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Great Karoo Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities

Notice of Environmental Impact Assessment, Basic Assessment and Public Participation Processes for the Proposed Development of the Great Karoo Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities and Grid Connection Infrastructure, Near Richmond, Northern Cape Province

Applicant: Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd.

Proposed Activity: Establishment of three (3) Solar Photovoltaic (PV) Energy Facilities, two (2) Wind Energy Facilities and grid connection infrastructure comprising a 132kV central collector substation and a 132kV power line to enable the connection of five (5) renewable energy facilities to the national grid for the evacuation of the generated electricity. The connection point to the national grid will be the existing Eskom Gamma Substation. Infrastructure associated with each project includes:

Solar Energy Facilities

- » Solar PV array comprising PV modules and mounting structures.
- » Inverters and transformers.

- » Cabling between the panels.

- » 33/132kV onsite facility substation.

- » Cabling from the onsite substation to the collector substation (either underground or overhead).

- » Electrical and auxiliary equipment required at the collector substation that serves that solar energy facility, including switchyard/bay, control building, fences, etc.

- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).

- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.

- » Laydown areas.

- » Access roads and internal distribution roads.

Wind Energy Facilities

- » Wind turbines.
- » Concrete turbine foundations and turbine hardstands.

- » Inverters and transformers.

- » Temporary laydown areas which will accommodate storage and assembly areas.

- » Cabling between the turbines, to be laid underground where practical.

- » A temporary concrete batching plant.

- » 33/132kV onsite facility substation.

- » Underground cabling from the onsite substation to the collector substation.

- » Electrical and auxiliary equipment required at the collector substation that serves that wind energy facility, including switchyard/bay, control building, fences, etc.

- » Battery Energy Storage System (BESS).

- » Access roads and internal distribution roads.

Grid Connection Infrastructure

- » Central collector substation which consists of:
 - * 33/132kV collector substation.

 - * Associated equipment, infrastructure, and buildings.

 - * Temporary and permanent laydown areas.

- » Distribution Line:
 - * A double-circuit 132kV distribution line to connect the central collector 132kV substation to the existing Eskom Gamma Substation will be constructed.

- » Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage.

Project Location: Approximately 35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and approximately 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province, within the Ubuntu Local Municipality, and the Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality.

Solar Energy Facilities

Wind Energy Facilities

Project	Property/ies	Project	Property/ies
Nku Solar PV Facility (100MW)	» Farm Rondavel 85 (Portion 0 and 1) – Solar PV Facilities and associated infrastructure.	Angora Wind Energy Facility (140MW)	» Farm Gegundefontein 53 (Portion 11), Farm Vogelstruisfontein 84 (Portion 0), Farm Rondavel 85 (Portion 0 and 1) and Farm Bult & Rietfontein 96 (Portion 9) – Wind Energy Facilities and associated infrastructure.
Moriri Solar PV Facility (100MW)			
Kwana Solar PV Facility (100MW)		Merino Wind Energy Facility (140MW)	

Collector Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI)

Project	Property/ies
Collector EGI (132kV)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> » Portion 0 of Farm Annex Rondavel 86 » Portion 1 of Farm Annex Rondavel 86 » Portion 1 of Farm Uit Vlucht Fontein 265

- » Portion 0 of Farm Wynandsfontein 91
 - » Portion 1 of Farm Wynandsfontein 91
 - » Portion 3 of Farm Vlekfontein 90
 - » Portion 0 of Farm Burgersfontein 92
 - » Portion 1 of Farm Nieuwe Fontein 89
 - » Portion 0 of Farm Rondavel 85
 - » Portion 1 of Farm Rondavel 85
 - » Portion 0 of Farm Kleinfontein 93
 - » Portion 8 of Farm Jan Booyens Onder Plaats 94
 - » Portion 1 of Farm Bult & Rietfontein 96
 - » Remaining extent of Farm 3
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Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) and Basic Assessment (BA) Processes: 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 S&EIA process is required for each renewable energy facility. Similarly, a BA process is required for the grid connection infrastructure. Savannah Environmental is undertaking the required S&EIA, BA, and public participation processes for these projects.

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Documents for public review are available for download.

If you have already registered your interest click on "View Downloads".

