

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT



Exploration Activities for Base and Rare Metals, Industrial Minerals, Precious Metals and Semi-Precious Stones on Mining Claims 73617, 73618, 73619, 73620 & 73621 in Kunene Region

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1. INTRODUCTION

The Proponent, Ms. Natasha Delecia Harases aims to conduct small-scale exploration activities on Mining Claims 73617-73621 in Kunene Region. The Mining Claims measures 81.4549 hectares (ha) in total.

This proposed project is a listed activity in terms of the Environmental Management Act (EMA). Approval is required for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to be issued by the competent authority (Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism) to the Proponent, in terms of the Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007 and it's EIA Regulations of 2012.

This document serves to provide a brief summary of the proposed project and the approach in which Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) can become involved in the proposed environmental assessment process.

1.1 Objectives of the BID

The below are the objectives of the Background Information Document (BID) on the anticipated exploration activities on Mining Claims:

- i. Outline the need and desirability of the intended project activity.
- ii. Legislation, policies and regulations that have been taken into consideration in the preparation of BID.
- iii. Provide a depiction of the proposed activity and its location.
- iv. Provide information of the public consultation/involvement process.
- v. Provide details of the consequences and importance of the proposed project activity.

2. Project Location and Description

The Mining Claims can be accessed via D3703 road from Opuwo. GPS coordinates of latitude: -18.024496° and longitude: 13.760781° .

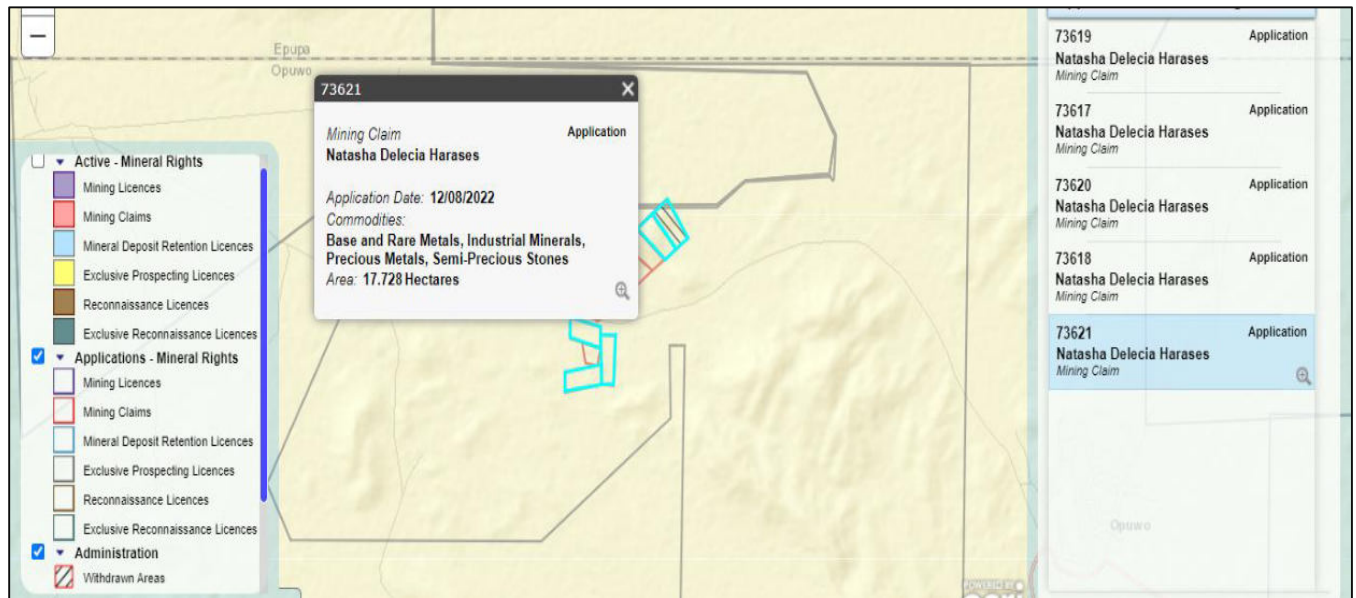


Fig 1: Location of Mining Claims 73617-73621 Kunene Region (Source: mme mining cadastre portal).

4. Environmental Requirement

Environmental Management Act (No.7 of 2007)

The Environmental Management Act (also referred to as the EMA), requires that for every activity which is listed under the EIA regulations, an Environmental Clearance Certificate must be obtained. The aim of the environmental assessment is to identify, assess and ascertain potential environmental impacts that may arise from the proposed activity.

5. Public Consultation

As specified in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (paragraphs 7 and 21), public participation/involvement is a requirement and an essential element in the environmental assessment. Comments or suggestions made during the PPP should be noted.

Engaging with interested and affected parties (IAPs) in the anticipated exploration activities will allow all parties involved to be better informed and offer them the opportunity to share their concerns, comments and/or suggestions.

6. Conclusion

Negative impacts possible related with the exploration activities are relatively low to zero significance. The positive importance in the social impact has been attributed to likely of direct and indirect jobs associated with the project and contributing to the national economy through royalties, taxes and foreign currency earnings.