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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Anglo American - Rustenburg Platinum Mines
60 Main
Marshalltown
Johannesburg

PROPOSED VENTILATION SHAFT AT THE SIPHUMELELE 1 MINE AT RUSTENBURG PLATINUM MINES (PTY) LTD - RUSTENBURG SECTION LOCATED NEAR RUSTENBURG WITHIN THE NORTH WEST PROVINCE (KLIPFONTEIN 300 JQ)

WSP Environmental (Pty) Ltd was appointed by Rustenburg Platinum Mines (Pty) Ltd (RPM) to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application Process for an additional ventilation shaft on an existing Mining Right Area on the Remainder of Portion 2, Klipfontein 300JQ, Bonjanala District Municipality. A draft Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) will be made available for public review.

A Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) was submitted as part of the application to SAHRA. The HIA was written by Archaetnos Culture and Cultural Resources Consultants.

Vollenhoven, A. C and de Bryn, C. 2014. A Report on the updating of a Previous Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment for the EMPr Alignment And Consolidation Process At Anglo American Platinum: Rustenburg Platinum Mines – Rustenburg Section, Northwest Province.

The HIA was conducted in 2014 for the original EMPr Alignment and Consolidation Process. The entire mining right area was resurveyed and a total of 82 sites were identified, which range from Early Stone Age (ESA) sites, Iron Age sites, historical structures and graves. It appears that the area where the proposed ventilation shaft is to be located is devoid of heritage resources; however it is not made clear in the submitted report.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requests that a letter of clarity detailing the results of the HIA that specifically apply to the location of the proposed ventilation shaft be submitted for comment. Additionally, the draft EMPr and appendices must be submitted so that an informed comment may be issued.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

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Yours faithfully

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