Angora Wind Farm

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Angora Wind Farm

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SAHRA Application Closure

Please note the following concerning applications submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) during the December 2021 to January 2022 period.

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Proposed Angora Wind Farm which forms part of the Great Karoo Wind Energy Facility development near Richmond in the Northern Cape

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CaseHeader

LocationInfo

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Status: Studies Pending

HeritageAuthority(s): SAHRA
NBKB

Case Type: Section 38 (8) - Statutory Comment Required

Development Type: Wind

ProposalDescription:

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of a commercial wind farm and associated infrastructure on a site located approximately 35km south-west of Richmond and 80km south-east of Victoria West, within the Ubuntu Local Municipality and the Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. A preferred project site with an extent of ~29 909ha and a development area of ~4 544ha within the project site has been identified by Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd as a technically suitable area for the development of the Angora Wind Farm with a contracted capacity of up to 140MW that can accommodate up to 45 turbines. The development area consists of the four (4) affected properties, which include: Portion 11 of Farm Gegundefontein 53 Portion 0 of Farm Vogelstruisfontein 84 Portion 1 of Farm Rondavel 85 Portion 0 of Farm Rondavel 85 The Angora Wind Farm project site is proposed to accommodate the following infrastructure, which will enable the wind farm to supply a contracted capacity of up to 140MW: Up to 45 wind turbines with a maximum hub height of up to 170m. The tip height of the turbines will be up to 250m. Concrete turbine foundations to support the turbine hardstands. Inverters and transformers. Temporary laydown areas which will

foundations to support the turbine hardstands. Inverters and transformers. Temporary laydown areas which will accommodate storage and assembly areas. Cabling between the turbines, to be laid underground where practical. A temporary concrete batching plant. 33/132kV onsite facility substation. Underground cabling from the onsite substation to the 132kV collector substation. Electrical and auxiliary equipment required at the collector substation that serves that wind energy facility, including switchyard/bay, control building, fences, etc. Battery Energy Storage System (BESS). Access roads and internal distribution roads. Site offices and maintenance buildings, including workshop areas for maintenance and storage. The wind farm is proposed in response to the identified objectives of the national and provincial government and local and district municipalities to develop renewable energy facilities for power generation purposes. It is the developer's intention to bid the Angora Wind Farm under the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy's (DMRE's) Renewable Energy Independent Power Producer Procurement (REIPPP) Programme, with the aim of evacuating the generated power into the national grid. This will aid in the diversification and stabilisation of the country's electricity supply, in line with the objectives of the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) with the Angora Wind Farm set to inject up to 140MW into the national grid.

ApplicationDate: Monday, November 15, 2021 - 16:58

CaseID: 17539

OtherReferences:

Heritage Reports: [Heritage Screener - Angora REF \(Great Karoo\)](#)

ReferenceList:

Additional Documents

1.  [SE3126 - 00. Angora WF DSR 12.11.2021.pdf](#)
2.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppA - EIA Project Consulting Team and Specialist CVs.pdf](#)
3.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppB - Authority Consultation.pdf](#)
4.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC1 - I&AP Database.pdf](#)
5.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC2 - Site Notices & Newspaper Adverts.pdf](#)
6.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC3 - Background Information Document.pdf](#)
7.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC4 - Organs of State Correspondence.pdf](#)
8.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC5 - Stakeholder Correspondence.pdf](#)
9.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC6 - Comments Received.pdf](#)
10.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC7 - Minutes of Meetings.pdf](#)
11.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC8 - Comments and Responses Report.pdf](#)
12.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppC9 - PP Plan&Approval.pdf](#)
13.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppD - Ecological Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
14.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppE - Avifauna Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
15.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppF - Bat Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
16.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppG - Soils and Freshwater Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
17.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppI - Noise Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
18.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppJ - Visual Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
18.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppJ - Visual Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
19.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppK - Social Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
20.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppL - Traffic Scoping Assessment.pdf](#)
21.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppM - Maps \(A3\).pdf](#)
22.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppN - Specialist Declarations.pdf](#)
23.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppO - DFFE Screening Report.pdf](#)
24.  [SE3126 - Angora WEF AppP - EAP Declaration of Independence and Affirmation.pdf](#)

