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RETICULATION AND SUB-TRANSMISSION PROJECTS- ANNEX Q OF  
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(informative)

**Distribution Environmental Screening Document (DESD)  
Reticulation Powerlines and Ancillary Services**

Ratified and accepted by  
Environmental Practitioner  
Environmental Specialist  
Head of Engineering Survey  
(one signature please)

F. Borge

Accepted by Land Owner/s/Users \* Name \*  
I have seen the completed document  
and accept the recommendations made Signature \*

Alie Wolfergroot  


**Assessor/s**

Form completed by L SISILANA Signature



in consultation with \* Signature

CAPACITY (e.g. land owner, specialist)

LAND OWNER

Date 17 DECEMBER 2020

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**Instructions**

- 1 Fill the report in as neatly and completely as possible
- 2 Where the question / statement is not applicable mark N/A
- 3 The form must be completed in consultation with someone who knows the area well and who can also predict if any future development is envisaged (e.g. a landowner, land user, specialist, etc.)
- 4 Indicate sensitive areas on a map and/or spanning plans
- 5 When in doubt, consult the Environmental Practitioner in your region

The purpose of this DESD is to

- 1 Determine whether or not the project should be subject to R1183, published in terms of the Environment Conservation Act No. 73 of 1989
- 2 Identify and mitigate the negative impact of Eskom's activities to a minimum in line with both Legislation and Eskom's Environmental Policies
- 3 This report is a guide to Route Selection, Construction and Field Services

NOTE Complete the report before the survey!!!

This is not an office exercise

Extra sheets of paper may be added and referenced if insufficient space has been provided

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**1 Project description**

Project name/Survey **A WOLFAART** Area **BOSHOF**  
Request **A WOLFAART**  
Project number **KHKKD 384717901** File number  
Rural scheme/  
Feeder **BOSPLAAT-BOSHOFWEJ** Voltage **22 kV**  
Supply from **BPBW 275-54-50**  
(scheme name, pole numbers for tee-off)  
Supply to **BPBW 275-54-50-96 A. WOLFAART**  
(Farm name, etc )

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**2 Properties traversed**

Farm name **TRAVERSING in Two Farm before terminal**  
Registration number and Division Sub-division  
Compilation number Line length/Site area (m<sup>2</sup>)  
  
Farm name  
Registration number and Division Sub-division  
Compilation number Line length/Site area (m<sup>2</sup>) **TOTAL 1674 m**

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**3 Brief description of the surrounding area**

**The area is hard and the ore rocks**

Could the proposed project have an impact on or be constrained by any of the following environmental aspects?

Encircle the appropriate aspect, giving a description of the present state as well as an indication of the possible negative impact **Note that mitigating measures for these impacts are to be included in the Environmental Management Programme**

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**4 Physical environment**

4.1 Water (streams) rivers dams wetlands springs floodplains OTHER

Present condition DRY

Potential impact (e.g. threat of pollution)

Access to the line during operation not in  
 RAINY SEASONS

4.2 Soil: sandy (rocky) clayey OTHER

Present condition FIRM in other areas

Potential impact (e.g. of erosion)

4.3 Topography mountains ridges hills valleys ravines dongas OTHER NONE

Present condition

Potential impact (e.g. of erosion)

Comments/mitigating measures

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**5 Natural environment**

5.1 Flora      indigenous      protected      exotic      OTHER

Brief description and conservation status (e.g. rare, etc., mention trees/bush/grass) No protected trees; but bush clearing is needed from take off to

Potential impact (e.g. permit applications) terminal

5.2 Fauna      mammals      birds      OTHER

Brief description and conservation status  
 (e.g. rare, protected, etc., mention giraffe, elephants, eagles, vultures, etc., mention migratory paths)

FIRST TWO FORMS the land is used for grazing of CATTLE and other domestic animals. customer will form wild animals

Potential impact (e.g. threat of electrocution, collision, etc.) but he will not have giraffes

Comments/mitigating measures

during all operations the specific conditions from wayleaves and the former land owners must be adhere to

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6 Social environment

6.1 Restricted areas nature/game reserves hiking trails tourism routes parks recreational areas

residential-areas green belts sacred/holy grounds OTHER *FARMING*

Brief description *The area is used for farming both domestic and wild animals*

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Potential impact e.g. threat of encroachment, etc *encroachment to the line*

6.2 Visual aesthetics *easily seen* hidden partially

Brief description

Potential impact

6.3 Natural heritage cultural significance archaeological objects monuments palaeontological objects graves meteorites ruins OTHER *NONE*

Note. Should any natural heritage resource as listed above, or as defined in the National Heritage Resource Act, No 25 of 1999 be identified, the requirements of Act 25 of 1999 shall be followed by notifying the SAHRA

Potential impact

Comments/mitigating measures

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7 Economic environment

7.1 Land use      crops      orchards      grazing      crop spraying  
                          game farming      forestry areas      mining      OTHER

Brief description      The farms that the line traverse on  
                          are used for both farming wild and domestic  
                          animals for grazing

Potential impact      Encroachment to the line

7.1.1 Commercial      factories      shops      OTHER      NONE

Brief description

Potential impact

7.1.2 Infrastructure      roads      railways      communications      power lines      air fields  
                          pipelines      sewage      OTHER      NONE

Brief description

Potential impact

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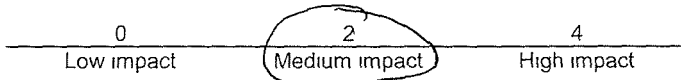
**7 1 3 Impact**

What impact will this project have on elements 4 to 7?

