

Appendix C1:  
I&AP Database

**GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, SWITCHING STATION AND ANCILLARIES FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

**APPENDIX C1: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY DATABASE**

COMPANY / ORGANISATION / DEPARTMENT	NAME	SURNAME	POSITION
	Andreas	Muller	Landowner
	Enib	Babuseng	
	Francois	Roux	
	Hilletje	Jordaan	Landowner
	Sameul	Mlahlwa	
	Wonders	Mothibi	Head of Department
4 Stone Buildings (Pty) Ltd	Hermann	Boeddinghaus	
ACED	James	Cumming	
African Clean Energy Development (ACED)	Stephnie	Kot	Project Manager
Agri Northern Cape	Abra	Van Wyk	Chairman: Sutherland Farmers Union
Agri Northern Cape	Nicol	Jansen	President
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Simphiwe	Masilela	Obstacle Evaluator
BirdLife South Africa	Samantha	Ralston Paton	Manager
Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency		Abrahams	Director
Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency		Curtis	Director
Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency		Mnisi	Chief Executive Officer
Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency	Elkerine	Rossouw	Senior Manager - Water Resources
Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency	M	Mthinkhulu	Case Officer (Power Line & Substation Application)
Cell C	Brian	Joubert	
Cell C	Harish	Kasseepursad	
Cell C	Marius	Claasen	
Cell C	Marius	Otto	Manager
Cell C	Roger	Everett	
Department of Energy	Pheladi	Masipa	Acting Project Manager: Renewable Energy Initiatives
Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries	Seoka	Lekota	Deputy Director
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy	Mthetheleli	Maphinda	Regional Energy Director
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Nozizwe	Makgalemele	Deputy Director General: Spatial Land Use and Management
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Ryan	Oliver	Senior Registry Clerk
Department of Science and Technology	Mere	Kgampe	Director: Astronomy Management Authority (AMA)
Department of Water and Sanitation	Alexia	Hlengani	Water Quality Manager
Department of Water and Sanitation	John	Roberts	Deputy Director: Breede-Gouritz CMA
Department of Water and Sanitation	Kobus	Streuders	Acting: Provincial Head
Department of Water and Sanitation	Lindiwe	Franks	Official of the Provincial Head: Northern Cape Region
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shaun	Cloete	
Dirk van Zyl Trust	Erasmus	Van Zyl	Landowner
Eldri van Zyl Trust	Eldri & Judith	van Zyl	Landowner
ENEL Green Power	Aindhanersadh	Ravisha	Business Developer Energy & Industry
ENEL Green Power	Ravisha	Shantikumar	
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd			
	Nondwe	Khanye	Environmental Officer
Gielie Hanekom Familietrust	Gielie	Hanekom	Landowner
Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality	Allistar	Gibbons	Regional Manager
Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality	Jeremia	Davids	Ward Councillor: Ward 4
Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality	JJ	Fortuin	Municipal Manager
Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality	Johan	Van Der Colff	Ward Councillor: Ward 3
Karusa Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd	Nthabiseng	Mosehle	Health, Environmental, Safety & Quality (HSEQ)
Karusa Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd	Shaun	Taylor	Environmental Officer
Komsberg Wilderness Nature Reserve	Ian	Scott	(Wildlife For All Trust)
Namakwa District Municipality	Chris	Fortuin	Municipal Manager
Namakwa District Municipality	Hertzog	Theron	Environmental Health Officer
Namakwa District Municipality	Immanuel	Smith	Head of Department
Ngwao-Boswa Ya Kapa Bokone (N Cape Prov Heritage Resource Authority)	Timothy	Ratha	Heritage Officer
Northern Cape DENC	Peter	Cloete	Research Development Officer
Northern Cape Department of Environment & Nature Conservation	Elsabe	Swart	
Northern Cape Department of Roads & Public Works	Jaco	Roelofse	Director: Roads
Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Dineo	Moleko	Assistant Director Impact Management

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Northern Cape Dept of Agriculture, Env Affairs, Rural Dev & Land Reform	Samantha	De la Fontaine	Production Scientist Grade A: District Ecologist
Northern Cape Economic Development Agency	Babalwa	Mbobo	Deputy Director: Renewable Energy
Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd	Gideon	Raath	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
Sentech Ltd	Serame	Mothake	Manager
Soetwater Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd	Nthabiseng	Mosehle	Health, Environmental, Safety & Quality (HSEQ)
Soetwater Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd	Shaun	Taylor	Environmental Officer
South African Astronomical Observatory	Patricia	Whitelock	Director
South African Astronomical Observatory	Petri	Vaisanen	Astronomer
South African Astronomical Observatory	Ramotholo	Sefako	Director
South African Astronomical Observatory	Ted	Williams	Director
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Lizell	Stroh	Obstacle Specialist
South African Heritage Resources Agency	Natasha	Higgitt	Heritage Officer
South African National Defense Force	Kebasenosi	Zondi	Leutenant Colonel
South African National Roads Agency Limited	Nicole	Abrahams	Environmental Coordinator: Western Region
Southern African Large Telescope	Ockert	Strydom	Mechanical Engineer
Standvastigheid Familie Trust	Francois	Conradie	Landowner
Sutherland Farmers' Union	Braam	Vlok	Landowner
Sutherland Farmers Association	Abra	Van Wyk	Landowner
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Leonard	Shaw	
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	Zakiya	Abrahams	Development Intern
Wolwekop Trust	Ockert	Conradie	Landowner



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South African Civil Aviation Authority	Lizell	Stroh	Obstacle Specialist	Private Bag X 73	Halfway House	1682	0115451232	0115451282	0834616660	strohl@caa.co.za	Organs of State	State Owned Enterprise						
South African Heritage Resources Agency	Natasha	Higgitt	Heritage Officer	11 Harrington Street	Cape Town	8001	021-462-4502	021-462-4509		nhiggitt@sahra.org.za	Organs of State	Government Body						
South African National Defense Force	Kebasenosi	Zondi	Leutenant Colonel	Floor 8, Peterson Bothongo House 228 Visagie Street	Pretoria	0001	(012) 402-2810		(065) 304-7985	kebasenosi@yahoo.com	Organs of State	National Government						
South African National Roads Agency Limited	Nicole	Abrahams	Environmental Coordinator: Western Region	Private Bag X19	Cape Town	7535	(021) 957-4602	(021) 910-1699		Abrahamsn@nra.co.za	Organs of State	State Owned Enterprise						
Southern African Large Telescope	Ockert	Strydom	Mechanical Engineer				235711205	235712456										
Standvastigheid Familie Trust	Francois	Conradie	Landowner	PO Box 137	Laingsburg	6900	(023) 551-1817		(073) 676-8366	fdconradie@roggeveld.co.za	Agriculture & Farming	Adjacent Landowner	Appels Fontein	201	RE			
Sutherland Farmers' Union	Braam	Vlok	Landowner				(023) 571-2706		(084) 549-5962	bvlok@hantam.co.za								
Sutherland Farmers Association	Abra	Van Wyk	Landowner				(023) 571-2797			abra@roggeveld.co.za								
Telkom SA SOC Ltd	Leonard	Shaw		178 Madiba Street	Pretoria	2	012-311-2012	012 311 1686	081-428-6729	shawls@telkom.co.za	Organs of State	State Owned Enterprise						
WKN Windcurrent SA (Pty) Ltd	Zakiya	Abrahams	Development Intern	PO Box 762	Wilderness	6560			074 955 0118	abrahams@wkn-windcurrent.com	Renewable Energies	Registered I&AP						
Wolwekop Trust	Ockert	Conradie	Landowner	PO Box 92	Laingsburg	6900			(082) 292-4545	damslaagte@roggeveld.co.za	Agriculture & Farming	Adjacent Landowner	Wolvenkop	207	RE	Rheebokke Fontein	209	RE, 1, 2

