

Appendix C2:
Site Notices and Newspaper Advertisements

SITE NOTICES

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

VREDE PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY, FREE STATE PROVINCE

Applicant: South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: The development of a solar photovoltaic (PV) facility of up to 100MW and associated infrastructure.

The following infrastructure will be developed:

- » Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures.
- » Inverters and transformers.
- » Underground cabling between the project components.
- » On-site facility substation to facilitate the connection between the solar PV facility and the Eskom electricity grid.
- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.
- » Laydown areas and temporary man camp area.
- » Access roads, internal distribution roads and fencing around the development area.

Location: Remaining extent of the Farm Vrede 1152 and Portion 1 of the Farm Uitval 1104, both ~ 12km south of Kroonstad in the Moqhaka Local Municipality and within the Fezile Dabi District Municipality.

Environmental Impact Assessment Process: In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 – R327, as amended, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process is required for the Solar PV Facility. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required environmental assessment and public participation process for the project. An application for the project has been lodged with the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF), as the competent authority.

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PROOF OF SITE NOTICES (Date placed: 16 November 2020)

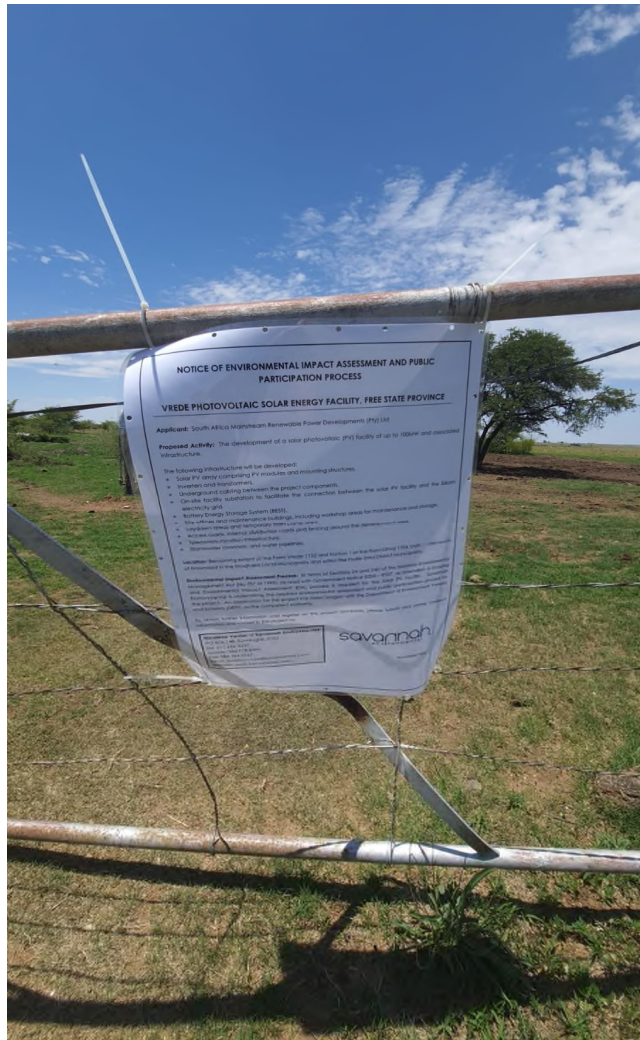


Figure 1: Site notice 1 placed at the entrance to Remaining extent of the Farm Vrede 1152 and Portion 1 of the Farm Uitval 1104, Free State Province (27°44'48.0"S 27°08'40.8"E)



Figure 2: Site notice 2 placed at the intersection of the two roads that run parallel to the Remaining extent of the Farm Vrede 1152 and Portion 1 of the Farm Uitval 1104, Free State Province (27°43'29.4"S 27°10'55.8"E)

PROCESS NOTICES

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PROOF OF PROCESS NOTICES (Date placed: 18 November 2020)