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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

Nicolene Venter

From: Brenda Ton
Sent: Tuesday, 16 November 2021 13:04
To: Mmakoena Mmola
Cc: Nicolene Venter; Tumelo Mathulwe; Nondumiso Bulunga
Subject: FW: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2113

FYI

Thank you and kind regards,

Brenda Ton

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Sent: Tuesday, 16 November 2021 12:26
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Cc: Herman Alberts <HALBERTS@dffe.gov.za>; Salome Mambane <SMAMBANE@dffe.gov.za>; EIAAdmin <EIAAdmin@dffe.gov.za>
Subject: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2113

Dear Brenda

14/12/16/3/3/2/2113

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE NEW APPLICATION AND DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOLLOWING A SCOPING ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED ANGORA WIND FARM, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

The Department confirms having received the Application form and Draft Scoping Report for Environmental Authorisation for the abovementioned project on 12 November 2021. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Kindly note that your application for Environmental Authorisation falls within the ambit of an application applied for in terms of Part 3 of Chapter 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. You are therefore referred to Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended.

Please take note of Regulation 40(3) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that potential Interested & Affected Parties, including the Competent Authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in Regulation 40(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, prior to the submission of an application but must be provided an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the Competent Authority.

Note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted by the Department in terms of Regulation 3(7) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

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

Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.

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Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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Date: 2021/11/10

Time: 16:50

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Note

Nicolene Venter has subscribed Seoka Lekota - Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment '<BCAdmin@environment.gov.za>' to Campaign: '3125 Great Karoo-SR Notification'.

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From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Wednesday, 24 November 2021 14:20
To: BC Admin
Cc: Portia Makitla; Mmakoena Mmola; Nondumiso Bulunga
Subject: SE3125: Great Karoo Cluster of Renewable Facilities - Case Officers & Reference numbers

Dear Portia,

As requested at yesterday's Key Stakeholders Workshop, herewith the DFFE Case Officers for each of the EA Applications:

1. Angora Wind Farm (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2113) – Herman Alberts or Salome Mambane
2. Merino Wind Farm (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2114) - Herman Alberts or Salome Mambane
3. Nku Solar PV (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2115) - Herman Alberts or Salome Mambane
4. Moriri PV (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2116) – Thabile Sangweni or Salome Mambane
5. Kwana PV (DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2118) - Thabile Sangweni or Salome Mambane

The reference numbers will also be included as post-meeting notes in the Workshop Notes.

Kind regards,



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GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Dear Portia & Aulicia,

I would like to take this opportunity to remind the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation that the comment period for the Scoping Reports of the above-mentioned projects are ending on **Monday, 13 December 2021**.

Would you please be so kind and confirm that written comments will be submitted.

Kind regards,



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To: Precious Mocumi
Subject: SE2662: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Consultation & written comments on Scoping Reports

Dear Ms Mocumi,

In terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, Regulation 41.(2)(b)(v) our e-mail dated 12 November 2021 complied with this Regulation in which the DMRE is informed of the application for Environmental Authorisation, and in terms of Regulation 43.(2) your Department received the notification attached to our e-mail dated 12 November 2021 in which your Department is requested, subjected to regulation 7(2), to submit written comments on the Scoping Reports within 30 days of the notification.

Would you please be so kind and inform us of the name and contact details of the DMRE Official who will be submitting written comments on the Scoping Reports.

Kind regards,



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To: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
Subject: RE: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports

afternoon

you do not have to send me our specialist reports as you only consult with us, we do not deal with your actual application for solar.

Regards,
Precious Mocumi

From: Savannah Environmental Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Sent: Wednesday, 10 November 2021 5:00 PM

To: Precious Mocumi <Precious.Mocumi@dmre.gov.za>

Subject: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports

**GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR
RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE
(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms.

Please find attached for your perusal the notification letter informing you of the availability of the Scoping Reports for your review and comments. The Scoping Reports are available for downloading from our website [click here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Basic Assessment Process.

Kind regards,

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Subject: CRHC0630-21 Angora Wind Energy Facility

Good day

Hereby do we acknowledge your proposed project.

