

**PROPOSED STOCKPILING ON A PORTION OF THE
REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARM ELANDS SPRUIT
NO 5523, ALFRED DUMA MUNICIPAL AREA
KWA-ZULU NATAL PROVINCE**

COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT

REF NO: DC23/0005/2022: KZN/EIA/0001820/2022

SEPTEMBER 2022



NOTIFICATION OF STAKEHOLDERS AND I&AP'S OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION

COMMENTING PERIOD: 30 SEPTEMBER – 31 OCTOBER 2022

The initial public participation entailed the placement of English and isiZulu site notices at the entrance to the property, Matiwane Community, the turnoff from the N11 onto Collings Pass Road, as well as the Ladysmith Library on 20 September 2022. As the southern neighbour (represented by Me Khumalo) does not have access to email, a meeting was held with her on 20 September 2022 where the project was explained, and comments invited. The project will be advertised in the Ladysmith Gazette on 30 September 2022, and isiZulu pamphlets explaining the project will be distributed in Matiwane on/before 30 September 2022. The stakeholders and I&AP's will be informed of the project with notification letters send via email, and the DBAR (with isiZulu Executive Summary) will be available at the Ladysmith Library for 30 days. A 30-day commenting period, that ends 31 October 2022, will be allowed for perusal of the documentation and submission of comments.

STAKEHOLDERS			
TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME	AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS	CONTACTED DATE	RESPONSE RECEIVED
Ms SS Ngiba, Me K Grobler Me S Magudulela Mr R Mazibuko	Alfred Duma Local Municipality	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr TP Dlamini	Alfred Duma Local Municipality Ward Councillor Ward 23	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr TN Ngcobo	Alfred Duma Local Municipality Ward Councillor Ward 24	30 September 2022	TBC

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Me P Ndabezitha	AMAFA	04 August 2022	30 August 2022
Greenmined applied in terms of Section 41 of the KwaZulu-Natal AMAFA and Research Institute Act (5/2018) and the NHRA, 1999 for comments on the proposed development of a site to AMAFA.			
Greenmined presented the project at the Heritage Officers' Committee Meeting of AMAFA on 17 August 2022.			
<p>Final Decision submitted by AMAFA on the proposed project:</p> <p>“The KZN Amafa and Research Institute (the Institute) reviewed the application on the 17 August 2022 and considered your application: The Committee resolved not to object to the development within the limits of the general stipulated conditions and mitigation measures.</p> <p>STANDARD CONDITIONS</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute should be contacted if any heritage objects are identified during earth-moving activities and all development should cease until further notice. 2. No structures older than sixty years or parts thereof are allowed to be demolished, altered, or extended without a permit from the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute. 3. Under no circumstances may any heritage material be destroyed, inundated, collected, or removed from the site unless under the direction of the KwaZulu-Natal and Amafa Research Institute and a heritage specialist. 4. Should any remains, that could potentially be human remains be found on-site, the South African Police Service (SAPS) should be contacted and the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute must be notified immediately. No SAPS official may disturb or exhume such remains, without the necessary permission from the KwaZulu-Natal Amafa and Research Institute. 5. No activities are allowed within 50m of a site that contains rock art. 6. Sources of all-natural materials (including topsoil, sands, natural gravels, crushed stone, asphalt, etc.) must be obtained in a sustainable manner and in compliance with the heritage and environmental (NEMA) legislation. 			

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The committee resolved not to object to the development within the limits of the general stipulated conditions and mitigation measures. Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header. Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.”			
Mr S Sibande	Department of Agriculture and Rural Development and Land Reform - Kimberley	30 September 2022	TBC
Me FS Magwaba	Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (National)	30 September 2022	TBC
Ms B Msane, Me GY Uyabulelwa Me L Dladla	Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation	30 September 2022	TBC
Me T Kunene	Department of Labour	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr K Moodley	Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	30 September 2022	TBC
Me J Reddy	Department of Transport	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr T Govendor	Eskom Ltd	30 September 2022	TBC

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Mr D Wieners	Ezemvelo/KZN Wildlife	30 September 2022	TBC
Me L Sewnarain	SANRAL – Eastern Region	30 September 2022	TBC
SAHRIS website	South African Heritage Resource Agency	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr Khahliso Makale	Eskom	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr MB Mnguni	uThukela District Municipality	30 September 2022	TBC

LANDOWNER / SURROUNDING LANDOWNERS / INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME	AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS	CONTACTED DATE	RESPONSE RECEIVED
Mr FP Oosthuizen	Landowner of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Remaining Extent of the farm Elands Spruit No 5523; • Portion 4 of the farm Elands Laagte No 1239; and • Portion 20 of the farm Elands Laagte No 1239. 	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr Oosthuizen supports the EA application and signed the departmental landowner consent form. Mr Oosthuizen will be kept informed of the progress of the EIA and invited to comment on the DBAR.			
Mr IF Mitchell-Innes	Contact person for Mr WS Mitchell-Innes and Me H Mitchell-Innes who respectively owns: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Portion 6 of the farm Roode Poort No 1045; and • Elands Spruit No 16154. 	30 September 2022	TBC
Mr SB Mgaga	Owner of Portion 1 of the farm Roode Poort No 1045.	30 September 2022	TBC
Cllr TN Ngcobo & Cllr TP Dlamini	Community of Matiwane	30 September 2022	TBC
Matiwans Kop Trading Co	Owner of Portion 2 of the farm Elands Spruit No 5523	30 September 2022	TBC

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TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME	AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS	CONTACTED DATE	RESPONSE RECEIVED
Me Z Khumalo	Surrounding neighbour (South)	20 September 2022	No Comments Received Yet
A meeting was held with Me Khumalo (in Ladysmith) to inform her of the application. The meeting was held in English and isiZulu, and English and isiZulu pamphlets introducing the project were also handed to Me Khumalo during the meeting. Me Khumalo did not have comments regarding the proposed stockpiling area at the time of the meeting. Me Khumalo will also be invited to comment on the DBAR.			
Rotimode (Pty) Ltd	Prospecting right holder on the property.	20 September 2022	TBC

SUMMARY OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
<p>The stakeholders and I&AP's will be informed of the project through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Advertisement in the Ladysmith Gazette (English and isiZulu); ❖ On-site notices (English and isiZulu) that were placed at public places; ❖ Introductory pamphlets to be distributed at Matiwane (English & isiZulu); ❖ Invitations to comment on the DBAR (hard copy available at Ladysmith Library). <p>The comments received on the DBAR will be incorporated into the FBAR to be submitted for decision making. See attached as Appendix F2 proof of the correspondence with the I&AP's and stakeholders during the public participation process thus far.</p>

-END OF COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT-