

**PROPOSED AGGREGATE MINE ON PORTION 1 AND 2
OF THE FARM VINGERFONTEIN 162, VICTORIA WEST,
NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.**

COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT

DEPARTMENT REFERENCE NUMBER:

NC 30/5/1/3/2/11318MP

FEBRUARY 2026



**NOTIFICATION OF MINE PERMIT APPLICATION AND DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT TO STAKEHOLDERS,
LANDOWNERS AND I&APS DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

COMMENTING PERIOD: 16 JANUARY 2025 – 16 FEBRUARY 2026

The relevant landowner, stakeholders and I&AP’s were informed of the mining permit application by means of an advertisement in the Victoria West Rekord Newspaper (digital), as well as an advertisement placed on the digital news platform News 24 on 09 January 2026. On-site notices that were placed at The Karoo Vleisboere Kooperatief, Victoria West Retail Store Spar, Victoria West Public Library, at the entrance gate of the application area, all on the 08th of January 2026. A notification letter inviting comments on the DBAR over a 30-days commenting period (ending 16 February 2026) was sent to the landowners, neighbouring landowners, stakeholders, and any other I&AP that may be interested in the project. Also refer to Appendix F2 for the proof of public participation that was conducted. The following table provides a list of the I&AP’s and stakeholders that were informed of the project:

| STAKEHOLDERS | | | |
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| TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME | AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS | CONTACTED DATE | RESPONSE RECEIVED |
| Mr I Visser | Pixley ka Seme District Municipality | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mrs L Itumeleng | Ubuntu Local Municipality | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Clr Mr S Kock | Ubuntu Local Municipality – Ward 3 Councillor | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |

STAKEHOLDERS

| TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME | AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS | CONTACTED DATE | RESPONSE RECEIVED |
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| Mr WD Mothibi Mr N Kopeledi | Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development | 16 January 2026 | 16 January 2026 |

Correspondence received from Mr Kopeledi on 16 January 2026:

Dear Sir / Madam,

Thank you for your email. we will attend to your request within 14 working days.

*No further correspondence was received from Mr Kopeledi.

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| Mr B Fisher Ms N Uys | Department of Agriculture, Environment Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform | 16 January 2026 | 21 January 2026 |
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Correspondence received from Me N Uys on 21 January 2026:

Good morning

Compliments for 2026.

I've received the notification via a colleague for the proposed development BAR Notice NC30/5/1/3/2/11318MP.

Could you please provide the kml/ kmz/ shapefile of the proposed development?

Best regards

Natalie

STAKEHOLDERS

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| <p><u>Greenmined's response on 21 January 2026:</u></p> <p>Dear Natalie,</p> <p>Thank you for mail, best wishes for a successful 2026 to you too.</p> <p>Please find attached as requested.</p> <p>I've updated our contact list with your details to ensure you receive all future correspondence pertaining to this project.</p> <p>Warm regards, Anel</p> <p>*no further correspondence was received from Me Uys.</p> | | | |
| Ms N Pause | Department of Economic Development and Tourism | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mr K Nogwili | Department of Roads and Public Works | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mrs K Moalosi Mr M Mudau Me L Mokhoantle Me A Hlengani | Department of Water and Sanitation Kimberley Department of Water and Sanitation Upington | 16 January 2026 | 19 January 2026 |

STAKEHOLDERS

TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME

AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS

CONTACTED DATE

RESPONSE RECEIVED

Correspondence received from Me A Hlengani on 16 January 2026:

RE:BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT And ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED AGGREGATE MINE ON PORTION 1 AND 2 OF THE FARM VINGERFONTEIN 162, SITUATED IN THE MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT OF VICTORIA WEST, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

Reference is hereby made to the application for a closure certificate as presented to this Department by the Department of Mineral Resources (DMR) under reference NC30/5/1/3/2/11318MP.

I. Water Use Authorization Compliance We support the application for a Water Use Authorization under the National Water Act to ensure all water abstraction activities, including sourcing water for dust suppression, are legally authorized and environmentally sustainable. Proper licensing will prevent unauthorized water use and protect the fragile hydrological regime of the region.

II. Protection of Watercourses and Drainage Features The proposed project has confirmed that there are no perennial rivers or wetlands within or near the quarry footprint. However, minor ephemeral drainage lines exist and will be protected through the implementation of stormwater and erosion control measures. These precautions are essential to maintain natural flow patterns and prevent water pollution or alteration of watercourses, in line with Section 21 of the National Water Act.

III. Erosion and Stormwater Management Measures Given the semi-arid climate and episodic rainfall, rigorous erosion and stormwater management plans will be implemented, especially where the access road intersects minor drainage features. This will help prevent sediment runoff and protect water quality in accordance with the National Water Act requirements.