Appendix C2:  
Site Notices and Newspaper Advertisement

## SITE NOTICES

## NOTICE OF A BASIC ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

### GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, SWITCHING STATION AND ANCILLARIES, FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE

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**Applicant:** Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd

**Proposed Activity:** The construction and operation of grid connection infrastructure required to connect and evacuate the generated power of the authorised Great Karoo Wind Farm to the national electricity grid. The grid connection infrastructure required includes a switching station to be developed adjacent to the authorised Great Karoo Wind Farm substation and a 132kV double- or single-circuit overhead powerline (up to 14km in length) connecting to the Eskom Hidden Valley substation (currently under construction to the west of Great Karoo wind farm). The pylon structures of the power line will be up to 32m high and the power line will be developed within the servitude of up to 40m wide. A grid connection corridor of 300m-750m wide for the power line and a 500m corridor for the switching station has been identified and assessed for the grid connection infrastructure. Where possible, the switching station will be accessed via the authorised access road to the Great Karoo Wind Farm substation. However, where this is not feasible during construction, a service track along the length of the power line servitude of up to 4m wide will be required to allow for large crane movement. This track will be rehabilitated following construction to a typical 'jeep' track (i.e. off-road track) for use during operation. Other associated infrastructure includes drainage line crossing infrastructure (culverts) and temporary laydown area/s that will be rehabilitated upon completion of the construction phase. All grid connection infrastructure will be positioned inside the assessment corridor, outside of identified environmental sensitive areas.

**Location:** ~44km south of Sutherland and ~50km north of Matjiesfontein within the Northern Cape Province and falls within the Namakwa District Municipality and the Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality. The affected properties include:

- » Farm Kentucky 206;
- » Remaining Extent of the Farm De Hoop 202.
- » Remainder of Portion 1 of the Farm Orange Fontein 203; and

**Basic Assessment Process:** In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as read with Government Notice R324 – R327, as amended (2017), a Basic Assessment (BA) is required to be undertaken in support of an application for Environmental Authorisation. Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd is undertaking the required BA and public participation process for the project.

To obtain further information and register on the project database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project to:

**Nicolene Venter** of Savannah Environmental  
P.O. Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157  
Tel: 011 656 3237  
Mobile: 060 978 8396  
Fax: 086 684 0547  
Email: [publicprocess@savannahsa.com](mailto:publicprocess@savannahsa.com)  
Website: [www.savannahsa.com](http://www.savannahsa.com)

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**PROOF OF SITE NOTICES (Date placed: 24 October 2020)**

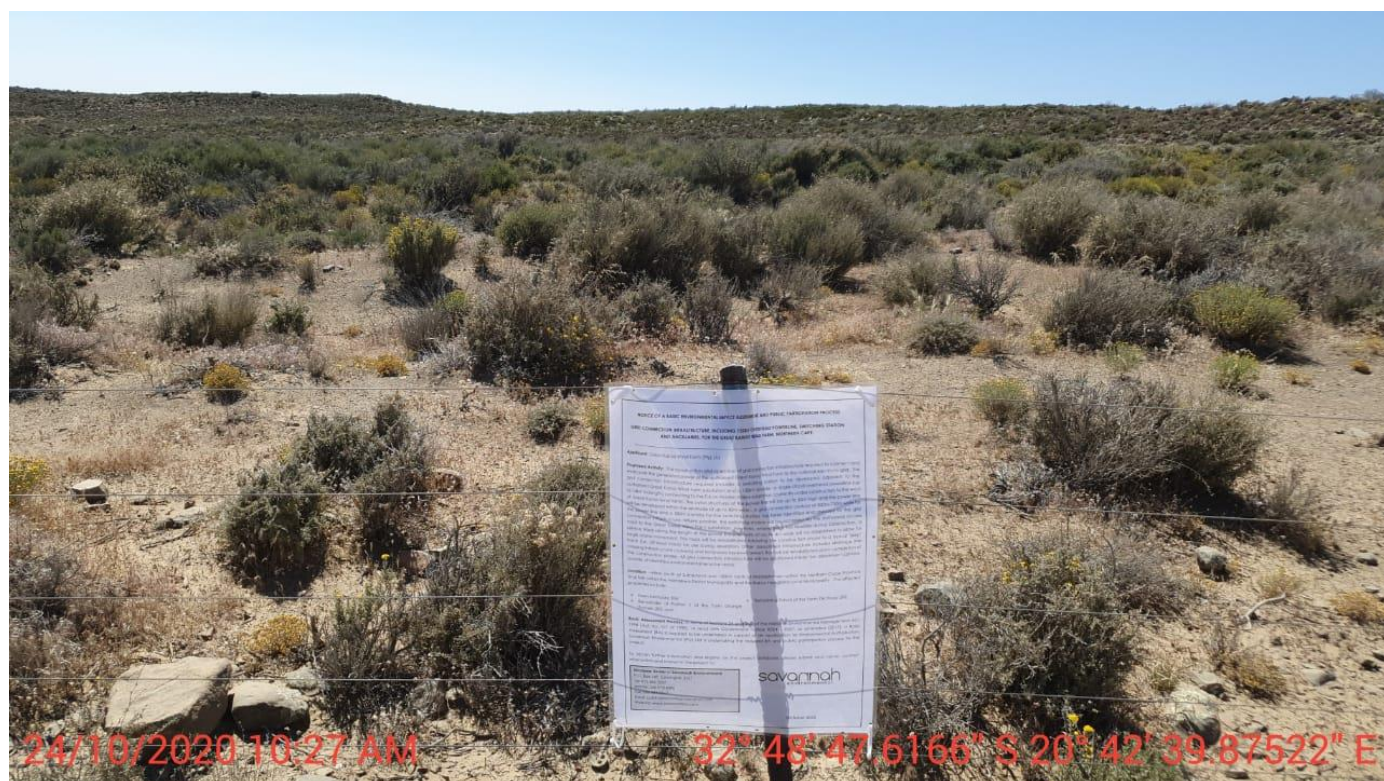


Figure 1: Close-up of site Notice 1 placed on site within the proposed grid connection corridor footprint, along the fence of the unnamed dirt road off the R354 (Latitude: 32°48'47.32"S; Longitude: 20°42'39.91"E).



