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Definitions

Abbreviation	Definition
Applicant	The person or party applying for Environmental Authorisation for a listed activity
BA	Basic Assessment
BAR	Basic Assessment Report
BID	Background Information Document
CA	Competent Authority
DMRE	The Department of Mineral Resources and Energy
DRDLR	Department Rural Development and Land Reform
DSR	Draft Scoping Report
DWS	The Department of Water and Sanitation
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EIA Regulations	Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations
EIR	Environmental Impact Report
EMPR	Environmental Management Programme Report
Environment	The Environment is defined in terms of the National Environmental Management Act
FSR	Final Scoping Report
GN	Government Notice
I&Aps	Interested and Affected Parties
IEA	Integrated Environmental Authorisation
IRR	Issues and Responses Report
KMZ	A ZIP-compressed KML (formerly Keyhole Markup Language) file that stores map locations viewable in various Geographic Information Systems (GIS) applications
MPRDA	Minerals and Petroleum Development Act, 2002 (Act No 28 of 2002).
MR	Mining Right in terms of the MPRDA
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act
NGOs	Non-Government Organisations
NWA	National Water Act
PPP	Public Participation Process
PR	Prospecting Right
SAHRA	South African Heritage and Resources Agency
SANParks	South African National Parks
SANRAL	South African National Roads Agency
SLP	Social and Labour Plan
WESSA	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa

1 INTRODUCTION

This Issues and Responses Report (IRR) has been compiled as an appendix to the Final Scoping Report for the proposed Dithabeng Mining Mphahlele Project, in the Limpopo Province of South Africa. This IRR outlines the Public Participation Process (PPP) undertaken to date in preparation of the Final Scoping Report. Shango Solutions was appointed by Ba Mphahlele Traditional Authority (Mphahlele Community Development Trust) and Dithabeng Mining as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to assist in conducting and facilitating the PPP for this application in support of this project, Integrated Environmental Authorisation (IEA).

South Africa, being one of the countries with the most progressive constitutions, enshrined the public's right to be involved in decisions. Section 57(1) of the new Constitution that provides: "The National Assembly may (b) make rules and orders concerning its business, with due regard to representative and participatory democracy, accountability, transparency and public involvement". This provision, along with several others gave rise to many new trends in South African legislation. In environmental legislation, the idea of public participation (or stakeholder engagement) features strongly and especially the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998, NEMA – as amended) and the recent regulations passed under the auspices of this Act makes very strict provisions for public participation in environmental decision-making.

Public participation can be defined as "a process leading to a joint effort by stakeholders, technical specialists, the authorities and the proponent who work together to produce better decisions than if they had acted independently" (Greyling, 1999). From this definition, it can be seen that the input of the public is regarded as very important indeed.

The PPP is designed to provide sufficient and accessible information to Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in an objective manner to assist them to:

1. Raise issues of concern and suggestions for enhanced benefits.
2. Verify that their issues have been recorded and considered.
3. Assist in identifying reasonable alternatives.
4. Contribute relevant local information and knowledge to the environmental assessment.
5. Comment on the findings of the environmental assessments.
6. Obtain information on the outcome, i.e. the competent authority's decision, and how and by when the decision can be appealed.

This IRR lists all verbal and written issues raised by I&APs and stakeholders during the public participation period undertaken for the Scoping Phase and Draft Scoping Report process. A breakdown of the PPP is given within the following sections in this IRR.

2 LEGAL COMPLIANCE

The PPP must comply with the two important sets of legislation that require public participation as part of an application for authorisation or approval; namely:

1. The Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act 28 of 2002 – MPRDA).
2. The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998 - NEMA).

Adherence to the requirements of the above-mentioned Acts will allow for an Integrated PPP to be conducted, and in so doing, satisfy the requirement for public participation referenced in the Acts. The details of the Integrated PPP are provided below.

3 METHODOLOGY

The PPP follows the requirements of Chapter 6 Regulation 41 of Government Notice (GN) 326 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, (2014) as amended, promulgated under Section 24 (5) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998 - NEMA), as amended.

3.1 Identification of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs)

An initial I&AP database was compiled using WinDeed searches, internet searches and previous projects in the vicinity of the project area. The I&AP database was compiled containing the following categories of stakeholders:

1. National, provincial and local government.
2. Agricultural sector.
3. Organised business.
4. Host and adjacent communities.
5. Land claimants.
6. Other organisations, clubs, communities and unions.
7. Various Non-Government Organisations (NGOs).

Affected Parties and landowners have been notified about the project and were invited to participate in the EIA process. Affected and adjacent landowner contact details were obtained via the following process:

1. A WinDeed search was conducted to obtain the contact details of the affected and adjacent landowners, where available.
2. Where the property was owned by a company, a Google search was carried out to identify the owners and their contact details.
3. Where the property was owned by a Trust, efforts were made to solicit contact details from the relevant municipalities.

3.2 List of Authorities Identified and Notified

The following authorities have been identified and notified of the project:

1. National Department of Mineral Resources and Energy.
2. National Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries.
3. National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development.

