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Interim Comment

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

Attention: Moopetsi Chrome Investment (Pty) Ltd

13 Tiger Fish Ave
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about Moopetsi Chrome Investments (Pty) Ltd (Moopetsi) intention to mine for CHROME reserves on a portion of Portion 3 of the farm Vogelstruisnek 173 JP in the Moses Kotane District Municipality of the North West Province. The method that will be employed is a very basic form of open pit mining, and a 5 ha area will be demarcated for mining activities. Blasting and subsequent mining of the orebody utilising a truck and shovel operation will be conducted. The mined ore will be crushed and screened utilising a mobile crushing and screening plant. A front-end loader will be utilised to load the material into haulage trucks. The ore will be processed off-site. The mine will operate for a two (2) year permit period with an option to renew for three (3) periods, each of which may not exceed one (1) year if the mining programme is not completed.

Bateleur Environmental and Monitoring Services have been appointed by Moopetsi Chrome Investment (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed mining of Chrome reserves on a Portion of Portion 3 of the Farm Vogelstruisnek 173 JP, Moses Kotane district Municipality, North West Province (DMRE Ref: NW 30/5/1/3/3/2/1/10802 EM).

A Basic Assessment Report (BAR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) as amended and the NEMA 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (As amended) for activities that trigger the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (As

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Amended). The scope of work entails mining with associated infrastructure on an area of 5Ha: Site clearance, removal of top soil, blasting, loading zone, hauling and transportation, abluion facilities and waste storage area, stock piles, access route etc..

Sections 2.3, Table 4 (pg 21-2) of the BAR states that specialist heritage impact study has been undertaken in support of this Mining Permit application and section 20.2 (pg 75) states that "No sites of cultural significance have been identified in or around the mining site".

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The SAHRA acknowledges receipt of the BAR and notes the statement contained in therein with regards to heritage resources. The SAHRA's APM Unit requests the HIA report be uploaded to the SAHRIS case application. If the an HIA has not been undertaken, it should be undertaken in terms of section 38(3) of the NHRa (25 of 1999) as part of the EA process.

The proposed development has the potential to impact negatively on heritage and/or cultural resources, therefore a heritage impact assessment must be conducted. A field-based assessment of the impact to archaeological resources must be conducted by a qualified archaeologist. The report must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA and the SAHRA 2006 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments, and the 2012 Minimum Standards: Archaeological Component of Heritage Impact Assessments. The Minimum Standards provides allowance for a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption that can be submitted by a qualified archaeologist should they deem it appropriate.

The proposed development is in an area moderate palaeontological sensitivity. Therefore, a desktop assessment of the impact to palaeontological resources must be undertaken. The assessment must be conducted by a qualified palaeontologist. The report must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA and the SAHRA 2006 Minimum Standards: Archaeological and Palaeontological Component of Impact Assessments, and the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Component of Heritage Impact Assessments. The Minimum Standards provides allowance for a Letter of Recommendation for Exemption that can be submitted by a qualified palaeontologist should they deem it appropriate.

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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, and graves of victims of conflict must also be assessed.

Further comments will be issued upon submission of the above. The applicant is advised to extend the EA process in terms of section 19(1)b of the NEMA EIA regulations.

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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