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ABBREVIATIONS

Abbreviation	Description
BFS	Bankable Feasibility Study
CEO	Chief Executive Officer
Cu ₂ S	chalcocite
EAP	environmental assessment practitioner
ECC	Environmental Compliance Consultancy
ECC	environmental clearance certificate
ESIA	environmental and social impact assessment
ESMP	environmental and social management plan
I&APs	interested and affected parties
MEFT	Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism
ML	mining licence
MME	Ministry of Mines and Energy
RoD	record of decision
ToR	terms of reference

1 SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETINGS AND COMMENTS FROM I&APS

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd, the Proponent of the Omitiomire Copper Project on Mining Licence (ML) 197 in the Khomas Region of Namibia, has engaged Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) to conduct an environmental impact and social assessment (ESIA) in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 and its 2012 regulations.

The Omitiomire Copper Project aims to extract economically feasible copper deposits located on ML 179. The mining operation will involve the construction of an opencast pit, ore processing plant, heap leaches, waste rock dumps, and an onsite accommodation facility. In order to engage with the public and relevant stakeholders during the early stages of the environmental and social impact assessment, public meetings were held in Windhoek and on farm Otjere on February 8th and 10th, 2023, respectively.

In preparation for the public meetings, invitations were sent out to interested and affected parties, the community, local, regional, and national authorities. Notices were published in local newspapers and media outlets to advertise the meetings. At the meetings, attendees were registered as interested and affected parties (I&APs), and their feedback recorded. A summary of public feedback will be issued to stakeholders, including registered I&APs and the competent authorities such as the Ministry of Mines and Energy (MME) and the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT). This information will accompany the application for an environmental clearance certificate, which will ultimately lead to a record of decision (RoD).

1.2 PUBLIC MEETINGS SUMMARY

The public meetings were held by Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) with technical support provided by Craton Mining and Exploration (Craton).

Attendees were welcomed and introduced to Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) as the independent environmental consulting company commissioned by the Proponent, Craton Mining and Exploration, to act as the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP). ECC was tasked with conducting the environmental impact assessment and applying for an environmental clearance certificate for the proposed Omitiomire Copper Project on Mining Licence ML 197.

As part of the Project's introduction to the public, the Project's location, baseline and ESIA process, and procedures were presented. An explanation of the Project's current status and why this Project is now significantly larger than the previously proposed mini-mine were provided. The objective of the public scoping meeting is to engage all stakeholders and to identify further

potential studies and assessments that may be required for inclusion in the environmental impact assessment of the Project.

The technical presentation by Craton provided an overview of the proposed operations on ML197 for which the environmental clearance certificate is required, as well as the overall project including:

- Omico and Craton company structure and the Craton foundation Trust
- Overview of the project
- Other heap leach or SXEW operations in Namibia
- Key technical and environmental consultants
- Site layout
- In-pit resource and mine plan
- Mining process and processing route
- Employment and accommodation
- Craton Foundation Trust
- Environmentally responsible development
- Power supply
- Water supply innovation and water preservation
- Black Nossob river diversion

The main components of the environmental assessment identified for consideration in the ESIA were discussed, such as aspects and concerns raised about the impacts of mining operations on water availability, social impacts and the river diversion impacts downstream and how mitigation and monitoring measures will be enforced, which will form an important part of the impact study for the proposed Project. The current phase aims to involve and engage I&APs to develop target-specific terms of references (TOR) for necessary specialist studies required to address all identified concerns and potential impacts in the assessment report.

1.3 KEY FEEDBACK ON ISSUES OF CONCERN – PUBLIC MEETINGS

The summary of comments received from the public meetings presented useful and valuable input in setting out the scope for the environmental and social impact assessment through questions asked and points raised. An overall review of the recorded statements, the key common themes of concern that were raised can be summarised in the categories below.

1.3.1 THE RIVER DIVERSION

During the public meetings, several attendees expressed concerns about how the proposed river diversion would impact water availability in the area, particularly for downstream farmers relying on boreholes. The project proponent addressed these concerns by explaining that the diversion would cover 5 kilometres, which is comparably small in relation to other international river diversions. The Proponent also emphasized their commitment to thorough studies of the river geology, including geophysical and pump testing, to model the river flow, groundwater flow, and

aquifer recharge. They plan to construct an embankment and canal to create a new river route and aim to establish a long-term solution that can sustainably function without human intervention. All technical aspects will be closely monitored and investigated by funders and investors to ensure proper implementation and prevent reputational damage.

1.3.2 POACHING, STOCK THEFT AND CRIME

Security measures will be implemented to monitor the access of individuals to the camp and mine site, including rigorous checks for those entering and leaving. Mine employees will travel by company arranged buses to and from the camp at the end of their weekly shifts. Individual travel will be limited to external visitors and senior management. Employees will undergo search procedures on entering and leaving the site. The workers will have access to various amenities such as three meals per day, laundry and cleaning services, recreational activities, and a kiosk, which will provide for their basic needs within the camp. There will be no need to leave the camp site during a shift cycle, besides for the commute home. Due to the 12-hour work shifts, which run 7 days a week, employees are unlikely to have free time for other activities outside the camp. In addition, no labour will be recruited at mine gate all labour will be recruited via formal channels.

The Craton Foundation Trust will put efforts towards anti-poaching and anti-crime initiatives in the area to aid in protecting the area from poaching and crime.

1.3.3 COMMUNITY BENEFIT FROM THE PROJECT

During the public meetings, a few participants expressed their concerns regarding the potential social impact of the proposed mine on the local community. They specifically raised concerns about the negative impact on their income, such as the potential loss of revenue from their tourism businesses, and the lack of access to healthcare facilities in the area. The Craton Foundation Trust, which holds a 5% share in Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd, will be funded from the profits generated by the mine. The Foundation will play a pivotal role in improving the lives of the community, providing financial support for programs and initiatives that directly benefit those most affected by the mine. In addition, Craton follows a "local content" policy, sourcing from local businesses where feasible.

1.3.4 GROUNDWATER

I&APs inquired about how the mine would affect the groundwater situation of the area. Considering that the Project previously proposed a river diversion this was a major concern. There were further questions as to where the mine would source their water from and would it be sufficient to meet the needs of the mine. The proponent assured the I&APs that Craton would not be sourcing water from the local groundwater aquifers for operational purposes. Due to the fact that there is not an adequate local supply of water to meet the proposed mine's demands Craton has began conducting studies to find alternative sources.

1.3.5 MINE CLOSURE

I&APs also questioned how Craton would handle mine closure and what steps they are taking to prepare for mine closure and rehabilitation. The proponent informed the I&APs that a mine closure plan forms part of the requirements of having a mining licence, international legislation around mining and evaluating the entire cost and feasibility of the project during the BFS.

1.3.6 TRANSPORT CORRIDOR

Another concern was which designated road would the mine use for the movement of trucks to and from the mine. How would the mine ensure that the chosen road doesn't become degraded by the movement of heavy load and multiple trucks every day. The proponent explained they are still to conduct a traffic study which will help them decide which road they will use as the designated route to and from the mine. They further explained that whichever road they choose will have to be maintained otherwise the trucking companies will refuse to travel on that road.

2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To conclude all meetings, ECC expressed gratitude towards all I&APs for attending and providing valuable feedback during the public and stakeholder consultations. The Proponent and ECC aimed to create a forum for I&APs to express their concerns and address them through the public consultation process.

ECC further acknowledged that constructive feedback from I&APs leads to a more robust and improved ESIA. This process enables a project that is comprehensible to the community and I&APs. The feedback received from I&APs will assist in identifying potential impacts that require assessment and concerns that need to be addressed as the project advances.

2.1 DETAILED COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM THE PUBLIC MEETINGS

The formal period for public consultation started on January 18, 2023, and closed on February 1, 2023, for initial feedback. Feedback was gathered through focus group meetings, public meetings, email, and phone and has been documented in the scoping report. Corresponding responses to this feedback have been included in the tables provided below.

Additional feedback is encouraged even after the public consultation period has ended, and the period for I&APs to provide feedback will remain open until the final assessment report for the project is prepared for submission to the competent authorities.

Table 1 - Comments and feedback from the Windhoek Public Meeting

Wednesday 8th February 2023, 18h30 Address: 110 Robert Mugabe Avenue, Windhoek Scientific Society			
Name	Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Bretchen Kohrs	Earthlife	Why has the Project been restarted and why was it originally shelved and why have you restarted the Project?	The technical concept was not economically viable due to the mini-mine proposed and the combination of two processing routes
		A river diversion has never been done, is there legislation for this?	There is legislation specifically focused on diverting the flow of a surface water stream. There is a detailed legal review in the scoping report of all the triggered legislation and policy documents. There will be 5km of diversion and there will be an embankment built which will be applied for at the Department of Water Affairs. The permit to build a dam will be applied for and that permit will be used for the river diversion. A canal will be designed, forming the new route for the river.
		Can you prove that are no other metals along with Copper Ore?	Just chalcocite (Cu ₂ S) no other minerals just pure copper and malachite.
		How deep will the pit be?	200-250m
Eckhart Freyer	Geologist	The property of the rock, if it is crystalline and not very jointed you probably won't have to cement the canal because cementing five kilometres of the canal will be very expensive. With regards to the permeability of the rock, the permeability may not be too bad and	Craton conducted geotechnical drilling in December of 2022 to verify what is the geology of the area so that we can take that into consideration into the design of the canal. Further geotechnical drilling and pitting is underway.

