

Khangela Emoyeni Wind Energy Facility Phase 2

Public Participation Report

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1 Introduction

The Phase 2 Khangela Emoyeni Wind Energy Facility (WEF)¹ (hereafter referred to as the Khangela Emoyeni WEF) is located near the town of Murraysburg in the Western Province. A number of amendments have been proposed to the project scope (as detailed in the Amendment Report) and requires a Part 2 amendment process² to be undertaken, including a 30-day Public Participation Process (PPP)³.

The aim of the PPP is to inform all potential and registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the proposed amendments and any associated changes in the assessed impacts. It also allows the Competent Authority, the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF), to make an informed decision based on a transparent and meaningful process.

This Public Participation Report (PPR) has therefore been compiled to collectively represent the consultation process that has been undertaken through the PPP.

The following sections are included:

- Section 2 The requirement for a Public Participation Plan is explained in Section 2 and describes the process that needs to be followed for public participation during the COVID-19 lockdown period.
- Section 3 The I&AP database from the original Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process was used as the baseline document for PPP. All registered I&APs have been requested (via email) to confirm and/or update their contact details. In instances where email addresses where not available, phone calls and sms's were made to the applicable I&AP. Contact details of commenting authorities were also confirmed and updated where necessary. The database will continue to be updated and maintained throughout the amendment process.
- Section 4 The PPP undertaken to date is described in this section. Proof of advertisements, site notices and deliveries will be made available in the Final PPR.
- Section 5 All comments received during the 30-day comment period will be included and responded to in this section for DEFF to consider in the final report version.
- Section 6 The way forward is described in this section.

2 **Public Participation Plan**

The Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries ("DEFF") published a Direction in terms of the Disaster Management Act (57 of 2002) under GN R439 on 31 March 2020 in respect of the undertaking and administration of Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and related processes during the COVID-19 Lockdown ("EIA Directions").

To ensure that reasonable notice is given to potential and registered interested and affected parties ("I&APs"), the competent authority requested a proposed Public Participation Plan setting out all the public participation steps to be undertaken. This was approved by the competent authority on 21 July

¹ Please note that the proposed amendments also includes a request to change the project name to *Khangela Emoyeni WEF*. ² In terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (Government Notice Regulation (GN R) 982 of 4 December

^{2014,} as amended) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), as amended.

³ In terms of Regulation 32 of the EIA Regulations (GN R982).

2020, prior to commencement of any Public Participation Process (PPP). The Public Participation Plan and its approval is included in Appendix C1.

3 I&AP Database

Table 1: provides a summary of the I&AP database for the Umsindi Emoyeni WEF. Please note that contact details have been omitted for privacy reasons.

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	Dr Marais	Klipplaat Re/109, Re3/109
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	Colene Runkel	South African National Roads Agency Ltd
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	John Butterworth	Schanskraal Farming CC
	Jan Pickard	Barnard Farms (Pty) Ltd
	Jan Pickard	Ratelfontein Hunting Safaris
	Mbulelo Sibhozo	Surrounding Landowner
	Gloria Douglas	Adjacent landowner
	Mirriam Saba	Adjacent landowner
	Gladwell Zahela	Adjacent landowner
	Siena Bans	Adjacent landowner
	Willvin Pieterse	Adjacent landowner
	Johan Theron	Theron Roelof Johannes Erasmus
	Nellis Botha	Phillipsplaas (Portion 3 Boksfontein)
	Frank Theron	Frank Theron
	Jan Pickard	Jan Pickard
	Gerhard Viljoen	Gerhard Viljoen
	, Kobus van Heerden	Kobus van Heerden
	Danie Hugo	Danie Hugo
	Thanduxolo Williams	Thanduxolo Williams
	Hermaans Wibooi	Hermaans Wibooi
	Booi Goeieman	Booi Goeieman
	Daniel Jacobs	Daniel Jacobs
	Bronwen Seekoei	Bronwen Seekoei
	Andries Goeieman	Andries Goeieman
	Paul Avenant	Kay's Shop, Restaurant and Self-Catering
	Derick Welgemoed	Material and Plant Hire
	Willem Rank	Occupier
	Carel van Heerden	Occupier
	Dirk van der Merwe	Occupier
	Enzyl Kathu (Doppies)	Occupier
	Gerrit Booysen	Occupier
	Godfrey Williams	Occupier
	Randal Blom (Bloetie)	Occupier
	Daniel Retji	Occupier
	Alexander Desmond	Occupier
	Steven Nuwegeld	Occupier
	Frans George	Occupier
	Johannes De Vos	Occupier
	Koos van Heerden	Occupier
	Leon Fourie	Occupier
	Cember Pieterse	Occupier
	Jakob Louw	Occupier
	Martin Hesseling	Occupier
	Piet Arries	Occupier

