# STANDARD ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (SEMP) FOR THE FARM HACKNEY 116 KT

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### **SECTION 3: PROSPECTING METHODOLOGY**

The bulk of the prospecting at Impala Platinum is done by drilling of core-recovering boreholes. The drill rig is a power-driven rotary drill with a diamond-studded bit mounted on a large vehicle, increasing the efficiency of drilling resulting in less time on a site. The recovered core is transported in galvanized zinc trays and stored at the core store.

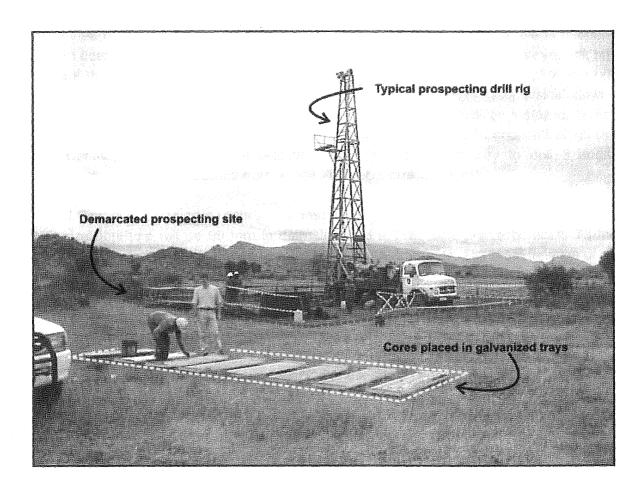
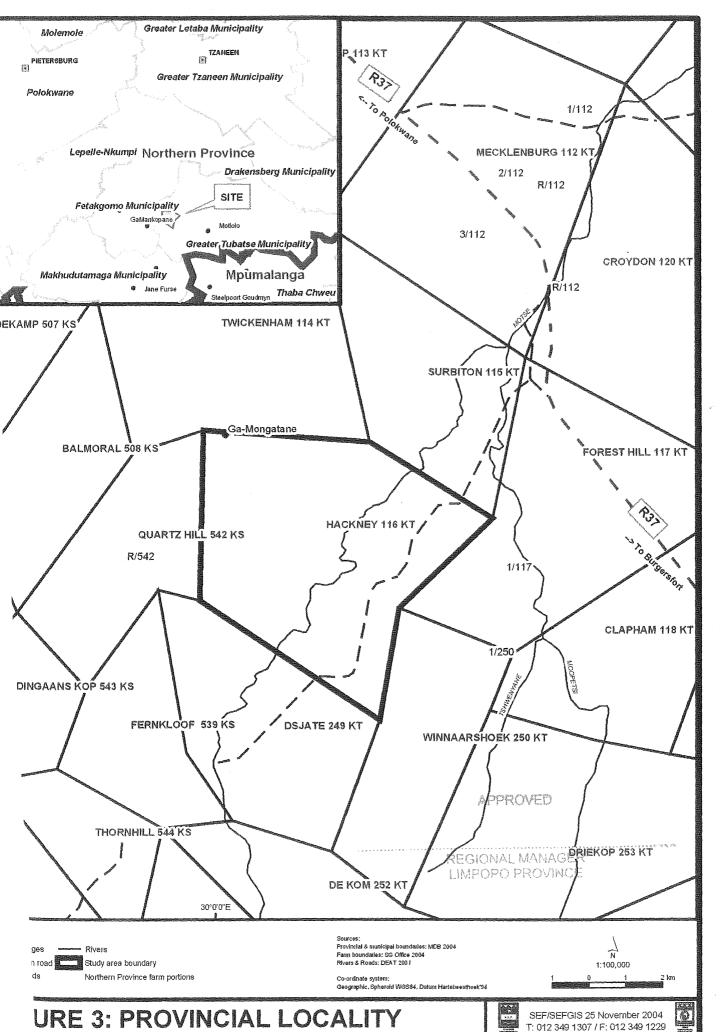


Figure 2: Typical prospecting site

Access to the prospecting borehole site is negotiated with the surface owners/tenants in consultation with the geologist in charge. Once the position of the borehole is finalized, a digital photograph of the borehole site is taken from the north, if possible, before any site preparation. Photographs are archived at the Mine's Exploration Department.