Figure 1: Zoomed out of site Notice 1 placed on site within the proposed grid connection corridor footprint, along the fence of the unnamed dirt road off the R354 (Latitude: 32°48'47.32"S; Longitude: 20°42'39.91"E)



Figure 3: Close-up of site Notice 2 placed at the intersection of the unnamed dirt road and the R354, where one turns off towards site (Latitude: 32°31'30.91"S; Longitude: 20°38'9.36"E).



Figure 3: Zoomed-out of site Notice 2 placed at the intersection of the unnamed dirt road and the R354, where one turns off towards site (Latitude: 32°31'30.91"S; Longitude: 20°38'9.36"E).

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## NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE

Project Name	Applicant
Grid connection infrastructure, including 132kV Overhead Power Line, Switching Station and ancillaries, for the Great Karoo Wind Farm, Northern Cape	Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd

**Project details:** Development of grid connection infrastructure to connect the authorised Great Karoo Wind Farm to the national electricity grid. The project is located ~44km south of Sutherland and ~50km north of Matjiesfontein, within the Namakwa District Municipality and the Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality, and will consist of the following infrastructure:

- A double or single circuit 132kV overhead power line consisting of up to two sets of cables on a single set of pylon structures which will be up to 32m high.
- Service tracks along the length of the power line, to be rehabilitated down to a jeep track for maintenance during operation.
- Temporary laydown area/s.
- A switching station (up to 100m x 100m) to be developed adjacent to the authorised Great Karoo Wind Farm substation.

A grid connection assessment corridor of 300m has been identified for the power line, which widens to ~740m wide for the eastern section of the power line. In addition, a 500m assessment area for the placement of the switching station.

**Project Location:** The proposed grid connection infrastructure traverses three (3) affected properties, namely:

- » Farm Kentucky 206      » RE Portion 1 of the Farm Orange Fontein No. 203      » The Farm De Hoop 202

**Basic Assessment Process:** In terms of Sections 24 and 24D of NEMA, as read with the EIA Regulations 2014 of GNR 324 – R327, a Basic Assessment process is required to obtain Environmental Authorisation. An application for Environmental Authorisation has been lodged with the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF), as the competent authority. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required basic assessment and public participation process.

**Basic Assessment Report Available for Review & Comment:** A BA Report for the project has been compiled and is available for download, review and comment on the Savannah Environmental website: <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/great-karoo-wef-grid-connection/>. The 30-day review and comment period is from **Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of November until Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2020**. Please submit written comments to the contact person below on or before **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> of December 2020**.

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### HIER IS SUID-AFRIKA SE DRIE SLIMSTE EN MOOISTES

SHUDUFHADZO MUSIDA van Limpopo is Saterdag 24 Oktober 2020 gekroon as Meis Suid-Afrika 2020. Sy het 'n graad in Filosofie, Politiek en Ekonomie aan die Universiteit van Pretoria verwerf en werk tans aan 'n Honneursgraad aan Wits Universiteit. Eerste Prinses is Thato Mosehle, 'n mediese dokter van Klerksdorp en tweede Prinses is Natasha Joubert van Pretoria. Sy het 'n B. Comm-grad.

### JAPIE OOR HY EN SY MEDEBOERE

# Beter tye wag op 'n nuwe horison

*Geagte Leser,*

Dat tye vir boeremense moeilik is, word nie betwyfel nie. Dit is droogtes, die onsekerheid rondom grond-ontoeining, veiligheidsrisiko's en die staat se onvermoë om dit doeltreffend aan te spreek, ens. Boonop word boere deur sommige op 'n haatdraende manier aangespreek. As liedjies nie gesing word om boere dood te maak nie, word hulle uitgekryt as grond-die-e en word brandstigting aangemoedig.

As al hierdie faktore saamgevoeg word, kan 'n mens verstaan waarom boere mismooedig raak. Hierdie mismooed word versterk deur wat ons in die media sien, maar nog erger, wat ons vir mekaar sê. As jy aan 'n "WhatsApp"-groep behoort, is die trant van gesprekke meestal negatief en word in die proses ook baie fop-nuus versprei.

Ek dink dit sal ons loon om te kyk na hoe ander mense moeilike omstandighede suksesvol hanteer het. Die bekende filosoof Nietzsche het gesê: "To live is to suffer, to survive is to find some meaning in the suffering." Verder sê hy: "He who has a why to live can bear almost any how." Dit is makliker gesê as gedaan. Wanneer 'n boer met 'n halwe sakkie aartappels agter op sy bakkie na sy lammeroë ry, is dit nie maklik nie.

En tog moet daar, op watter wyse ookal, 'n manier gevind word om deur hierdie moeilike

tyd te kom. Alles is nog nie verlore nie. Moet ons nie weer ons droom vir ons boerdery terugkry nie? Moet ons nie weer begin droom oor 'n weidingstelsel wat ons veld sal laat herstel en moontlik ons weerstand teen die volgende droogte verhoog nie? Moet ons nie weer droom oor ons seleksie-mikpunte vir ons skaap nie? Kan ons meer sekkur selekteer vir hoër produktiwiteit om te kompenseer vir laer getalle? Laer getalle sal op sig self ons weerstand teen die volgende droogte verhoog.

Sien ons nog die donkies met sy wit blommetjies langs die pad? Dink ons daaraan met hoe min reën hierdie plant lang lote stoot, meestal onder die beskerming van ander groter bosse? As ons deur die veld ry, sien ons nog die waterlopie wat 'n knik in die pad veroorsaak? Dink ons daaraan dat hier eens water geloop het en dat hier weer water sal loop? Daar waar nou net bossies staan, kan ons onthou dat die rantjie eens 'n rooi voorkoms gehad het soos wat die rooisaadras bokant die bosse uittron?

Kom ons ontdek weer opnuut hoekom ons boer. Dit sal ons help om die huidige omstandighede te hanteer en nou op te offer vir 'n beter tyd wat vir ons op die horison lê en wag.

*Groete, Japie.*

### 25 Jaar gelede

NOORDWESTER: 24 November 1995. Verlede Saterdag 11 November het die Calvinia duiweklub sy jaarlikse prysuitdeling, veiling en afsluitingsfunksie gehou. By die geleentheid was sommige van die borge ook teerwoordig. Hulle het die aand so geniet dat drie van hulle, OPH Nel, Theuns Nel en Koos Hanekom vir hulself 'n duif gekoop het.

### Niemandsland

Die mens geskep deur die Hoër Hand. Absoluut perfek behalwe een gebrek.

Op jou rug is daar 'n kol waar dinge lol. Dis daar waar die muskiete byt.

Bloed suig vir hul aptyt. Dis hier waar geen hand kan reik want arm net te kort so wil dit lyk.

Ek glo die Liewe Heer met sy skepping van die mens was tog aspris.

Hy wou seker maak dat ek en jy afhanklik is.

Dus om daardie kol te krap moet ek na my buurvrou stap en haar vra om my rug te krap.

Vandag betaal ek onderhoud reg oor ons land. Als is die gevolg van die kol op my rug. Ook bekend as Niemandslan.