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	Frans Pieter	Occupier
	Pieta Adams	Occupier
	Shelton Lettering	Occupier
	Jaco van Heerden	Occupier
	Sophia van Heerden	Occupier
	Stefanus Booysen	Occupier
	Setumo Mohapi	Sender Technology Park (STP) SENTECH
	Mpathi Makoa	SANRAL
	Colene Runkel	SANRAL
	Marilyn Kleinhans	SANRAL
	Nicole Abrahams	SANRAL
	Rydall Jardine	Weather South Africa
	Makaya Mamogale	Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) SOC Limited
	Deidre Herbest	Eskom
	John Geeringh	Eskom
	Lungile Motsisi	Eskom
	Rochelle McPherson	Eskom
	Ayanda Noah	Eskom
	Debbie Harding	Eskom
	Kevin Leask	Eskom
	Ronald Marais	Eskom
	Xolisa Songcaka	Eskom
	Henk Landman	Eskom Distribution Western Operating Unit
	Stephen Koopman	Eskom
	Tom Smith	Eskom Distribution: Southern Operating Unit
	Sibulele Mdingi	Eskom Land Development and Environment Western Cape Operations Unit
	Portia Makhanya	Eastern Cape Department of Water and Sanitation
	M. Bloem	Eastern Cape Department of Water and Sanitation
	Chris Wells	Transnet
	Eddie Seaton	Transnet
	Ramotholo Sefaku	The Southern African Large Telescope (SALT) - Sutherland and Cape Town
	Mabule Mokhine	Earthlife Africa
	Mona Lakhani	Earthlife Africa
	Richard Weppelmann	RWBE Geotechnical Drilling
	Makoma Lekalakala	SECCP of Earthlife Africa
	Lana Ignjatovic	Leads2Business
	Rudzani Nemukula	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)
	Philippa Huntly	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (WESSA)
	Suzanne Erasmus	WESSA Northern Cape Region
	Daniel Marnewick	Birdlife South Africa
	Charmaine Uys	Birdlife South Africa

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	Simon Gear	Birdlife South Africa
	Pamela Berret	Birdlife South Africa
	Carolyn Ah Shene- Verdoorn	Birdlife South Africa
	Haneline Smit	Birdlife South Africa
	Sam Ralston	Birdlife South Africa
	Shadrack Moephuli	Agricultural Research Council
	Constant Hoogstad	Endangered Wildlife Trust
	Lourens Leeuwner	Endangered Wildlife Trust
	Ronelle Visagie	Endangered Wildlife Trust
	Lizelle Stroh	South African Civil Aviation Authority
	Christopher Isherwood	South African Civil Aviation Authority
	Adrian Tiplady	Square Kilometer Arrary (SKA) Project
	Duval Johnson	Murraysburg Development Councill of Stakeholders
	Donovan Snyder	Murraysburg Public Library
	Troy Smuts	Heritage Western Cape
	Johan van den Berg	South African Wind Energy Association (SAWEA)
	Henning Holm	Sustainable Energy Society of Southern Africa (SESSA)
	Adriana Chickesh	Sustainable Energy Society of Southern Africa (SESSA)
	Alwyn Smith	Southern African Alternative Energy Association (SAAEA)
	Mandy Barnett	Cape Action for People and the Environment (C.A.P.E.)
	Frans Retief	Bo Buffelsrivier Landbouvereniging
	Jacobus Albertus van den Berg	Murraysburg Distrikse Landbouvereniging
	Melodie McGeoch	SANParks
	Johan van de Venter	SANParks
	Tronny Mutsenga	SANParks
	Hans van der Merwe	Agri SA
	Carl opperman	Agri Wes-Cape
	Grahame Lindop	The Great Karoo Conservancy
	Marina Beal	Nama Karoo Foundation
	Phumezo Nakani	CKDM
	John Swanepoel	High School
	Mbulelo Ngqokelani	CBW
	Mette Kromhout	Community Member
	Elsabé Louwrens	NG Kerk
	André Louwrens	NG Kerk
	JD Titus	Primary School
	Fikile Tshikolo	SAPS
	René Theron	The Murraysburger
	Jenny Ballantyne	The Murraysburger
	Chris Barr	Developer