4. South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) – National.
5. Limpopo Department of Mineral Resources and Energy.
6. Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.
7. Limpopo Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements & Traditional Affairs
8. Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs
9. Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety
10. Limpopo Tourism Agency.
11. Limpopo Department of Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure.
12. Limpopo Department of Education.
13. Limpopo Department of Social Development.
14. Limpopo Economic Development Agency.
15. Road Agency Limpopo (RAL).
16. Limpopo Heritage Resource Authority
17. Lepelle- Nkumpi Local Municipality
18. Capricorn District Municipality
19. Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.
20. Department of Employment and Labour.
21. Department of Water and Sanitation.
22. Eskom
23. Lepelle Water
24. Transnet Ltd

3.3 List of Key Stakeholders Identified and Notified

The following key stakeholders have been identified and notified of the project:

1. Agri Limpopo.
2. Agri South Africa.
3. Birdlife South Africa.
4. Centre for Environmental Rights.
5. Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT).
6. Federation for a Sustainable Environment.
7. Northern Transvaal Agricultural Union.
8. South African National Parks (SANParks).
9. Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA).

3.4 List of Surface Rights/Landowners Identified and Notified

The following surface rights/land owner have been identified and notified of the project:

1. National Government of the Republic of South Africa.
2. Mphahlele Community Development Trust (custodian of the state owned land).

3.5 List of Land Occupiers and Adjacent Land Owners Identified and Notified

The following land occupiers and adjacent landowners have been identified and notified of the project:

1. Department of Rural Development and Land Reform.
2. Private Person (Maisela Frank).
3. Maretlwaneng Primary School.
4. Thagaetala Secondary School.
5. Mogalatjane Mphahlele Secondary School.

3.6 Notification of I&APs

This section provides details on the notifications that were distributed as part of the Scoping and EIA process to date.

3.6.1 Initial Notification

The PPP commenced on the 31st July 2023 with an initial notification and call to register period ending on the 31st August 2023. Initial notification was given in the following manner:

3.6.1.1 Registered Letters/ E-mails

Notification e-mails were distributed to all pre-identified I&APs including affected and adjacent surface landowners, government organisations, NGOs, relevant municipalities, ward councillors and other organisations that might be affected. The notification letters were prepared in, and included the following information:

1. List of anticipated activities to be authorised.
2. Scale and extent of activities to be authorised.
3. Sufficient detail of the intended operation (to enable I&APs to assess/surmise what impact the activities will have on them or on the use of their land).
4. The purpose of the proposed project.
5. Details of the affected properties.
6. Details of the MPRDA, NEMA and NWA Regulations that must be adhered to.
7. Date by which any request to register as an I&AP must be forwarded through to EAP.
8. Contact details of the EAP.

3.6.1.2 Background Information Document (BID)

A Background Information Document (BID) was prepared and distributed to I&APs. The BID included the following information:

1. Background information on the Applicant.
2. Project location.
3. Map of the proposed project area.
4. Project description and associated infrastructure.
5. Anticipated services.
6. Details of the MPRDA, NEMA and NWA Regulations that must be adhered.
7. Preliminary potential impacts.
8. Specialist assessments undertaken in support of this application.
9. Description of the application process.

10. Information on document review.
11. Relevant contact person for the project.

In addition, a registration form was included in the BID and requested the following information from I&APs:

1. Details of the landowner and information (contact details) of lawful property occupiers, if any.
2. Details of any other I&APs that should be notified.
3. Any issues, concerns or comments that should be addressed and considered during the process.

3.6.1.3 Newspaper Advertisement

A newspaper advertisement was placed in the Polokwane Observer, a local newspaper with adequate circulation in the area. The advert was placed on the 10th August 2023 and it included the following information:

1. Project name.
1. Applicant name.
2. Project location.
3. Nature of the activity.
4. Details of the MPRDA, NEMA and NWA Regulations that must be adhered.
5. Information on document review.

Please refer to Appendix E3 for proof of advertisement placement.

3.6.1.4 Site Notice Placement

Laminated site notices in A3 were placed within and around the perimeter of the proposed project area. The on-site notices included the following information:

1. Project name.
2. Applicant name.
3. Project description and associated infrastructure.
4. Details of the MPRDA, NEMA and NWA Regulations that must be adhered.
5. Project location.
6. Contact details of the EAP.

3.6.1.5 Poster Placement

A3 posters were placed at local public gathering places, as well as at the Mphahlele Community Development Trust office and Dithabeng Mining Team's office. The notices and written notifications afforded all pre-identified I&APs with the opportunity to register for the project as well as to submit their issues/queries/concerns and indicate the contact details of any other potential I&APs that should be contacted. For any queries, the contact person's details, including their contact number, e-mail, fax number and postal address were clearly stated on the notification.

Comments/concerns and queries were encouraged to be submitted in either of the following manners:

1. Electronically (fax, e-mail).

2. Telephonically.
3. Written letters.

Please refer to Appendix E4 for proof of site notice and poster placement.

3.6.2 Availability of Draft Scoping Report

The Draft Scoping Report was made available for public review and comment for a period of at least 30 days, from the 31st July 2023 to 31st August 2023, at the Mphahlele Community Development Trust office and Dithabeng Mining Team (Contact: Mr. Glady Reuben at 083 799 4572).

Furthermore, an electronic copy of the documentation was made available on the following email, info@dithabengmining.co.za. All registered I&APs were notified of the availability of the Draft Scoping Report and where to locate it. I&APs were informed of the timeframes to provide comment/concerns either in writing or telephonically on the following details:

Email: info@dithabengmining.co.za.

