Regional Land Claims Commission – Limpopo
96 Schoeman St
Polokwane
0699

23 August 2016

Attention: Regional Land Claims Commission – Limpopo

RE: REQUESTING ACCESS TO LAND CLAIM JUDGEMENTS FROM THE RLCC REGISTER

We, Envirolution Consulting are the appointed environmental consultants by South African National Parks (SANParks) for the proposed Shangoni Gate Development within the Kruger National Park. In terms of Sections 24(2) and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, and as read with the EIA regulations (Government Notices R. 983, and Government Notice R. 985 in Government Gazette 38282 of 04 December 2014, Envirolution Consulting is conducting a basic assessment for this proposed project as part of the mandated Environmental Impact Assessment.

As part of the public participation processes of the Environmental Impact Assessment we request a copy of the Regional Land Claims Commission judgments of the below land claimants:

- Maphindani (Nghotsha-Khubyane) Community Land claim
- Madonsi / N'wadzekudzuku Land Claim Communities

This is in order to provide the official status of the respective land claims in the Basic Assessment Report.

Your cooperation in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Kind regards,

Thabang Sekele
(Project Manager)
thabang@envirolution.co.za
HAND DELIVERY

Dear Sir / Madam

PROGRESS REPORT IN TERMS OF SECTION 6 (1) (C) OF THE RESTITUTION OF LAND RIGHTS ACT, 1994

CLAIM NAME: THE MADONSI COMMUNITY
CLAIM REF NO: KRP 10641

Section 6 (1) (c) of the Restitution of Land Rights Act 22 of 1994 ("the Restitution Act") requires the Commission to from time to time provide land claimants and other affected parties with progress relating to their claims.

The Commission recognizes you as an interested party with respect to the abovementioned claim and thus this letter seeks to make you aware of the latest progress regarding the abovementioned land claim.

As you are aware, the Restitution Process has 6 stages as follows:

1. Lodgment. This is the process where claims are lodged with the Commission (for present claims the final date for lodgment was 31 December 1998)
2. Research. This process involves the investigation of a claim by the Commission to determine whether it meets the requirements for restitution or not. Claims that meet the requirements are accepted by the Commission, and those that do not meet the requirements are dismissed (after following a process set out in the Restitution Act). Claims that are accepted are published in the Government Gazette.
3. Verification. This process entails a determination of the members of the claimant, i.e. households that were dispossessed of a right in land as a result of past racially discriminatory laws or practices. The verified households will eventually become beneficiaries of the claim.
4. **Negotiations.** This process involves attempts by the Commission to resolve the claim through negotiation and mediation. This process determines whether there can be an agreement between parties to a claim (those that have rights on the claimed land, the claimants and the state).

5. **Settlement/Court.** Where there is an agreement (in stage 4) the claim is referred to the Minister with a request that he approve the agreement between the parties. Where no agreement is reached, the areas of dispute are referred to the Land Claims Court for adjudication.

6. **Implementation.** This stage refers to a process where the agreement or the order of court, where there was no agreement, is implemented (acquisition and transfer of land or payment of financial compensation).

Therefore the status of your claim is as follows:

Stage 1 was completed in your claim as you lodged your land claim before 31 December 1998

Stage 2 has been completed; the rule 5 research report was submitted, approved and accepted

Stage 3 was completed; claimant’s verification of 135 households was adopted and finalized

Stage 4 was completed, claimant’s representatives formed part of the negotiation process and was properly concluded

Stage 5 has been completed, Madonsi Community land claim has been settled through section 42 D which was approved by the Minister on the 27 April 2016 with an amount of R14, 977,845.00 for financial compensation of 135 claimants households and R 48,574,382.53 which will be utilized for development.

Stage 6 has been partially completed, the amount of R14, 977,845.00 has been paid to 135 household as financial compensation on the 16 August 2016. Each household received the amount of R110,947.00. The pending stage to be finalized is the development package which is still to be implemented.

The details of the official responsible for your claim (Masizani Emile Masingi) are set out above. Should you need further clarification over and above the information contained in this letter, feel free to contact the project officer in the numbers indicated above, failing him the project Coordinator: Hitekani Chauke, Tel: 015 287 2696.

Kind regards

[Signature]

**MIYELANI NKATING**
**DIRECTOR OPERATIONS**
**DATE:** 2016/08/30
ATT: MR HE CHAUKE

RE: STATUS REPORT ON LAND CLAIM LODGED BY MR HP CHAUKE ON
BEHALF OF THE MAPINDANI (NGHOTSA) ROYAL FAMILY AND
COMMUNITY ON PORTIONS OF LAND INSIDE THE KRUGER NATIONAL
PARK INCLUDING FARMS OUTSIDE THE PARK.

The above-mentioned matter has reference.

1. The Office of the Regional Land Claims Commission-Limpopo would like to
acknowledge receipt of your land claim lodged on 20 January 1998

2. Preliminary investigations conducted by this Commission pointed no evidence
linking the Mapindani (Nghotsa) to the alleged removals inside the Kruger
National Park, this has been fueled by the refusal by the claimants to participate
in processes aimed at determining the validity of their claim, and the
contradictory information provided to the Commission.