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	Hendrik Klaassen	BWM
	Adri Smit	Murraysburg Farmers Association
	Vuyakazi Ruiters	BWM
	Bernie Fanaroff	SKA South Africa
	Stella George	Librarian
	Sanie Thousand	Librarian
	Francois van Niekerk	Die Courier
	Werner Swart	Community Member
	Dion Wilmans	Green South Developments
	Jonathan Visser	4 Green Development Africa (Pty) Ltd
	Gerrit Viljoen	Community Member
	Deon Swarts	Community Member
	Adam Conlais Hector	Community Member
	Leonard Shaw	Telkom SA SOC
	Paul Lochner	CSIR - Stellenboch
	Ismail Banoo	CSIR - Durban
	Samantha Naidoo	CSIR - Durban
	Ameerah Peters	Heritage Western Cape
	Paul Rubidge	Community Member
	Wayne Rubidge	Zoetvlei
	Duval Johnson	Murraysburg Development Council of Stakeholders
	Neville van Rooy	Murraysburg Emerging Farmers Union
	Karoo News Group	Community Member
	First Africa	Community Member
	Karoo Boedery	Community Member
	Richard Moya Lucas	M.E.F.U
	Fanus van der Merwe	SE van der Merwe - Trustees
	Aletta/Jan Susanna du Plessis/Claassen	C H Du Plessis CC
	Benny Carl Conradie	FC Conradie Trust
	Gabriel Cupido	Community Member
	Barend Cupido	Community Member
	Romeo Daniels	Community Member
	Jacobus van den Berg	Farm Snyderskraal
	Timothey Mathews	Community Member
	Astrolia Plaatjies	GPF
	Dail Mathews	Church
	Nico Claasen	ADP Dissable
	Colin Baadtjies	Community Member
	Marius Booysen	Community Member
	Flink Willemse	Born to Protect

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	Roseline Barbes	City of Cape Town
	Kalie van Heerden	Community Member
	Jean Retief	Community Member
	Mbulelo Ngyokelane	Community Member
	Benjamin Walton	Community Member
	Blekiwe Ngqondo	Community Member
	J. Lapere	Community Member
	Jurian Martin	Beaufort West Municipality
	Edward Daniels	Alpha Omega Ministries
	Morris David Baadtjies	Community Member
	Blekiwe Ngqondo	Community Member
	Adriaan Absa Davids	Community Member
	Kenneth Musheiwane Mausse	IETI
	Adam Conrad Hector	Beaufort West Municipality
	Bradley Gerson Solomons	Community Member
	Elicia Hugo	ANC Jeug Ligtn CPO
	Hermaans Witbooi	Murraysburg Community member
	Garth Murray	Youthful Murraysburg (NGO)
	Lushian Moiloy	
	Gerswin Jacobs	Suid Kaap College: Mossel Bay
	Martino Randall Brouels	Community Member
	Rochelle	Community Member
	Andrew Solomons	Community Member
	Enrico Jooste	Community Member
	Vuyisile Desmond Mlilwana	Community Member
	Danwell McKenzie	LMVM Construction
	Ida Cloete	Community Member
	Bradley Gibbons	
	Andre van der Spuy	AVDS Environmental Consultants
	Chris Shelton	
	Anton Wagner	Community Member

4 AMENDMENT PHASE CONSULTATION

Prior to the circulation of the Draft Amendment Report and submission of the amendment application form to DEFF, the following measures were undertaken to ensure that the legislated 30-day public comment period will be available to the relevant parties.

