

PALAEONTOLOGICAL DESKTOP ASSESSMENT FOR DE BEERS CONSOLIDATED MINES: PROPOSED DRILLING ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF BIESSIE LAAGTE 96, AND PORTION 2 AND 6 OF AASVOGEL PAN 141, NEAR HOPETOWN IN THE NORTHERN CAPE

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This Palaeontological Impact Assessment report has been compiled considering the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (NEMA) and Environmental Impact Regulations 2014 as amended, requirements for specialist reports, Appendix 6, as indicated in the table below.

Table 1 - NEMA Table

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Regulations of 7 April 2017	report	applicable.
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	of Report - Contact	
	details and company	
1.(1) (a) (i) Details of the specialist who prepared the report	and Appendix A	
(ii) The expertise of that person to compile a specialist	Section 2 - refer to	-
report including a curriculum vita	Appendix A	
(b) A declaration that the person is independent in a form	Page ii of the report	-
as may be specified by the competent authority	age if of the report	
(c) An indication of the scope of, and the purpose for	Section 4 – Objective	-
which, the report was prepared	Section 4 – Objective	
	Section 5 -	-
	Geological and	
(cA) An indication of the quality and age of base data	Palaeontological	
used for the specialist report	history	
(cB) a description of existing impacts on the site,		-
cumulative impacts of the proposed development	Section 10	
and levels of acceptable change;		
(d) The duration, date and season of the site		
investigation and the relevance of the season to the	Desktop Assessment	
outcome of the assessment		
(e) a description of the methodology adopted in		-
preparing the report or carrying out the specialised	Section 7 Approach	
process inclusive of equipment and modelling used	and Methodology	
(f) details of an assessment of the specific identified		
sensitivity of the site related to the proposed activity		
or activities and its associated structures and		
infrastructure, inclusive of a site plan identifying site		
alternatives;	Section 1 and 10	
		No buffers or
		areas of
(g) An identification of any areas to be avoided, including		sensitivity
buffers	Section 5	identified
(h) A map superimposing the activity including the	Section 5 -	
associated structures and infrastructure on the	Geological and	

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environmental sensitivities of the site including areas	Palaeontological	
to be avoided, including buffers;	history	
	Section 7.1 -	-
(i) A description of any assumptions made and any	Assumptions and	
uncertainties or gaps in knowledge;	Limitation	
(j) A description of the findings and potential implications		
of such findings on the impact of the proposed		
activity, including identified alternatives, on the	Section 1 and 10	
environment		
(k) Any mitigation measures for inclusion in the EMPr	Section 11	
(I) Any conditions for inclusion in the environmental		None
authorisation	N/A	required
(m) Any monitoring requirements for inclusion in the		
EMPr or environmental authorisation	Section 11	
(n)(i) A reasoned opinion as to whether the proposed	Section 1 and 10	
activity, activities or portions thereof should be		
authorised and		
(n)(iA) A reasoned opinion regarding the acceptability		
of the proposed activity or activities; and		
(n)(ii) If the opinion is that the proposed activity,		-
activities or portions thereof should be authorised,		
any avoidance, management and mitigation	Section 1 and 10	
measures that should be included in the EMPr,		
and where applicable, the closure plan		
		Not
		applicable. A
		public
		consultation
		process will
		be conducted
(o) A description of any consultation process that was		as part of the
undertaken during the course of carrying out the		EIA and EMPr
study	N/A	process.
(p) A summary and copies if any comments that were		
received during any consultation process	N/A	
(q) Any other information requested by the competent		Not
authority.	N/A	applicable.

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Regulations of 7 April 2017	report	applicable.
(2) Where a government notice by the Minister provides for any protocol or minimum information requirement to be applied to a specialist report, the requirements as indicated in such notice will apply.	Section 3 compliance with SAHRA guidelines	

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Banzai Environmental was appointed by the De Beers Consolidated Mines (Kimberley) to conduct the Palaeontological Desktop Assessment to assess the proposed diamond drilling on the Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, Portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141, near Hopetown in the Northern Cape. The National Heritage Resources Act (No 25 of 1999, section 38) (NHRA), states that a Palaeontological Assessment is necessary to determine if fossil heritage is present in the planned development. This study is thus necessary to evaluate the effect of the drilling on the palaeontological resources.

The planned drilling project on Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 is underlain by Quaternary calcrete, Jurassic dolerite as well as the Prince Albert and Whitehill Formations (Ecca Group; Karoo Supergroup). According to the PalaeoMap of the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) database, the Palaeontological Sensitivity of the Quaternary sediments are Low, but locally High while that of the Jurassic dolerite is Zero. The Palaeontological Sensitivity of the Whitehill Formation is Very High while the Prince Albert has a Moderate Palaeontological Sensitivity (Almond and Pether, 2009; Almond *et al.*, 2013).

