COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE Both the scoping study as well as the marine impact assessment will use the most up to date data available in the published literature to quantify the likelihood
1795	Some of my major concerns are that the southern and Eastern coastline of South Africa has an incredible diversity of marine life with whale migrations from Antarctica to Mozambique and the annual sardine run which supports an array of local economic opportunities. This could all be put at risk by major accidents and other dranger from TotalEnergies project. The ministry who decides upon the environmental management plan is the Dept of Mineral Resources and Energy, not the Dept of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries who actually have the proper expertise. What is really needed locally is small scale community energy development in renewable, including solar and wind projects run by local communities who would benefit directly from the job opportunities, and that is what TotalEnergies should rather be investing in.	Aaron-Luke Rielly		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident rediscens. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "unlerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a vorst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed assed on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity of habitats). IUCN criteria for angerestricted or migratory (congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever by the proposed of the proposed as a such practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever being be potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
1574	I, hereby would like to object to the proposed drilling and associated works by TotalEnergies off the coast of Mosselbay in the Outeniqua Basin. I am stating Categorically that I am TOTALIlly opposed to this whole process taking place. Once again the haves want more and more but don't care about	Abraham Johannes Truter		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1745	rain standing categoritamy that rain 17 or tropy opposed our manufacture and standing back. Once again the haves want more and more but con trade about raping the coars at the cost of no future for our children and grandchildren. Comments made during the current stakeholder comment period need to be submitted by the 3rd of February. Is there any further opportunity to comment	Abrie Pepler	South African Squid Management Industrial	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Yes, there is another opportunity to comment. This will be when the Draft EIA report and draft specialist studies are made available for stakeholder comment.
85 86	from now till June? There is accustic work that needs to be done. Please can we get notified up front about the timing of the surveys to enable us to plan.	Adrian Smith Adrian Smith	Association South African Squid Management Industrial	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08 V-FGM-08	before the EIA report is finalised for submission to the regulator. Stakeholders will be notified when these documents are available for public comment. TEEPSA normally provide 30 days' notice to the fishing industry. However, TEEPSA is willing to engage with the industry to provide a longer lead time, and to
	Intere is acoustic work that needs to be done. Please can we get notined up front about the timing of the surveys to enable us to plan. On the squid side there are certain times of the year when squid spawn. We need input into the timing of the survey.	Adrian Smith	Association South African Squid Management Industrial Association	18 January 2023 18 January 2023	V-FGM-08 V-FGM-08	discuss timing of such work. TEEPSA confirmed that they are willing to engage with the industry to provide a longer lead time, and to discuss timing of such work.
96	Worst case scenario is that there will be a leak. As part of the project, will there be a plan and/or insurance in place to compensate those who are impacted by the leak etc.?	Adrian Smith	South African Squid Management Industrial Association	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	Oil spill and drill cutting discharge modelling is being undertaken. This modelling provides output on spill/discharge scenarios to be considered by the marine ecology specialists. TEEPSA confirmed that there are specific insurances that are put forward for drilling activities. TEEPSA is obliged to set saide funds to pay for the response to an emergency event. TEEPSA is also obliged to set asked funds in a prescribed manner in terms of the Financial Provisioning Regulations 2015,
99	Please can you forward us the presentation. Thanks.	Adrian Smith	South African Squid Management Industrial	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	as amended, to pay clean-up and rehabilitation costs and pay compensation claims. The presentation is available for download via WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is
60	When was the process started to see the financial benefit and when were those meetings held? Do we need this drilling to be done? What is the need for the specific pipeline and drilling rigs in the ocean? I suppose that is a political question than to TOTAL as they are a business and need to make money. We also need to ask the question to the politicians why can't the people of the garden route have a referendum if we want this or not? It seems like fairly easy and democratic way for resolve this type of situation. What does the financial benefit expect to TOTAL? What is the benefit to the Route and the people of South Africa? Would TOTAL be interested or willing to sponsor a referendum on the Garden Route. This is a large piece of land running from Mossel Bay and St Francis. I found out about this 2 months ao, if thillinos are spent on drillings osen grillings on petiting the or of the people.	AJ	Association Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Tola1-118128 Chapter 4 (Need and Desirability) of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. Economic effects go beyond the financial return. There is a need to understand the wider economic benefit will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. You have the right to arrange a referendum at any time. In the context of the environmental authorisation process, the project was announced on 10 December 2022. It is however important one that nine years of exploration activities in Block 11B/12B have preceded the current application; various approvals on the prior exploration activity and consultative processes have been undertaken.
163	Energy, in particular gas and condensate, should not simply be exported but local use and beneficiation should be prioritised. Also, opportunities beyond gas- to-power should be explored, of which gas use in the steel industry for iron ore reduction is one such example and can contribute to local decarbonisation of	Aldrich Louis	ArcelorMittal South Africa	10 January 2023	E-mail	The intention is to provide gas and condensate to replace the depleted gas wells in Block 9 as feedstock for the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid plant and possibly also the ESKOM Gourikwa power plant. The gas is not intended for the export market.
1072	the steel industry. I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Alex Brian Noble	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep sending you information on the Block 118/12B project. Your concerns have been noted. Potential impacts on the marine environment will be assessed as part of the comprehensive ESIA process underway.
1450	Preface/Intshayelelo a) As Mossel Bay Communities we shall not be spectators in the exploration of our oceans economy. // Njengabernibase-Mossel Bay zisakuthatha inxaxheba	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1451	kuqoqosho Iwamanxweme singabi ngababukeli. b) The oceans in our abrose present an opportunity to government and investors to empower communities and transform our economy. // Ulwandle kumanxweme wethu lithuba lokuba urhulumente nabatyai zimali bakuxhobise uluntu kwaye kubekho ingugu ngokoqoqqosho.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1452	 c) We shall be active participants and significant beneficiaries in the wealth creation and distribution. // Sizakuthatha inxaxheba kwaye sixhamle ngendlela ephucukileyo. 	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1453	d) Whatever has been discovered in our shores must be produced here, packaged and retailed to end-user customers. //Yonke inveliso kumanxweme ethumayisetyenzwe apha, ide ilungelo intengiso kubathengi.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1454	We support exploration of oil and gas discover in our shores. // Siyalixhase iphulo lokuphehlwa kwegesi neoyile kwinxweme lethu. The exploration must be done with due regard to sea life and in an environmental sensitive way. // Indiela zokwenza lomsebenzi wokuphehla mazikusele	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with
1455 1456	ubomi bezinto zonke eziphila elwandle. 3. Total Energies should invest in communities in terms of: // U-Total Energies makaphuhlise ubomi bentlalo ngalendlela:	Alisile Dyabaza Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023 16 January 2023	E-mail	specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be
1456	3.1 Job creation // Ukudalwa kwemisebenzi.	Alisile Dyabaza Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	communicated. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
1458	3.2 Infrastructure development // Ukwakhiwa kweziseko zophuhliso.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	communicated. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, details regarding investment in infrastructure development will be made available for comment.
1459	3.3 Education and training // Imfundo nonqeqesho lwezakhono.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, details regarding investment in infrastructure development will be made available for comment.
1460	3.4 Health and Social Welfare // Ezempilo nentialo-ntile.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	Issues of community health, safety and security will be addressed in the ESIA for the construction phase, operating phase and decommissioning phase. Occupational Health & Safety will not be considered as part of the ESIA.
1461	3.5 Significant business opportunities // Arnathuba oshishino angawo.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	As part of its SLP, TEEPSA undertakes to prepare a procurement progression plan that will prioritise development of local small business enterprise
1462	4. As Black Entreprepreneurs, we want to benefit throughout the value chain of procurement. // Njengo-Somashishini abamnyama, kufuneka sixhamle kumathuba entengo nonaniselwano kuwo wonke amabakala.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	A key objective of SLPs is to contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs). TEEPSAs procurement progression pain will prioriste opportunities for HDPs.
1463	5. A Mossel Bay Community Development Trust be set up as part of Social and Labour Plan to oversee Total Energies Investment to the Greater Mossel Bay.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which is to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries,
	// Makumiselwe tziko lophuhliso loluntu kwaye lomizamo ibandakanywe kwisicwangciso sentlalo namathuba engqesho. 6. Total Energies must invest in creation of South African Factory for Oceans Economy, // U-Total makaxhase ukusekwa komzi-mveliso ojongene noqoqosho	Allolio Dyubuzu	mossor bay black basilious Agerica	10 dandary 2020	L-mail	internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken in 2023.
1464	 Total Energies must livest in creation of south Arrican Factory for Oceans Economy. // U-10tal makaxnase ukusekwa komzi-miveliso ojongene noqoqosno lwaselwandle. The South African Factory for Oceans Economy to be based in Mossel Bay to do amongst others the: //Lomzi-miveliso woqoqosho lwaselwandle uzakwenza 	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA will consider your suggestion in the process of developing the various SLP elements.
1465 1466	ezizinto. 7.1 Ship manufacturing, repairs and maintenance // Ukwakhiwa nokulugiswa kwezikhephe.	Alisile Dyabaza Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023 16 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	TEEPSA will consider your suggestion in the process of developing the various SLP elements. TEEPSA will consider your suggestion in the process of developing the various SLP elements.
1467	7.2 Manufacturing and supply of marine equipment and supplies // Ukuveliswa kunye kwezixhobo zaselwandle nezinye neemveliso.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA will consider your suggestion in the process of developing the various SLP elements.
1468	7.3 Provision of training and learners certification of youth and other vulnerable groups// Ukubonelela ngoqeqesho nemfundiso neziqinisekiso kulutsha namanye amaqela asemngciphekweni.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA will consider your suggestion in the process of developing the various SLP elements.
1469	7.4 The production, processing and downstream activities be undertaken in Mossel Bay to create jobs and grow the economy // Ukuphehla, imveliso nentengiso mazenzeke eMossel Bay ukuze kudalwe imisenbenzi kukuhuliswe uqoqosho.	Alisile Dyabaza	Mossel Bay Black Business Agenda	16 January 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
1651	I would like to register as an individual concerned citizen for the Total Mossel Bay/St Francis Wells & pipeline project. I would also like to lodge an objection on the basis of this not being focused on alternative/clean energy, the latter of which is more in step with where our society needs to be aiming for the future. Please kindly advise if the below email addresses have been registered as interested and affected parties within your existing database? alian@maturallustice.org	Alison Tucker		05 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an IAAP on the project and will continue to receive information regarding the project. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
2360	dean@naturaljustice.org melissa@naturaljustice.org jasmine@naturaljustice.org jasmine@naturaljustice.org Also can you kindly advise what the due date for comments on the scoping report is for submission.	Allan Basajjasubi	Natural Justice	16 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that these stakeholders are registered as I&APs. The public comment period on the scoping report closes on 14 February 2023.
1002	I totally object to the production of oil and gas from the ocean off the coast of Mossel Bay. As a resident of the area, I object to the invasion of my coast, my people, my culture and my health. I do not give my permission to any oil company to mine for anything off the coast of my homeland.	Allan Kaplan	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events, on the marine environment, cultural heritage, and community health and safety will be assessed as part of the ESIA process
960 892	I'd like to register my support to oppose Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. Please register me as an interested party that objects to the exploration of gas by TOTAL in the greater Mossel Bay sea basin ad a marine sensitive area,	Allison Hahn Andre du Plessis	Individual Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
	conflict of interest, with fill future public participation. This must surely be seen as a no go as the Shell company was prohibited from drilling in our ocean. Now another onslaught and this must be stopped at all		Individual	-	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded.
	cost. The cost of destroying our coastline will be stopped. Go to hell with all this rubbish as we are going to fight you all the way. This is purely enrichment of the fraudsters running our country. I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I do not want			01 February 2023		WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
869 1529	profits to determine what happens to our earth. We need to maintain our environment. Object totally to gas pipeline in the middle of migration route! Andrew Early, Durban, South Africa	Andrew Day Andrew Stuart Early	Individual	03 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	DSR Section 2: None of the EAP's listed here were at the Port Alfred public meeting!	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	The WSP ESIA project manager attended the public meetings and gave the presentation regarding the ESIA process, and responded to questions in the
175	DSR Section 47: My concern is that the need and desirability is disingenuous. Let's take the case of Mozambique where in 2021 Total withdrew from the liquefied natural gas (LNO) project near Palma on the Afungi peninsula. Mozambique has been riddled with conflict and corruption, and the LNG industry has resulted in economic distortion through promised economic benefits, which have not materialisable. Its easy to sell the idea orthat NG can contribute to the energy crisis in a country where there is a huge deficit of power, and high unemployment but I am doubtful that the need is actually that great in the light that SA does not have the infrastructure, and the whole project is very localized to Mossel Bay. It is a concern that this is an economic distortion by TotalEnergies EP, together with its joint venture pantners.	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	discussion session. The situation at the liquefied natural gas (LNG) project near Palma on the Afungi peninsula in Mozambique is regrettable; but not comparable to the Block 118/118 Production Right application. Block 118/128 will produce natural gas that is intended to either replace feedstock for the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid (GLT) attaility or be used at the ESKOM Gounkwa power plant that is equipped with Open Cycle Gas Turbine technology that currently utilises diseal supplied by the PetroSA facility to operate during peak demand periods and emergency situations. "EEPSAs negotiation with both parties is ongoing. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2016.
	DSR Pg 5 Sec 5 line 2: Full stop duplicated. DSR Section 7: One of the greatest issues noted, is the clear absence of sufficient baseline data in deep-sea ecosystems that TotalEnergies is exploring. There are many direct impacts from these activities including the infrastructure installation, which can result in sediment resuspension and burial by seafloor anchors and pipelines, typically a radius of -100 m on from the installation on the seafloor, discharge of water-based and low-toxicly oil-based drilling muds which can extend over 2 kms, and ecological impacts at the population and community levels on the seafloor which can be roder of 200-00m from their source (Cordes et al. 2016). These impacts may persist in the deep sea for many years and kleyl longer for its more fragile ecosystems, such as cold-water corals (Cordes et al. 2016). In link this draft report needs to emphases this more as it is really onted section 10.	Andrew Witte Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023 31 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	Formating will be checked during the formatting of the Final Scoping Report. The sensitivities of deep-sea systems to oil spill impacts (such as recovery times, etc) have been widely studied in the wake of the Deep-water Horizon oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico (see for example Silva et al. 2015). These findings, along with preliminary ROV and drop camera results from the 2022 in situ survey of the production right area will be used to inform the marine ecology impact assessment. In addition, oil spill and drill discharge modelling will be undertaken as part of the impact assessment phase, the outputs of which will become an input into the marine ecology impact assessment plane, the outputs of which will become an input into the marine ecology origmact assessment plane.
	Reference: Cordes, E. E., D. O. B. Jones, T. A. Schlacher, D. J. Amon, A. F. Bernardino, S. Brooke, R. Carney, D. M. Del.eo, K. M. Dunlop, E. G. Escobar-Briones, A. R. Gates, L. Génio, J. Gobin, L. A. Henry, S. Herrera, S. Hoyt, M. Joye, S. Kark, N. C. Mestre, A. Metaxas, S. Pfeifer, K. Sink, A. K. Sweetman, and U. Witte. 2016. Environmental impacts of the deep-water oil and gas industry: A review to guide management strategies. Frontiers in Environmental Science DOI: DOIS Section 7: Concern also needs to be expressed towards the difficult conditions of this venture which increases the potential risk of accidents that may result in serious marine pollution. Sutton (2014) quotes a string of incidents—all suggesting an unfavourable trend in offshore oil and gas extraction, naming					impacts on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will imvolve the consideration of the sensitivity of the fundal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. The findings of the ESIA oil spill and drill discharge modelling will provide a comprehensive indication of the extent of accidental spills. The marine ecology and
	major companies such as Enbridge, Chevron, ExconMobil, and Shell and the lists of incidents that have occurred. Again, I don't think enough emphases is made around think. Reference: Sutton, I. 2014. Offshore Safety Management Second. Elsevier. DOI: 10.1016/C2013-0-13063-2. DSR Section 7: A question, what is the noise generation during the drilling of wells and how are and this noise potentially travel? Could this potentially impact things like [text-missing from letter]. Also, there is a large body of research that shows that the drilling and extraction of natural gas from wells and its	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	biodiversity specialist team and the social and the economic specialists will assess the impact of an spill on the respective receiving environments.
	transportation in pipelines results in the leakage of methane, primary component of natural gas that is 34 times stronger than CO2 at trapping heat over a 100-year period and 68 times stronger over 20 years (Myhre et al. 2013). How does TotalEmergies plan to miligate these problems? Reference: Myhre, G., D. Shindell, FM. Bréon, W. Collins, J. Fuglestvedt, J. Huang, D. Koch, JF. Lamarque, D. Lee, B. Mendoza, T. Nakajima, A. Robock, G. Stephens, T. Takemura, and H. Zhang, 2013. Anthropogenic and natural radiative forcing, in Climate change 2013: The physical science basis: Contribution of Working Group to the fifth assessment report of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, edited by Tr. Stocker, Jo. GK. Plattner, M. Tignor, S.K. Allen, J. Boschung, A. Nauels, Y. Xia, V. Bex, and P.M. Midgley. Cambridge, England: Cambridge University Press, 659–740. Online at www.climatechange.2013.org/images/report/WG1ARS_Chapter/B8_FINAL_pdf. References: I haven't checked all references but noted that Harris et al 2022 not in reference list but is used intext pg65. I suspect other references are	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	Noise sources including noise emissions from Project activities including drilling of wells will be included in the ESIA marine acoustic assessment. The distances to criteria thresholds, e.g., behaviour and injury threshold criteria will be assessed. GHG mitigation methods will be recommended based on the findings of the assessment.
180	missing so a check needs to be done on all references. General editing: I have noticed some general editing inconsistency e.g. some lists use full stops and others use semi-colons and others are a mix of colons,	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been noted; a check on inclusion of all references on the final scoping report will be done. The comment has been noted; an editorial check on the final scoping report will be done.
181	semi-colons, commas and full stops. There [text missing from letter]. I recognise this is a scope report and is trying to review and identify the gaps in knowledge. I think more emphasis is needed on ecological aspects and	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been noted; an editorial check on the final scoping report will be done. Section 7.2 of the final scoping report has been updated to include more information on marine ecology and the implications of constructing the production
182	spatial impacts of activities from drilling. But overall, I think that WSP has done a good job on this draft and commend the professional manner in which they have conducted themselves. If think importantly natural gas production will not solve the climate crisis, nor energy crisis in South Africa, but I quess its the "lesser evil" option compared to	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	pipeline in a Critical Biodiversity Area.
183	other fossil fuels. I just question the promises of prosperity that this is selling and the true impact that it will have on the ocean environment. The cost is definitely greater than this report suggests.	Andrew Witte	SubMarine Consultancy	31 January 2023	E-mail	The ESIA greenhouse gas study will consider the carbon emissions of the project and the ESIA air quality study will consider the impacts on local air quality relative to ambient standards. The ESIA economic study will consider the economic effects of the project.
1535	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and everything that negatively impacts the ocean, marine life and environment, consequently impacts me physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually. The destruction and subsequent death of ocean and all marine life it's heart breaking to think there are humans out there who don't care, nor have love in their hearts, for our precious animals and environment.	Angela Steinmetz		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1573	I hereby object to any/all ocean mining drilling or fracking. We need to protect our oceans shorelines from exploitation pollution and the total disregard of all life on this planet.	Angie Bauer		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
71	TotalEnergies has an exploration licence which has now expired. It was mentioned that as part of the current application, they plan to do further seismic surveys on the eastern side of the block. Do these seismic surveys fall under a production license or will a separate application be made since the surveys	Anika	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The current application does not include seismic surveys; the base activity is to develop with possible further exploration. Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) is an associated activity that will be done during drilling. It is a once-off activity of up to 9 hours, to get an indication of the geological structure of the well. It is not the
72	have a negative impact on marine life? Regarding the specialist studies, we note that noise and marine assessment will be done. Will other forms of pollution such as contamination of production	Aniba	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	same as the seismic surveys you are referring to that typically form part of exploration. Oil spill and drill discharge modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine explores study. There is interaction between the modelling them and marine explore team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the
12	water and sediment which comes out at the point of drilling (in heavy metals) be covered in the specialist reports?	Anika	Individual	or December 2022	v-r uone Mtg.01	marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The infeaturative that is proposed to be developed in the Consider Report. Similarly, the activities that will be period out are also described. There
121	If gas is discovered in exploration wells what will be done to get that gas to shore? Will there be new infrastructure put in place on the Cape St Francis side?	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023	V-FGM-12	The infrastructure that is proposed to be developed is described in the Scoping Report. Similarly, the activities that will be carried out are also described. These do include further drilling to better understand the characteristics of the resource. However, if the results of this ongoing drilling are favourable, any new infrastructure to bring new areas into production (other than those already forming part of the current impact assessment) will require a separate EIA process.
383	At this time I wish to register as an interested or affected party. I will study the draft scoping report which has become available today, and provide a detailed comment following that I will submit my comments before 3 February 2023.	Anika Meyer	Individual	01 December 2022	E-mail	intrastructure to oring new areas into production (other man mose already forming part of the current impact assessment) will require a separate EIA process. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We look forward to receiving your further comments.
384	comment following that. I will submit my comments before 3 February 2023. Introduction The Kromme Enviro-Trust (St Francis) is a registered Interested and Affected Party in the above application. We are primarily concerned with the proposed additional exploration activities, particularly the four proposed exploration wells, and the impacts on the area offshore of the Cape St Francis, Thysbaai, Oyster	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
385	Bay and Gibson Bay coastline, but our concerns apply to the full extent of the proposed production and exploration activities. EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive As Total Energies' headquarters are in the EU the organisation is subject to the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive. This being the case: 1.The Kromme Enviro-Trust expect to see a full disclosure of how TOTAL Energies will be acting in accordance with the above directive and that as part of these drilling operations and all other operations TOTAL is undertaking a full assessment of the environmental impact and human slavery impact in its supply chain and operations relating to these operations, down to the last molecule of waster. The Kromme Enviror-Trust submits list Pand scooping report	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	TEPSA has indicated that TotalEnergies is committed to act as a responsible company vis-à-vis the risks and the potential impacts of its operations on the natural and human environment, including biodiversity and human rights. In 2020, TotalEnergies has set itself a new biodiversity and buman rights. In 2020, TotalEnergies has set itself a new biodiversity and bumbion to coincide with the preparation of the United Nations' global biodiversity plan, which aims to protect global biodiversity and updates its public commitments in this field (sustainable-performance.totalenergies.com). As stated in the company's Code of Conduct and Human Rights Guide, TotalEnergies is committed to be aligned with the United Nations Guiding Principles (UNCP) on Business and Human Rights, clarifying the responsibilities of states and business untits on Human Rights issues. As part of its commitment, TotalEnergies is promoting transparency and close cooperation with all relevant stakeholders and interested parties to continually engage with them on matters related to operations. Managing impacts at all stages of operations forms an integral part of TotalEnergies' risk management system and referential. Additionally, TotalEnergies ensures
	chain and operations relating to these operations, down to the last molecule of waste. The Knomme Enviro-Trust submits that this EIA and scoping report should include environmental impact and slavery impact of the supply chain. Although this is not required by South African legislation, it is subject to the EU requirements.					that any sub-contractors apply the same rigorous approach. Contracts include clauses on respecting our Health, Safety, Societal and Environmental standards, all essential to operational excellence. The company systematically conducts environmental and social studies to ensure that impacts on the environment – especially in sensitive environmental and social contexts – are well identified from the beginning and managed according to the mitigation hierarchy: (1) avoid, (2) minimize, (3) restore, and (4) offset. The studies are carried out by external experts, in compliance with TotalEnergies' procedures and international good practices among which: IFC (International Enance Composition. Modif Bank croun) and IPEFA International Petroleum Industry: Environmental Conservation. Association.

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					FGM, Call)	TEEPSA has indicated that over and above the local regulatory requirements mentioned in Chapter 8 of the FSR, a set of corporate specifications apply to regulating environmental and social procedures and reporting requirements on projects. For example, the Project will comply with the General Specification for
386	2.Accountability to Total Energies Internal HSE Framework Policies: The Kromme Enviro-Trust would like to understand whether and to what extent the proposed operations will be managed in full compliance to the Total HSE and local content framework internal policies and guidelines, over and above local regulatory requirements. This submission includes, but is not limited to, the below expectations for information:	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Environment – Environmental Requirements for Project Design and Exploration and Production Activities (GS EP ENV 001). To reduce potentially significant impacts of future activities, miligation measures shall be identified and selected according to the Best Available Techniques (BAT) concept and approved by the Company. This specification deals with: Environmental Footprist, Flaring and Air Emissions; Fuel Gs and Energy Use; Management of Liquid Effluents; Waste Management: Drill Fluids and Cuttings; Chemicals; Noise; Dust, Odours and Lighting; Spill Response Equipment; and Decommissioning of Installations. In addition, TEEPSA will comply with the following specifications: General Specification for Exploration and Production activities (i.e. GS EP BNV 120). General Specification for Social Performance – Social Baseline Study (SBS) (i.e. GS EP SDV 101). General Specification for Social Performance – Social Impact Assessment (i.e. GS EP SDV 102). General Specification for Sustandable Development – Human Rights Impact Assessment (HRIA) (i.e. GS EP SDV 103) HSE Policies and Social Corporate Commitments. and TotalEneroise. Sustainable Performance.
387	Planned emissions and discharges: Air Emissions: 1. What is the expected CO2 and CH4 content of the reservoir? 1. What is the expected CO2 and CH4 content of the reservoir? 2. Total has a stated ambition to achieve Net Zero by 2050 and a 40% reduction by 2030 – what is the plan for managing the CO2 and methane emissions for the development wells and ongoing operations as result of these wells? What technical options are being considered to reduce the carbon footprint of the wells, like CCS, or is greenwashing proposed in the form of offsets? 3. What is the antiopated H2S and NOX or other high probability gases content in the reservoir? How are these being managed as emissions? 4. What is the gas type expected? 5. Will there be venting? 6. What is the flaring plan and what will be done to minimise flaring and dark smoke? 7. For the development wells, will the gas be tied back to the FPSO, how will the flaring be managed? 8. How is 10TAL managing scope 2 and 3 emissions from this activity to ensure they are minimised? 9. As I&AP we would like to understand the likelihood of Naturally Occurring Radioactive Materials and Mercury in the reservoir. 10. How will site-level methane emissions be monitored and what measures will be out in lacte to keep emissions below 1% of CH4 production during	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	The air quality study will be done as part of the ESIA and will discuss well flow testing flaring based on data provided by TEEPSA on the composition of the flare gas.
388	noutine operations and during unplanned events. Waste Management: 1. We would like to understand how waste will be managed to ensure that it does not contaminate local ecosystems. 2. We would like to understand how all waste will be managed, in particular hazardous waste. 3. Is all waste being disposed of in accordance with the EU Corporate Sustainability Due Diligence Directive and have waste receiving facilities been audited to ensure due diligence?	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	I. Waste materials generated during the drilling of well is drill cuttings that are discharged to sea after treatment on the drill rig to reduce oil content to below the regulatory standard 2. Waste materials generated by the onshore activities will be dealt with as general (non-hazardous waste) and any hazardous waste will be sent to a licensed landfill for treatment, if appropriate, prior to secure disposal. A certificate of safe disposal will be retained for auditing purposes. 3. The quantity and type of waste generated does not necessitate tracking, however, records of waste sent for recycling, to general landfill and for treatment and
389	4.Is waste being tracked? Chemicals and muds: 1.If a 6th Gen rig is being used, are the wells High Pressure or High Temperature or both? If so, are oil based or synthetic based drill muds being used? If so, how are they being managed and brought to shore? Where will they be disposed of? 2.We expect to see a typical proposed inventory of the chemicals to be used for drilling (muds, subsea, pipe dope, and concrete). What greening program is Total using to ensure ECO alternatives are considered and used? How will TOTAL manage the unavoidable toxic chemicals where greener alternatives are not available? 3.Does Total have a Chemical Management Process for chemical assessment and selection? 4.What is the plan for drill mud dumpring? (Pump and dump?) 5.We expect to see no planned discharge of whole Synthetic Based Mud (SBM) to occur during drilling. 6.When using SBM will Total be adopting the minimum standards of having solids control equipment on-board to reduce residual base fluid on cuttings content to ALARP and acceptable levels prior to discharge overboard?	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	disposal in a hazardous waste landfill will be kept as part of the Operational Environmental Management System. 1. A 6th Gen drill rig will be used; the characterisation of the wells will be confirmed in the Draft ESIA Report. 2. An inventory of the chemicals to be used will be included in the Draft ESIA Report and Chapter 6 (Alternatives) will consider the options for drilling. 3. The process for the selection of chemicals will be described in the Draft ESIA Report. 4. Drill cuttings and non-aqueous origining fluids will be tested on the off in gin prior to discharge to sea. 5. The comment is recorded and will be considered in the ESIA. 6. Where SBM is used in the drilling process, it will be treated to comply with regulatory standards prior to discharge to sea. 7. The drill mud modelling will be considered as part of the ESIA phase.
390	Z.We exxect to see the drill mud modelline included for reference. PLANNED operational discharges. 1.We expect to see all planned operational discharges from the rigs (from Haz and non-haz drains). Our preference is for zero discharge from the rig. 2.We would like to understand discharges from the supply exselve.	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Discharges from the drill rig will be described in the Draft ESIA Report. Discharges from the supply vessels will be described in the Draft ESIA Report.
391	UNPLANNED Emissions and Discharges: Oil Spili: 1.1s oil spili modelling occurring for a series of likely scenarios of a well blow out, vessel collision, grounding etc? We believe oil spill modelling should be based on all scenarios identified and with all hydrocarbons possible. We expect to see the outcomes of the modelling from all identified scenarios. 2.What type of vessels will be used for the campaign? What fuel types will they have on-board? A vessel base collision is the most likely source for an oil spill from a criting activity and we expect to see the modelling for this for all seasonal outcomes. 3.ts Total driving best practice and only using vessels with marine diesel oil or marine gas oil? Will Heavy Fuel Oil Intermediate Fuel Oil fuel be used, possibly as a last resort? 4.Will drilling be undertaken using a riser? We expect to see the modelling from an unplanned discharge from a riser, especially if synthetic base mud or oil-based muds are being used at any point in time. 5.Will the company be developing a WOMP (Well Operations Management Plan) for each hole?	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Modelling of contaminant dispersion due to a subsea blowout and drill cultings and drilling mud discharges and the effects on receptors and the coastline is being carried out as part of the EIA study. The findings will be presented in detailed reports not he next phase of the project.
392	in the word of an oil spil, we spect that TOTAL will have in place, at least the below standard industry practices, already implemented and ready for insponse, to ensure an oil spill evenet that TOTAL will have in place, at least the below standard industry practices, already implemented and ready for response, to ensure an oil spill evene it is managed to minimise impact to our shores and reduce the short- and long-term impact as far as possible. This includes Total has, (but is in no account limited to!) the ability for OSRL and equivalent to assist with an oil spill. **Hill OVDS done on all vessels pra-acceptance to ensure they are robust and maintained. **a capping stack available and logistically proven to be able to be deployed and on location in 10-14 days and that an alternative drill rig can be available within 72 hours of incident occurring to drill a relief well. We expect that a relief well plan is in place and planned for each well. **editority dispersant present and accounted for, which will not negatively harm our environment and is approved in European or Australian waters (as these are most comparable) **South African government pre-approval to use dispersant, based on efficacy testing and provision of all scientifically available information to enable a sound assessment on the possible impact the chosen dispersant could have on people or the receiving environment. **a full of spill response capability and plans mapped out and clearly defined for the first 24hrs, 48hrs, 7 days ownerds.	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Over and above the environmental and social management plan (ESMP) that will be developed as part of the ESIA process, an Emergency Response Plan, Oil Spill Contingency Plan and Blow Out Contingency Plan will be developed as a standalone document for the project. Your comments on the aspects that need to be addressed in the plans have been noted. The ESMP will outline the regulatory approval process for these plans.
393	-sufficient sundy vessels with disnersant available and trained nersonnel to use the equipment on-board. Release of Solid Objects: We expect your dropped phierts from sundy vessels and all drilling and subsea operations.	Anika Mever	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is noted and will be considered in the ESIA process.
394	We expect zero dropped objects from supply vessels and all drilling and subsea operations. Interaction with other sea users: 1. The area is renowned for fishing, how will TOTAL Energies be managing the impacts from interaction with all sea users in the area?	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	The fishing industry (commercial, small-scale, informal and subsistence) is considered a key focus area from a stakeholder engagement and a social impact perspective. During the construction phase, a temporary exclusion zone will be placed around the drill rig for safety purposes and the relevant authorities will be notified prior to drilling work commencing. Once the pipeline is installed an exclusion zone will be instituted for safety purposes. TEEPSA will maintain contact with the formal and informal fishing sectors to resolve any problems that may arise.
395	Noise Emissions: 1. What is being done to manage noise, both from subsea, rig and supply vessels? Invastive Marine Species (IMS): This being an active fisheries and tourist area, the Kromme Enviro-Trust would like to see how Invasive Marine Species will be	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects will be assessed in the ESIA. A Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (e.g., drilling rig, vessels) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species.
396	managed to ensure no invasive species are brought into our waters at any time during the field life or drilling activities. 1. We expect to understand all controls being taken to prevent IMS from reaching our shores and ports as a result of vessels bringing invasive marine species into our waters not only from overseas waters but also from domestic waters. 2. We expect to understand how ballast water exchange operations will comply with the international conventions. 3. We expect to understand how TOTAL Energies plans to ensure all vessels have biofouling management systems in place in accordance with international biofouling management guidelines. 4. We would like assurance that all vessels (of appropriate class) will have a valid International Anti-Fouling System Certificate LONG TERM IMPACT MITIGATION	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for your comment. The impacts of the introduction of alien and invasive species are noted. We will include a specific assessment of risk of the introduction of marine alien and invasive species, along with appropriate mitigation to reduce, and of possible, avoid, this impact in the marine ecological impact assessment. In addition, the environmental management program, which will be available for public comment together with the draft EIA report and studies will respond to this aspect. De- and re-balasting of vessels will be undertaken only under strict adherence to International Maritime Organisation (IMO) guidelines (Guideline A.868(20)) governing discharge of ballast waters at sea.
397	LONG TERM IMPACT MITIGATION	Anika Meyer	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	02 February 2023	E-mail	The closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA will detail all aspects of the well plugging and abandonment, infrastructure dismantling and retrieval, as we as in-situ abandonment of certain components if relevant, with appropriate cost provision for these aspects, to ensure that they are inert and non-contaminating Regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place.
