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17 May 2024

Dear Stakeholder

NOTIFICATION OF:

- **WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION IN TERMS OF SECTION 21 OF THE NATIONAL WATER ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) (NWA) FOR WATER USE ACTIVITIES TAKING PLACE AT THE KHUTALA COLLIERY, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE**
- **HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEMOLITION PERMIT APPLICATION FOR STRUCTURES LOCATED AT SITE MHC022**

1. WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION

Notice issued in terms of Government Notice (GN) 40713, Regulation R.267 dated 24 March 2017 (Procedural requirements for the water use license application and appeals).

Khutala Colliery (Khutala) is an existing mining operation and is located approximately 55km west of eMalahleni in the Mpumalanga Province of South Africa. Khutala has been issued with numerous Water Use Licenses (WULs) authorising their existing activities on the mine. As part as their feasibility study, Seriti Power (Pty) Ltd (Seriti) is updating the mine's Life of Mine (LOM) plan at their Khutala Life Extension (KLX) section as well as the #5 Seam underground section. Khutala is in the process of applying for two WULs from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for new water uses associated with the LOM plan update. The water uses will take place on the following farms: Schoongezicht 218, Zondagsvlei 9, Cologne 34, Leeuwfontein 219 IR, Springboklaagte 33, and Klippoortje 32.

The following water uses form part of the projects:

- Section 21(a): Taking water from a water resource.
- Section 21(c) and (i): Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse; and altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse.
- Section 21(g): Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource.
- Section 21(j): Removing, discharging or disposing of water found underground if it is necessary for the efficient continuation of an activity or for the safety of people.

WSP Group Africa Proprietary Limited (WSP), an independent environmental and engineering consultant, has been appointed to undertake the WULA's public participation process in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA).

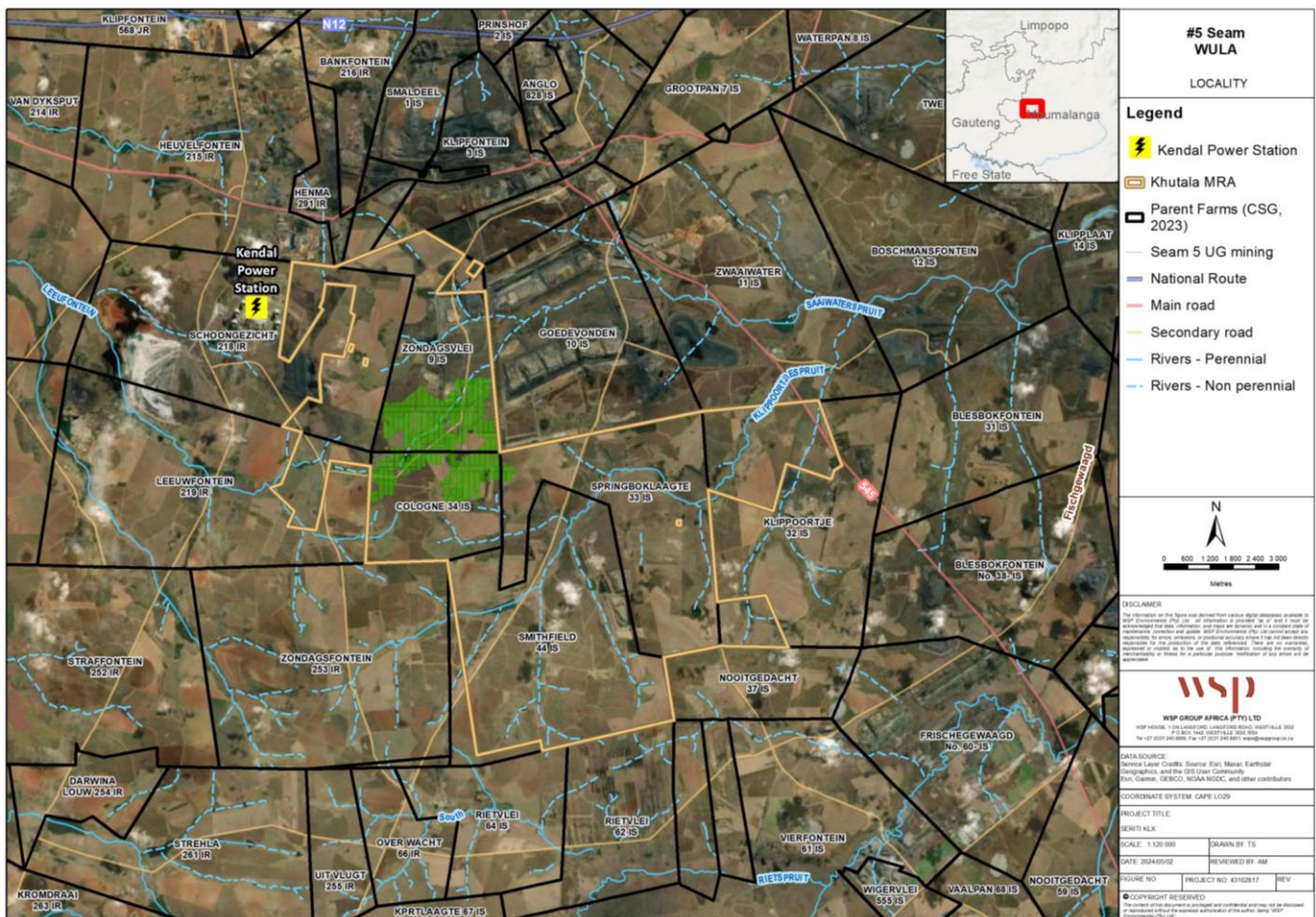
PUBLIC COMMENT INVITED ON THE WATER USE AUTHORISATION PROCESS

Stakeholders are invited to register as Interested and Affected Parties and to lodge written comments regarding the proposed water use authorisation process by 18 July 2024. The 60-day comment period will start on 17 May 2024 and conclude on 18 July 2024. An online registration and comment sheet is available for download at the following website: <https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents>.