Diamonds are present in kimberlites pipes which is intrusive igneous rocks and thus unfossiliferous. It is therefore considered that the proposed drilling is deemed appropriate and feasible and will not lead to detrimental impacts on the palaeontological heritage of the area.

If fossil remains are discovered during any phase of construction, either on the surface or exposed by excavations the **Chance Find Protocol** must be implemented by the Environmental Control Officer (ECO) in charge of these developments. These discoveries ought to be protected (if possible, *in situ*) and the ECO must report to SAHRA (Contact details: SAHRA, 111 Harrington Street, Cape Town. PO Box 4637, Cape Town 8000, South Africa. Tel: 021 462 4502. Fax: +27 (0)21 462 4509. Web: www.sahra.org.za) so that correct mitigation (recording and collection) can be carry out by a paleontologist.

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1 INTRODUCTION

The De Beers Consolidated Mines (Kimberley Mines) appointed Banzai Environmental to conduct the

Palaeontological Desktop Assessment (PDA) to assess the proposed drilling on the Remaining Extent

of Biessie Laagte 96, and Portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 near Hopetown in the Northern Cape

(Figure 1-3).

The project was commissioned by SAHRA as no Palaeontological Studies was conducted previously:

1.1 **Background**

Diamonds are formed in the earth's mantle (aka the diamond stability zone) approximately 150 km

below the earth's surface at temperatures above 1000 degrees Celsius. Diamonds form at very high

pressures of between 45 to 60 kilobars. During volcanic eruptions, magma transports the diamonds

from the diamond stability zone to the earth's surface. At the surface, the diamonds are deposited

across a wide area. The lava rocks/magma transporting the diamonds are known at kimberlite pipes.

Over time the igneous deposits are mantled by surface sediment deposits and vegetation. Kimberlites

are generally deposited in ancient cratons and thus diamonds are concentrated in certain areas e.g.,

Canada, Russia, and South Africa.

Near to the earth's surface the lighter rock usually disintegrates during the eruption process, and the

carrot shaped kimberlite explodes at the surface in all directions. This is the reason why diamond is

usually first mined with open pit mining and later by underground mining. Sometimes kimberlites fissure

at the surface and forms dikes away from where the original volcanic eruption took place.

Diamonds are exceedingly rare and only a small proportion of known kimberlites carry diamonds. South

Africa has approximately only one thousand individual kimberlite intrusions of which only fifty carries

significant diamond quantities. Diamond prospecting comprise of Diamond Drilling and Sampling.

Information obtained by

Diamond Geology. www.debeersgroup.com (12-12-2020)

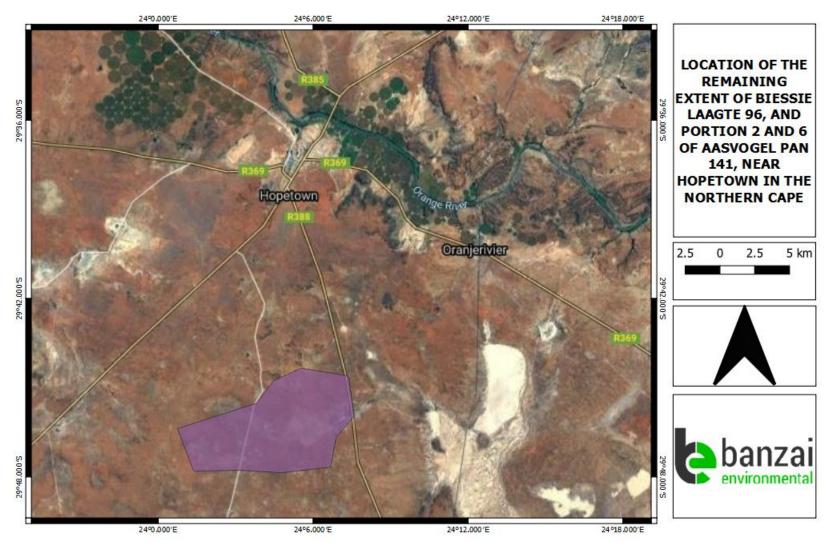


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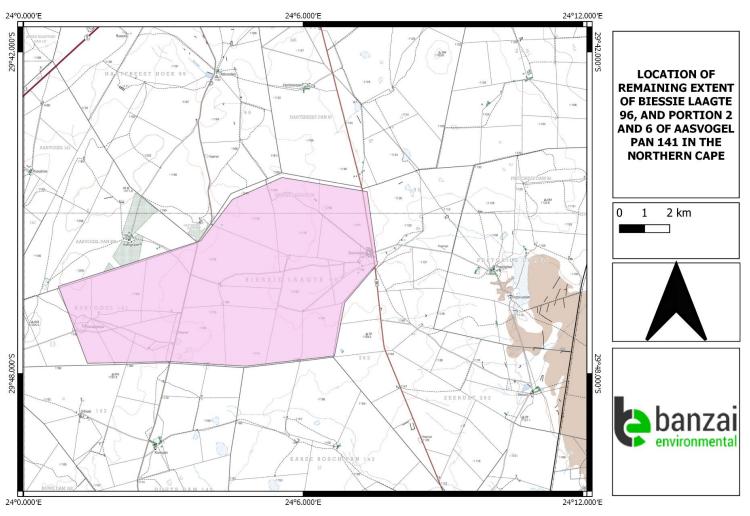


