

**Application for Prospecting Right over the farm Doornspruit 84 JQ and the farm Roodekraalspruit 113 JQ, magisterial district of Rustenburg**

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## **Interim Comment**

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

Attention: Bila Mining (Pty) Ltd

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Thank you for notifying SAHRA of the Environmental Authorisation (EA) and Prospecting Right Application on Doornspruit 84 JQ and the farm Roodekraalspruit 113 JQ, magisterial district of Rustenburg, North West Province (NW30/5/1/1/2/12516PR).

As the proposed development is undergoing an EA Application process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 28 of 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended), it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a **Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA)** is done as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). This must include an archaeological component, palaeontological component and any other applicable heritage components. The HIA must be conducted **as part of the** EA Application in terms of NEMA and the NEMA EIA Regulations.

The quickest process to follow for the archaeological component would be to contract a qualified archaeologist (see [www.asapa.org.za](http://www.asapa.org.za) or [www.aphp.org.za](http://www.aphp.org.za) to provide an Archaeological Impact Assessment (AIA). The AIA must comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments.

The proposed prospecting area is located within an area of insignificant sensitivity in terms of palaeontological resources as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. As such, no further assessment of the impact to palaeontological resources is required.

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.

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The draft Scoping, EIA and appendices must be submitted at the start of each public review process so that an informed comment 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

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