1583	Please find registration as I&AP. I sent it to your email address teepsaEIA@WSP.com but it could not be delivered.	Anika Meyer		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
1755 3	Nooco to drilling off Mosselbay Will the marine ecology impact assessment consider migratory patterns of marine animals?	Anita Muller Anje Taljaard	Garden Route District Municipality	01 February 2023 05 December 2022	WhatsApp V-FGM-01	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Yes, the marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals.
5	Have engagements with the LED departments within the local municipalities commenced or will this form part of the next stage?	Anje Taljaard	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	Specific discussions related to the SLP were held with Mossel Bay Municipality in 2021. There will however be further engagements with other Municipalities in 2023.
7	Regarding stakeholder mobilisation, the local municipality can assist in identifying stakeholder groups such as organised subsistence fishers and environmental forums for further dissemination of information. Working with ward committees and ward councilies will also beneficial. The Department of Forestry and Fisheries (DFFE) is currently undertaking permitting with the small-scale fisherman and by working together with the local DFFE offices they will be able to assist with identification of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). The District Municipality could provide contact details of the various communication departments and other municipal structures.	Anje Taljaard	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	WSP will engage with you to secure the contact information and we will ensure that the relevant ward committee and local municipality communication departments are contacted to determine the appropriate communication mechanisms and secure further details.
8	Will the public meetings scheduled for 2023 be held in each local municipality or a district municipality? It would be difficult for small-scale fishers and indigenous community groups to stend centralized meetings. This is to inform you (teepsaEIA) that registered members of Extinction Rebellion (XR) Nelson Mandela Bay (NMB) strenuously object to TotalEnergies EP	Anje Taljaard	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	Public meetings were conducted in various locations during the scoping phase, and will be conducted again during the impact assessment phase. Separate virtual focus group meetings with small-scale fishers and indigenous community groups were also held in January 2023. Further meetings in April (close of the squid fishing season) with small-scale fishers are also being considered. An email was sent to Ms and Mr Knott to advise them that they can register as I&APs by sending an email to the Public Participation Office email address with
1005 1653	South Africa B.V.'s plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin (Block 118/1/28). On behalf of XR NMB members, Neil and I as co-founders of the XR NMB chapter have tried to register XR NMB as an interested party at the data-free website (https://wsp-engage.com/total-118128/). However, how to do so is opaque to us, so please advise on how exactly we should register XR NMB before 3 Feb 2023. very concerned about ocean drilling and its affects on its sealife!	Anne and Neil Knott Anne O'Kelly	Individual	03 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	their contact details. Their registration as I&APs were acknowledged as well as the comments received. Your comments have been recorded.
1049	I wish to object in the strongest terms against the proposed drilling at Mossel bay. Past research has shown that there is not so much oil as thought	Anne-Marie Muller	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1050 1051	previously. It will endanger wildlife, futher enhancing the loss of habitat we currently have. Futhermore, South Africa has of the most beautiful scenery in the world drawing tourists, read income.	Anne-Marie Muller Anne-Marie Muller	Individual Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. Tourism is an important sector. Potential impacts on tourism will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1052	No stop this madness! South Africans are sick and tired of mismanagement, irregular spending with no long term planning and forseeing the implications of governments actions. The country does not belong to government.	Anne-Marie Muller	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority in their decision-making process.
1059	I am responding with regards to the proposed ocean pillaging at Mossel Bay. I am both an interested and affected party. This would be disastrous should it be allowed – we have just stopped Shell and now Total want to do the same. For the same reasons as Shell was stopped, this has to stop. The site is on the southern right whale migration route and will have disastrous effects on their life. This will affect to trusin for thousands of KM each way as this is in the Agulhas current and will destroy sensitive marine life. This will affect the local fisherman who rely on the ocean for their lively hood and to feed their families. Tourism will be affected due to this destruction of the ocean life. This must not be allowed – not Shell, not Total, nor any other company. Leave our oceans alone!	Anthea Myburgh	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Potential impacts on fishers and tourism will be assessed through a dedicated socio-economic study, as part of the ESIA process.
2352	I am not an NGO. I am a San which is a clan that is recognized internationally and have claim to land. TEEPSA should go back and have a workshop over 3 to 4 days so that they can explain and provide more information as this is a lot of information to take in. We are the leaders and owners of the land.	Anthony Andrews	West Coast Guriqua Council	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	All comments have been noted. We will follow up with all comments and make arrangements to meet appropriately so that the project can be explained in detail and your responses can be received. At this, thank you for being part of this meeting.
963	I am an interested and - as living in Cape St. Francis - directly affected person. Given that, I like to register for your valuable petition against Total Energy Plans.	Arnd Hardtke	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project, as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition.
1000 1479	Why do PetroSA not refit Oribi/Oryx Oilfield. What happened to the Ikhwezi-F-09 project of 2012. Total & Shell should rather invest in finding alternative renewable energy. While finding oil and gas off our shores could help alleviate the immediate poverty in our country, the long term effects of harm done to the eco system would negatively impact the whole world.	Arnold Jones Barbara Anne Frost	Individual	12 January 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The reserves of the OrbibOryx Olifield gas fields has fallen to the point where they are no longer economically viable. The liktwezi-f-09 project that commenced in 2012 was cuttailed following a review in which it was found that the reserves of these fields was below the initial estimates and production ceased in 2018. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystem-stag approach and the most up to
1493	I question of ESIA consultants independence	Barbara Mfumadi		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting WSP's independence.
1494	the fact that the pipeline will be run by PetroSA once it is up and running is frightening! The government has run most of its institutions into the ground and so how will this be any different.	Barbara Mfumadi		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	TEEPSA has confirmed the suitability of the infrastructure for use in the project.
1495	so now wait this be any orderent. There are so many ways that this project can go wrong from the oil/gas spilling into the Augulus current, to corruption, to lack of jobs for small scale fishers, etc.	Barbara Mfumadi		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Oil spill modelling will be undertaken to determine the extent and significance of impact should an oil spill occur. Potential impacts on fishers will be addressed in the impact assessment phase, taking into account the outputs of the oil spill modelling, marine ecology and marine acoustics specialist studies.
2361	Numerous phone calls and emails to your company. Unanswered phone calls no responding on emails. Your company treat us as thrash.	Barry Jacobs	Gourikwa Khoisan stamhuis	18 January 2023	E-mail	The WSP stakeholder engagement team contacted Mr Barry Jacobs on 19 January, and invited Mr Jacobs to attend the focus group meeting on 23 January 2023.
2362	We as the Gourikwa Khoisan stamhuis send emails phone nearly 15 times with a request for providing of Transport to the meeting from Great-brakriver to Mosselbay. No decentcy even to respond on emails ore answering the phone.Im dissapointed.	Barry Jacobs	Gourikwa Khoisan stamhuis	18 January 2023	E-mail	The WSP stakeholder engagement team contacted Mr Barry Jacobs on 19 January.

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	Joint statement and comments by Interested and Affected Parties, as listed for the purpose of this document, on the above subject (Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (EISA) for the proposed offshore production right, additional exploration activities and environmental authorisation application for Block 1134/12 a. Ref. No. 1244/13 RP.				1 Gill, Gally	
579	1.1 REAMBLE 1.1.THE Grain and unlessing bis grain and unlessing bis grain and unlessing bis many and any support of this document, came together, consolidating and constituting the MOSSEL BAY SOCIO-ECONOMIC COLLECTIVE (MSEC), echoing in unison the importance of drafting comments to WSP and TeepSa (Total Energies) on the above subject matter. Though the EISA is directed and governed by law, engaging communities are not always producing the best of results, bringing about high hopes and expectations for the ordinary person and unlessing bis lazer and unexpected objectives and modus operand for many.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	WSP records that the signatories to the submission included: Barry Jacobs, Karel September, Mervyn Barnard, Peter H Fillies, Nolene Cupido, Jerohme Kannemeyer, Michael Carelse, Liyanda Maki, Lulamile Busakwe, Glynnis Flores, Willem Essau, Hilton De Kok, Peter Kees, Pedro Meyer, Katriena Thiele, Jerome Meyer, Gillian Thompson, Rik Rayster, Avril Baker, Larry Duncan, Linden Baker, Lindie Spandiel, Dawid Groenewald, Khol Tiekle, Leon Prinsloo, N Philander, ID Sceltman, J. Sceltman a proven track record of living, working, suffering with and leading many in the communities of Mossel Bay, in particular in					
560	D'Almeida, Extension 13, Tarka, New Sunny Side, Highway Park, Protea Park, Civic Park, Valley, Sonskynvallei, Brandwag, Powertown, Ruiterbos, Friemersheim, Great Brak River, Herbertsdale, Buisplaas, Weesbaai and Bartelsfontein, perfectly understanding the needs, expectations, short comings and other humanitish challenges of our day-to- day fluelihood.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
581	1.3.Most, if not all these organizations stood the test of time, experienced numerous investment opportunities, developmental endeavours and to say the least, exploitation and hardship at the hands of governments and private sector, since we have been identical in living with our natural and human resources over the ages.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment has been commissioned by TEEPSA and the terms of reference for this study is to collect primary data through interviews
582	1.4.For the bigger part of most of our livelihoods, we are still today people of the sea, a coastal generation that became synonymic with the ocean and it's economy. We may not all have directly experienced the benefits thereof, but by virtue of our association, we became augmented.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	with coastal communities within the Project area of influence. The ESIA social study will consider the impacts of the Project activities on small-scale fisher communities and the ESIA economic study will consider the economic impacts on local and regional economies. A separate but related process is the preparation of a Social and Labour Plan that will assess the Project skills requirements and the availability of these skills in local communities, with identification of training and skills development needs and the requirements for local economic empowerment.
583	2.We have learned through participating in development projects in human and natural resource development to become active players, not to be used for other people's gains, but to cement concrete deals and opportunities that not only grant people work but to become shareholders, decision makers and give credible directions to development causes. Thus, shareholding in project operations has to be discussed with TeepSa and related enterprises. 3.0 our communities came through ages of battles for survival and developed periodically into became self-relaint, though not as sustainable as it should be,	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has also been provided to TEEPSA.
	but to an extend that people grew closer to on another. As with the economy of our country and that of the town, to many people are still left behind making the gap between rich and poor bigger than before. Government and private sector need to take responsibility for this ever-increasing gap and redirect their focus to where it really matters. People's needs are growing; hence the focus should not be shifted from (I) housing, (ii) employment, (iii) safety and (iv) basic needs. 3.1.HOUSING	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which are to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development to empore provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during 2023. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the proposed local economic develop programme will be
	Although it's the responsibility of government, Mossel Bay has seen housing developments based on racial lines for years. Poor black communities get low class (income) housing developments whist white suburbs are developed for the rich and wealthy. The TeepSa project should bring about a shift in the imidated of those in government and make remarkable investments in infrastructure and housing developments that will benefit all racial communities. A housing project should be embarked upon jointly by TeepSa and a Collective structure in Mossel Bay. 3.7 FMI OMMENT OPPORTINITIES	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	borning tie Schrigerung von Steel (1997) and the Schrigerung von Schrigerung v
586	Since the dawn of PetroSA-chemical projects in Mossel Bay, this has always been a cause of disagreement. This industry may require from time-to-time particular skills, knowledge and tradesmanship. It has been found that certain companies in the industry make use of importing certain skills that are existing in Mossel Bay of which is a disgrace and an insult to the residence of this town. Some even went as far as training locals in certain field, but still employment is not offered. This caused many skilled, qualified and highly sophisticated tradesman to leave the country in search for employment. A joint initiative by both Teepsa and community should embark on the creation of a skills data base, however it should not happen that labour broken darforms, any sphere of government or any private entity that stand to gain from the construction face, should be eligible to produce such a skills data base.		Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to proposed skills development initiatives will be communicated.
507	Secondly, the need to train more eligible people in certain fields can never be over emphasized, thus Teepsa should invest in a proper accredited training facility of world class standards, providing sustainable training opportunities. Proper certification in this regard is of utmost importance since universal standards are to be considered. There should not be a need to create new infrastructure, as it already exists in the form of a TVET (South Cape College) and the Centre of Excellence (PetroSA).	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to proposed skills development initiatives will be communicated.
588	Development of acquired (sustainable) skills should be ongoing as it (I) needs to prioritize upskilling opportunities: (ii) it should be investor/employer-led: (iii) should find a mentor to support the development of such skills and (iv) must sign up for external skills training.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to TEEPSA's proposed skills development and mentorship plan will be communicated.
589	If and when the project has been commissioned to proceed with the production phase, after obtaining the necessary permits and/or licensing, we believe that construction will be outsourced to the relevant companies, partners and/or stakeholder. The latter service providers need to be engaged by both Teepsa and the Collective to ensure that labour is properly recruited form the Mossel Bay component of labour, hence the need of a well-researched skills data base.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment and procurement principles will be communicated.
590	Creation of a social labour plan that benefits the indigenous people of the area and the majority amongst the originals.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of preparing its first generation SLP and undertakes to engage with a broad base of interested and affected paries (I&APs) during this process. In the event that the production right is granted, the SLP will be valid for the duration of the production right and subject to a periodic review every five years. As part of its obligations to engage meaningfully regarding the SLP, TEEPSA will be required to establish various fora such as a Future/Transformation Forum and other engagement platforms intended to ensure that socio-economic benefits accrue to host communities. As such, various opportunities to engage and provide input on the development of the current or future iterations of the SLP will be afforded to all I&APs, including indigenous people within the Mossel Bay area.
	4.SAFEY Community life is the place where opportunities for people are existing, but at the same time it's the place where crime and violence concentrates. It usually came because of unemployment, inadequate services and health provisions, social exclusion and over population. Safety is a key component for realising liveable, productive, inclusive and sustainable communities, hence it needs to be high priority. Teepsa and community should partner in driving social and eleconomic programmes to deal decisively with crime and violence. Crime and violence crime					
591	factors. It has a severe negative effect on society to the extent that productivity and sustainability is disturbed in the private sector and small business environment. Resource allocation is essential to the success of such an approach, to secure the communities meet their developmental potentials. Safety goes beyond the safety of persons, the integrity of investments and the sustainability of community development, it invokes freedom of movement and access to public spaces and unfettered participation in school, public life and income-generating activities. As a start Teepsa and communities should embark on (i) safety audits within communities to establish safety needs and strategies. (ii) create environmental designs aimed at addressing the safety of women. children and other vulnerable groups. (iii) safety plans that have corresponding budgets.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The perspective on community life and the impacts of violent crime is well noted. Safety and security, including the potential project impacts on violent crime will be considered as part of the social assessment.
	People in communities thrive on various kinds of basic needs as it is important for people to become aware their basic needs in order to develop themselves. Before we thrive, we need to satisfy our basic material needs, i.e. food, clean air; shelter, clothing, health care, etc. Teepsa can play a phoular lose as an engine of economic growth and job creation. It can provide goods and services to local communities, generate tax revenues to finance essential social and economic infrastructure, develop new innovative solutions that help tackle development challenges and it is central in addressing climate change.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP takes note of your comment regarding the need to address basic needs. The socio-economic assessment will consider this aspect
593	As communities we are looking forward to the developmental approach of Teepsa, expecting to see that it broadens from the conventional approach of supporting the economic development to a more inclusive and collaborative public private partnerships. Through discussions within the broader sustainable development agenda in order for this project to be a people-centred development project, Teepsa should not limit itself to financing and investment, rather strongly focus on	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is committed to align its first generation and subsequent SLPs with the overarching goal of advancing social and economic welfare and ensuring that the operation contributes towards socio-economic development in the region. To achieve this, TEEPSA intents to collaborate and engage with host communities on an ongoing basis, both before and more importantly, after granting of the production right. TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which are to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards
594	in order for this project, to be a peoper-denied between the project, feepas should but aim user or initiating and investibility, rainer storingly rocks of innovative capabilities, human resources, know-how and technological inputs from within the communities they operate. By these actions basic needs will be addressed. 6. THE OCEANS ECONOMY	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, butusaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during 2023.
	The oceans economy will always be a means to sustain livelihoods, both coastal and inland, in ways particularly friendly and familiar to the Southern Cape Coastline, by means of (i) sustainable maritime repair and maintenance; (ii) support for gas and oil explorations, (iii) commercial and small-scale fishing; (iv) sustainable aquaculture; (iv) sustainable aquaculture; (iv) arrive tourism and a	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your suggestion will be considered in the development of the various SLP elements.
596	(w) self sustainable maritime school. The block identified by Total for production and future exploration rights has a rich coastline and a very deep-rooted traditional fishing heritage. 6.1.MARITIME REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE Centuries before oil and gas and marine tourism were discovered in our rich oceans, subsistence, small scale and commercial fishing were the main activities of the indigenous and modern people of Mossel Bay, it is disappointing that government today does not regard the Mossel Bay harbour as a fishing harbour, focussing mainly on PetroSA-chemical activities, hence fishing has become secondary to almost zero importance. Even though, the fishing industry provides unimerous job and business opportunities for our people, it is considered of lesser importance. Furthermore, ports authoritine, Mossel Bay made access to the harbour virtually impossible for small scale fishing by not creating sufficient infrastructure (launching, loading and offloading of boats and cargo) and the high unaffordable cost of using the existing poor infrastructure. The industry creates food for more people in our communities than that of the PetroSA chemical industry, but let after does not provide food directly to the table. Neither does it provide sufficient jobs and small business opportunities. We do consider the many positive impacts of the PetroSA-chemical industry, but it should not contribute to the eradication of the fishing industry. Therefore, Teeps should assist the fishing community of Mossel Bay, to engage authorities to provide proper infrastructure and intervee on the cost of using such. Small scale fishing uses undersal, thus the maintenance of equipment thing many constrains. A joint capital investment strategy needs to be developed by all parties concerned. Ship building, maintenance and repair industry is at a critical stage in its development, the industry to use ports in other areas, even countries. Mossel Bay port has land potential to trivthe boat and ship repairs, since Transet do own land on t		Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your suggestion will be considered in the development of the various SLP elements. WSP cannot comment about the public participation done as part of TEEPSA's exploration right application process. The requirement for public participation is
597	6.2 SUPPORT FOR GAS AND OIL As did the consultant, WSP indicate that the project reached the phase where consultation with I&AP's must take place, it is however questionable why Teepsa only at this stage start talking to communities and I&AP's, whereas the former and latter were not informed, consulted or even brought on board during the exploration phase. However technical or scientific the exploration phase might have been, ordinary people within our communities could have been better informed, and best understood the situation the Teepsa is facing at present.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	embedded in South Africa's Constitution and regulatory processes. Notably, Section (2/4)(f) and (o) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1988 states "the participation of all interested and affected parties (18APs) in environmental governance must be promoted and all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equitable and effective participation, and participation by vulnerable and disadvantaged persons must be ensured, and - the environment is held in public trust for the people, the beneficial use of environmental resources must serve the public interest and the environment must be protected as the people's common heritage".
598	With the consultation process, first round of meetings held in Mossel Bay, we need to express our utter disappointment with the manner in which and where meetings were held. It is uncalled for to make racial divides so obvious by having two meetings in a Xhosa speaking African community and two meetings in a white Afrikaans speaking community. No meetings were held in the black Afrikaans speaking areas. Teepsa and WSP need to correct that, since the first nation people has to be recognised. Second to that, no regard has been given to rural communities around Mossel Bay, a clear indication that our rural people are not considered intellectually enough for such technical data and information and/or that they can only be farmers. We need thorough explanations on this matter.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023		Section 9.4 of the Draft Scoping Report provided detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed project. The EAP considered several sets of regulatory requirements, and p.89 of the draft scoping report provided additional factors that were considered in the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs. Therefore, the EAP believes that efforts beyond the regulatory requirements were made to create a preliminary list of I&APs. Section 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs, and Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs (a) Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report for more information). In view of the regulatory requirements, stakeholders are always encouraged to and are responsible to register as I&APs. All oducumentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs to distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs during the ESIA process. In addition, Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report for more information, about the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: *Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). *Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. *Placement of site notices at various public places. *Placement of site notices at various public places. *Placement of site notices at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. *Placement of site notices at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. *Placement of site n
	Our organizations and affiliates to this document in Mossel Bay, take note of public objections and campaigns against Teepsa projects offshore productions intentions, in particular that from the Green Connection (South Africa) and BLOOM (France). Therefore, we are of the opinion that (I) organizations that does not live in poverty, need not to stop initiatives that will fight this evil, poverty; (ii) small scale fishers should not be used as an excuse to further foreign causes, rather be partnered with fishing communities to bring permanent relief.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
600	Mossel Bay Small scale fishing communities do have genuine concerns, challenges and needs, which need to be addressed by civil society, business and government, with the latter failing to deliver since legislation and pressures from organised commercial industries in fishing cause too much red tape and serious constrains. In lobbying for support for the production of oil and gas, as a collective for furthering socio-economic prosperity for the greater Mossel	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP takes note of your comment regarding the need to address basic needs. The socio-economic assessment will consider this aspect
601	Bay we will have to engage TEEPSA and related institution to provide not only employment, but a capital share that will ease up on poverty and dissembowerment. 6.3.COMMERCIAL AND SMALL-SCALE FISHING From experience and exposure to this industry for many years, we came to learn and succumbed to defeat in all Fishing Rights Allocation Processes (FRAP) to this day. The process has never been community or small business friendly as it requires massive sums of money, huge financial backing and/or investments, highly technical advisories, legal expertise, all which comes with the monopoly of capital. As FRAP works on a quota system only a few wealthy, politically connected, friends in high places and dubious racketeering tendencies are becoming evident at the time of applying for fishing rights. Fural communities hardly get any portion from this method of allocating fishing rights to the extent that one (1) in three (3) successful black applicants (small enterprises) for the FRAP 21122 in Mossel Bay develop into competitive business. The rest always fails. Various factors could be ascribed to it of which we will not dwell much on the scientific data available, rather on the unfairness; racial prejudices; lack of commercial fishing vessels and the monopoly of those who currently own these vessels (white vessel owners) in the business sector. Let us give an example how the industry operates: A black condition, in the community has a fishing right (quota holder). An agreement has to be reached with a vessel owner (catch or charter agreement). In the event of a catch agreement, the deals are always 454,01 and 5, which means that the boat owner gets 45%, the crew 40%; 6% reserve fund and 10% to the quotider. One can make your calculation should this quota be Smillion 2AR. Our question that comes to mind immediately, is whether it is worthwhile clinging to commercial fishing as the codes are against the poor, marginalized and coloured and black component of the fishing community. We became spectators in the commercial ini		(MSEC) Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	This issue will not be addressed as part of this assessment as the intervention requires a political and systemic leve intervention that is outside the scope of this ESIA.
602	ocean should get preference over big business in fishing, mainly operating from the metros. Small business in the commercial fishing industry, especially black business will never succeed until the balance of monopoly capital and investments are not addressed in favour of small business in the commercial fishing industry. Once again, the scale of these inequalities needs to be addressed in Mossel Bay and over a broader spectrum in the industry. Rural communities dose to the ocean should get preference over big business in fishing, mainly operating from the	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The value of supporting small businesses in the commercial sector (especially black businesses) is well recognised. This aspect will be taken in account from a project-focused perspective.
	over a broader spectrum in the industry. Rural communities close to the ocean should get preference over big business in fishing, mainly operating from the metros.		(MSEC)			ричуюх-точного резурвате.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
	Scientists wrote many reports and lengthy documents on the impact and effects that projects such as oil and gas exploration and production have on marine		Massal Pay Socia Economia Callactiva			marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and did lidischarges modeling study, and a noise modelling study. The expect of the proposed operations are proposed operations are proposed operations.
603	life, some of which many in our community can bear witness to. For years we experienced that the ocean "does not go to the doctor to be healed", she heals herself and fishers adapt to the changing tides. This may work for the commercial industry, but definitely not for the small-scale industry.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
604	6.4 AQUACULTURE Aquaculture is considered the fastest growing farming sector around the world, whilst South Africa is "feet-dragging" the process. The sector is facing severe challenges that can be addressed, inter alia, water, infrastructure, finances, markets, crime, etc. Hindrances such as lack of human capacity and aquaculture skills and compiex government legislation scare investor quite easily. Aquaculture is a means of addressing poverty, food security and nutrition in rural communities. Most of our current fish stocks are harvested and exported to wealthy countries, but our own people are starving, since the price of fish is ever insing. Poverty has to compete with export. Our coastline has suitable environmental conditions for nake, oob and tradition line fish. Fish stocks that can both be marketed abroad and in our impoverished communities. Studies proved that aquaculture could contribute to: "Creation of sustainable job opportunities "Foster economic developments "Capitatize on export opportunities "Stimulate rural development and livelihoods "Attract foreign investments "Safeguard sustainable environmental integrity "Create small, medium and micro enterprises. In order to bring about the abovementioned the hindrances and challenges that might cause negative impacts, Teepsa and the fishing community should partner in "Lacking the bull by its horns".	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP appreciate your comment. The social and environmental impact assessment will consider the proposed project's economic effects and implications.
605	Joseph Terri in account of the properties of the provided in t	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Aspects relating to tourism will be considered as part of the socio-economic assessment.
606	6.6.MARITIME TRAINING SCHOOL The Southern Cape has training institutions available, TVET colleges and Nelson Mandela University, which can be approached to establish a proper maritime training facility. At present this kind of training can only take place in the metros, leaving a huge vacancy among young people. Maritime training skills are mostly used in the fishino industry. since many are not made aware that the oceans economy is much more than fishino.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which is to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during 2023. We take note of your constructive suggestion regarding possible training and skills development initiatives.
607	mostly used in the fishing industry, since many are not made aware that the oceans economy is much more than fishing. 7.SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISE DEVELOPMENT Small and Medium Enterprises (SME's) have been identified as productive drivers of inclusive economic growth and development in South Africa and around the world. Some researchers have estimated that, in South Africa, small and medium-steed enterprises make up 91% of formalised businesses, provide employment to about 60% of the labour force and total economic output accounts for roughly 34% of GDP. While contributing significantly to the economy. SMEs fosted fiversification through their development of new and unsaturated sectors of the economy. In addition, innovative and technology-based small and medium enterprises can provide a platform for local, regional, and international growth, especially in Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa (BRICS) economies. SME's are considered an important contributor to the economy as drivers for reducing unemployment, especially since the formal sector onlines. In shed jobs. 7.1 CHALLENGE'S RACED BY SME's.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA economic assessment will consider economic effects for Small and Medium Enterprises (SME's)
608	-Crime and corruption -Appropriate technology and low production capacity (includes access to electricity) -A lack of management skills and in adequate skilled labour -Finance and obtaining creditAccess to markets and developing relationships with customersRecognition by large companies and government bursaucracy -Knowledge and support for the role that they play in economic developmentRegulatory complianceRepulatory complianceRepulatory compliance are given ample opportunities to be part of the construction of the production process. We all know that most SME's are unable to commete with instants companies. There it needs to be clear that his businesses should all partner with a SME's are unable to	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	This aspect will be considered as part of the socio-economic assessment.
609	8.SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY Corporate Social Responsibility, CSR is a broad term which describes a business' efforts to uplift or improve society. As a philosophy, CSR maintains that businesses are members of the society they operate in, to become known as corporate citzens and are therefore accountable to society for their actions. Total Energies are well aware and became known to live up to their CRS, hence we would be obliged as a collective to become central to it. This means that you need to consider the impact of your business operations on society, including things like: "Your company's carbon footprint and environmental impact. "Your company's impact on the South African economy "Human rights and the promotion of positive change (e.g. addressing cultural and social issues) As a collective we can secure ethical business practices through corporate governance and ethical leadership on all projects in Mossel Bay and ensure that both profit and non-profit organisations operate with honesty and transparency to avoid corruption. Both Teepsa and Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has indicated that TotalEnergies aims to fuel long-term sustainable growth. Their ambition is to become the responsible Energy Major, contributing to better energy, socio-economic development and upliftment in the communities in which they operate. TotalEnergies' dedicated CSI initiatives include: Youth inclusion & Education, Climate & Environment, Cultural Dialogue & Heritage, Road Safety and Enterprise Development. TotalEnergies Corporate Social Investment (CSI) includes long-term partnerships forged with Non-Profit Organisations, Government, our suppliers, customers and other corporates with a shared vision, to effect meaningful change for their beneficiaries.
610	should afrive towards the establishment of a vehicle that will carry funds (Social Fund) for achieving aforesaid programmes and projects. TEEPSA should allow towns in the region to present proposals on profit sharing and or acquiring a capital share in the entire project. Giving communities (I) opportunities to work, (II) sponsoring of projects and (III) referred in any or all of the abovementioned ventures throughout the lifespan of the oil and gas exploration is hardly enough. Through this we will remain onlookers and spectators and will never become co-owners of our natural resources.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Details regarding TEEPSA's proposed investment in human resource development and local economic development initiatives will be outlined in the draft SLP that will be made available for comment in 2023. WSP will ensure that you are informed when the draft SLP is available for comment on the proposed interventions, particularly as it relates to skills development and local economic development.
611	Challenge: Our situation looks very bleak in terms of sustainable development. Possible solution: Teepsa can play a pivolal role as an engine of economic growth and job creation. It can provide goods and services to local communities, generate tax revenues to finance essential social and economic infrastructure. Develop new innovative solutions that help tackle development challenges. It is central in addressing dimate change.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which is to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during 2023.
612	Challenge: Disempowered communities in the greater Mossel Bay. Possible solution: Identify beneficiaries and stakeholders to the Teepsa. Becoming partners of the Teepsa oil and gas exploration through production phase.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which are to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken in 2023.
613	Challenge: Lack of descent housing. Possible solution: Purchase land from the municipality to develop a middle-income housing project.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the suggestion. Stakeholder perspectives and inputs will be taken into account within the scope of the project focus.
614	Challenge: Ensure that development of acquired skills should be ongoing. Possible solution: Needs to prioritize upskilling opportunities; Skills should be employer-led. Should find a mentor to support the development of such skill. Must sign up for external skills training.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a SLP, the primary objectives of which are to advance social and economic welfare and contribute towards socio-economic development. The SLP includes a human resource development component which makes provision for skills development, learnerships, but development, learnerships, adult education and training, and portable skills training. A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken
615	Challenge: Employment opportunities. Possible solution: Essential skill be sourced locally, where it does not exist, then regionally and/or nationally and or internationally. All semi-skilled and unqualified labour be sourced local and regional. For each skill not found locally and regionally a candidate for training be sought locally and/or regionally to be empowered.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	during 2023. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
616	Need of a well-researched skills data base. Design a social labour plan. Challenge: Security and safety vs Criminality. Possible solution: Safety audits within communities to establish safety needs and strategies. Create environmental designs aimed at addressing the safety of women; children and other vulnerable groups. Safety plans that have corresponding budgets. Empowering neighbourhood watch groups and proper training for Community Police Forums.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The observation on security, safety and criminality is noted. These aspects will be considered as part of the social assessment.
617	Challenge: People-centred broad base economic development. Possible solution: Teeps as solud not limit itself to financing and investment, rather strongly focus on: -Innovative capacities -Inuman resources -Inuman resources	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	As part of its obligation to engage meaningfully on the SLP, TEEPSA will collaborate with various municipalities and community representatives in the process of developing its first generation SLP. Should a production right be granted, TEEPSA will furthermore continue these engagements during subsequent five-year periodic SLP review processes.
618	- Acendoscal inouts from within the communities they operate. SMALL & MEDIUM ENTERPRISES Challenges: - Appropriate technology and low production capacity (includes access to electricity) Alack of management skills and in adequate skilled labour Finance and obtaining credit Accesstomarkstand developing relationships with customers. Possible solution: - Developing alternative and/or supplementary means to get electricity Adopt a system to mentor, train and support struggling enterprises Assist groups in similar industries to create consortiums TEEPSA to start a ouardinantin orgonarme to give exposure to SME's and oartner them with suitable clients.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to TEEPSA's proposed skills development and mentorship plan will be communicated.
619	Challenge: -Maintenance and repairs to fishing infrastructure. -Ship building, maintenance and repair industry is at a critical stage in its development, the industry continues to be stifled by obsolete port infrastructure, protectionist government policy and monopoly pricing. -Shall scale fishing use different vessels and equipment than the commercial operators, and due to the low-income margin of small scale, it remains a serious challenge to meet budgetary demands, thus the maintenance of equipment brings many constrains. Possible solutions: -A joint capital investment strategy needs to be developed by all parties concerned. -Teepsa should assist the fishing community of Mossel Bay, to engage authorities to provide proper infrastructure and intervene on the cost of using such.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	As part of the social and environmental impact assessment, the economic effects and implications of the proposed project will be evaluated.
620	Challenge: Disturbances on the seabed and dwindling fish stocks Possible solution: Aquaculture	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Potential local economic development projects will be dealt with in the SLP. Thank you for your suggestion regarding aquaculture.
621	Challenge: Consultation meetings were held on a racial divide. Rural communities were totally excluded. Possible solution: -Further consultations should be done more thoroughly inclusive of, but not limited to all racial groups and areas and full participation of all rural communities. -Future consultations should be mutually agreed upon by all parties and be held in all areas interested and affected.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	While the ESIA team can, to some extent appreciate the perception of the Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective that the consultation meetings were held on a racial divide, it can assure stakeholders that such an approach would be in conflict of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the South African Constitution and international best practice principles for public participation (https://www.iap2.org). The ESIA team strictly adhered to the applicable sets of regulations as described in Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report. Factors that support the approach to and methods of the public participation process are described in detail in Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report and inducit letterature research, the preliminary ist of IARPs (see Appendix E1 of the Final Scoping Report his of registeral EARPs (Appendix E2 of the Final Scoping Report), the notification process as well as initial meetings held with the local government structures to obtain information about the best ways to engage with communities in the proposed project area. The ESIA team has already made contact with the Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective on the 14th of February 2023 and will continue to engage with the Collective as part of the consultation process.
622	Challenge: Inequalities in the fishing industry Possible solutions: -Empowering small scale fishers by taking care of their overall running cost -Subsidizing fuel bills	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your suggestion is noted. Economic inequality aspects will be considered.
623	-Assistance with acquiring fibre glass deck boats Contribute to maritime training Oceans economy: Challenges: Creation of sustainable job opportunitiesFoster economic developmentsCapitatize on export opportunitiesStimulate rural development and ivelihoodsAttract foreign investmentsSafeguard sustainable environmental integrityCreate small, medium and micro enterprisesCreate small, medium and micro enterprises.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP appreciate your comment. The social and environmental impact assessment will evaluate the proposed project's economic effects and implications and measures to enhance positive impacts.
624	Challenge: Community absence in marine tourism Possible solutions: -Assisting communities to obtain permits, equipment and expertise in marine tourism. -Engage current blue economy road users; i.e. big tourist vessels (cruise ships & yachts) and companies to partner with SME's in this industry.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The observation is noted. In principle, increasing local benefit and involvement is a focus area for the social assessment of the proposed project.