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		will only affect the local boreholes to a certain extent. Once it is past that canal, I don't think it will affect the river flow at all.	
Wolfram Jauss	Farmer	Is your revenue cycle 30 days?	Craton expects to sell its cathodes FOB Walvis Bay. Payment terms will be around that number.
		Will our boreholes run dry in 20 years?	After river diversion system should ensure that the river continues to run as usual. The host rock is tight and amount of water at the start and the end should be roughly the same, at least will not have any usual losses.
		Roads in Namibia are not built for trucks but only for light commercial trucks. If you put trucks and buses, it will damage the roads and people can't afford high range 4x4s. How will you counteract that?	A road study will be conducted to select one route that will be used that will be maintained by the mine.
		How will you address security in the area and within the camp? The mine should contribute to every farmer's security.	Everyone is driven to the mine by bus. Once arrived at the mine site, within the premise employees will walk from the camp to the plant site. The camp will be fenced and will only be able to be accessed using biometric access. Drug tests and alcohol tests will be routinely undertaken. Employees will be bussed back to either Windhoek or Okahandja. No recruitment will be carried out locally. The mine site will include a shop and the camp will be away from the road. Employees will

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			not be allowed and will have no reason to leave the mine site during a rotation.
		The Proponent's contribution needs to make a serious impact in the immediate local community	The mine is busy setting up projects such as poaching security and mobile clinics to assist the community and Craton aims to focus on local sourcing.
		Who will look after the 700 workers after the mine closes?	Craton will have a ramp-down plan. Mine workers will know this plan allowing them to plan their future steps. Employees of the mine will gain various skills, experience and knowledge that they will then be able to take forward to future jobs they may apply for in Namibia and abroad.
		Tourism generates income that will be lost how will farmers be compensated for this loss?	There may be an opportunity for farmers to supply goods to the mine to substitute possible losses or convert their guesthouses to accommodation. By our estimate and looking at similar situations, there are very few businesses who will feel a negative impact.
Henry Derks		What will happen to the baseline flow of water under the river once the river is diverted and feeds the boreholes to the farmers downstream, that underground water 5m underneath, how will you ensure that will be still there?	Will divert the river and any underground flow. Will develop something that is long-lasting. When the mine is no longer there this process should still work. See river diversion.
		Previous mine owners did not communicate effectively with us. Knight Piesold is an old established company	It is important to get the river diversion right because if we don't get it right, we will not get funding to build the mine. All technical work will be

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		that does good work, and we need clear answers in relation to river diversion. The farm owners on the mining licence and the farmers downstream need the water and if they can pull off the river diversion the mine will be successful. Developing our country but we need to keep our eyes on Knight Piesold.	investigated by banks and funders to prevent reputational damage and there is no mine without community consensus.
Lucius Murora	MKK Attorneys	How sustainable is the mine and what will happen if the copper price falls?	Craton is currently undertaking a bankable feasibility study a very detailed analysis of what it will cost to establish the mine, what its expected income and its expected costs and forecast potential increases. Once all facts are on the table, a decision will be made.
		What are the social benefits of the mine?	Taxes, jobs, and training. Directly employ 700+ people, usually a factor of 2-3 indirectly with companies who provide goods and services to the mined.

Table 2 - Comments and responses received from Bertchen Kohrs (Earthlife) via email after the I&AP registration period.

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River Diversion	
This point was discussed at length during the meeting. I still fear that the detour of the river will have an unpredictable long-term effect that will have to be shouldered by the farmers long after Craton has closed the mine.	The impacts of the proposed river diversion will be evaluated through a detailed specialist study and will be assessed as part of the impact assessment.
Diverting a river has never been done in Namibia. What are the water rights requirements to divert a river? Do they exist at all?	Permit is required as per the Water Act, No. 54 Of 1956 (enforced) and The Water Resources Management Act, No. 11 of 2013 (not enacted) for construction of a river diversion
Which ministries have to give permission to divert the river (MME, MAWLR, MEFT)?	Ministry of water, agriculture and land reform
Experience in other countries show that the groundwater level decrease in the downstream areas, which affects the biodiversity negatively.	Comment noted and this will be looked at as part of the impact assessment
What dams are connected to the Nossob?	Private farm dams both up and down stream
Mining Pit and Mining Waste	
The pit will be huge, 250m deep and 3.5km wide. Will this be the final size of the pit? Will the pit be refilled with mining waste before the mine finally is closed? If not, how, and where will the mining waste be stored and under what condition?	Final size of the pit is dependent on future economic conditions. Some waste may be dumped in the pit during mining – but the pit will not be refilled. Waste will be stored on surface waste dumps and rehabilitated during mining.
How will the pit be secured after closing of the mine to prevent accidents involving animals and people?	This is still being discussed and developed as part of the mine closure plan
It was said during the meeting that copper is of pure quality and does not contain any heavy metals, gold or silver. Can you please verify that statement with the results of laboratory analysis? The mineral act requires that accurate information	Geochemical analysis of waste and mineralised material has been undertaken. Report will form part of the ESIA.

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be provided regarding the level of environmental pollution. It is not sufficient to say that the process doesn't cause any harm.	
What is the ration ore to copper?	0.6%Cu in the ore
Will there be any tailings with the heap leaching method? If yes, how will they be stored safely and long-term?	There will be no tailings.
Is there a guarantee that the heap leaching pad will not leak? Is it secured against damage from termites, other insects or rodents?	Below the leach pad there is a layer of clay material and then protected by plastic (see below)
What measures are there to prevent such damage seepage?	HL pads are lined with 2x layers of plastic. Between the to layers there is a leak detection system. Around the periphery of the pad there are boreholes which are monitored for any evidence of leakage.
What kind of pollution can be expected to the air, soil groundwater, surface water, light, noise? And what will be done to prevent such pollution?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and mitigation and management measures will be addressed in the environmental management plan.
What measures will be taken to prevent contamination of the surrounding area?	Mitigation and management measures will be addressed in the environmental management plan.
Water Management	
Can it be guaranteed that no groundwater will be extracted during the construction phase and during the production phase?	Yes, it is confirmed that the proponent is looking into other water supply sources. Local groundwater will not be used during production phase. For production water will be sourced from alternative aquifers that are sustainable.
What is the possibility of groundwater contamination?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and mitigation and management measures will be addressed in the environmental management plan.
What are the readings of groundwater quality before exploration activities started?	Comment noted, This can be shared with farmers upon request. Local water quality monitored on a quarterly basis.

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What does the large water consumption mean for the farms? Will farmers be compensated if something goes wrong with the water supply?	No water from the local aquifer or farmers boreholes will be utilised for production.
What happen in case of perennial drought?	This will be modelled and looked at as part of the river diversion specialist study.
What impact can climate change have on water supply?	This is being looked at as part of the climate change risk assessment and will be assessed as part of the impact assessment
Social Issues	
In the BID dated 17 June 2022 social issues are not mentioned.	This document is just an overview of issues that will be scoped out in the scoping report and potentially addressed in the impact assessment. Social issue will be fully looked at and assessed in the impact assessment.
Long Experience shows that little money is invested to safeguard the well-being of the workers. Thus, project money is saved at the expense of the labourers.	Employee as a critical to the successful operations – they will be well trained. Occupational health and safety is paramount in a modern mine.
What are the benefits of workers other than regular salary?	Training, and very transferrable skills development
Will the workers get substantiated contracts and not be hired as contract workers? Typically contract workers get no proper labour contract and thus have hardly any rights.	Majority of workers are expected to be full time employees. However, It is inevitable that for shorter-term projects some contract employees may be needed.
Will there be medical care for the workers and their families? Will they benefit of a medical scheme?	On site there will be a clinic to ensure occupational health and wellbeing on employees when on site. A medical scheme will be available for employees – and potentially families on opt-in basis.
What happens to the many workers when the mine is closed?	Mine workers will be informed well in advance prior to the closure of the mine and will have acquired a variety of skills during their time as

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	employees of the mine thus enabling them to qualify for and find other jobs.
Rehabilitation of the site	
What rehabilitation measures are planned?	This will be developed as part of the mine closure plan
Rehabilitation must begin with the exploration phase and must continue through the construction phase and, of course, throughout the mining process and beyond. Funds for rehabilitation must be made available and managed by an independent institution so that they cannot be misused for other purposes.	Ways in which to rehabilitate during and post closure will be looked at as part of the closure plan which will be developed before the construction and operation of the mine take place. Rehabilitation during exploration already takes place and is monitored on a monthly basis as part of the monthly monitoring that takes place.
How much money will be put aside for rehabilitation? Who will administer the money?	This is still under discussion as part of the Projects’s definitive feasibility study.
An experienced environmental expert must be present throughout the entire process to monitor the rehabilitation.	Experienced and qualified environmental officers are always used to conduct environmental management and compliance monitoring.

Table 3 - Comments and feedback from the Farm Groot Korasie Plaats Meeting

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Name	Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Edward le Grange	Neighbouring farmer	Why is health not included as a listed activity?	Occupational health is one of the most important topics in the mining industry, covered with corporate policies and closely monitored. The listed activities listed here are the listed activities provided by government legislation, the

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			environmental management act and environmental impact assessment regulations, that trigger the need for an environmental clearance certificate. However, health is covered under other sections such as air quality and effects on ground and surface water quality. The listed activities are also in relation to separate permits that will be needed outside of the environmental clearance certificate.
Christian Lichtenberg	Neighbouring farmer: Farm Neu Otjisororindi	What about Mine Closure?	Mine closure is a key part of the study process and Craton is considering how to implement the closure in a sustainable fashion, which goes hand in hand with rehabilitation. Stakeholder engagement is also necessary for planning mine closure and is also the best practice standard in the industry to start planning for mine closure and rehabilitation from the start. Mine closure and continuous rehabilitation are part of the ongoing bankable feasibility study. Ministry of Mines and Energy also requires the proponent to adhere to international standards on rehabilitation and mine closure.
		What happens if the mine goes bankrupt before closure	This is a scenario that will be taken into consideration in the bankable feasibility study through costing. The mine will only get its approval to construct if the company can prove robust financial returns and the mine can usually withstand commodity cycle swings. Different scenarios under closure: 1. When the ore reserve runs out; 2. When a mine goes into care and maintenance; 3. Abrupt stoppage of mining activities. All of these will be planned for and be part of the mine closure plan.

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		What will happen to the pit after mine closure?	After rehabilitation, there are several potential uses of an open pit, including as a water source or for recreational and tourism purposes.
Edward le Grange	Lindenhof farmer	What is the lining of the heap leach made of?	A shallow slope of one degree and then there is a clay layer and then on top of that is two layers of plastic, in between those two layers of plastic is a leach detection system so that if there is a leak anywhere it will be able to pick up where it is. Monitoring boreholes will be installed around the leach pad.
		How will water be brought to the site?	Currently still investigating the most feasible way to bring water to the site. Most likely water will be transported via a water pipeline from a larger aquifer.
		If you pump out water for 15 years what will that do to our groundwater levels?	Pump testing will be done and will be modelled as part of the surface and groundwater studies. However, the cone of depression is not very steep, and the water is trapped between tight rocks so the flow of water into the pit will be slow.
Christian Lichtenberg	Neighbouring farmer: Farm Neu Otjisororindi	How will the river diversion and underflow of the water be diverted away from the pit?	The design will need to ensure that the water flow continues downstream irrespective. In early 2023 Craton will conduct a drilling program along the river course and proposed canal course and geophysics along the river to see the shape of the river and the underground flow. The whole process will ensure that flows are diverted via the canal, using a passive system that doesn't need any human assistance, power supply and can withstand any future flood events.
		How will Sulphur be stored?	In case of Sulphur (powder), it will be stored in covered storage sheds. Acid is stored in tanks, both in line with regulations and international best practice.

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		Does Craton have a risk and safety management plan, and will it be done in-house or by consultants?	Yes, is being developed as part of the study via the support of specialist consultants.
Edward le Grange	Farm Lindenhof	What road are the trucks going to use?	Conducting a road and traffic study to find the best route.
		Is NamPower going to build a line for you?	We will build a power line yes.
		What does the product you are going to export look like?	Metal sheets, 1 X 1m, 99.998% copper.
		Will the load drive in convoy?	Yes, they will.
Henning Schunemann		Will you succeed in getting employees to work for 12 hours?	Will apply for the exemption from the Ministry of Labour to allow employees to work for 12 hours a day and they will work in shifts and will have 1 week on /1 week off.
Edward le Grange	Farm Lindenhof	Safety for all farmers should be prioritized	Everyone comes in on a bus and they work a 7-day week, 12 hours a day. The camp will be fenced and will need biometric passes to get in and out of the camp. At the end of their rotation, they will be taken back to Windhoek or Okahandja. They will be searched upon entry and leaving the site. There will be no time for them to do other activities and all their needs will be provided for and they are well paid. All recruitment will be done from Windhoek.
Bart Jacobs		If it rains where will the water, go off the heap leach into the open pit or the Black Nossob?	Storm water ponds (plastic lined ponds) are sized to capture water from a 200-year storm.

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Bart Jacobs		How high will the leach pad go and where will the salt go?	The leach pads will be a maximum of 60 meters high. All the solution running off the heap is captured along the plastic layer and is collected in plastic pipes. That then goes into the processing plant and the copper is collected from that and then that liquid goes back on the heap again.
Holger Wittsack	Farmer: Farm Oehland	Any other rivers that have been diverted in Namibia or will this be the first time?	A number of smaller rivers but not at the scale of the Black Nossob and not in Namibia. Not an unusual task in an international context.
		Can you guarantee the river diversion will work?	We have a good baseline and pump testing will be done and models will be done, to ensure that it is done correctly.
		Will the river be put back after mine closure?	No.
		How high will the WRD be?	Maximum of 60m
Henry Derks	Farmer: Farm Omitiomire, Farm Otjere and Farm Groot Korasie Plaats	How will you reduce the risk of the mine and the mine workers causing a veld fire?	This will be included as part of the environmental and social management plan for the mine and the idea of a fire barrier around the mine site is a good one.
Unidentified I&AP		How far does you ToR specialist studies monitor or carry out baselines?	Currently only considering the mining Licence and direct zone of influence.
Unidentified I&AP		Can the proponent investigate where leaching from leach heaps	Leach pads are stationary and a separate installation, closely monitored. Leach pads are lined, and monitoring boreholes will be installed.

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Name	Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
		took place and what management/mitigation/corrective were taken?	
Unidentified I&AP		Can the Proponent carry out contamination plume modelling	Part of the study scope.
Unidentified I&AP		How does the ministry monitor the environmental and social management plan (ESMP)	The ministries are mandated to monitor the mines and monitor the activities on site. However, most monitoring is done in-house or by an external consultant which then produces compliance reporting bi-annually and part of the renewal the mines environmental clearance certificate every three years.

Table 4 - Comments and responses received from Marius Basson (Farm Owner of Farm Okamapu No 104) via email after the I&AP registration period.

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Health	
Most of the farms in the direct vicinity of the planned mine depends heavily on tourism from Hunting, photographic and guest farm operations. Tourism is a very competitive industry in Namibia, and no one wants to visit a local on with mining operations in the direct vicinity. The impact of the mine will have an impact on potential customers decision making to visit the region and certainly drive tourism to other areas. Regardless of assurances that the mine could be operated without impact to tourism -> competitors will certainly use the proximity of the mine as a negative attribute against the lodges in the area. Tourists want to visit a tranquil remote region. The noise, night light pollution and all other concerns mentioned will have a major negative impact on tourism & visitors for the farms in the vicinity.	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and mitigation and management measures will be developed as part of the environmental management plan.
All staff and contractors should receive relevant training on environmental, social and health management plans to ensure the successful implemental on thereof and material should be accessible to all, and it needs to be developed in such a way to account for different literacy levels and language barriers.	All workers and contractors will be skilled or semi-skilled and will also obtain upskilling as operations progress.
Local communities should also benefit from employment opportunities, how can this be ensured?	Company employment policy will be developed and priorities previously disadvantaged.
Will all contractor/staff camps meet national health and hygiene standards?	Yes.
No informal camps should be allowed	A formal mining camp will be set up
Will there be trained nurses/health professionals on site to treat staff members in cases of emergencies? 24hr emergency team/trained personnel should be onsite at all times.	Yes

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Will surrounding communities be able to benefit from such services?	Yes, the majority of the CSR programmes will be to benefit the immediate local community and neighbouring farmer
Is there pro-active health support for HIV positive employees or employees with TB?	Employees will have medical aid
What is the staffing level to ensure appropriate management for health issues?	As appropriate
What measures are in place to prevent the introduction of foreign disease? Pro-active interventions need to be considered.	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
How will water quality be managed on site for the staff?	water quality will be tested and monitored regularly.
Safety	
How will hazardous materials be stored on site? How will these be handled and by whom?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
How will explosives be stored on site? How will these be handled and by whom?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Staff should be trained for emergency situations. First aid certifications. Could surrounding communities also benefit from training such as first aid?	Regular first-aid and mine rescue training will be given to employees and contractors.
Proactive stakeholder engagement on safety and security related issues.	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Security	
What security will be on site to ensure that there is no trespassing and poaching on neighbouring properties?	There will be 24 hours security, seven days a week.
What plan is in place to deal with employees who trespass or poach?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan. There will be zero tolerance to any employee who breaks any law.
What measures and equipment are in place to deal with veldfires caused by mining operations or through negligence?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Waste management	