— Danie J. van Zyl

### Neef Gert se Sêgoed

Raak die spoor byster en jy is van die pad af.

### NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE

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### LAASTE VLUG

CARNARVON Posduif Klub uitslae Saterdag 24 Oktober 2020, Ceres, afstand 376 km: Jong Duiwe wenspoed 1087. 5388 mpm: Roy Henegan 1,3,8,13 en 15; Witvlei Hokke 2,10,16,18 en 19; Eben Hugo 4,5,6,7 en 11; Hendrik Robyn 9,21 en 27; Carl Möller 12,23, en 26; Tommie Olivier 24 en 25.

Ope Duiwe wenspoed 1049, 7058 mpm: Witvlei Hokke 1,11,17,24 en 25; Roy Henegan 2,13,16,20 en 22; Eben Hugo 3,5,8,9, en 12; Arno Smith 4,14,15,27 en 28; Carl Möller 6,10,19,23 en 26; Hendrik Robyn 7 en 21; Tommie Olivier 18,29, en 30.

Saterdag die 31ste Oktober sal die laaste wêldrug vir die jaar wees. Ons vlieg Prins Albert, Afstand 246 km. — Roy Henegan

### FORM JJJ LOST OR DESTROYED DEED

Notice is hereby given in terms of regulation 68 of the Deeds Registries Act, 1937, of the intention to apply for the issue of a certified copy of T74792/2012 passed by CAPE TOWN deeds office in favour HENDRIK ANDRIES JOUBERT IDENTITY NUMBER: 720127 5250 089 in respect of ERF 901 SUTHERLAND, SITUATED IN THE KAROO HOOGLAND MUNICIPALITY; DIVISION SUTHERLAND, PROVINCE OF THE NORTHERN CAPE MEASURING 1000 (ONE THOUSAND) SQUARE METRES IN EXTENT which has been lost or destroyed.

All interested persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deed at Kimberley within two weeks from the date of publication of this notice.

Dated at Benoni this 16th Day of October 2020

**HENDRIK ANDRIES JOUBERT**  
 Address: 20 Lucerne Street Lakefield, BENONI  
 E-mail address: [andre@docarch.co.za](mailto:andre@docarch.co.za)  
 Contact number: 083 409 3849

### LOST OR DESTROYED DEED

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 68 of the Deeds Registries Act, 1937, of the intention to apply for the issue of a certified copy of T94824/2006 passed by Estate Late Christina Wilhelmina Johnstone Robertson in favour of LYNNE DIANE CROSSLEY (Identity number: 570209 0788 080), unmarried in respect of REMAINDER ERF 19 FRASERBURG, SITUATE IN KAROO HOOGLAND MUNICIPALITY, DIVISION FRASERBURG, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

AND ERF 619 FRASERBURG, SITUATE IN KAROO HOOGLAND MUNICIPALITY, DIVISION FRASERBURG, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE which has been lost or destroyed.

All interested persons having objection to the issue of such copy are hereby required to lodge the same in writing with the Registrar of Deeds, 10th Floor - Room 10.04, Public Offices, Stead Street, KIMBERLEY ([unita.frazenburg@drdlr.gov.za](mailto:unita.frazenburg@drdlr.gov.za)) within TWO WEEKS from the date of the publication.

DATED at WILLISTON this 19TH day of OCTOBER 2020

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 WILLISTON

E-MAIL: [rwanzijl@xsinet.co.za](mailto:rwanzijl@xsinet.co.za)

CONTACT NUMBER: (053) 3913655

### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY IN TERMS OF SECTION 20 OF THE NORTHERN CAPE LIQUOR ACT OF 2008 FOR A LICENCE HEEN EN WEER LOUNGE AND SPORTS BAR - CALVINIA, NORTHERN CAPE

#### "NORTHERN CAPE LIQUOR ACT, 2008

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT IT IS THE INTENTION TO LODGE THE ABOVEMENTIONED APPLICATION, PARTICULARS OF WHICH APPEAR HEREUNDER, WITH THE NORTHERN CAPE LIQUOR BOARD

1	2	3	4	5	6
MUNICIPALITY	FULL NAME, STREET AND POSTAL ADDRESS OF APPLICANT	KIND OF LICENCE APPLIED FOR	KIND OF LIQUOR TO BE SOLD	NAME UNDER WHICH BUSINESS IS TO BE CONDUCTED AND FULL ADDRESS OF PREMISES	PERMISSION TO SELL IN TERMS OF SECTION 4 (5) (a) OF THE NORTHERN CAPE LIQUOR ACT, ACT 2 OF 2008
HANTAM MUNICIPALITY	LEE-JANE LEILANI CÚPIDO 556 TIERHOEK STREET, CALVINIA 8190	LIQUOR LICENCE ON SITE CONSUMPTION RESTAURANT/BAR	ALL HARD LIQUOR BEER, CIDER, WINE	HEEN EN WEER LOUNGE AND SPORTS BAR (PTY) LTD, 643 HOOGEKRAAL STREET CALVINIA 8190	FOOD BEVERAGES

Appendix C3:  
Organs of State Correspondence

02 November 2020

Dear Interested and Affected Party,

**GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, SWITCHING STATION AND ANCILLARIES, FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE**

**NOTIFICATION OF BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS and AVAILABILITY OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd proposes the construction and operation of grid connection infrastructure required to connect and evacuate the generated power of the authorised Great Karoo Wind Farm to the national electricity grid. The project is located ~44km south of Sutherland and ~50km north of Matjiesfontein within the Northern Cape Province and falls within the Namakwa District Municipality and the Karoo Hoogland Local Municipality. The affected properties include:

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November 2020

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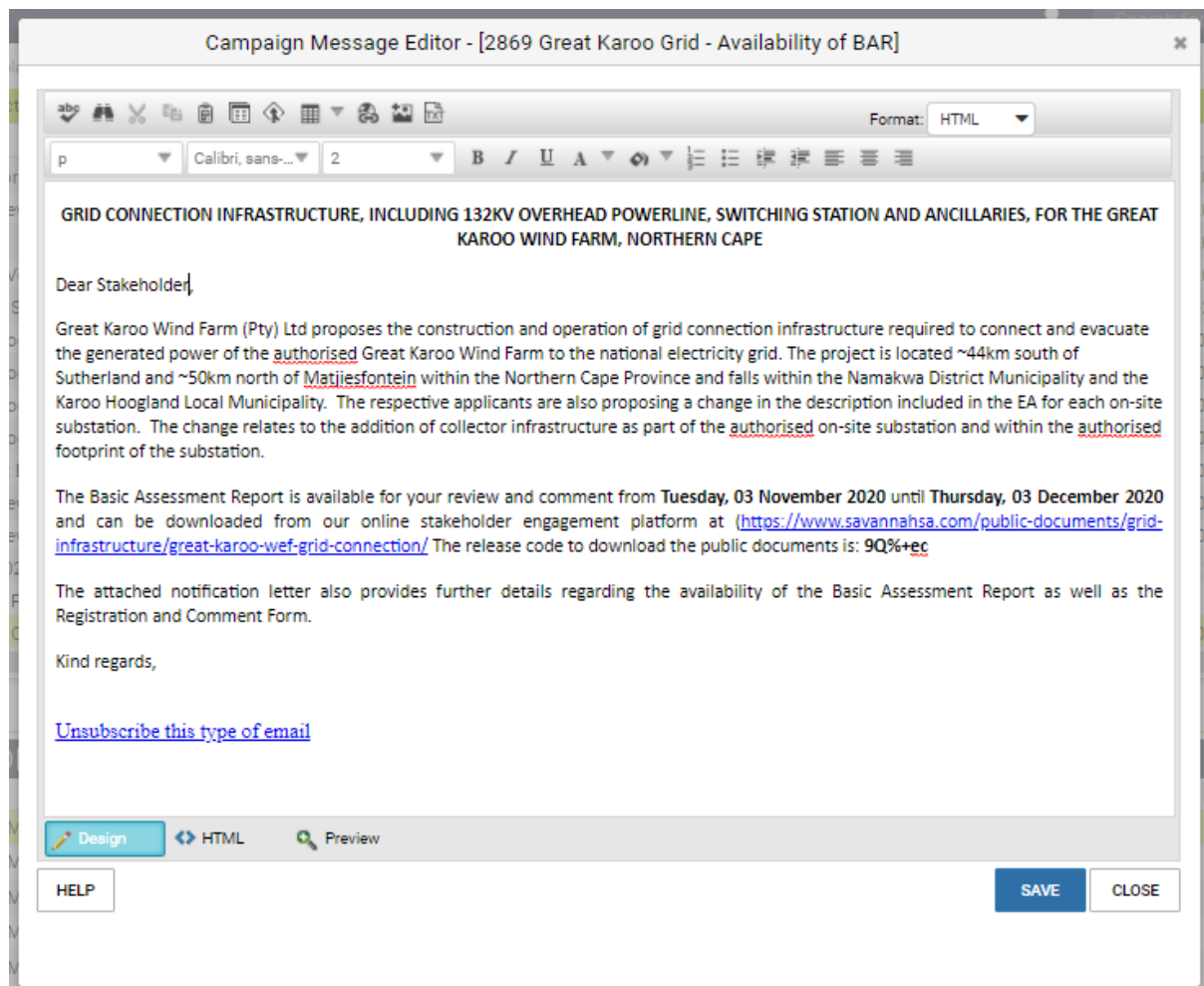
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## BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, SWITCHING STATION AND ANCILLARIES, FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE

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## Great Karoo WEF Grid Connection

### Basic Assessment and Republic Participation for the Grid Connection Infrastructure for the Great Karoo Wind Farm, Northern Cape

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- The power line will be developed within a 40m wide servitude.
- Service tracks along the length of the powerline, and where required during construction phase, access road clearance of up to 6m wide, to be rehabilitated down to a jeep track for maintenance during operation.
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» RE Portion 1 of the Farm Orange Fontein No. 203

» RE of the Farm De Hoop 202.

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**Appendix F - Heritage Impact Assessment**

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**Appendix H - Generic EMPR - Powerline**

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**Appendix J - Maps (A3)**

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Stakeholder Correspondence

02 November 2020

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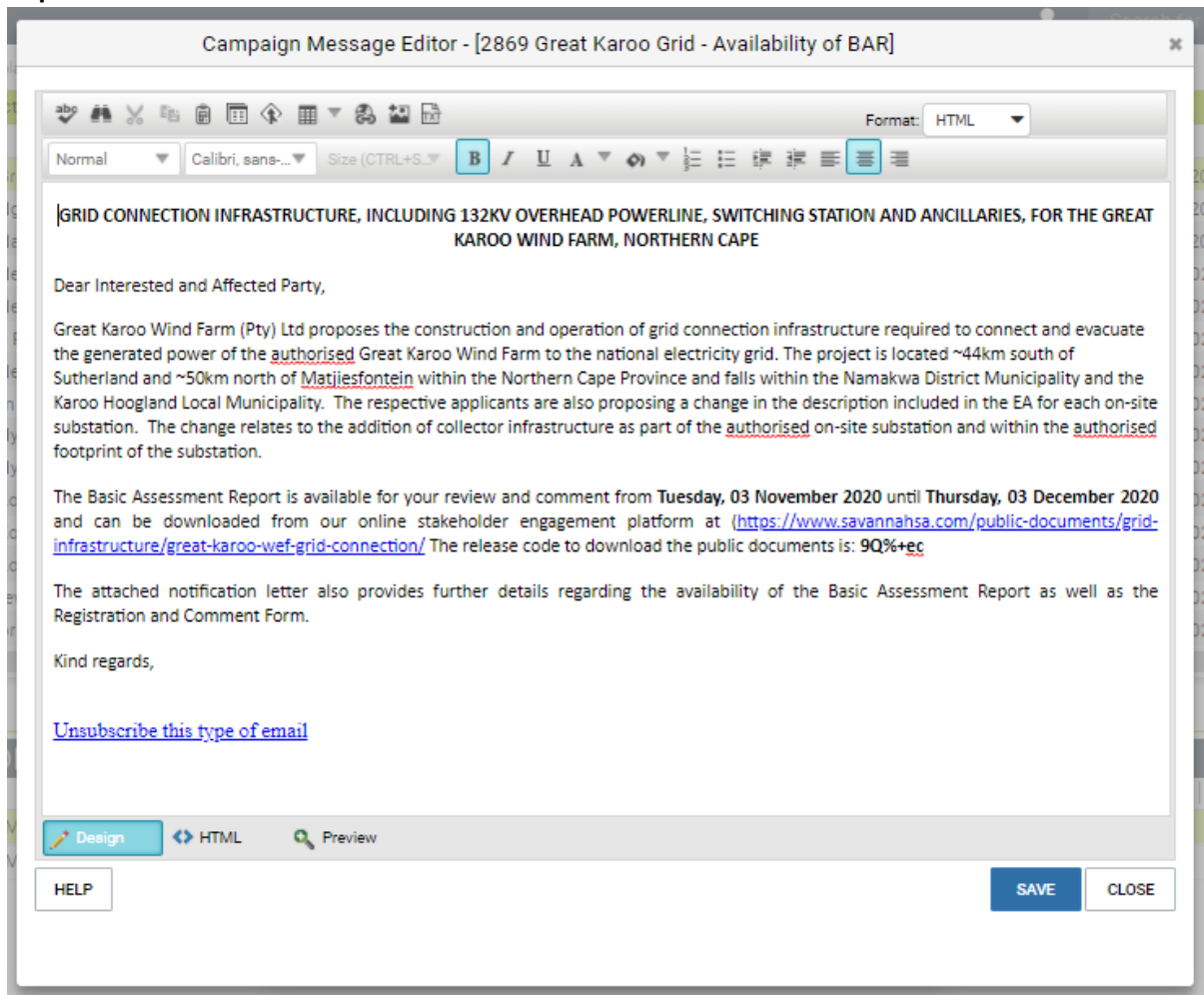
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Karusa Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd	Mosehle	Nthabiseng	
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## KEY STAKEHOLDERS