4.1 Advertisements

Advertisements, in English was placed in *Die Burger* (national newspaper) and in the *Die Courier* (Local newspaper) on Friday 25 September 2020 and in the *Graaff-Reinet Advertiser* (*English and Afrikaans*) (Local newspaper) the 24 September 2020. The English text is available in Figure 1 to ensure legibility. Proof of the pages on which the advertisements were published in *Die Burger, Die Courier* and *Graaff-Reinet Advertiser* will be included in the final PPR.

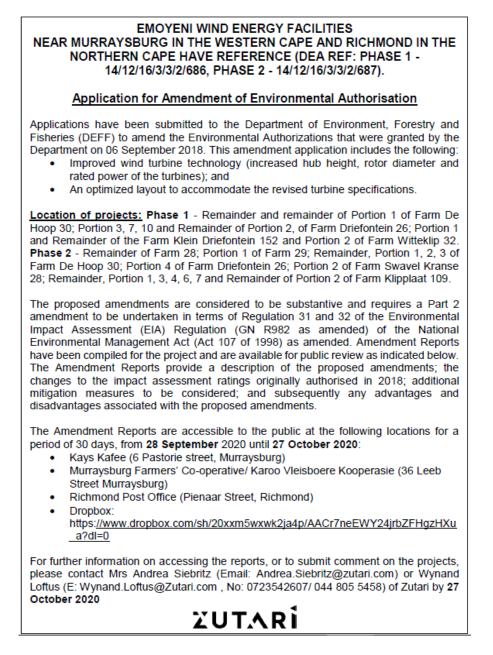


Figure 1: Copy of the advertisement text that was published in the newspapers

4.2 Site notices and Posters

Site notices in English and Afrikaans were fixed at nine points along the boundary of the site and at key public road intersections in the vicinity of the site. Posters were put up in five public areas to inform the public of the proposed project. The text of the site notice is included below in **Figure 2**.

4.2.1 Proof of placement

Proof of site notices and posters will be made available in the Final Amendment Report.

4.3 Availability of Amendment Report

The Draft Amendment Report was made available for a 30-day public comment period from 28 September 2020 to 27 October 20202. Registered I&APs identified during the original EIA process were notified of this comment period. The written notification provided to the I&APs is included in Appendix C2.

The Draft Amendment Report has been made available to national and provincial authorities/stakeholders. Copies of the report were also made available to I&APs as follow:

- Electronic:
 - **Dropbox:** https://www.dropbox.com/sh/20xxm5wxwk2ja4p/AACr7neEWY24jrbZFHgzHXu _a?dl=0
- Hard copies:
 - Kays Kafee (6 Pastorie street, Murraysburg)
 - Murraysburg Farmers' Co-operative/ Karoo Vleisboere Kooperasie (36 Leeb Street Murraysburg)
 - Richmond Post Office (Pienaar Street, Richmond)

Proof of delivery and notification will be included in the Final Amendment Report .

EMOYENI WIND ENERGY FACILITIES NEAR MURRAYSBURG IN THE WESTERN CAPE AND RICHMOND IN THE NORTHERN CAPE

DEFF REF: PHASE 1 - 14/12/16/3/3/2/686, PHASE 2 - 14/12/16/3/3/2/687.

Description: Emoyeni Wind Farm Project (Pty) Ltd received Environmental Authorization (EA) on 6 September 2018 in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), as amended, for the development of two 147 MW wind energy facilities (WEFs) and associated infrastructure, namely Phase 1 (Umsinde Emoyeni) and Phase 2 (Khangela Emoyeni) WEF. Emoyeni Wind Farm Project is proposing to amend the EAs for the WEFs to allow for:

- Improved wind turbine technology (increased hub height, rotor diameter and rated power of the turbines); and
- · An optimized layout to accommodate the revised turbine specifications.

