

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN OF THE INTENT TO CARRY OUT A WATER USE LICENSE AND NEMA SECTION 24G APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED CHROME PROCESSING PLANT WITHIN PORTION 50 OF THE FARM BOSCHFONTEIN 458JQ AT UNIVERSAL CHROME MINERALS(PTY) LTD, NORTHWEST PROVINCE

This notice serves to inform all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that in terms of the National Water Act (NWA) Act No.36 of 1998, Universal Chrome Minerals (Pty) Ltd intends to carry out a Water Use Licence Application as defined in Sections 21 (a), (b), and (g) of the Act, for the processing of Chrome within Portion 50 on the farm Boschfontein 458 JQ in the Madibeng Local Municipality, Northwest Province.

In addition, UCM also intends to apply for the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act 107 of 1998) Section 24G, rectification for the unlawful clearing of indigenous vegetation at the proposed washing plant site which triggered the following listed activities:

- a) Activity 27 under notice 1 of GN 327 of EIA Regulations, 2017, and
- b) Activity 12 under notice 3 of GN 324 of EIA Regulation, 2017.

The following additional listed activities under NEMA EIA regulations and National Environmental Management: Waste Act (NEMWA, Act 59 of 2008) will also be triggered by the development of the processing plant and will require an Environmental Authorisation:

- a) Activity 28 under notice 1 of GN 327 of EIA Regulations 2017
- b) Category B of NEMWA GN R.1094 of 2017, as amended: Activity 2, 7, 10 and 11.

Segope Water and Environmental Services (Segope Consulting) has been appointed as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), responsible for undertaking all necessary work to conduct the public participation process for these applications. The participation of stakeholders and the public in particular, is an important component of the WUL and EIA process as it provides an opportunity for Interested and Affected Parties' (I&AP's) to share their views, questions, and issues.

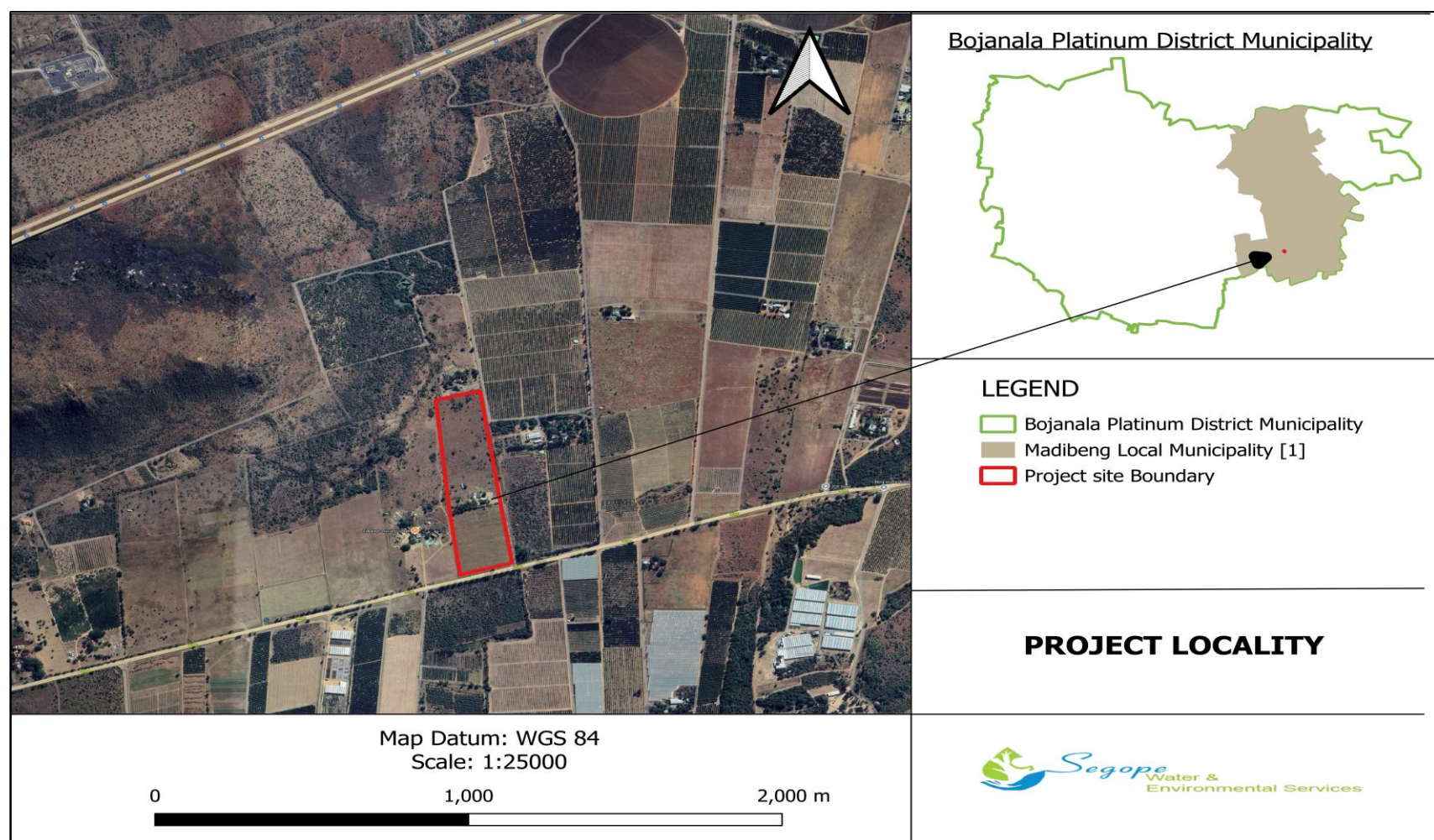


Figure 1: Locality map of application area (25°43'14.42"S, 27°43'2.92"E)

You are encouraged to participate and notify and provide your comments. The information-sharing meetings will be held on the 29th of May 2025 from 10H00 at Universal Plant Site. For more information, the draft Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management Programme (EIA&EMPr) will be available at the following places:

- Brits Library, Madibeng (25°38'5.74"S, 27°46'41.94"E)
- Universal Chrome Minerals Plant Site (25°43'14.42"S, 27°43'2.92"E)

Should you wish to be registered as a stakeholder/ I&AP for this project or to receive further information on the proposed project contact the Segope Water and Environmental Services Team within **60 days** of this notice who will gladly assist.

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