625	-Provide management and planning skills to SME's in the industry. Challenger, Marihime training schools currently in the eastern cape, Cape Town and Saldanha Bay. Possible solutions: -Engage the services of TVET colleges and Nelson Mandela University in the region. -Prepare and compile a proper data base of all maritime skills needed in the maritime industry.	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the proposed skills development programme, required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
626	Challenge: Capital share Possible solutions: To be negotiated with Teepsa by the Collective	Barry Jacobs et al.	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has also been circulated to TEEPSA.
627	10.Declaration of Intent by stakeholders The content of this document has been designed, worked, issued, and constructed by Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective and officially signed on the 1st day of February 2023. Signatories to the document are properly vetted by the Collective and authorized by their respective boards, committees and/or executives.	Barry Jacobs <i>et al.</i>	Mossel Bay Socio-Economic Collective (MSEC)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The content of the document is acknowledged and is being integrated into the specialist studies. The information has been provided to the Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process team that will be conducting the SLP process as a separate process in support of the Production Right application. The philodicine has been proceeded and will be consistent by the Competent Authority.
1658 781	I totally object to TOTAL finling near Mossel Bayl Beatrice Collon, Knysna I object To TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be outrageous and devastating that it would even be considered. Please make the rights choice, not the profitable choice. Some things in this life are more valuable than money.	Beatrice Collon Belinda Book	Individual	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
209	Every action has a reaction, think of the consequences of these actions and the wildlife being affected. Firstly I would like to thank the presenters (Eduard Groenewald, Helen Crosby and Toni Pietersen) for giving concise and to the point presentations about the process for the "Proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B".	Ben Burke	Individual	20 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.

NT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION fully understand this was a presentation about what TEEPSA will be responsible for i.e. to supply gas and associated condensates produced by the 'new'	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
Pe 1 de	ubsea wells to the existing F-A platform. Thus, making PetroSA GTL refinery. TEEPSA 'sole' client. **EtroSA GTL refinery was commissioned in 1992 and designed for a life cycle of approximately 20 years, which bring us to 2012. Now in 2023 the levelopment of new "Feedstock of gas and condensate", bring concerns about the stability and viability of PetroSA infrastructure as well as the pipeline	Ben Burke	Individual Individual	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	E-mail	No offtake agreements have been signed to date. TEEPSA is negotiating with PetroSA and ESKOM as potential purchasers of the gas and condensate. TEEPSA has conducted surveys of the F-A platform and other PetroSA infrastructure to ensure that is it suitable to take the gas and condensate from Block 1187/28.
A to of tak	nking PetroSA to the FA platform. A further concern is in pare 6.8 pg 35 [of the DSR], referring to the "Operational Aspects of the activity" where PetroSA will be responsible for the operation of the field one commissioned, thus the impact assessment focuses on activities required to bring the field into production whereafter ongoing reduction will ake place through the existing infrastructure and staff complement at the F-A Platform. For the next 20 yearst. And readingArticles in the Engineering levels and News24 (https://www.engineeringnews.co.zalarticle/petrosa-seeks-partner-to-resume-full-production-at-mossel-bay-git-refinery-2023-01-18; ttps://www.nextyle.com/fix24econom/wanted-partner-for-quick-restarto-operosa-refiner-yeeferably-from-and-in-fix-hation-and-in-fix	Ben Burke	Individual	20 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has conducted surveys of the F-A platform and other PetroSA infrastructure to ensure that is it suitable to take the gas and condensate from Block 118/128.
De pa Pa rej	<u>Recommissioning of Existing Wellar</u> . In this report [DSR] it is also stated that :- (Ref to Figure 3-2 with 5-1 -F.A Platform existing subsea layout) referring to aragraph 5.1.1 on page 16 of the report, "The proposed development assumes no further production from the existing PetroSA fields, enabling the Yeardavissic development to exclusively use the Offshore installation for the treatment and export of gas and condensate." In page 16, that with this contact with TEFRSA, these existing wells with the required to be depoted in 2029. However it is suggested, see para 5.1.1 page 16, that with this contact with TEFRSA, these existing wells will be required to be decommissions by PetroSA.	Ben Burke	Individual	20 January 2023	E-mail	No pre-existing infrastructure belonging to PetroSA is included in the closure plan, and PetroSA's closure planning strategies and provision for funding to implement the closure plan's would be submitted independently of this project.
Wi	Will PetroSA rehabilitate the sea beds, by removing or needeng the wells "safe' similarly as per in para 5.4.1.3 Decommissioning Activities? Does PetroSA have sufficient reserved fund for this process of "Decommissioning" to be undertaken?	Ben Burke	Individual Individual	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	E-mail	No pre-existing infrastructure belonging to PetroSA is included in the closure plan, and PetroSA's closure planning strategies and provision for funding to implement the closure plan's would be submitted independently of this project. PetroSA's closure planning strategies and provision for funding to implement the closure plan's for their existing assets would be submitted independently or
fin im	Who will monitor the decommissioned wells for the next 20 years as required and stated in this report? References - (Act No. 28 of 2002) "making of nancial provision as contemplated in the Act for the costs associated with the undertaking of management, rehabilitation and remediation of environmental mpacts from prospecting, exploration, mining or production operations through the lifespan of such operations and latent or residual environmental impacts	Ben Burke	Individual	20 January 2023	E-mail	project, and it remains the responsibility of PetroSA to ensure that this aspect is adequately funded. The need for post-decommissioning monitoring will be assessed in the Closure Plan being developed as part of the ESIA.
Ou oc ec	hat may become known in the future. Dur South African Ocean Biodiversity is slowly or perhaps not so slowly depleting. The Abyssal Plains are the deepest ecosystem type in South Africa's becams. South Africa's EEZ does not have deep water trenches, such as the famous Mariana trench that reaches a maximum depth of 13 000 ml Our abyssal cosystems, spanning a depth range of 3500 to 6000 m, are largely unexplored. In the 1980's, one of South Africa's geologists, Professor John Roger, took	Bernadette Crewe- Brown	Laudato Si'; Radio Veritas South Africa; Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission; LSAP plan Global Working Group; Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town; Climate Justice	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, the 118/128 production right area falls within the Agulhas sub-photic biozone (from 30 m depth to the shelf edge) and the continental slope biozone (beyond to the lower slope).
Ab	the first photographs of abyssal and seamount ecosystems using a camera in a special underwater housing. It is a special underwater housing.	Bernadette Crewe- Brown	Coalition Laudato Si'; Radio Veritas South Africa; Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission; LSAP plan Global Working Group; Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town; Climate Justice Coalition	03 February 2023	E-mail	Noted with thanks. Indeed, the impacts of deep sea mining on these systems does require a full environmental impact assessment to fully quantify and man these impacts.
	Proposed MPAs that represent abyssal ecosystems include Southeast Atlantic Seamounts MPA (Cape Basin Abyss) and Agulhas Front MPA (Agulhas Basin byss). Southwest Indian Ocean abyssal ecosystems (Natal Basin) will be considered in future protected area planning.	Bernadette Crewe- Brown	Laudato Si'; Radio Veritas South Africa; Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission; LSAP plan Global Working Group; Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town; Climate Justice Coalition	03 February 2023	E-mail	Noted with thanks. The Block 11B/12B production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingklip Corals EE Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwe Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on the MPAs and the EBSA.
rei po ac	The loss of any species affects the Ecosystems and their services. It is apparent that the increasing red tide is due to species loss. The barren rocks and eefs, the lesser fish species is not only due to overfishing, it is due to the contaminants in the sea. These have and are continuing to occur through mining, ollution, chemical spills, and physical destruction of sea beds through exploration in search of minerals. This extensive initiative involves many levels of clinity that will not be restored. The scientific proof is there, it is evident to all. The proof is there but our South African waters need to be analysed and resent situations monitored and evaluated through regular and comprehensive research. This in not occurring.	Bernadette Crewe- Brown	Laudato Si'; Radio Veritas South Africa; Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission; LSAP plan Global Working Group; Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town; Climate Justice Coalition	03 February 2023	E-mail	A precautionary approach is required and will be applied. With this in mind, a comprehensive marine biology specialist study is being undertaken that will gi consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (nigrations, spawning, larval distribution) arrine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystem-based approach in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal group assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors and sites (including MPAs). Sensitivity is a term that covers the importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-indichange. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
	t is our duty and our responsibility as human beings to protect our natural environment for the survival of the planet and humanity now and for generations o come. Simplifying our lifestyles to lower our consumption and production is a Sustainable alternative to the use of Oil and Gas for energy.	Bernadette Crewe- Brown	Laudato Si'; Radio Veritas South Africa; Care of Creation Justice and Peace Commission; LSAP plan Global Working Group; Catholic Archdiocese of Cape Town; Climate Justice Coalition	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Please may I ask you if you can assist with further information regarding the proposed Total Oil's involvement with off shore drilling in the Eastern Cape. In articular in Port Alfred and Kenton On sea.	Bev Lloyd	Individual	26 January 2023	E-mail	Please visit the following website for more information about the ESIA for TEEPSA's Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for the proposed offshore Block 118/12B project https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartpl at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11812B.
I o	hereby object to the oil and natural gas exploration off the coast of South Africa. object to the proposed drill by Total for oil on the Outeniqua coast line near Mossel Bay as it boarders on a wild marine nature reserve and would ontaminate and pollute the waters in that area which is also a major current for migrating whales.	Bianca Cassell Bianca Harmse	Individual Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey of the assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance value of an ecological recorptor or vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-indehoge. The assessment thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. You are correct in that the Block 1181/12B production right (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingkip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through the production right area. The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts to these MPAs and the EBSA. Under words and the temperature and the southwest indiant search and the temperature and the t
ou	object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be a huge danger for ur natural marine life. And we are all meant to be heading towards renewable energies and sources. object to Totals wish to diffil holes in our ocean because it's unefficial.	Bianca Hubbard Bianca van Heerden	Individual	26 January 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
OF I h wh	OFFICIAL OBJECTION AGAINST TOTAL GAS AND OIL EXPLORATION have received the details on WhatsApp seeing that I cannot register on your website to object. I believe it is quite a dodgy exercise / consultation process who were consulted to the control of the contro	Brad Peng	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. The objection has be recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The key objectives of the public participation process, as well as the legislation, policies and guidelines documents underpinning the process, are outlined in Chapter 9 of the Scoping Report. All issues raised and comments made from all I&AP's an considered in the ESIA process.
Hi	fithere. I just got a message about wsp objections against oil and gas exploration. How can I be part of the objection	Brad Peng		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority, WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project, as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition.
go I s	overnment. More for the government have any consideration for the fishing done by local fishermen for their survival. You have to steal. strongly oppose the plans for Total to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin for reasons that have been listed by thousands	Brenda and Hugo van Rensburg Bridget Green	Individual	04 December 2022 03 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Your comments have been recorded.
1.	if caring, environmentally conscious citizens of our beloved country, and hereunder are just some of the reasons why: Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Bridget Green		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology spe study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs as considered through oil spill and full discharge modeling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientishes to it these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
4.	Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Have you heard about Karpowership??	Bridget Green		03 February 2023		Your comments are recorded. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered formulative impact perspective for the Block11B/12B Project.
-	Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc. CARING FOR SA's FUTURE!	Bridget Green Bridget Green		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The potential impacts of the project on the environment, tourism and economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be meaning the GHG emissions of the secretary of the commendations will be meaning the GHG emissions of the secretary of the commendations will be meaning the GHG emissions of the secretary of the CHG emissions of the secretary of the CHG emissions of the secretary of the CHG emissions of the commendation of the commendation of the cHGG emissions of the cH
Ва	organisations and Individuals have until 3 February to object/ comment on Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua lasin. Why does this concern us all?	Brigitta vd Sandt		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	based on the findings of the assessment. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The public comment period was extended to 14 February. The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are
3.	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area Certain Government officials and their buddles stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Brigitta vd Sandt Brigitta vd Sandt		01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to ic these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. The comments have been recorded. WSP is aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered.
	. Have you heard about Karpowership?? Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Brigitta vd Sandt		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block11B/12B Project. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environ tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
	Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc Hotaldestruction	Brigitta vd Sandt		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be n based on the findings of the assessment.
#to I o	totalfallacy totallyuniforable object to this in the strongest possible terms! We don't need this. We will be killing the ocean even quicker than what we are doing now! This means: no life yole for your children and your grandchildren, earth will become like Mars.	Brigitta vd Sandt		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	IO DRILLING, NO GAS, NO OIL! am an interested and directly affected person, living in Cape St. Francis. Given that I like to register for your valuable petition against Total Energy Plans	Brigitte Manitz	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project, as required by the E Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition.
	he existing F-A Platform is not new and could possibly be a weak point in the process. This could be the cause of a cataclysmic event on the marine area,	Bronwen Griffiths				A technical audit and inspection of the F-A Platform was undertaken. The findings indicated that the Platform is in good condition and canable of meeting
Th	sheries, etc. How will the new project be integrated with the existing Platform? The infrastructure that will be developed for the oil wells and pipelines, will that be locally produced? Is the intent to try and develop the infrastructure by local		City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality	08 December 2022	V-FGM-04	A technical audit and inspection of the F-A Platform was undertaken. The findings indicated that the Platform is in good condition and capable of meeting demands of the 20-year production. Additional/minor modification will be made to the Platform to upgrade some of the facilities to handle the quantity of condensate that will got through the Platform. Specialized equipment used for the drilling units are not owned and operated in the country so this will be brought in. The existing infrastructure will be up and the available skills will be used. ETEPSA is currently looking into goopcrutnities for locally sourced new material: this needs to be economically viable.
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1512	5. Dont you know that tourism is a major income ? 6. A few people benefit and the local communities lose their livelihoods 7. Animals live in the ocean!! 8.we need a healthy ocean for our survival.	Carol Trehearn		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1090	9. See the MESS in mozambique and niger delta. Doesnt anyine learn from history??? 10. Our coast esp along the wild coast is notorious for monster waves. Please do not put more oil pipelines in the sea and threaten even more sea life than has already been murdered.	Carole Penfold	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as
575	We should all be seeking to find alternative energies. Our planet can no longer survive with so much use and damage of fossil fuels. Invest in our future, not	Caroline Ablitt	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	well as in situ survey data. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the
961	our demise. I object the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 118/12B - Draft Scoping Report for the client TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Nothing is being done to protect wildlife or the planet and this will	Caroline Halvorsen	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify risks to the marine
1496	Cause major damage. Do yourself a favour and just Google "images of oil and gas disasters at sea" inform yourself of just how common massive accidents are on big oil projects and how all too often there is no accountability, no clean up, no compensation. WE CAN NO LONGER STAND BY & ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN! Our coast deserves protecting.	Caroline Konstant	II KAI YALUBI	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	environment, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them. The comment is recorded.
1782	I would like to register as an interested and affected party and object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. I am concerned about the impact on the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. It also borders on a Marine Protected area which could be severely impacted by any spillage. I have no confidence in the governments ability to maintain such a pipeline or effectively manage any disasters. The ESNIs being done by WSP has been snuck through the Esatern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape. Until we can be sure of the impact on our irreplaceable natural environment, we should not go ahead with this project.	Caroline Kruger		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP for the project and will continue to receive information on the project. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
921	My comment as a registered I&AP: There is much money to be made for a small sector of our society by drilling in our oceans for oil. But this will be at the enormous expense of the majority of our people. And at huge expense to other species living in the oceans. It will negatively impact tourism, fisheries, and millions of people with a strong connection to the sea. It will negatively impact fishers, researchers, divers, and many other ocean-based activities. It will negatively impact migration routes for ocean species, which can have knock-on effects for ecosystems which are already under serious threat from human activity.	Cassandra Gamble	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comments have been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be conducted to assess these issues.
922	We are at a critical time in human history, the UN and many climate scientists are pointing out that we urgently need to phase out fossil fuels in order to maintain a liveable planet. New oil exploration is quite literally killing us. Short term profit cannot outweigh long-term sustainability at this time. The huge amount of money that would be invested in drilling our oceans is much	Cassandra Gamble	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Section 4 (Need and Desirability) discusses the shift in the use of fossil fuels with the objective of decarbonising the economy in line with the intention of a net zero economy by 2050. Section 4 (Need and Desirability discusses the shift in the use of fossil fuels with the objective of decarbonising the economy in line with the intention of a net
923	better spent on renewable energy infrastructure to provide clean energy with much less environmental destruction; protecting our incredible natural resources for our essential tourism industries and the other many livelihoods that depend on healthy ocean ecosystems. The risks of drilling are enormous, and the rewards far too unevenly distributed. There is ample evidence that energy from sources other than fossil fuels can	Cassandra Gamble	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	zero economy by 2050. Section 6 of the final Scoping Report discusses the alternatives to the project and the ESIA socio-economic and economic studies will consider the impact of the project on other economic activities. The outcomes of the ESIA will be documented in an EIA report and specialist study reports, which will be submitted to the competent authority to make an
924	provide the power we need. There is also ample evidence that we need to stop new fossil fuel exploration immediately. And there is also ample evidence that this project would produce much more harm than good. It should not go ahead. I, object to the proposed gas pipeline off Mossel Bay because of the damage fossil fuels do to this planet, because of the damage to the sea bed and sea life	Cassandra Gamble	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	informed decision on whether or not to issue an environmental authorisation for the project.
1626	this construction will cause, because of the potential damage that a leak would do to the marine environment and by extention the environmental, health and economic damage to us South Africans, because investment in fossil fuels hinders investment in renewable energies that are environmentally and economically the logical solution.	Catherine Kvalsvig		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1705 473	I object to any drilling for oil or gas on the South African coastline The West Coast Indigenous Council was established to speak for and fight for the [rights] of the first nation people. All members of the council have deep	Catrina Mackenzie Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
4/3	ancestral roots in South Africa and particular the West Coast. Our vision is to guide and assist the indigenous people to win back their dignity. Our objection is against the onslaught on our Marine heritage and natural resources, which are an integral part of our cultural indigenous lifestyle. Fishing is	Cedric Engelbrecht	west coast malgenous council	03 rebluary 2023	E-mail	The continent is recorded and will be considered by the competent Authority.
474	the primary source of income and food security for our people along the entire coasts of South Africa, and any disturbance to our natural bloddersity will for surely have devastating impact on our diverse marine life as these proposed activities undertaking will warmer the oceans temperature with dire consequences, because everything in the sea as we have learned always works its way back to the ocean shore line, our people will be at the receiving end of all of that.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken in the next phase of the project, which will assess the project's potential impact on cultural heritage, small-scale fishers, marine ecology and climate change. The marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with
475	As these meeting can't give us a clear guarantee that they have mitigation factors in place to foresee any damages cause by these kinds of actions. Our traditional fishing catches are also getting very limited and is moving away from its original habitat like the favourite Cape Brine and our indigenous fishers needs to move deeper in the ocean with lots of costs and danger attached to that because of these activities.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
476	The Critical Biodiversity zones (Marine protected area) are not taken into consideration within this application because your infrastructure will cut through these critical identified sensitive areas. In public participation processes the right holder for these activities seismic testing is not clear about how we as first nation people will share of the benefits	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	Critical Biodiversity Areas (both Natural and Restore), Ecological Support Areas, EBSAs and MPAs are all identified in Figure 7-14, and the implications for management are detailed in Section 7.2.10, of the Scoping Report. The importance of the first nation people is a core focus of the project assessment process. As part of the stakeholder engagement process, the respective first
477	that they for all these years are reaping from our ocean, without any true remedy for those people who are still suffering from oppressor and domination, the process is just a tick box exercise and we are not really consider within these process as affected parties to these kinds of activities.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	nation groups have been engaged and will continue to be engaged. This engagement is from a project perspective. The tangible and intangible cultural heritage implications will be considered as part of the social impact assessment process.
478	Oil and Gas is a super high risk for our environment and our traditional sectors along the coastline which is tourism and fishing will suffer soon as a result of these activities taking into consideration the great contribution to greenhouse gas emissions from these projects.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA climate change study will consider the carbon emissions of the Project and the potential impact on climate change. Harmful algal blooms can indeed have negative effects of marine fauna and humans when they produce toxins, become too dense, use up the oxygen in the
479	The high levels of Algal blooms release can be toxic to the ocean and depleting levels in oxygen will kill marine life.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	water or release harmful gases. However, it is unlikely that the proposed project activities in the Block 11B/12B production area will contribute to an increase algal in blooms.
480	Increased carbon dioxide in the atmosphere from the burning of fossil fuels is absorbing by seawater and makes it more acidic. Ocean acidification impacts key species, and the result is slower growth from these species and lower survival rates, smaller sizes and abnormal shapes seen in the cysters.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	Ocean acidification is indeed linked to increasing atmospheric carbon dioxide. Increased atmospheric CO2 results in more CO2 dissolving in seawater, where N20 and CO2 molecules from carbonic acid (N2CO3), a weak acid that breaks (or "dissociaters) into hytrogen ions (H1) and biscarbonic into (N2CO3). This results in an overall decline in pH (i.e., the water becomes more acidic) over period. Temperature also plays a role, with gases like CO2 being more soluble in colder water than warm, with the latter being naturally less acidic. As per DEA (2016), this can harm marine organisms that form calcium carbonate shelles, such as corals, oysters and mussels, and the larval stages of these and most fish species. Monitoring has shown that the warm waters of the east coast have a relatively high pH (more than 7.9), while the cold west coast has very low pH levels (below 7.4), and the south coast has intermediate pH levels. Projections are that there will be a reduction of the average pH of the ocean by 0.5 miles by the year 2100 (Raven et al. 2005), with a decrease in pH expected cour more rapidly in the cold western portion of southern Africa (-0.68 units), compared with the south (-0.60 units) and the east (-0.51 units) coasts (HoepfGuidberg & Bruno 2010). The climate change assessment will provide details on the expected contribution of the proposed project activities on global CO2 levels, and the impacts on ocean acidification will be addressed in the marine specialist study.
481	The rising sea levels also affecting the land with increased coastal erosion which in turn affects the indigenous coastal communities, damages to cultural sites and infrastructure and contribute to climate change in our oceans. Our ability to reconnect with our cultural and spiritual connection with the ocean, these issues are important to us, as we rely on the ocean as a source of food, a space for recreation and a place for identity formation and spiritual well-being.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	An Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) study has been commissioned to describe, discuss and analyse the receiving environment, specifically key stakeholders' intangible cultural heritage and the prevalence, frequency commonality of cultural and spiritual reliance on the sea. Section 11.8.8 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and method for the ICH study. The marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with
482	If our marine environment is unhealthy traditional fishing/marine are put at risk.	Cedric Engelbrecht	West Coast Indigenous Council	03 February 2023	E-mail	the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
46	Is this meeting the same meeting scheduled for tomorrow 10:00 am?	Charl Damon	KEDF/DST	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	No, the meeting the next day is for a different project. This is a gas development with associated condensate and not crude oil. WSP will be assessing the impacts of a potential spill using modelling. Mitigation measures including capping stacks and oil spill contingency plans will be prepared before starting with operations. These measures and plans need to be approved by various government departments. The measures and plans will look at resources available, methodologies and processes to respond to any
59	Have we got a clear answer regarding prevention of oil spillage? Can the technology prevent an oil spill and can the drilling be secured to prevent impacts on environment aspects related to the fishing industry? I haven't set my mind on any documents on the comment register that was due on the 6th of December and extended till next Tuesday, I will draft something	Charl Damon	KEDF/DST	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	potential spill. This needs to be approved and in place before starting the drilling operations. To prevent spills available technology could include a dual barrier system or a two envelope system that could be used during drilling to prevent spills. A nange of technology options are available to prevent spills. And high level of importance is placed on preventing spills and effort to mitigation and prevent such an occurrence. A specific process that forms part of the specialist baseline studies is currently underway. The process will look ut arrous oil spill scenarios and model outcomes to establish the worst-case scenario. Metocean data will also be use as part of this modelling process and assessment.
77	from an indigenous community point of view and an economic perspective. I will also engage with other community and indigenous leaders. There is a lot of confusion on commercial and small-scale fishers on where we are going with this process.	Charl Damon	KEDF/DST	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
78	There are still many communication workshops, Zoom meetings and reminders coming from TOTAL, sometimes late at night which is unacceptable. Please be more respectful of working hours and refrain from sending notifications late at night. These SMS and email notifications can be very intrusive. If we register ourselves on any platform, we request that working hours in South Africa be respected.	Charl Damon	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	WSP will ensure that notifications are sent out during standard business hours.
1471	WSP. Please register AfriForum Mossel Bay Branch as an Interested & Affected Party. Please confirm receipt and registration as IAP. Thank you.	Charl Möller	AfriForum Mossel Bay Branch	17 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
1153	I am an interested and affected party. I own and live in a home at Oysterbay, which includes the areas that total now want to damage with their exploration. I am an RSA Citizen and this planned exploration will negatively impact our ocean and environment, and consequently me and my family.	Charl Taljaard	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Please note that the proposal is a production right application, and not exploration. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on the
1159	I object most strongly to gas and oil exploration off our East Coast, or any other coast of ours. The pollution and the damage inflicted by this exploration cannot be repaired and just brings us that much closer to extinction, never before have we done as much damage to our Oceans than in the last 100 years.	Charles Tregoning	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	marine environment. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes
1123	This has to stop. Money must be spent in alternatives. I object to Total and WSP, the consulting firm used by Total, for their plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. Besides being an environmental disaster in the making, it will be another corruption, money gaining exercise for the government and their buddies. We as South Africans have had enough! Stop this now!	Charmaine Rudman	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority, Please note that WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting WSPs independence.
1696	I object to Total Energies plans for drilling and pipeline construction along the Mossel Bay and St Francis coastlines. I am a teacher, environmentalist and concerned citizen. This is not the future our children deserve. Our marine life is fragile and needs to be protected not destroyed with this greedy plan. Ocean biodiversity and health are critical for life on Earth. These plans are against all plans for a green and sustainable future. I stand with all those in objection to these plans.	Chay Bachar		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
867	I object to the drills and pipelines from Total being placed off Mossel bay. To go through with this is a reckless and harmful attack on our oceans and the animals within it. Shell tried to harm our oceans for profit and now Total is now trying to do the same. To allow this to happen would demonstrate blatant ignorance toward the environment (our only home) and the power of corporate greed. I trust you will do the right thing and not allow this complete destruction to take place in our oceans.	Chelsey Curry	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures.
876 1688	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. Please register my objection to the Total pipeline from Mossel Bay to St Francis Bay. We have a world heritage site aling this coastline with diverse marine life	Cherie Dirksen Cheryl Clipsham	Individual	03 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Your objection has been recorded. The ESIA process will assess potential impacts of the project on tangible and intangible cultural heritage aspects as well as on
123	of the mineral rights, in this country. With the above in mind, we need to focus your attention on the following: 1.We have a fully functional Tribal Council in place, elected and confirmed according to relevant legislation and tribal regulations. 2.We have a relevant constitution in place, in accordance with the I.O Convention regulations. 3.We have a obly constituted system of governance in place, which makes provision for the following (relevant to the Totalgas Development Plan):	Chief Allistair Koeries / Angelique Stevens	IGori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council; UrlMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kal Korana - Great Korana	23 January 2023	E-mail	At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team is in the process of contacting leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocols, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies.
124	3.1.Recruitment and Conditions of Employment (refer to Art. 20) Governments shall, within the framework of national laws and regulations, and in co-operation with the peoples concerned, adopt special measures to ensure the effective protection with regard to recruitment and conditions of employment of workers belonging to these peoples, to the extent that they are not effectively protected by laws applicable to workers in general. Governments shall do everything possible to prevent any discrimination between workers belonging to the peoples concerned and other workers, in particular as regards:	Chief Allistair Koeries Angelique Stevens	[Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council; UriMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kai ! Korana - Great 	23 January 2023	E-mail	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
405	(a)admission to employment, including skilled employment, as well as measures for promotion and advancement; (b)beaual remuneration for work of equal value. 3.2 Vocational Training, handicrafts and rural industries (refer to Art. 22 & 23) Measures shall be taken to promote the voluntary participation of members of the peoples concerned in vocational training programmes of general application.	Chief Allistair Koeries	[Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council;	22 January 2022	E mail	During the SLP consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce, training, and skills development will be
125	Whenever existing programmes of vocational training of general application do not meet the special needs of the peoples concerned, governments shall, with the participation of these peoples, ensure the provision of special training programmes and facilities. This is where vocational training programmes can be extremely important. The aim of vocational training programmes is to train people, both men and women, in specific skills which can be used to earn a living. 3.3.Social Security and Health (refer to Art. 24 & 25) Security. 2.4.1 Social security schames shall be extended progressively to cover the peoples concerned, and another discrimination analiset them.	Angelique Stevens	IUriMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kai IKorana - Great Korana	23 January 2023	E-mail	communicated. Issues of community health, safety and security will be addressed in the ESIA for the construction phase, operating phase and decommissioning phase.
126	24.1. Social security schemes shall be extended progressively to cover the peoples concerned, and applied without discrimination against them. Health: 25.1. Governments shall ensure that adequate health services are made available to the peoples concerned, or shall provide them with resources to allow them to design and deliver such services under their own responsibility and control, so that they may enjoy the highest attainable standard of physical and mental health. 3.4.Education and means of communication. (Refer to Art. 26 to 31)	Chief Allistair Koeries Angelique Stevens	!Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council; !UriMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kai !Korana - Great Korana !Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council;	23 January 2023	E-mail	Occupational Health & Safety will not be considered as part of the ESIA. For the construction phase, a document will be set up between TotalEnergies and the contractors to bridge any gaps identified between the TotalEnergies Health, Safety and Environment (HES) Management System (NMS) and the contractor HSE MS. Currently, it is envisaged that PetroSA will be responsible for operations and will utilise their established EHS MS. However, TotalEnergies intends to have some input and oversight to improve the PetroSA EHS MS, if required. Total Energies will also audit PetroSA H&S performance during operations.
127	Education: Measures shall be taken to ensure that members of the peoples concerned have the opportunity to acquire education at all levels on at least an equal footing with the rest of the national community. With the above in mind, we want to state categorically that we are the legally established Tribal Aboriginal authority in this area and wish to point out that no	Chief Allistair Koeries Angelique Stevens	!Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council; !UriMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kai !Korana - Great Korana	23 January 2023	E-mail	During the SLP consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce, training, and skills development will be communicated.
128	industrial activities can take place without our consent. As the oldest Tribal Family (Gorij[Ais / Kai Korana Family, we do not recognise the authority of any other individuals of groupings to negotiate on our behalf. We also want to state clearly that there is no price on Indigenous Identity. We wish to respectfully request a meeting with Totalgas Management to discuss the road ahead. Yours in future development.	Chief Allistair Koeries Angelique Stevens	!Gori Ais Tribe; Koeries Family Council; UriMā Ais - Hoogekraal Kai !Korana - Great Korana	23 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments and request to meet with TEEPSA management have been recorded. At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of contacting leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the proposed project area between Mussel Bay and Cape St Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocols, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities.

	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
						The Public Participation team confirm that Mr Brian Mangoangoa was in direct contact with Chief Jacobs via phone on the 19th of January 2023 to arrange transport for Chief Jacobs and his constituents to one of the public meetings. This conversation was followed up on the 19th of January 2023, and further
984	Ons as die Gourikwa Khoisan versoek graag n meeting in Groot-brakrivier. Hier is heeltemal ontevredenheid omtrent dat daar net n meeting in Mosselbaai was vir die Gemeenskap. Ons versoek u dus om in te gryp asseblief. Hoor graag van u .	Chief Barry Jacobs	Gourikwa Khoisan Stamhuis	02 February 2023	E-mail	communications took place on the 7th of February and the 14th of February 2023 via email during which the team had responded that the requests for additional meetings are being considered. At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in direct contact with legitimate leaders of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups, including Chief Jacobs, in the proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape SI Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocols, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided also will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies. In addition, the team is also in contact with the Small-Scale Fishers and fisher sector in the proposed project area to arrange consultation meetings with them during their off-peak/closed fishing season.
472	We would like to be listed as an affected party in connection with the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the proposed offshore production rights and environmental authorisation applications for block 118/12B. We are the above mentioned tribe. We are concerned about the effects and impacts of drilling. The impact on the historical, social and economic livelihoods of families and marine live and therefore want clarity from your client around these impacts.	Chief Julian Arendse	Ghariquriqua Council	03 February 2023		WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will be kept informed of development on the Project, including availability of documents for public review and comment and invitations to public meetings.
67	I have been waiting a long time with my hand up. I am part of a group of traditional line fishers and also represent the small-scale fishers of the Western Cape. I did put a question in the chat box but I didn't get an answer. No meetings have been held with the fishers as yet. We were told that you would come back to us, and you didn't come back to us. It was promised that you would come speak to us, but you didn't. You are continuing with this project without our consent. You must not disrespect us as indigenous houses.	Chief Reagan James	Katz Korana Royal House	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	TEEPSA has ongoing engagement with fishenies and for other projects. This meeting is for the Block 118/128 project, and should not to be confused with consultation processes undertaken for other projects. The Block 118/128 project has only just started. TEEPSA'S site Liaison Officers have met with the chief of the indigenous clan in the area and further meetings with indigenous fishermen (small scale fishers) will be convened in 2023. As yet, no project has been authorised and no construction or production activities have started. The scoping report and non-technical summary of the report can be found on the WSPs website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and
2345	We were not provided with the presentation so how are we going to provide information to the rest of our people. With our communication that we sent via email we did not get confirmation of a receipt of the email. We want to also give consideration that at some point in this process, where and how this process of engagement is culturally appropriate.	Chief Tania Kleinhans		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128. The Non-Technical Summary of the Draft Scoping Report is available in English, Arisanas and IsXNosa. The Non-Technical Summary is also available in audio format in all three languages. The meeting notes and presentations are also available on the websites mentioned. The engagement in the focus group meeting formed part of the initial engagement of the process. We have communicated with NIKSO to allow for culturally appropriate means of engaging. WSP will ensure that any engagement that is done will be done in a culturally appropriate manner.
2346	There are gaps in the presentation as it does not focus on the sustainable development goals. We want to see the impacts and opportunities that will emerge from this undertaking as well as the resources and land that will be used. How is the socio-economic baseline going to be undertaken?	Chief Tania Kleinhans		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	The comment has been noted. The Needs and Desirability chapter of the Scoping Report focuses on the contribution of the project to the country's strategic objective of moving to a sustainable economy. A socio-economic impact assessment will be done as part of the impact assessment phase of the project. Baseline information for the study will be obtained from previous studies done, secondary data collection, and the stakeholder engagement meetings as part of the ESIA process.