Figure 2: Locality of the proposed drilling sites located on Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, and portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 near Hopetown (indicated in purple) in the Northern Cape.

2 QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF THE AUTHOR

This present study has been conducted by Mrs Elize Butler. She has conducted approximately 300 palaeontological impact assessments for developments in the Free State, KwaZulu-Natal, Eastern, Central, and Northern Cape, Northwest, Gauteng, Limpopo, and Mpumalanga. She has an MSc (*cum laude*) in Zoology (specializing in Palaeontology) from the University of the Free State, South Africa and has been working in Palaeontology for more than twenty-five years. She has experience in locating, collecting, and curating fossils, including exploration field trips in search of new localities in the Karoo Basin. She has been a member of the Palaeontological Society of South Africa (PSSA) since 2006 and has been conducting PIAs since 2014.

3 LEGISLATION

3.1 National Heritage Resources Act (25 of 1999)

Cultural Heritage in South Africa, includes all heritage resources, is protected by the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) (NHRA). Heritage resources as defined in Section 3 of the Act include "all objects recovered from the soil or waters of South Africa, including archaeological and palaeontological objects and material, meteorites and rare geological specimens".

Palaeontological heritage is unique and non-renewable and is protected by the NHRA. Palaeontological resources may not be unearthed, broken moved, or destroyed by any development without prior assessment and without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority as per section 35 of the NHRA.

This Palaeontological Impact Assessment forms part of the Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) and adhere to the conditions of the Act. According to **Section 38 (1)**, a HIA is required to assess any potential impacts to palaeontological heritage within the development footprint where:

- the construction of a road, wall, power line, pipeline, canal or other similar form of linear development or barrier exceeding 300m in length;
- the construction of a bridge or similar structure exceeding 50m in length;
- any development or other activity which will change the character of a site
 - a. (exceeding 5 000 m² in extent; or
 - b. involving three or more existing erven or subdivisions thereof; or
 - c. involving three or more erven or divisions thereof which have been consolidated within the past five years; or
 - d. the costs of which will exceed a sum set in terms of regulations by SAHRA or a provincial heritage resource authority

- e. the re-zoning of a site exceeding 10 000m² in extent;
- or any other category of development provided for in regulations by SAHRA or a Provincial heritage resources authority.

4 OBJECTIVE

The objective of a Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) is to determine the impact of the development on potential palaeontological material at the site.

According to the "SAHRA APM Guidelines: Minimum Standards for the Archaeological and Palaeontological Components of Impact Assessment Reports" the aims of the PIA are: 1) to **identify** the palaeontological status of the exposed as well as rock formations just below the surface in the development footprint 2) to estimate the **palaeontological importance** of the formations 3) to determine the **impact** on fossil heritage; and 4) to recommend how the developer ought to protect or mitigate damage to fossil heritage.

The terms of reference of a PIA are as follows:

General Requirements:

- Adherence to the content requirements for specialist reports in accordance with Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended;
- Adherence to all applicable best practice recommendations, appropriate legislation and authority requirements;
- Submit a comprehensive overview of all appropriate legislation, guidelines;
- Description of the proposed project and provide information regarding the developer and consultant who commissioned the study;
- Description and location of the proposed development and provide geological and topographical maps;
- Provide Palaeontological and geological history of the affected area;
- Identification sensitive areas to be avoided (providing shapefiles/kmls) in the proposed development;
- Evaluation of the significance of the planned development during the Pre-construction, Construction, Operation, Decommissioning Phases and Cumulative impacts. Potential impacts should be rated in terms of the direct, indirect and cumulative:
 - a. Direct impacts are impacts that are caused directly by the activity and generally occur at the same time and at the place of the activity.
 - b. **Indirect impacts** of an activity are indirect or induced changes that may occur as a result of the activity.
 - c. Cumulative impacts are impacts that result from the incremental impact of the proposed activity on a common resource when added to the impacts of other past, present or reasonably foreseeable future activities.

- Fair assessment of alternatives (infrastructure alternatives have been provided);
- Recommend mitigation measures to minimise the impact of the proposed development;
 and
- Implications of specialist findings for the proposed development (such as permits, licenses etc).

