

**TRANSKEI QUARRIES (PTY) LTD  
A PORTION OF ERF RE/153 AND ERF RE/725,  
MNQUMA MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT,  
EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE**

**SECTION 102 APPLICATION  
EXPANSION OF MINING AREA**

**COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT**

**REF NR: EC 30/5/1/2/2/0183 MR – EC-00033-MR/102**



**NOTIFICATION OF SECTION 102 APPLICATION AND DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT TO STAKEHOLDERS AND I&APS DURING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

*COMMENTING PERIOD: 23 JULY 2024 – 26 AUGUST 2024*

The relevant stakeholders and I&AP’s were informed of the Section 102 application by means of advertisements in the Daily Dispatch newspaper on 23 and 24 July 2024, and on-site notices that were placed at the site entrance, and at the Butterworth Library. A notification letter inviting comments on the DBAR over a 30-days commenting period (ending 26 August 2024) was sent to the landowner, neighbouring (to the Quarry) landowners, stakeholders, and any other I&AP that may be interested in the project. isiXhosa flyers were also distributed in the Mcubakazi residential area. The advertisement, on-site notices, and notification letter were all available in English and isiXhosa. Also refer to Appendix E2 for the proof of public participation. The following table provides a list of the I&AP’s, stakeholders, and surrounding landowners that were informed of the project:

<b>STAKEHOLDERS</b>			
<b>TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME</b>	<b>AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS</b>	<b>CONTACTED DATE</b>	<b>RESPONSE RECEIVED</b>
Mr Silumko Mahlasela	Mnquma Local Municipality	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Cllr. Mr M. Kalimashe	Mnquma Local Municipality Ward 3	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Dr. BJ Mthembu	Amathole District Municipality	23 July 2024	No Comments received

**STAKEHOLDERS**

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Mr Briant Noncembu	Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism East London	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mr Yawa	Department of Labour	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Acting COO: Patience Tamba	Department Of Rural Development and Agrarian Reform	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mr Babini Mbewu	Department Of Rural Development and Land Reform	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mzilindile Mzi Mafani	Department Of Transport	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Me Molepo Khuthadzo	Department Of Water and Sanitation	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mr MD Qwase	Department of Public Works	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mrs Angelina Shalang	Eskom	23 July 2024	No Comments received

**STAKEHOLDERS**

TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME	AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS	CONTACTED DATE	RESPONSE RECEIVED
Ayanda Mncwabe-Mama	Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Resources Authority / SAHRA	23 July 2024	12 August 2024

Comments received from ECPHRA on the DBAR:

“ECPHRA (Eastern Cape Provincial Heritage Authority) comment in terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (25 of 1999).

This matter was tabled at the Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Committee meeting held on 30 July 2024. ECPHRA acknowledges the NID submitted. The proposed development triggers Section 38(1) of the NHRA Act therefore ECPHRA requires the following:

- ❖ A Phase 1 AIA (Archaeological Impact Assessment): We have noted that the site is already disturbed but it is situated on a sensitive zone – banks of Gcuwa River and unfortunately, ECPHRA does not have any archaeological impact assessment reports from this development site hence we request a field assessment.
- ❖ Chance Finds Protocol to be submitted to ECPHRA.
- ❖ Administration Proof of Payment of R1 500 to be attached to the AIA.

Regarding the paleontological heritage resources, ECPHRA has noted that the applicant is targeting the dolerite intrusions therefore it is unlikely that a fossiliferous zone could be impacted as it is far from the proposed development area.”

Greenmined's response to the comments received from ECPHRA:

“Attached hereto please receive a motivation for exemption from doing a Phase 1 HIA for this project as compiled by Beyond Heritage (Pty) Ltd. This document will also be loaded onto SAHRIS with the proof of payment. The comments of ECPHRA with this response will furthermore be incorporated into the final BAR to be submitted to the DMRE on/before 06 September 2024.”

Refer to Appendix G of the FBAR for a copy of the Motivation for Exemption.

**STAKEHOLDERS**

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Administration Officer	Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Agency (ECPTA)	23 July 2024	No Comments received

**LANDOWNER AND INTERESTED & AFFECTED PARTIES**

<b>TITLE, NAME AND SURNAME</b>	<b>AFFILIATION/KEY STAKEHOLDER STATUS</b>	<b>CONTACTED DATE</b>	<b>RESPONSE RECEIVED</b>
Mr Silumko Mahlasela	Mnquma Local Municipality Municipal Manager Erf 153 (landowner) Erf 725 (landowner) Lot 1A Farm No. 44 (surrounding landowner)	23 July 2024	No Comments received
Mr Mxuma	Erf 216 (surrounding landowner)	23 July 2024	No Comments received

## SUMMARY OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS THUS FAR

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

- ◆ telephonic discussions and Whatsapp messages;
- ◆ direct notification with notification documents;
- ◆ placement of on-site notices;
- ◆ the placement of advertisements in the Daily Dispatch newspaper on 23 and 24 July 2024; and
- ◆ isiXhosa flyers that were distributed in the Mcubakazi Township.

During the public participation period the only comments were received from the ECPHRA and addressed as noted earlier. Refer to Appendix E2 for the proof of public participation conducted.

**-END OF COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT-**