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
What plan is in place to mitigate impacts on soil, water, fauna and flora due to contamination from spills, sewage and waste disposal?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Is there a plan in place to deal with the indirect social impacts as a result of deteriorating water and soil quality from pollution?	There is no evidence yet that there will be deterioration of water or soil quality that would have any social impacts. The chances of this will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and mitigation and management measures will be implemented as part of the environmental and social management plan to prevent impacts such as those mentioned.
Where and how will waste be stored? (hazardous and non-hazardous)	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
How will the waste generated by staff be managed and disposed of?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Will staff be trained in waste management procedures?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Will waste be segregated at the source and handled according to its class and in appropriate containers? Waste storage containers should be appropriately designed to adequately manage waste quantities and classes	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
How will hazardous and non-hazardous waste be handled and discarded of?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Vehicles transporting waste should be adequately labelled	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Fire-fighting equipment should be available at waste storage facilities.	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Sufficient quantities of absorbent material should be available on site in case of spills and leakages	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
What will happen to treated liquid effluent, will it be recycled or reused?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Landfills and dumps to be lined with appropriate liners and to have adequate filter drainage systems	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Water management	
We would like to request that specialist studies be conducted, and outcomes presented to all stakeholders. A draw down code needs to be established before construction and mining starts.	Various specialist studies have already been commissioned and the terms of references for these specialist studies will be shared with all registered interested and affected parties as part of the scoping report. The specialist studies once completed will form part of the appendices of the impact assessment report and will once again will be shared with the registered interested and affected parties. Borehole water levels are being monitored on a monthly basis on the mining licence and local farms. A hydrological model is being developed for the area.
What measures are in place to deal with sanitation and waste management that could possibly affect the quality of water?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
What is the protocol if a spill or leak is detected to mitigate or minimise groundwater pollution?	This will be addressed in the environmental and social management plan
Borehole testing and monitoring – we would like to request that our borehole closest to the site be tested and monitored as well as one at the lodge. We would like to request that borehole monitoring agreements be put in place	This comment has been noted
Considering water quality and replenishing rate: How will variable be monitored? How frequently will they be monitored? Will water drawdown be tested with a drawdown cone?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – There are currently a set of monitoring wells within the ML and the nearby surroundings. – The rest water levels are measured monthly, whereas groundwater quality is measured quarterly (every 3 months). – Pump testing will be carried out by Knight Piesold (KP) to measure water drawdown.

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Noise, Air and Soil Pollution	
Does the mine have any permanent weather stations installed to determine the direction of the prevailing winds?	Yes, there is currently a weather station erected on site
Would it be possible to install a dust bucket at our lodge as the dust generated by the mine will pose a risk to our customers, we suggest that this be done over a minimum of all four seasons.	This can be arranged
Do you have a plan in place to constantly monitor the air quality in the area that can have a negative effect on the businesses operated by the neighbours? Air pollution from leaching ponds filled with chemicals becoming airborne is a major concern. Causing health concerns combined with unnatural odours.	This is already taking place and will be enhanced operations commence at the mine.
Dust buckets need to be placed along the routes the trucks will be driving as well as on site to monitor the impact on the fauna and flora as well as the free roaming wildlife. Increase in dust from mining will impact humans, animals and plant live. Not enough rainfall to clear dust from plant live regularly will contribute to flora loss.	This will be considered and incorporated into the environmental management and monitoring plan if deemed necessary.
How will the drilling and explosions be managed and how regularly will there be blasting? Our game camp directly borders the mine, what will be done to minimise the impact the blasting has on our wildlife as well as the tourists in the lodge or hunters in the veld? How will consequential loss of income from the blasting activities be handled?	This will be communicated directly with neighbouring farmers that may be affected by blasting and the associated vibrations.
24/7 operation with blasting, crushing & heavy machinery -> impact on animals in high fenced areas because of blasting. Driving free roaming animals away because of blasting activities, impact on wild bird life because of blasting. Blasting will stress animals and contribute to mortality and stampedes that will harm animals running into high fences. Noise from blasting sirens and blasting itself will impact hunting experiences. Animals will become constantly spooked and difficult to track.	This will be evaluated in the impact assessment and mitigation/management measures will be incorporated into the environmental and social management plan to manage any impacts that blasting may have on surrounding and potentially affected fauna.
Night Light Pollution – 24-hour operation will increase the artificial light at night in this remote area. Changing the sense of remoteness and star gazing for tourism.	This will be evaluated as part of the impact assessment and mitigation and management measures will be included in the environmental and social management plan.

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
You indicated 12hr shifts, does that mean 24hrs of operation? Will there be drilling, blasting, and crushing during the night?	Yes, the 12-hour shift will be per day (24 hours in a day) and all mining operations will take place 24 hours a day. Blasting will not take place in non-daylight hours.
What plan is in place to deal with the emissions of particles from activities such as land clearing, construction of roads, drilling and blasting?	Air quality will be monitored on a monthly basis and mitigation and management activities will be included in the ESMP and will be implemented to manage excessive emissions from land clearing, construction of roads, drilling and blasting.
How will the district roads be maintained? The roads will deteriorate quickly due to the increased traffic, there is a possibility of increased vehicle accidents due to the degrading road conditions, is the mine planning to assist with the maintenance of these roads?	Depending on the road that the Proponent choses as their main road for transport, this will and maintained.
What will your carbon footprint be?	A definitive answer cannot be provided at the moment until the mine plan and various activities and infrastructure has been finalized in the DFS. However, as part of the current climate change risk assessment an estimate of the projects carbon footprint is being assessed
It should be ensured that the emissions emanating from the various activities are below the required guidelines and the ambient air concentrations do not exceed the selected guidelines, hence not posing a threat to human health and the environment.	Comment Noted.
Considering impacts on soil, air and noise: What variables will be monitored? Where will these variables be monitored? Locations? How frequently are they being monitored?	The proponent has been doing monthly monitoring from the June 2022 on water quality, water levels and air quality. This will be improved and refined once operations commence on the mine to include other variable e.g., noise.
Flora and Fauna Management Plan	
We would like to request that the relevant specialist studies be conducted, and outcomes presented to all stakeholders.	A biodiversity study has been completed and will be made available to the registered interested and affected parties as an appendix to the impact assessment report.

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Loss of habitat/vegetation due mining activities?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and the mitigation and management measures will be included in the ESMP.
Direct loss/disturbance of fauna due to air and noise pollution, resulting emigration from area of activity and surrounding farms.	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and the mitigation and management measures will be included in the ESMP.
Indirect loss of vegetation and animals due to activities of employees, contractors and influx of job seekers and pollution (water, air, noise and soil)?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and the mitigation and management measures will be included in the ESMP.
Dust contamination from dumps and increased heavy vehicle traffic along dirt roads?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and the mitigation and management measures will be included in the ESMP.
There is an increased potential for the establishment for alien invasive species, what measures will be in place to prevent this?	This will be assessed as part of the impact assessment and the mitigation and management measures will be included in the ESMP.
Sulphuric Acid	
Where and how will the sulphuric acid be stored?	Acid is stored in tanks, both in line with regulations and international best practice
How safe is the transportation of the sulphuric acid?	Acid is currently transported in Namibia by road and rail.
What happens in case of abnormal/emergency conditions during transport or use/storage on site? What protocols are in place? Have there been any considerations with regards to acid rain?	The proponent will have an emergency plan developed and this will be implemented on site to prevent hazards in relation to movement of hazardous substances and in the event of any accidents or emergencies.
Grievance Procedures	
A grievance reporting mechanism should be employed not only for employees but also for stakeholders in line with the mitigation and management measures outlined in the management plan, which will work proactively towards identifying and addressing issues	This will be developed and will be included in the ESMP.

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
<p>before they become grievances. However, when grievances are reported they need to be addressed in a consistent and verifiable manner before they become incidents. For this reason, we request that a Grievance Resolution Procedure should be implemented and followed to: enable stakeholders to easily identify and report any grievance regarding the project's performance; and ensure that, through a defined process and within a predictable timeframe, stakeholders receive a response and/or resolution to the grievance.</p>	
<p>This procedure should focus on the recording and processing of complaints and grievances and not of incidents. Incidents should be dealt with through an operation's incident reporting process.</p> <p>Grievance reporting procedures should be well defined, outlined and shared with all stakeholders.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Social development</p>	
<p>Determine skills available in the area.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Establishment of training programmes based on skills gaps identified.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Capacity building with local communities.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Facilitate support of surrounding communities with regards to business opportunities and possible supply of materials, goods and produce.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Ensure that social investment is appropriate to assist in improving the welfare of the local community and vulnerable groups.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Consult and identify needs of the local communities.</p>	<p>Comment Noted.</p>
<p>Rehabilitation, Decommissioning and Closure Plan</p>	
<p>What is the current management plan for the rehabilitation of the site once the lifespan of the mine is over? How is the mine planning on guaranteeing that the site will be rehabilitated?</p>	<p>This is currently under development and will be submitted to the competent authority as part of the mine closure plan.</p>

Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
We would like to request that a Trust Fund be opened, and the mine should deposit the funds for the rehabilitation of the site on a yearly basis. The amount to be placed in the trust fund per annum needs to be determined by an auditor over a twelve-month period, at the end of each year's operation the rehabilitation cost for the work done over that period has to be reviewed and transferred to the trust. This trust should be managed by an independent party.	Comment Noted.
The objective should be to leave a safe environment for both humans and animals.	The main objective of both the impact assessment and ESMP is to ensure that the proposed Project.
All areas should be made stable and sustainable.	This will be addressed as part of the mine closure plan.
Maintain and monitor all areas following re-vegetation to ensure that re-vegetation is done successfully.	This will be done as part of the mine closure and rehabilitation plan.
Monitor for potential contamination from waste and rehabilitated sites.	There has been a geochemical specialist study commissioned to assess any possible acid and metalliferous drainage from waste rock dumps.
Ensure proper decommissioning, demolition and decontamination of building structures and waste storage areas.	This will be addressed as part of the mine closure plan.
Manage post-mining rising water table and consequent impacts on groundwater use. Minimise and contain seepage and ensure that water quality standards are met.	This will be addressed as part of the mine closure plan.
Prevent contamination of surface water.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP.
Mining infrastructure must be rendered safe.	This will be addressed as part of the mine closure plan.
Control dust from remaining dumps.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP and mine closure.
Reduce environmental and visual impacts.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP.
Identify sources of emissions and types of pollutants released. Minimise and control these sources of emissions.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP.
Educate employees and local communities on the impacts and effects of closure.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP.
Always maintain open and transparent communication procedures with stakeholders.	This will be addressed as part of the ESMP.