Prior to drilling, sumps to collect drill sludge and recycle water are dug. The overburden where these sumps are excavated is retained to fill up the sludge sump once drilling is completed. All sumps are lined with impervious plastic. Once the drill rig is erected, plastic or concrete catchments are installed under diesel tanks of the drill rigs to control possible spillage of diesel and oil.

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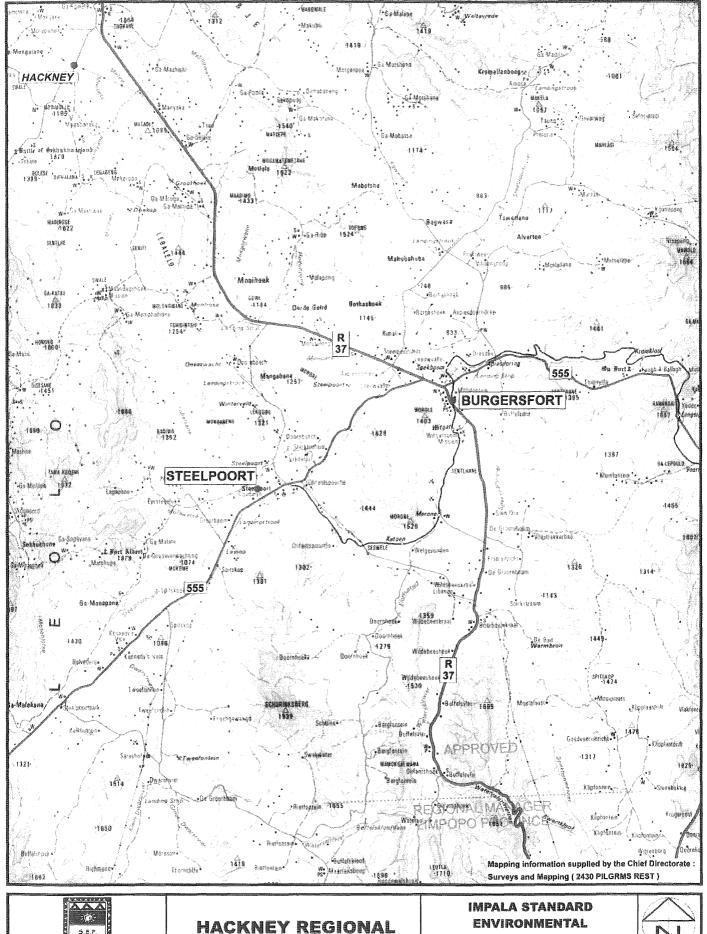
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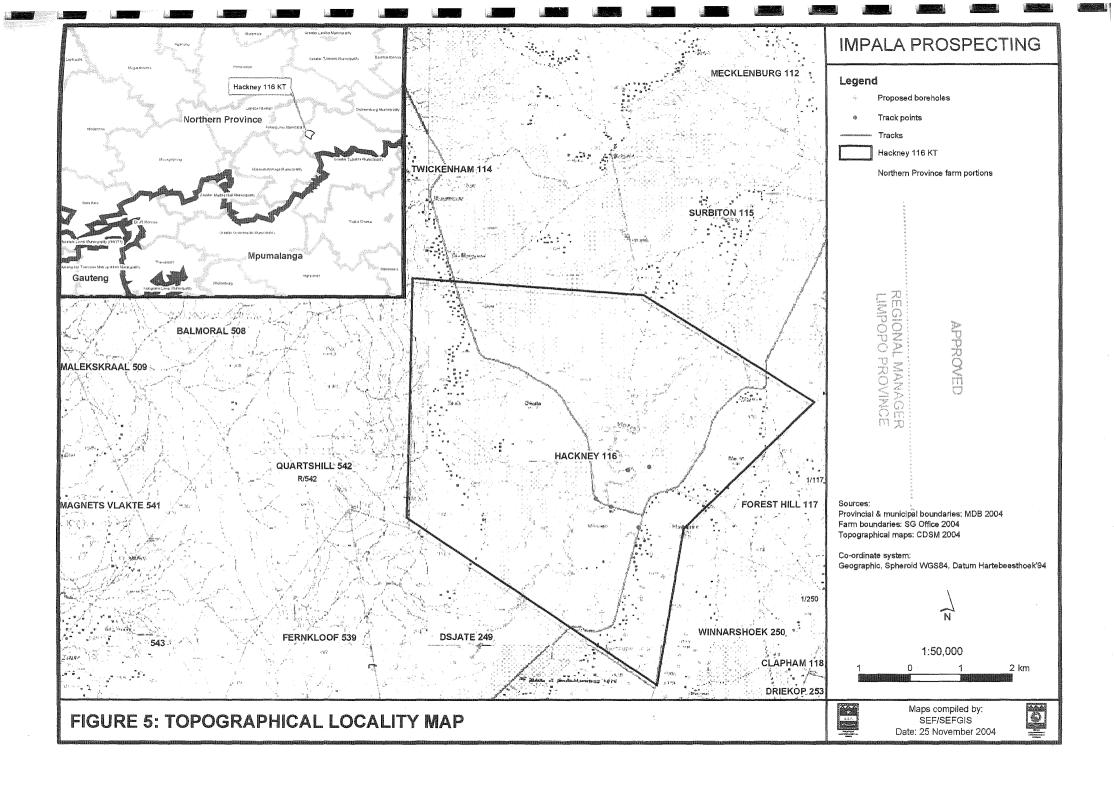
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# **MANAGEMENT PLAN**