02 November 2020

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Nicolene Venter  
Public Participation and Social Consultant  
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**BASIC ASSESSMENT and PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

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**REGISTRATION AND COMMENT FORM**

November 2020

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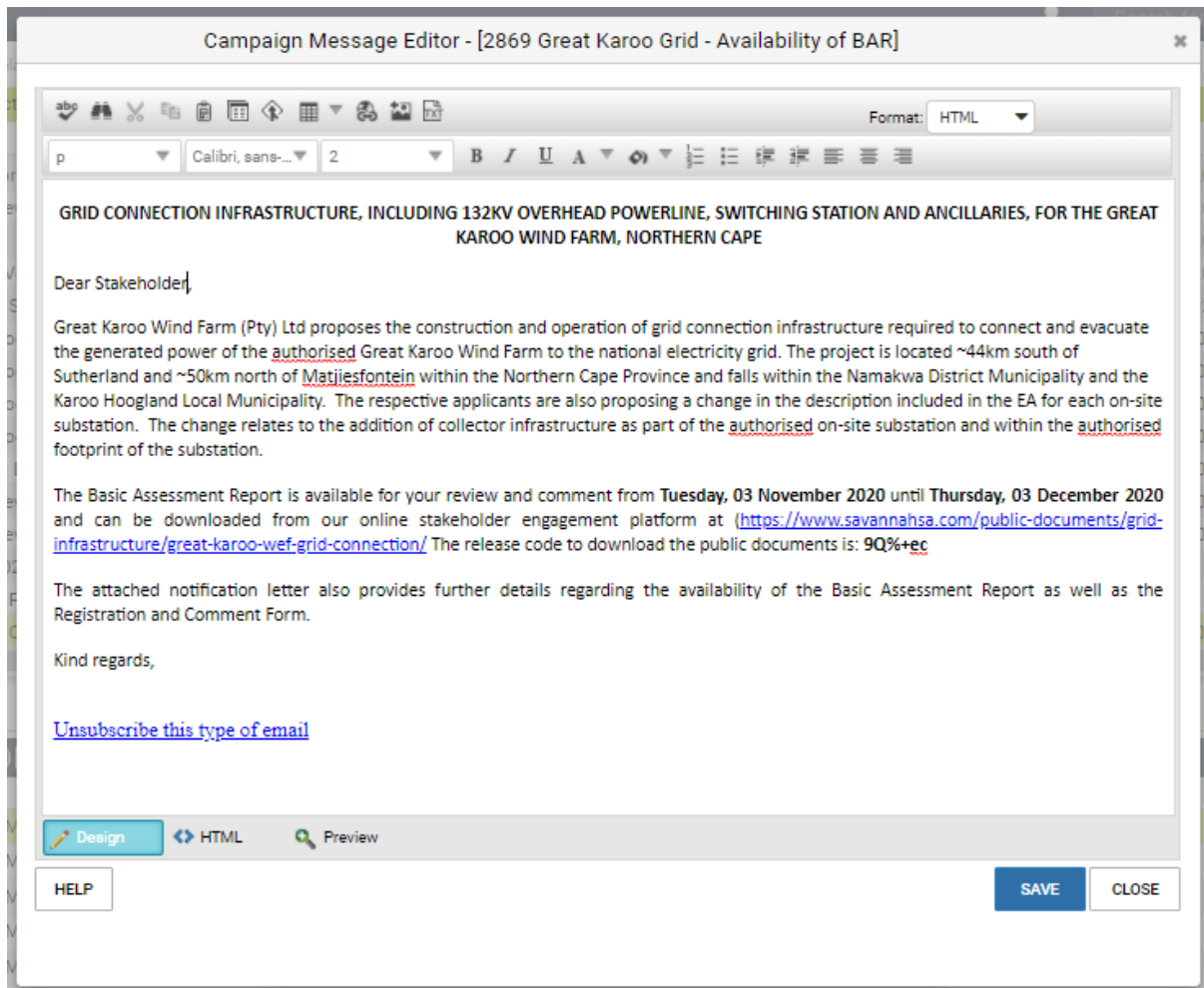
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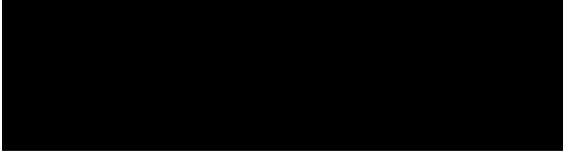
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Landowners

02 November 2020

Mr Francois Conradie



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Conradie, Francois - Standvastigheid Familie Trust

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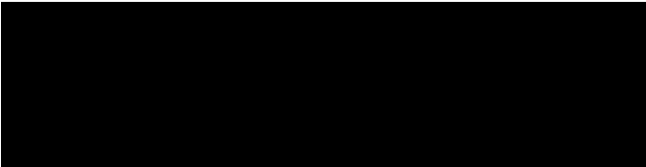
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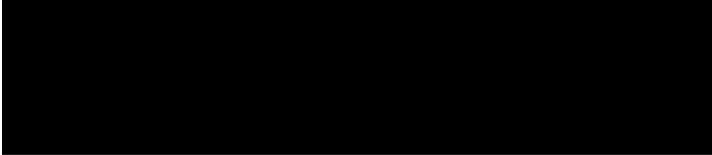
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Mr Eldri & Mrs Judith van Zyl



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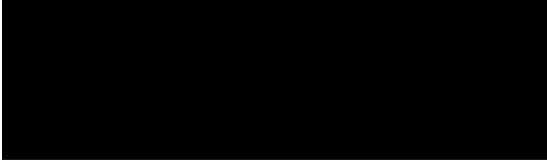
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## Great Karoo WEF Grid Connection

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**Basic Assessment Report Available for Review & Comment:** A BA Report for the project has been compiled and is available for download, review and comment on the Savannah Environmental website: <https://www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/grid-infrastructure/>. The 30-day review and comment period of the BA Report is from **Monday, 2nd of November until Thursday, 3rd of December 2020**. Please submit written comments to the contact person below on or before **Thursday, 3rd of December 2020**.

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#### **PROJECT DETAILS**

**Applicant:** Great Karoo Wind Farm (Pty) Ltd.

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### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**

The public participation (PP) process will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326) and the Department of Environmental Affairs Public Participation Guideline 2017. The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the proposed project is made available to potential stakeholders and I&APs;
- » participation by I&APs is facilitated in such a manner that all potential stakeholders and I&APs are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed project; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

The traditional means and opportunities available for the undertaking of public participation are still covered and implemented as part of this plan. Alternative means of undertaking consultation has been designed and will be implemented by Savannah Environmental to ensure that I&APs are afforded sufficient opportunity to raise comments on the project through an interactive web-based platform readily available and accessible to any person illustrating interest in the project and enables the public participation process to be undertaken in line with Regulations 41 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. This online stakeholder engagement platform allows the EAP to visually present details regarding the project and our consultation documentation, including project maps and plans, presentations and posters regarding the project, and reports available for review. The use of online tools enables stakeholders and I&APs to explore the project-specific content in their own time and allow them to participate in a meaningful way in the consultation process. The online platform allows for instant feedback and comments to be submitted, in so doing saving time for the stakeholder and also giving the assurance that their comments have been submitted for inclusion in the project reporting. The online stakeholder engagement platform considers the limitations applied by the Disaster Management Act Regulations prohibiting the gathering of people, as well as limitations which certain I&APs may have in terms of access to computers and internet as well as access to public spaces not open for operation or which have restricted access.