2347	TEEPSA must consider a culturally appropriate grievance mechanism within the project as we can already foresee issues from the indigenous Kholsan peoples.	Chief Tania Kleinhans		23 January 2023		The comment on the grievance mechanism has been noted and will be incorporated into the project. Cetacean occurrence off the South Coast of South Africa, their distribution, depth range, seasonality/presence in the production right area and IUCN status are
1598	Whale migration routes are to be respected and protected. For the benefit of all life. Thank you.	Chris Bogers		03 February 2023		presented in Section 7.2 of the scoping report. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, fatual species and important biological processes (impaction etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity planning processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat'; or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory (congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than itigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
633	I vote against the drilling.	Chris Meyer	Kleinbooi Belastingbetalers Vereeniging	06 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
634	Bekommerd oor die see lewe. Ons is afhanklik van haai en walvis as toerisme aantreklikhede. Is bang dat dit die visse gaan weg wat 'n groot invloed op ons voortbestaan gaan hê.	Chris Meyer	Kleinbooi Belastingbetalers Vereeniging	11 January 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all parts of the marine system. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on hallow proposed system. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on hallow the consideration of the sensitivity of the funal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the importance (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to ope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Preliminary ROV and drop camera glution results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and prosposed prolifer origin swill be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment and assessment of the campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing options as site is a number of habitat types within the production plant area. And is apill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology learn to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including subsaving areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general postula and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed frough an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The sp
	I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me, my children, my grandchildren. It impacts the sea, the habitat of millions of creatures without a voice. It impacts our shared future on this planet. The motivation is greed. Pure, simple unadulterated corporate (REEE, D. TOTAL is rich enough. It need not belool our future.	Christa Van Wyk	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	assessment. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
540	BirdLife South Africa (BLSA) would like to thank the applicant for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Scoping Report. At this stage of the process, our primary reason for our ongoing engagement in this process is to re-literate our position against offshore exploration for new oil and gas, that will ultimately result in the generation of greenhouse gases, thereby continuing to contribute to climate change. As recently affirmed at CDP27 (by the findings of the International Institute for Sustainable Development), "according to a large consensus across multiple modelled climate and energy pathways, developing anw evol and gas fields is incompatible with limiting warming to 1.5°C." Their primary recommendation from the analysis is as follows: Governments should prevent the development and licensing of any new oil and gas fields. Developing any fields beyond those already in operation or under development would poss substantial risks of either not meeting the 1.5°C target or creating stranded assets, because those fields would have decommissioned before the end of their lifespan, unless currently producing fields' operations are significantly curtailed. (ISID Report, 2022. Navigating Energy Transitions. International Institute for Sustainable Development: https://www.tisk.org/systemfields/2022-10/maysign-energy-transitions-mapping-oral-to-1.5.pdf)	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA greenhouse gas study will assess the impact of the project activities on climate change. Section 11.8.4 of the Scoping Report describes the scope of work for the greenhouse gas study.
541	Whilst we acknowledge that the transition to a decarbonised economy for South Africa cannot happen instantaneously, there are a variety of technologies, other than offshore oil or gas, that can contribute to the transition. According to South Africa's Just Energy Transition Investment Plan (LEPh, government is committed in terms of its International Partnership Agreement to accelerated deployment of renewable energy and investments in sectors of the green economy. Consequently, Bridd. Ke South Africa does not, in principle, support the pursuit of new gas given both the localised risks, and wider climate change	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
542	related impacts that this activity poses. In addition, the number of exploration licences that are currently being applied off the coast of South Africa, is indicative of the speculative nature of these applications, and also heightens the risk of cumulative impacts. As the recent judgements against Shell's proposed exploration activities have affirmed, many South Africans are opposed to exploration activities off the coast, suggesting that citizens are circumspect and distrustful about continued efforts on the part of foreign oil and gas companies seeking to exploit resources in our marine environment. In this regard, we are particularly concerned about the prospect of activities impinging on Ecologically and Biologically Significant Areas (EBSA).	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023		TEEPSA wishes to convert an Exploration Right into a Production Right for Block 118/12B as the exploration wells drilled in 2019 and 2002 indicated that there is a commercially viable gas and condensate field. Cumulative impacts will be assessed in the ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study, including impacts on CBAs, EBSAs and MPAs.
543	Impact of light from drill fig and vessels Pelagic seabirds such as priors, storm petrels, and petrels are especially vulnerable to disorientation by light at sea and this can cause them to crash into structures, causing mortality, not only behavioural changes. As these are small birds that can be hard to notice, especially if they fall into the sea after crashing, the number of birds affected is likely to be underestimated. While the effects of operational lights can be mitigated (e.g. by pointing them downwards rather than out to sea, use of red filters etc.), the effect of the very bright light emitted by flaring cannot be and this is likely to overwhelm the operational lighting.	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The impacts of light pollution will be assessed in the marine biology specialist study. This study will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, lavral distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach in the assessment of potential impact will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment of present a worst-case scenario. Mitigation as this comment has suggested will be included in the impact assessment.
544	The following will be important for reducing risks associated with artificial light: - Avoid flaring during foggy conditions as this exacerbates the impact on seabirds.	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	This mitigation will be considered in the Marine Ecology Assessment.
545	Implement best practice mitigation measures for reducing operational lighting, and include such in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	This mitigation will be considered in the Marine Ecology Assessment.
546	Monitor the presence of seabirds and identify mortalities, even when birds do not land on the rig or vessel, especially in foggy conditions.	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	This mitigation will be considered in the Marine Ecology Assessment.
547	Include procedures in the EMPr for how to care for downed seabirds and ensure that personnel are adequately trained in this regard. Impact of noise pollution	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	This mitigation will be considered in the Marine Ecology Assessment.
548	Impact or hose pollution should be considered in addition to the physiological impacts on hearing and injury/mortality. These impacts could include permanent or temporary displacement from foraging areas (e.g. penguins and other seabirds) and impacts on the prey of threatened coastal seabirds and other marine predators.	Christina Hagen & Kirsten Day	BirdLife South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	These potential impacts will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. The results of the underwater noise modelling will be used by the marine ecologist and fisheries specialist in their assessment of potential impacts. Both threshold shifts and behaviour responses will be quantified.
362	WESSA Eden Branch wishes to register herewith as an Interested and Affected Party and requests confirmation thereof.	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that WESSA Eden Branch has been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
363	Exploration and Production is located in the middle of the Aghulas Current and will negatively impact marine, plant, bird and consequently human life. In particular the migration routes of Whales and Sardines.	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine biology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals.
364	The proposed area borders PE Corals Marine Protected Area [MPA] which is an important conservation zone for protecting endangered bottom feeders like kingklip. What will the effect be on this MPA?	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	There is no direct overlap between the proposed activities within the production right area or pipeline routing with any MRA. However, far field impacts on these MRAs are being considered through oil spill and ridil discharge modelling studies that are obeing undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. These issues will be addressed in the oil spill and rifly cultings discharge modelling and marine ecology impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA.
365	There is a distinct possibility that activities associated with the setting up of wells during the driling process, and/or accidental spillage, could disrupt the inhabitants of this sensitive area. The risks of leaks, spills, blasts etc are unacceptable to even consider drilling. And leaving equipment after use on the sea floor creates more problems and hazards.	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023		process. The results of the studies will be presented the draft EIA report that will be made available for public review. Furthermore, the closure plan being developed as part of the ESA will detail all aspects of the well plugging and abandonment, infrastructure dismantling and retrieval, and if relevant in-situ abandonment of certain components with appropriate mitigation to ensure that they are inert and non-contaminating. Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable
	"Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after completing extraction and production. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government "i.e. the Taxpayer. This clause is absolutely unacceptable. Hence the precautionary principle for sustainable development should and must apply here. Further, the manner in which the Public Participation was conducted between 16-26 January in the Garden Route was quite extraordinary with loudspeakers	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	C-mail	and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations wil need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These a spects will be presented in the Costure plan being developed as part of the ESIA, and regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place.
367	traversing the communities in which the meetings were held inviting attendance regarding job availability. Our WESSA Eden Committee member who attended one meeting reports: "My overall impression is that that this 'Roadshow' was, simply that. A roadshow to which a variety of interested and supposedly affected people were invited - indeed approximately 100+ people were bussed in and provided with snacks at the end of the proceeding. Notably most of the questions revolved about job creation and unemployment, which has little to do with the reality of gas extraction in the Mossel Bay Area."	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP, as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner, has no involvement in the mobilisation initiative undertaken by TEE/A and is not aware that loud halling was done in the communities prior to the public meeting. WSP publicided the stakeholder consultation process and public meetings in local newspapers and radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023. The consultation process and public meetings were specifically advertised as ESIA meetings to provide information about the project, as required by the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended. Transport to public meetings was organised by TEEPSA on request by community leaders and WSP had no role in these arrangements.
368	His other comments we record here as part of our concerns.: The audience was of mixed interest and again, as with other meetings, there was a preponderance of people from the townships surrounding Plettenberg Bay. Attendees were provided with a document entitled 'Environmental and Social Impact (CSIA) for the proposed offshore production right, additional exploration activities and environmental authorization application for Block 118 and 128 Ref No 12/4/13 PR. I, like others, was under the impression that the presentation was to be principally focused on a scoping report and would thus mostly concern the EIA procedure. Unfortunately, this was not the case.	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023		The document "Environmental and Social Impact (ESIA) for the proposed offshore production right, additional exploration activities and environmental authorization application for Block 118 and 128 Ref No 124/13 PR is the Non-technical Summary of the full Scoping Report that was made available at the public meetings. The presentation was in two parts, namely an introduction to TEEPSA as the applicant, a description of Project location and the proposed activities (presented by Eduard Groenewald from TEEPSA), the second part focused on the ESIA process and
369	The presentation was accompanied by a non-technical 'summary' which was presented in a glossy full colour brochure, which was divided into three sections. These delivered fairly low level information concerning the preparation, setting of velts, acquisition, delivery and production procodures to be followed in the project. Much of the presentation started with a babroicus overview of the company, followed by a very brief overview of the area of interest in the prospecting and extraction will occur. This was particularly disturbing as it seemed to me that the real issue revolves around marine disturbance. Furthermore the map (briefly alluded to) did not receive, in my opinion, sufficient attention. Unfortunately, the map as presented in the slide show and in the brochure, referenced in the talk, was reduced to the point that the legends to the various critical zones in block 118 and 128 were not discernible.	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	The purpose of the Scoping phase of the ESIA is to disseminate information about the Project, the regulatory process being followed and the specific requirements of this process in terms of public consultation and the next steps. There is a statutory requirement for a Background Information Document (BID) to be provided to ISAPs and this document is also available in audio form on the Project website. Your comment regarding the legibility of the map tegend is noted and will be considered in the presentation of the ESIA findings. The next round of public consultation will be understaten when the draft EIA Report is available. This report will contain the findings of the specialist studies undertaken to identify potential impacts on the physical and biological environment and social conditions.
370	Blocks 11b and 12B are of great interest and concern with respect to their critical roles as breeding grounds and because of their very significant biodiversity. This point was unfortunately, not emphasized in the talk. There is a distinct possibility that activities associated with the setting up of wells during the drilling process, and or accidental spillage, could disrupt the inhabitants of this sensitive area. What is also not clear is whether the go ahead is going to be given to Total Energies to proceed with this project? Who is going to buy the gas was not made	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer Christine Ridge-	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden Wildlife & Environment Society of SA	03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The importance of the designated Marine Protected Areas, Critical Biodiversity Areas and Ecological Support Areas surrounding Block 11B/12B is acknowledged and the ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider the impact of the Project activities on these areas. Negotiations are ongoing between TEEPSA and PetroSA and also ESKOM are ongoing to find a purchaser for the gas and condensate from Block 11B/12B. The
371	clear – there was vague reference to Petro SA or Eskorn as clients but no hard evidence was presented. I must state at this point that I remain highly critical of the question and answer section is individuals could ask but one question each and follow ups were not entertained. In other cases, long rambling distribes were allowed — the focus of which mostly concerned the lack of employment in the area and other issues unrelated to the presentation. I guess the thinking from the community was that somehow, Total Energies was going to provide employment—particularly in our disadvantaged communities as far afield as East London, and that there jobs' would stem from activities in Block 118 an 128 fit Mossel	Schnaufer Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	(WESSA) Eden Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	intention is that the gas and condensate will be used in the local and regional markets. At the in-person public meetings held between 16 January 2023 and 26 January 2023, the facilitator proposed that the format for the question and answer session would be rounds comprising five people asking up to three questions (excluding clarifications) with a response provided before moving on to the next round. The discussion sessions were then conducted on this basis. Section 9.12 of the Final Scoping Report provides more information about the public
373	Bay. So, in a sense, the QIA session appears to have been deliberately steered away from the criticality that comes from relevant background knowledge and information. This seems to have been the modus operandi elsewhere as well. An interesting point that I want to raise here that I was unable to get in a second question during the second 'show' – I believe this was deliberately overlooked as the question that I had lined up was simply – what data was available (or what data did they plan to collect) on the short- and long-term effects	Christine Ridge- Schnaufer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden	03 February 2023	E-mail	meetings, information shared and protocols. Data on the short- and long-term effects of disruption to the environment during Project construction, production and closure phases relating to the marine environment is sourced from field surveys and academic literature. In particular, the offshore survey work done as part of Operation Phasikas has produced a wealth of information on the marine environment and resulted in the establishment of Marine Protocted Areas. This has yielded a number of academic articles
	of disruption to the environment during the setup, extraction and maintenance activities within this sensitive marine environment? " In terms of engagement, what other engagement tools are being used to communicate with the communities other than the in-person meetings?		SABC News	19 January 2023	V-FGM-11	on the marine life in the area and the ecological function of the marine communities found in offshore areas. TEEPSA commissioned a marine benthic survey in Block 1181/28 and the findings will provide the baseline of any future surveys. The following notification methods have been used: - Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). - Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. - Palcament of site notices at various public places. - Data-free website to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11B12B) - A dedicated email address (tepscal/BW/SP2-com) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3842).
1006	I'd like to register my objections to any mining off the Coast of South Africa and starting with this TEEPSA block application between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis. I have Googled 'images of oil and gas disasters at sea' and have seen for myself how common massive accidents are on big oil projects, how often there is no accountability, no clean up, no compensation. SURELY WE CAN NO LONGER STAND BY & ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN? This block is right on the Aghollus current, a major migrary orute. Disturbance here is unacceptable. Keep foossi fluels in the ground. Work on domestic and community scale	Claire Kockott	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9 of the Finals Scoping Report provides more information about the gublic participation process and methods of consultation. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecologytems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and marine protected areas are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1054	renewables initiatives rather. Our coast needs protecting, #oceansnotoil I am an interested and affected party, I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Claire Mullins	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change with a sessesed as part of the ESIA. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1110	As a concerned citizen of South Africa living on its coastline, please register my objection to Total and its Qatari partner from turning the sea off South Africa's	Clive Rubin	Individual	03 February 2023		WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project, your objection has been recorded.
	continual shelf into a murky cesspit for rent seeking profiteering off the back of our dependence on non renewable energy. You know that you ought to and should call a complete moratorium on offshore drilling until the science catches up with the facts and the technology is made					Your comments have been recorded. Conducting a Strategic Environmental Assessment for offshore gas development as part of South Africa's integrated
1120	available to prevent devastation both environmentally and in terms of financial dissipation that ought to be redirected to accessing more affordable and cost effective wind, solar and wave energy renewables.	Clive Rubin	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. Conducting a Strategic Environmental Assessment for offshore gas development as part of South Africa's integrated resource plan will be recommended to the Regulators. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project
1121	Please reconsider and review all processes before it is too late and you become legally liable in the not too distant future. (Please consult and look at the weight and cost civil itigation relating to the (S)Hells' environmental law suits that it is now beginning to settle in the Bite of Biafra, in southern Nigerian detta.).	Clive Rubin	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.

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1122	Ultimately the choice is yours. Please don't fail us and all of humanity that share our Oceans.	Clive Rubin	Individual	03 February 2023	FGM, Call) E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
45	Would it be possible to share the recording of the meeting?	Cllr Nadine Haynes	Ndlabe Local Municipality	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	Yes, the recording can be sent to stakeholders. The WSP Public Participation Office for the Block 11B/12B Environmental Authorisation application acknowledges receipt of the abovementioned letter and take note of its contents. WSP contents MSPs contents with the MS sent and the MS sen
129	The Municipality, as interested and affected party, supports the project in principle as the sustainable provision of gas and associated condensates will promote possible significant investments in the local economy. However, residents of Mossel Bay and the surrounding environment should not be negatively	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	applicant, TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V (TEEPSA) and WSP as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP). The first phase of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) process is a Scoping phase that focuses on presenting the proposed project and obtaining comment, observations and feedback from I&APs. The second phase of the ESIA plan of study focuses on undertaking an assessment of the potential
	affected by the proposed activities and development as this could again lead to disinvestment and negative economic growth.					impacts arising from the proposed activities. WSP is currently arranging another meeting with the Mossel Bay Municipality as part of the development of the Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which forms part of TEEPSA's production right application. This process is separate to the ESIA process but the ESIA team is working closely with the SLP team to ensure an integrated approach. In the meantine, WSP would like to provide inflair exponses to the questions tabled in the letter by the Municipality, dated 23 January
	In addition to the public participation meeting that took place on 17 January 2023, the following are the Municipality's comments to the Scoping Report:					2023. The responses below sequentially follow the order in which the questions were raised:
130	1)The Municipality notes that a comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) will follow this Scoping Report and requests that the Municipality be properly informed and consulted throughout future authorisation processes. All specialist reports must adhere to the standards of the EIA Regulations, and the Mossel Bay Municipality reserves its rights on the outcome of and recommendations contained in the reports. It is required that the following specialist reports also be considered and added:	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	1.We have reviewed the documents mentioned in your letter and, as they refer to coastal zone development, are not relevant to the TEEPSA project that is based offshore. We confirm that the TEEPSA project, at this stage, will not be undertaking any land-side development.
	-the Sea Level Rise and Flood Risk Assessment for a Select Disaster Prone Area Along the Western Cape Coast commissioned by DEADP in 2011; and -the Sediment Supply study commissioned by Mossel Bay Municipality and DEADP in 2015.					
131	2)Due to the potential impact of the project your public participation process must fit and address the local context of Mossel Bay and its residents. The following local forms must be included: S.M.A.B.T. which can be contacted at 048 550 2100, the Great Bark, Klein Brak and Harrentos Estuary Advisory Fourus which can be contacted at Caren George@westerncape.gov.za /phillipvrmk@gmail.com and the Mossel Bay Coastal Waters Discharge Forum which can be contacted at sian@cape-eaprac.co.za.	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	2. The fora suggested by the Municipality have been added to the stakeholder database and information sent to request them to register as I&APs. WSP placed site notices in the project area and used the local newspapers and radio stations to notify the public of the proposed project in December 2022 and again in January 2023. WSP welcomes any further suggestions from the Municipality regarding media to be used in future.
	The local media, (newspapers, social media, radio stations etc.) must also be used to inform our local community accordingly of the envisaged activities. It should be noted that Mossel Bay Municipality represents its communities and consultation with regard to the EIA must include Mossel Bay Municipality. 3)The alignment and routes of the pipelines might cross privately owned properties. It is not clear to what extent this will affect the development potential of					3.No on-shore pipeline will be constructed for this proposed development – all development will be offshore if the Production Right and Environmental
132	4)The routes of the pipelines could affect the bulk water pipelines and bulk electricity network infrastructure of the Municipality as the routes might cross	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023 23 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	Authorisation applications are granted. 4. No on-shore pipeline will be constructed for this proposed development – all development will be offshore if the Production Right and Environmental
134	these services. The report is not clear to what extent and how this will be dealt with. 5) The Voorbaai area already has a significant number of underground services, municipal as well as PetroSA. This must be considered in determining the	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023 23 January 2023	E-mail	Authorisation applications are granted. 5. No on-shore pipeline will be constructed for this proposed development – all development will be offshore if the Production Right and Environmental
154	final pipeline route/alignment.	Communication	Wosser bay Wurnerpairty	23 danuary 2023	E-mail	Authorisation applications are granted. 6. Issues of community health, safety and security will be addressed in the ESIA for the construction phase, operating phase and decommissioning phase.
135	6)The Municipality is concerned about the safety during the construction, the commencement of the project and its operational phase. This should be adequately addressed in the EIA.	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	Occupational Health & Safety will not be considered as part of the ESIA. For the construction phase, a document will be set up between TotalEnergies and the contractors to bridge any gaps identified between the TotalEnergies Health, Safety and Environment (HSE) Management System (MS) and the contractor HSE MS. Currently, it is envisaged that PetroSA will be responsible for operations and will utilise their established EHS MS. However, TotalEnergies intends to have some input and oversight to improve the PetroSA EHS MS, if required. Total Energies will also audit PetroSA H&S performance during operations.
136	7)The Municipality is concerned regarding the level of flammability of the gas to be transported in the pipeline(s). It is uncertain what effect a possible incident will have on the surrounding residential areas and whether our disaster and fire services personnel will have the capacity to deal with such incidents. A proper prevention and disaster management plan needs to be developed in conjunction with the Municipality before commencing with construction and commissioning of the pipeline(s).	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA will undertake the construction of the proposed gas field, including drilling of up to six wells, installing the subsea infrastructure (manifolds, flow lines, pumps and the 100km subsea pipeline from the well field to the F-A platform). Additional exploration, appraisal drilling and well testing will take place on the eastern side of Block 118/128 to determine the potential for the gas field to be extended in the future. PetroSA will kelp the responsible for operating the gas field and the F-A Platform where the gas will be processed and then brought to shore using the existing PetroSA dual pelverbosA has a Prevention and Disaster Management Plan and will be responsible for all safety issues during operations. There is an existing safety zone around the dual subsea pipeline, around the overland area where the pipelines come ashore and along the route of the pipelines to the PetroSA das a Prevention and in place. S. The north-western corner of Block 118/128 is located 120km offshore from Mossel Blay and the F-A Platform is approximately obligm offshore; all infrastructures
137	8)The proposed ocean activities will have a visual impact and possibly negatively affect the ocean views of our residents. From past similar experiences, this could lead to negative public perceptions and if not dealt with from the onset, can result in an uncontrollable situation that could halt the project.	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	required for Block 118/128 will be installed on the seabed and, once the construction phase is completed, no structure will be visible from the shore. The F-A Platform is the only infrastructure on the surface and has been in place since its installation in the 1990s.
138	9) These issues must be dealt with in a very sensitive and serious manner during the EIA process. 10) It is not clear to what extent the proposed ocean activities will affect the surrounding beaches, Rabbe Island, recreational and commercial fishing, the	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	9.The EIA will consider all issues raised in the consultation process, including those raised in the Municipality's letter.
139	marine life etc, which are all contributing significantly to the tourist industry and economy of Mossel Bay. The local research organisation called Ocean Research must be extensively consulted regarding the potential impacts to marine life. The contact person is Dr. Enrico Gennari (email: egennari@oceans-research.com). 11)The Municipality requests an urgent meeting with yourselves and representatives of Total Energies before 3 February 2023 to discuss the above and any other inputs to be considered during the processes to follow.	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	10.Ocean Research is on the I&AP database.
140	Any further enquiries can be addressed to Mushfigah Abrahams at 044 606 5000 ext. 6314 or email: mushfigah.abrahams@mosselbay.qov.za.	Colin Puren	Mossel Bay Municipality	23 January 2023	E-mail	11.As indicated, WSP is looking to arrange a meeting with the Municipal leadership as requested.
1748	The coastline is so precious and sensitive. We need to do everything in our power to protect it. I feel that this pipeline would seriously compromise the sea ecology. Please don't do it! I would like to register myself as an interested party and also state my objection to the planned exploration and potential oil and gas drilling near Plettenberg	Colleen McCrindle		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the proposed project, including the installation of a new subsea pipeline, on marine ecology will be assessed in the marine ecology impact assessment. Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B
782	Bay and along the Garden Route.	Cordell Brewer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Tour opecion has been recorded, WSP confirms that you are registered as an tour and will keep you informed or further developments on the block 11b/12b project.
783	Our town and the greater Blou area survives economically largely based on the tourism industry and businesses that cater to visitors from around South Africa and internationally. The attraction of the area to tourists and visitors is due to the thriving natural ecosystem and beauty of the area. The survey recently conducted by Pilott Tourism demonstrated that the Bay in a haven to many cherished sea animals large and small. Any activity which risks upsetting the balance of the ecosystem will have a lasting effect on the main asset of the area - which is the experience of rest and renewal that visitors have connecting with nature in the area. This would affect jobs and earnings at grass roots level and lead to unrest in an area that is relatively peaceful and secure.	Cordell Brewer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts on tourism will be addressed in the socio-economic study; the results of which will be made available in the impact assessment phase. Your comments are noted with thanks, e main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key
784	The full effect of underwater sonar exploration is not understood well enough to mitigate all possible negative effects on the wellbeing and breeding of marine life including whales, dolphins, turtles and others.	Cordell Brewer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	papers covering underwater noise and its effects: -Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and -Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on marine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), and behavioural response in marine mammals hearing due to both impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al 2019, NMFS 2016, 2018). The disturbance (behavioural response) threshold for all marine mammal species was set as 160 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) for inmpulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) for inmpulsive noise or cause of the second of the noise or its acoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance thresholds are much lower for continuous sounds than impulsive sounds, which is attributed to the differences in the way the ear perceives loudness for these sound types. Appropriate thresholds for sea turtles related to impulsive and non-impulsive noise ources were set as per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behavioural disturbance noise thresholds for sea turtles for both impulsive and non-impulsive sources was set at 175 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) (Finneran et al. 2017). Sound exposure guidelines for fish, fish eggs, and fish larvae have been developed by Popper et al. (2014) for impulsive and continuous (i.e., non-impulsive) noise sources. Fish are grouped into three categories depending on whether they have a swim bladder, and if it has a role larbility to hear. Fishes with no swim bladder are less susceptible to injury from noise exposure, although some injury may still result from exposure to sound pressure. Fishes with swim bladder are both susceptible to injury although hearing, alth
785	Any mistake or oil spill at any stage would be an unforgivable disaster.	Cordell Brewer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	behavioural response of penguins to impulsive noise. Based on the findings of this study, a conservative behavioural threshold of 120 dB re 1 μPa (SPLrms) was applied for impulsive and non-impulsive noise. Your comment have been recorded. The impact significance of an unplanned oil spill will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
786	This is a sensitive coastline with endangered species taking refuge to breed and survive. It also seems to be an important passageway for the movement of marine life. To attempt to profit from oil mining here seems inappropriate for the area and unnecessarily risky given the nature of the area and the proposed project. Thank you for your attention to this matter.	Cordell Brewer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment is noted with thanks. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
2344	The majority of us in the meeting are part of the indigenous people group. For the sake of unity we would like to see our leaders come together under one roof and discuss this and then give feedback on the project.	Craig Cupido	Koi Kordna	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	The comment is recorded. We are in the process of developing our database of indigenous leaders. Please share the contact details of the leaders and we will add them to the database and arrange a meeting with them.
2359	appreciate everyone input. It is clear that TEEPSA wants unity and our honest inputs. Moving forward, unity amongst us is key. All leaders need to come together.	Craig Cupido	Koi Kordna	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	The comment is recorded.
875	It am an interested and affected party of the Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis project. I am an RSA Citizen, live along this coastline and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. We must please not become desperate and pursue this avenue but rather seek out alternate avenues	Craig Derbyshire	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures.
218	to ensure protection of our environment of this most beaufild country of ours. We would like to participate in the process specifically in our core business of Engineering Support and Skills Development and have a relationship with TotalEnergies and did support on previous campaigns in Mossel Bay and Cape Town.	Danie Otto	Swift Nova Engineering Solutions (Pty) Ltd	31 January 2023	E-mail	WSP acknowledges receipt of the information and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
167	Since my involvement as an employee from PetroSA, the 29 years since then, the project is very important for the community of Mossel Bay as well as surrounding communities. The delay of this project has a big impact on the community and the economy of Mossel Bay. The delay of this project will cause huge financial impact at PetroSA, causing plo losses and further delay economic and social development. The approval of this project will bring new economic life in Mossel Bay and surrounding areas. 1. Since my involvement as an employee from Petro SA the 29 years since then the project is very important for the community of Mossel Bay, Surrounded	Daniel Thomas	Individual	10 January 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The potential benefits associated with the project on the socio-economy will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
2363	in the Southern. 2. The delay off this project has a big impact in the community the economy in the Mossel Bay. 3. The delay of this project has caused huge financilliy inpact at Petro SA itself. 4. Causes job losses and further economy development and social development. 5. The approval of this project will bring new economy. If it in Mossel Bay and surrounded areas.	Daniel Thomas / Ashdean Thomas	Individual	11 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been noted and will be submitted to the competent authority for consideration. The socio-economic impacts of the project will be considered as part of the ESIA.
25	is there any clarity on the precise location of the landing pipelines on the mainland, where the pipelines are likely to land and if they will be buried, subsurface or visible.	,	City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality	08 December 2022	V-FGM-04	Existing infrastructure will be used. There will be two possible pipeline routes. One of these will be the only new pipeline. There are no new pipelines landing onshore. The existing onshore landing will be used. Additional infrastructure of the final offtake will be assessed in a separate application.
26	Have assessment been done on the existing pipeline infrastructure as well? Governance surrounding this process needs to be thorough, open and transparent. The municipality can provide extra platforms to expand the reach for	,	City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality	08 December 2022	V-FGM-04	Yes. This is correct. WSP subsequently contacted Mr Colenbrander (Cape Town City Council Head: Coastal Policy Development and Management Programmes) for contact details of
30	engagement with the public. There is an organisation called SANCOR which is a nation-wide communication platform which provides information on the marine protected environment to the interested and affected parties (I&APS). Contact with the administrative of the platform can be arranged. When the public engagement meetings are being set up, is this done via engagement with local municipalities or directly with community interest groups?		City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality City of Cape Town Metropolitan Municipality	08 December 2022 08 December 2022	V-FGM-04	organisations to contact regarding the project as potential Interested and Affected Parties ((8.APs). The initial consultation entailed introductory engagements with District, Local and Metropolitan Municipalities along the coast between Mossel Bay and East London (including Cape Town) with the aim of starting a process to involve respective Heads of Departments and the ward councillors. The engagement has started with local government and aims to move to focus groups. Previous studies were undertaken for Block 1181/28, and a number of stakeholders were identified through that process. The engagement involves stakeholders representing various sectors of society including all spheres of government. A
976	I attended the 3pm meeting at Plettenberg Bay Community Half on 20 January. When completing the attendance register Lleft blank the response to the question as to whether or not I wished to be registered as, having very little idea of what the meeting was about, I wasn't sure how to respond. I unfortunately had to leave the meeting early but when I asked for the page (I was about the 6th person to register) on which I had registered it too was floating around in the half with the other issued to the multitude of taxed in late arrivals. I now request to be registered as an I &P.	Dave Holt	Individual	24 January 2023	E-mail	preliminary view of the zone of influence of the project also determined the range of contact and engagement. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
	Just before I left, the WSP representative (Helen?), while addressing the meeting, advised that proper notice of the meeting had been given as this had been					The meeting recording as well as the meeting notes are available via WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: - Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). - Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. - Placement of site notices at various public places. - Data-free website to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128) - A dedicated email address (teepsati-NgWSP.com) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3842). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary late of identified IAAPs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022.
977	done in early December so as to ensure the required 30 day notice had been given as some 15 days in December were "dead days" - I can't remember the exact term she used. She also mentioned a number of ways in which the notice had been given but these weren't clear to me.	Dave Holt	Individual	24 January 2023	E-mail	Face-to-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific conline focus group meetings were also convened in January 2023. The original meeting date and time at the Plessang Community Had id not change. An additional meeting was requested by local community members at 15:00 and this was communicated to the stakeholders on the IAAP database via bulk SMS. The additional meeting was requested due to concerns with the availability of transport. The scoping phase consultation process marked the beginning of the public participation scenarios. There will be further opportunities for the public to participate during the next round of meetings that will take place in the next phase of the ESIA, namely the impact assessment phase. You are vedocome to submit any suggestions you may have to the Public Participation Office through the following email address: teposalcHaWSP com. Regarding the "dead days" - it means that in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014, (as amended), no public participation meetings or processes may take place between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period between 15 December and 2 January due to the holding's season. Therefore, this period was fruit the days in that dead period cannot form part of the 30-day comment period. This is the reason why the public comment period on the draft accoping report was from 1 December 2022 until 3 February 202
978	Can you please advise the dates and methods of advertising the notice of the meeting to be held in Plettenberg Bay on 20 January 2023. It seemed from the non-verbal actions of those who were present at the meeting before the influx of late arrivals that they, like me, only became aware of the meeting the day before as a result of a Facebook announcement. Others to whom I have asked the question subsequently have responded with blank looks and "what	Dave Holt	Individual	24 January 2023	E-mail	Please refer to the response above.
979	meeting, what are you talking about". I look forward to receiving confirmation of my registration as an I &AP and the information giving the details of when and how notice of the meeting was communicated. If, for example, one of the methods was by newspaper advertisement, please advise the date(s) and in which newspaper(s) the advertisement was placed, ### Total destruction.	Dave Holt	Individual	24 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. The public meetings were advertised in the Knysna-Plett Herald on the 12th of January 2023 and broadcast via Eden FM on the 10th and 13th of January 2023, amongst other. For more details please see Table 9-5 in Section 9.8 of the Final Scoping Report.
1582	#rotalissruction #fotalfallary #fotalfyunforgivable	David Maspero		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded.
1088	Thanks I am an interested and affected party. I believe that this exploration has a very strong chance of causing harm to our Oceans, Fishing. Communities and Environment. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the South African ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I therefore object to this exploration proceeding.	David Parry-Davies	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. Please note that the application is for a Production Right.

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1023	I hereby lodge my OBJECTION to TotalEnergies' plan to drill new wells and lay pipelines in the area between and offshore from Mossel Bay to Cape SI Francis. My objections: a blowout, accidental release or spillages will be catastrophic to marrine life plus the regional industries of tourism, fisheries and recreational industries;	Dawn Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events, on the environment, tourism, fisheries and recreational industries will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1024	offshore oil and gas exploration has a major negative impact on green gases and hence climate change.	Dawn Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1025	More desirable and viable energy alternatives have not been fully considered.	Dawn Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on
1026	Deep water coral beds will be smothered by operational waste. Fish spawnings will be negatively impacted by toxic waste and emissions. CSEM surveys pose a risk to elasmobranch species (incl sharks, rays, skates).	Dawn Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	the coast (including sites important to endemic fish species in the area, like estuaries and MPAs). A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment will use the results of these studies to assess the impacts of the smothering and the discharge of operational waste.
