

## Orion Minerals conducts occupations skills assessments in Siyathemba

**Johannesburg (15 June 2021)** – Continuing its commitment to community training and development, Orion recently undertook occupational assessments for potential artisans and operators – these had initially been delayed as a result of the recent disruptions in Siyathemba.

The process was open to individuals who had previously completed Orion’s Introduction to Mining course, and who had expressed an interest in artisan and operator roles. An initial group of 60 individuals from the Siyathemba communities of Prieska, Marydale and Niekerkshoop were invited to participate in the current phase, with 44 individuals eventually taking Orion up on the opportunity.

Based on the results of these assessments, training programmed will be offered to high-potential participants to prepare them for possible future employment opportunities on the Prieska Copper-Zinc Mine or within the broader South African mining industry.

Additional occupational assessments will be undertaken in the next few weeks. Orion is encouraging all community members who receive an invitation to participate to do so, as this process will play a critical role in ensuring that local residents are eligible to be considered for employment once work begins on site.

Orion is conscious of the urgent need for skills development and employment opportunities in the Siyathemba area and is committed to playing a role in delivering these wherever possible.

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Captions – Occupational assessments for potential artisans and operators underway at Orion Minerals