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

Attention: Mr Mxolisi Mapitiza

Exploration for Manganese through magnetics, resistivity and rc core drilling.

Bohlale Family Trust has appointed Tshifhiwa Lawrence Mulovhedzi as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to conduct an Environmental Authorisation Application for proposed prospecting activities on the farm Olyn Fontein 475, near Postmasburg, Northern Cape Province (NC30/5/1/1/2/12383 PR).

A Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2014 EIA Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed prospecting right application area will cover approximately 103.0868 ha, and will include activities such as vegetation clearance, diamond core drilling (5 boreholes in total), site camp, equipment storage, and ablution facilities.

The BAR notes that no heritage resources will be impacted by the proposed development activities however, no assessment of heritage resources has been undertaken as part of the EA application as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA) as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA.

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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 the farm Olyn Fontein 475, near Postmasburg, Northern Cape Province (NC30/5/1/1/2/12383 PR) as no HIA that complies with section 38(3) or section 38(8) of the NHRA as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of the NEMA has been completed as part of the EA application.

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

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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