5 GEOLOGICAL AND PALAEONTOLOGICAL HISTORY

The surface geology of the proposed De Beers drilling project on Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 (Figure 3), near Hopetown in the Northern Cape is depicted on the 1:250 000 2924 Koffiefontein (1992) Geological Map (Council of Geosciences, Pretoria)

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Table 2: Explanation of the symbols on the Geological Map (Johnson et al, 2006). SG-Supergroup; Fm-Formation

Symbol	Group/Formation	Lithology	Palaeontological
	(Fm)		Sensitivity
Qc	Quaternary Calcrete	Calcrete	Low but locally High
Jd	Jurassic dykes	Intrusive Dolerite	Zero
		dykes	
Ppr	Prince Albert Fm, and	Shales, mudstones	Moderate to
	Whitehill Fm		Very High
	early Ecca, Karoo		
	Supergroup		

Quaternary superficial deposits are the youngest geological deposits formed during the most recent period of geological time namely the Quaternary (approximately 2.6 million years ago to present). The rocks and sediments can be found at or near the surface of the Earth. Pre-Quaternary deposits are referred to as bedrock. Most of the superficial deposits are unconsolidated sediments and consist of gravel, sand, silt and clay, and they form relatively thin, often discontinuous patches of

sediments or larger spreads onshore. These sediments may include stream, channel and floodplain deposits, beach sand, talus gravels and glacial drift sediments.

The Quaternary deposits reveal palaeoclimatic changes in the different geological formations (Hunter et al., 2006). The climatic fluctuations in the Cenozoic Era were responsible for the formation of most geomorphologic features in southern Africa (Maud, 2012). Various warming and cooling events occurred in the Cenozoic but climatic changes during the Quaternary, specifically the last 1.8 Ma, were the most drastic climate changes relative to all climate variations in the past Barnosky (2005). Climate in the Quaternary Period were both drier and wetter than the present and resulted in changes in river flow patterns, sedimentation processes and vegetation variation (Tooth et al., 2004).

The fossil assemblages of this Group are generally very low in diversity and occur over a wide range). These fossils represent terrestrial plants and animals with a close resemblance to living forms. Fossil assemblages include bivalves, diatoms, gastropod shells, ostracods and trace fossils. The palaeontology of the Quaternary superficial deposits has been relatively neglected in the past. Late Cenozoic calcrete may comprise of bones, horn corns as well as mammalian teeth. Tortoise remains have also been uncovered as well as trace fossils which includes termite and insect's burrows and mammalian trackways. Amphibian and crocodile remains have been uncovered where the depositional settings in the past were wetter.

The **Jurassic dolerite** present in the development belongs to the Karoo Igneous Province that is a classic continental flood basalt province formed during the Early Jurassic. This province occurs over a large area in southern Africa and comprises a widespread system well developed igneous bodies (dykes, sills) that invaded the sediments of the Main Karoo Basin. Flood basalts do not typically form any visible volcanic structures, but with a series of outbursts form a suite of fissures of sub-horizontal lava flows that may vary in thickness. The Karoo is an old flood basalt province and is preserved today as erosional remnants of a more extensive lava cap that covered much of southern Africa in the geological past. As this Suite consist of igneous rocks it is unfossiliferous. According to the PalaeoMap of South African Heritage Resources Information System the Palaeontological Sensitivity of the Karoo Dolerite is zero.

The **Whitehill Formation** of the Ecca Group (Karoo Supergroup) is a comparatively thin succession of well-laminated carbon-rich mudrocks. The mudstone weathers to a characteristic pale grey to creamy white colour (Johnson et al, 2006). The Permian aged Whitehill Formation (high Palaeontological Sensitivity) is renowned for an abundance of body fossils as well as trace fossils. Almond (2011) described the main groups of Early Permian fossils found within the Whitehill Formation include as follows:

A low diversity of trace fossils (possible shark coprolites / faeces and king crab trackways)

- Aquatic mesosaurid reptiles (the earliest known sea-going reptiles)
- Insects (preserved as isolated wings, although some intact specimens has also been recovered)
- Occasional cephalochordates (ancient relatives of the living lancets)
- Other rare vascular plant remains (Glossopteris leaves, lycopods etc)".
- Palynomorphs (organic-walled spores and pollens)
- Petrified wood (mostly of primitive gymnosperms, silicified or calcified)
- · Several palaeoniscoid fish species (primitive bony fish)
- Small eocarid crustaceans are very common (bottom-living shrimp-like forms)

The **Prince Albert Formation** consists of marine to hyposaline basin plain mudrocks that occur with minor volcanic ashes, iron stones and phosphates. Post-glacial mudrocks is present at the base of the Prince Albert Formation. The fossil assemblage of the Prince Albert Formation is known for its rich assemblages of plant fossils known as the *Glossopteris* flora. This includes petrified wood, roots and palynomorphs which include spores and acritarchs. Body fossils of insects have been recovered, bur is rare. Moderately diverse trace fossil assemblages can be present of which many can be assigned to fish or non-marine arthropod groups like crustaceans, king crabs and predatory water scorpions which could have reached lengths of two meters or more.