APPENDIX A – ADVERTS

WEDNESDAY 08 FEBRUARY 2023

035 Regskenningsgewings Legal Notices

REZONING NOTICE DUNAMIS CONSULTING TOWN, REGIONAL PLANNERS AND DEVELOPERS on behalf of the owner of Erven 734 and 735 corner Hosea Kutako and Pettenkofer Streets, Windhoek intends to apply to the Municipal Council of Windhoek for the following:

* Rezoning of Erf 734 corner Hosea Kutako and Pettenkofer Streets, Windhoek with a bulk of 1.0 for Retail purposes;

* Rezoning of Erf 735 corner Hosea Kutako and Pettenkofer Streets, Windhoek from "Business" with a bulk of 0.4 to "Business" with a bulk of 1.0 for Retail purposes;

* Consolidation of Erven 734 and 735 Windhoek into Erf X;

* Consent Use for an Office Floor Area on a consolidated Business zoned Erf; and

* Consent to use the Erf for small-scale Retail purposes on a "Business" zoned Erf with the interim bulk of 0.4 while the rezoning to a Bulk of 1.0 is being finalized.

Erven 734 and 735 Windhoek are located at the corner of Hosea Kutako and Pettenkofer Streets, Erf 734 is currently zoned "Residential" with a density of 1:900 and measures 1053m². Erf 735 is currently zoned "Business" with a bulk of 0.4 and measures 1226m². It is proposed that Erven 734 and 735 Windhoek be rezoned to "Business" with a bulk of 1.0 for retail purposes with a Consent Use for an Office Floor Area and Consent to use the Erf for small-scale Retail purposes on a "Business" zoned Erf with the interim bulk of 0.4 while the rezoning to a Bulk of 1.0 is being finalized.

Further, take note that the locality plan of the Erf can be inspected at the Windhoek Town Council Customer Care Centre Town Planning Notice Board, 80 Independence Avenue, Windhoek.

Further take note that any person objecting to the proposed land use as set out above may lodge such objection together with the grounds thereof in Writing at the Windhoek Urban Planning Offices Room 518, 5th Floor, Town House Main Building within 14 days of the last publication of this notice (final date for objections is 22 Febru-

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REHOBOTH: ESTABLISHMENT OF TOWNSHIP: REHOBOTH BLOCK D EXTENSION 2: Notice is hereby given in terms of section 107(1) of the Urban and Regional Planning Act No. 5 of 2018 that Toya Urban Planning Consultants cc has applied to the Rehoboth Town Council and intends on applying to the Urban and Regional Planning Board in terms of section 105 (1)(b) of Urban and Regional Planning Act No.5 of 2018 for the following:

- Subdivision of the Remainder of Rehoboth Town & Townlands No.302, into Portion "X" and remainder.

- Needs and desirability for township establishment on portion "X" (Portion of the remainder of Rehoboth town & townlands No.302.

- Layout approval and township establishment on portion "X" of the remainder of Rehoboth town & townlands No.302 comprising of 66 erven and remainder streets to be known as (Rehoboth Block D extension 2).

Portion "X" is located on the western part of Rehoboth town & townlands No.302 between the suburb of Westridge in the north and Rehoboth Block D Extension 1 and situated along the B1 main road (Rehoboth to Windhoek) Portion "X" measure approximately 6.1939 Hectares in extent. The purpose of the application as set out above, is to subdivide Portion "X" and establish a township to be known as "Rehoboth Block D Extension 2", which will comprise of 66 erven and the remainder streets. This township will be for purposes of developing a residential suburb.

The full application, locality maps, layout plans and its supporting documents lie open for inspection during normal office hours at the Rehoboth Town Council (Town Planning office) and with Toya Urban Planning Consultants cc (plans can be requested via email sshingu-t@gmail.com).

Any person objecting to the proposed application as set out above may lodge such objection together with their grounds thereof, with the Chief Executive Officer of the Rehoboth Town Council or with the applicant (Toya Urban Planning Consultants cc) in writing on or before Friday, 10th March 2023.

The Chief Executive Officer, Rehoboth Town Council, Private Bag 2500, Rehoboth Tel: 062-521800, Email: shihopof@rtc.org.na Or

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NOTICE OF INTENTION: NOTICE OF INTENTION IN TERMS OF THE URBAN AND REGIONAL PLANNING ACT OF 2018 (ACT 5 OF 2018): APPLICATION FOR REZONING OF ERF 979, MONDESA, EXTENSION 3, SWAKOPMUND, FROM SINGLE RESIDENTIAL WITH A DENSITY OF PER 1:600M² TO LOCAL BUSINESS WITH A BULK OF 1.0; AND CONSENT TO OPERATE A RESIDENT OCCUPATION (DOCTORS CONSULTING ROOM) FROM THE PREMISES WHILE THE REZONING IS IN PROCESS.

Please take note that Van Der Westhuizen Town Planning & Properties CC, on behalf of our client/s, intends to apply to the Swakopmund Municipal Council for Environmental Clearance and the Rezoning of Erf 979, Mondesa, Extension 3 Swakopmund, from Single Residential with a density of 1:600m² to Local Business with a Bulk of 1.0.

Erf 979, Mondesa, Extension 3, Swakopmund, currently measures approximately 600m² in extent and is located along Mandume Ya Ndemufayo Street in Mondesa. The property is currently being used for residential purposes by the owner. It is the intention of the owner to have the property rezoned to Local Business in order to operate as doctors consulting rooms. It is also the intention to apply for consent to operate a resident occupation for the purpose of Doctors Consulting Room from the premises while the rezoning is in process. It is thus required and necessary to formally apply to the Local Authority and the Ministry of Urban and Rural Development for the proposed rezoning of the property.

Please further take note that - (a) the plan of the erf can be inspected at the Public Notice Board of the Swakopmund Municipality located on the Corner of Rakotoka Street & Daniel Kamho Avenue.

(b) any person having objections to the proposed rezoning or who wants to comment thereon, may lodge such objections and comments, together with the grounds thereof, in writing to the Municipality and the applicant within 14 days of the last publication of this notice.

Please be advised that the written objection must be forwarded within the prescribed time as required by the Urban and Regional Planning Act of 2018. Such written objection or comment must therefore be submitted by no later than 17:00 on 22 February 2023.

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REZONING OF ERF 3191, NO.29-31 STEIN STREET, KLEIN WINDHOEK, FROM 'RESIDENTIAL' WITH A DENSITY OF 1 DWELLING PER 900m² TO 'HOSPITALITY' (FOR A HOTEL PENSION) DU TOIT TOWN PLANNING CONSULTANTS, on behalf of the owner of the erf, in terms of the stipulations of the Urban and Regional Planning Act, 2018 (Act No. 5 of 2018), intends to apply to the Windhoek City Council and the Urban and Regional Planning Board for:

Rezoning of Erf 3191, No.29-31 Stein Street, Klein Windhoek, from 'residential' with a density of 1 dwelling per 900m² to 'hospitality' (for a Hotel Pension). Consent to use Erf 3191, No. 29-31 Stein Street, Klein Windhoek, in accordance with the new zoning while the rezoning is formally being completed.

De Vagabond Pension has been located on Erf 3191, on Stein Street, just south of the Klein Windhoek business hub for many years. The City of Windhoek granted consent for the establishment in 1992. The current zoning is 'residential' with a density of 1:900 and the erf is 2870m² in extent.

The existing, well-maintained accommodation establishment has operated for many years. There are 11 rooms established. The City of Windhoek has requested the owners to convert to the 'hospitality' zoning category to bring the number of rooms in line with the Windhoek Zoning Scheme. According to the new zoning category of 'Hospitality', a Hotel Pension is an accommodation establishment with at least 10 but not more than 20 rooms. Sufficient parking is provided for on-site as per the City of Windhoek requirements. There is thus no intention to change the current operations or ambience of the establishment.

The locality plan of the erf lies for inspection on the Town Planning Notice Board in the Customer Care Centre, Municipal Offices, Rev. Michael Scott Street, Windhoek and at the offices of Du Toit Town Planning, 4 Dr. Kwame Nkrumah Avenue, Klein Windhoek.

Any person objecting to the proposed use of land as set out above may lodge such objection together with the grounds thereof with the City Council (the Urban Planner-Town House, Fifth Floor, Room 516) and the applicant within 14 days of the last publication of this notice (final date for objections is 1 March 2023).

Should you require additional information you are welcome to contact our office.

Market Watch


NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED OMITIOMIRE COPPER MINING PROJECT ON ML 197, KHOMAS REGION, NAMIBIA

Environmental Compliance Consultancy provides this notice to members of the public that an application for an environmental clearance certificate in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No.7 of 2007 will be made for the proposed Omitiomire open cast mining activities on ML 197, Khomas Region, Namibia. Members of the public are invited to register as an interested and affected party (IAP) and provide input into the assessment process.