1027	Noise and pressure emissions impact negatively and widely on marine turtles, mammals and cetaceans.	Dawn Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	No CSEM surveys will be conducted as part of the project. Project activity marine acoustic effects will be assessed. Noise levels will be compared to criteria thresholds for relevant species including marine turtles, mammals and cetaceans.
	International Oil & Gas Giants (Total Energies45%, Qatar Petroleum25%, Canada Natural Resources20% and Main Street 1549 10%) are planning to drill new oil and gas wells (with rigs) between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis. I believe that Total and their partners already transgressed National Environmental					Indiffication Cetalcolis.
	Management Act (NEMA) when they seismically blasted the hell out of the area between Mossels and Seal Point (19000 square km) during 2019 without Environmental Authorization from DFFE, but instead from DMRE based on an EMP and not an EIA as required for such activities. Total should be punished for					
1713	the damage which they have already caused, not benefitting.	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1714	They already know that the Outeniqua Basin has a huge oil reserve with ESTIMATED VALUE OF 1 Trillion US Dollars as much tax collected for the fiscus in SA over the last 15 years added together The Brulpadda' Oil Reserve as they nicknamed it. Very few South Africans stand to benefit GREATLY!!! (Only	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. The socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1715	Phutuma Nhleko and Johnny Copehn will really benefit), but at a huge environmental cost. The "Save the Wild Coast" judgement against Shell & Impact oil and gas was just one battle won. These guys are relentlessly greedy. They have a lot of money and together with their politically connected cronies are hell bent on getting their greedy hands on the big fat "Brulpadda" pay cheque, no mater the	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	cost to the environment, harm to marine life, fish stocks, coastal communities and global warming emissions reduction targets. There is a huge risk to the entire coastline as we have particularly rough seas and strong ocean currents along this coast. A significant spill or accident and			-		Numerical modelling of contaminant dispersion from a subsea blowout or condensate leak will include a full 3D representation of the Agulhas Current over a 5-
1716	the oil will be spread up and down the entire coastline due to the fast southward moving Agulhas Current (4m/s) and northward Longshore drift caused by sw winds and marching swells. This project should not be seen in its individual capacity and threat thereof but rather consider the cumulative effect of all of the fossil fuel extraction plans for	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	year period and the effect of concurrent winds and wind generated waves. The extent of the impact on the surrounding ocean and nearby coastline will be predicted by the model. The effect of spill mitigation measures will also be modelled and the findings presented in the study report.
1717	the entire coastline and exclusive economic zone of South Africa as there are many similar projects with right held by other international companies. EIA'S should consider the impact of the	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	A list of projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective in the impact assessment has been provided in the final Scoping Report (chapter 10).
	cumulative effect of all of these operations should permissions be granted. The Oil & Gas Companies and Political Royally are following Churchilifs advice to, "Never let a good (energy) crisis go to waste". There is a 'Gas Master Plan' that includes Karpoverships, exploiting oil, gas and mineral deposits along the entire 3000km coastline and up to 240km out to sea. This is short sighted as					
1718	the extraction is short term and will benefit very few South Africans, while the risk to the ecological integrity is great. In this is stort series and is enstrined in the constitution. We also have a responsibility to preserve this natural heritage in a sustainable way for the	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Thank you for this comment, it is noted with thanks. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will
	benefit of present and future generations as outlined in our constition. The extraction of oil and gas for short term financial benefit to mostly international companies is not in line with the South African Constitution.					involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors.
						The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cleacans. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitals, famal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems—based approach. The assessment
1719	Welcome to the economic colonialism of the 21st century. Another assault on the sacred South East Coast of Africa the whales' oldest sanctuary and	Dana Kasa		02 F-h 2022	Martala	of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity
1719	corridor connecting the Southern Ocean to the warm water breeding grounds of the Indian Ocean. Home of The Sardine Run the Agulhas Current - one of the Oceans' strongest currents and "superhighway" which is critical for migration of breeding whales and most other species.	Dean Knox		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	planning processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat'; or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory /congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy,
						as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
1756	I Deborah Cecile Pretorius, do hereby object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.	Deborah Cecile Pretorius		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
4757	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration.	Deborah Cecile			Martala	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being
1757	2. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Pretorius			WhatsApp	considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact lassessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1758	Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Have you heard about Karpowership??	Deborah Cecile Pretorius		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comments are noted. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block11B/12B Project.
1759	Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Deborah Cecile Pretorius		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1760	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc	Deborah Cecile Pretorius		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
						WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/128 project specifically.
1761	The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry -conflict of interest much?) *has been snuck through the eastern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape.	Deborah Cecile Pretorius		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/12B project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn lugon for use in the local context, as and when required.
						The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of
	The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come.					Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
1762	#totaldestruction #totalfalacy	Deborah Cecile			WhatsApp	The comments have been recorded.
	#totallyumforgivable as a deeply concerned citizen - we have every right to keep our planet from any further big fuel companies irreversible damage being done. This cannot be	Pretorius			,,,	
1037	allowed to happen under any circumstances. The gasoline off Mossel bay should be stopped.	Deidre Mans	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1649	OBJECTION -Good day - I would like to OBJECT to the TOTAL Energies ES SA BA, plan to drill & build new gas pipelines , Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin . Thank you .	Deirdre Claire Moser		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1048	Good day - I would like to OBJECT to the Total Energies ES SA BA, plan to drill & build new gas pipelines, Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.	Deirdre Moser	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
2333	There is a need to engage with the municipalities and communities so that they are informed about the project before commencement. The dates to the	Deon de Vos	Sarah Baartman District Municipaltiy	10 January 2023	V-FGM-06	Municipalities were engaged with first about the project. Please refer to Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report for detailed information about the consultations that took place with the local authorities in the proposed project area.
0004	public meeting to be forwarded to the municipalities so that they can mobilise their communities. We must be thorough in consultation especially when it comes to the SLP so that no stakeholder can say that they did not have a fair chance to comment on	David Mar			V 5011 00	As part of its obligation to engage meaningfully on the SLP, TEEPSA will collaborate with various municipalities and community representatives in the process of
2334	the project. Municipalities in the affected areas need to be consulted and need to participate in this process. I object to total energies being given the rights to drill or extract gas from our coastlines, believing that we have a very diversified coastline and this will	Deon de Vos	Sarah Baartman District Municipaltiy	10 January 2023	V-FGM-06	developing its first generation SLP. Should a production right be granted, TEEPSA will furthermore continue these engagements during subsequent five-year periodic SLP review processes.
904	impact negatively on it. I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I am a	Deon Felton	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded.
843	chemical engineer collaborating with national and international persons and companies to be able to provide energy by utilizing waste sources et a resource literally going to waste and causing environmental damage. We can prevent the further pollution of microplastics, toxic gases, and liquids seeping linto the soil, water, and air. We are talking of billions worth of untapped resources a year. Leave the natural world alone, stop looking to tap into finite	Deone Claasens	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	resources, and lets first make use of what is so readily available. It is the thing to do that shows wisdom, character and integrity.	Derrick Erasmus and				The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you
1780	We object to Total Energies sinking new pipelines between St Francis and Mossel Bay as it will endanger our local and global ecosystem in the long term.	Christine Ross-Watt		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the
1569	I object to Total Energies' plans for drilling and construction along the Mossel Bay and Cape st Francis Coastlines. I am a concerned citizen and avid trail numer. Our marine life along the coast is fragile and needs to be protected at all costs. I stand with all those in objections to these plan.	Dominique Daveis		10 February 2023	WhatsApp	most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based
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1750	that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL LIFE. If granted, this license will further destroy the viability of of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline,	Donna Garven		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. These data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either avoid or reduce the impact of the proposed activities. Examples include restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on
	if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all our sakes.					migrating cetaceans to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in fewest number. The results of the marine ecology assessment will be used to inform the socio-economic impact assessment that forms part of the ESIA.
48	If the comment is in the chat, it will be taken as part of the meeting. If you do not get an opportunity to air your views, you can add it to the chat and expect a response from there.	Donovan Brink	PetroSA (SOC) Limited	07 December 2022	V D I II - 14 - 04	All comments received in the online meeting chat function were included in the minutes of the meeting. The meeting notes are available via WSP's website at:
58	The application is for six development and appraisal wells, yet the application to the authority is for a production right. Please explain why this is the case?	Donovan Brink			V-Public Mtg.01	https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11B12B
58	The application to the authority is for a production right, and yet we are talking about six development or appraisal wells which are not production wells. How do development or appraisal wells tie into the production right application?		D-10.4 (000) 11	07.0		https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128 Development wells and production wells are one and the same. [TEEPSA is] still busy with the development scheme [engineering design of the gas field and pipeline alignments]
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941	Please consider doing the right thing for the environment and it's inhabitants. Machad alease first BEMA''. (Receive Miscabal Artise Description for the Present of the Pr	Dr Daisy Gidlow	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify risks to the environment, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1270	Attached please find REVAG's (Rescue Vieesbaal Action Group) comments regarding the Scoping report for the Proposed offshore PR and EA Application for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa. ReVAG represents the interest of the communities of the Vieesbaal Area. As such we are compelled to stress the catastrophic impact of a potential well blow-out on the Southern Cape coast. Our attached submission clearly sets this out. It would be inconceivable that such a risk can be worth taking for a relatively short term benefit. The inhabitants of the area would agree if they were aware of this danger. Please acknowledge receipt and confirm that our submission will be included in the ESIA and public participation process that form part of the proposed Werefer to the information about the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and public participation process that form part of the proposed	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The Ela process currently underway for Block 118/128 is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in VSP's ElA report.
1271	Production Right and EA project for Block 1197/28. Although the social reproduction Right and EA project for Block 1197/28. Although the social reproductions that some attention will be given to the potential impact of a well blow-out, we would like to highlight the crucial need to fully investigate this consideration as part of the ESIA. The real danger of a deep-sea well blow-out and the devastating consequences thereof, were illustrated by the "Deepwater Horizon" catastrophe in the Gulf of	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Modelling of contaminant dispersion due to a subsea blowout and the effects on receptors and the coastline is being carried out as part of the EIA study. The findings will be presented in detailed reports in the next phase of the project.
1272	Mexico. Such an event would be utterly disastrous to the whole Southern Cape coast. Due to the depth of the drilling, the sea conditions and the very strong and unpredictable deep currents, this is not such a remote possibility at all. The item is briefly covered in the scoping report under "Specialist Studies – Oil Spill Modelling (Executive Summary §2.2 & Chapter 9, in §9.2.3)". Missing	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded, and will be addressed in the ESIA phase.
1273	here is the description of the extent of the modelling of the environmental consequences of such spills. Also the limitation of 20 days may be optimistic. The Deepwater Horizon spill lasted 5 months, i.e. 150 days, in seabed conditions which were probably less severe than in this case.	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	The scenarios used for the modelling of the dispersion of contaminants from a subsea blowout will be presented in detail in the relevant study report. The selection of scenarios is informed by industry experience related to release rates and volumes and response times to cap the blowout.
1274	The draft ESIA for TEEPSA 5/6/7 in respect of drilling along the south-western coast of South Africa, compiled by SLR, provides a full and frightening picture of the extent and consequences of a blow-out in that exploration area (Draft Scoping Report 10.4). Extensive modelling has been applied and shows an apocapytic disaster scenario for the Cape coast – with a risk probability of 'unlikely'.	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. The outcomes of the oil spill and drill cuttings discharge modelling for the Block 11B/12B ESIA will be presented in detailed reports in the next phase of the project.
1275	According to your own definitions, "unlikely" indicates a 5% or lower probability. The sea conditions and the very strong and unpredictable deep currents in the 11B/12B area significantly enhance that risk in this case and place the probability near the top of this range. As supportive as one may be to the need for a gas supply to Gouniwa and PetroSA, especially in the current conditions, it still seems completely	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Impact probability and significance of an accidental well blowout will be determined in the ESIA phase, and presented in the draft EIA report.
1276	Irresponsible to expose the whole economy of the Southern Cape to such a catastrophic risk. We therefore request that the ESIA MUST INCLIDE DETAILED AND RELIABLE SCIENTIFIC DATA WHICH SHOWS WHAT THE CONSEQUENCES OF A WELL BLOW-OUT AND THE RESULTANT IMPACT ON THE OCEAN ENVIRONMENT, FISHING, TOURISM INDUSTRY ETC. Simply relegating this to an "unlikely" risk	Dr Fritz Snyckers Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023 31 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	The draft EIA report will present the potential effects of an accidental blowout on aquatic receptors, fishers, tourism and other socio-economic aspects. WSP's numerical modelling studies and EIA report will address these aspects.
1278	will not do. It would be inconceivable that such a risk can be worth taking for a relatively short term benefit. The inhabitants of the area would agree if they were aware	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded.
1279	of this danger. Please acknowledge receipt and confirm that our request will be included in the ESIA.	Dr Fritz Snyckers	Rescue Vleesbaai Action Group	31 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1078	I want to register as an interested and affected person. Please note that:	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send information on the Block 11B/12B project.
1079	The SA Constitution Bill of Rights Environment 2.4. Everyone has the right— (a)to an environment that is not harmful to their health or wellbeing; and (b)to have the environment protected, for the benefit of present and future generations, through reasonable legislative and other measures that— (i)prevent pollution and ecological degradation; (ii)promotic conservation; and (iii)secure ecologically sustainable development and use of natural resources while promoting justifiable economic and social development. In keeping with the Constitution and Bill of Rights Sections 17(1)(c) and 75(1)(b) of the MPRDA state that the national Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy (national Minister) can issue a prospecting right/reconnaissance permit if the prospecting/reconnaissance will not result in unacceptable pollution, ecological development, to the environment,	Dr lan Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. The SA Constitution Bill of Rights is listed in the Scoping Report (Chapter 8 and Appendix B)as one of the key legislative requirements underpinning the ESIA process. Importantly, from 2nd September 2014, the environmental regulation of prospecting, mining, exploration and production activities (mineral activities) has been transferred from the MPRDA to the EMBA. The teMBA, gives effect to Servities) has been full to the SA of 1996 (Act 108 of 1996) by ensuring that the nation's mineral and petroleum resources are developed in an ecologically sustainable manner while promoting justifiable social and economic development.
1080	Current widespread scientific opinion regarding the actual impact of seismic surveying on the marine environment indicates that the effects on marine ecosystems, living creatures and entire biomes of these activities is significant and irreversible and that alternative methods of reconnaissance survey are more appropriate in the context. Without such assessment and evaluation of alternatives within an environmental assessment process, any decision-making process does not uphold basic principles of just administrative action. Commercial interests and cost cannot be the only or main drivers of decisions. NEMA Section 2 applies in terms of the "precautionary principle". South Africa's policy and legal framework requires conclusive evidence to support an activity with a potential significant impact over a large area.	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	The precautionary approach is a necessary principle. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study.
1081	potential significant impact over a large area. Furthermore, combined and cumulative impacts of reconnaissance, exploration, mining and drilling activities have not been assessed and evaluated in the context of impacts on other marine and coastal based economic activities.	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	The contribution of the proposed production related activities to existing and planned activities in the study area will be assessed as part of the ESIA (refer to Chapter 10.2 of the Scoping Report), Conducting a Strategic Environmental Assessment for offshore gas development as part of SA's integrated resource plan will be recommended to the Regulators.
1082	The substantive aspects of widespread and established scientific opinion relating to the impact of seismic surveying on marine life raise a justifiable apprehension of the cortainty of irreversible, irreparable and imminent harm should this activity be allowed, as was considered in the judgment handed down by the Eastern Dape hight Court in Sustaining the Wild Coast NPC & 6 others v Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy 4 & 4 others (Case no. 349112021) (("Shell case") where the precautionary principle was considered justified given the ever increasing body of more recently dated scientific evidence showing the negative and fasting impacts of seismic surveys.	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	A precautionary approach is required and will be applied. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will be come an input into the marine ecological study.
1083	the reseave and userin impacts of sestinct surveys. Continued exploration for hydrocarbons does not accord with SA's undertaking at COP27 to reduce dependency on, and use of, carbon emitting fuels. SA's potential in terms of both job creation and energy security is better pursued by directing investment into renewable energy projects and the wider renewable energy training rather than in 6sa's file exploration and development.	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1084	The building of oil and gas rigs had nothing to do with justifiable economic or social development, mainly as it will not benefit anyone of the local communities, but destroy their livelihoods.	Dr Ian Olivier	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been noted. The ESIA will consider the adverse and positive potential impacts of the project on local communities.
1085	I am surprised how much longer we have to accept a few people from mainly European countries benefit from oil and gas exploitation in African countries, leaving ecological and economical disasters in their wake. I hereby submit comments on the above-mentioned application for a Production Right TEEPSA T18/T28. Llack of compliance with the Marine Spatial Planning Act 16 of 2018 The Marine Spatial Planning Act 16 of 2018 ("the MSPA") was enacted in 2019 and came into effect in May 2021, nearly two years ago, Section 2 of the Act sets out it so bijectives, while Section 5 of the Act (Annexure), sets out the principles that must underpin any development of activities in the ocean. The Objectives state that implementation of this Act is necessary to "promote sustainable economic opportunities through coordinated and integrated planning" (Section 2 b) and "conserve the ocean for this and future generations" Section 2, c). Section 5.1 (s) states that 'coherent and holistic planning and management is required. Section 5.2 states that where there is conflict between existing uses, developing uses or activities principles in sub Section 1 must apply (my emphasis). The principles amongst several, the advancement of an ecosystem and earth system approach' (section 5.1 (d) and reliance on best available scientific information(h). In section 3, the Act provides that: 2. Application of Act—(1) This Act applies to marine spatial planning on or in South African waters and binds all organs of state. (2) Any right, permit, permission, licence or any other authorisation issued in terms of any other law must be consistent with the approved marine area plans. As far as I have been able to establish, four years after the passing of the MSPA, no marine spatial plan exists yet for the area relevant to this application. Given the objectives and principles set out by both the MSPA and NEMA, it was the clear intention of the legislature not to proceed with large-scale development of the ocean without clear, otherent and integrated pl	Dr Ian Olivier Dr Jackie Sunde	Individual Individual	29 January 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	You comment has been recorded. The potential impacts of the proposed production related activities, including unplanned events, on marine ecology and socio- economy will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. The Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) based on marine spatial planning principles should be undertaken periodically to assess and manage potential cumulative impacts in a hoistic manner and to identify and implement regional level mitigation measures. DMRE should take cognisance of this recommendation to undertake a strategic level SEA for Specialists and Environmental Assessment Practioners to accurately assess cumulative impacts in the region. The scoping report has utilised the most up to date MSP data available that is applicable to this applicable to the applicable to this applica
1443	This draft Scoping Report fails to take into account the principles in the MSPA, in particular the need for holistic planning and management and the reliance on the best available information. Such information simply does not exist as the state has not conducted a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for this section of the coastline.	Dr Jackie Sunde	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	framework for large, complex capital projects. The scoping report has utilised the most up to date MSP data that is available applicable to this application, all of which has been untaken at a regional/national level. Specifically, Section 7.2.10 of the scoping report utilises information from previous MSP processes (i.e., Harris et al. 2022) to classify area as MPAs, ESBAs, CBA Natural areas/CBA Restore area/ESAs, and makes use of published sea use earlies grouped by their broad sea use and MSP Zones and assessed according to their compatibility with the management objective of CBAs and ESAs, Indeed, the scoping report specifies that the development of oil and gas pipelines are considered non-compatible with CBA Natural areas as per Harris et al. (2022), and the implications of such on management and planning of the proposed development activities are detailed in Section 7.2.10. A new Marine Spatial Planning assessment tool that has just been released (DFFE 2023, https://portal.environment.poz.va.portal.apps/weberg/index/sthmt?/id-daa888e624aa498a89b8884f14e3850d) that does provide additional regional level planning capabilities, and will be used to inform the marine impact assessment. It was the emphasised here that this scoping assessment (and the impact assessment to follow) is focused on the impacts and management of the proposed activities to be undertaken within and surrounding the Block 11B/12B production right area. By definition, cumulative marine environmental impacts emanating from the proposed project are related to the overlap with various other sources of anthropogenic disturbance, such as disturbance of the seabed, noise impacts, operational polition and discharges etc. This 'Zone of impact' where cumulative impacts may be of concern will be defined through both noise modelling and far field of spill and drift discharge modelling studies will become inputs into the marine cological study, and as such there is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct info
1444	I submit that no environmental authorisation should be granted for further production rights at such time as 'coordinated and integrated planning' and 'holistic planning' has been done on the coast, including an MSP and a SEA that can consider all the various activities and uses present or proposed for this region. Only then can the decision-maker make an informed decision and balance the various competing interests in order to realize the objectives of the Right to Environment (Section 24) in the Constitution of South Africa. For this reason I submit that the draft Scoping Report fails to adequately place this necessary information pertaining to the requirements of the MSP Act on the table for the decision-maker to consider. 2. Social and Economic Impact assessment The Draft Scoping report outlines the scope of the social -impact assessment in very broad, brush strokes, suggesting that it will rely heavily on existing	Dr Jackie Sunde	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	no national legel but the decision-makina subhodity. We agree that Strategic invironmental Assessment (SEA) based on marine spatial planning principles be undertaken periodically to assess and manage potential cumulative impacts in a hotistic manner and to identify and implement regional level mitigation measures. We support calls for the decision-making authority (OMRE) to take cognisance of this recommendation to undertake a strategic level SEA for Specialists and Environmental Assessment Practitioners to accurately assess cumulative impacts in the region. The scoping report has utilised the most up to date MSP data that is available applicable to this application, all of which has been untaken at a regional/national level (see Section 7.2.10 of the scoping report, that utilises information from previous MSP processes such as Harris et al. 2022). In addition, a new Marine Spatial Planning assessment tool that has just been released (DFFE 2023, https://portal.environment.gov.za/portal/apps/webappviewer/index.htm?id=daa888e624aa498a89b8884114a3850d) that does provide additional regional level planning capabilities, and will be used to inform the marine impact assessment. Every effort will be made to identify and assess cumulative marine environmental impacts emanating from the proposed project applicable to wider (indeed, a regional secopose beyond the borders of the producer inght area. These will be defined through both noise modelling and far field oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies. The outputs of these modelling studies will become inputs into the marine ecological study. However, a regional assessment of all cumulative impacts, whilst of importance as acknowledged above, is unfortunately beyond the scope of this work, and needs to be undertaken on a national level by the decision-making authority.
1445	demographic and socio-economic information for Mossell Bay, and to a lesser extent SI Francis Bay. This is not at all adequate. The receiving environment must be adequately described. Specifically, the Draft Scoping Report fails to indicate how it will gather information about the socio-economic profile of the small-scale fisheries cooperatives all along the area of the coast that will be impacted by the project. Detailed socio-economic information must be provided for these groups that are rights holders in this region, not just stakeholders. Together with subsistence fishers, they are the most marginalized groups of resource users along this coast. The profile should consider the fisheries of each of these cooperatives which differ from cooperative to cooperative. A detailed assessment of the vulnerability of each cooperative to impacts depending on the species that they utilize and depend on for their livelihoods must be included. For example, squid and certain line fish species. This should include the small-scale fishers who are awaiting the formation of a cooperative in Still Bay as they marge be innocated by this project.	Dr Jackie Sunde	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. More information on coastal users, particularly commercial and small-scale fishers, has been included in the baseline section of the Final Scoping Report (see Section 7), and will be detailed in the specialist reports that will be compiled for the impact assessment phase.
1446	3.Cultural Heritage Assessment (CHA) The short section on the Cultural Heritage Assessment that will be included fails to indicate how it will address the issue of the fisher community cultural heritage along this coastline. There are numerous traditional, small-scale fisher communities that have a long cultural history and relationship with the ocean, resulting in both tangible and intangible culture. Whilst some of these fishers identify as indigenous fishers of Khoisan heritage, a focus on Khoisan coastal dwellers' relationship with the ocean will not capture all of the fisheries specific heritage. This heritage is also at risk. The fostings responsible store in the strength of the properties of the communities cultural heritage will be assessed? It does not provide the public with an opportunity to assess if there are gaps in this list or if the methodology to describe, assess and rate the impact of the proposed project on the cultural heritage of these diverse groups will be appropriate and adequate. Please elaborate on these issues and how each of the SSF cooperatives will be covered in this regard as well as the many groups of subsistence fishers who are active in the Knysna and Ggeberha area but are not on the cooperative list. Will field work be conducted with each of them? If so, what methods will be used?	Dr Jackie Sunde	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Cultural Heritage study was commissioned by TEEPSA and addresses issues of intangible cultural heritage in coastal communities where small-scale fishing is the way of life, individual and SSF groups were engaged in this research and the sites, chronology of research undertake SSF groups were engaged in this research and the sites, chronology of research undertaken to reached during the time set for the CHIA are noted, documented and analysed as per the ToR set for the CHIA. It is fully acknowledged that across the coastal areas of SA, including the sites adjacent to Block 11b/12b, there is a rich coastal and intangible cultural heritage, as well as endogenous and recently settled peoples in South Africa are considered. It is not only SSF cultural practices and beliefs that should be considered when assessing cultural heritage, it is also the cultural practices and beliefs of the diversity of coastal peoples siving in the areas potentially affected. A detailed assessment is offered in the CHIA as per the ToR, which includes careful and incisive assessment of the impacts of the proposed activity on diverse groups. A detailed discussion is also provided on the method, rationale of the research, legal requirements for the research and the time frame given for the task. It is acknowledged that not all SSF groups may have been reached in the study but that care had to be taken to ensure a larger group of community peoples are given the chance to share their beliefs and cultural relations with the ocean and coast.
1293	I am a registered I&AP for this project. Please place on record my objections to the licensing of the mining of oil in the area between Cape St Francis and Mossel Bay and the drilling of 10 deep sea wells in the Mossel Bay area. Please register me as an IAP for the S&EA process for the proposed offshore production right and EA Application for Block 11B/12B by Total Energies EP SA	Dr Mandy Uys	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	ocean and coast. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send your information on the Block 11B/12B project.
1294 1295	Project, Reference No 12/4/013. I am an aquatic ecologist with 25 years experience in the field. It is unthinkable that in an age in which responsible management of the planet requires urgent collective action against the use of non-renewable fossil fuels (inter alia), that this form of resource exploitation should even be a consideration. Drilling for and pumping of gas and associated condensates is archaic in the extreme, in terms of the alternatives we should be funding, developing and further	Dr Mandy Uys Dr Mandy Uys	Individual	25 January 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The Need and Desirability section of the Scoping Report will consider alternatives sources of energy for South Africa
1295	exploring. As signatories to the Paris Agreement South Africa has committed to set the goal to reach zero net emissions by 2050 in its Low Emission Development Strategy. It is hard to imagine how this development could contribute to that goal. Furthermore the laying of a 109km pipe	Dr Mandy Uys	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scope of work as presented in the scoping kepoti will consider alternatives sources or energy for south Artical The scope of work as presented in the scoping study does include application for additional exploration work in other areas of the 11B/12B Block, especially towards the East-Northeast of the Leiper discovery where similar potential for hydrocarbons could exist. The marine impact assessment will take the potential
1296 1280	convert the Exploration Right to a Production right also does not preclude TEEPSA from planning further exploration. As cosstal and marine scientists / oceanographers previously and currently active on the Southern Cape, my wife and I would like to register as I & APs. Notwithstanding the purported motivations, the need to secure energy generation and augment national energy supply etc, we nonetheless hold major concerns with this proposed Phase 3 operation. Such concerns are primarily related to the potential environmental impacts, especially given the sensitive location along the continental shelf and within the all important Aguihas current, the lifeblood of this sensitive ecosystem and utilised by many oceanic species, numerous of which are vulnerable or endengered. Additionally there are numerous social-economic and cultural corns. To their credit, TEEPSA acknowledges much in their Draft Scoping Report Non-Technical Summary and we reiterate these valid risks with particular concerns about: * Ability of this sensitive coastline (about which must is still unknown) to absorb the impacts of operations, especially if any accidents occurred. * Impacts on sea water and sediment quality at drilling sites and current drift of those. * Impacts on plant and animal life on the sea bottom in areas where wells are drilled, or project infrastructure is installed; * Attraction & incineration of individual brids (sep. rare & ulnerable pelagic species) from well stem test flaring at the drillship, effluent impacts etc; * Noise effects on marine life (especially catecans, but all marine life, given how far noise travels underwater) due to sound from construction related activities, and associated physical and behaviour disturbance; * Sonar effects from continued survey activities, resulting in injury or mortality;	Dr Mandy Uys Dr Matthew Zylstra	indvidual	03 February 2023	E-mail	It could be such that the per discovery where similar potential for hydrocarbons could exist. The manne impact assessment will take the potential impacts of explorations activities into account (drilling, testing and flaring, water quality impacts etc.). A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the flaunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'Vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to year and as available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accuration. This 2022 ROV and drop camera earnaping surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and radrillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including estuaries, Ramsar sites etc.). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and off discharges modelling study, it is pastial and the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and off discharges modelling study, it is pastial and the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through
1281	* Loss of small-scale/artisanal fishing grounds due to project infrastructures and their exclusion zones; * Social unrest in coastal communities due to the perception of project negative impacts on sharies combined with very limited local benefits; and * Potential impacts on human cultural heritage and spiritual connections to the ocean and coastline, which is of sacred value to communities, especially along this coastline, with a long history of connection to the sea. * The legacy of the operation site at the end of their lifespan. Rehabilitation of the site(s) (where possible) and retrieval of demersal (sea-floor) infrastructure is absolutely essential. Perhaps I have missed it in all the documentation, but I would like to see a(n) (second) independent risk analysis plan of the above, with a matrix of the likelihood of the risks occurring, a severity rating if they did occur and the proposed mitigation measures in place. I would expect that the liability //responsibility of accidents rests with the TEEPSA consortum and does not get transferred to national/public liability. We also note that if this is being partially motivated as a climate/future-proofing project, then all measures need to be put into place to minimise harmful emissions. The environmental impact of fossil fules is widely acknowledged and, in 2023, we would expect that the strictest and most progressive measures	Dr Matthew Zylstra	Individual Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	iemporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment. The outcomes of the impact assessment, including statements on impact magnitude and impact significance will be presented in a draft EIA report that will be made available for public review in the next phase of the project. TEEPSA is required to set aside funds to ensure that, in the event of an oil spill, an environmental clean-up can be undertaken and compensation paid to the individuals and communities that are adversely affected. Compensation will be determined on a case-by-case basis. This comment has been recorded. We will assess the project impacts from climate change and provide our professional opinion and the way forward based on
2021	emissions. The elivironmental impact or loss lives is wively accrowed get and, in 2025, we would expect that the strictest and most progressive measures are being implemented (including renewable energies) to mitigate or offset the pollution/emissions caused by all operations (from drill site to terrestrial site)	Lyisud		52 . SSIGNY 2023	E-111011	the findings of the assessment.

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1283	Unfortunately the track record of oil and gas operations - with destructive social-ecological legacies that I have witnessed first hand - does not lend me to easily endorse such projects, even with thorough the EIAs that otherwise read well. Too often, as we see public interest in the matter wane, extraordinary profits transferred to the (foreign) consortiums, environmental impacts 'swept under the rup' (especially in the relative 'invisibility' of the deep sea) and the legacy of social and ecological cleanup left with the impoversible coastal communities (and incapacitated governments), who have gained little benefit form	Dr Matthew Zylstra	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1284	the operations. Nor do we have much faith in the political representatives to hold operations to account. My preferred outcome, given the number and magnitude of risks, is that this venture does not proceed off what is an incredibly important, sensitive and biodiverse coastline, and recognised internationally as such. I remain unconvinced of the risk-benefit – and whether the purported benefits to the local economy or even to a national energy supply that is need of huge reform, will actually accrue, especially when it is mismanaged to the extent that it is.	Dr Matthew Zylstra	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1285	If it were to still proceed and given this exploration is clearly going to be a lucrative undertaking, we would expect that strict mitigation measures are enforced, that there is regular independent on-going monitoring of all operations or and that any clean-up is legally binding during and at conclusion of the protects lifespan. Thank wo for farking these matters cobbard for future discussions. This proposal is fundamentally flawed in principle. This response deals with these principles, rather than with the professionalism of the arrangement of the deckchairs on the vessel carrying them. To continue to pursue the project would be to ignore a wealth of scientific evidence covering many decades, that	Dr Matthew Zylstra	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will identify appropriate mitigation measures that can be used to manage Project activities and also provide for ongoing monitoring, as appropriate. TEEPSA is obliged in terms of the conditions of the Production Right to set aside provisions that will be used to pay the cost of a response, clean-up and compensation to affected parties in the event of an emergency situation.
1305	incontrovertibly proves that the extraction and burning of fossil fuels is one of the major factors responsible for the climate catastrophe currently starting to engulf the planet. The world is fast approaching - if it has not already reached - the tipping point of climate alteration to a situation where much of the planet will in the near future be inhospitable to human habitation. Projects such as this will inevitably hasten this.	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed in the impact assessment phase, the results of which will be documented in a standalone specialist report and incorporated into the Draft EIA Report and EMP.
	Human history is replete with examples of once pervasive social and technological practices that have run their course. Oil and gas exploration has had its day. It has no place in humanity's future – indeed, if it continues, it will serve to ensure that humanity will have no future, together with many of the other organisms of our world. The project is clearly designed to lay the ground for future exploitation of oil and gas reserves, should these exist. It is a reckless expression of short-term oread. Asserting that an exploration to determine whether gas or oil fields are present does not equate to the exploration of any such reserves can politely be called					The wells drilled in the western part of Block 11B/12B are production wells and they will be coupled to subsea infrastructure that will allow the flow of gas and
1306	disingenuous. There is no value to the expense of such exploration unless there is an intention to exploit in the future. No commercial organisation will sink costs into a venture unless there is liskly to be a return on that investment at some time. The design of the project encompasses a further exploitation, this time of the processes to ensure environmental accountability in any initiative that may have adverse impacts on the environment. Under the prevailing legislation that afforded the consortium permission to undertake exploration, the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) is the approval authority of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESM the Petroleum Agency of	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	condensate to the F-A Platform via a subsea pipeline. Wells drilled in the eastern section of Block 11b/12B are appraisal well that will assist in better understanding the potential hydrocarbon reservoir in this section for future extraction.
1307	South Africa (PASA)) and the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) the appeal authority. This reflects that legislative processes often take some time to catch up to events on the ground. Swiftly moving environmental changes will necessitate legislative tightening of aspects such as the authorisation and appeal mechanisms for such projects. To pursue the project just because the law prevailing at the time allows it, with no respart for the new environmental context within which it will take place, is profoundly conical.	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is noted and will be taken into account by the Competent Authority.
