Proposed sand mining area situated on a 5ha section of the Hartbees River on Erf 1768 Kakamas-South

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Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Kobus Duvenhage Bouers BK

Stand 1070 Louisvale Road Upington South Afirca

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Green Direction Sustainability Consulting has been appointed by Kobus Duvenhage Bouers (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed sand mining activities on section of the Hartbees River on Erf 1768, Kakamas South, Kai !Garib Local Municipality, Northern Cape. A draft Basic Assessment Report (dBAR) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) has been conducted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the EIA Regulations 2017 for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed activities will cover 5 ha and include loading and hauling of river sand from the Hartebees River, 1.5 m deep. Associated activities include a stockpile area and parking area/laydown area.

The BAR notes that no heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed activities, however no Heritage Impact Assessment has been conducted as part of the EA Application process as per Section 38(8) and 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

Final Comment

SAHRA cannot endorse this proposed development as no HIA has been conducted as part of the BAR process as required by Section 38 of the NHRA.

SAHRA therefore advises the Department of Environmental Affairs and the Department of Mineral Resources to reject the application for EA and Mining Permit on the section of the Hartbees River on Erf 1768, Kakamas South, Kai !Garib Local Municipality, Northern Cape (NC 30/5/1/3/2/10631 MP).

This comment must be submitted directly to the competent authority and proof of delivery must be provided to SAHRA.

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

Yours faithfully

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