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We would like to encourage you to actively participate in the authorisation application processes. Should you wish to obtain more information, please contact the WSP Public Participation office at (011) 254 4800, or email: gld.pp@wsp.com.



Site location of the proposed WUL applications

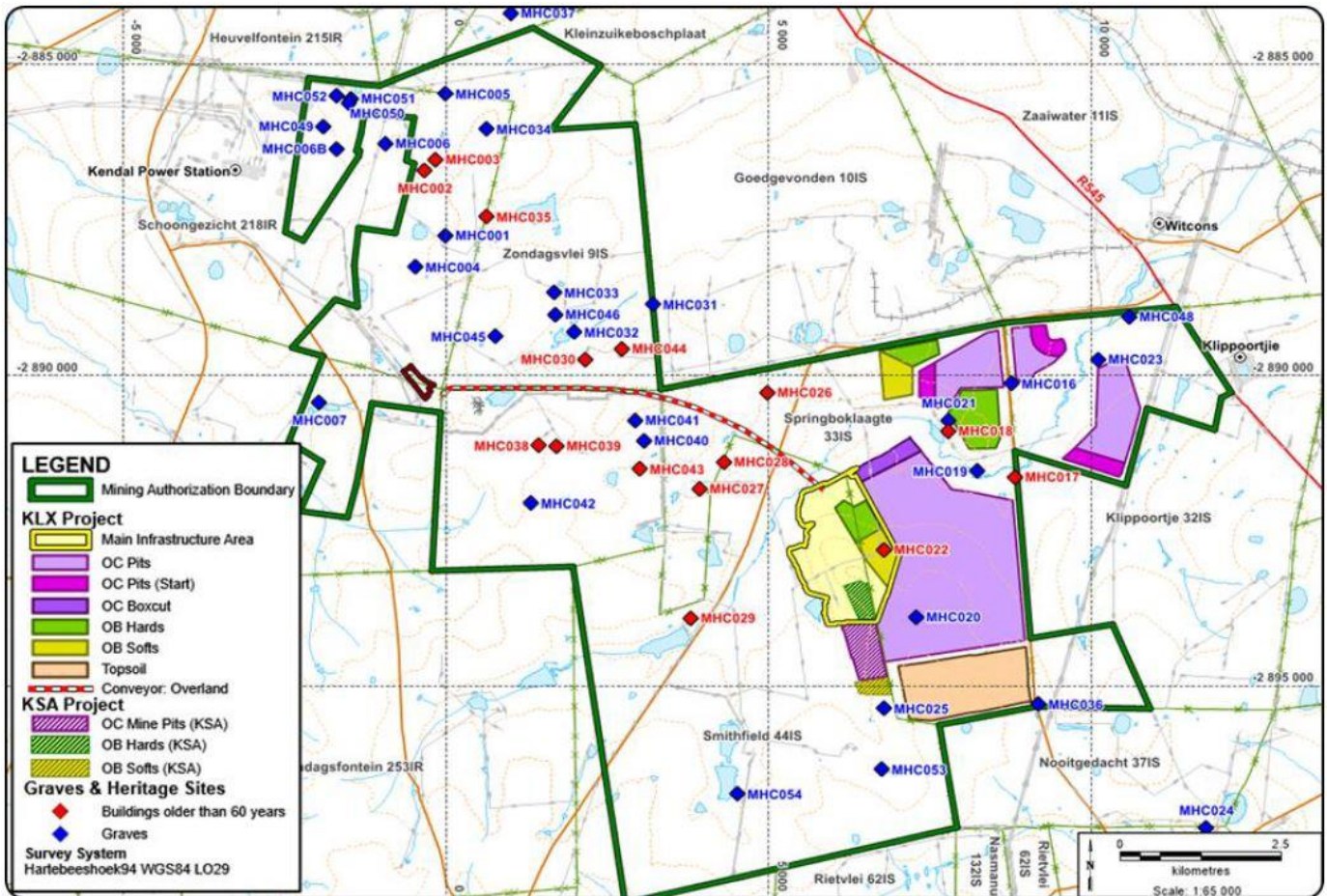
2. HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Khutala is also applying for a Demolition Permit in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act for various structures that are older than 60 years at Site MHC022, located on the farm Springboklaagte 33IS. These structures consist of various buildings, including a homestead and its associated outbuildings, and were identified in a previous Heritage Impact Assessment, and formed the focus of a recent detailed Heritage Assessment for the purposes of the intended Demolition Permit application.

APelser Archaeological Consulting cc (APAC cc) has been appointed by Khutala to undertake the required Heritage Impact Assessment and Demolition Permit application. The application will be submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Authority (SAHRA)'s Mpumalanga Provincial Heritage Resources Agency (M-PHRA).

We would also like to encourage you to actively participate in the authorisation application process. Should you wish to obtain more information, please contact the following:

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- Mr. Anton Pelser - email: apac.heritage@gmail.com cell: 083 459 3091 or
- The Mpumalanga Provincial Heritage Resource Authority - email: Kutumelagm@mpg.gov.za landline: (013) 766 5312



Location of Site MHC022

Kind regards,



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