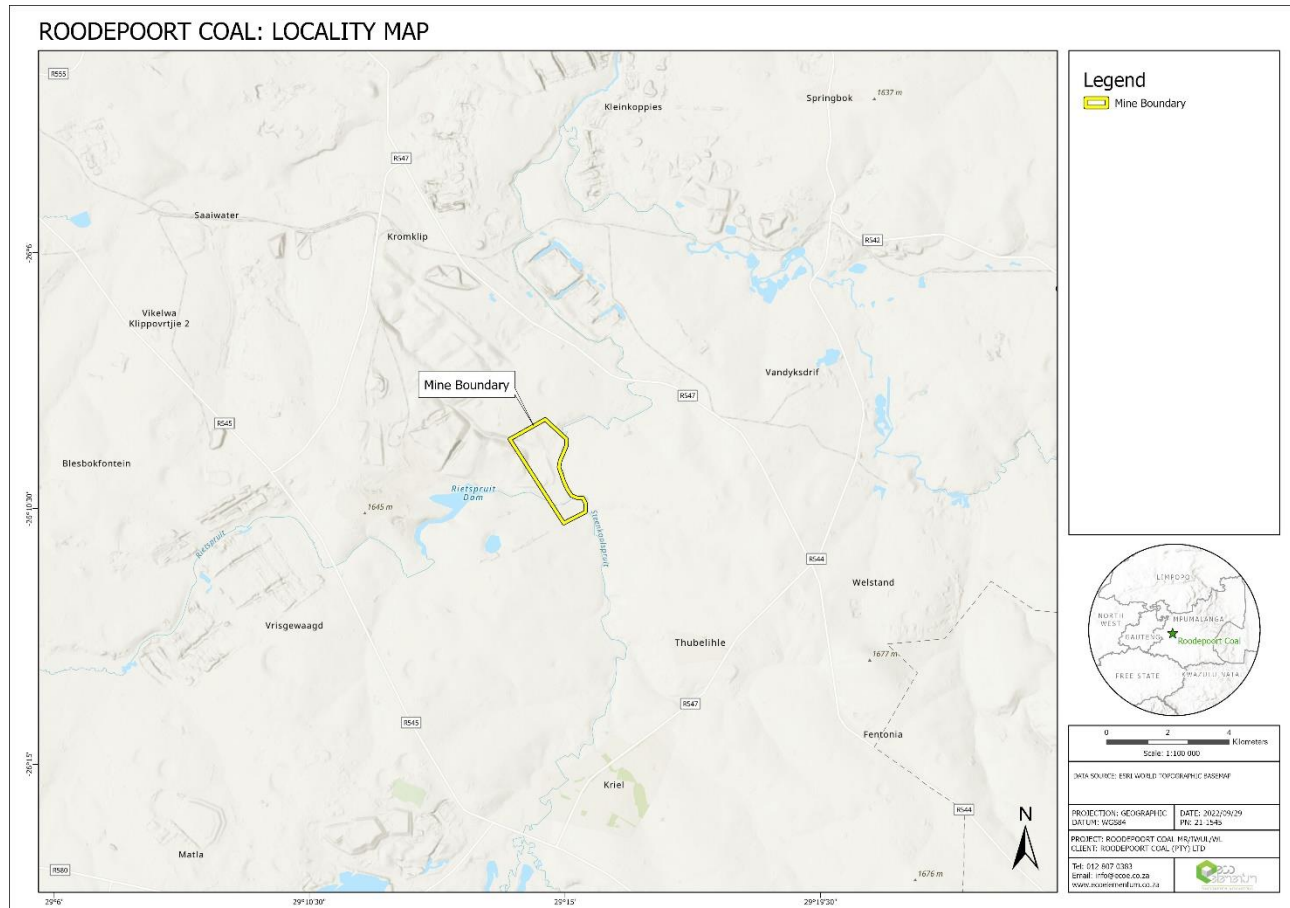


Figure 1 Roodepoort Coal Locality



2. LANDOWNER AND PROPERTY DETAIL

The registered owners of the farms were listed as follows:

Table 2.1: Directly affected landowners

| Farm | | | Ptn | Owner |
|------------|----|----|-----|-------------------------|
| Roodepoort | 40 | IS | 15 | MANHATTAN SYNDICATE LTD |