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Mr B Rademeyer Strategic Environmental Focus P O Box 74785 Lynnwood ridge PRETORIA 0040

Dear Mr Rademeyer

#### ARCHAEOLOGICAL/HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE SEKHUKHUNE VALLEY

With reference to your enquiry on the above matter, the following comments. The area under consideration covers the following farms: Dsjate, Winnarshoek, Hackney, Twickenham, Surbiton, Paschas Kraal and Mecklenburg. I personally have been doing archaeological and anthropological work in the area for the past 20 years and know it very well.

Cultural historically, this is probably one of the most important areas in the larger region. Human habitation of this area has taken place here for hundreds of thousands of years, resulting in sites of cultural significance to be located all over.

Stone Age people have been known to inhabit the area since at least Middle Stone Age times, and is evidenced from their stone tools that are found all over, especially in the large crosion dongas. Late Stone Age people also occupied the area and, although there are references to two rock art sites in the area, I have up to now been unable to locate them.

Early fron Age site (c. AD 600 - 900) occurs all over in the valley, but more specifically on the alluvial soils close to the different streams crisscrossing the area.

Late Iron Age sites, although difficult to distinguish as they are overlaid by more recent sites, follows the same pattern. These were the predecessors of some of the current inhabitants. The Pedi, currently forming the dominant group, entered the area by AD1600s. One of their main settlements is located on the hill called Mosego.

Possibly the most significant site in the area is at Tsjate, where the Pedi used to stay under leadership of Kgośi Sekhukhune. This site is located surrounding a small hill south of Mosego. In this area the war of 1879 took place, when the British tried to subdue the Pedi. Old military camps and cometeries are found all over.

#### NORTHERN FLAGSHIP INSTITUTION/NOORDELIKE VLAGSKIPINSTELLING

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Other sites are for example the hill called Modimolle ("the Gods have caten), which is revered by locals. The remains of a number of mission stations occur in the area, e.g. that of Alexander Merenskey and J A Winter, both of whom played a significant role in the establishment of Christian religion and schools in the area. Later, Merenskey's son, Hans, played an important role in the geological discoveries that were made here.

Unfortunately it is not only mining that impacts on these sites, but also general neglect, erosion, indifference, agriculture, etc. all contributing to the loss of significant information and material.

In the light of the above, it is my contention that no mining prospecting or development is to take place in the area unless the following has been done:

 Detailed consultation with the local community to establish their viewpoint on development, as well as to determine unknown sites.

2. A detailed heritage survey and documentation of all heritage (tangible and intangible) in the valley.

Development of a comprehensive heritage management plan for these resources to be implemented
if and when prospecting and mining takes place.

Yours sincerely

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