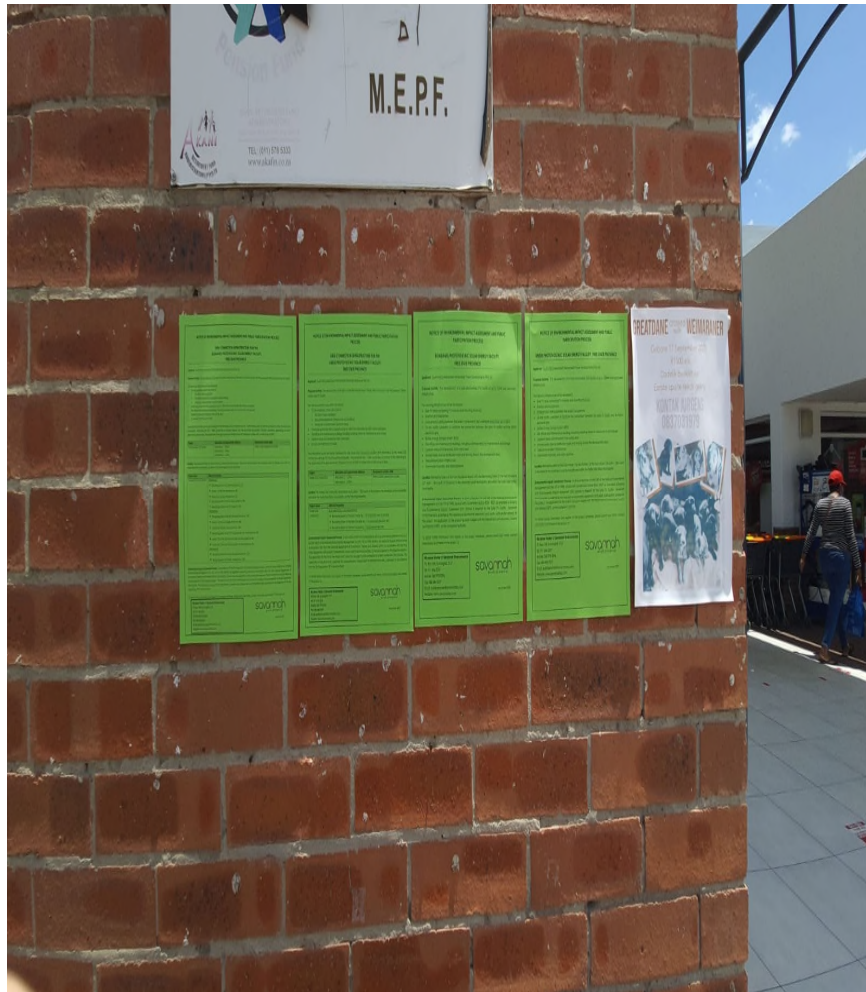


Figure 1: Process Notice 1 placed at the Panarama Plaza (within the closest Town), 10km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°40'38.5"S 27°14'22.4"E)



Figure 2: Process Notice 2 placed at the Kroonstad Magistrate Court (within the closest Town), 11km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°40'11.6"S 27°14'02.1"E)



Figure 3: Process Notice 3 placed at the Atlantic Oil Garage (within the closest Town), 12.5km away from the entrance to the Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord 1475 and Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel 627, Free State Province (27°39'47.6"S 27°13'40.2"E)

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VREDE AND RONDAVEL PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ENERGY FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR KROONSTAD, FREE STATE PROVINCE

(DFFE Ref.Nos.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2038 and 14/12/16/3/3/2/2039 respectively)

Applicant: South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: The development of two solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities of up to 100MW and 75MW (Vrede Solar PV Facility and Rondavel Solar PV Facility respectively) and associated infrastructure. Infrastructures associated with each solar PV will include:

- » Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures.
- » Inverters and transformers.
- » Underground cabling between the project components.
- » On-site facility substation to facilitate the connection between the solar PV facility and the Eskom electricity grid.
- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.
- » Laydown areas and temporary man camp area.
- » Access roads, internal distribution roads and fencing around the development area.

Project Location: The PV solar energy facilities are located ~ 6, and 11km from Kroonstad in the Moqhaka Local Municipality and within the Fezile Dabi District Municipality, Free State Province.

Vrede PV Solar Energy Facility	Rondavel PV Solar Energy Facility
Remaining Extent of the Farm Vrede No. 1152	Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord No. 1475
Portion 1 of the Farm Uitval No. 1104	Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel No. 627

Application for Environmental Authorisation: Separate applications for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and 2014 EIA Regulations (GNR 326), as amended, are being undertaken for the projects. Each application is being supported by a separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process.

Environmental Impact Assessment Reports Available for Review: The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Reports are available for download, review and comment on the Savannah Environmental website. Visit our online stakeholder engagement platform at: <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/vrede-and-rondavel-pv-sef/>. The 30-day review and comment period for the EIA Reports is from **Friday, 30 April 2021 until Tuesday, 1 June 2021**. The final date to submit comments is **Tuesday, 1 June 2021**.

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SCOPING PHASE

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VREDE AND RONDAVEL PHOTOVOLTAIC SOLAR ENERGY FACILITIES, BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE SYSTEMS AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, FREE STATE PROVINCE

Applicant: South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd

Proposed Activity: The development of two solar photovoltaic (PV) facilities namely, Vrede 100MW Solar PV Facility and Rondavel 100MW Solar PV Facility, including Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS) and associated infrastructure located at each facility. Infrastructures associated with each solar PV will include:

- » Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures.
- » Inverters and transformers.
- » Underground cabling between the project components and overhead power lines (up to 33kV).
- » On-site facility substation to facilitate the connection between the solar PV facility and the Eskom electricity grid.
- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).
- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.
- » Laydown areas and temporary man camp area.
- » Access roads, internal distribution roads and fencing around the development area.
- » Telecommunication infrastructure;
- » Stormwater channels; and water pipelines.

Project Location: The PV solar energy facilities are located ~6km and ~11km from Kroonstad in the Moqhaka Local Municipality and within the Fezile Dabi District Municipality, Free State Province.

Vrede PV Solar Energy Facility	Rondavel PV Solar Energy Facility
Remaining Extent of the Farm Vrede No. 1152	Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel Noord No. 1475
Portion 1 of the Farm Uitval No. 1104	Remaining Extent of the Farm Rondavel No. 627

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