Surrounding landowners who were contacted are listed below:

| Farm | | | Ptn | Owner |
|-------------|----|----|-----|--|
| Roodekop | 63 | IS | 1 | UNIVERSAL COAL DEV IV PTY LTD |
| Middeldrift | 42 | IS | 1 | GLENCORE OPERATIONS SOUTH AFRICA PTY LTD |
| Middeldrift | 42 | IS | 4 | GLENCORE OPERATIONS SOUTH AFRICA PTY LTD |
| Diepspruit | 41 | IS | 0 | UNIVERSAL COAL DEV IV PTY LTD |
| Diepspruit | 41 | IS | 2 | GLENCORE OPERATIONS SOUTH AFRICA PTY LTD |
| Diepspruit | 41 | IS | 9 | UNIVERSAL COAL DEV IV PTY LTD |
| Roodepoort | 40 | IS | 17 | LIZE TRUST |
| Roodepoort | 40 | IS | 21 | MANHATTAN SYNDICATE LTD |
| Roodepoort | 40 | IS | 6 | EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY |



3. SITE NOTICES

Site notices were placed around the proposed mining site in accordance with Regulation 41(2)(a), (3) and (4) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Published under Government Notice R982 in *Government Gazette* 38282 of 4 December 2014 (as amended)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT APPLICATION AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION: ROODEPOORT COAL - COAL MINE

DMR REF: 30/5/12/2/10338 MR ECO ELEMENTUM REF: 21-1545-AUTH
DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THIS NOTICE: 8 Oct 2021

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Notice is hereby given in terms of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act No.28 of 2002) (MPRDA), together with Regulation 3 (6) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No 107 Of 1998): Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014 (As Amended) (NEMA) and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA), that Roodepoort Coal (Pty) Ltd (RC) has applied for an Environmental Authorisation in support of a Mining Right, and Water Use Licence, and would like to engage the local property owners, interested and Affected Parties in respect of activities proposed on the farm Roodepoort 40 IS Portion 15, situated 10km North of Kriel.


PROJECT TITLE: 21-1545-AUTH Roodepoort Coal MR, EA & IWULA

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ROODEPOORT COAL: LOCALITY MAP



Legend


■ Mining Right Area



Scale: 1:100 000


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Roodepoort MR, EA & IWULA

In order to ensure that you are identified and registered as an **interested and/or affected party**, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the matter to the contact person provided







4. BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

A Background Information Document (BID) was compiled and sent to interested and affected Parties (I&As) in accordance with Regulation 41(2)(b) and (3) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Published under Government Notice R982 in *Government Gazette* 38282 of 4 December 2014 (as amended)

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WHAT IS A S&EIA/EMP

The National Environmental Management Act, 1996 (Act No. 107 of 1996) (NEMA) and the Mineral and Petroleum Resource Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) prescribes the processes to be followed when compiling the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and the Environmental Management Programme (EMP), in respect of listed activities and mining operations respectively, that forms the legal basis of this authorisation. The process aims to ensure that all relevant factors are considered when evaluating the potential environmental impacts of a project, as well as developing appropriate environmental management measures to mitigate these impacts.

The purpose of the EIA is to assess the current environment in which a proposed activity will take place and assess all potential impacts in terms of its extent, duration, intensity and significance relating to the specific activity. The EMP describes the goals and objectives for environmental management to minimise or eliminate the potential environmental impacts, the action plans to bring effect to those goals and objectives, the procedures to be implemented to ensure integration of environmental management into the daily operations, as well as a plan to raise awareness of employees and the surrounding community with regards to environmental management.

LEGAL REQUIREMENT

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LOCATION

Closest town: Situated 10k North of Kriel
Local Municipality: eMalahleni LM
District Municipality: Nkangala DM
Catchment: Located within Quaternary Catchment B11E, within the Upper Olifants catchment and the Olifants Water Management Area



HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

Please send us your comments/views so that we can address them during the S&EIR process. Once you register (see attached registration form), Eco Elementum (Pty) Ltd will keep you informed of the availability of the reports.