1308	The project context is not only environmental but also political and to disregard this is to do the environment a grave disservice. The current Minister of Mineral and Energy Affairs is an fervent and unabashed fossil flue lapporter. His support for the oil and gas industry is not but in large part due to its financial support of the ruling party, of which he is a senior member of long standing. This is the context within which energy policy is developed and fossil fluels included in the "energy mis", envisaged for the country. The rationalisation that this inclusion would form part of a gradual "just transition" approach from an overwhelmingly coal-driven energy provision to one clominated by renewables such as wind and solar dees not hold up to scrutiny. South Africa's energy supply is on the brink of collapse and needs an	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1309	immediate, rapid and urgent injection of capacity (supported by expansion of the transmission network). This can only be supplied by renewables. Technological advances in these and associated fields such as battery storage continue apace and are whittling away the arguments around aspects such as base load and reliability. The DMRE is not displaying any sense of necessary urgency in enabling this to happen. However, events are likely to overtake the long-term cosy	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1310	relationships between government and large fossil fuel corporations that have characterised the energy provision in the country to date and which are now increasingly anachronistic.	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1311	Recent reputable studies have also shown that claims for the amount of gas that would be needed in the transition phase have been vastly overestimated, both in terms of amount and time. The amounts that would be useful can easily be supplied from existing sources. The project will cause significant disruption to a sensitive marine environment beset by problems, almost without exception caused by large-scale human encroachment and interference, that threaten its survival. The project will add to this burden. Within this marine environment however, there is still a significant number of subsistence fishers who rely on its continuance for their survival. The impact of the project on their ability to continue to support their immediate and extended families from the sea will be profound.	Dr Pat Miller Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the ESIA (Need and Desirability) uses existing studies on quantities of gas that could be incorporated into the energy mix over the coming decades. This will be further investigated during the ESIA to provide a more detailed description of the energy mix and forecast deman of south Africa. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on halfs, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'uninerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to ope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. The marine impact assessment will asio include an assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the object-induced change. The subsessment will thus considered the most sensitive receptors and important habitats (including savaning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through and oil so pill and drill disciplement of joint and reductions in fishing grounds, inpacts on the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the
1313	Whale Coast Conservation recommends that the ESIA should be suspended until it has been demonstrated that an independent, objective study of the need and desirability of developing natural gas resources shows that natural gas is a preferred economic strategy to directly installing cutting edge renewable	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	be assessed in the marine impact assessment. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.Conducting a Strategic Environmental Assessment for offshore gas
1314	energy and energy storage technologies. Given the political context of the proposal it is highly likely that approval of the ESIA will be "rubber-stamped". However, there is no need for the project, nor is it desirable. The "no go" colton is the only others along a sensible course of action. Climate change is first approaching a point where large tracts of the planet will be uninhabitable by humans. We are living through a "great extinction", this one of our own making. It has been caused in major part by the extraction and burning of fossil fuels such as oil and gas.	Dr Pat Miller	Whale Coast Conservation	13 February 2023	E-mail	development as part of SA's integrated resource plan will be recommended to the Regulators. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1315	If there is any hope of mitigating the damage we have caused through our actions, it must be predicated on a halt to these practices – at the very least, a halt to the search for new sources of oil and gas. To consider exploring for such new sources is a cynical flogging of a very nearly dead horse in the service of human greed. Antonio Guterres, the Secretary General of the United Nations, describes proposals such this one succinctly when he says "investing in new fossil fuel	Dr Pat Miller	Individual	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1316	infrastructure is moral and economic madness.". It is disingeneous at best to describe the proposal as mere exploration, which will not necessarily lead to extraction but will provide a picture of what reserves of oil and gas exist. No corporation or conglomerate will undertake exploration unless they are reasonably certain that their investment will bear fruit at some time. This certainty is afforded by the political decision-making landscape of energy supply in South Africa. The authoritative minister is an unabashed fossil fuel supporter. This is in large part due to support given to the ruling party by the fossil fuel industry; he is an influential senior member of that party.	Dr Pat Miller	Individual	13 February 2023	E-mail	The wells drilled in the western part of Block 118/128 are production wells and they will be coupled to subsea infrastructure that will allow the flow of gas and condensate to the F-A Platform via a subsea pipeline. The comments are noted and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1317	"Spin" around the continued use of fossil fuels, such as being an essential part of the "just transition" to cleaner energy sources, does not stand up to the lightest of scrutiny. South Africa's energy situation at the time of writing staggers from bad to worse with dire consequences for the economy. The country is almost wholly dependent on coal and incapable of operating its feet of power stations at anything approaching acceptable levels of efficiency. The sector is beset with countless entrenched problems, ranging from corruption to skills shortages and an anachronistic approach to implementing new technologies, and is on the verge of total collapse. The country is in urgent need of an immediate boost to provision coupled with an expansion of the transmission network. No amount of spin can alter the	Dr Pat Miller	Individual	13 February 2023	E-mail	The comments are noted and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	fact the most effective way to accomplish this will be through solar, wind and other green and sustainable technologies. Progress in renewables has been fast and continues apace, with associated cost reductions. Events are sure to overtake this proposal. However, the bureaucratic processes under which the proposal is housed means that approval of the ESIA will in all likelihood be given. If so, it will certainly be appealed and is highly likely to end up in court. Commenting in detail on the legislated aspects of the Scoping Report is akin to assessing the rearrangement of the deschairs on the Itlanic.	5.73,11110				
1318	Suffice it to say that if it does go ahead it will cause massive disruption to an extremely sensitive marine environment. This marine environment is one on which a large community of subsistence fishers depend. The proposed project is neither needed nor desirable. It should be shelved until such time as a proper investigation into the ability of renewable technologies	Dr Pat Miller	Individual	13 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts on marine ecology and fishers will be assessed in detail as part of the ESIA specialist studies that will done (see Section 11 of the Scoping Report for the plan of study for the EIA).
1319 2365	to supply South Africa's energy needs is undertaken – and then sent to the glue factory along with the dead horse. I have just attended the Focus group meeting regarding the proposed production and exploration in block 118/128 by TotalEnergies EP South Africa. Unfortunately, it seems that due to a technical difficulty I was not able to communicate directly with other participants during the meeting. In addition to the potential areas of concern being investigated during the blodiversity assessments I would like to suggest that attention is given to potential overlap with the foraging areas of seabirds. There have been some tracking studied one on African Penginas and Cape Garginia and on some albatross species at the Prince Edward Islands. It is possible that some of these species may have used the area covered by block 118/128 for foraging. Such tracking data may be held by BirdLife South Africa, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (branch Oceans and Coasts) and by the Zoology Oppartment of Melson Mandella University.	Dr Pat Miller Dr Philip Whittington, (Summerstrand Campus South)	Individual Ornithologist, East London Museum	13 February 2023 19 January 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. Thank you for the information provided. WSP confirms that the information was provided to the marine ecology team, for incorporation into the marine ecology impact assessment report.
2366	I can provide email contacts for the researchers that are likely to hold these data but in view of the POPIA regulations it might be better for me to get their permission first or for me to contact them and ask them to contact vou in the event that they are able to assist. I shall get in touch with the people I know at these institutions and find out whether or not they hold tracking data for the part of the ocean covered by the blocks in question. If they do, I or they shall get in touch with their contact details.	Dr Philip Whittington, (Summerstrand	Ornithologist, East London Museum	20 January 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the information provided. WSP confirms that the information was provided to the marine ecology team, for incorporation into the marine ecology impact assessment report.
2367	Subsequent to my previous message I have had replies from two of the people I contacted with regard to tracking data of seabirds. There is apparently a database of seabird tracking information managed by BirdLife International that can be accessed at the following website: www.seabirdtracking.org/ Alistair McInnes of BirdLife South Africa has kindly provided me with a report, which contains a summary of tracking data from various sources regarding a number of seabird species. Some of these (probably Cape Gannet and Indian Yellow-nosed Albatross) almost certainly overlap with the project area. I can	Dr Philip Whittington, (Summerstrand Campus South)	Ornithologist, East London Museum	24 January 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the information provided. WSP confirms that the information was provided to the marine ecology team, for incorporation into the marine ecology impact assessment report.
1175	forward this to the relevant specialist if you wish (or can send to you if you prefer). If the specialist wishes to consult the shape files he/she can contact Tegan Carpenter-Kling (her email address is probably in the report - if not 1 can provide it). Ek staan hierdie projek teen, a.g.v my oortuiging dat dit nie in belang of tot voordeel van SUID-AFRIKA, die omgewing, die ekonomie of toekomstige impak op	Dr Rosemaré Visser	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1040	die natuur as geheel inhou nie. Ek staan dit ten sterkste teë! My name is Rd. Dylan McGarry, a senior researcher at the Environmental Learning Research Centre (ELRC) at Rhodes university. I am an educational sociologist, with a specialty in supporting knowledge holders in translation protocols and instruments for expressing their Ocean Intangible Heritage. I am writing to be included in future corespondence regarding the Teepsa ESIA and to raise my concerns.	Dylan McGarry	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1041	I specifically would like further information on how cultural heritage of coastal communities along the coast would experience impacts through the exploration activities planned for Block 11b/12b. Many communities have articulated and clearly laid out the ways in which oil and gas exploration will impact them in the previous court cases against Shell in 2022, and through other outputs. We also created a summary short film and radio play which articulates these concerns, with a summary short film which articulates these concerns and questions. So far from what I see in the documents shared, these concerns are not included.	Dylan McGarry	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The CHIA foregrounds the rich relations that indigenous and coastal people have with the ocean and coast. The CHIA will provide a detailed assessment of how the proposed offshore development may affect coastal cultural heritage. The work you reference has been reviewed. The CHIA draws on a greater diversity of stakeholder' perspectives not covered by this work. The CHIA is legally required to be democratic in its assessment of potential impacts and perspectives.
1042	Also I would like to see the list of participants that will be consulted as cultural knowledge holders. I managed to see the Cultural Impact Assessment for the other TESBYA 56/7 of Cape Point, and it only covers some concerns of Khoisa communities, but does not expand on the potential impact on other cultural groups, especially small scale and artisanal fishers, who over the past four years of coldaborative research with customary rights holders and other knowledge holders have expressed clear concerns, will these small scale fisher communities and other coastal users be consulted and included in this assessment, these activities and livelihood strategies are not just economic practices but deeply connected to cultural heritage. Please can you explain how these communities are going to be included in this libox 11/12b assessment?	Dylan McGarry	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 11 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and methodology for the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) study, including the list of locations of communities included in the field surveys.
1043	In your public presentations it was discussed that you would consider the socio-economic impacts of these activities in relation to fisheries, especially to loss of fishing grounds. Collegues of ours in Chana have published and also shown the many ways in which artisanal and small-scale fishers have lost fishing grounds and areas due to Oil and Gas activities, and how will this proposed oil and cas exploration affect directly with their fishing activities. It was advised to contact you by Nelisewe Vundla Total energies, copied in this email. There's a sixe that's, causing huge concerns in the Aboriginal	Dylan McGarry	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider impacts of project activities on fish populations. The ESIA socio-economic study will consider impact on communities, especially small-scale fisher communities. Lessons and experiences from other countries and communities will be considered. Please share more information on the Ghana scenario for our consideration.
217	community pertaining to fish that washed out in SEAVIEW, COHEBERIA/PORT ELIZABETH. The incident transpired yesterday/ today early morning, Kindly investigate, as TOTALENERGIES are fingered by the communities, and yet there's no offshore exploration in the said area, duly confirmed by Neliswe. We do want development from TotalEnergies. I as representative of NAGC want to lay this issue to bed, to inform the communities, what exactly transpired. Be mindful we need Marine Expertise to address the issue with me, please forward in layman's terms and I will then disseminate the marine scientific feedback to them on the various Aboriginal Social Media platforms.	Earl Pillay	NAGC SPV	31 January 2023	E-mail	Your email regarding the fish kills at Seaview on or about 19 January 2022 refers. We have made enquiries with the marine research network in Gqeberha and await a response. We have heard that the fish kill is known among the marine research community and have enquired if anybody responded to it and has further information as to the cause of the kill. WSP will revert as soon as further information is available. At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of contacting leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the
2355	I have been listening to all these houses speaking for themselves. As leaders on this platform we should engage as a collective and speak together as one voice. We need to think we need to come together and then engage TEEPSA and WSP. As a collective we should do that.	Earl Pillay	Sisonke Community Forum / Western Cape Erkuleni Workers Association/National Aboriginal Governance Council	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocols, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided also will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies.
959 2340	I am an interested and object to Total Energies oil exploration between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis - Total Energies please desist from messing with Our Ocean. Conserve the natural ecosystem / marine habital for our future generations. I was informed of this project by someone in the Western Cape. My concern is that the broader public are not reached and the people on the ground do not know about these types of projects. When it comes to public participation, the broader public should be reached. As the project proceeds, the indigenous ecoole must never be undermined.	Ebrahim Haffejee Edmund Stuurman	Individual	03 February 2023 23 January 2023	E-mail V-FGM-14	Your objection has been noted. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify risks to the marine environment, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or miligiale them. WSP will constantly be expanding on the database to include the relevant stakeholders. Broad public consultation has been done as part of the initial announcement of the project, which included two rounds of newspaper and radio advertisements, placement of site notices in public places and holding a round of public meetings.
2339	I represent the indigenous Khoi and San people in the eastern cape. Please note that we are currently in the process of deciding and finalising leadership.	Edmund Stuurman		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	It is noted that NIKSO is doing a roadshow regarding the Indigenous Knowledge Act. The ESIA team has been in contact with NIKSO as part of protocols. Please refer to Section 9.10 for more information regarding the consultation process with NIKSO. Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The
336	The amount of oil spills from platforms, pipelines, tankers, and coastal facilities every year pose a serious risk to our coasts and oceans, and the economy. Offshore drilling operations release toxic pollution into the air and water. How will this be prevented?	Edna Hime	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimises the potential for accidental spills. The Eld process currently underway for Block of 1817 Bit seamlining the dispersion of containmants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in the draft ElA report. Dedicated air quality and climate change studies form part of the plan of the study for the ESIA. The results of the studies, along with proposed management
337 338	Drilling at the platform can release volatile organic compounds, greenhouse gases, and other air pollutants. How will this be prevented? What carbon by- products and other pollutants will be released into the air in the areas where they plan to drill? Even a small oil spill could devastate the crab population by killing its larvae. Will this be investigated?	Edna Hime Edna Hime	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	measures (including mitigation measures) and other recommendations, will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report, that will be available in the public domain for comment. The climate change assessment will include all relevant greenhouse gases emissions to atmosphere. The air quality study will impacts relating to velid infling and well flow testing flaring, including the likely pollutants associated with these activities. The draft EIA report will present the potential effects of an accidental blowout on all aquatic receptors.
339	A major spill could devastate our beaches and coastal inhabitants. How will this be prevented?	Edna Hime	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The EIA process currently underway for Block 11B/12B is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean current in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in WSP's EIA report.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
340 341	Will an independent external Environmental Control Officer monitor all the phases of this proposed activity? When offshore drilling is introduced into a region, it jeopardizes commercial fishing, recreation, and tourism economies. How will this be mitigated? What is	Edna Hime	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The requirement for an ECO to monitor compliance of project activities during the construction phase is usually included as a condition of the Environmental Authorisation. Potential impacts of the project, including unplanned events such as oil spils, on fishers, tourism and other socio-economic aspects will be assessed as part of
342	the total GDP from tourism that is at risk with this proposed activity? Energy companies are using seismic testing to reveal where there could be potential oil deposits beneath the ocean's surface. Has seismic testing already been done? The seismic blasts have been shown to decrease the number of zooplankton that live almost everywhere and form the backbone of the ocean's ecosystem.	Edna Hime	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	the social impact assessment and socio-economic impact assessment studies that form part of the ESIA process. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B. No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine
343	The water that these animals live in is just as crucial to their survival as it is a source of oxygen for them.	Edna Hime	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, including the biochemical risks (i.e. the potential impacts on oxygen levels and the effects thereof on marine biota)
344	How can the risk to the environment from offshore drilling perhaps be lowered to an acceptable level to mitigate the immense risks that come with it?	Edna Hime	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will assess the potential risks associated with the proposed production related activities, including unplanned events, such as oil spills, on the environment. Based on the impact assessment findings, an environmental and social management plan will be compiled which will contain the recommended measures to mitigate any significant risks identified.
1549	Good Day, my Name is Edward Mans I am against the offshore drilling, it will have very bad repercussions for our sea life as well as our future generations. Must totally stop Total to do the Drilling, NO DRILLING	Edward Mans		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be conducted to assess the potential impacts the project may have on marine ecology.
1370	I hereby submit my support for the TotalEnergies Exploration Application. Please consider my motivation below herein. SIGNIFICANCE AND THE IMPACT OF FUEL TO THE ECONOMY Fuel is the lifeblood of the economy and a centrepiece for economic development. If there is an increase in fuel price, the impact of that is felt throughout the entire economy. Such an increase triggers increases in goods and services in all	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1371	sectors and their value chains. This leads to, among others, increases in the cost of transportation of goods, transport fares for commuters, food price, medicine price, electricity price etc. Such price hikes then cause employees to demand higher wages or salaries when they negotiate with their employers due to a high cost of living. Such a state of affairs, among others, slows down economic growth, leads to higher inflation which will depreciate the local currency and also diminishes the ability of the country to create jobs. On the contrary, if there is sustained decrease in the price of fuel, that will stimulate economic growth of the country. A sustained fuel price decrease will	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1372	impact positively on the lives of the citizens, and amongst others, will yield to an increase in the productive capacity of a country, increase fiscas and also lead to job creation. This is because citizens will use less money on transportation, and thus, will have more of their disposable income and more buying power. As a result, the economy will grow, create more jobs and the government will collect more tax revenue. This will, amongst others, reduce the inflation and strengthen the value of the local currency and also help the country to attract Foreign Direct Investment, and will improve the economic outlook and rating status of a country.	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1373	If one considers countries especially in the Middle East, countries like Dubai and United Arab Emirates are good examples of countries whose socio-economic development advancement is hinged on the backbone of Oil & Gas discovery and exploration. We believe that the sesmic surveys off the shore of the Wild Coast in the Eastern Cape are pivotal and could lead to the discovery of Oil & Gas. Such a	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1374	discovery is necessary in order to improve the socio-economic outlook and to boost the GDP of the Eastern Cape Province, and that of South Africa at large. South Africa is heavily relying on the import of crude oil for the local refineries. A discovery of Oil and Gas deposits could also reignite the domestic industry value chain and enable the industry to provide South Africa with a secure supply of fuel. SEISMIC SURVEYS CONDUCTED IN THE WESTERN CAPE	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The current project is related to offshore production in Block 11B/12B off the south Coast. Potential socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1375	In 2019, seismic surveys were conducted off the shore of Mossel Bay by TotalEnergies and that seismic operation continued in 2020 in tandem with a drilling campain. The seismic surveys led to the discovery of the "Bullfrog Well" off the shore of Mossel Bay, which is located in the Western Cape. This discovery is one of several highly anticipated exploration prospects of TotalEnergies and this discovery will, inter-alia, boost the GDP of Western Cape and that of the country at larne.	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1376	Mossel Bay Mossel Bay is a pristine town within the Western spectacular seaside lifestyle, and fishing and tourism are local economic development key drivers of that area. There is a variety of marine life and sea mammals around the seashore of Mossel Bay, such as: - The Cape für Seals which are found in large concentration in Seal Island which is in Mossel Bay which are a tourist attraction - There are White Sharks and Shark Cage Diving activities in Mossel Bay - There are a lot of Dolphins and also Orcas sightings in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are Whites and Whale Watching Safaris in Mossel Bay - There are White Sharks, Dolphins, Orcas and Whales are still found in Mossel Bay after the 2020 seismic survey operation which was - Conducted by Total Rerorles.	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects will be assessed in the ESIA. A Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (e.g., drilling, Vertical Seismic Profiling [VSP], sonar) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species. These considerations will also be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment.
1377	Observation Whereas, there were claims from certain interest groups that the seismic surveys would lead to irreparable harm to marine life such as dolphins, whales, seals etc, these claims turned out not to be true. Instead, the following observations can be made: - There was no irreparable harm caused to fishing and eco-tourism after the TotalEnergies 2020 seismic survey operations - The seismic surveys led to the discovery of large oil reserves - The discovery will, amongst others, contribute immensely to the Western Cape's GDP - The seismic survey operation did not impact on the whale migration because whales descended from Antarctic to the warmer waters of South African Coast near Mossel Bay in 2020, 2021 and in 2023 - The Seal Island in Mossel Bay still has a large concentration of Cape Fur Seals, Shark Cage Diving activities, Dolphins and Orcas are still sighted after the seismic operations - There was no court Interdict lodged to stop the TotalEnergies seismic surveys - The above observations demonstrate that the seismic survey operation did not cause any irreversible damage to sea mammals. I hope you will find the above	Edwin Khomo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment.
1403	in order. Environmental authorisation for TotalEnergies EP South Africa (TEEPSA)'s proposed offshore Block 11B/12B production should be refused because it will seriously harm the environment and communities.	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1404	The Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the proposed project is deeply flawed because it does not take into account its full climate change impacts, or its harmful effects on marine life and ecosystems, as well as its social costs and external liabilities.	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The public meetings held in January 2023 were part of the Scoping phase of the ESIA undertaken to inform I&APs of the Project and to invite comment and contributions that may affect local communities to inform the scope of the specialist studies undertaken in the subsequent ESIA phase. The specialist studies commenced in December 2022 with the teams undertaking the literature review to inform the baseline studies and impact assessment and the specialist studies are scheduled so that the last of the studies to be undertaken.
1405	Oil and gas exploitation Oil and gas usage from TEEPSA's proposed production operations will result in significant greenhouse gases (GHG) emissions, which will adversely affect	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1406	human health and well-being as well as the environment. It is likely to adversely affect food availability and affordability and result in loss of property due to sea-level rise, along with the direct impacts of catastrophic	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made
1407	weather events and the associated deterioration in physical and mental health and well-being. Environmental impacts are likely to include increased temperatures, worsening and prolonged droughts, longer and more intense heatwaves, increases in extreme weather events, increased ocean acidity, decline in ecosystems and habitat, and increased rates of species extinction. Given all this, the exploitation	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	based on the findings of the assessment. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made
	of oil and gas resources, and specifically as proposed in this application, is not needed or destrable. Globally, the proven reserves of oil and gas far exceed what can be used without causing statstrophic climate change. There is already sufficient proven oil to			,		based on the findings of the assessment. The GHG emissions associated with the proposed project will be quantified. The climate change impact assessment will assess if these emissions are aligned to
1408	supply over double the GHG emissions consistent with 1.5°C, whilst already proven gas resources are nearly three times more than the 1.5°C budget. As a party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement, South Africa has committed to limiting the	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	climate change targets. As an energy and emissions intensive middle-income developing country, South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to
1409	increase in the global average temperature to well below 2°C and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C. South Africa is not, however, on track to meet these commitments. According to the Climate Action Tracker, "South Africa's climate policies and commitments need substantial improvements to be consistent with the Paris	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	move towards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the need for recognition of its capabilities and national circumstances. The climate impact assessment will further unpack the proposed project's contribution to climate change and assess if the GHG emissions are aligned to South Africa's climate commitments. As an energy and emissions middle-income developing country, South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to move
1410	Agreement's 1.5°C temperature limit." If all countries followed South Africa's "insufficient" approach to climate mitigation, "warming would reach over 2°C and up to 3°C." Approving more oil and gas projects, including offshore exploration and production, would push South Africa further away from achieving its international climate commitments. The phase-out of oil and gas is urgently needed to avert the climate crisis, to protect and promote the state's obligations to provide basic necessities such as water, food and shelter. Given this, the exploitation of oil and gas is not needed, is undesirable, is locally and globally irresponsible, is contrary to South	Elaine Mills Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	lowards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the need for recognition of its capabilities and national circumstances. The climate impact assessment will further unpack the proposed project's contribution to climate change and assess if the GHG emissions are aligned to South Africa's climate commitments. South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to move towards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the need for recognition of
1412	Africa's international climate change and biodiversity commitments, and contravenes the state's obligations under section 24 of the Constitution, which states: "Everyone has the right to: an environment which is not harmful to their health or well-being." The ESIA must use appropriate methods for modelling the impacts of a well blowout and other operational and unexpected spills or leaks of methane and gas	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	its capabilities and national circumstances. The climate impact assessment will further unpack the proposed project's contribution to climate change and assess if the GHG emissions are aligned to South Africa's climate commitments. The EIA process currently underway for Block 1181/28 is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill, the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines, and the impact on the environment. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the
1413	condensate into the environment. As it stands, its modeling of the consequences of a blowout is inadequate, especially as scientific studies show that methane leakage poses the threat of serious or irreversible harm to individual species and marine ecosystems. Methane also causes depletions in oxygen levels and acidification when dissolved in the marine environment. The ESIA does not yet detail how impacts during Humpback whale and Southern Right Whale migration periods will be mitigated, nor does it detail how	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in WSP's ESIA report. The results of the oil spill modelling will be incorporated into the marine ecology impact assessment. Also, the most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping Report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans.
1414	operational spills and leaks will be mitigated during spawning periods. These are critical for a full assessment. While current data is available on species distribution and abundance of cetaceans in Block 11728 for two baleen whale species, the humpback whale Megapters noveranging and southern right whate Eubalaena austraits, almost all data is limited to the nearshore continental shelf. Indeed, the majority of	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping Report to quantify the likelihood and risk of
1415	information available on the seasonality and distribution of large whales is based on commercial whaling data from the 1960s. Given this tack of baseline information, a precautionary approach should be taken, such that where the impacts of production cannot be accurately predicted,	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. The specialist studies commenced in December 2022 with the teams undertaking the literature review to inform the baseline studies and impact assessment and the specialist studies are scheduled so that the last of the studies will be completed by end April 2023. Chapter 11.8 of the Final Scoping Report details the
1416	the activity should not be authorised. In the Draft Scoping Report, the IUCN status and endemism of the African Penguin is downplayed. The ESIA should include an in depth review of this	Elaine Mills	Individual	-		studies to be undertaken. Available in situ data recently acquired for the Project area will also be incorporated into the studies where possible.
1417	population given the dramatic decline over the last two decades. Renewable energy alternatives The draft scoping report justifies the need for natural gas production "as one element in the mix of technologies that will secure energy generation capacity	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	A broader discussion of the current status and population trends of the African penguin will be included in the Marine Ecology Assessment. Section 4 (Need and Desirability) of the Scoping Report uses existing studies on the energy mix and quantities of gas that could be included in this mix; to provide context to the project rather than justify it. More detailed reviews of these studies will be done during the ESIA to provide a more detailed description of
1418	The report also touts the project's socio-economic benefits in the form of jobs related to operating the FA Platform and associated infrastructure and the	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Details on potential impacts of the project on socio-economy will be addressed in a dedicated specialist study as part of the impact assessment phase of the
1419	PetroSA GTL refinery, which would use the gas and condensates from the project. Yet, the "general purpose" of the activity can be achieved through renewable energy, such as offshore wind. Investing in a renewable energy project like an offshore wind farm would yield socio-economic benefits without posing the threat of harmful oil spills that are expensive to clean up. Total currently has 10 projects in its offshore wind portfolio. Unlike oil and gas production, which is limited by the location of existing reserves, wind furthines may be able to occupy	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	project. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1420	a greater percentage of Block 118/128. Offshore wind projects also create jobs spanning several occupations and roles, with a concentration in the manufacturing and supply chain. Alternatively, Total could explore opportunities to invest in renewable projects on land. Given the potential of renewable energy to meet the purposes of oil and gas	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1421	road counterpolity depositations of interest in interestation projects on lattic. I effect in the purpose of on letter the premise of interestation projects as alternatives. The report focuses heavily on detailing the economic and social benefits that South Africa would forego should the project not proceed, without an accounting of the environmental, climate, and social harms that would be avoided. Instead, the ESIA should fairly represent the costs and benefits of choosing not to	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The No Go option will be updated with the results of the ESIA specialist studies that will be completed in the ESIA phase of the project.
1422	Two different interests and a season	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has indicated that it does not have access to data on other operators. However TEEPSA has drilled 3 exploration wells between South Africa and Namibia with no spills or blowouts. In a South African context, 358 wells have been drilled in the offshore environment to date by various operators and no well blow-outs have been recorded. In Angola, TotalEnergies have drilled 156 production wells with an approximate production of 550 Kbopd (oil not gas), and no oil spills from
1423	Negative socio-economic impacts The ESIA should clearly identify and map out fishing grounds used by small-scale or artisanal fishers to ensure that project activities will not interfere with them and thus the fishers' livelihoods. Some of the impacts which should be specifically examined include those from spills or changes to the behaviour of resident marine species due to project activities, which may reduce accessibility to or abundance of trareft species.	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	wells (blow out or leaks) were reported. Impacts on fishers will be assessed by the socio-economic impact assessment which will be informed by the outputs of the oil spill modelling and the marine ecology impact assessment.
1424	Food security and food sovereignty The ESIA fails to consider impacts on food security and food sovereignty, especially in relation to livelihoods that may be impacted by the proposed production and related activities. A right to food perspective is critical in this assessment.	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on food security and livelihoods will be considered as part of the social impact assessment. However, food sovereignty, from the viewpoint that the people who produce, distribute, and consume food must control the mechanisms and policies of food production, falls outside the scope of this assessment.
1425	Block 11B/12B is just one of countless hydrocarbon exploration and extraction applications offshore South Africa that will have hugely detrimental implications for people's constitutional rights – their livelihoods, heritage and health rights – but also for marine life and ecosystem. If all the pros and cons in terms of the impact to the people, the environment and on climate change are properly considered, the inevitable conclusion is that oil and gas resources must stay in the ground.	Elaine Mills	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been noted. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1044	Please don't approve this pipeline no money is worth further destruction of our planet for what? For a few more years of wealth for this generation? What about the next generation? Or your children's children?? What about these beautiful whales who have been here for melenia? Who will protect them if not you? They don't even know what is happening and will suffer which will have a terrible knock on effect for the planet and us. Please don't go ahead with this, my heart is hurting and begging you please.	Elisa McRae	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Noted with thanks. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
692	I wholeheartedly oppose any offshore exploration or drilling by Total. I would like to voice my objection to any further exploration or mining of fossil fuels, both on land and in the ocean. There is simply no reason whatsoever to	Elizabeth Balcomb	Individual	17 January 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. Your objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which
1492 1739	add more greenhouse gasses to our atmosphere other than financial gain of mining companies. My plea to these companies is to invest in renewables instead. Please register me as an interested party in the matter of Total's proposed exploration and drilling off the coast of Mossel Bay? I strongly object to the	Elize Cloete		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/12B project.
1739	exploitation and possible destruction of SA's natural resources How DARE YOU!	Elize Taljaard	Head of Baakens Valley Community Crime	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be
1550	HOW DAKE YOU! People are suffering. People are dying This Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected are ac. Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline. Contributes to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. etc The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it, will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come. Entire ecosystems are codlagsing. We are in the middle of a mass extinction and all you care about is money! The science is crystal clear and you choose to ignore and look away for greed and money.	Ellen Paasche	Head of Isaakens Valley Community Crime Awareness; Member of Algoa Bay Ocean Society; Eco-psychotherapist	03 February 2023	WhatsApp	considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Other potential impacts relating to tourism and other socio-economic aspects as well as the contribution of the project to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1781	HOW TABLE YOU! I vould like to register my utter dismay and alarm that Total Energies plans to mine gas off Mossel Bay in zones 11B and 12B. It is inconceivable that we plan new fossif fuel origicats in the face of climate emergencies we are already living through. As an interested ans affected party, please revisiter my disgust and total lack of support for the project. It will benefit only those with their hands in the fossil fuel pie. No South African will benefit. Shame on Total for adding to the collapse of our coastal communities.	Erica Josephine Style:	s	03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.

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1792	Lonetree farm Cintsa East Eastern Cape is against TotalEnergy plan to drill and build pipelines on our coastal area . The project is not for the greater good of communities, only handful will be enriched. Going forward w	Estell Grobler		03 February 2023	FGM, Call) WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Stakeholder perspectives and inputs will be considered in the environmental
1702	fragile ecosystem as well as almost non existent economy along the coast. https://lotalenergies.com/features/preserving-biodiversity-major-challengecompany How can Total promise the above and then want to destroy sea life by searching for gas.	Estall Globial		33 733 44.7 2020	massapp	and social impact assessment.
1638	l object strongly to Totalenergies drilling and laying pipelines in area between Mosselbay and Cape St Francis. It will destroy the natural balance in the ocean and goes past the very sensitive Tsitsikamma Marine Protected Area which is an area for species to regenerate safely.	Estelle Hester		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
985	The impact on our marine habitat resulting from TotalEnergies' proposed offshore exploration could be devastating. Seismic profiling has received minimal scientific scrutiny and in South Africa, there has only been one study on the impact of seismic surveys. Despite the lack of research, common knowledge tells	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures.
986	us that the exploration will have a negative effect on our marine life. During seismic profiling, air gun shots are relentlessly fired every 10-15 seconds and these sounds have been detected over 3,000 km away from the point of origin. Whales, dolphins and other marine species are highly dependent on sound for navigation, communication and survival.	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A notion seed being study is been undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. The Offshore drilling will also be modelled (for both cuttings and other discharges), and the results included in the marine impact assessment. There is interaction between both modelling teams and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs in tho the studies.
987	The proposed exploration area is just 60kms from shore, yet, the activity could modify the behaviour of whales and dolphins up to 66 km. This includes South Africa's most endangered marrine mammal, the Indian Ocean humpback dolphin (Sousa plumbas). And it's not just the larger species that can be impacted. An Australian study concluded that marine seismic surveys cause a two to three-fold increase in the mortality of zooplankton, a species that plays a significant role in the carbon cycle and marrine food web.	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	The Block 118/128 production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingdiig Corals ESSA and is therefore -73km offshore from St Francis Bay (the closest land point). Potential impacts on nearshore environment will be included in the marine impact assessment. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team
988	If we look at the 10 000 km2 proposed location of interest for drilling, it encompasses a significant offshore MPA, the Southeast Atlantic Seamounts. It's impossible to know how badly this will impact the marine biodiversity that relies on this MPA.	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The 11B1/12B production right area is some 290 km to the east of the Southeast Atlantic Seamounts MPA. The MPAs closer to the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs under worst-case conditions,
989	The benefits projected by TotalEnergies, that "up to 177 local people could be appointed on the proposed project for up to six months", is paltry in comparison with the potential for job creation and skills development within the Cape's blue economy. We need to turn our focus to the vast social and economic benefits of renewable energy and the sustainable use of our ocean and marine resources.	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
990	The renewable energy industry alone could create tens of thousands of new jobs each year in South Africa. The spotlight is already on climate action with COP2? emphasing that all countries should be striving towards reducing emissions and transitioning to renewable energy. Does South Africa really want to be known for making more effort in the fossil fuel industry?	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 (Need and Desirability) discusses the shift in the use of fossil fuels with the objective of decarbonising the economy in line with the intention of a net zero economy by 2005. Section 6 of the Final Scoping Report discusses the alternatives to the project. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block
991	In my opinion, there should be no seismic activity permitted without a conclusive understanding of the full impact on our marine habitat and its inhabitants, which can only be discovered through extensive scientific research over a number of years.	Esther Jacobs	Fire Island Conservation Keep Fin Alive	01 February 2023	E-mail	118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. The Offshore drilling will also be modelled (for both cuttings and other discharges), and the results included in the marine impact assessment. There is interaction between both modelling teams and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies.