Mobile Numbers: Dithabeng Mining Team 083 799 4572

Address: P.O Box 781338 Sandton City, Sandton, Gauteng, 2146

Notification regarding the availability of the Draft Scoping Report was distributed to all pre-identified I&APs, affected and adjacent surface landowners, and was given in the following manner:

1. E-mails.
2. Site notices.
3. Adverts.

3.6.3 Community Meeting Notification

A Community Meeting was held on the 27th July 2023 to update and consult on mining developments at Ga-Mphahlele. Notification regarding the Community Meeting sessions was given in the following manner:

1. E-mails.
2. Site notices/ poster placement.
3. Newspaper Advertisements.

The notification document for the Community Meeting included details of the venue, date as well as the agenda of the Meeting. A hardcopy of the Draft Scoping Report was made available at the meeting venue, Solly Colman Hall (Masegeng Seleteng).

Please refer to Appendix E2 for proof of the Community Meeting notification.

3.6.4 Availability of Final Scoping Report

The Final Scoping Report is made available for public review and comment for a period of 30 days, from the 20th December 2024 to 6th February 2025, at the Mphahlele Community Development Trust office and Dithabeng Mining Team. An electronic copy of the report will be available on the Shango Solutions website (www.shango.co.za/public-documents/).

All registered I&APs were notified of the availability of the Final Scoping Report on the 19th December 2024. I&APs were informed to provide comment either in writing or telephonically, directly to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) and a copy of all correspondence to Shango Solutions.

Notification regarding the availability of the Final Scoping Report was provided in the following manner:

1. Notification letters, e-mails and smses were distributed to all pre-identified I&APs, I&APs who registered during the project initiation and the draft report review notification period.

Table 1 details the opportunities provided for public participation to date.

Table 1: Opportunities provided for public participation.

Public Participation Phase			
Action	Description	Publication/Place	Date
Initial public notification (announcement of project)	Newspaper advertisement (Appendix E3)	Newspaper	10/08/2023
	Placement of site notices (Appendix E4)	A3 site notices within and around the site area	03/08/2023
	Placement of posters (Appendix E4)	A3 posters were placed at key public places within and around the project area	03/08/2023
	Notification of landowners and key I&Aps (Appendix E2)	I&APs were notified via e-mail and post	03/08/2023
Announcement for public review of draft Scoping Report	Notification of landowners and key I&Aps (Appendix E2)	I&APs were notified via e-mail and post	03/08/2023
Announcement of Public Meeting	Notification of landowners and key I&Aps (Appendix E2)	I&APs were notified via e-mail and post	03/08/2023
Announcement of public review of Final Scoping Report	Notification of landowners and key I&Aps (Appendix E2)	I&APs were notified via e-mail, post and sms	19/12/2024

4 COMMUNITY MEETING

As indicated above, a Community Meeting was held to present findings of the Scoping Phase. The schedule for the Meeting is presented in Table 2.

Table 2: Details of the Community Meeting.

Date	Time	Venue	Contact Details
27 July 2023	10:00	Solly Colman Hall (Masegeng Seleteng)	015 634 0011

Please refer to Appendix E5 for the Attendance Register and Appendix F6 for the Community Meeting Pictures.

4.1 Notes of the Community Meeting

As discussed in Section 4, a Community Meeting was held on the 27th July 2023 and I&APs were given the platform to raise their concerns and provide comments on the project. The issues raised during at the meeting are highlighted in Table 3.

Table 3: Minutes of the Community Meeting.

MINUTES OF THE COMMUNITY MEETING	
Project	Dithabeng Mining Mphahlele
Dates	27 July 2023
Venue	Solly Colman Hall (Masegeng Seleteng)
MEETING ATTENDEES	
Mabelu Lekgau (Manaleng)	
Monkgatleng Mphahle (Sefalaolo)	
Jeffrey L Mphahlele (Morotse)	
Raider Mphahlele (Thamagale)	
Maesena Thoma (Makaepea)	
Philip Matisha (Seleteng)	
Mokwena Mphahlele (Sefapolo)	
Makgati Molofi (Seleteng)	
Thato Mphahlele (Manganeng)	
Lekgau Puseletso (Sefalaolo)	
Makgwala Maje (Sefalaolo)	
Mafori Medingoane (Gamaleka)	
Mollo Plumleg (Manoge)	
Mphahlele Tisetso (Ga- Mphahlele)	
Hlagala Sydney (Maraleng)	

Mphahlele Kagisho (Maraleng)
Phaladi Therisho(Sefalaolo)
Maria Tladi (Sefalaolo)
Shogole Noah (Sefalaolo)
Aubrey Mapholo (Laising)
Ashath Mphahlele (Mangoneng)
Thaba Bonolo (Lenting)
Sebake Thabang (Lenting)
Mahlomotja Jackson Lethunya (Lenting)
Kagisho Mphahlele (Lenting)
Jali Denah (Turfpan)
Lethabo Montjane (Makaepea)
Edwin Madipe (Sefalaolo)
Bokang Kgasago (Sefalaolo)
Matabane kadimeng Phelosho (Sefalaolo)
Monyela Peter (Turfpan)
Matabane Joseph (Mashoene village)
Johannes Mohlape (Staabplaas)
Mphahlele Moroamoshalo Kgaugelo (Sefalaolo)
Phohu Kamogelo T (Sefalaolo)
Phohu Tebello (Maijane)
Duncan Mphahlele (Thamagene)
Kopano Maphato (Sefalaolo)
Lindiwe Matloha (Sefalaolo)
Bokana Ramorake (Sefalaolo)
Kgaogelo Phaladi (Sefalaolo)
Masedilo Tladi (Thabaneng)
Dikoti Monanwere (Mamogashwa)
Mphahlele Angelinah (Manganeng)
Beatrice Takalo (Manaleng)
Mphahlele Kgaapu (Makgalakeng)
Molokoane Kgotlelelo (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Kgomo Collman Tsebiso (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Phethogo Makgatlo (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Kopano Molapo (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Mgobela Tlhogelo (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Mphahlele Potego (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Mphahlele Kgweraro (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Molala Dikelledi (Lenting, Makgalekeng)