For future reference please quote CRHC0630-21.

Kind regards

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Department of Water and Sanitation

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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

Pleasure

From: Nicolene Venter [mailto:nicolene@savannahsa.com]
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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

Thank you Pieter – appreciated.

From: Ackerman Pieter <AckermanP@dws.gov.za>
Sent: Thursday, 21 October 2021 14:21
To: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Subject: FW: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

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From: Fourie Lizna (ELS)
Sent: 21 October 2021 01:00 PM
To: Ackerman Pieter <AckermanP@dws.gov.za>; Bera Moosa (ELS) <BeraM@dws.gov.za>; Ntoi Mosala(KBY) <NtoiM@dws.gov.za>; Feni Ntombizanele (KBY) <FeniN2@dws.gov.za>; Daniel Shaddai <DanielS@dws.gov.za>
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Hi Pieter

Nicolene can work through my office for the L 21B catchment. We will get the application and then assign it to the PE office

Thanks

Lizna

From: Ackerman Pieter [mailto:AckermanP@dws.gov.za]
Sent: Thursday, 21 October 2021 12:51
To: Fourie Lizna (ELS) <FourieL4@dws.gov.za>; Bera Moosa (ELS) <BeraM@dws.gov.za>; Ntoi Mosala(KBY) <NtoiM@dws.gov.za>; Feni Ntombizanele (KBY) <FeniN2@dws.gov.za>; Daniel Shaddai <DanielS@dws.gov.za>
Subject: FW: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

Hi

Can anyone assist Nicolene which regional office will be involved.

Thanks

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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

Hi Pieter,

Thank you for your e-mail below.

Your Department's notification that a WUL needs to be applied for has been forwarded to the applicant.

These projects extends into two WMA namely the Lower Orange WMA (WMA 6) and the Mzimvubu-Tsitsikamma WMA (WMA7) and the locally affected quaternary catchments include D61A, D61D and L21B.

I would be appreciated if your Department can inform us who the commenting official for the two WMAs are so that we can follow-up in terms of written comments on the Scoping Reports for the PV and Wind Facilities and the BA Report for the Electrical Grid Infrastructure.

Kind regards,

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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES & GRID CONNECTION: Notification of EIA, BA and Public Participation Processes

Hi Nicolene

Water use authorisation to be applied for

Regards

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Cc: Mpumela Ntombiyamayirha(PLZ); Maneli Mzukisi (PLZ); Fiko Tabisa
Subject: RE: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports
Attachments: Great Karoo 27.09.2021.kmz

Dear Lizna,

Thank you for your e-mail below.

Attached is the .KMZ file which I believe would assist the DWS to determine within which WMA. The projects are located within the Northern Cape Province and a small section of the grid corridor falls within the Western Cape Province.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.

Kind regards,



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Subject: RE: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports

Afternoon Nicolene

Please could you indicate which are the closest towns to the said properties mentioned in the BID?

We need to establish how many are within the Eastern Cape Water Management Area boundaries and which ones are for the Northern Cape. Co-ordinates will also assist

Thank you

Lizna Fourie

From: Savannah Environmental Public Process [<mailto:publicprocess@savannahsa.com>]

Sent: Wednesday, 10 November 2021 17:02

To: Fourie Lizna (ELS) <FourieL4@dws.gov.za>

Subject: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports

**GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE
NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE
(DFFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms.

Please find attached for your perusal the notification letter informing you of the availability of the Scoping Reports for your review and comments. The Scoping Reports are available for downloading from our website [click here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Basic Assessment Process.

Kind regards,

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Morning Elsabé,

Will Monday, 6th of December 2021 at 14h00 be suitable. It is a week before the end of the commenting period i.e. Monday, 13 December 2021.

Kind regards,

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Subject: Re: GREAT KAROO RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting (DAEARD&LR)

Morning Nicolene,

The 6th or 7th of December seems to be possible date options for us.

Enjoy your weekend

On Thu, Nov 18, 2021 at 10:24 PM Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com> wrote:

Dear Elsabé,

Thank you for your response below.