To register and/or obtain more information on the project please contact the following person(s) or complete the attached registration form and return to:

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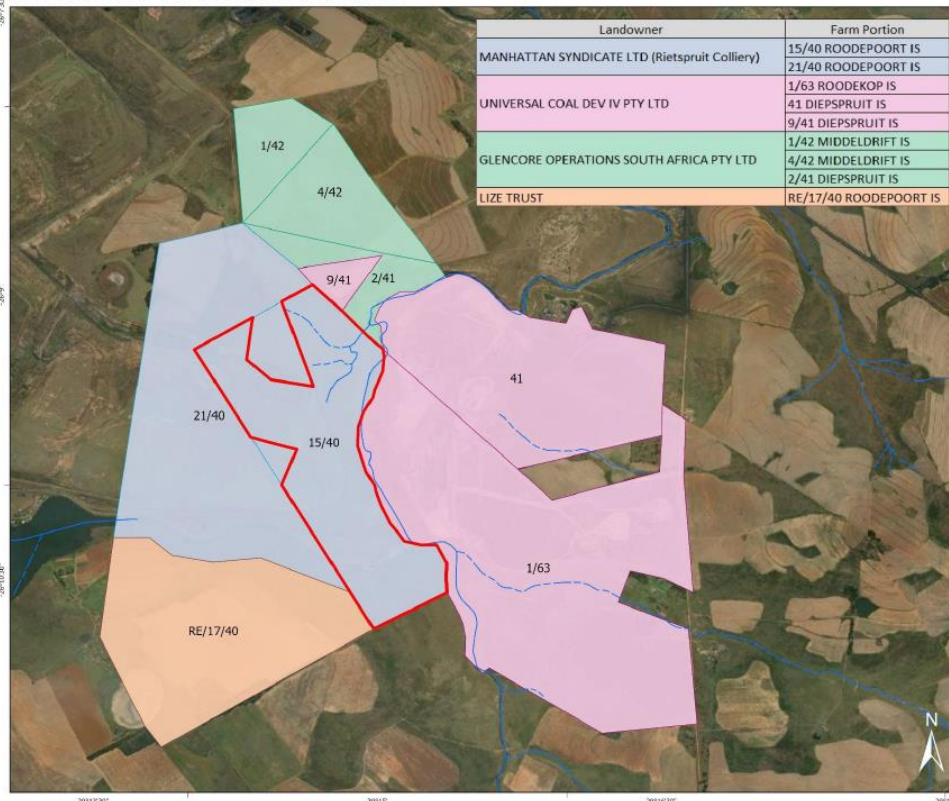
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ROODEPOORT COAL: LANDOWNER MAP



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Mining Right Area
 Rivers
 Non-perennial river
 Perennial river



Scale: 1:20 000

DATA SOURCES:
 THE WORLD TOWN VIEW BASEMAP
 PROJECTION: GEOGRAPHIC
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Meetings will be scheduled during the EIA phase of the Project



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ECC has approval to mine the Lc authorised to mine three open pit Impact Assessment (EIA) and Envi October 2017 (SRK Consulting).

An application for Environmental to the Department of Mineral Resc (Ref. No. MP 30/5/1/2/3/2/1/51 MR the DMRE on 26 January 2021 and

An alignment of all EMPs will en proposed activities associated for document. The following EMPs re DECM operations:

- EMPr for Mining Right [Ref. No. I
- EMPr Amendment for Mining Rig and
- EIA/EMPr for the Dorstfontein Ea Pipeline from Dorstfontein West t MRJ (SRK, October 2017).

The proposed expansion of the of ancillary infrastructure triggers Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulat amended) (EIA Regulations, 2014) Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 1 EIA Process be undertaken to obta

Digby Wells Environmental (Digby V Assessment Practitioner to indeper relevant to the Proposed Project.

Project Location: The Proposed P across two district municipalities, G under Govan Mbeki and Emalahle Mbeki) and Ward 25 (Emalahleni).

Public

Digby Wells hereby informs Intere EIA Report for the proposed proje **01 October 2021 to 01 November**

The Report is available on Digby V Documents. The Report can be dow free link <http://view.datafree.co/P> also be placed at Kriel Public Librar

Stakeholders are invited to register the proposed project. Registered I via their preferred means of com contact the Stakeholder Engagem

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Contact Person:

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5.2 PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

5.2.1 Email

An email notifying the I&APs of the proposed project, the public participation process, draft Scoping Report review and how to comment, was sent to all identified I&APs.

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NOTICE AND INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE MINING OF COAL IN RESPECT OF PORTION 15 OF THE FARM ROODEPOORT 40 IS, EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NKANGALA DISTRICT, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA

An integrated environmental application process will be followed by means of a S&EIA Process. The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) will be made available for a 30-day public review period on the website (<https://ecoelementum.co.za/downloads/>) and per download link (upon request). Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register and provide written comments. I&APs should refer to the relevant reference number(s), and must provide their comments together with their name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application to the contact person indicated below.