This trace fossil assemblage of the non-marine *Mermia* Ichnofacies, is dominated by the ichnogenera *Umfolozia* (arthropod trackways) and *Undichna* (fish swimming trails). Fish coprolites have also been described from this formation. A low diversity of marine invertebrates (bivalves brachiopods, nautiloids), palaeoniscoid fish, sharks and protozoans have been uncovered. There is also a possibility that stromatolites and oolites are preserved. Well-preserved skeletons of the well-known aquatic mesosaurids have been uncovered while amphibians are also recorded from the uppermost Ecca beds (Almond, 2011).

Kimberlite is heavy brecciated rock that comprise of rounded olivine crystals in a serpentine matrix. Currently two types of kimberlite are identified namely basaltic and micaceous. It is (77-120 Ma old as well as 1250 Ma) (Kent, 198). Kimberlite occurs in sills, pipes or plates and is characterises by yellow and blue weathered soils (Snyman, 1996). This application is for prospecting and does not include mining or development of the site.

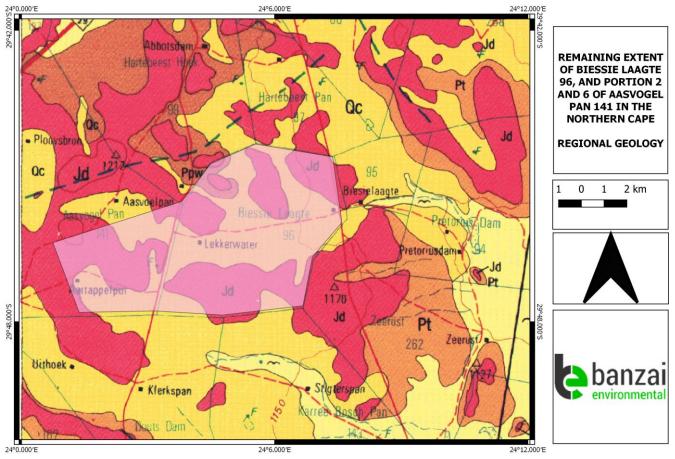


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Table 3: Fossil heritage of rocks represented in the proposed Diamond drilling Project (taken from Almond and Pether, 2008)

Geological Unit	Rock Types & Age	Fossil Heritage
CAENOZOIC FLUVIAL,	Fluvial, pan, lake	Bones and teeth of wide range of
LACUSTRINE &	and terrestrial	Mammals, including mammals (eg teeth &
TERRESTRIAL DEPOSITS	sediments, including	bones of mastodont proboscideans,
OF INTERIOR	diatomite (diatom	rhinos, bovids, horses, micromammals),
	deposits),	reptiles (crocodiles, tortoises), ostrich egg
	pedocretes, spring	shells, fish, freshwater and terrestrial
	tufa / travertine, cave	molluscs (unionid bivalves, gastropods),
	deposits, peats,	crabs, trace fossils (eg termitaria,
	colluvium	horizontal invertebrate burrows, stone
		artefacts), petrified wood, leaves,
		rhizoliths, diatom floras, peats and
		palynomorphs. Calcareous tufas at edge of
		Ghaap Escarpment might be highly
		fossiliferous (cf Taung in NW Province –
		abundant
		Makapanian Mammal Age
		vertebrate remains, including
KIMBERLITES AND	Kimberlite pipes and	Bryophytes, vascular plants
OTHER	other alkaline	(leaves, wood), fish, frogs, reptiles,
POST-KAROO IGNEOUS	intrusions,	rare dinosaurs, insects, ostracods,
ROCKS,	sometimes	palynomorphs in crater lake
CRATER LAKE	associated	sediments
SEDIMENTS	with lacustrine	
eg Sutherland Suite	sediments (deep to	
(Ksu), Koegel	shallow crater lakes)	
Fontein Complex	Jurassic,	
	Cretaceous to	
	Palaeocene c. 200-	
	60 Ma	
KAROO DOLERITE SUITE	Intrusive dolerites	NO fossils recorded
(Jd)	(dykes, sills),	
	associated	
	diatremes	
	Early Jurassic (c.	
	183 Ma)	
KAROO ECCA	Offshore basin plain	Ecca Group: non-marine trace fossils,
SUPERGROUP GROUP		vascular plants