Location: The Emoyeni WEFs are located near the town of Murraysburg in the Western Cape and Northern Cape Provinces. The Emoyeni WEF falls within the jurisdiction of the Central Karoo District Municipality and Pixley Ka Sema District Municipality. The properties involved are shown in the table below.

Phase 1 (Umsinde Emoyeni):	Phase 2 (Khangela Emoyeni):
	Remainder of Farm 28; Portion 1 of Farm 29;
	Remainder, Portion 1, 2, 3 of Farm De Hoop 30: Portion 4 of Farm Driefontein 26: Portion
	2 of Farm Swavel Kranse 28; Remainder,
Klein Driefontein 152 and Portion 2 of Farm	Portion 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 and Remainder of Portion
Witteklip 32	2 of Farm Klipplaat 109.

The proposed amendments are considered to be substantive and requires a Part 2 amendment to be undertaken in terms of Regulation 31 and 32 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulation (GN R982 as amended) of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) as amended. Amendment Reports have been compiled for the project and are available for public review as indicated below. The Amendment Reports provide a description of the proposed amendments; the changes to the impact assessment ratings originally authorised in 2018; additional mitigation measures to be considered; and subsequently any advantages and disadvantages associated with the proposed amendments.

Zutari (Pty) Ltd (Zutari) has been appointed by Emoyeni Wind Farm Project (Pty) Ltd to undertake the above-mentioned amendment process.

The proposed amendments will be assessed in the amendment reports, which will be made available at Kays Kafee (6 Pastorie street, Murraysburg, Murraysburg Farmers' Co-operative/Karoo Vieis boere Kooperasie (36 Leeb Street and Richmond Post Office, Pienaar Street, Richmond) for a 30-day public comment period.

If you would like to obtain more information, be kept informed throughout the process or wish to submit any comments or concerns, please register as an Interested and Affected Party by contacting Mrs Andrea Siebritz (E: <u>Andrea.Siebritz@zutari.com</u>) or Mr. Wynand Loftus (<u>Wynand.Loftus@Zutari.com</u>, No: 0723542607/ 044 805 5458) of Zutari



EMOYENI WINDKRAGAANLEGTE NABY MURRAYSBURG IN DIE WES-KAAP EN RICHMOND IN DIE NOORD-KAAP

DOBV Verwysingsnr.: FASE 1 - 14/12/16/3/3/2/686, FASE 2 - 14/12/16/3/3/2/687

Beskrywing: Emoyeni Wind Farm Project (Edms.) Bpk. het omgewingsmagtigings ontvang op die 6 September 2018 in terme van die gewysigde Nasionale Omgewingsbestuurswet (No. 107 van 1998), vir die ontwikkeling van twee 147 MW windkragaanlegte, naamlik Fase 1 (Umsinde Emoyeni) en Fase 2 (Khangela Emoyeni). Emoyeni Wind Farm Project stel voor om die omgewingsmagtigings te wysig om die volgende veranderinge in te sluit:

- Verbeterde windturbine tegnologie (verhoging van die naaf-hoogte, vergroting van die rotordeursnee en gebruik van turbines met 'n groter vermoë om krag op te wek); en
- · Optimalisering van die uitleg met inagneming van die gewysigde turbine-spesifikasies.

Ligging: Die Emoyeni windkragaanlegte is naby Murrayburg in die Wes-Kaap en Richmond in die Noord-Kaap. Die projek val binne die jurisdiksie van die Sentraal-Karroo en Pixley Ka Sema Distriksmunisipaliteite. Die betrokke eiendomme word in die onderstaande tabel aangedui:

Fase 1 (Umsinde Emoyeni):	Fase 2 (Khangela Emoyeni):
plaas De Hoop 30; Gedeeltes 3, 7, 10 en Restant van Gedeelte 2 van plaas Driefontein 26; Gedeelte 1 en Restant van	Restant van plaas 28; Gedeelte 1 van plaas 29; Restant en Gedeeltes 1, 2, 3 van plaas De Hoop 30; Gedeelte 4 van plaas Driefontein 28; Gedeelte 2 van plaas Swavel Kranse 28; Restant en Gedeeltes 1, 3, 4, 6, 7 en die Restant van Gedeelte 2 van plaas Klipplaat 109