RIANA PANAINO
 Senior Environmental Consultant
 BSc Hons Biodiversity and Conservation
 SACNASP – Professional Natural Scientist
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5.2.2 SMS

An sms notifying the I&APs of the proposed project, the public participation process, draft Scoping Report review and how to comment, was sent to all identified I&APs.

| Contact | Status | Status Date | Sent Data |
|----------------------------------|---------|----------------------|--|
| Cllr. Thembi Shabalala (Ward 32) | DELIVRD | 10/8/2021 6:07:51 PM | Notice is given in terms of NEMA of the availability of Roodepoort Coal DSR for Public Review. EcoElementum was appointed to assist with the environmental application process. The DSR is available for 30 days on https://ury.io/aChcdD . Contact: riana@ecoe.co.za /REPLY TO THIS SMS with comments. Your information is for this project use and will not be shared. https://opt-out.co/@@@@ |
| Cobus Burger | DELIVRD | 10/8/2021 6:07:56 PM | Notice is given in terms of NEMA of the availability of Roodepoort Coal DSR for Public Review. EcoElementum was appointed to assist with the environmental application process. The DSR is available for 30 days on https://ury.io/CChcdD . Contact: riana@ecoe.co.za /REPLY TO THIS SMS with comments. Your information is for this project use and will not be shared. https://opt-out.co/@@@@ |
| Elize Potgieter | DELIVRD | 10/8/2021 6:07:51 PM | Notice is given in terms of NEMA of the availability of Roodepoort Coal DSR for Public Review. EcoElementum was appointed to assist with the environmental application process. The DSR is available for 30 days on https://ury.io/HChcdD . Contact: riana@ecoe.co.za /REPLY TO THIS SMS with comments. Your information is for this project use and will not be shared. https://opt-out.co/@@@@ |
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5.3 SUBMISSION OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT

The Draft Scoping Report was submitted to the following Commenting Authorities for comment:

| Department | Attention to |
|--|--|
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| Nkangala District Municipality | Pierre Rossouw |
| eMalahleni LM | Ordain Riba |
| Mpumalanga Tourism and Park Agency | Komilla Narasoo |
| Department of Roads and Transport | Mr Mxolisi Cyril Dlamini |
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| Mpumalanga Economic Development & Tourism | Mr N Sebitso (Acting HOD) / Mr J Ndimma (Director) Planning and Coordination |



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DATE: 19

Contact Name: Riana Painano
Contact Phone Number (Very Important): 012 807 0383

To (Contact Name): Mr Mxolisi Dlamini
Contact Phone Number (Very Important): 0137666696

Company Name: Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD
Street Address: 361 Oberon Avenue
Glenfield Office Park
Nika Building, 1st Floor
Faerie Glen
City: FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria
Country: Country
Postal Code: Postal Code

Company Name: Department of Roads and Transport
Street Address: Government Boulevard
Riverside Government Complex
Building 7
Riverside Park
City: MBOMBELA (NELSPRUIT)
Country: Country
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Contact Name: **Riana Painano** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **012 807 0383**
Company Name: **Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD**
Street Address: **361 Oberon Avenue, Glenfield Office Park, Nika Building, 1st Floor, Faerie Glen**
City: **FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria** Country: **South Africa** Postal Code: **0183**

To (Contact Name): **Ordain Riba** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **0136906350**
Company Name: **eMalahleni Local Municipality**
Exact Street Address (Include Numbers): **29 Mandela Street, Civic Centre, eMalahleni**
City: **EMALAHLENI** Country: **South Africa** Postal Code: **1300**

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Contact Name: **Riana Painano** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **012 807 0383**
Company Name: **Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD**
Street Address: **361 Oberon Avenue, Glenfield Office Park, Nika Building, 1st Floor, Faerie Glen**
City: **FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria** Country: **South Africa** Postal Code: **0183**

To (Contact Name): **Pierre Rossouw** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **013249200**
Company Name: **Nkangala District Municipality**
Exact Street Address (Include Numbers): **2A Walter Sisulu Street, 1050**
City: **MIDDELBURG** Country: **South Africa** Postal Code: **2700**