Thaba Potego (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Leshilo Tishetjo (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Tumisho Ma buelusha (Lenting, Makgalekeng)
Kate Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Makgitla Maredi (Sefalaolo)
Mphahlele Taelo (Lenting)
Sehatane Sebake (Makaung)
Mangoale Matumule (Bolopa)
Makwena Mankung Harvey (Lenting)
Martha Malatji (Lenting)
Mapheto Christina (Makaung)
Kekana Raymond (Lenting)
Lepulane Mphafudi (Lenting)
Mapholo Mothokoa (Lenting)
Majelefa Mahlomotje (Lenting)
Samuel Mello (Sedemothole)
Phillipine Ntsoane (Turfpan)
Phetogo Chuene (Lenting)
Ntsoane Percy (Sefalaolo)
John Mashoene (Sefalaolo)
Thabang (Malaka)
Lekgua (Sefalaolo)
Madimetja Andries Mphahlele (Magaseng Moshate)
Kgasago Tumi Chuene (Community)
Seboke Tonny (Community)
Lekgothone Willy (Community)
Maredi David Lekgothoane (Community)
Koketjo Thaba (Community)
Sekgoka Lindiwe (Community)
Matebane Nthabiseng (Community)
Magadi Molwele (Community)
Mphahlele Phumelelo (Community)
Grace Makaba (Community)
Wuti Mahlase (Community)
Segapu Daphney (Community)
Mamantswe Phaladi (Community)
Constance Mapholo (Lenting)
Lekoa Shagole (Lenting)

Malapateng Mphahlele (Lenting)
Reuben Mailula (Lenting)
Ntsoane Makgwale (Maijane)
Malapateng Mphahlele (Maijane)
Eric Mathete (Sekurung Mamaoko)
Maria Tladi (Sefalaolo)
Timothy Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Abram Maobane (Sefalaolo)
William Gafane (Ga-Mashoene)
Sechaba Mokoena (Seleteng)
Motswiri Mphahlele (Mahlanyaneng)
Mokoana Mphahlele (Lesedi)
Thaba Kabelo (Lenting)
Mokoa Soi (Maleka)
Thobejane Phashe Ernest (Lenting)
Mokaro SP (Sefalaolo)
Meriam Murwa (Lenting)
Ramokoetsi Mphahlele (Makaung)
Thaba Tsholo (Lenting)
Mphahlele Thapelo (Lenting)
Sebake Karabo (Lenting)
Thaba Motlalepula (Lenting)
Mothapo Thabo (Lenting)
Lesetja Kabelo (Turfpan)
Thobejane Setlamorago (Thamagane)
Madigwe Phaswane (Makaepeya)
Ngapane Mphahlele (Thamagane)
Segoelele Mphahlele (Thamagane)
Mankopodi Mphahlele (Manaleng)
Kganki Abel Mphahlele (Seleteng)
Ramathabathe Mazwi (Ga-Mazwi)
Lucy Mashoene (Ga- Mashoene)
Fatima Mphahlele (Thamagane)
Mie Takalo (Wluir)
Motswiri Mphahlele (Makaung)
Lepefe Ntlhane (Ward Councilor Mayane)
Mphahlele Lerato (Magaseng)
Moroaswi Re Tseoretang (Tsoaing Lehlokeng)
Phikisizwe Maesela Matshela (Maijane)

Ntsoane Ramajimetse Mareta (Maijane)
Mphahlele Advisor Morwatshoge (Manganeng)
Madigoe Tiro Katlego (Ga- Maleka)
Mphahlele Malekate Stephen (Magaseng)
Mangwale Elizabeth (Mphahlele fm)
Phaladi Khomotjo (Mphahlele fm)
Mazwi Dimakatso (LMN)
Maleka Kgotlelela
Piet Seopa (Sedimothale)
Nkumpi Petja (Ga Maleka)
Mamosebo Boitumelo (Matime)
Abram Mpobane (Sefalaolo)
Dipuo Lekgau (Sefalaolo)
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Nomsa Mphahlele (Ga-Mashoene)

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Melita Makgahlela (Ga- Maleka)
Mphahlele Moroamadikere Kganya (Sefalaolo)
Madiope Sejeng (Maijane)
Heroeng Sekgobela
Ngoanadi's hoahla Shano Mamosadi (Maijane)
Mamosebo Thapelo (Maijane)
Vinolia M Mphahlele (Community Member)
Portia Molaba (Community Member)
Hlagala Nakor (Community Member)
Khutjo Molaba (Community Member)
Montjane Ntsoane (Community Member)
Moses Mphahlele (Community Member)
Setjamoseema kgasago (Community Member)
Malangote Phohu (Community Member)
Rachuene Thapelo (Community Member)
Rachuene Tshepo (Community Member)
Duba Julius (Community Member)
Courage Katali (Community Member)
Ithabeleng Maja (Community Member)
Montjane Alpheus (Community Member)
Madiabe Nthabiseng (Community Member)
Chaba Kagisho (Community Member)
Mphahlele Tebatjo (Community Member)
Montsane Lefa (Community Member)
Hlagala Sadi (Community Member)
Mphahlele Lebogang (Community Member)
Khomotjo Mangwale (MCDT/ Mashite)
Mankoe KN (MCDT/ Sefalalolo)
Magome Jerry Mamosebo (MCDT/ Tressure)
Precious Mooa (MCDT/ Tressure)
Mamodiele Rachuene (MCDT/ Secretary)
Itumeleng Kebea (Private)
Dorothy Kgaphota
Nomsa Makgahlela (Sefalaolo)
Ramatsimele Rebecca Makgahlela (Sefalaolo)
France Madimetsa Ntsoane (Turfpan)
Maluleke Paulina (Turfpan)
Mamba Thupane Simon (Makaepea)