3. The claim outside the park is based on jurisdiction or chieftaincy, hence it had
been dealt with by the Local Government and Traditional Affairs, and also was
referred to the Kalahari Commission.

4. In terms of the Acceptance Criteria as set out in Rule 3 of the Rules regarding the
Procedure of the Commission on Restitution of Land Rights, the land claim
lodged By Mr HP chauke does not qualify to be accepted for restitution purposes,
as per the explanation in 2 and 3 above.
Your land claim in respect of the properties listed on the claim form is therefore dismissed. Herewith enclosed is a copy of the dismissal report in respect of your land claim for your attention.

In the event of not agreeing with the above-mentioned matters you are advised to obtain legal assistance.

We hope you will find the above in order.

Yours faithfully

MASHILE MOKONO
REGIONAL LAND CLAIMS COMMISSIONER-LIMPOPO
DATE: 14/01/2005
Dear Colleagues,

Thank you providing the status reports of the said land claims.

Your efforts are much appreciated.

Regards,
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From: Masizani Masingi [mailto:masizani.masingi@drdlr.gov.za]
Sent: Wednesday, September 14, 2016 3:04 PM
To: Thabang Sekele; Mielani Nkatingi
Cc: Hitekani Chauke; Gesan Govender; Tele Maphoto
Subject: RE: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

Good day

Kindly receive the status for Mapindani Land claim project as per your request.

Regards
From: Thabang Sekele [mailto:thabang@enviroolution.co.za]
Sent: 13 September 2016 11:49 AM
To: Mielaneli Nkatingi
Cc: Masizani Masingi; Hitekani Chauke; 'Gesan Govender'; Tele Maphoto
Subject: RE: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

Good day,

May I enquire on the progress of the below?

Regards,
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From: Mielaneli Nkatingi [mailto:mielaneli.nkatingi@drdir.gov.za]
Sent: Friday, September 09, 2016 2:04 AM
To: Thabang Sekele
Cc: Masizani Masingi; Hitekani Chauke; Gesan Govender; Tele Maphoto
Subject: Re: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

I apologize, I was not aware that you did not receive the Mapindani letter. Mr Masinngi will send it to you on Monday next week

Sent from my iPad. Mielaneli Nkatingi
On 08 Sep 2016, at 4:03 PM, Thabang Sekele <thabang@envirolution.co.za> wrote:

Good day.

The letter has been received in order. I would like to follow up on the Mapndani summary rejection decision letter and its progress.

Regards
Thabang Sekele.

On 31 Aug 2016 10:47, "Masizani Masingi" <masizani.masingi@drdfr.gov.za> wrote:

Good day

Kindly receive the Progress report for Madonsi Community

Regards

Masingi
From: Thabang Sekele  
Sent: Tuesday, August 30, 2016 2:33 PM  
To: Hitekani Chauke  
Cc: Tele Maphoto; Hitekani Chauke; Masizani Masingi; Miyleani Nkatingi; gesan@enviroolution.co.za  
Subject: RE: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

Dear Mr Chauke,

I am following up on the below request. Can I humbly request that the covering letters be completed and sent by 05 September 2016.

Your cooperation will be highly appreciated in this regard.

Regards,

Thabang Sekele
From: Miyelani Nkatingi [mailto:miyelani.nkatingi@drdlr.gov.za]
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 5:53 PM
To: Thabang Sekele
Cc: Tele Maphoto; Hitekani Chauke; Masizani Masingi
Subject: RE: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

I have instructed Mr Chauke Hitekani to compile the letters

From: Thabang Sekele [mailto:thabang@envirolution.co.za]
Sent: Friday, August 26, 2016 8:36 AM
To: Miyelani Nkatingi
Cc: Tele Maphoto
Subject: RE: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

Dear Miyelani

Thank you for your reassurance. I will await the discussed covering letters.
We shall respond to you in due course. Thanks

Sent from my iPhone

On 23 Aug 2016, at 14:14, "Thabang Sekele" <thabang@enviroolution.co.za> wrote:

Thank you. Mr Nkatingi, may you kindly attend to the below request.
Dear Sir,

Direct your request to Mr Nkatingi. I am on leave. I included him in the email.

Sent from my iPad
On 23 Aug 2016, at 12:10 PM, "Thabang Sekele" <thabang@envirolution.co.za> wrote:

Dear Sir

Kindly see below email correspondence.

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From: Thabang Sekele [mailto:thabang@envirolution.co.za]
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Cc: 'Mmadira Mathete'; 'Semakaleng.Mabeba@drdrlr.gov.za';
gesan@envirolution.co.za
Subject: Mapindani & Madonsi land claim judgements

Dear Colleagues,

Kindly find the attached land claim request letter for you attention. Your cooperation in this regard will be highly appreciated.
Regards,

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