

PLANT EXPANSION AND RE-PROCESSING OF EXISTING TAILING STORAGE FACILITY

Our Ref: 7769



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Response to NID (Notification of Intent to Develop)

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

Attention: SLR Consulting (Africa)

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Pilanesburg Platinum Mines plant expansion and re-processing of the existing tailings storage facility

Pilanesberg Platinum Mines (Pty) Ltd wishes to start closing down its existing mine, also to expand its existing plant for other mineral processing facilities. Ruighoek 169 JP, Tuschenkomst 135 JP, Witkleifontein 136 JP, Rooderand 46 JQ, Wilgespruit 2 JQ and Rooderand 46 JQ, Moses Kotane, North West Province.

In terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), no 25 of 1999, heritage resources, including archaeological or palaeontological sites over 100 years old, graves older than 60 years, structures older than 60 years are protected. They may not be disturbed without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority. This means that before such sites are disturbed by development it is incumbent on the developer (or mine) to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment is done. This must include the archaeological component (Phase 1) and any other applicable heritage components. Appropriate (Phase 2) mitigation, which involves recording, sampling and dating sites that are to be destroyed, must be done as required.

SAHRA response to Notification of Development

The Scoping report references a HIA (Pistorius 2006) which makes the report and assessment out of date, SAHRA only accepts Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) reports that are less than 5 years to date. Since the closure of the mine includes the construction of metal processing facilities, the proposed construction areas and their surroundings will have to be re-assessed by a suitably qualified professional archaeologist.

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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(DMR, Ref: NW30/5/1/2/2/320MR)

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.



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