Applicant: Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): Environmental Compliance Consultancy
Location: Khomas Region, Namibia

Project Location: Mining licence (ML 197) located on farm Omitiomire, located 140km northeast of Windhoek (by road) and approximately 39km south of Hottfeldt, in the Khomas Region of Namibia.

Proposed Activities: The proposed Project will include an open pit, heap leach pads, an ore processing plant, waste rock dumps, a leached ore depositional facility, workshops, water management infrastructure, employee accommodation and related support services and facilities. The mining operation is expected to produce an estimated 100 tM of ore up to a pit depth of approximately 250m. The Proponent also plans to divert the MS3 road and the Black Mossob River around the southern tip of the proposed pit area. The construction phase of the mine is expected to take 24 months and will likely create approximately 700 jobs. The operational phase may employ 600 people.



Updated Public Meetings Schedule:
Two public meetings will be held for I&AP inputs to be collected and recorded for incorporation into the ESIA.
1st Meeting: 8 February 2023 at the Namibian Scientific Society @ 18:30 PM
2nd Meeting: 10 February 2023 on Farm Groot Kersale Plants No. 440, Khomas Region @ 10:00 AM

Purpose of the review and registration period: The purpose of the review and registration period is to introduce the proposed Project to the public and to allow registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) to comment on the background information document (BID) to ensure that all issues and concerns are brought forward, captured, and considered further in the assessment process.

The registration period is effective from the 18 January 2023 to 01 February 2023. I&APs and stakeholders are required to register for the Project at: <https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-omitiomire-copper-mine-on-ml-197/>

The team at ECC will then maintain contact with all registered I&APs to keep them informed and engaged as the ESIA process develops. ECC will also provide registered I&APs relevant documents to review during the assessment process.

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On Ukraine war



The logo of BP is seen at a petrol station. PHOTO REUTERS

BP cuts oil demand outlook-report

BP forecast worldwide energy consumption to drop 2.3 percent by 2035.

BP stressed, however, that "oil continues to play a major role in the global energy system for the next 15-20 years"

The worldwide transition away from fossil fuels could be accelerated by the Ukraine-Russia war, British energy giant BP forecast on Monday.

Its assessment in the group's annual energy outlook comes as oil and gas majors seek to reinvent themselves as greener companies by investing in renewables.

"The increased focus on energy security as a result of the Russia-Ukraine war has the potential to accelerate the energy transition," BP said in its report. This "as countries seek to increase access to domestically produced energy, much of which is likely to come from renewables and other non-fossil fuels", it added.

BP forecast worldwide energy consumption to drop 2.3 percent by 2035 compared with its forecast a year ago, owing to falls for both oil and gas demand caused additionally by economic weakness.

Emission
Under its most optimistic scenario the firm sees carbon dioxide emissions peaking this decade, and dropping 8 percent from 2019 levels by 2035.

Reacting to the report, Philip Evans climate campaigner for Greenpeace UK, welcomed BP's expectations of greater moves towards the use of renewables.

"But the main message of these scenarios, and all credible energy scenarios, is that the world is not even close to meeting the targets" set out by the Paris Agreement on cutting carbon emissions. The 2015 Paris Agreement seeks to limit global warming to 1.5 degree Celsius and reach net zero emission by mid-century.

"We urgently need greater intervention and investment from governments to catch up with our rapidly changing climate," he told AFP. Evans said that meant "ruling out new oil and gas production".

NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED OMITIOMIRE COPPER MINING PROJECT ON ML 197, KHOMAS REGION, NAMIBIA

Environmental Compliance Consultancy provides this notice to members of the public that an application for an environmental clearance certificate in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No 7 of 2007 will be made for the proposed Omitiomire open cast mining activities on ML 197, Khomas Region, Namibia. Members of the public are invited to register as an interested and affected party (I&AP) and provide input into the assessment process.

Applicant: Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Compliance Consultant: Environmental Compliance Consultancy, Khomas Region, Namibia

Project location: Mining license (ML 197) located on farm Gredlerhorst, located 10km northwest of Windhoek (to east) and approximately 20km south of Etosha, in the Khomas Region of Namibia.

Proposed Activity: The proposed Project will include an open pit heap leach pad, an ore processing plant, water treatment, a heap leach disposal facility, waste dumps, water management infrastructure, employee accommodation and related support services and facilities. The mining operation is expected to produce an estimated 200 Mt of ore up to a depth of approximately 250m. The Project also includes the diversion of ML2 road and the Windhoek River around the southern side of the proposed pit area. The construction phase of the license is expected to last 4 years and will create approximately 700 jobs. The operational phase may employ 500 people.

Up and Public Hearings: 5 consecutive two public hearings will be held for I&AP inputs to be collected and recorded for incorporation into the ESI.

1st Hearing: 8 February 2023 at the Namibia School of Leadership & Governance (NSL) @ 14:30 PM

2nd Hearing: 10 February 2023 on Farm Gredlerhorst, Mining License No. 197, Khomas Region @ 10:00 AM

Purpose of the review and registration period: The purpose of the review and registration period is to introduce the proposed Project to the public and to allow registered interested and affected parties (I&APs) to comment on the background information document (BID) to ensure that all issues and concerns are brought forward, captured, and considered before the assessment process.

The registration period is effective from the 18 January 2023 to 01 February 2023. I&APs and stakeholders are requested to register for the Project at <http://www.environmental.com.na/omitiomire> or contact the project manager on 06-977 7000.

The team at ECC will remain in contact with all registered I&APs to keep them informed and engaged as the ESI process develops. ECC will also provide registered I&APs with notices and documents to review during the assessment process.

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APPENDIX B - STAKEHOLDER LETTERS



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REFERENCE: ECC-134-394-LET-10-D

1 February 2023

Identified stakeholder and potentially interested or affected party for:

The proposed Omitiomire Copper Mine on ML 197 in the Khomas Region, Namibia

Dear Sir or Madam,

**RE: NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED
OMITIOMIRE COPPER MINE ON ML 197 IN THE KHOMAS REGION, NAMIBIA AND AN
INVITATION TO SCHEDULED PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS**

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) has been engaged by Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd, the Proponent, as their environmental assessment practitioner to conduct the environmental clearance certificate application process in terms of the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 for the proposed Omitiomire Copper Mine on ML 197 in the Khomas Region, Namibia. The proposed Project is located on Farm Omitiomire No. 439, approximately 140km northeast of Windhoek (by road) and 39km south of Hochfeld, in the Khomas Region of Namibia.

The proposed mine includes one opencast pit that will be developed to a depth of approximately 250 metres over the lifespan of the mine, an ore processing plant, heap leach pads, waste rock dumps, workshops, water and electricity supply and management infrastructure, related support services and facilities and an onsite staff accommodation facility. Additionally, the Proponent plans to divert the M53 road and the Black Nossob River around the southern tip of the proposed pit area. Please refer to the Background Information Document (BID) for project details and the scope of the assessment.

This letter is intended to engage potentially interested and affected parties (IAPs) for the Project and provide a communication channel to ECC for the ESIA process. You have been identified as an interested or affected party and therefore ECC wishes to inform you of how you can be involved with the ESIA.

As part of the assessment, Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) herewith cordially invite you as an identified stakeholder, interested or affected party to the public engagement meetings scheduled for the following dates:

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE CONSULTANCY CC
PO BOX 91193 WINDHOEK, NAMIBIA
MEMBERS: J L MOONEY & JS BEZUIDENHOUT
REGISTRATION NUMBER: CC/2013/11404



1st Public meeting:

- Date: 08 February 2023
- Venue: Namibia Scientific Society, 110 Robert Mugabe Avenue, Windhoek
- Time: 18:30 PM

2nd Public meeting:

- Date: 10 February 2023
- Venue: Farm Groot Korasie Plaatz No. 440 (Otjere hunting lodge)
- Time: 10:00 AM

Public participation is an important part of the ESIA process, as it allows the IAPs to obtain information about the proposed project and provide feedback. Communication with the IAPs occurs at various stages throughout the Project lifecycle. IAPs can interact with the ESIA process by:

- Perusing through the Background Information Document (BID) available online at (<https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-omitiomire-copper-mine-on-ml-197/>)
- Registering as IAPs for the project via the ECC website as per the link provided below: <https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-omitiomire-copper-mine-on-ml-197/>

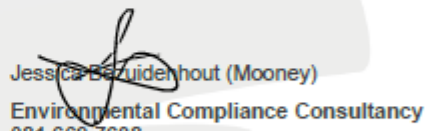
If you are unable to complete the registration form online, please contact us via email for assistance at info@eccenvironmental.com, or alternatively call our office at : +264 81 669 7608.

ECC values community input and participation in our projects and we look forward to working with you as the project develops.

