

M2 Precious and Base Metal has applied for Prospecting Right for copper in the Northern Cape Springbok area

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Final Comment

In terms of Section 38(4), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: M2 Precious and Base Metals

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Divhani Mulaudzi has been appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) by M2 Precious and Base Metals (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application and Prospecting Rights Application for proposed prospecting on several farms near Springbok, Northern Cape Province (NC30/5/1/1/2/12267PR).

A Final Basic Assessment Report (BAR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, no 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA EIA Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, No 28 of 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed prospecting will include 12 boreholes with an operations area of 112.5m² each.

The BAR notes that no heritage resources will be impacted, however no Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) that complies with section 38(3) or section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) has been submitted.

Final Comment

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit cannot endorse this proposed development and advises the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) and the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) to reject the application to prospect on several farms near Springbok, Northern Cape Province (NC30/5/1/1/2/12267PR) as no HIA has been completed in terms of section 38(8) of the NHRA.

This comment must be forwarded directly to the competent authorities and proof of the submission and receipt thereof 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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