

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT & INVITATION TO COMMENT

AIRPORTS COMPANY SOUTH AFRICA (ACSA) PROPOSED FILLING STATION ON JONES ROAD, EKURHULENI METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY

BACKGROUND TO THE PROJECT:

The Airports Company of South Africa (ACSA) has proposed the construction of a filling station on a portion of the Farm Witkoppie 64-IR Portion 187 and Portion 197 within the OR Tambo International Airport precinct. The development will consist of a four island forecourt canopy, a $\pm 250 \text{ m}^2$ convenience shop and a $\pm 130 \text{ m}^2$ fast food outlet. These facilities will be built on a $\pm 3000 \text{ m}^2$ site located on the south-west of the airport (Figure 1).

Project Location: 26° 08' 59.7"S and 28° 13' 27.3"E

EOH Coastal & Environmental Services have been appointed to undertake the Basic Assessment process for the proposed development (Figure 2).

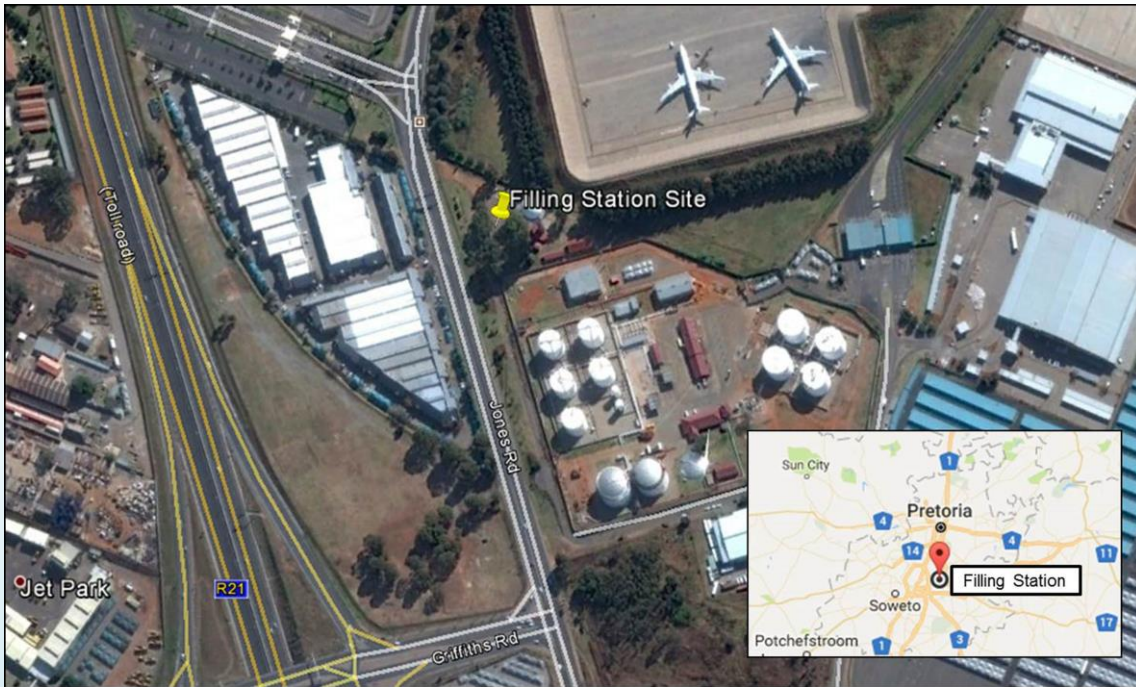


Figure 1: Google Earth image showing the location of the proposed ACSA filling station.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

The proposed filling station site will have access to Jones Street and will serve both directions of traffic-flow. It will be the only filling station between the OR Tambo airport, the R21 and the N12 freeway. It will serve some transient traffic on Jones Street travelling between Boksburg and Kempton Park as well as the local industrial, office and casino traffic. Due to the lack of filling stations east of the R21 the existing market currently has to fill up elsewhere.

PROJECT ACTIVITIES:

The proposed scope of activities will in general cover the following:

- The development of a convenience store, offices and change room facilities;
- The installation of four new underground fuel tanks with a total capacity of 115 m^3 ;
- The tanks will be composite fibre glass tanks manufactured according to SANS code 1535;
- The tanks will be installed to depths of 3.2 m below the surface;
- The tanks will be placed on a high density polyethylene (HDPE) liner within the excavation;
- The tanks will be directly filled at filler points which will be located north of the underground tanks;
- The filler points will be located underground in sealed manholes, which are designed to contain any accidental spills;
- Monitoring wells will be installed at the edge of the tank farm and inserted 0.5 m below the base of the tanks and slotted to the first 0.6 m from the base upwards;
- The forecourt will have a drainage system that will discharge to the sewerage through the separator pit. The separator pit will be installed onsite, northeast of the underground tanks.

The activity falls within the jurisdiction of the Ekurhuleni Metropolitan Municipality of the Gauteng Province.

AIM OF THIS DOCUMENT

The aim of this Background Information Document (BID) is to provide people affected by and interested in the proposed project with information about this project, the process being followed and to provide them with an opportunity to be involved in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process.



