

KROPZ BULLETIN



YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

Who is Kropz?

Kropz is an explorer, mine developer and miner of fertilizer feed minerals, primarily phosphates. Kropz is in the process of vertically integrating its business in order to produce a range of plant nutrient fertilizer products for the sub-Saharan African market.

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So, what's with the heart?

The use of the green heart in the Kropz logo represents Kropz's dedication to its caring approach towards its people and its communities, as well as its consideration for the environments in which it operates.

How is Kropz linked to Elandsfontein?

Kropz is the majority shareholder, major funder and debt provider for the development of the Elandsfontein phosphate project. Kropz's commitment to the Elandsfontein project is driven by its goal to access world-class fertilizer feedstock materials, of which phosphate is the most sought after.

The Kropz management team, who is developing the Elandsfontein project, is committed to world-class environmental standards across every aspect of the project. To this end they have embraced the goal of Elandsfontein becoming the world's first truly green mining operation.

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Local spend and local employment

Kropz is investing R1.35 billion developing the Elandsfontein Project, of which approximately R65 million (excluding salaries and benefits paid to local employees) has already been spent directly in the Saldanha Bay Municipal area.

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Back row from left to right: Mark Maynard; Hennie Ehlers; Stanley Woods; Robert Abdol; Izette Carroll; Jann Hanekom; Mariana Hanekom; Amanda Ehlers; Wynand van Dyk; Mogamat Carolus. **Front row from left to right:** Malcolm May; Adonis Adams; Edwin Cook; Jacqueline Cook; Coleen Paul; Colleen Julies; Yvonne Jense; Johanna Stoffels; William Julies; Jacques Viljoen; Matthews Aphane.

First official site visit

Our first official site visit was held on 2 July 2016. We had a great day with members of the community and we want to thank them for getting up so early on a Saturday morning! We hope to host more of these in the future to answer questions and to update everyone on the progress of our development.

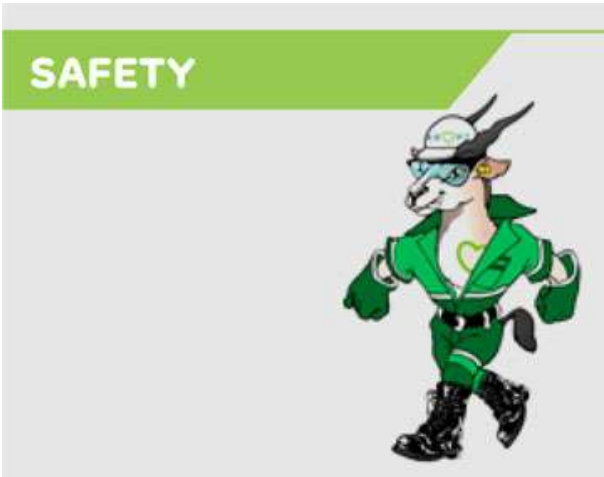
Construction update

There are a number of milestones that we've reached on the construction front, with almost 1000 employees on site. We completed the firebreaks in 2015. The firebreaks were instrumental in containing the spread of the terrible fires experienced in the area late last year. The processing plant earthworks were completed in August 2015 and we are currently busy with civil construction as well as structural, mechanical and platework erection. We are also installing electrical and instrumentation cabling and piping. The Eskom substation and overhead line was energised on 28 April 2016.

Greenheart Drive

The Elandsfontein project access road construction started in February 2015 and practical completion was reached in July 2016. The original road was a 4x4 sand track. We started by widening this track to allow for bi-directional traffic and then constructed new layer works to start surfacing. The resulting road will remain when the mine closes down, as it will provide access to the Dune Field Heritage Site and future Elandsfontein Nature Reserve.

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Safety

Safety is an essential focus of the Elandsfontein project. We are proud to announce that we have reached the first milestone of achieving 365 Lost Time Injury Free days. As part of this focus and to ensure safety is always top of mind, we have erected a safety banner which is signed by all employees and visitors to the site. Our signature is a pledge and a reminder of our commitment to safety. This, together with our safety mascot Eddie, reminds everyone to stop before rushing into a situation, to look around, assess what has changed, and then decide if it is safe to continue.

ENVIRONMENT



Plants are kept in a nursery for replanting later.

Storing plant species for rehabilitation

Kropz is committed to restoring the land we are working on as part of the mining activity. The mine will exist within a future protected area known as the Elandsfontein Nature Reserve. After mine closure there will be little evidence that the area was once mined. The only infrastructure that will remain will be the tarred access road and offices, which will be converted for conservation tourism purposes.

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Soil stockpiling and hydroseeding

The strip mining method, which will be used at Elandsfontein, allows us to start the rehabilitation of the area in phases following the mining activities. The first rehabilitation of construction sites is scheduled to start during the first year of operation.

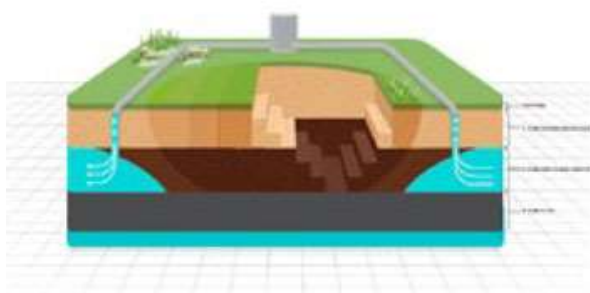
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Game management

As part of the first phase of construction 6.8km of game fencing and a further 2.1km of security fencing has been put up. This fencing allows us to create zones for game management. Each of these zones are separated by cattle grids, which have been constructed especially for the mine as part of the access road contract. Our cattle grids have a unique design.

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FAQ



How will the mine use and affect our water?

The Elandsfontein phosphate deposit lies below the water table within the Elandsfontein aquifer. In order to mine the phosphate deposit, the mining area will be temporarily dewatered. To dewater the mine pit, Elandsfontein will install a set of borehole pumps to divert the water around the mining area, through a network of closed pipes, to be reintroduced to the aquifer downstream from the mining area.

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