

West Coast Resources

WEST COAST RESOURCES IS GROWING

It's only been a few months since West Coast Resources' Namaqualand operations got underway, but the company's growth plans are already progressing well. With the staff complement due to exceed 30 by the end of the month, employees are hard at work in Kleinzee and Koingnaas.

Mining projects

The company's first project – constructing a final recovery plant in Kleinzee – was concluded in February and the plant has since been commissioned. A drilling team was also recently appointed and received training in March. They are currently focusing on information gathering through full-time drilling.

The next operational milestone is the bulk sampling plant at Koingnaas which is anticipated to be ready to sample ahead of production by middle May. Construction of the Mitchell's Bay plant will follow later in the year.

Recruitment

The current staff count at West Coast Resources includes employees at the final recovery plant and the bulk sampling plant, as well as the exploration, drilling and sampling team.

The company had an overwhelming response to the learner positions which were advertised earlier this year and is busy screening the more than 700 CVs it received in this regard. Short-listed candidates will be contacted in due course.

Recruitment for the Mitchell's Bay plant is currently underway and will be finalised over a period of three months.

To ensure candidates in the smaller communities are also able to submit their CVs, official West Coast Resources CV boxes will be placed in Buffelsrivier, Hondeklipbaai, Kleinzee, Koingnaas, Komaggas and Soebatsfontein. CVs can be submitted directly at these boxes which are expected to be available by middle April.

The company's commitment to its goal of employing local candidates, especially previously disadvantaged individuals, women and the youth, is evident from the fact that more than 70% of its current employees are locals.

All service providers are also encouraged to make use of local labour and local sub-contractors. West Coast Resources' service providers have employed approximately 100 employees to date to help with the project.

Suppliers

As 2015 is mostly seen as a start-up and construction year for the company, no operational contracts or tenders are available at present. Construction suppliers for the current projects have also already been appointed.

Opportunities for new suppliers will increase when the company shifts its focus from construction to mining activities in 2016.

A Vender Registration Form and instructions for submission are already available on the new West Coast Resources website at www.westcoastresources.co.za/vendor-registration-form/

The company would like to thank the local community for the interest they have shown in the Namaqualand Project.

For more information about West Coast Resources and vacancies, please visit the company's website at www.westcoastresources.co.za