The benefits of the online stakeholder engagement platform include:

- » Ability to create a dedicated project-specific online platform to enable easy access to project-related information.
- » Ability to reach a wider audience, allowing more widespread consultation for major infrastructure projects.
- » Allowing stakeholders and I&APs the opportunity to engage on a project without leaving their office or home.
- » Enabling stakeholders and I&APs to register their interest in a project (for inclusion on the project database), and automatically gaining access to comprehensive project documentation.
- » Enabling the EAP to maintain a complete database of I&APs through maintaining a record of persons accessing the online stakeholder consultation platform.
- » Enabling the EAP and stakeholders/I&APs to meet virtually.
- » Provides a resilient solution to a public consultation process.

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities i.e. access to internet, mobile phones, or computers, provision has been made to include these I&APs in the consultation process by consulting with the Ward Councillor, the ward committee members, community representatives and local community forum members.

The schematic illustration below provides an overview of the tools that are available to I&APs and stakeholders to access project information and interact with the public participation team to obtain project information and resolve any queries that may arise, and to meet the requirements for public participation.

i. Stakeholder identification and register of I&APs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Register as an I&amp;AP on the online platform or via completion of a form and provision of contact information, by responding to an advert, or sending a 'please call me' which will be responded to with a telephone call.</li><li>• State interest in the project.</li><li>• Receive all project related information via email, post or other appropriate means.</li></ul>
ii. Advertisements and notifications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Advertisements, site notices and notifications provide information and details on the project and where to access project information.</li><li>• Notifications regarding the EIA process and availability of project reports for public review to be sent via email, post or SMS notifications.</li></ul>
iii. Public Involvement and consultation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Submission of comments or queries via the online platform, email or post to the PP team.</li><li>• Virtual presentations available via the online platform.</li><li>• Availability of project information via the online platform, email, post and telephonic platforms such as WhatsApp, and including telephonic discussions to provide description of information verbally.</li><li>• An opportunity for I&amp;APs and stakeholders to request virtual meetings with the project team.</li></ul>
iv. Comment on the BA Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Availability of the project reports via the online platform for 30-day comment period. Hard copies to be available only where sanitary conditions can be assured.</li><li>• Submission of comments via the online platform, email or post to the PP team.</li><li>• Comments recorded and responded to, as part of the process.</li></ul>
v. Identification and recording of comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Comments and Responses Report, including all comments received to be included in the reporting.</li><li>• Comments received prior to report release for review to be included in draft reports.</li><li>• Comments received during full process to be included within the final Report for decision-making.</li></ul>

The PP plan, as set out in the table below, has been drafted for the above-mentioned project to ensure compliance with the requirements of the EIA Regulations and that reasonable opportunity is provided to I&APs and that all administrative actions are reasonable. Proof of all notifications will be included in the public participation appendix included in the Basic Assessment report.

The PP plan is submitted to the DEFF for discussion and approval before the PP process is undertaken for the proposed project.