Monitoring and Compliance During Operations Continuous monitoring of water abstraction points and runoff control measures will be conducted throughout the project life. This proactive approach ensures compliance with the National Water Act, minimizes impacts on local hydrology, and safeguards water resources for future use and ecological health.

Furthermore, any pollution incidents related to the site must be promptly reported to the Department of Water and Sanitation within 24 hours to ensure swift response and mitigation, thereby minimizing environmental harm and ensuring compliance with legal obligations.

Please feel free to contact this department, should there be any enquiries.

STAKEHOLDERS

| TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME | AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS | CONTACTED DATE | RESPONSE RECEIVED |
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| <p><u>Greenmined's response on 10 February 2026:</u></p> <p>Dear Me Hlengani,</p> <p>I trust this correspondence finds you well. Thank you for your valued comments, which have been received and noted with thanks.</p> <p>We note that the second paragraph of your correspondence refers to a DMPR closure certificate, whereas the heading and the remainder of the content correctly refer to a DMPR mining permit application. Accordingly, we will treat the comments submitted as pertaining to the DMPR mining permit application under reference number NC30/5/1/3/2/11318MP.</p> <p>We thank you for your time and input in this regard.</p> <p>*no further correspondence was received from Me Hlengani.</p> | | | |
| Mr Z Albanie | Department of Labour | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mr K Makale | Eskom | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Heritage Officer | SAHRA | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Dr M du Toit | Department of Land Restitution – Northern Cape | 16 January 2026 | 23 October 2025 |

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The Commission on Restitution of Land Rights confirmed on 23 October 2025 that no land claims appear on their database in respect of the property of this application.

LANDOWNER, SURROUNDING LANDOWNERS AND INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES

| TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME | AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS | CONTACTED DATE | RESPONSE RECEIVED |
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| Bester Familie Trust Mr H Bester | Application Area Landowner Portion 1 of Farm Vingerfontein 162 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mr OJ Malan | Application Area Landowner: Portion 2 of Farm Vingerfontein 162 Surrounding Landowner: Farm Vingerfontein No 162 Portion 4 of Farm Vingerfontein No 162 Portion 5 of Farm Vingerfontein No 162 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mr F Winterberg Trust Mrs M Truter Mrs C Truter | Surrounding Landowner: Remaining Extent of Farm Hetties Hope No 129 Portion 3 of Farm No 167 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |

LANDOWNER, SURROUNDING LANDOWNERS AND INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES

| TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME | AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS | CONTACTED DATE | RESPONSE RECEIVED |
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| Mr PO Wannenburg | Surrounding Landowner: Portion 3 of Farm Rietgat No 132 Portion 13 of Farm Rietgat No 132 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Adriaanskuil Trust Mr T van Heerden | Surrounding Landowner: Remaining Extent of Portion 1 Farm Melton Wold No 158 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| PHL Trust Mr PJ van der Westhuizen | Surrounding Landowner: Portion 3 of Farm Vingerfontein No 162 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mrs M Truter | Surrounding Landowner: Farm No 166 Farm No 167 | 16 January 2026 | No Comments received |
| Mr A Groenewald | Interested and Affected Party | 22 January 2026 | 26 January 2026 |

Correspondence received from Mr Groenewald on 22 January 2026:

Hi

Can you please send me the EMPr and more information on the WULA for the above project.

LANDOWNER, SURROUNDING LANDOWNERS AND INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES

TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME

AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS

CONTACTED DATE

RESPONSE RECEIVED

Thank you

Alré

Greenmined's Response on 26 January 2026:

Dear Alre,

Thank you for your email and your interest in the above noted project.

Kindly find attached the Draft Basic Assessment Report Notice. For ease of reference all documents pertaining to this mine permit application can be downloaded from the company website using the following link <https://www.greenmined.com/mining-permits/>

We also confirm that a WULA was applied for and is in progress.

Trust you find the above in good order.

*No further correspondence was received from Mr Groenewald.

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

The I&AP's and stakeholders were informed of the proposed project and invited to comment on the DBAR through:

- telephonic discussions;
- direct invitations with notification documents;
- placement of on-site notices;
- the placement of digital advertisements due to the absence of local printed newspapers in Victoria West. Advertisements were placed digitally on News 24, as well as the local digital newspaper, The Victoria West Rekord Newspaper.

Correspondence was received from the following parties:

- Me Uys from the Department of Agriculture, Environment Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform
- Mr Kopeledi from the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development
- Me Hlengani from the Department of Water and Sanitation
- Interested and affected party Mr A Groenewald.

No objections against the mining permit application was received.

Also refer to Appendix F2 for the proof of public participation conducted for this project.

-END OF COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT-