

**Date: 21 August 2024**

Dear registered Stakeholders / Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs)

**NOTICE OF GRANTED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) AND ASSOCIATED  
WASTE MANAGEMENT LICENSE (WML)**

**For a Mining Right Application by Nabas Diamonds (Pty) Ltd, to mine diamonds (Alluvial and General) through the proposed development and operation of Grasdrift Diamond Mine on the left bank of the Orange River on the Remaining Extent of Farm No. 18 (Grasdrift), Richtersveld Local Municipality, Namakwa District, Northern Cape Province, South Africa**

**(DMRE Ref no. NCS 30/5/1/2/2/10211 MR)**

Notice is hereby given in terms of regulation 4 (2) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GNR 326 as amended) that the Northern Cape Department of Mineral Resources and Energy has decided to **grant** an integrated Environmental Authorisation (EA) and Waste Management License (WML) to Nabas Diamonds (Pty) Ltd to mine alluvial and general diamonds on the left bank of the Orange River. The application property covers a portion of the Remaining Extent of Farm No. 18 situated in the Ais/Ais Richtersveld Transfrontier Park (RNP). The mining operation will be known as Grasdrift Diamond Mine.

**Date of issuance of EA and WML: 7 August 2024** (received 21 August 2024)

The NEMA EIA Regulations (GNR 326, as amended) require that a copy of the authorisation is made available to registered stakeholders and interested and affected parties within 14 days from the date of issuance. To this end, please note that a copy of the authorisation is attached for your review.

The authorisation provides:

- Details on the outcome of the integrated application
- Reasons for the DMRE's decision to grant the authorisation
- The process to follow should you wish to lodge an appeal against the decision.

**APPEAL PROCEDURE:**

Parties wishing to formally appeal the decision must, per regulation 4 (1) under Chapter 2 of the National Appeal Regulation of 2014, as amended, **submit the appeal to the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE)** and **copy such appeal to the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (Northern Cape Regional Office) within 20-days from the date of this notification, on or before Monday, 9 September 2024.**

The appeal must also be copied to the authorisation holder (Nabas) and any registered I&APs, as well as the organ of state with interest in the matter, by the above-given date.

**THE APPEAL MUST BE SUBMITTED IN WRITING IN THE PRESCRIBED FORM:**

An appellant must submit the appeal in writing and on an official appeal form obtainable either from the office of the DFFE or the Naledzi website. For the appeal form and guidance, visit:

- [www.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal\\_authorisations](http://www.dffe.gov.za/documents/forms#legal_authorisations) or request a copy of the documents from [appeals@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appeals@dffe.gov.za)
- Alternatively visit the Naledzi website: [Naledzi | Environmental Consultants](http://www.naledzi.co.za) under the project heading 'Proposed Grasdrift Mine, Richtersveld - Environmental Authorisation & WML'

The appeal must be submitted either by email, hand delivery or post to the following address:

**APPEAL TO THE DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND ENVIRONMENT (DFFE)**

**Attention: Directorate Appeals and Legal Review**

By email: [appeals@dffe.gov.za](mailto:appeals@dffe.gov.za)

By hand: Environment House, Corner Steve Biko and Soutpansberg Street, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0083; or

By post: Private Bag X447, Pretoria, 0001

**A COPY OF THE APPEAL MUST BE LODGED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES**

**Attention: Regional Manager - Northern Cape Region**

By facsimile: (053) 832 8593

Email: [Ntombi.Mayekiso@dmre.gov.za](mailto:Ntombi.Mayekiso@dmre.gov.za)

By post: Private Bag X 6093, Kimberley, 8300

By hand: 41 Schmidtsdrift Road, Old Telkom Building, Kimberley, 8301

The appeal form must be accompanied by a:

- i. A statement setting out the grounds of appeal.
- ii. Supporting documentation and a statement by the appellant to confirm compliance with Regulation 4 (1) of the National Appeal Regulations of 2014.

Appellants MUST comply with the National Appeal Regulations of 2014 concerning the notification of all registered I&APs.

Please note the lodging of an appeal will suspend the environmental authorisation and WML until the appeal is resolved.



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Should you have any enquiries do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Regards

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