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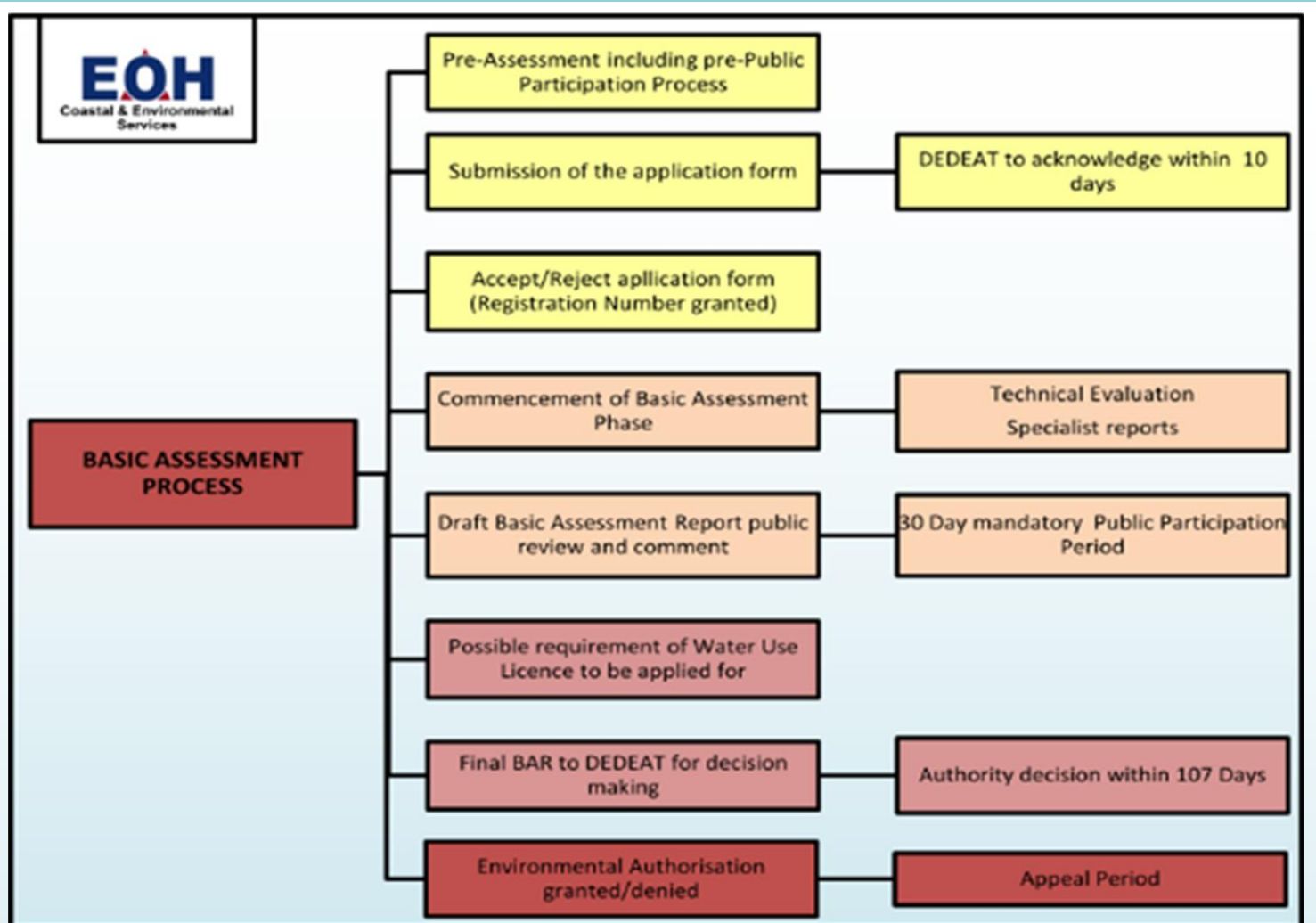


Figure 2: Basic Assessment Process.

RELEVANT LEGISLATION:

- The Constitution of South Africa (No. 108 of 1996);
- National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (No. 107 of 1998);
- Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (2014);
- The Petroleum Products Act (No. 120 of 1977);
- The National Water Act (No. 36 of 1998);
- National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act (No. 39 of 2004);
- The National Environmental Management: Waste Act (No. 59 of 2008);
- Occupational Health & Safety Act (No. 85 of 1993);
- National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Regulations (GNR 692 of 2001);
- Hazardous Substance Act (No. 15 of 1973);
- Municipal By-Laws

LISTED ACTIVITIES:

NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (NO. 107 OF 1998)

Listed Activities:

GN R 983 (14): The development of facilities or infrastructure, for the storage, or for the storage and handling, of a dangerous good, where such storage occurs in containers with a combined capacity of 80 cubic metres or more but not exceeding 500 cubic metres.

GN R 983 (27): The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation.

I HEREBY WISH TO REGISTER AS AN INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY (I&APs) FOR THE PROPOSED JONES ROAD FILLING STATION PROJECT, BA PROCESS

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