Simon Mphahlele (Malemang)
Jack Muroa (Turfpan)
Bokang Shagole (Turfpan)
Mankoe Mahlatse (Mogodi)
Tshepiso Mphahlele (Ga- Mashoene)
Tryphina Mogano (Serobaneng)
Mogobadi Kgoale (Sefalaolo)
Ramaesele Montjane (Bolotjane)
Morutso Mphahlele (Moepeng)
Masehlane Mphahlele (Moepeng)
Ramadimetsa Mpho Marole Mphahlele (Moepeng)
Makolometsa Mmoroa (Moepeng)
Mothokolle Shogole (Lenting)
Madingwane (Moepeng)
Flora Matatane (Moepeng)
Segape Lekgau (Moepeng)
Lesiba Moaba (Scheiding Village)
Mumy Mkhavale (Sefalaolo)
Karabo Thoka (Sefalaolo)
Nelson Lekgau (Sefalaolo)
Matthews Maesela (Sefalaolo)
Mphahlele Tokelo (Manganeng)
David Letsholo (Manganeng)
Mphahlele Shembrey (Tapane)
James Choka (Lesedi)
Kagiso Bologo (Sefalaolo)
Nkadimeng Malebo (Moepeng)
Norman Motimatjaji (Tapane)
Lerato Kgaphola (Sefalaolo)
Selina Sekgololo (Sefalaolo)
Mokgohlwe E. Mphahlele (Gahlokwe)
Ntsoane Tshepang (Sefalaolo)
Ntsoane Mogoroshi Lesiba (Maijane)
Mogale Boitumelo Matsimele (Turfpan)
Phomelelo Shogole (Turfpan)
Pabalelo Lesetja (Turfpan)
Kgomotso Shogole (Turfpan)
Georgina Mazwi (Lesetsi)
Maesela Kagiso (Ga- Moshoeene)

Lucas Shaku (Serobaneng)
Ronny Matabang (Sefalaolo)
Kopano Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Calvin Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Mokoena Josephine (Makaung)
Madimetja Lekoloane (Lenting)
Matsolone Moroashi (Sedimothole)
Selema Letsie (Thabaneng)
Phogole Matumule Klaas (Community Hall)
Thembi Mamonyana (Community Hall)
Refilwe Leopeng (Community Hall)
Ngobeni Moepi (Community Hall)
Thabiso Mantjane (Community Hall)
Johannes Mashoene (Community Hall)
Mathabatha Morongwa (Community Hall)
Lesedi Rachuene (Community Hall)
Mohube Thobejane (Community Hall)
Mahlatse Rachoene (Community Hall)
Mapheto Ezekiel (Community Hall)
Majatla Jerida (Community Hall)
Maakanye Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Lilly Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Sunny Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Thabiso Medigoane (Community Hall)
Rammilabe Loyebalo (Community Hall)
Alpheus Mello (Community Hall)
Messiah Leopeng (Community Hall)
Rebina Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Tumelo Mantjane (Sefalaolo)
Thoriso Mooka (Sefalaolo)
Mooka Johanna (Turffopan)
Mashogole Mphahlele (Sedimothole)
Jecolyn Ramatsimele Ntsoane (Sedimothole)
Daniel Thabaone (Staanplaas)
Jacob Changedi Takalo (Sefalaolo)
Zhamelo Mphahlele (Lekurung)
Moses Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Mphahlele Lerato (Nagaseng)
Phalane Zandy (Thamagane)

Frank Ntsoane (Makaepeya)
Thaso Malla (Makaepeya)
Mphahlele Kgotlelelo Shaun (Manganeng)
Mphahlele Ronny (Masiyone)
Mphahlele Andries (Magaseng)
Manoge Beauty (Lenting)
Thobejane Phaswane (Manaleng)
Mabalero Phasina (Seleteng)
Melina Mphahlele (Seleteng)
Rachuene Moroamogolo Ceclive (Maijane)
Mofulatjane Mphahlele (Maganeng)
Sekgololo Kgotlelelo (Thabaneng)
Sebake Brother (Dithabaneng)
Solly S Mphahlele (Thamagane)
Malegodu Kgomoewana (Mashite)
Morasowe Kaabiso Maredi (Thamagane)
Modwamapwele Aubrey Mmadigwe (Thamagane)
Daniel Mokiti Ntsoane (Ga-Mazwi)
Lekoa Kekana Tshupo (Ga-Maleka)
Rashual Lekgeu (Seleteng)
Kabelo Mphahlelo (Sefalaolo)
Mphahlele Ramaesela Precious (Lesedi)
Ntsoane Maureen (Lesedi)
Patrick Maredi (Sefalaolo)
Tebatso Takalo (Sefalaolo)
Melita Mkgahlele (Ga-Maleka)
John Nkolo Mphahlele (Sefalaolo)
Eisie Kgasago (Sefalaolo)
Ramathetje Phylia Mapheto (Sefalaolo)
Mphahlele Sephokabatho (Mogoma)
Pelane Phatudi Mphahlele (Makgoma)
S.P Mathabatha (MTC)
M.G Mphahlele (Makgoma)
Mmamonishe Thaba (Kenlina)
D.S Ntsoane (Madineng)
Maletile Mphahlele (MTC)
Rekelo Kgomoewana (Motsenoka)
Maphume Mathabatha (Morishimana)
Ditshohlo Mphahlele