1	Physical	Low impact (0)	Medium impact (2)	High impact (4)
2	Natural	Low impact (0)	Medium impact (2)	High impact (4)
3	Social	Low impact (0)	Medium impact (2)	High impact (4)

**Overall impact**

This section addresses the overall environmental impact of the project. The impacts as assessed in the above three spheres (physical, natural and social) need to be considered to determine the overall impact.



If the overall impact is between 2 and 4, contact the Environmental Practitioner or specialist

**Alternatives**

Have alternative routes been discussed with the relevant land owner/s or users?

Yes YES  
No \_\_\_\_\_

**Detailed study**

Is an *environmental scoping* required in terms of Regulation 1183?

Yes \_\_\_\_\_  
No NO

Should the SAHRA be notified?

Yes YES  
No \_\_\_\_\_

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**Environmental Management Plan**

**1 General conditions**

- 1.1 The Eskom project manager or co-ordinator shall be responsible for ensuring that the land owners have been informed before any work is carried out on site. Contractors shall find out if the landowners have been informed before moving onto site.
- 1.2 No fences, gates or locks shall be damaged to obtain access onto a line route. Arrangements shall be made in advance to obtain permission for access.
- 1.3 Use of private roads shall be arranged in advance. Any damage to private roads shall be repaired at the contractor's expense and to the satisfaction of the landowner. This shall be the responsibility of the project manager or co-ordinator.
- 1.4 Gates shall be left as they are found, i.e. closed gates shall be kept closed and open gates shall be left open. Gates to adjacent properties or onto public roads shall be closed at all times. Any Eskom gates installed on the line route shall be kept closed and locked except while stringing is taking place. Open gates shall be guarded to prevent animals straying and unauthorised persons and vehicles entering into adjacent camps or properties.
- 1.5 Permission shall be obtained from landowners before any water is used.
- 1.6 No fires shall be lit on private property. If fires are lit on Eskom's property or in the construction camp, provision shall be made that no accidental fires are started. No firewood shall be collected in the veld.
- 1.7 If activities that can cause a fire are carried out, fire extinguishers shall be available on site and in the construction camp.
- 1.8 No property may be accessed after normal working hours except with the permission of the landowner. Privacy shall be respected at all times.
- 1.9 Eskom, Eskom's contractors and their employees shall at all times be courteous towards landowners, tenants and the local community.
- 1.10 Eskom, Eskom's contractors and their employees shall not cause damage to property, crops or animals. Activities that may cause conflict with landowners, tenants, the local work force or the local community shall be avoided. Should conflict arise it shall be immediately reported to the Eskom project manager or co-ordinator.
- 1.11 Vehicles shall be driven at a moderate speed on private roads and stay within the statutory speed limit on public roads.
- 1.12 All movement of vehicles shall take place on the established Eskom servitude road or on private roads as agreed in advance. Keep to existing tracks. No movement shall take place through the veld. Special care shall be taken to prevent excess damage during wet weather.



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- 1 13 If any vehicle should get stuck, the damage shall be repaired immediately so that no deep ruts remain
- 1 14 Any damage to private property shall immediately be reported to Eskom and the owner. The damage shall be rectified immediately if possible and/or appropriate compensation shall be paid to the owner at the discretion of the project manager/co-ordinator in consultation with the property owner. A record of damages and rectifying action shall be kept. The landowner's satisfaction with the outcome of rectifying action shall be obtained in writing.
- 1 15 A proper system of waste management shall be instituted in the construction camp. This entails that sufficient waste bins are available on site and in the construction camp. The waste shall be dumped at an approved waste disposal site. No containers, scrap metal, conductor etc. shall be left on site.
- All scrap shall be removed and taken to an appropriate disposal site. No oil, diesel or other chemicals shall be spilled or discarded anywhere. If an accidental spill occurs, it shall be reported immediately and cleaned to the satisfaction of Eskom and the landowner. No waste shall be left in the veld or on the line route.
- 1 16 Washing and toilet facilities shall be provided on site and in the construction camp. The facilities shall comply with Eskom standards and shall have the approval of the landowner.
- 1 17 No human excrement shall be left in the veld. If no toilet facilities are available such waste shall be buried *immediately*.
- 1 18 Herbicides shall only be applied with Eskom's permission and in accordance with the Eskom Policy on Herbicides ESKPBAAD4.
- 1.19 Camp and office sites shall be dismantled and removed after completion of the construction phase of the project. The site shall be rehabilitated to as close as possible to its original condition to the satisfaction of the landowner, which shall be in writing.
- 1 20 All excavations shall be enclosed to prevent animals or people from accidentally falling into excavations.
- 1.21 No trees shall be cut or removed without prior permission from the landowner. Permits shall be obtained for the cutting and removal of protected trees (protected trees shall be dealt with in 2, **Special conditions**).
- 1.22 Should any natural heritage object be found, or exposed during excavations, all work shall be terminated immediately and the finding reported to the Project Manager who shall inform the Eskom Environmental Practitioner and the SAHRA.

**2 Special conditions**

(Specific issues identified during the scoping as needing attention i.e. erosion berms, bird flappers, protected trees etc.)