(predominantly non-	(including petrified wood) and
marine) to	palynomorphs of Glossopteris
coastal deltaic	flora, mesosaurid reptiles, fish
sediments, minor	(including microvertebrate
volcanic ashes	remains, coprolites), crustaceans,
(tuffs)Early – Mid	sparse marine shelly invertebrates
Permian	(molluscs, brachiopods),
290 – 266 Ma	microfossils (radiolarians etc),
	insects

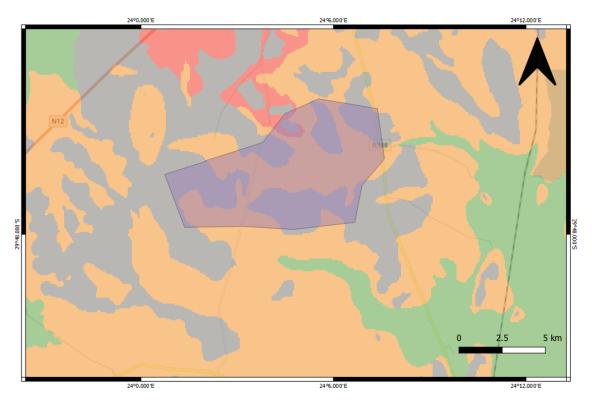


Figure 4: Extract of the 1 in 250 000 SAHRIS PalaeoMap map (Council of Geosciences).

Location of the proposed development is indicated in brown.

According to the SAHRIS Palaeosensitivity map (Figure 4) there is a very high chance (red), a high chance (orange), a moderate chance (green) and no chance (grey) to find fossils in this area. This differs from the sensitivities allocated in the SAHRIS web page.

6 GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF THE SITE

The center coordinate of the Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, and Portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 near Hopetown in the Northern Cape is 29° 46.117'S 24° 5.332'E (Figure 1-2)

7 METHODS

The aim of a Palaeontological Impact Assessment is to evaluate the risk to palaeontological heritage in the proposed development. This includes all trace fossils and fossils. All available information is consulted to compile a PIA and includes: Palaeontological impact assessment reports in the same area; aerial photos and Google Earth images, topographical as well as geological maps.

7.1 Assumptions and Limitations

The focal point of geological maps is the geology of the area and the sheet explanations were not meant to focus on palaeontological heritage. Many inaccessible regions of South Africa have never been reviewed by palaeontologists and data is generally based on aerial photographs alone. Locality and geological information of museums and universities databases have not been kept up to date or data collected in the past have not always been accurately documented.

Comparable Assemblage Zones in other areas is sourced to provide information on the existence of fossils in an area which was not documented in the past. When using similar Assemblage Zones and geological formations for Desktop studies it is generally **assumed** that exposed fossil heritage is present within the footprint. **A field-assessment will thus improve the accuracy of the desktop assessment.**

8 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION CONSULTED

In compiling this report the following sources were consulted:

- The Palaeosensitivity Map from the SAHRIS website.
- Geological map 1:100 000, Geology of the Republic of South Africa (Visser 1984)
- Geological Map 1: 250 000 2924 Koffiefontein (1992)
- A Google Earth map with polygons of the proposed development was obtained from De Beers.

9 IMPACT ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

Impact assessment must take account of the nature, scale and duration of impacts on the environment whether such impacts are positive or negative. Each impact is also assessed according to the following project phases:

- Construction;
- · Operation; and
- · Decommissioning.

Where necessary, the proposal for mitigation or optimisation of an impact should be detailed. A brief discussion of the impact and the rationale behind the assessment of its significance should also be included. The rating system is applied to the potential impacts on the receiving environment and includes an objective evaluation of the mitigation of the impact. In assessing the significance of each impact, the following criteria is used:

Table 4: The Rating System-

NATURE		
The Nature of the Impact is the possible destruction of fossil heritage		
GEOGR	APHICAL EXTENT	
This is c	lefined as the area over which the	e impact will be experienced.
1	Site	The impact will only affect the site.
2	Local/district	Will affect the local area or district.
3	Province/region	Will affect the entire province or region.
4	International and National	Will affect the entire country.
PROBA	BILITY	
This des	scribes the chance of occurrence	of an impact.
1	Unlikely	The chance of the impact occurring is extremely low (Less
		than a 25% chance of occurrence).
2	Possible	The impact may occur (Between a 25% to 50% chance of
		occurrence).
3	Probable	The impact will likely occur (Between a 50% to 75%
		chance of occurrence).
4	Definite	Impact will certainly occur (Greater than a 75% chance of
		occurrence).
DURATION		
This des	scribes the duration of the impacts	s. Duration indicates the lifetime of the impact as a result of
the prop	osed activity.	
1	Short term	The impact will either disappear with mitigation or will be
		mitigated through natural processes in a span shorter
		than the construction phase $(0 - 1 \text{ years})$, or the impact
		will last for the period of a relatively short construction
		period and a limited recovery time after construction,
		thereafter it will be entirely negated (0 – 2 years).
2	Medium term	The impact will continue or last for some time after the
		construction phase but will be mitigated by direct human
		action or by natural processes thereafter (2 – 10 years).

