

# COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT

## SUPPORTING THE WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION (WULA) FOR THE CONSOLIDATION AND AMENDMENT OF THE WATER USE LICENSE (WUL) AND ITS ADDENDUM GRANTED TO SOUTH DEEP JV: SOUTH DEEP GOLD MINE

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# PREFACE

Notice is given in terms of Section 17(3) of Government Notice Regulation (GNR.) No. 267 in Government Gazette No. 40713 (24 March 2017), of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No.36 of 1998) (NWA) of the South Deep JV: South Deep Gold Mine (Pty) Ltd's intent to submit an application for the consolidation and amendment of the Water Use License (WUL) and its addendum granted to the mine, as well as the incorporation of new activities proposed to be conducted for future proofing the mine. The mine is located in Westonaria within the Rand West City Local Municipality, West Rand District Municipality, Gauteng Province.

This report constitutes the Comments and Responses Report (CRR) which captures the issues raised by stakeholders during the Water Use License Application (WULA) processes for the consolidation and amendment of the WUL and its addendum granted to the mine, as well as the incorporation of new activities proposed to be conducted for future proofing the mine.

As part of the announcement, Background Information Documents (BIDs), notification letters with appended registration sheets are being sent to all identified I&APs. Sixteen (16) site notice boards are being erected at places conspicuous to and accessible by the public along the proposed study area. One (1) newspaper advertisement (in English) has been placed in the Randfontein Herald Local newspaper on **Friday, 10 July 2026**. The notification documentation is being published on **Friday, 10 July 2026**. Comments that will be received from stakeholders will be captured in the CRR as it is not a static document but is, however, updated as and when comments are received. This report will be updated as the WULA process unfolds.