1764	As a concerned SA citizen I strongly object to any further fossil fuel exploration, drilling, prospecting or infrastructure such as pipelines land based or submerged in the coastal waters off Mossel bay. Reduction of fossil fuel use is of existential importance to the planet and humanily, and new sources of fossil fuels are not required and contrary to the logical path required for the earth	Etienne de Kock		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/128 project. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1706	l object to the proposed drilling between mosselbay and Cape st Francis as this is due to its location and potential disastrous environmental impacts. Please see attached lists containing the names of 6,805 (six thousand eight hundred and five) signatories and 155 comments that are to be included in your	Eugene Robb		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts associated with the project.
1386	records of public participation as 6,805 (six thousand eight hundred and five) interested and affected parties. Please record the Petition in your records, link below https://www.change.oru/search?g=mossefix20bay%20to%20Cape%20St%20Francis&offset=0 OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape	Faheemah Kolia	Individual		WhatsApp	The submission is recorded. We note that the petition is also addressed to the Petroleum Agency of South Africa (PASA).
1682	Sk Francis 1.1 am an interested and affected party. 2.1 object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. 3. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems, YET they will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA.	Faheemah Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1683	4. Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done.	Faheemah Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	These considerations will be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment, and why a precautionary approach is recommended. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal send and importate biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the
1684	5. The risks due to the course of such operations i.e., leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one.	Faheemah Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	faunal receptors. WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental splits, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process. Appropriate dispense will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable
1685	6. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government. 7. They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove.	Faheemah Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Applying disignation with record or displacements coming in expensions and subsequent recommissioning presse, to elsate training whether advanced and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulatory approval is required for EEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place.
1686	8. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficieries.	Faheemah Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	To the process of the control as because on the control as the con
	OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis I. I am an interested and affected party.					The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to
1740	2. I object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. 3. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems, YET they will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA.	Fatima Adam		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	receive information on the project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1741	 Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done. 	Fatima Adam		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	These issues will be assessed as part of the comprehensive ESM that will be done for the project. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then
1742	5. The risks due to the course of such operations ie, leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one.	Fatima Adam		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	highlighted, and additional actions are proposed. WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process.
1743	6. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government. 7. They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove.	Fatima Adam		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place. The project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently Your comments have been recorded. Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently
1744	8. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficieries. Drilling and building new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay and other Western Cape coastal areas will negatively – and probably irretrievably – affect whale and	Fatima Adam		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Moseel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP.
576	on ming and bullung new gas piperines on wosser bay and other vestern rappe coastal areas with regardery—and producty intertievably—and and sardine migrations, and will impact all marine life, as seabed sediments are disturbed and nose and pollution result from drilling activities. The drilling block borders on a marine protected environment.	Felicity Grube	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address miligation options.
577 578	South Africa committed to reach net zero emissions by 2050. This project completely contradicts that commitment. Certain government officials will benefit enormously from the proposed R8-billion (+) annual income if this drilling project goes ahead. It will also ensure that	Felicity Grube	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1525	other oil companies will follow suit. Wish to register my objection to this Offshore exploration for Oil and Gas. Thank you. OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis	Fiona Bell	Marine and Coastal Environment Conservation	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 11B/12B project. Your objection has been recorded.
1689	 I am an interested and affected party. I object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems, YET they will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA. 	Fouad Bhayat		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1690	4. Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done.	Fouad Bhayat		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	These considerations will be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment, and why a precautionary approach is recommended. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal respective.
1691	5. The risks due to the course of such operations i.e., leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one.	Fouad Bhayat		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	faunal receptors. WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process.
1692	6. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government. 7. They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove. 8. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the	Fouad Bhayat		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulator, approval is required for ETEPSA to bottom. a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place. Your comments have been recorded. Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an
1693	environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficiaries. OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis	Fouad Bhayat		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	SLP are to create employment, advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give
1530	 I al am an interested and affected party. I object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems, YET they will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA. 	Fouzia Kolia		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1531 1532	 Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done. The risks due to the course of such operations i.e., leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one. 	Fouzia Kolia		02 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. Section 11.8.2 of the Scoping Report details the plan of study for the modelling an oil spill to understand the dispersion and fate of an unplanned event on the marine environment and cossiline during the ESIA. The ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider the impact of such an event on the marine environment and cossiline of such an event on the marine environment and cossiline of such an event on the marine environment and cossiline of such an event on the marine environment and cossiline or such such as the
1532	Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government.	Fouzia Kolia		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	environment. Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the
1534	 They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and 	Fouzia Kolia		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulatory agreyous is required for EEPSA to ablast a Closure Certificate before well adamonement can take place. Your comments have been recorded. Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged
2350	beneficieries. I am a geologist and understand these processes. There is local expertise that needs to be incorporated into the project. The local competences should not be underestimated. This is the opportunity to get long term development right where it leads to wealth creation and development. All of these technical and	Franciscus Baars		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP. Incorporating local expertise and competencies into the project will be addressed by the project's social and labour plan.
967	cultural engagement opportunities need to be beneficial. Monitoring and evaluation technology is needed on this project. I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1. The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine	Francois Harris	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close
968	migration. 2. The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area. 3. Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Francois Harris	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Your comment has been recorded.
969 970	4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline. 5.This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment.	Francois Harris Francois Harris	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	This aspect will be considered during the process of assessing the project's environmental and social impacts. Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WEY has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a
971	6.The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.	Francois Harris	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 11B/12B project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required.
972	There has been evidence of misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the day before with a loud halter telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to cet a job.	Francois Harris	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed repriect and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9.1.2 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process.
10	<u>NOME SEPECIALLY LOVER IN DEC.</u> The Overberg area may potentially be affected due to the future exploration plans and the effects of the Mozambique current. There are many coastal fishing communities in the Overberg District and consideration must be given to the potential impacts in this area. Existing municipal communication structures, such as the municipal coastal committee could benefit from being part of the ESIA process. The committee	Francois Kotze	Overberg District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-02	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine biology specialist study.
11 1176	Lassing multiple comministed continuation structures, such as the interrupt commisses coastal stakeholders and management authorities. I am totally agree with you and against it. Keep me informed and register me please.	François Vogés	Overberg District Municipality Individual	05 December 2022 01 February 2023	V-FGM-02 E-mail	WSP will ensure that the relevant committee is consulted as part of the ESIA process. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Your objection has been recorded.
896	Please register me as an interested and affected party. I object to this application to be granted for a number of reasons, incl. the environmental impact of off- shore exploration and the conflict with the overall strategy to end the use of fossil fuels due to their impact on climate change and related disasters.	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project.
897	Climate change is impacting human lives and health in a variety of ways. It threatens the essential ingredients of good health – clean air, safe drinking water, nutrificus food supply and safe shelter – and has the potential to undermine decades of progress in global health. The direct damage costs to health are estimated to be between USS 2 –4 billion per year by 2003. (www.who.inthealth-logics/climate-change#dat=ba_t) f)	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
898	There is clear scientific evidence between greenhouse gases and fossil fuels and that it is vital to keep global warming below 1.5 °C above pre-industrial levels. In order to do so, it would be necessary to halve CO2 emissions by 2030 if we are to have a 50% chance of meeting this goal. South Africa, like the rest of the world must prevent any further prospecting for fossil fuels. (<i>cer.org.za/eports</i>)	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
899	Greenhouse gas emissions and climate change are global phenomena affecting large parts of Earth. Their mitigation requires a combined strategy by	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
900	The negative impacts of the listed activities associated with this project are documented on page 97ff of the ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (ESIA) FOR THE PROPOSED OFFSHORE PRODUCTION RIGHT AND ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATIONS FOR BLOCK 11B/12B -	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objective of the scoping process is to identify the potential impacts that will be assessed in detail in the impact assessment phase of the project. The sections referred to contain the preliminary list of impacts the EAP identified at the draft scoping report phase (Section 10.1 and 11.1). This list contains both
901	REF NO: 12/4/13 PR. The report lists 15 impacts in normal conditions based on the experiences from similar projects, All impacts are negative (page 102). In addition, the report lists 13 cumulative impacts, all of which have negative, damaging consequences (page 103ff). As an example, "The proposed pipeline routing passes through a Critical Bioderiesty Area (CBA)," which would be in violation of the protective nature of a CBA.	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	negative impacts and positive impacts, and has been updated with inputs received from stakeholders during the public participation process. The objective of the scoping process is to identify the potential impacts that will be assessed in detail in the impact assessed; in the project. The sections referred to contain the preliminary list of impacts the EAP identified at the draft scoping report phase (Section 10.1 and 11.1). This list contains both negative impacts and positive impacts, and has been updated with inputs received from stakeholders during the public participation process. Similarly, the section on cumulative impacts (Section 10.2) has also been updated incre the draft version of the report. The implications of the proposed pipeline passing
902	In summary, I hereby object to the applicant's proposal for a license to conduct the planned activities.	Friedemann Essrich	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	through a CBA are described in Section 7.2.10.6 of the Final Scoping Report. The objection is recorded.
1145	I'm an interested and affected party. Is a citizen of South Africa and the action of Total Energies will impact negatively on the quality of marine life and environmental quality. There should be a culturally appropriate grievance mechanism. With a project of this nature there should be protocol that people need to engage with. This is	Frik Stegmann	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
2356 1007	This is a VERY strong objection against TOTALS plan to create a pipeline off Mossel Bay!!!!	Gabiebiden Hanslo Gabriella Kovacich	Individual	23 January 2023 01 February 2023	V-FGM-14 E-mail	The comment on the grievance mechanism has been noted and will be incorporated into the project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1008	There is no doubt that this is a destructive initiative with only one objective , MONEY!!! When in reality the devastating effects on environment, sea creatures, been on whale and sardine run routes, there is no way thos is acceptable or even be considered, protecting the ocean and the vicinity of marine protected area are of utmost importance and should be our priority. Once you destroy this world NO MONEY can bring it back, these creatures have as much right to live their lives safely in peace, who are we to destroy and cause suffering. Do what is right, greed will not feed future generations , destroying nature	Gabriella Kovacich	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on marine habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1009	will not serve future generations PRESERVATION is our only way forward. Tourism brings a lot of money to our country, people come BECAUSE of nature, once it's gone we loose this national income of international currencies entering our country and Rand value will drop!!!	Gabriella Kovacich	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The impacts on tourism will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1010	We already facing high carbon tender occurred members affecting weather patterns & causing global warming and many natural disasters why would anyone get permission to contribute to more green house gasses and release of carbon from ocean bed ??? Money?? Watch your backs humanity these people really don't care about anything other than THEMSELVES!!! I pray that all involved choose to do what is right & not	Gabriella Kovacich	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1011	destroy this beautiful planet, our homein the name if greed and anassing wealth for a small handful of people who really don't care about the rest of the population and OUR beautiful words. STOP THIS MADNESS!!! I am objecting to the Licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers	Gabriella Kovacich	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
471	I am objecting to the cuts may because there is a storing extrement, social, exological and intended and global ecoaystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already pas because it has started to an will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet. I question of Stalk consultants independence, the fact that the piceline will be run by PetroSA once it's up and running is frightening! The government has run	Gail Wild	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken in the next phase of the project, which will assess these issues as well as the project potential impact on climate change.
1790 1721	I question or ESIA consularians independence, the fact that the pipeline will be run by PetroSA once it's up and running is trigintening: The government has run most of its institutions into the ground and so will this be any different. There are so many ways that this project can go wrong from the oil/gas spilling into the Augustus current, to corruption to lack of jobs for small scale fishers I am an interested party because South Africa is a beautiful country. We need to seek alternative and renewable sources of energy.	Gareth Hubbard Garika Mark		01 February 2023 09 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority, WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting WSP's independence. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
1722	We need to protect nature, safeguard natural resources and take forward the movement towards Just Transition, in the right direction. The Total Energies Plan could destroy major sections of one of the most beautiful places on the planet, and destroy livelihoods that depend upon nature and fish stocks, the picturesque and rich Garden Route. It is with shock and horror to see the disregard by Total Energies and Shell against the preservation of natural resources and tourism value of The Garden Routh and the Widl Coast. They must be stopped from what they are doing and find another way.	Chidarikire Garika Mark Chidarikire		09 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
	The leadership at Government Department must also be changed urgently towards more competent people who have the future of South Africa's natural resources and the people who are building a future and investing in a clean and unpolluted life, a life of thriving and not just surviving. The leadership needs					
1723	to lead the way to a Just Transition not led by money or greed, a future led by educating people, improving communities, and creating awareness about taking care of the planet. Ministry of Electricity neh What a load of nonsense they are dishing. Simply side stepping the issues and protecting the falled leadership.	Garika Mark Chidarikire		09 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1245	We have to do better as a people. Given that this is the scoping phase of the EIA for TEEPSA's proposed offshore production right for Block 11B/12B we would ask that the following matters be addressed in researching and compiling the EIA that follows: 1. The exact coordinates of the planned wells are not given, so it must be assumed that the entire block must be assessed as to its potential impact and ments. In that regard we would ask that a full assessment of the risk of the planned activities to fish species and plankon, with specific reference to the adjacent marine protected areas such as the PE Corals MPA and Southwest Indian Seamounts (and Kingklip Corals EPA), be assessed. Given that the areas are known spawning grounds of species such as Kingklip, what impact would the construction of wells and pipelines have on the seabed and thus on spawn and hatchlings? And accordingly, what impact would a gas/condensate leak have on the surrounding water column and seabed?Given that the wells occur a great depth and within the Aguihas current it would be important to know how such impact is assessed and how leaks are identified and dealt with?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important hiological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystem-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will evolve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within iteroduction right area. Ano it spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including CRAS, EBASA, MPAs and estuaries). The results of these suttles will be used to assess impacts under various size on the project filtercyle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts of receive the results of these size of the order of potential reductions in fishing ground six impacts on the socks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs impacts on the stocks, and potential
1246	2. Given that the project is contingent on linking into the PetroSA existing sea infrastructure, given that a gas leak that occurred in that pipeline in 2022, and given the corrosion impact on the now ageing infrastructure, we consider it critical that the EAP assess the current status of the PetroSA infrastructure and its capacity to service the project for the next twenty years or length of the project, whichever is the greater.	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	marine impact assessment. A technical audit and inspection of the F-A Platform was undertaken by TEEPSA. The findings indicated that the Platform is in good condition and capable of meeting the demands of the 20-year production. Additional/minor modification will be made to the Platform to upgrade some of the facilities to handle the quantity of gas and condensate that will go through the Platform. TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the oil leak but have not had a response to date. The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the
1247	3. By our count some 13 public participation meetings occurred between Mossel Bay and East London. We have received consistent reports from all the meetings that community persons were mobilised to attend under the expectation of jobs being on offer and once it became clear this was not the case, persons then walked out of meetings. This aligns with our own observations at the meeting we attended in Gederbrai in which is was clear that persons were filling in the register on the understanding that they were registering for jobs, and that in this instance when it became clear that the meeting was not about such the majority of persons left the venue. The Herald newspaper report on the same meeting concurs with that view. We would ask that the EAP make clear. Why such an impression was consistently created in the public meetings, who was engaged in the mobilising activities and the nature thereof, and who paid for transportation and other expenses incurred by those mobilised for the meeting?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. The mobilisation done by the EAP took place through official channels as described in Section 9.1 2 of the section 9.1 2 of the purpose of the meeting attendance register was also explained so that participants understood that signing of the attendance register evidenced that they attended the public meeting, that they would be registered as I&APs and receive information about the proposed project until the completion of the ESIA process. The POPI Act requirements to protect participants' contact information was also shared. The Lead Facilitator further confirmed the preferred language at every public meeting and obtained meeting participants' consent. In addition, during the presentations, the Leaf Facilitator would confirm at regular intervals whether meeting participants understood the technical concepts of the proposed project and the ESIA. In cases where participants required explanations in Afrikaans or isiXhosa, these were given in the required languages. WSP had no arrangements to provide transport to the public meetings held in January 2023. TEEPSA CLOs arranged transport to the public meetings on request by community leaders. However, WSP does not have details of the transport arrangements made by the TEEPSA CLOs or the payment amount or payees.
1248	In the Gepberha meeting it was apparent that persons from the Northern Areas, specially the Khoi/San communities had been mobilised but not other areas within the metro. In that instance the question would be why no one from the townships were mobilised, and why were the Khoi/San leadership specifically allowed to open and address the meeting and endorse the project in so doing? It would seem that the independence of the process was thereby compromised?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Khoi San leadership who attended the meeting requested to officially welcome the attendants and acknowledge their Chief. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification
1249	4.Linked to the previous point, could the EAP clarify why it considered East London, some 650+km north of Mossel Bay, relevant for consultation, but no communities south of Mossel Bay, like Stibaai, and Bredasdorp, some 240+km away, relevant to consult with?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: -Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). -Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. -Placement of site notices at various public places. -Placement of site notices at various public places. -Aalta-free website to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128) -A dedicated email address (teepsaElA@WSFcom) and WhatsApp number (Q76 694 3842). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified IAAPs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. -Face-to-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings were also convened in January 2023. The ESIA team will consider the requests received for meetings to were soft of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings were also convened in January 2023. The ESIA team will consider the requests received for meetings to were west of Mossel Bay.
1250	Sieven that the International Energy Agency (IEA) has indicated that no new reserves of oil and gas are required if the goal of net zero by 2050 is to be met, on what grounds is this project considered an exception, and what impact will the operations have on the climate? So for instance, will the operations burn off gas, will methane be released into the atmosphere, and what volumes of CO2 are likely to be generated from the burning of the gas extracted over the projects life cycle?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The climate change impact assessment will quantify significant GHG's from the lifecycle of the proposed project. We will assess if the project will be aligned to South Africa's climate commitments.
1251	With regards the creation of jobs, we would ask the EAP to be specific in assessing how many local jobs and where such are likely to arise from this project? It is our view that the TEFPSA drilling and extraction operation is by specifically skilled crew already in Total/TEFPSA employ so it likely that minimal local employments will arise from the project itself, and that downstream employment by the revitalising of the mothballed PetroStoA operation is Mosses Bay specific and preference will be given to workers previously retranched. In that regard the EAP should attend to the exact staffing requirements of drilling and extraction operations as these are known to the industry, and consideration of the PetroSA retrenchment conditions in coming to a conclusion on this matter.	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) specific consultation process, that will be undertaken in 2023, will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the socio-economic assessment, will identify the number and type of employment opportunities that the project can support. The results of the socio-economic assessment as well as the recommendations from the study will be made available for public review in the next phase of the project, i.e. the impact assessment phase.
1252	7. Given that the Agulhas current is a well known and studied migration route for species such as whales and turtles, what impact would the proposed activity have on such?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive
1253	8. Given that the block occurs in well established fishing grounds, what impact would the project have on the fishing industry, specifically long-line fishing that fish in part on the sea bed?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will envise the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spid drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for first stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will
1254	9. Given that the block occurs within the round-the-Cape shipping route, what impact would the project have on shipping activity?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	be assessed in the marine impact assessment. The impact on shipping activities will form part of the assessment.
1255	10. The project talks about six wells to be drilled in the southern part of the block, and possibly up to four exploratory wells to be drilled in the remainder, could the EAP please clarify under what authorisation such exploratory activity will occur and how such drill sites are determined? Will it for instance involve further seismic surveys?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	The exploration or appraisal wells will be drilled under the Production Right application. The purpose of the appraisal well drilling in the eastern section of the Block is to obtain a better understanding of the gas and condensate reserves. However, production in the eastern section of the Block would require a separate Production Right and Environmental Authorisation application.
1256	11.Given that a substantial part of the block occurs within the area that has already been identified for the conclusion of a speculative reconnaissance 3-D seismic survey, what impact would such have on the survey activity? And why is a further 3-D survey necessary if TEEPSA already knows where it plans to drill? Is the TEEPSA data incomplete?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA already has the seismic data it requires for Block 118/12B and no further seismic surveys will be undertaken by TEEPSA if the Production Right application is granted. Sections 9.10 - 9.12 of the Final Scoping Report provide detailed information regarding the consultation process followed. At the time of publishing the Final
1257	12. Will the EAP be consulting with small-scale fishing communities in its compilation of the scoping report and EIA?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of contacting legitimate leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the proposed project area between Moses Bay and Cape St Francis regarding arranging further consultation meeting, appropriate meeting protocchs, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided also will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies. In addition, the team is also in contact with the Small-Scale Fishers and fisher sector in the proposed project area to arrange consultation meetings with them during their off-peak/closed fishing season.
1258	13.Could the EAP clarify who the shareholders are of the local entities involved in the TEEPSA project and what value they add to the project?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	The licence holders and shareholding of Block 11B/12B is: TEEPSA - 45% Canadian Natural Resources International (South Africa) Limited - 20% QatarEnergy - 25% Main Street 1549 - 10% WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist
1259	14. Could the EAP address its own potential conflict of interest given its services to the oil and gas industry, and that of Anchor Environmental who has been party to the Karpowership and Algoa Bay ADZ EIA processes?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/128 project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. Anchor Environmental is a reputable firm specialising in marine ecology impact assessment. The learnings and experience gained from other projects in the study area contribute to the knowledge base on which the Block 118/128 project ESIA process will be done.
1260	15. Has consideration been given to the seismic fault lines of the area and the potential impact of earthquakes on the proposed activity?	Gary Koekemoer	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	Fault lines in the environment will be considered in the ESIA. All comment received in the public participation process of the Scoping phase is recorded in the Comment and Response Register that is circulated to the
1261	Your kind consideration of the above would be greatly appreciated in the drafting of the EIA. I'd like to protest the following but cannot seem to register on the website provided below: Organisations and Individuals have until 3 February to object/	Gary Kritzinger	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Algoa Bay	03 February 2023	E-mail	specialist teams for consideration in their assessment. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send
1483 1484	comment on Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. Why does this concern us all? 1. Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Gary Kritzinger Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp	you information on the Block 118/12B project. The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify
1485	Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Your comment is noted. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a
1486	Have you heard about Karpowership?? Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along coastline.	Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	cumulative impact perspective for the Block11B/12B Project . The potential impacts of the project on the environment, tourism and economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1487	Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc	Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a
1488	The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry -conflict of interest much?) has been snuck through the eastern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape.	Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/12B project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of
1489	The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come. We have to make a stand now (see map). We need EVERYONE to comment. We did this before for Shell, and we can do this again. Please raise your voices South Africal And be prepared, this is not the end of it.	Gary Kritzinger		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Mossel Bay, We will provide a response as soon as more information is available. The objection is recorded.
1012	i, Gary Kritzinger of the Knysna district on the Garden Route ere by object to the Total ENERGIES project in Block 11B and 12B. These platforms pose a grave threat to our marine wildlife including birds and ecosystems.	Gary Kritzinger	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. The Social and Labour Dan (31) proposes will assess the skiller requirements for the project and together with the pool-according assessment will Identify the
1013	TOTAL is a French company and the benefit of this exercise has not been determined for SA, therefore hardly any jobs will be created for locals.	Gary Kritzinger	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the socio-economic assessment, will identify the number of remployment opportunities that the project can support. Effects from project activities will be assessed in the ESIA.
1014	The blasts used in the construction and running of these facilities has undeniable damage implications imposed on our wildlife and ecosystems, and later on our economic systems. TOTAL energies and their partners will not take any responsibilities, financial or otherwise after they have finished with production and have moved out. This because the responsibility of the South Micros progressed, and the production of the South Micros progressed. And the problem general for the South Micros public and wildlife to deal with. On an attrict	Gary Kritzinger	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team, marine ecology team, and socio-economic team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. Regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place. During operations, and decommissioning, TEEPSA will need to ensure that plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other ardverse impacts that may have materialised during
1015	becomes the responsibility of the South African government. And the problem remains for the South African public and wildlife to deal with. On an ethical level this is unacceptable. TOTAL energies plans to leave all their equipment and waste material on the seabed because it costs them too much money to remove.	Gary Kritzinger Gary Kritzinger	Individual Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	operations will also need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These requirements will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the SSA. In terms of the Environmental Authorisation application for Block 1181/2B, a Closure Plan will be prepared in compliance with the Financial Provisioning Act 2015, as amended. This requires a final closure plan with an associated costing that identifies the financial provisions to be set aside for the plan; and an environmental risk assessment to identify the potential for latent environmental authorisation applications.
						remediation and compensation. The Closure Plan is updated every five years throughout the production phase and the closure scenario and costing are refined at every review.
1017	l object on all levels, this must be stopped at all costs!	Gary Kritzinger	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been noted

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration
1637	As a South African citizen, I am an interested and affected party. I oppose Total's plans as I believe they will negatively affect the oceans and the sustainability of our future.	Gemma Cronin		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The outground has deen focused and we considered by the Completion Auditory. A completions that make the process of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important holiogical processes (migration etc.) and an accessfers—based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Thes data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either avoid or reduce the impact of the proposed activities. Examples include restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on migrating celebrants to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in fewest number.
1004	ocean pollution along the South African coast and eisewhere.	George Tregunno Kin		03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The Block 118/128 Project is an offshore gas and condensate
687 57	I say no to fracking and the destruction of wild habits. I am a member of a fishing community along the west coast. For many years the town I live in has been dependant on fishing with many people employed in the fishing sector. We've been facing a lot of social difficulties in the west coast, most fish is being imported.	Georgia Argyropoulos Gerald Cloete	Individual MRT	03 February 2023 07 December 2022	E-mail V-Public Mtg.01	Thank you for providing this context.
1727	To harming sector. We we been reading a not or section dimensions in the west closes, most name a dening importable. object to the Total gas exploration.	Gerda Venter		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
894	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Gerhard du Plooy	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	There have been two rounds of notifications in newspapers and radio adverts on where the documents can be accessed. Stakeholders on a preliminary database
106	How are you advertising the availability of the draft documents for comment? With this mail I am objecting the proposed offshore production right. As a citizen living in East London, I see the personal risk of pollution of the beautiful	Gert Vorster	Kouga Municipality	19 January 2023	V-FGM-15	were also notified via email and bulk SMS. Site notices have also been placed at various public places. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides more information about the public participation process and methods of consultation. Your objection has been recorded. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events, on the environment and community health
982 999	beaches and a health risk as a frequent ocean user. Furthermore, starting new offshore productions while we are failing to even keep a 1.5 °C global warming target achievable, is nothing else but ignorant. What will your children say? I istrongly object to TEEPSA getting the rights to exploit gas and oil along the southern coast of Africa. We need to save the rich wildlife in our oceans and rather invest in solar and wind energy.	Gerwin Internann Gesine Johansson	Individual Individual	02 February 2023 26 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the marine environment, and on global climate change, will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1695 1105	As a residnet of Plettenberg Bay, I object to the pipeline off Mossel Bay. I have absolutely no confidence in the ability of ESIA consultants or their independence in the matter of gas pipelines being built or gas extracted off the coast	Gillian Kirby Gillian Preston	Individual	02 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. YWSP is one of the world's leading engineering professional services consulting firms. In Africa, WSP is a leading environmental consultancy with a broad range of expertise and over 23 years' experience in the regional market. WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material
1106	of Mossel Bay. It will be impossible to control any gas/oil leak happening in the ocean, the Agulhas current reaches just over 9km/hour (2.6m per second), an "oceanic superhighway". The speed along with thermal layers makes it extremely difficult to control any spills as oil coming from the depths which would be necessary	Gillian Preston	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting WSP's independence. The ESIA oil spill modelling exercise will investigate the extent of a spill or leak and the findings of the modelling will be assessed in the marine ecology and
	to work at will not come out at surface but be distributed across multiple depth zones and a very large area. The risk of major, catastrophic accidents happening is enormous. Our sentlent marine life is hugely threatened by this proposed project and I object in the strongest terms. I join with International Union for Conservation of	Gillian Preston	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	biodiversity assessment. Your objection is recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project
	Nature to call for a moratorium. Dear Sirs. I would like to register my objection to processed fracking by TotalEnergies off SA Coast.	Gillian Preston	marada	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	activities. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Please register my absolute objection against the proposed Total oceanic pipeline in Mossel Bay. As a concern South African citizen and resident of the Garden Route it is my duty and right to object to this blatant destruction of our natural resources and eco system. Please register my absolute objection against the proposed Total oceanic pipeline in Mossel Bay.	Gisela Bean	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1641	As a concern South African citizen and resident of the Garden Route it is my duty and right to object to this blatant destruction of our natural resources and eco system.	Gisela Bean		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1178	I am a citizen of the Republic of South Africa and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I strongly object to the actions taken and to be taken by Total Energies in the oceans from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis. I am a registered IAP and attended the public meeting in Knysna several days ago. Every local political party delivered their prepared speeches from their	Glenda Webster	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on the marine environment. The comment is recorded.
973	soapboxes after which some of them left! Clearly not interested in TEEPSA's reply. TEEPSA's presentation was thorough and well presented. The Chairman handled the meeting professionally and was calmness personified. I fully support your proposed efforts. Thank you and good luck.	Gordon Hayward	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive
1000	The health of our coastal marine habitat is critical for sustainable fisheries and marine food security apart from the indirect dependance of countless citizens for many fishing for the table, and very many connected to Nature Conservation, Tourism and alled activities employing many. All these will be affected by direct and secondary consequences of this intervention, in years to come probably irreversible damage. As seen before would take generations to reverse and restore if ever. Short term gains but ling term disaster.	Graham Ashdown Jones.		04 February 2023	WhatsApp	receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal reception. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 22.7 Becopy Report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epitauna results from a 2022 in stus survey of the production rare and proposed pojentine routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An of Issil and defining discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including CBAS, EBSAs, MPAs and estuaries). The results of these studies will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also due an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and defilings discharge impacts will be assessed as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety acclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential encoronic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
1784	Objection to Totals proposal to drill and build new pipelines off Mossel Bay into Outeniqua basin lam very opposed as an interested and affected person [G. Spooner do hereby register myself as an interested and effected party.	Graham J Petty		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project.
1138	I suspect the rights and permissions granted for the Total Energies project to be potentially very harmful to the ocean ecosystems and biodiversity of our precious and infinitely valuable coastline. I oppose the entire right allocation as a whole and believe the coast and its biological and environmental health must be prioritised and preserved at all times and at all costs. I thank you kindly for your time and consideration. I implore you to help protect our beautiful and	Grant Spooner Grant Spooner	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. Please note that the production right and environmental authorisation for the project have not been issued to TEEPSA, but are being applied for. As part of the application process,
1470	bountiful coast! Please could you include me as an interested and affected party to ensure I get any documentation flowing from the assessment of Total's 11B/ 12B production infort application.	Guy Rogers	The Herald & Weekend Post	26 January 2023	E-mail	the ESIA must be conducted and submitted to the competent authority for informed decision-making as to whether or not issue the authorisation(s). All registered I&APs will receive notification when project documents become available for review and comment
975	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Gwen Hillman	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Potential impacts on marine
1647	I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL. URE: If granted, his license will intriher destry the visibility of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all	Hal Snyman		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	A comprehensive 2-bit win be uncertained to assess the potential impacts or the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Potential impacts on marine ecosystems will specifically be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce
1568	our sakes. Total Energies new gas pipeline:	Hanta Bernard		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	these impacts of the proposed activities of these areas in the manner ecology impact assessment, which may also provide appropriate imagation to around in course. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1673	I object to pipeline proposal Mossel Bay Cape St Francis I would like to object to the mining of oil on the coastline of South Africa	Harriet Jane Vermaak		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1018	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. We have to leave a legacy four our children and their children. Everything is not all about making a buck!	Harry Lancaster	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be
1548 1144	I wish to object to the drilling off Mossel Bay as planned by Total. Please send me the necessary forms. Or advise me of the available platforms to do this. Total oil objection.	Heather Church Heidi Stander	Individual	02 February 2023 09 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	Your objection is noted.
877	would like to register as an interested and affected party in the proposed offshore mining proposed by Total et al.	Helen Dodge	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project.