3	Long term	The impact and its effects will continue or last for the
		entire operational life of the development, but will be
		mitigated by direct human action or by natural processes
		thereafter (10 – 30 years).
4	Permanent	The only class of impact that will be non-transitory.
		Mitigation either by man or natural process will not occur
		in such a way or such a time span that the impact can be
		considered indefinite.
INTENS	SITY/ MAGNITUDE	
Describ	es the severity of an impact.	
1	Low	Impact affects the quality, use and integrity of the
		system/component in a way that is barely perceptible.
2	Medium	Impact alters the quality, use and integrity of the
		system/component but system/component still continues
		to function in a moderately modified way and maintains
		general integrity (some impact on integrity).
3	High	Impact affects the continued viability of the system/
		component and the quality, use, integrity and functionality
		of the system or component is severely impaired and may
		temporarily cease. High costs of rehabilitation and
		remediation.
4	Very high	Impact affects the continued viability of the
		system/component and the quality, use, integrity and
		functionality of the system or component permanently
		ceases and is irreversibly impaired. Rehabilitation and
		remediation often impossible. If possible rehabilitation
		and remediation often unfeasible due to extremely high
		costs of rehabilitation and remediation.
REVER	SIBILITY	
This de	scribes the degree to which an im	pact can be successfully reversed upon completion of the
propose	ed activity.	
1	Completely reversible	The impact is reversible with implementation of minor
		mitigation measures.
2	Partly reversible	The impact is partly reversible but more intense mitigation
		measures are required.
3	Barely reversible	The impact is unlikely to be reversed even with intense
		mitigation measures.
4	Irreversible	The impact is irreversible and no mitigation measures
		exist.
IRREPL	ACEABLE LOSS OF RESOURC	ES

This describes the degree to which resources will be irreplaceably lost as a result of a proposed			
activity.	activity.		
1	No loss of resource	The impact will not result in the loss of any resources.	
2	Marginal loss of resource	The impact will result in marginal loss of resources.	
3	Significant loss of resources	The impact will result in significant loss of resources.	
4	Complete loss of resources	The impact is result in a complete loss of all resources.	

CUMULATIVE EFFECT

This describes the cumulative effect of the impacts. A cumulative impact is an effect which in itself may not be significant but may become significant if added to other existing or potential impacts emanating from other similar or diverse activities as a result of the project activity in question.

1	Negligible cumulative impact	The impact would result in negligible to no cumulative
		effects.
2	Low cumulative impact	The impact would result in insignificant cumulative
		effects.
3	Medium cumulative impact	The impact would result in minor cumulative effects.
4	High cumulative impact	The impact would result in significant cumulative effects

SIGNIFICANCE

Significance is determined through a synthesis of impact characteristics. Significance is an indication of the importance of the impact in terms of both physical extent and time scale, and therefore indicates the level of mitigation required. The calculation of the significance of an impact uses the following formula:

(Extent (1) + probability (3) + reversibility (4) + irreplaceability (4) + duration (4) + cumulative effect) (3) x magnitude/intensity (2) = 40.

The summation of the different criteria will produce a non-weighted value. By multiplying this value with the magnitude/intensity, the resultant value acquires a weighted characteristic which can be measured and assigned a significance rating.

Points	Impact significance rating	Description
6 to 28	Negative low impact	The anticipated impact will have negligible negative effects and will require little to no mitigation.
6 to 28	Positive low impact	The anticipated impact will have minor positive effects.
29 to 50	Negative medium impact	The anticipated impact will have moderate negative effects and will require moderate mitigation measures.
29 to 50	Positive medium impact	The anticipated impact will have moderate positive effects.
51 to 73	Negative high impact	The anticipated impact will have significant effects and will require significant mitigation measures to achieve an acceptable level of impact.
51 to 73	Positive high impact	The anticipated impact will have significant positive effects.

74 to 96	Negative very high impact	The anticipated impact will have highly significant effects
		and are unlikely to be able to be mitigated adequately.
		These impacts could be considered "fatal flaws".
74 to 96	Positive very high impact	The anticipated impact will have highly significant positive
		effects

9.1 Summary of Impact Tables

Construction will have a negative impact on fossil heritage. The expected duration of the impact is assessed as potentially permanent to long term. Only the site will be affected. In the absence of mitigation procedures (should fossil material be present within the affected area) the damage or destruction of any palaeontological materials will be permanent. Impacts on palaeontological heritage during the construction phase could potentially occur but are regarded as having a medium probability. The significance of the impact occurring will be negative medium.

