

Lesego Thabang Masilo (Pty) Ltd proposes to conduct prospecting activities for Chrome I on the farm Vlakfontein 164 JP is situated within Moses Kotane Local Municipality, Bojanala District Municipality

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

Attention: Tshikovha Environmental & Communication Consulting

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Lesego Thabang Masilo (Pty) Ltd has commissioned Tshikovha Green and Climate Change Advocates (Pty) Ltd, as an Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment in order to obtain the Prospecting Right to commence with the prospecting activities. The proposed prospecting activities will be undertaken on portion 1 and remaining extent on the farm Vlakfontein 164 JP covering an aerial extent of 2946.49 ha. The proposed activities will include both invasive and non-invasive phases that will take place in a period of 5 years.

Thank you for notifying SAHRA on the proposed Prospecting activities for chrome on portion 1 and remaining extent of farm Vlakfontein 164 JP, within Moses Kotane Local Municipality in Bojanala District Municipality, North West Province.

Tshikovha Green Climate Change Advocates (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by the applicant, Lesego Thabang Masilo (Pty) Ltd to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). A Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) has been submitted in terms of Regulation 16 of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No 107 of 1998 (NEMA): EIA Regulations, 2017 and Section 16 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002, Act 28 of 2002.

The total extent of the proposed application area is 2946.493169 hectares and it is located 55km from Rustenburg. The proposed prospecting location is an area of moderate palaeontological sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map.

The prospecting activities will be conducted in progressive phases which will include non-invasive (desktop studies and aerial magnetic surveys) and invasive methods (sampling, drilling, bulk sampling). The prospecting will be done over a period of five years.

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An heritage practitioner must be appointed to conduct the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) which should be submitted to the case file on SAHRIS before the environmental authorisation and prospecting right is granted. The HIA must include a detailed Archaeological Impact assessment and it must comply with section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). The AIA must comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments. See www.asapa.org.za or www.aphp.org.za for a list of specialists that would be able to provide an AIA.

Furthermore, the proposed prospecting location is in an area of moderate palaeontological sensitivity, therefore, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit expects a palaeontological desktop study to be done. The report must comply with the SAHRA 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Component of Heritage Impact Assessments (a list of qualified paleontologists is available upon request from our office while the Palaeontological Society of South Africa website is being restored).

Any other heritage resources as defined in section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as maritime archaeology, built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.

The SAHRA APM unit awaits the HIA to be submitted before any further comments can be issued.

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

Yours faithfully

Natasha Higgitt
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South African Heritage Resources Agency

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(DMR, Ref: NW 30/5/1/1/3/2/1/12406)

Terms & Conditions:

1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.