Yours sincerely,



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Environmental Compliance Consultancy
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Jessica Bezuidenhout (Mooney)
Environmental Compliance Consultancy
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APPENDIX C - SITE NOTICES



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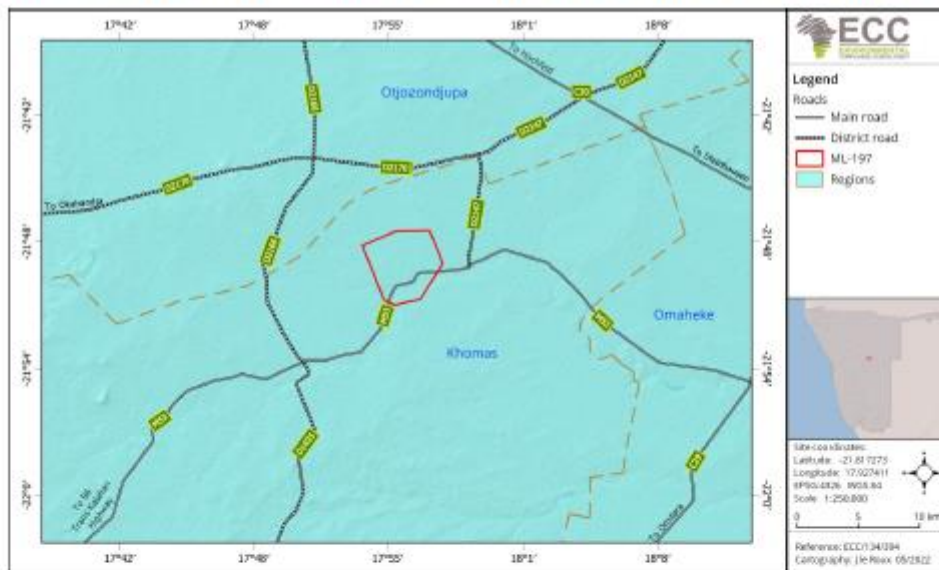
NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED OMITIOMIRE COPPER MINING PROJECT ON ML 197, KHOMAS REGION, NAMIBIA

Environmental Compliance Consultancy CC (ECC) hereby gives notice to the public that an application for an environmental clearance certificate in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 will be made as per the following:

Applicant: Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP): Environmental Compliance Consultancy
Location: Khomas Region, Namibia
Project ID: ECC-134-394

Proposed Project Activity: The proposed Project will include an open pit, heap leach pads, ore processing plant, waste rock dumps, a leach ore deposition facility, workshops, water management infrastructure, employee accommodation and related support services and facilities. The mining operation is expected to produce an estimated 100 Mt of ore at a pit depth of approximately 250m. The Proponent also plans to divert main road M53 and the Black Nossob River around the southern tip of the planned open pit. The construction phase of the mine is expected to take 24 months and will likely create approximately 700 jobs. The operational phase will employ an estimated 600 people.

Proposed Project Area: Craton Mining and Exploration (Pty) Ltd holds mining licence 197 (ML 197) over farm Omitiomire, located 140km northeast of Windhoek (by road) and approximately 39km south of Hochfeld, in the Khomas Region of Namibia.



I&APs Registration: The purpose of the registration period is to introduce the proposed Project and to allow interested and affected parties (I&APs) to register and comment on the background information document (BID) and scoping report to ensure that potential issues and concerns are brought forward so that they can be considered and assessed during the impact assessment process.

I&APs and stakeholders are required to register for the Project at: <https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-omitiomire-copper-mine-on-ml-197/> or contact our office using the telephone details provided below.

The team at ECC will then maintain contact with all registered I&APs to engage and to keep them informed as the ESIA process develops. ECC will also provide registered I&APs input opportunities and review periods throughout the assessment process.



Contact: Mr JS Bezuidenhout or Mrs J Mooney
 Environmental Compliance Consultancy
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 Website: www.eccenvironmental.com/projects

APPENDIX D – BID

APPENDIX E – ATTENDANCE REGISTERS










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

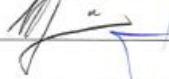




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APPENDIX F – PROOF OF I & AP REGISTRATION

WINDHOEK PUBLIC MEETING – 8TH FEBRUARY 2023



INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES REGISTRATION FORM

PROJECT DETAILS

ECC Project Reference: ECC- 134-394 Craton

Project Title: The proposed Omitiomire Copper Mine on ML 197 in the Khomas Region, Namibia

Applicant:

This form serves to register Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) for the above mentioned project(s) and to solicit input and participation. This form will be submitted to the competent authority for consideration in the decision making process.

INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES (IAP) DETAILS	
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Stakeholder Group (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Member of Affected Community <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Government Organisation (NGO) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Provincial or Government Official <input type="checkbox"/> Local or District Official
GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	provision of services to mine



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Stakeholder Group (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Member of Affected Community <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Non-Government Organisation (NGO) <input type="checkbox"/> Provincial or Government Official <input type="checkbox"/> Local or District Official
GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	environmental + social impacts



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GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	geological & metallurgical



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GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	Advancing related development in Kunene Region

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GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	The effect the mine will have on the profitability + sustainability of our farming operation



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GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	What would be needed to sustain employees (food and accomodation).



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Stakeholder Group (please tick)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member of Affected Community <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Government Organisation (NGO) <input type="checkbox"/> Provincial or Government Official <input type="checkbox"/> Local or District Official
GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	Farmer Downstream of project Directly affected neighbour/community.



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Organisation and/or property description (if landowner/lawful occupier)	Farm Oehliland no. 207.
Stakeholder Group (please tick)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Member of Affected Community <input type="checkbox"/> Non-Government Organisation (NGO) <input type="checkbox"/> Provincial or Government Official <input type="checkbox"/> Local or District Official
GENERAL INTEREST IN THE PROJECT	
Please describe the nature of your interest in the project	Which aquifer will you get water from?

APPENDIX G – PUBLIC MEETING PRESENTATION



**OMITIOMIRE
COPPER MINE
PROJECT**

ESIA PROCESS
SCOPING PHASE

8 & 10 February 2023



AGENDA

- Background Information
- Craton / Omico Presentation – *Presented by Ingo Hofmaier (CEO – OMICO)*
- Baseline Studies
- Public Participation
- Environmental & Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) – *Presented by ECC*
- Questions and Answers



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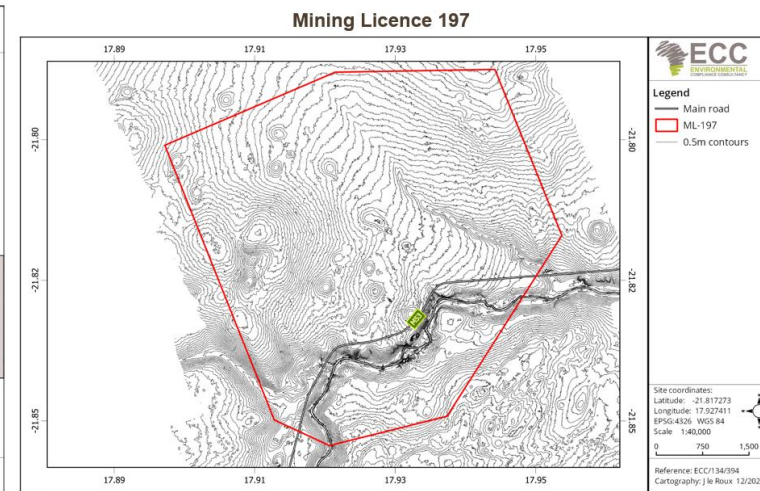
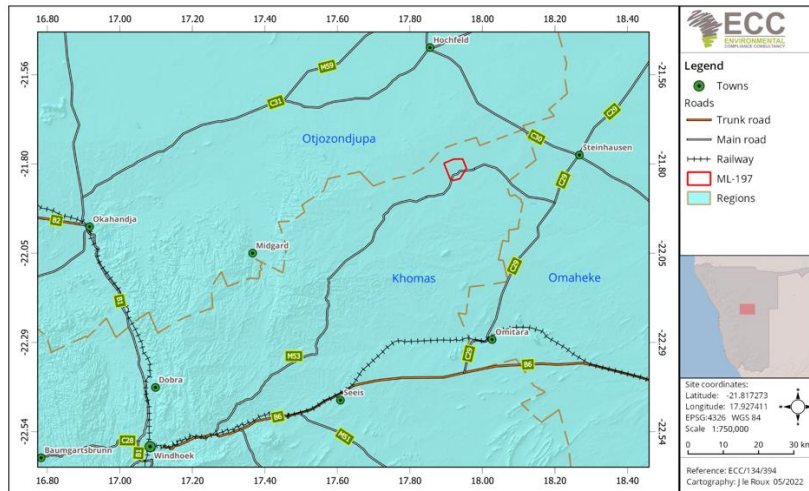
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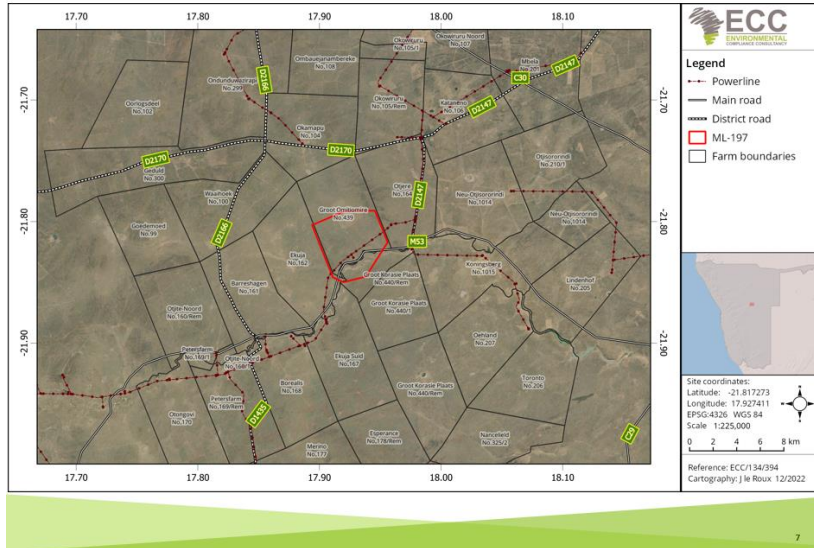