10 FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The planned drilling project on Remaining Extent of Biessie Laagte 96, portion 2 and 6 of Aasvogel Pan 141 is underlain by Quaternary calcrete, Jurassic dolerite as well as the Prince Albert and Whitehill Formations (Ecca Group; Karoo Supergroup).

According to the PalaeoMap of the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) database, the Palaeontological Sensitivity of the Quaternary sediments are Low, but locally High while that of the Jurassic dolerite is Zero as it is igneous in origin. The Palaeontological Sensitivity of the Whitehill Formation is Very High while the Prince Albert has a Moderate Palaeontological Sensitivity (Almond and Pether, 2009; Almond *et al.*, 2013).

Diamonds are present in kimberlites pipes which is intrusive igneous rocks and thus unfossiliferous. It is therefore considered that the proposed drilling is deemed appropriate and feasible and will not lead to detrimental impacts on the palaeontological heritage of the area.

If fossil remains are discovered during any phase of construction, either on the surface or exposed by excavations the **Chance Find Protocol** must be implemented by the Environmental Control Officer (ECO) in charge of these developments. These discoveries ought to be protected (if possible, *in situ*) and the ECO must report to SAHRA (Contact details: SAHRA, 111 Harrington Street, Cape Town. PO Box 4637, Cape Town 8000, South Africa. Tel: 021 462 4502. Fax: +27 (0)21 462 4509. Web: www.sahra.org.za) so that correct mitigation (recording and collection) can be carry out by a paleontologist.

11 CHANCE FINDS PROTOCOL

The following procedure will only be followed if fossils are uncovered during the excavation phase of the development.

11.1 Legislation

Cultural Heritage in South Africa (includes all heritage resources) is protected by the **National Heritage Resources Act (Act No 25 of 1999) (NHRA).** According to Section 3 of the Act, all Heritage resources include "all objects recovered from the soil or waters of South Africa, including archaeological and palaeontological objects and material, meteorites and rare geological specimens".

Palaeontological heritage is unique and non-renewable and is protected by the NHRA and are the property of the State. It is thus the responsibility of the State to manage and conserve fossils on behalf of the citizens of South Africa. Palaeontological resources may not be excavated, broken, moved, or destroyed by any development without prior assessment and without a permit from the relevant heritage resources authority as per section 35 of the NHRA.

11.2 Background

A fossil is the naturally preserved remains (or traces thereof) of plants or animals embedded in rock. These organisms lived millions of years ago. Fossils are extremely rare and irreplaceable. By studying fossils, it is possible to determine the environmental conditions that existed in a specific geographical area millions of years ago.

11.3 Introduction

This informational document is intended for workmen and foremen on construction sites. It describes the actions to be taken when mining or construction activities accidentally uncovers fossil material.

It is the responsibility of the Environmental Site Officer (ESO) or site manager of the project to train the workmen and foremen in the procedure to follow when a fossil is accidentally uncovered. In the absence of the ESO, a member of the staff must be appointed to be responsible for the proper implementation of the chance find protocol as not to compromise the conservation of fossil material.

11.4 Chance Find Procedure

- If a chance find is made the person responsible for the find must immediately stop working
 and all work that could impact that finding must cease in the immediate vicinity of the find.
- The person who made the find must immediately **report** the find to his/her direct supervisor which in turn must report the find to his/her manager and the ESO or site manager. The ESO or site manager must report the find to the relevant Heritage Agency (South African Heritage Research Agency, SAHRA). (Contact details: SAHRA, 111 Harrington Street, Cape Town. PO Box 4637, Cape Town 8000, South Africa. Tel: 021 462 4502. Fax: +27 (0)21 462 4509. Web: www.sahra.org.za). The information to the Heritage Agency must include photographs of the find, from various angles, as well as the GPS co-ordinates.
- A preliminary report must be submitted to the Heritage Agency within 24 hours of the find and must include the following: 1) date of the find; 2) a description of the discovery and a
 3) description of the fossil and its context (depth and position of the fossil), GPS coordinates.
- Photographs (the more the better) of the discovery must be of high quality, in focus, accompanied by a scale. It is also important to have photographs of the vertical section (side) where the fossil was found.

Upon receipt of the preliminary report, the Heritage Agency will inform the ESO (or site manager) whether a rescue excavation or rescue collection by a palaeontologist is necessary.

- The site must be secured to protect it from any further damage. No attempt should be
 made to remove material from their environment. The exposed finds must be stabilized
 and covered by a plastic sheet or sand bags. The Heritage agency will also be able to
 advise on the most suitable method of protection of the find.
- If the fossil cannot be stabilized the fossil may be collected with extreme care by the ESO.
 Fossils finds must be stored in tissue paper and in an appropriate box while due care must be taken to remove all fossil material from the rescue site.
- Once the Heritage Agency has issued the written authorization, the developer may continue with the development on the affected area.

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