Ramadimetse (Mphahlele Mapeng)
Ramadimetjse Muroa (Moopeng)
Madheto Makgahlela (Malenang)
Chuene Malesela (Mongwaledi)
Kgetsa Lucy Mashoene (Ga-Mashoene)
Lekgau Mashoene (Ga-Mashoene)
Lethodiso Mashiane (Labipan)
Maalegeu Mphahlele (Morofeye)
Mafes
Tau Gladys (Community Hall)
Mphakane Mapheto (Community Hall)
Bethuel M Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Bensamia T Kgasago (Community Hall)
Shaku Ephraim (Hwelesaneng)
Portia Masegare (Community Hall)
Samuel Mphahlele (Community Hall)
Tsakane Nkuna (Community Hall)
Monyatsi Medingoane (Ward Committer)
Mashila Pearl Takalo (Sepelao)
Kedibone Mabula (Ga-Moshoene)
Lekgau Kgodisho (Community Hall)
Florinah Mello (New Makaung)
Motaung Moeketsi
Mphahlele Kholofelo (MCDT)
Malekau Phatudi Mphahlele (MCDT)
Maake Elsie (Moshate)
Mashoene Beauty (Sefalaolo)
Mashoene Dikeledi (Sefalaolo)
Marene Mashoene (Morotse)
Molaba Koketse (Sefalaolo)
Mazwi Thabang (Sahlokwe)
Matshego Baseropa (Mogodi)
S. Kupa (Mogodi)
Chipa Mathupa (Mothimpo)
Negry Chiloane (Seleteng S.B)
Selbie Maleka (Seleteng)
Marie (Seleteng)
William Shogole (Lenting)

Maesela Shogole (Lenting)
Mosima Lesibe (Seleteng)
Tebogo Mogotlane (Seleteng)
Tumisho Mabala (Mashite)
Donald Lekgau (Sefalaolo)
Nokuthula Grace Fankomo Matatane (Mashite)
Lebogang Makgati (Sefalaolo)
Moses Mabudusha (Sefalaolo)
Tshepisho Phaladi (Sefalaolo)
Lekgau Doctor (Sefalaolo)
Kgasago Victor (Sefalaolo)
Sekate Mphahlele (Manganeng)
Robert Moroaswi (Seleteng Lesedi)
Nkhobe Mazwi (Ga-Maleka)
Mashete Lekgeulwane (Manganeng)
M.L Mphahlele (Moshate)
Phanda Molapo (Thabaneng)
Pheladi Mangoba (Manaleng)
Ntharile (Sefalaolo)
Daniel (Manganeng)
Matsebare Mphahlele (Maleka)
Letau Phogole (Mashite)
Koketso Kekana (Prwabe)
Chirworo Ramapuputla (Mimkays)
Thoriso Marema (Prwabe)
Malose Lekgothwane (Mimkays)
Tiny Mowa (Makaepeya)
Malesela Letaka (Monaleng)
Trevor Mogalatjane Mphahlele (Mphahlele TC)
Lebole Padi Ntsoane (Madilaneng)
Mante Maloka (Ga-Maleka)
William Ramputla (Serobaneng)
Maja Matsobane (Serobaneng)
Lethabo Precious Moela (Mogodi)
Ramolwetsi Mphahlele (Makaung)
Meriam Dikgale (Makaung)
Mmalerato Mphahlele (Monaleng)
Wendy Kekana (Monaleng)
Mphahlele Tisetso (Ga- Mphahlele)

Lethabo Mantjane	
AGENDA ITEM	PRESENTATIONS AND DELEBERATIONS
1. Opening and rollcall	<p>The program director convened attendees and requested Mr Phokedi Ntsoane to render an opening prayer.</p> <p>Attendees were requested to fill in the rollcall.</p> <p>He further went on to explain that first the speakers and Kgosi will be allowed to present whilst attendees will thereafter be given an opportunity to make their comments and seek clarity/ ask questions. He explained that the questions will be taken in batches.</p>
2. Purpose of the Meeting	<p>Mr Mamotone Mangwele (secretary of the Trust), reminded the attendants that at the community meeting of the 23th May 2021, the mandate was for Kgosi to seek investors that will be able to unlock the chromitite mining development at Sefalaolo. Several investors were approached and eventually settlement was reached with Dithabeng mining /Bakgaga Chrome. He proceeded to indicate that Kgosi is back to give feedback, to get inputs from the community and request the mandate to continue unlock the mining development further.</p> <p>He also continued to indicate that the Trust is aware of the community concerns that exist since Dithabeng has history with the community at Ga- Mphahlele and assured the house that all due processes will be followed to address them.</p>
3. Update and feedback on the Dithabeng Mining Mphahlele Investment	<p style="text-align: center;">3.1. Presentation- Feedback and update</p> <p>Kgosi indicated that he was happy that finally an agreement could be reached with an investor who in terms of the prospecting right and the recent submitted Mining right application is a shareholder and could also be held accountable. He explained that the Community through the Trust is a 51% majority shareholder whilst Dithabeng Mining is a 49% shareholder and investor.</p> <p>He explained that it has not been easy as he had to ensure that the investor understands both the economic, social and environmental responsibilities</p>