**Public Participation Plan: Discussion of approach and methodology to meet the requirements of the Regulations**

Regulation	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements
<p>Regulation 40(1), Regulation 40(3) &amp; Regulation 43 – provide all potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, <b>access to project related information</b>, access to the BA report which will be made available for a period of at least 30 days to <b>submit comments on draft reports</b> prior to submission of final reports for decision-making.</p>	<p><u>Notification of Basic Assessment (BA) process to be undertaken for application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) to be distributed using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» E-mail</li> <li>» Dedicated project page on the Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform</li> <li>» Post</li> <li>» Process notices placed on site at locations that are accessible to I&amp;APs</li> <li>» Advertisement in the printed media.</li> </ul> <p><u>Notification of availability of reports and period for review using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Newspaper adverts, including details of where the reports can be accessed and details of the Savannah Environmental website.</li> <li>» Notification letter (to be sent via email, fax or post) to registered I&amp;APs.</li> <li>» Notifications to communities via Ward Councillors, ward committee members, identified and confirmed community representatives, and local community forum members.</li> <li>» SMS and/ or WhatsApp notifications where no other means are available.</li> </ul> <p><u>Availability of reports for review and comment:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Reports available on the Savannah Environmental website for download. Access to the report is monitored through an electronic gateway (where access is requested by the I&amp;AP) so that accurate records of persons accessing the reports can be maintained.</li> <li>» Electronic copies can be made available to parties via a secure Dropbox link (or other means) that will be emailed upon request for the documentation.</li> <li>» CDs to be posted, if requested.</li> <li>» Hard copy reports to be available only where appropriate sanitary conditions can be maintained.</li> <li>» Reports will be submitted to the DEFF using the DEFF online portal.</li> <li>» Reports will be submitted to Organs of State and commenting authorities via an agreed electronic platform (such as on CD, or via a secure Dropbox link or WeTransfer, etc.).</li> </ul> <p><u>Submission of comments to PP team:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Comments will be able to be submitted directly to the PP team using the Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» The online platform allows for feedback and comments to be submitted by I&amp;APs, in so doing saving time for the stakeholder and also giving the assurance that their comments have been submitted for inclusion in the project reporting.</li> <li>» Written comments can also be submitted via email, post or fax.</li> <li>» Any comments provided telephonically or via instant message will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Post.</li> <li>» Placement of process notices at accessible locations in the study area.</li> <li>» Placement of site notices on all affected properties.</li> <li>» Advertisement in printed media (local newspaper).</li> <li>» Consultation and communication through the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members.</li> <li>» SMS or WhatsApp notification.</li> <li>» CDs to be posted, if requested (and where a computer is available).</li> <li>» Hard copy report where sanitary conditions can be maintained.</li> </ul>
<p>Regulation 40(2) - Provide access to all project information that has the potential to influence any decision regarding the application, unless protected by law, and must include <b>consultation</b> with Competent Authority, Organs of State &amp; registered I&amp;APs.</p> <p>Regulation 41(6) – Relevant <b>information available and accessible</b></p>	<p><u>Provision of project information and consultation via various means including:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Telephonic consultation.</li> <li>» Email correspondence.</li> <li>» Correspondence sent via post.</li> <li>» SMS and/or WhatsApp.</li> <li>» The Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform will ensure that I&amp;APs are afforded sufficient opportunity to participate in the project and raise comments on the project to any person with interest in the BA process for the project. This online stakeholder engagement platform which will include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A means to register on the project database and provide details of their interest in the project.</li> <li>○ Background information on the project.</li> <li>○ Project maps (including locality map, layout map, sensitivity map, landowner map, etc).</li> <li>○ Photos of the project sites and surrounds.</li> <li>○ Presentation with narration providing a summary of the project details and the findings of the BA.</li> <li>○ Posters providing a summary of the findings of the BA.</li> <li>○ A means of submitting written comment or queries.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Virtual meetings using an appropriate platform agreeable to all parties (such as Zoom or Microsoft Teams). The meetings will be recorded, and the attendees' details captured in an attendance register. Confirmation of their attendance will also be requested by e-mail and the correspondence will be included in the report. Face-to-Face meetings can be undertaken where sanitary conditions can be guaranteed.</li> <li>» Communities will be consulted via the relevant Ward Councillors, ward committee members, community representatives or local community forum members, as determined and confirmed during the consultation process.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Telephonic consultation.</li> <li>» Post.</li> <li>» SMS and/or WhatsApp.</li> <li>» Consultation and communication through the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members.</li> </ul>
Regulation 41(2)(a) – <b>Site notice</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Site notices will be placed at affected properties.</li> <li>» Size and content will be in accordance with Regulation 41(3) &amp; 41(4).</li> </ul>
Regulation 41(2)(b) – <b>Written notification</b> to affected and neighbouring landowners and occupiers; municipality; ward councillors; Organs of State & other parties required by the CA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Notification letter to be sent via email, fax or post.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Post.</li> <li>» SMS or WhatsApp notification.</li> </ul>
Regulation 41(2)(c) – (e) – <b>Advertisements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Advert to be placed in a local newspaper.</li> </ul>
Regulation 42 – <b>Project database</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» I&amp;APs to be identified through a process of networking and referral, obtaining information from the Savannah Environmental existing stakeholder database, liaison with potentially affected parties in the greater surrounding area and a registration process involving the completion of a reply form or response to adverts.</li> <li>» Organs of State, key stakeholders and affected and surrounding landowners and occupiers will be identified and registered on the project database.</li> <li>» Other stakeholders will be required to formally register their interest in the project through either directly contacting the Savannah Environmental Public Participation team via email or fax or use of the Savannah Environmental website.</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» In order to access the Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform for a specific project, I&amp;APs will be required to provide their details such that they are automatically registered on the project database.</li> <li>» The register of I&amp;APs will contain the names of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ all persons who requested to be registered on the database through the use of the Savannah Environmental website, or in writing and disclosed their interest in the project;</li> <li>○ all Organs of State which hold jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and</li> <li>○ all persons who submitted written comments or attended virtual meetings and viewed virtual presentations on the Savannah Environmental website during the public participation process.</li> </ul> </li> <li>» The information captured on the project database will contain the names, organisation and contact details, as required. It must be noted that personal details will not be shared in public documentation in accordance with the requirements of the POPI Act.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Process of networking and referral.</li> <li>» Telephonic registration.</li> <li>» SMS and/or WhatsApp.</li> <li>» Fax or post.</li> </ul>
Regulation 44 – <b>Comments</b> to be recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Comments will be able to be submitted directly to the PP team using the Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform. A customised reply form is available on this webpage.</li> <li>» The Savannah Environmental online stakeholder engagement platform includes:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ A means to register on the project database and provide details of their interest in the project.</li> <li>○ A means of submitting written comment or queries.</li> </ul> </li> <li>» The online platform allows for feedback and comments to be submitted by I&amp;APs, in so doing saving time for the stakeholder and also giving the assurance that their comments have been submitted for inclusion in the project reporting.</li> <li>» Written comments can also be submitted via email, post or fax.</li> <li>» Any comments provided telephonically or via instant message will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments.</li> <li>» I&amp;APs without the applicable electronic facilities to access the Savannah Environmental website will be provided with the opportunity to submit their comments and communicate with the public participation</li> </ul>

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	<p>team via SMS, WhatsApp or by sending a Please-call-me notification. These comments will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» All comments received throughout the EIA process will be acknowledged and captured in the comments and responses report (C&amp;RR) with a relevant response.</li> <li>» The C&amp;RR and all comments received will be included each final report submitted to the CA.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Written comments via post or fax.</li> <li>» Comment submission telephonically and instant messaging (SMS and/or WhatsApp).</li> <li>» Sending a Please-call-me notification to the Public Participation team so that contact can be made.</li> </ul>
Regulation 4(2) – Notification of <b>decision</b> on application	<p><u>Notification of Environmental Authorisation (EA) using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Notification letter with details as outlined in EA issued will be sent via email, fax or post.</li> <li>» Notification will be available on the Savannah Environmental website.</li> <li>» Notifications that the EA has been issued and where to download and/or obtain a copy to communities via Ward Councillor and his/her ward committee members and identified and confirmed community representatives.</li> <li>» SMS or WhatsApp notification.</li> </ul> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&amp;APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Post.</li> <li>» Communication through the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members.</li> <li>» SMS and/or WhatsApp.</li> </ul>

## Gideon Raath

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**From:** Samkelisiwe Dlamini <SDlamini@environment.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Monday, 02 November 2020 10:18  
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**Cc:** Stephnie Kot; Gideon Raath; Jo-Anne Thomas  
**Subject:** RE: Pre-application meeting: 2020-10-0016 - Grid connection infrastructure, including 132kV Overhead Powerline, Switching Station and ancillaries, for the Great Karoo Wind Farm, Northern Cape

Dear Lisa

THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN FOR THE PROPOSED GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE, INCLUDING 132KV OVERHEAD POWERLINE, SWITCHING STATION AND ANCILLARIES, FOR THE GREAT KAROO WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE and received on the 27 October 2020 refers.

The Department has evaluated the Public Participation Plan which is submitted as per Minister Directive dated 05 June 2020 in response to Covid-19 pandemic and hereby approves the plan for the abovementioned project.

Please ensure that all correspondence to be sent to I&APs must clearly specify the dates when comments on the report should be submitted. Further, should there be a need to for a meetings from I&APs, the meeting can take place via virtual platforms such as Microsoft Teams.

You may proceed with the public participation process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the PPP plan. Should you wish to deviate from the submitted PPP Plan, the amended PPP Plan must be submitted to the Department for approval prior commencement.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorization being granted by the Department.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you need further clarity

Regards  
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**From:** Lisa Opperman [mailto:lisa.o@savannahsa.com]  
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**Subject:** Pre-application meeting: 2020-10-0016 - Grid connection infrastructure, including 132kV Overhead Powerline, Switching Station and ancillaries, for the Great Karoo Wind Farm, Northern Cape  
**Importance:** High

Dear Masina and Samkelisiwe,

Thank you for the pre-application meeting yesterday for the Grid Connection Infrastructure for the Great Karoo Wind Farm.

As agreed in the meeting, please find herewith attached the notes for the record of the meeting. Further to this, I have also attached the Public Participation Plan for approval, as was submitted with the Pre-App meeting request. Please can you advise whether you have any queries on the plan and whether the plan is approved.

Also, just a reminder on the clarification required in terms of the alternatives as indicated in the second last point on page 3 of the notes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any further queries in this regard.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards

Lisa



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