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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: Willie Oosthuizen  
Wadala Mining and Consulting Pty Ltd

### **Prospecting Right application by Kimswa Mining Pty Ltd on Portion 3 (Beatrys) Lanyon Vale 376, Hay in the Northern Cape Province**

Wadala Mining and Consulting (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Kimswa Mining (Pty) Ltd to undertake an Environmental Authorisation Application for proposed prospecting activities on Portion 3 (Beatrys) Lanyon Vale 376, near Prieska, Northern Cape Province (NC 30/5/1/1/2/13217 PR).

A Draft Scoping Report (DSR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the EIA Regulations for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (MPRDA)(As amended). The proposed prospecting will include 100 pits (2 x 3 x 0.5?5 m deep), 30 trenches (100 x 50 0.5?5 m deep), water pipelines, clean and dirty water system, clean water dam or return water dam, washbays, various stockpiles, temporary workshop facilities, and ablution facilities within an application area of 2 841.985 ha.

It is noted that the DSR states that an assessment of the impact to heritage resources will be done as part of the EIA phase.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requests that the pending assessment of the impact to heritage resources complies with section 38(3) of the NHRA as required by section 38(8) of the NHRA. The HIA must include an archaeological and palaeontological component.

The field-based archaeological component of the HIA must be conducted by a qualified archaeologist and must comply with the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Components of Impact Assessment Reports (see [www.asapa.co.za](http://www.asapa.co.za) or [www.aphp.org.za](http://www.aphp.org.za) for a list of qualified archaeologists).

The proposed development is located within an area of moderate, high and very high Palaeontological Sensitivity as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. As such, a field-based Palaeontological Impact

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Assessment (PIA) must be undertaken by a qualified palaeontologist. (See <https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html> for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessments.

Any other heritage resources as defined in section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as 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.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above requested reports and draft EIA inclusive of appendices.

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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