	<p>that go with the implementation of the project.</p> <p>He further explained that the project's prospecting right is still valid and only require to be updated through various studies that have to be conducted on site. The updated report will then allow for proper mine planning, determination of resource requirements and operation cost projections.</p> <p>Kgosi continued to explain that the Mphahlele Community Development Trust on behalf of Mphahlele Traditional authority and Dithabeng Mining (Pty) Ltd has lodged a mining right application which was accepted by DMRE in June 2023, which is a major milestone.</p> <p>He indicated that the application has a number of requirements which includes conducting various studies on site and consultation, and the support of community.</p> <p>Kgosi went further to explain that no shortcuts on the process will be allowed as the Community of Mphahlele seeks sustainable development in order to alleviate poverty and to enhance the quality of life of its members.</p> <p>He further indicated that this was not the last of this kind of meeting and that each time there is tangible progress, feedback will be provided.</p> <p>It was also explained further that the community should not be surprised to see technical team on site as they will be the first to come to conduct various studies and if necessary drilling.</p> <p>He indicated that whist opportunities will arise- it will be in phases as progress is made towards the full scale mining.</p> <p>Kgosi also emphasised that such a development comes with responsibilities and that it is the responsibility of the community not to allow for any form of distortion but to embrace and protect the development.</p>
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	<p>3.2. Questions from attendees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) How much longer can the community expect to wait before employment opportunities are created? b) What guarantees do we have this time so we do not have an empty promise? c) Will the mine develop sports facilities for the community e.g boxing d) Will the mine assist with the improvement and development of the infrastructure- roads, water supply, school etc? e) Will the fields' users be compensated as they have been deprived of their farming opportunities? f) How will the mine ensure that opportunities are distributed fairly? <p>3.3. Comments from attendees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The project supported by all the plea is that the whole process be expedited and be run professionally so that it can be sustainable- 'we are tired of observing development as it happens in other places whilst we have even more and better resources. b) The attendees took time and addressed most of the questions raised and elaborated much on the EIA and SLP consultation processes. <p>He indicated that the EIA is not only about the environmental issues and concerns but also socio-economic matters that concern and affect the community. He also explained the whole process of the SLP requirement, how it is developed and also emphasised as to how it is dependent on the priorities of the community and unfolds from one year to the other.</p> <p>He further explained that all mining companies are obliged to address the community and stakeholders' concern and queries.</p> <p>He basically provided answers to the questions that were asked by other attendees. The house applauded and supported his input.</p>
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	<p style="text-align: center;">3.4. Response to Questions</p> <p>Program director indicated that most of the concerns and questions that were raised were already addressed but however, he will give the Trustees and the members of the council an opportunity to respond.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Very few opportunities will arise from the conduction of technical studies and drilling works that have to be done to draw samples. Most of the job opportunities will be unlocked upon the approval of the Mining Right application. No exact time can be guaranteed at this stage but however the numbers will increase as the phases of the mine unfold. b) Empty promise- all legal channels are being followed and will be sustained. Community consultation will be continual. c) SLP prioritisation and implementation will be backed by consultation process. d) Filed users will be included on the EIA process as part of socio-economic impact. e) Mining related opportunities will be advertised openly and the intervention of the Trust and Project Management Team will be sought. <p style="text-align: center;">3.5. Response to comments</p> <p>Attendees and the program director agreed that the comments were progressive and added value to the understanding of what can be expected going forward.</p> <p>The secretary attested to value adds comments and emphasised the need for understanding the process involved.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">4. Conclusions</p>	<p>The meeting agreed on the following conclusions that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Kgosi and the Trust be mandated to advance the course of mining investment development. b) The studies and sampling that need to be done to enhance the mining right application be continued. c) Kgosi be further mandated to engage with the investors and make decisions to advance the

	<p>investment development objectives.</p> <p>d) Feedback and consultation be maintained.</p> <p>e) Enquiries be made through the secretary of the MCDT.</p> <p>f) The overall project and all its related process requirements be supported.</p>
5. Closing remarks	In his closing remarks, Kgosi expressed his appreciation of the positive response from the members of the community and the various organisation representatives present, and once more thanked the meeting for the new mandate granted to him and the Trust to go and unlock.
6. Announcement	Announcement was made of available catering and how it will be made.
7. Closure	Prayer- Program Director tendered a closing prayer.

5 COMMENTS RAISED

Table 5 details comments received and addressed to date.

5.1 How Comments Raised Were Addressed

Comments raised were addressed in a transparent manner and were included in the compilation of the Final Scoping Report in the following manner:

1. Comments raised were used quantitatively to calculate the significance of impacts both real and perceived.
2. Comments raised were used to provide further suggestions and recommendations with regard to technical management options for impacts.

Comments received by Shango Solutions to date have been included in this report as part of the report submission to the DMRE (the competent authority).

Table 4: Comments raised by I&APs.

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Key Stakeholders				
Landowner/s				
National Government of the Republic of South Africa			No comment received to date.	
Mphahlele Community Development Trust (custodian of the state owned land)			No comment received to date.	
Adjacent Landowners				
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform (Government of Lebowa National Government of the Republic of South Africa, Provincial Government of the Northern Province)			No comment received to date.	
Maisela Frank			No comment received to date.	
Land Occupiers				
Maretlwaneng Primary School			No comment received to date.	