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Contact Name: **Riana Painano** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **012 807 0383**
Company Name: **Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD**
Street Address: **361 Oberon Avenue, Glenfield Office Park, Nika Building, 1st Floor, Faerie Glen**
City: **FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria** Country: Postal Code:

To (Contact Name): **Love Shabane** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **0137540732**
Company Name: **Department of Agriculture Forestry and F**
Exact Street Address: **27 Brown Street Boulevard, 2nd Floor**
City: **NELSPRUIT** Country: Postal Code:

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Contact Name: **Riana Painano** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **012 807 0383**
Company Name: **Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD**
Street Address: **361 Oberon Avenue, Glenfield Office Park, Nika Building, 1st Floor, Faerie Glen**
City: **FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria** Country: Postal Code:

To (Contact Name): **Phumla Nkosi** Contact Phone Number (Very Important): **0137595300**
Company Name: **Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency**
Exact Street Address: **Office 03D, MTPA, N4 Halls Gateway, Mataffin, 1200**
City: **MBOMBELA (NELSPRUIT)** Country: Postal Code:

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| Contact Name: | | Contact Phone Number (Very Important) | | To (Contact Name): | | Contact Phone Number (Very Important) | | OFFICE REFERENCE | |
| Riana Painano | | 012 807,0383 | | Mr Sebitso/Mr Ndima | | 0137664004 | | 19 | |
| Company Name: | | Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD | | Company Name: | | Mpumalanga Economic Development ar | | | |
| Street Address: | | 361 Oberon Avenue Glenfield Office Park Nika Building, 1st Floor Faerie Glen | | Exact Street Address: | | Riverside Government Complex Building no 4 1st Floor 7 Government Boulevard | | | |
| City | | FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria | | City | | MBOMBELA (NELSPRUIT) | | Postal Code | |
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| Company Name: | | Eco Elementum(PTY)LTD | | Company Name: | | Mpumalanga Department of Agriculture, | | | |
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| City | | FAERIE GLEN, Pretoria | | City | | MBOMBELA (NELSPRUIT) | | Postal Code | |
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6. EIA PHASE

6.1 ADVERT

Adverts were placed in a local Newspaper in accordance with Regulation 41(2)(c), and (3) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations Published under Government Notice R982 in *Government Gazette* 38282 of 4 December 2014 (as amended)

Advert proof will be added in the final submission.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL
AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENCE
APPLICATION: ROODEPOORT COAL - COAL MINE
DMR REF: MP 30/5/1/2/2/10338 MR
ECO ELEMENTUM REF: 21-1545-AUTH**



NOTICE AND INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION FOR THE MINING OF COAL IN RESPECT OF THE FARM ROODEPOORT 40 IS PORTION 15, EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NKANGALA DISTRICT, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA

Notice is hereby given in terms of the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA), together with Regulation 3 (6) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998): Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014 (As Amended) (NEMA) and the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA), that Roodepoort Coal (Pty) Ltd (RC) has applied for an Environmental Authorisation in support of a Mining Right, and a Water Use Licence.


PROJECT TITLE: PROJECT TITLE: 21-1545-AUTH Roodepoort Coal MR, EA & IWULA

PROPOSED PROJECT: The intent to mine requires the following applications and subsequent approvals prior to commencement:


- Mining Right (MPRDA): Section 22
- Environmental Authorisation (NEMA and EIA Regulations namely): GNR 983 – Activities 9, 10, 12, 14, 19, 24, GNR 984 – Activities 4, 6, 15, 17 & 19, GNR 985 – Activities 4f, 10f
- Waste Licence: NEMWA Category B: Activity 10, 11
- An Integrated Water Use Licence Application in terms of the NWA Section 21 water uses including (a) abstraction from a borehole (c) and (i) mining activities within 500m from a wetland (g) dust suppression, coal stockpiling, mine residue stockpiling and dirty water dams, (j) abstraction from pit.

To this effect a Scoping & EIA Process will be followed. The Draft EIR will be made available for a 30-day public review period (30 Sept to 30 Oct 2022) on the website (<http://ecoelementum.co.za/downloads/>) and per download link (upon request). Interested and affected parties (I&APs) are invited to register and provide written comments.

A public meeting will be held on 28 October at Boesmanland Lapa, off the R545, from 10h00 to 12h00.