Main Objectives – ESIA Process

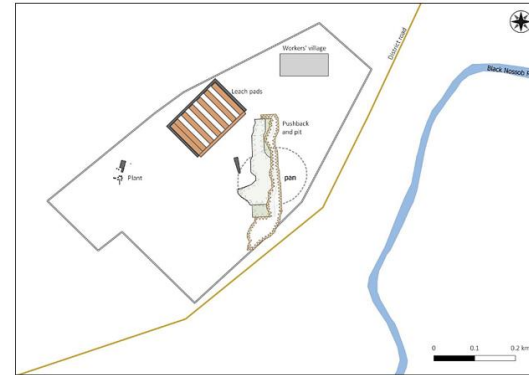


- ✓ Provide information describing the planned Omitiomire Copper Mine Project and associated activities;
- ✓ Provide an independent environmental and social impact assessment of the activities associated with the proposed mining project; and
- ✓ Describe management and mitigation measures associated with any identified potential impacts where necessary.



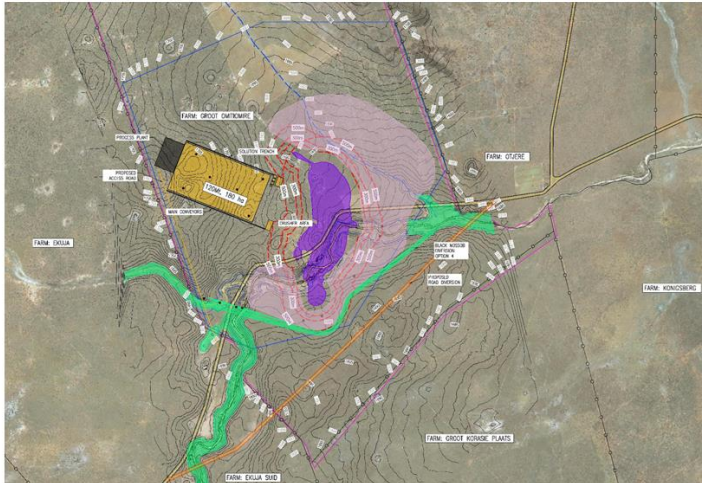


Mine infrastructure layout for the previous mini mining concept.
 Source: SLR, 2017



- ✓ Smaller footprint
- ✓ Does not cross the Black Nossob River
- ✓ Does not cross the M53 District Road

General infrastructure layout



Top three issues raised during previous public consultations in 2017

- Procedural Issues surrounding the ESIA process and its implementation: Report review timelines.

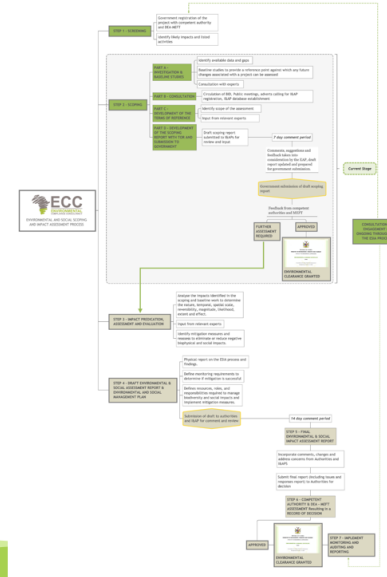
- Technical issues surrounding the proposed mining methodology triggered by the scale reduction of the then proposed mining footprint.

- Groundwater impacts: groundwater quality, water supply, groundwater levels (drawdown).



ESIA Process

- Screening - APP-0010357 (DEA PORTAL)
- Scoping – Current Phase
 - Baseline Studies
 - Public Participation
 - Terms of Reference for full ESIA
- Assessment Phase

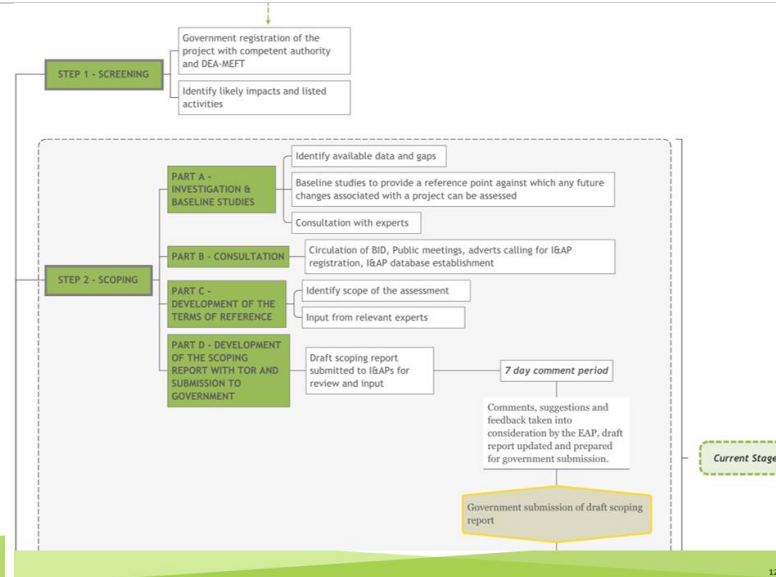


ESIA Process

- Screening – APP-0010357 (DEA PORTAL)

ACTIVITIES THAT TRIGGERED A CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE APPLICATION
ENERGY GENERATION, TRANSMISSION AND STORAGE ACTIVITIES
WASTE MANAGEMENT, TREATMENT, HANDLING AND DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES
MINING AND QUARRYING ACTIVITIES
FORESTRY ACTIVITIES
WATER RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCE TREATMENT, HANDLING AND STORAGE
INFRASTRUCTURE

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Public Participation

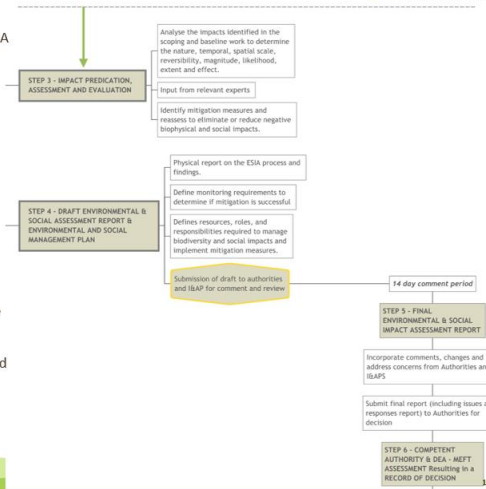


ASPECT	DATE
Notification of the project – newspapers & site notice boards.	Adverts: 17/01/2023 and 25/01/2023 Site Notice: 16 January 2023
The Background Information Document (BID) provided I&APs with the opportunity to take part in the public participation process.	Published on the ECC website 26/01/2023. Direct mail to I&APs 27/01/2023

- ✓ Copies have been made available to the interested and affected parties to assist them with providing informed inputs.
- ✓ This presentation extracts information from the BID to describe the project to those attending the meeting.

Process

- Screening - APP-0010357 (DEA PORTAL)
- Scoping – Current Phase
- **Assessment Phase**
 - Impact prediction and evaluation of alternatives,
 - Assigning mitigation measures
 - Developing monitoring and conceptual rehabilitation plans.
 - This phase culminates in the drafting of the ESIA report and draft Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and
 - Submission to the appropriate competent authorities.



Potential Impacts to be assessed

- Potential impacts that can arise from the proposed project include but are not limited to:
 - Dust Pollution
 - Noise impacts
 - Visual impacts
 - Water resource impacts
 - Impact on archaeological and cultural features
 - Biodiversity impacts
 - Increased traffic volumes on the M53 public road
 - Employment opportunities (permanent / temporary)
 - Growth of both local and regional economy
 - Blasting & vibration impacts



Baseline Studies Commissioned to date

BASELINE STUDIES	SPECIALIST
A baseline fauna and flora study will be commissioned in Q1 of 2023	Peter Cunningham
Detailed groundwater and surface water studies are underway	Knight Piesold
River diversion study	Knight Piesold
A water supply study is underway	Namib Hydrosearch
A noise baseline study will be commissioned in Q1 of 2023	AirShed
An air quality baseline study will be commissioned in Q1 of 2023	AirShed
A heritage baseline study will be commissioned in Q1 of 2023	Alma Nankela
An updated high level socio-economic baseline study will be conducted	ECC
Traffic study and associated road diversion (M53)	Innovative Transport Solutions
Visual baseline study	ECC

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ESIA & ESMP

- All specialist input will be considered and the recommended mitigations will be incorporated into the Environmental & Social Management Plan (ESMP).

Questions / Discussion ?



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