Bogenoemde wysigings word as wesenlike veranderings beskou en vereis 'n Deel 2wysigingsaansoek vervolgens Regulasies 31 en 32 van die gewysigde Omgewingsimpakstudie Regulasies (GK R982) van die Wet op Nasionale Omgewingsbestuur (Wet 107 van 1998), soos gewysig. Wysigingsverslae is dus saamgestel en beskikbaar vir openbare oorsig. Die verslae beskryf die voorgestelde wysigings, veranderinge aan die goedgekeurde 2018 impakstudie graderings, bykomende versagtende maatreëls vir oorweging, asook die voordele en nadele wat verband hou met die voorgestelde wysigings.

Zutari (Edms.) Bpk. is deur Emoyeni Wind Farm Project (Edms.) Bpk. aangestel om die bogenoemde wysingsproses te hanteer.

Die voorgestelde wysings sal beoordeel word in die wysingsverslae wat beskikbaar sal wees by Kays Kafee (Pastoriestraatno 8, Murraysburg), Karoo Vleisboere Koëperasie (Leebstraatno 36, Murraysburg) en Richmond Poskantoor (Pienaarstraat, Richmond) vir 'n 30-dae publieke kommentaar periode.

Indien u meer inligting verlang, op hoogte wil bly gedurende die wysigingsproses of graag kommenaar of bekommernisse wil indien, kan u as 'n Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Party registreer deur Mev. Andrea Siebritz (Email: Andrea.Siebritz@zutari.com) of Mnr. Wynand Loftus (Wynand.Loftus@Zutari.com, No: 0723542607/ 044 805 5458) van Zutari te kontak.



Figure 2: Poster and site notice text

5 COMMENTS AND RESPONSES

Table 2 contains one comment that was received during the process that was followed to confirm the contact details of registered I&APs (see Appendix C3 for a copy of the original comment). The table will further be updated to include comments received during the 30-day public comment period.

Table 2 Comments receiving prior to the amendment report being made available for public comment

No	Details regarding the comment received	Comment	Response from the Applicant, EAP, Specialist
1	Date received: 08/07/2020 Submitted via: Email by the Karoo News Group	We would like to place on record the response given to us by the Department Environmental Appeals Directorate when appealing this unscrupulous development. The Director stated that "political motivations override all other considerations and facts in appeal decisions." Additionally it was said by the Departments Appeals Directorate ""all" of the EAP's conducting the EIA's are biased." Due to the obvious impacts such a development will have in a area which has the highest levels of breeding Black Eagle sites in the country it is our intention to enact criminal proceedings for the intentional killing of protected species should a single protected species be killed by this ridiculous development	The Karoo News Group's comment is noted. A copy of the appeal decision is available in Appendix A of the Amendment Report for interested parties to view the Minister's response to the Karoo News Group on this matter. We would also like to put on record that declarations of independence have been signed by the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) and specialists as required in terms of the EIA Regulations. The Group's concern regarding potential impacts on eagles is noted. The avifauna specialist has taken these into consideration and undertook a site visit in June 2020 to determine if new nests have been built since the original impact assessment was completed in January 2018. In addition, the Verreaux's Eagle Risk Assessment Tool (VERA) was utilised to model areas of high sensitivity for Verreaux's Eagles (also known as Black Eagles) that needs to be avoided. Based on the results of this model, the project layout was amended to exclude the revised and extended "no-go" buffers. Please refer to Section 4.3.3 of the Amendment Report for more information on the assessed impacts.

6 WAY FORWARD

Following the 30-day public comment period, the Draft Amendment Report will be updated by incorporating I&AP comments received (where relevant). All comments will be recorded and responded to in this PPR which will be circulated to all who have provided comment. The updated Amendment Report will then be submitted to DEFF for their decision-making process. Once DEFF has made their decision on the proposed amendment project, all registered I&APs will be notified of the outcome of the decision within fourteen (14) calendar days of the decision and the right to appeal the project.

In diversity there is beauty and there is strength.

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