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**Comments should be sent to: Riana Panaino
Office: 012 807 0383 | Email: Riana@ecoe.co.za**



6.2 PROOF OF NOTIFICATION

6.2.1 Email

An email notifying the I&APs of the proposed project, the public participation process, draft EIA Report review and how to comment, was sent to all identified I&APs. Proof of notification will be attached in the final submission

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6.3 SUBMISSION OF DRAFT EIA REPORT

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| eMalahleni LM | Ordain Riba |
| Mpumalanga Tourism and Park Agency | Komilla Narasoo |
| Department of Roads and Transport | Mr Mxolisi Cyril Dlamini |
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| Mpumalanga Economic Development & Tourism | Mr N Sebitso (Acting HOD) / Mr J Ndima (Director) Planning and Coordination |



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7. ISSUES AND RESPONSES

| Interested and Affected Parties List the names of persons consulted in this column, and Mark with an X where those who must be consulted were in fact consulted | Date Comments Received | Issues raised | EAPs response to issues as mandated by the applicant |
|---|------------------------------|-----------------------------|---|
| AFFECTED PARTIES | | | |
| Landowner/s | x | | |
| MANHATTAN SYNDICATE LTD (Phillip Mtshweni) | x | No comment received to date | |
| Landowners or lawful occupiers on adjacent properties | | | |
| No comments received to date | | | |
| Municipal councillor | | | |
| Municipality | x | | |
| eMalaheni Local Municipality | x | 19/10/2021 | Mr Malele Riba requested to be registered as a Commenting Authority. |
| Mr Riba has been added as the contact person at the LM, and a copy of the DSR was sent to him. | | | |
| Organs of state (Responsible for infrastructure that may be affected Roads Department, Eskom, Telkom, DWA) | x | | |
| Transnet (Thami Hadebe) | x | 11/10/2021 | Your wayleave application with reference 21-1545-AUTH (MP 30/5/1/2/2/10338 MR) dated 08 October 2021 has reference. Transnet Pipelines, a division of Transnet SOC Limited, is not affected by the proposal. Your awareness of the existence of Transnet's pipeline servitudes and concern for their integrity is highly appreciated. This authorisation shall be valid for 48 months from the date - 11 October 2021. |
| Comment noted and taken into consideration. | | | |
| Communities | | | |
| NA | | | |
| Dept. Land Affairs | x | | |
| No comments received to date | | | |
| Traditional Leaders | | | |
| N/A | | | |
| Dept. Environmental Affairs | x | | |
| No comments received to date | | | |
| Other Competent Authorities affected | x | | |
| Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency | x | 05/11/2021 | The sensitivity of the above farm was assessed using the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan (MBSP; MTPA 2014). This sensitivity is assessed in terms of Terrestrial and Freshwater Assessments, In terms of the MBSP based terrestrial biodiversity assessment (Figure 1), and freshwater biodiversity assessment (Figure 2) there are sensitive areas should be avoided. The MTPA has no objection to this application but has the following concerns: 1, The MTPA requires that an Ecological study is done. A site inspection and surveys during the growing season. 2, A botanical survey is required for the proposed mining site and immediate adjacent natural areas. All the species of conservation concern (Protected plants) should be marked for rescued purposes. |
| During the EIA phase an Ecological Assessment will be undertaken by a SACNASP registered Ecologist, and will include both terrestrial and aquatic assessments. The comments will be taken into consideration by the specialist. | | | |



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| | | <p>3. A thorough mitigation plan and rehabilitation plan designed to prevent AMD entering the natural system as well as the prevention of the re-colonization by exotic vegetation should be implemented. The rehabilitation plan should not only focus on the landscaping of the mined area but also on bioremediation of the soils in order for future post mining use.</p> <p>4. An Active water purification system must be investigated and must address the possible pollution through AMD decanting, underground pollution plume, storm water pollution from discard dumps, overflow from pollution control facilities and leachates. Clean water must be provided back into the natural system.</p> <p>MBSP Terrestrial Biodiversity Assessment:</p> <p>1. CBA Optimal area should be avoided by opencast mining.</p> <p>2. Other natural areas- Ecological study required.</p> <p>MBSP Freshwater Assessment:</p> <p>1. CBA wetlands. Delineation with a 100-meter buffer to be avoided.</p> <p>2. ONA: An ecological study is required.</p> | |
| OTHER AFFECTED PARTIES | | | |
| No comments received to date | | | |
| INTERESTED PARTIES | | | |
| Cobus Burger | 10/10/2021 | <p>In response to the BID document:</p> <p>Appreciate the feedback! just for my understanding what must we do with this form must we complete it?</p> | <p>If you wish to register as an interested and affected party for this project please complete the form at the back of the BID.</p> <p>If you wish to be removed from the database for this project, please let me know, and I will do so.</p> |
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Updated- 30/9/2022

RE: Emailing as (I&APs)



Riana Panaino
To: 'xolani wonderboy'



2021/10/12

Hi Xolani

I have registered you as an interested and Affected Party.