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
(ME Ramaboea)				
Thagaetala Secondary School (SD Ramaboea MS Debeila)			No comment received to date.	
Mogalatjane Mphahlele Secondary School (MA Montjane)			No comment received to date.	
Pre-identified: Local Municipality				
Lepelle-Nkumpi Local Municipality				
Tswaledi Thobejane			No comment received to date.	
Mokgadi Maubane			No comment received to date.	
Theresho Legau			No comment received to date.	
Reneilwe Mamabolo			No comment received to date.	
Ward Councillor (Lepepe Mphahlane)			No comment received to date.	
Pre-identified: District Municipality				
Capricorn District Municipality				
J Masondo			No comment received to date.	
F Mafa			No comment received to date.	

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Pre-identified: Organ of State				
Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism				
T.R Ngoasheng			No comment received to date.	
R.V. Mtombeni			No comment received to date.	
I.M Rathumbu			No comment received to date.	
National Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries				
Lufuno Sithomola			No comment received to date.	
Constance Nemukongwe			No comment received to date.	
Department of Water and Sanitation				
Stanford Macevele			No comment received to date.	
National Department of Mineral Resources				
Jacob Mbele			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Mineral Resources and Energy				
T.C Kolani			No comment received to date.	
Azwihangwisi Mulaudzi			No comment received to date.	
Department of Employment and Labour				
Lucia Ramusi			No comment received to date.	
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development				

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Avhashoni Nicholas Magada			No comment received to date.	
Miyelani Nkatingi			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Transport and Community Safety				
Stephen Matjena			No comment received to date.	
L Kgole			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Co-operate Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs				
MS Mathunyane			No comment received to date.	
Motupa Evans Selomo			No comment received to date.	
National Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development				
Dimakatso Chiloane			No comment received to date.	
Mpume Ntlokwana			No comment received to date.	
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development				
Avhashoni Nicholas Magada			No comment received to date.	
Miyelani Nkatingi			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Agriculture and Rural Development				
MR Selemela			No comment received to date.	

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Limpopo Department of Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure				
Happy Lekgothoane			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Education				
T Nkuzana			No comment received to date.	
PN Leopeng			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Department of Social Development				
Mashudu Mulaudzi			No comment received to date.	
Lepelle Water				
Tumelo Sathekge			No comment received to date.	
Limpopo Heritage Resources Authority				
Mary Jena			No comment received to date.	
South African Heritage Resources Agency				
Natasha Higgitt			No comment received to date.	
Nokukhanya Khumalo			No comment received to date.	
Ragna Redelstorff			No comment received to date.	
Transnet Ltd				
Bonginkosi Masuku			No comment received to date.	
Transnet Freight Rail				
Ezekiel Monyamane)			No comment received to date.	

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Limpopo Tourism Agency				
Jane Mabaso			No comment received to date.	
Mike Tautsoala			No comment received to date.	
Eskom				
John Geeringh			No comment received to date.	
Lungile Motsisi			No comment received to date.	
Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL)				
S.P Tshivhase			No comment received to date.	
SANParks				
Ntombizodwa Ngubeni			No comment received to date.	
Nkabeng Mzileni			No comment received to date.	
Moses Mulaudzi			No comment received to date.	
Pre-identified: NGO				
Keneilwe Mmushi			No comment received to date.	
Marirtte Liefferink			No comment received to date.	
Wildlife & Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)				
John Wesson			No comment received to date.	
Seipati Mphasane			No comment received to date.	
Bryanston Office			No comment received to date.	

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Birdlife South Africa				
Hanneline Robinson			No comment received to date.	
Centre for Environmental Rights				
Wandisa Phama			No comment received to date.	
Agri Limpopo				
Deidre Carter			No comment received to date.	
Agri SA				
Johann Kotze			No comment received to date.	
Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT)				
Kish Chetty			No comment received to date.	
Ian Little			No comment received to date.	
Federation for a Sustainable Environment				
Mariette Liefferink			No comment received to date.	
Northern Transvaal Agricultural Union				
Wilma Prinsloo			No comment received to date.	
Registered I&APs				
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	How much longer can the community expect to wait before employment opportunities are created?	Very few opportunities will arise from the conduction of technical studies and drilling works that have to be done to

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				draw samples. Most of the job opportunities will be unlocked upon the approval of the Mining Right application. No exact time can be guaranteed at this stage but however the numbers will increase as the phases of the mine unfold.
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	What guarantees do we have this time we do not have an empty promise?	Empty promise- all legal channels are being followed and will be sustained. Community consultation will be continual.
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	Will the mine develop sports facilities for the community e.g boxing?	SLP prioritisation and implementation will be backed by consultation process.
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	Will the mine assist with the improvement and development of the infrastructure- roads, water supply, school etc?	Filed users will be included on the EIA process as part of socio-economic impact.
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	Will the fields' users be compensated as they have been deprived of their farming opportunities?	Mining related opportunities will be advertised openly and the intervention of the Trust and Project Management Team will be sought.
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	How will the mine ensure that opportunities and distributed fairly	
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	The project is supported by all the plea is that the whole process be expedited and be run professionally so that it can be sustainable- 'we are tired of observing development as it happens in other places whilst we have even more and better resources.	Attendees and the program director agreed that the comments were progressive and added value to the understanding of what can be expected going forward.

I&AP	Method	Date comments received	Comment received	Response issued
Community Member	Public Meeting	27 July 2023	The attendee took time and addressed most of the questions raised and elaborated much on the EIA and SLP consultation processes.	The secretary attested to value adds comments and emphasised the need for understanding the process involved.

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