

Comments and Responses 1566 Harmony Valley TSF

Mr Seoka Lekota

Date 2023/07/07 Method Other

Comment

COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED HARMONY VALLEY TAILINGS STORAGE FACILITY PROJECT ON FARM RIETPAN 14 (O) AND OUDERS GIFT 48 (O/RE) NEAR WELKOM IN THE MATJHABENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE FREE STATE PROVINCE The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation has reviewed and evaluated the reports and does not have any objection to the draft Scoping Report and the Plan of Study for EIA, however, the EIA report must comply with the procedures for the assessment and minimum criteria for reporting on identified environmental themes in terms of sections 24(5) (A) and (H) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998. Furthermore, the Environmental Impact Assessment report must comply with all the requirements as outlined in the Mining and Biodiversity guideline for mainstreaming biodiversity into the mining sector. All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.

Response

Acknowledgement of comment was sent to I&AP. No further correspondence was received.

Ms Nokukhanya Gabela

Date 2023/04/20 Method Email

Comment

Good day As discussed telephonically I am Nokukhanya from Bloem Water. You sent a notification to the former Sedibeng water that is now Bloem Water regarding the proposed project 1566. Bloem water would like seek clarity on the exact location of the proposed tailing dam, this is because we have an existing bulk water pipeline in the vicinity. We have been on site but would like someone on your side to confirm the exact position of the proposed dams. Please advise on your availability to be on site and we can plan accordingly. Regards

Response

Dear Nokukhanya, Please note that your email has been received. As per our telephonic conversation, please forward me your concerns and I will relay the message to my project manager.

Date 2023/05/10 Method Email

Comment

Good day Do we have an update on the email request below? Regards

Response

Dear Nokukhanya, Thank you for your email. For some reason, your original message did not reach me as intended. I only received a blank email with your details, and nothing else. I've now had a chance to go through your message's content since the message was attached to this email. For your interest, I have included a Google Earth map, just to highlight the affected area. I think this will provide more clarity as to where the Valley TSF will be located. As illustrated, the Valley TSF is located between three other facilities (area marked in purple and pink). I think this should

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help to better understand the footprint of the project. Please let me know if the pipeline will be affected and if you need any other information in this regard.

Date 2023/05/12 Method Email

Comment

Good day Lucien Please see email below for your attention. Regards -----Original Message-----
From: Tseliso Motsie<tselisom@bloemwater.co.za> Sent: Friday, 12 May 2023 12:32 To: Nokukhanya Gabela<nokukhanyag@bloemwater.co.za> Cc: Maweni Maduna<mawenim@bloemwater.co.za> Subject: FW: Project 1566 Good afternoon
Nokukhanya, Your email below and the attachment refers. After receiving the attached map, myself and Mr. Maduna visited the site again. We inspected the site of the proposed tailings dam. According to our assessment, the bigger part of the proposed tailings dam is behind the two existing mine tailings dams, with a narrow portion extending towards our pipeline, but situated between the two existing mine tailings dams as indicated on the attached map. We measured the distance from the closest point of the proposed tailings dam to our existing pipeline and found it to be approximately 800m. We think that the proposed tailings dam is far enough not to affect our pipeline. Furthermore, we propose that the consultants provide us with designs and specifications of the proposed tailings dam, which should clarify acid water seepage effect on our pipeline for the worst-case scenario. These are required since our existing pipeline lies approximately 150m from one of the existing tailings dam in the vicinity. Acid water from that tailings dam has affected our pipeline in a way that is corroded and leaks from time to time. As an affected party (I&AP), please request that we be listed in their affected stake holder register and be notified of any developments and valuable information. Kind Regards

Response

Dear Nokukhanya, Your email has been received and comments and requests noted. Please note that additional assessments such as the Groundwater Impact Assessment is still underway, and this information will be provided in due course. I will add the included details to our I&AP database

Mr Nick van der Walt

Date 2023/05/02 Method Email

Comment

Attention MR LUCIEN JAMES. AS DISCUSSED TODAY 01 MAY 2023, ATTACHED FIND THE DOCUMENTATION SEND TO MR BEYERS NEL IN CONNECTION WITH THE NICK VAN DER WALT SHOOTING RANGE SITUATED ON OUDERS GIFT FARM 48 (O/RE). WILL PEASE LET ME KNOW IF YOU RECEIVED THIS E.MAIL IN GOOD ORDER. REGARDS

Response

Dear sir, This is to confirm receipt of your email and the attached document. I will be adding your details to our database for further correspondence about this project.

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This is in the middle of Ouder gift farm.	Dear sir, Thank you for the information provide. I've included an additional map which highlights the TSF footprint in pink and purple. I've also added a pin on the area where the shooting range is located, as per Harmony. I've relayed your information to Harmony who will be able to assist if you have any further concerns. In terms of this project, the proposed activities will not interfere with the continued operation of the shooting range.

Kamogelo Mathetja

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Dear Sir/madam, Kindy find the attached comments for your implementation.	Dear Kamogelo, Thank you for you email. This is to confirm receipt of your message.