Regards

From: xolani wonderboy <wonderboyxolani921@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 12 October 2021 08:09
To: Riana Panaino <riana@ecoe.co.za>
Subject: Emailing as (I&APs)

Good day sir / madam

We are an SMME based in Emalahleni
 Our best interest is to empower youth in terms of jobs and skills opportunities we our we
 interested to be part of the local beneficiary

Comment ref:DMR REF: MP 30/5/1/2/2/10338 MR

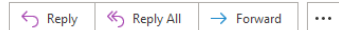
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Kind regards
 Gmamba Enterprise (PTY) LTD
 0799064993

RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION: ROODEPOORT ...



Riana Panaino
To: 'Burger, Cobus (C)'



Tue 2021/10/12 09:49

Hi Cobus

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If you wish to be removed from the database for this project, please let me know, and I will do so.

Regards

Riana

From: Burger, Cobus (C) <cobus.burger@sasol.com>
Sent: Sunday, 10 October 2021 09:08
To: Riana Panaino <riana@ecoe.co.za>
Subject: RE: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION: ROODEPOORT COAL

Hey Riana,

Appreciate the feedback!, just for my understanding what must we do with this form must we complete it? Sorry for the questions but haven't done this in my career.

Regards
 Cobus

From: Riana Panaino <riana@ecoe.co.za>
Sent: 08 October 2021 17:50
To: Riana Panaino <riana@ecoe.co.za>
Subject: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION: ROODEPOORT COAL

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NOTICE AND INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MINING RIGHT AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION FOR THE MINING OF COAL IN RESPECT OF PORTION 15 OF THE FARM ROODEPOORT 40 IS, EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NKANGALA DISTRICT, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA

An integrated environmental application process will be followed by means of a S&EIA Process. The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) will be made available for a 30-day public review period on the website (<https://ecoelementum.co.za/downloads/>) and per download link (upon request). Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to register and provide written comments. I&APs should refer to the relevant reference number(s), and must provide their comments together with their name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application to the contact person indicated below.





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Dear Me Panaino

MTPA'S COMMENTS REGARDING THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED ROODEPOORT COAL MINING OPERATION FOR COAL IN TERMS OF SECTION 40 OF THE MPRDA ACT 2002, (ACT 28 OF 2002) AND CHAPTER 3 SECTION 7 OF NEMA, APPLICATION BY ZOMHLABA RESOURCES (PTY) LTD IN RESPECT OF PORTION 15 OF THE FARM ROODEPOORT 40 IS, SITUATED WITHIN THE NKANGALA MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF EMALAHLENI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE. MP 30/5/1/2/2/ 10338 MR.

With reference to your correspondence MP 30/5/1/2/2 10338 MR of October 2021, herewith our comments.

The sensitivity of the above farm was assessed using the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan (MBSP; MTPA 2014). This sensitivity is assessed in terms of Terrestrial and Freshwater Assessments. In terms of the MBSP based terrestrial biodiversity assessment (Figure 1), and freshwater biodiversity assessment (Figure 2) there are sensitive areas should be avoided. The MTPA has no objection to this application but has the following concerns:

1. The MTPA requires that an Ecological study is done. A site inspection and surveys during the growing season.

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2. A botanical survey is required for the proposed mining site and immediate adjacent natural areas. All the species of conservation concern (Protected plants) should be marked for rescued purposes.
3. A thorough mitigation plan and rehabilitation plan designed to prevent AMD entering the natural system as well as the prevention of the re-colonization by exotic vegetation should be implemented. The rehabilitation plan should not only focus on the landscaping of the mined area but also on bioremediation of the soils in order for future post mining use.
4. An Active water purification system must be investigated and must address the possible pollution through AMD decanting, underground pollution plume, storm water pollution from discard dumps, overflow from pollution control facilities and leachates. Clean water must be provided back into the natural system.