To ensure that we do meet with you as the commenting authority on the proposed projects would you please indicate which of the following dates and times would be suitable to reschedule the meeting:

- Wednesday, 24 November 2021: Any time
- Friday, 26 November 2021: Any time
- Monday, 06 December 2021: Any time
- Tuesday, 07 December 2021: Any time

Kind regards,



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Subject: Re: GREAT KAROO RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting (DAEARD&LR)

Dear Nicolene,

Thank you for the invitation, but due to other prior commitments on the same day, Samantha de la Fontaine, Peter Cloete, Natalie Uys, Conrad Geldenhuis and myself will not be able to attend on 23 Nov 2021.

Please keep us updated and inform us if the date is moved for this meeting.

Kind regards

Elsabe

On Tue, Nov 16, 2021 at 5:00 PM Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com> wrote:

Dear Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform Officials,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, including Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI), ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms. The grid connection infrastructure for all projects will include one central collector 132kV substation and a double circuit 132kV power line to the existing Eskom Gamma Substation, located within the Western Cape Province.

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental assessment practitioner to manage the application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) and undertaking the Environmental Impact Assessment (IEIA) Process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the project, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).

We would like to take this opportunity to invite you to the Focus Group Meeting (FGM) taking place on **Tuesday, 23 November 2021** at **09h00** via **MS Teams**.

The purpose of the FGM is to present the following to you as Stakeholders:

- brief background to the proposed projects;
- an overview of the EIA process followed for the scoping phase;
- a summary of the key environmental findings as documented in the Scoping Report;
- an opportunity to seek clarity and raise comments and/or concerns; and
- to record comments raised at the FGM.

Should you not be able to attend the FGM, you are most welcome to forward this invitation to your colleague to attend the FGM on your behalf.

Just a friendly reminder that the Scoping Report in support of the Applications for the EA have been compiled and is available for your review and comment. Visit our website on <https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/the-great-karoo-cluster-of-renewable-energy-facilities/> - the release code for all the Reports is VtUvOs4x

The review and comment period for the Scoping Reports commenced on **Friday, 12 November 2021** and is ending on **Monday, 13 December 2021**.

You are kindly requested to submit any questions that you would want the project team to respond to at the FGM to us prior to the meeting.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information.

Kind regards,



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Regards

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From: Nicolene Venter
Sent: Tuesday, 23 November 2021 12:52
To: Lizell Stroh
Subject: RE: GREAT KAROO RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER: Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop

Dear Lizell,

Thank you, I will add a formal apology on your behalf in the workshop notes.

And yes, your colleague joined and added value to the workshop.

Kind regards,

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From: Lizell Stroh <StrohL@caa.co.za>
Sent: Tuesday, 23 November 2021 11:39
To: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Subject: RE: GREAT KAROO RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER: Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop

Good day Nicolene, hope this e-mail finds you well, I would not attend the meeting but some of SACAA inspectors would attend.

Kind regards



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From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>

Sent: Tuesday, 16 November 2021 11:12

To: Nicolene Venter; Savannah Public Process; Mmakoena Mmola; Tamryn Lee Goddard

Cc: Nondumiso Bulunga

Subject: GREAT KAROO RENEWABLE ENERGY CLUSTER: Invitation to Key Stakeholder Workshop

When: Tuesday, 23 November 2021 11:00-12:30 (UTC+02:00) Harare, Pretoria.

Where: Microsoft Teams Meeting

Importance: High

Dear Key Stakeholders,

Just a friendly reminder of the Key Stakeholder Workshop taking place tomorrow, Tuesday, 23 November 2021 at 11h00 (we had move the meeting 30min earlier to end before lunch time).

Thank you to those Key Stakeholders who already RSVP and we urged those who had not yet done so to please at your earliest convenience.

The team is looking forward to a fruitful meeting.

Kind regards,

Nicolene Venter

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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Contact details of Western Region commenting official

Dear Chumisa,

Thank you for your e-mail and the information provided below.

We can concern that Nicole Abrahams received the notification that the Scoping Reports are available for review and comment.

Kind regards,



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Subject: RE: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Contact details of Western Region commenting official
Importance: High

Good day Nicolene

Hope all is well.

I am only in-charge for project in the Eastern Cape. Any Eastern Cape project, you send it to me.

