



Final Comment

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

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AMENDMENT TO THE BAFOKENG RASIMONE PLATINUM MINE (BRPM) ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPR) TO INCLUDE THE PROPOSED NORTH SHAFT PHASE 3 PROJECT VENTILATION SHAFT, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

Coetzee, F.P. January 2012. *Cultural Heritage Survey of the Proposed New Ventilation Shaft Phase 3 Project, Bafokeng Rasimone Platinum Mine, North West Province*

In order to comply with changes to the Mines Health and Safety Regulations in respect of ventilation of underground working areas, Royal Bafokeng Resources and Rustenburg Platinum Mines Limited have proposed the creation of North Shaft Phase 3 Ventilation Shaft at their mining operations on portion 1 of the farm Boschkoppie 104 JQ, near Rustenburg. The total footprint of the shaft development will be less than 50m². Three alternative site locations have been proposed for the ventilation shaft, all of these within close proximity of one another, on opposite sides of the Matlopyane River.

The archaeologist conducted a site visit and conducted background research on the area. The background research established that Later Iron Age sites related to the Batlhako, Kgafela, Bafokeng and Batlokwa people are likely. Due to the highly disturbed nature of the location sites, adjacent to the Robega traditional community, no heritage resources were identified.

Decision:

As there is apparently no evidence of any significant archaeological material in this area, the SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objection to the development (in terms of the archaeological component of the heritage resources) on condition that, if any new evidence of archaeological sites or artefacts, palaeontological fossils, graves or other heritage resources are found during development, construction or mining, SAHRA and an archaeologist and/or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be alerted immediately.

Decisions on Built Environment (e.g. structures over 60 years) and associated Living Heritage (e.g. sacred sites) must be made by the Provincial Heritage Resources Authority of the Northern Cape (**Mr Mothlabane Mosiane**, email: mosianem@nwpg.gov.za) to whom this Archaeological Review Comment will be copied.



BRPM EMP Amendment

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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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ADMIN:

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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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