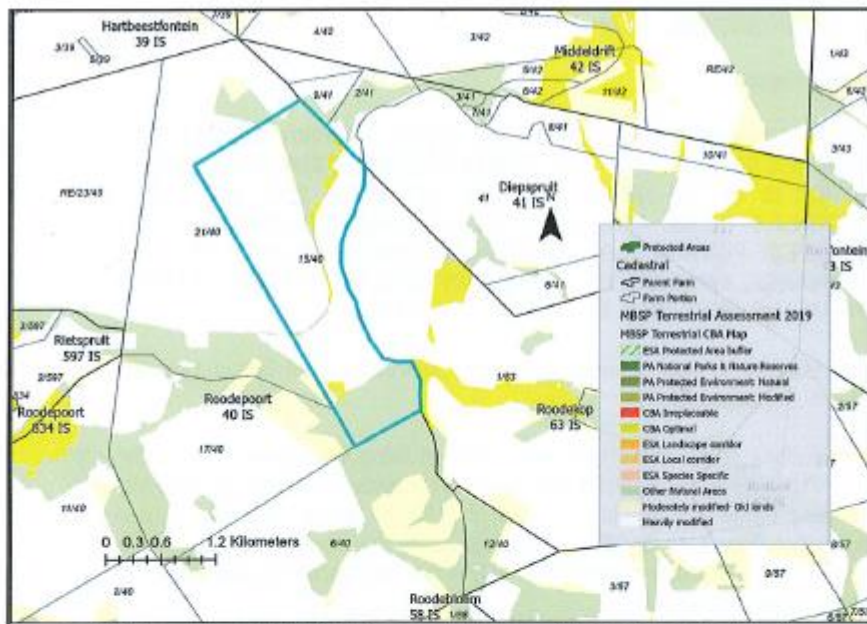


Figure 1. MBSP based Terrestrial biodiversity assessment maps of these portions indicating the sensitivity in terms of the CBA status of the farm:

1. CBA Optimal area should be avoided by opencast mining.
2. Other natural areas- Ecological study required.

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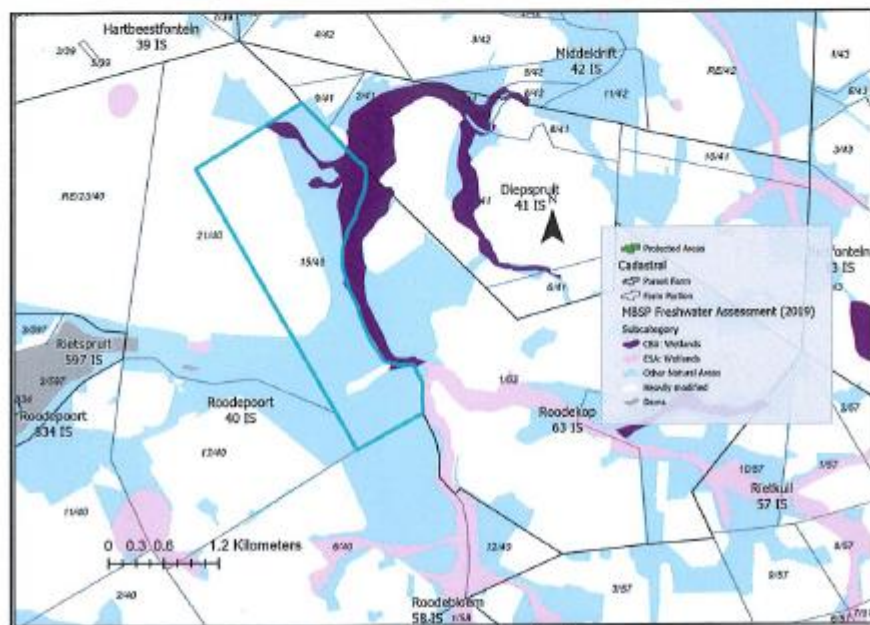


Figure 2. MBSP based Freshwater assessment map indicating:

1. CBA wetlands. Delineation with a 100-meter buffer to be avoided.
2. ONA: An ecological study is required.

Me. Panaino apart from being registered as a SACNASP Scientist you should also consider registering as an EAPSA member. This is a much more comprehensive registration for a multidisciplinary science.

Kind Regards



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MANAGER SCIENTIFIC SERVICES
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