The projects in the Western Cape and Northern Cape is not me, but Nicole Abrahams (abrahamsn@nra.co.za) our Western Region office.

Have a blessed day.

Keep safe and kind regards
Chumisa

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Subject: SE3125: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Contact details of Western Region commenting official

Dear Chumisa,

Thank you for the information provided below.

Please confirm whether we need to remove you from the project database.

@Zingisa Tshali (WR) – we are looking forward to receive the relevant commenting official from SANRAL's Western Region.

Kind regards,



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To: Zingisa Tshali (WR) <TshaliZ@nra.co.za>; Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Subject: FW: GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES: Notification of Availability of Scoping Reports

Importance: High

Good day Zingi and Nicolene

Hope all is well.

Zingi, can you please forward this to the relevant person in your region that deals with energy facilities.

Nicolene, this proposed project is in the Northern Cape and the Western Cape and the SANRAL Western Region has jurisdiction and not southern.

Have a blessed day.

Keep safe and kind regards

Chumisa

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**GREAT KAROO CLUSTER OF RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES AND GRID CONNECTION INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR RICHMOND, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE
(DFE Reference Nos.: To be Issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms.

Please find attached for your perusal the notification letter informing you of the availability of the Scoping Reports for your review and comments. The Scoping Reports are available for downloading from our website [click here](#).

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects.

Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the Basic Assessment Process.

Kind regards,

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Attachments: SE3125-Great Karoo FGM Ubuntu LM Presentation FINAL.pdf

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Moriri Solar

PV: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2116

Kwana Solar

PV: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2118

Dear Councilors,

Thank you for your attendance at this morning's Focus Group Meeting.

As promised, attached the presentation.

As discussed, you are most welcome to share the presentation with any other interested and/or affected party you believe should be informed of the Environmental Impact Assessments for these proposed projects.

Kind regards,



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Dear Key Stakeholders,

As promised at yesterday's Key Stakeholder Workshop, please find herewith the presentation material.

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(DEFF Reference Nos.: To be Issued)**

Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

Great Karoo Renewable Energy (Pty) Ltd proposes the development of a cluster of renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure, including Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI), ~35km South-West of the town of Richmond along the N1 and 80km South-East of Victoria West along the R63 in the Northern Cape Province. The cluster consists of three (3) 100MW solar photovoltaic (PV) energy facilities, and two (2) 140MW wind farms. The grid connection infrastructure for all projects will include one central collector 132kV substation and a double circuit 132kV power line to the existing Eskom Gamma Substation, located within the Western Cape Province.

Each renewable energy facility will be constructed as a separate stand-alone project and therefore, separate Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes will be undertaken for each of the renewable energy facilities. Similarly, the grid connection solution will be subjected to a separate Basic Assessment (BA) process which will consider feasible alternatives for the power line corridors. A combined six (6) applications for Environmental Authorisation (EA) are currently being pursued as follows:

Two (2) wind farm EAs:

- o Angora Wind Energy Facility
- o Merino Wind Energy Facility

Three (3) solar PV facility EAs:

- o Nku Solar PV Facility
- o Moiriro Solar PV Facility
- o Kwana Solar PV Facility

One (1) Electrical Grid Infrastructure (EGI)

- o A central collector 132kV substation and double circuit 132kV power line EA.

Please find attached the Background Information Document (BID) which provides additional information regarding the applications for the Great Karoo Cluster of Renewable Energy Facilities and Grid connection. The BID is also available on our website:

- Wind Energy Facility & Solar PV Facilities: [click here](#)
- EGI: [click here](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any additional information and/or clarification regarding these projects. Our team welcomes your participation and look forward to your involvement throughout the EIA and BA Processes.

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Dear Stakeholder and Interested & Affected Party,

With reference to the attached notification letter sent on Friday, 12 November 2021, this e-mail serves to inform you that the review and comment period for the Scoping Reports are ending on **Monday, 13 December 2021**.

As you may recall, the review and comment period for the Scoping Reports commenced on Friday, 12 November 2021.

The Scoping Reports are available on our website [click here](#)

Thank you to those Stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties who submitted their written comments and those who had not yet to please do so before on **Monday, 13 December 2021**.

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