878 1128	Offshore mining, whether for gas or other 'resources', possed direct and long-term threats to the well-being of our coastal environment, the multitude of living beings in the ocean and the many human economies that depend on a healthy ocean. As members of an advancing technological age, it behoves us to find less destructive ways to provide for our material needs we can do better. Against and Object to a gas pipeline off the coast of Mossel Bay	Helen Dodge	Individual	03 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify environmental and social risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them. The outcomes of the ESIA will be presented in the next phase of the project. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1678	Object to a gas pipeline off the coast of Mossel Bay	Helen Schaffer	marada	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1129	There is others sources available. For example Biofuel. This can help relive poverty in rural areas, but Government is only interested in their own pockets.	Hendrik Schoeman	Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1130 1785	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I strongly oppose off shore drilling at Mosselbay. Outrage to consider gas any better than other fossil fuels! Please stop Total	Hendrik Schoeman Henk Schalekamp	Individual	03 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1702 1789	I am wehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL LIFE. If granted, this icenses will further destry the viability of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all our sakes. I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL LIFE. If granted, his iscense will further destry the visibility of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to beneful and serves to the and and serves to the and are served to the and the and the visit of the and the and the analysis of the and the and the analysis of the analysis of the analysis of the analysis and the analysis of the anal	Hilton Sheffel Holly Barnes		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts or the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Potential impacts on marine ecosystems will specifically be considered in the marine ecology specials study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine earlies and reflect impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impact on the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus conside the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on LUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity plantant processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat;' or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the bloic integrity of habitats, IUCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory /congregatory species and IUCN beforesty
						Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
	I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. We are graftful for the chance to comment on the abovementioned Request for Input from the TEEPSA and SLR, which correctly noted the urgent need for invironmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and climate admission. We are writing to you regarding a particular set of voluntary disclosure that in our opinion, are essential for addressing climate risk as well as broader ESIA risks and political, reputational, operational, and legal risks, but that your concern may be overlooked in your evaluation of the filings regarding the KholSan Customary Tribal Structure and Indigenous Fishing Communities. The problem is the violation of Indigenous and tribal peoples' land & sea rights and other rights by market capitalisation businesses. As we explain in this letter, corporations directly associated with violations of land rights infrequently inform investors of the numerous legal, political, reputational, and operational risks associated with such violations, all of which have a material adverse effect on issuers' financial position. However, banks, asset managers, and other financial institutions are increasingly acknowledging publicly the critical need of respect for Indigenous and tribal rights. Below is a discussion on free, prior, and informed consent (FPIC), Since 2015, the World Bank has adhered to a stringent FPIC policy. The Afficience of such	Hoosain Narker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. The comments received include comments that relate to different projects to the proposed offshore production right and environmental authorisation applications for Block 1181/128. WSP and TEEPSA respectfully acknowledge the comments reflected and the views expressed in the correspondence. The requirement for public participation is embedded in South Africa's Constitution and regulatory processes. Notably, Section (2)(4)(f) and (o) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 states "the participation of all interested and affected parties (18APs) in environmental governance must be promoted and all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equitable and effective participation, and participation by unkerable and disadvantaged persons must be ensured, and - the environment is held in public trust for the people, the beneficial use of
	disclosures is becoming recognized by foreign securities regulators as well. For instance, the Non-Financial Reporting Directive of the European Commission encourages disclosure of human rights, especially those affecting the rights of Indigenous peoples. These kinds of requirements are anticipated to become legally binding as the Directive is now being reviewed. Finally, the problem of land rights for Khoi and San Indigenous and Tribal Peoples, which is crucial to protecting the ecology and the climate, affects on all three components of the ESIA landscape, on which investors the themselves are increasingly admitting they base their investment choices. As a result, the TEEPSA requires information of the dangers of present and future volations of Indigenous and Irbal people's land rights and other rights brought on by the issuers' business strategies and particular projects. By doing this, TEEPSA would be able to further its goals to protect investors, provide fair, orderly, and efficient markets, and promotic capital formation.	HRH Charl Damon	Khoisan Economic Development Facilitators (KEDF)	14 December 2022	E-mail	environmental resources must serve the public interest and the environment must be protected as the people's common heritage". In addition, according to the Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge, 4z, 1919 (No. 6 of 2019) "prior informed norms" means the consent in respect of indigenous knowledge granted by a trustee, which has been obtained (a) free from any manipulation, interference or coercion; (b) after full disclosure of the intent and scope of the activity; and (c) in a language and process understandable to the community. WSP and TEEPSA believe that the ESIA process is being followed in compliance with the above requirements. WSP and TEEPSA have and will continue to consumity all registered I&APs, including Indigenous Peoples and their representatives, in the project affected area, and provide information about the proposed project, opportunities for comment and consider all issues raised in the specialist studies during the ESIA. As such, WSP is obliged to reflect all the issues, concerns, questions, objections, and recommendations raised through the ESIA.
	Indigenous & Tribal Peoples and the Environment As explained by the UN Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, "while Indigenous peoples in all regions of the world live on lands and territories that contain a great wealth of natural resources, they remain some of the most vulnerable people on earth due to centuries of marginalization and discrimination. Indigenous peoples' special relationship with their lands — a fundamental element of their spiritual, religious, cultural and physical survival — is often at odds with these interests." United Nations Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues, "Indigenous Peoples And Industrial Corporations," Land is not just a possession and a source of income for many Indigenous and tribal peoples. Through memories, stories, and spiritual and cultural locations, their past and identify are connected to their territory, impacts from the environment and climate have an impact on people's ability to sustain themselves, as well as their relationship with their land, ability to exits a Indigenous people, and ability to exit in themselves, as					South African laws mandate the country's Government to make decisions regarding production right and Environmental Authorisation applications. TEEPSA is currently in the process of applying for an Environmental Authorisation to undertake production activities. Should Environmental Authorisation be granted for the proposed project, TEEPSA will continue to engage and collaborate with Indigenous Peoples in the project affected area to obtain their consent about aspects tha may directly impact them as a result of the project. In this respect, TEEPSA also undertakes to work with Indigenous People within the project affected area to determine how best to co-develop a sustainable corporate social investment programme. The recommendations regarding the risks associated with activities affecting indigenous peoples are noted and will be incorporated into TEEPSA's operations should this project proceed. The recommendations will be considered during the EIA phase of the project.
	well as their relationship with their land, ability to exist as indigenous people, and ability to uphold their unique identity and customs. Numerous indigenous and tribal domains have complicated networks of relationships, usage rights, and different decision-making procedures, and they collectively owned and ooverned. Therefore, even in a seeminally empty location remote from a settlement, activities or projects like mining, fishing, agribusiness, or oil drilling might.					The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give
1585	l object against Total's plan to drill in our ocean in Mosselbay. We need to save our oceans, not killing the few sea-life we have left. OBJECT!!!!	I&AP		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1800	The community of Mossel Bay supported PetroSA, but it left disappointment, we got nothing from this, people are hungry. We support TotalEngeries but what are the benefits that this project can bring for us as a community? There is a concern that the comment period is very short (3rd Estrupp).	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) will identify opportunities for local economic empowerment and skills development and training. The SLP will be available for people to review once a draft is available. The statutory timeframe for public consultation for the Scoping process is 30 days. The consultation process commenced on 1 December 2022 and initially was
1801	There is a concern that the comment period is very short (3rd February) What are the Timeframes associated with the project?	I&AP		16 January 2023 16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	mean to close on 03 February 2023. However, the comment period was extended to 14 February to afford stakeholders further opportunity to comment. The Final Scoping Report will be submitted to the Competent Authority (CA) by the end of March 2023. If approved, the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) phase will commence and a final EIA report will be submitted to the CA by August 2023. The project is currently applying for various licenses and permits which should be received by 2024. Final Investment Decision (FID) should be received by end
1802	What are the Timeframes associated with the project? TOTAL was here in Mossel Bay in 2019 and brought people from overseas and other parts of the country. Please provide clarity on what was the reason for	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	The project is currently applying for various licenses and permits which should be received by 2024. Final Investment Decision (FID) should be received by end 2024 and construction is scheduled to commence in 2025. Production of first Gas is expected in 2027. These are indicative timelines. An exploration well was drilled in 2019 and 2022. Currently, TEEPSA does not have the expertise to drill the wells as it requires a very specialised drilling vessel. Specialised skills and equipment are needed to drill in the Block 11B/128 area. Once in development and production, there will be opportunities for skills
1803	this? TEEPSA must please provide clarity on the TEEPSA procurement processes. There is a concern about locals not being employed.	I&AP		16 January 2023 16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	Specialised skills and equipment are needed to drill in the block 119/128 area. Once in development and production, there will be opportunities for skills development and training as it will become a long-term project - approximately 20 years of production. The Production Right application requires preparation of the SLP and that the SLP focuses on communities that are local to the project.
1805	The community not satisfied with the stakeholder engagement strategy. Why were community leaders not engaged/approached first?	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	WSP is responsible for identifying and engaging with stakeholders. Several meetings were held with the municipalities in December 2022 to inform them about the project.
1806 1807	There was direct communication with the communityfies; this should not have happened. What are the direct employment opportunities from TEEPSA? Will information on employment opportunities be shared?	I&AP I&AP		16 January 2023 16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	WSP is responsible for identifying and engaging with stakeholders and official structures, such as municipalities, which are being engaged with. The economic study will assess the number of employment opportunities and the draft EIA report will be available for public review and comment.
1808	Be careful about engaging with people who claim to be community leaders when they are not.	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	WSP is responsible for identifying and engaging with stakeholders and official structures, such as municipalities, which are being engaged with.
1809 1810	There are farmers in the communities who need to be considered and consulted with. They were not engaged by Petro SA previously In terms of employment opportunities, please consider women and youth. Skills development is crutial.	I&AP I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	Farmers will also be included in the social and labour plan consultation process. The SLP will consider opportunities for women and youth.
1811	In terms of employment upon tunions, please consider wither and yours. Asing development is usual. There are skills in the local area. Catering and logistics skills exist in Mossel Bay and should be used by TEEPSA. TEEPSA's tendering process must be fair and published in newspapers.	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	The SLP process will address procurement practice and economic empowerment issues.
1812	TEEPSA must also bring their Cape Town office members/management to Mossel Bay. We don't have money to go to Cape Town.	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	This comment is recorded and will be considered by TEPSA. TEEPSA has beined with community leaders to mobilize the communities. TEEPSA has prepared transport to mobilize where converted.
1813 1814	What is TEEPSA's plan to transport people to the meetings. Not all communities are present. Can international activists stop the project? Can they undermine this process?	I&AP I&AP		16 January 2023 16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01 Public Mtg.01	TEEPSA has laised with community leaders to mobilise the communities. TEEPSA has arranged transport to meetings where requested. The NGOs have not registered as an I&AP and thus are outside of the process. It is ultimately up to the Minister for Mineral Resources and Energy to make the decision on the Environmental Authorisation application.
	We need help to understand how skills development can be done for artisans and small businesses. What skills development plan will be put in place that will be sustainable?	I&AP		16 January 2023	Public Mtg.01	deceasing on the environmental nutrions and application. The construction phase will require a number of components which will give rise to skills development opportunities. Once the purchasers (off-takers) for the gas have been finalised and skills requirements have been determined, TEEPSA can start developing those skills locally.

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In the future when production has started, how will stakeholders be informed of the status of the project, and, will audit reports be made available for the public. How can we register to keep informed about the program? We want to support the project. We look forward to the future; we trust that TEEPSA will look out for the historically disadvantaged people that have been neglected for so many years. When this project is approved, can TEEPSA consider creating educational facilities in the area to give HDI's a future? The reality is that after 20 years well face the same things that we are facing now. Government doesn't have any power if we are not invloved in decisions. We're never consulted by government. We who should have been culturally included in the previous process, want to be included in this process. We have the skills that TEEPSA needs. We require the development of skills.	Removal of I&AP		17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	The scope of the project does not include the decommissioning of PetroSA. There is currently no intention of decommission the PetroSA facilities to rather recommence operations, through the Block 118/128 production project. Only off-bore activities are included in the ENAL if processor, combon infrastructure will be sessesed in a separate ENA.
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The information of a working man proprie as part of this process and project is critical: flow will we be treated in TEEFSA'S IUIUIE.	I&AP		17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03 Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded. TEEPSA is engaging with Aboriginal Peoples as part of the project consultation process.
1919 Concern that TEEPSA will only enrich itself at the cost of locals . Will this project be sustainable? 1920 My comments relate to off-take as this is where real opportunities is for locals. Off take clients are Eskom or PetroSA.	I&AP	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03 Public Mtg.03	The project will allow for the PetroSA plant to continue with production for another 20 years and continue supporting the small industry that depend on the GTL facility. At this stage, no offtake agreements have been signed. TEEPSA is negotiating with PetroSA and ESKOM for the purchase of the gas and condensate.
Do you have gurantees / agreements with government for investment in PetroSA.	I&AP I&AP	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	No, TEEPSA has no such agreements in place with government. This will be dealt with through the SLP which will look at skills and local economic development projects. An economic assessment is also being undertaken as
1922 Will the project offer opportunities for employment and economic growth within the community? 1923 Are there short-term employment opportunities?	I&AP		17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03 Public Mtg.03	part of the ESIA. Not in the short-term as the gas field construction will be undertaken by international contractors.
1924 Can facilities be upgraded to train youth? Youth have no opportunities and this causes social ills (such as drugs).	I&AP		17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House,	RESPONSE
1925	What is the plan in place to upgrade roads?	I&AP	17 January 2023	FGM, Call) Public Mtg.03	TEEPSA is not aware of Municipal plans to upgrade the road (R102).
1925	Will TEEPSA financially assist locals who are skilled to improve/upgrade existing skills so that there can be opportunities for locals?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	This will be facilitated through the SLP.
1927	As a South African company, TEEPSA has a duty to protect local employment. We were told in the past that we are not skilled enough to work on sixth generation drill rigs. We are willing to assist and/or do the work. There should be opportunity for locals to be trained to work on sixth generation drill rigs.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	This will be dealt with through the SLP which will look at skills and local economic development projects.
1928	How does TEEPSA plan to rectify this problem with the next company that will do the work to address unemployment? TEEPSA doesn't have any excuse to say that locals don't have the skills to do the technical work required.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded.
1929	Even though we have the skills required for 0&G projects, we have not been given opportunities. This is the time for TESPEA to INITIALITY to local. We suffed Mile don't have the opportunities. This is a particular project.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded.
1930 1931	This is the time for TEEPSA to INCLUDE the locals. We suffer! We don't have the opportunities. This is a national project. TEEPSA has to be totally transparent- use newspapers, television, social media to keep them informed.	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03 Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded. Your comment has been recorded.
1932	Social ills hit hard in Mossel Bay. We fully embrace this project but involve the locals because this project will help our communities.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	Your comment has been recorded.
1933	What will TEEPSA give to SA if SA gives up it's minerals to TEEPSA. Invest in local production.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	TEEPSA will pay taxes and royalties to the Government for the mineral extraction. It is also obliged to support local communities through the SLP. The Closure Plan will develop various scenarios for closure; there is a regulatory requirement for the Plan to be updated during the life of the project to reflect
1934	Will your closure plans and feedback to I&APs consider early closure due to the changing energy environment?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	The cluster hard ware event yarnous scenarios to cluster, there is a regulatory inclument to the mark titled placer scenario. Information relating to the project will made available to all registered I&APs. The closure plan is currently being developed and will need to be updated as the closure priorities might change over the 20 years.
1935	Will locals be trained? Will part of the closure plan provide for training of employees for future alternatives?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	The SLP will facilitate skills development and training to support communities in developing other economic activities that will continue after the decommissioning
1936	Can't we use this time between now and 2027 to train and upskill youth and locals for skills that would be required on the project?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	and closure of the gas field. Your comment has been recorded. TEEPSA will prioritise skills development initiatives for local community members as part of its first generation SLP.
1937	If you as TEEPSA receive container with bees - who will you contact to remove bees. Contingency plans if bees found on oil rig?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03	Thank you for raising this issue. We are aware that a registered beekeeper is required to capture and move bees and this will be incorporated into the environmental and social management plans for the construction and operational project phases. The Joint Venture includes TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. (TEEPSA) with a 4% shareholding, QatarEnergy with a 25% shareholding, Canadian Natural
1938 1939	Can TEEPSA share what is prepared to invest in this project Will TEEPSA have a CLO to liase with the community on the project?	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.03 Public Mtg.03	Resources International South Africa Limited (a 20% shareholding) and a South African consortium, MainStreet 1549 (with a 10% shareholding). TEEPSA has established a network of CLOs in communities to continue liaison with ward counciliors and other community leaders.
1940	Please point out where Agulhas current flows through the shelf (is it going to flow through where you're going to drill). Confirm that you're drilling through	I&AP		Public Mtg.04	The Agulhas current that flows from Mozambique parallel to the continental slope of South Africa crosses the 11B/12B Block in the project development area. TEEPSA confirmed the drilling will take place within the path of the Agulhas current and will be using a drill rig that can operate in the prevailing conditions on
1940	the fastest- flowing top current and bottom current. Are you readily equipped for that?	IQAP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Site. The dell is that successfully completed the confession wells will be used to dell the production wells and the technical tenses will take the conditions of the
1941	WSP is an international firm - are you aware if another international drilling firm that is drilling in the same type of environment? When will studies be available?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The dril rig that successfully completed the exploration wells will be used to drill the production wells and the technical teams will take the conditions of the Agulhas current into account when deciding where to drill the production wells. Results of the oil spills and drill discharge models will be reported in the draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report, due about midyear (June 2023).
1942	There should be documents in place, regarding SHE. TEEPSA Should also ensure that they have access to the PetroSA platform during operations in case of	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The relevant SHE documents will be prepared and implemented by TEEPSA.
1943	emergencies. TEEPSA, you're partnering with PetroSA who have a condensate leak - they are knowingly transgressing the law - what will you do about this?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	TEEPSA cannot speak to PetroSA's operations in terms of how the leak happened. However, TEEPSA have assessed the platform and infrastructure to ensure it is adequate to receive their product.
1944	The current PetroSA process uses a lot of potable water. What is the proposed project water requirements and how will this be managed going forward to avoid conflict with town water supply which is already constrained?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The ESIA process will consider the demand for resources required by the project during its construction and operation phases. This will also be considered as part of the social impact assessment to ensure that the demand and utilisation is sustainable through the duration of the project.
1945 1946	Is Mossel Bay municipality represented here? If not, why not? White-owned companies used to benefit from tenders from these types of projects. What is being done about BEE empowerment? In these processes drilling	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	There were municipal representatives present in the meeting and a ward councillor. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) that is developed as part of the Production Right application will address procurement practice and economic empowerment
1947	fluids and suppliers will be needed. Are the companies who supply these materials BEE registered and what is their status? The first nations of this country; how will they be affected, how will they benefit? And have they been consulted?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	issues. First Nations have been engaged and are represented in this meeting. Online focus group meetings have been held with First Nations to discuss relevant issues and concerns.
1948	The Brulpadda well is located within the fishing area utilised by small-scale fishers. Our vessels go from Mossel Bay to Port Elizabeth to catch fish for sale at Mossel Bay market. We are concerned that fishers won't have access to fishing grounds.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The project team is meeting with the fishing community as part of the consultation process. The effect of the proposed project on fishing activities will be considered through the marine ecology studies and resulting impacts on small-scale or commercial fisheries will also be considered in the socio-economic impact assessment.
1949	Projects such as these require international personnel and they are brought into the country and live in the community. When they leave, they leave a mess for the town to deal with. We are worried about this.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Issues arising from the influx of people will be considered as part of the scope of work of the socio-economic assessment.
1950 1951	When will widening of the R102 happen? There will be major impacts if the road widening happens at same time as the project. PetroSA takes water from Wolmarans Dam - how will the TEEPSA project be impacting dam levels and if water is to be abstracted will eutrophication result? Will the limited flow rates on Great Brak River and resulting impacts on the estuary, be evaluated in the ESM?	I&AP I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	TEEPSA is not aware of the timeframe for the road widening scheme; and will follow up now that this has been flagged. This comment will be circulated to the relevant consultants for consideration in their studies.
1952	The impact of such projects on the whale population in the area is a concern; what were the effects of the sonar studies previously done on marine life and will this information be released?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Specialists will draw upon published information to inform the assessment. A marine acoustic study is included in the scope of the ESIA, in addition to the marine ecology and biodiversity assessment.
1953	The PetroSA pipeline runs through our area. We are concerned about the possibility of a disastrous blowout and want to know what modelling is proposed. A similar level of detail as was done for the Block 5/6/7 oil spill model is required, including a focus on deep water drilling in the strong currents and risk of blowout in these areas.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Oil spill modelling is one of the specialist studies that will be done as part of the ESIA. The results of the study will be made available for public review.
1954	TEEPSA knows our history. I am a Khoisan. We speak from UNDRIP (United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples). We are scattered throughout the area. It is important for us to have opportunities to express our dissatisfaction about this project. Our First Nations' issues must be seriously considered in this process. Describe our people on their processor people in our people on their processor people in our people on their processor people in our people on their processor.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	First Nations are being engaged in the stakeholder process; online focus group meetings have been held to discuss issues and concerns with them.
	considered in this process. Despite our people not being recognised by the current government, TotalEnergies must give us the opportunity to participate and be represented in this project. There are opportunities and the world must be able to see that we exist. I believe we won't make the same mistakes as in the past. I am not talking on behalf of myself, I'm not talking on behalf of an organisation I am talking on				The SLP process is specifically considering skills requirements and development over the life of the project.
1955	behalf of a people. Skills development is rare amongst our people. I don't believe TEEPSA will make same mistake by leaving our people semi-skilled. Please meet with us individually not through a representative organisation. What is going to happen to PetroSA. Their facility is in serious need for upgrading. The FA pipeline and GTL plant must be in proper working order. The	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The request to meet people outside of representative organisations is noted. TEEPSA has assessed the F-A Platform and considers it adequate to meet the 20-year project requirement. There is no immediate agreement to use the onshore
1956 1957	project can't be authorised if you know there are non-functional parts. What is the battery limit of the study in relation to PetroSA? It would be irresponsible to develop if pipelines are not maintained and in good condition. This	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	petroleum facility. Should the decision be taken to supply the Gas-to-Liquid plant, then a similar assessment of the plant would be carried out. The battery limit is the top of pipe as it contacts the platform. Any changes at the platform itself are the responsibility of PetroSA, should they wish to extend the
1958	should be considered. What is the scope of the studies regarding PetroSA's deteriorating infrastructure?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	life of the platform. The battery limit of the ESIA is the top of pipe as it contacts the platform. Any changes at the platform itself are the responsibility of PetroSA, should they wish to extend the life of the platform.
1959	We are concerned about the reduction in cetaceans along the coastline. These projects impact the lives of marine life and their reproduction. We don't need to lose more sea creatures. What plans are there to minimise or stop blasting and flaring, which will impact sea life. The gas and condensate produced that will come to land via the FA platform; will the produced fuel be loaded to French ships and go to France and what	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The impacts of the proposed project on all marine life will be evaluated in the marine ecological studies.
1960 1961	Decrentage of benefit of the project will go to SA? What is the recruitment process? Will local agents be used? They take 40-50% of the fees. Will direct recruitment be done by TEEPSA and advertised locally?	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	The project focus is on domestic and regional markets, not export. If no domestic offtake agreement is signed, then it is likely the project will not proceed. This is yet to be decided; the comment is recorded, However, during the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to
1962	Is there a list of suppliers already available? There must be fairness in recruitment.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	proposed recruitment principles will be communicated. This process will only be put in place should the Production Right be granted. A final commercial agreement has not yet been signed. For the business case for the project, TEEPSA is focusing on supply of gas and condensate to the
1963 1964	Please shed light on Eskom and PetroSA - will they be buying the gas for energy? Please explain how what you are proposing is different from the way that PetroSA has produced for the last 20 years?	I&AP I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	existing PetroSA facility. The intention is that the Block 11B/12B gas field will replace the gas and condensate that has been pumped from the offshore Block 9 gas field.
1965 1966	Recruitment must be handled directly and not done through third parties who take a percentage from people's salaries. How long will we have to review the draft of EIA report?	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	This is yet to be decided; the comment is recorded. The statutory comment period for the draft ESIA report is 30 days.
1967	Local communities want to be given an audience at this early stage. Find a way to engage with us on issues of social ills, influx, economic impacts.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The objective of the consultation process followed during the scoping phase was to obtain feedback from local communities, their concerns, issues and comment; there will be a second round of consultation when the draft ESIA report is prepared.
1968	Will a disaster fund be created for unforeseen future disasters?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	TEEPSA must set aside funds for decommissioning and closure of the gas field infrastructure as part of the Production Right application. TEEPSA has global funds set aside to pay for environmental clean-up activities and provide compensation to communities and individuals; and also carries insurance for disaster events.
1969	Can we be included in the focus group meeting with the Black Business Forum of Mossel Bay to raise our concerns?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The request has been recorded.
1970	What are the economic opportunities the project will bring to this area?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The construction phase will have a limited effect on the economy of the area, as it is a highly specialised undertaking of a short duration. The production phase extends to a 20-year period, and this will have a greater economic effect on the local economy. The socio-economic assessment will provide a description of potential economic opportunities to the area.
1971	If conditions are not met by PetroSA, this project may not proceed. Are there any other opportunities that TEEPSA will pursue if 118/128 does not go ahead, given the investment TotalEnergies has already made. I saw the map that there are structures rising from the sea floor (seamounts): are these not dormant volcances? If so, will the activities because any	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	TEEPSA is also applying for an exploration right for Block 5/6/7 on the south coast and for the Deep-Water Orange Basin (DWOB) on the west coast of South Africa. These seamounts are interesting features and will be considered in the marine studies. Whether they bring about geological or seismic instability to the area will
1972 1973	geological instability and will this impact then be investigated? Will ecological studies be done prior to the project going ahead and will any ongoing studies be required? There are a number of marine mammals that wash	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	be investigated and if there is a risk it will be brought to the attention of TEEPSA. Benthic sampling is being done prior to any activities commencing. The specialists will advise whether further environmental survey work will be required and this
1974	up on the shores and will TEEPSA support ongoing work to understand why this is happening? Will there be environmental control officers present when the project is developed?	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	will be included in future management plans. Consideration will be given to the role of an Environmental Control Officer (ECO) as an independent monitoring party to the Project as part of the ESIA assessment.
1975 1976	There is concern related to operational drilling. Will there be risks linked to the drilling that are different from what has happened in the past? Have there been any learnings from the time spent during the exploration process with drilling vessels that need to be factored into the future planning, or	I&AP I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	All data acquired from the drilling studies and previous lessons learnt will be incorporated into the technical design for the project. The knowledge gained from exploration has influenced the well development designs for this project.
1977	could influence studies? Please confirm whether conventional drilling techniques will be used, or other methods (MPD??).	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Conventional drilling will be used. TEEPSA are applying for a Production Right. There will be conditions attached to the Right if it is granted but, at this stage, the detail of the conditions is not
1978	Is there any requirement placed on the developer in terms of how many South Africans (the percentage) that must be employed on the project? I would like to extend grafitude towards TEEPSA for considering investing in the area. We have a beautiful coastline and people come to the southern Cape to retire because of the natural beauty and they participate in the economy. We want to keep it that way, Projects often face opposition when they start. Even	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	known.
1979	the Thesen Island development in Knysna was opposed initially, but now it receives international awards for contribution to protection of habitat for Sea Horses. TEEPSA should be given the opportunity to go through the regulatory process. As citizens we need to be responsible. The project needs to support	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The comment has been recorded.
1980	the employment of local people and must be protected because it brings opportunity to our town. TEEPSA must also take responsibility to invest in and support local businesses.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The SLP process will identify local economic empowerment opportunities.
1981	It is clear this process is just window dressing. You're very advanced with your planning.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	The ESIA process relates to the assessment of the possible impacts associated with the planned project activities, associated with TEEPSA's production right application submitted in September 2022. However, it is correct that the current planning is based on years of exploration undertaken in the offshore area.
1982 1983	Communities live in abject poverty, fishers cannot fish because TEEPSA and Mossgas took away fishing ground. They did not get permission under the old Government. All you have done has been illegal because it is on aboriginal land. Thank TEEPSA for investment. Please leave a positive legacy and sustainable legacy for our kids. Do some infrastructure upgrading for the town.	I&AP I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	Your comment has been recorded. Your comment has been recorded.
1984 1985	I know TEEPSA is notified now of what happened with Aboriginals. Who will meet with us on Monday, where and what time? There is more pressure on us in Mossel Bay now than 10 years ago. No equity with employment but this is a historical issue. The rightful owners, not	I&AP I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	Your comment has been recorded.
1986	politicians, must make decisions about this project. What if international parties interested in the resource? Look at what's happening in Ukraine. How do you plan to deal with that? If TotalEnergies wants to make a difference as interest that the must be done about historic demons that happening in Ukraine. How do you plan to deal with that? If TotalEnergies wants to make a difference as interest that the must be done about historic demons that happening in Ukraine.	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	TEPSA is looking to sell the gas and condensate into the local and regional market. The comment about historic damage has been recorded.
1987	make a difference, an impact study must be done about historic damage that happened under the previous Government. The project will impact our fishing and marine environment. There is always a surface of oil on oceans. It is cleaned but not efficiently. Communities must stand up for their rights, and acknowledge your worth. Our communities cannot continue to be disadvantaged in these processes as has	I&AP	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	Potential impacts on fishers and marine ecology will be addressed in the impact assessment specialist studies.
1988 1989	happened in the past. Thank you for being here and engaging with the community. It was nice to walk in here and see my colleagues as community members. When we talk	I&AP	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04 Public Mtg.04	Your comment has been recorded. Your comment has been recorded.
1990	together as a community we can achieve something positive. Thank you. When PetroSA started, I was the first person on the ground where there was soil and mud and the equipment was starting. We started Mossgas, but what happens to us as a community? What do we have now? Not even a 'thank you'. We were not educated in oil and gas; our skills were not developed and	I&AP			As part of the Production Right application, there is a requirement for TEEPSA to prepare the SLP that identifies local economic empowerment projects and also
1990	where are we today? Nowhere. We are still sitting on the sidelines. So, what difference will TEEPSA make in its area of development? What can our future generations look forward to? In the presentation it was indicated that TEEPSA have already been granted exploration rights. Given that the land belongs to Aboriginal nations, the gas and	IOAF	17 January 2023	Public Mtg.04	skills development projects. This is a regulatory requirement and the SLP will carry on for as long as the project is operating.
1991	land belongs to the people. No Government or Minister can give away those rights which belong to the people. It is our position that to do so is unlawful and therefore the process and any licences issued would be flawed and illegal.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	Your comment has been recorded.
1992	We would like to meet as indigenous peoples to discuss this further with you.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	A focus group meeting was held with indigenous peoples on 23 January. The comments captured in this meeting are recorded in this Comment and Response Register. There is a regulatory requirement for the ESIA to consult with Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). Additional consultation will be held regarding the Social
1993	What would you perceive as your contribution [to Indigenous Peoples] to ensure you are not using us as a rubber stamp? What we are asking is that you consider engaging in a meaningful and tanglible way with local communities in and around your project. I understand you are extended production and using existing infrastructure. Bourd on, up and to contribute meaningfully to existentials features and existing infrastructure. Bourd on, up and to contribute meaningfully to existentials features and existing infrastructure. Bourd on, up and to contribute meaningfully to existent place and existing infrastructure.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	and Labour Plan (SLP) to identify community needs. We are at the beginning of the consultation process for this project and these meetings are held to help identify the issues that are important to local
	existing infrastructure. How do you plan to contribute meaningfully to sustainable fisheries and marine life and small-scale farming?				communities so they are considered in the next phase of the environmental and social impact assessment (ESIA). Petroleum resource related exploration and production rights are issued by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy. A production right application for
1994	Who supported the rights, what measures will be put in place?	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	Feduciari resource reasied exploration and production rights are sosied by the department of mineral resources are being the production right approach to Block 118/12B has been submitted by TEEPSA to the DMRE. No production right has yet been issued. An Environmental and Social Management Plan will be compiled as part of the ESIA process which will contain the measures to manage environmental and social impacts associated with the project.
1995	What impact or power do environmental activist organisations (greenies) have to stop the project? People in the area are struggling due to poverty ("people are hungry").	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	All stakeholders who register with the process may contribute their issues, suggestions and concerns into the process. Those are displayed and put forward to the regulator without bias. As such, within the EIA process, an NGO has the same rights as any other stakeholder to contribute their issues and concerns into the
1000		19.40	40.1	Dulette bar of	process. The timing of the ESIA is triggered by the Production Right application submission to The Petroleum Agency of South Africa (PASA). We are at the start of the ESIA consultation process. These are the first meetings to explain the project and specialist studies to potential stakeholders. People can continue to register as
1996	Concern expressed about timeframes of the Scoping process because not all community members are involved in this consultation meeting.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	stakeholders and send in their concerns issues or suggestions. If there are people that you are aware of that you believe should be registered as stakeholders, please encourage them to register.
1997	We are lucky that Mossgas is next to us. It has led to development in the area since it started in 1968. Is this project a Phase 2 of Mossgas or first phase?	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There is no end user agreement in place for the purchase of the gas; it is not known if it will be used for power or for generating liquid fuel.
1998	I heard nothing mentioned about the construction period of the project and sourcing of materials during procurement?	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	If the Production Right is granted, the construction of the gas field will be done by a contractor that has the equipment and experience to do the work. This will be an international company. The construction phase would be between 2-3 years. The project is considering the materials and other supplies that could be
1999	If the environmental NGOs are against the project, what then?	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	soured locally as part of the Social and Labour Plan (SLP). NGOs have a right to register the stakeholders and voice their concerns, just like any other stakeholder.
2000	George is far from Mossel Bay. What are the chances of people of George to benefit from jobs? We know your operation will be 120 km offebore. During salaring testing there were the tensest number of beaching of whalse in 2020 (salaring testing	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There are only limited jobs. There will be further consultation under the SLP process around potential economic development in areas outside of Mossel Bay. There will be no seismic surveys undertaken as part of the construction process (seismic surveys involve a ship towing an array of seismic buoys over a large
2001	We know your operation will be 120 km offshore. During seismic testing there were the largest number of beaching of whales in 2020 (seismic testing 2019). 2019). Between Still Bay and Wilderness there are a lot of environmental activists (greenies). We are not here to stop the project, we want to make sure impacts are	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	area of ocean). Limited Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done during drilling of the wells. The noise assessment will identify the noise levels and the marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider the potential impacts of marine animals.
2002	Between Still Bay and Wilderness there are a lot of environmental activists (greenies). We are not here to stop the project, we want to make sure impacts are monitored. First world countries that take advantage of third world. How can we as communities be certain that TEEPSA won't repeat past mistake (Uganda). What	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	The recommendations of the ESIA will include requirements for monitoring environmental impacts. If the Production Right is granted, TEEPSA will set aside funds to be used to clean up the environment and compensate people if there is a spill or leak that
2003	First world countries that take advantage of third word. How can we as communities be certain that TEEPSA won't repeat past mistake (Uganda). What insurances will we as communities see if things go wrong.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	results in an adverse effect on people's livelihoods. An Environmental Management Programme will be prepared as part of the ESIA. This will set out the environmental and social monitoring to be undertaken
2004	Who will monitor and respond to impacts if things go wrong in communities and environment?	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	during the life of the project. TEEPSA will monitor the activities of contractors undertaking construction, operational and closure activities and will also co-ordinate with the relevant organisations in terms of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NOSCP) in the event of an emergency.
2005 2006 2007	People are leaving. The reason is because they expected to get employment from TEEPSA. Is this just a rubber-stamping process? People here are not our local people, opportunities go to foreigners. Local content is critical. Will local skills development be done? Can TEEPSA subsidise locals to develop small businesses/enterprises?	I&AP I&AP I&AP	18 January 2023 18 January 2023 18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05	The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the project proposal and the environmental impact assessment. The comment has been recorded. The SLP will develop a plan for skills development and local economic empowerment. The SLP will develop a plan for skills development and local economic empowerment.
2008	Prefer presentations in Afrikaans and Xhosa - the majority speakinglunderstand Afrikaans.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	The comment has been recorded and will be considered for the next round of public meetings. Copeis of the presentation in Afrikaans and isiXhosa are available on the WSP website and data-free website.
2009	Timeframe for development of social upliftment skills in local communities & farming part of CSR. Many people came today in the hope of finding jobs.	I&AP	18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There will be further consultation under the SLP regarding economic opportunity creation. The SLP continues for the 20-year production phase of the project and will be reviewed every five years to ensure it meets the needs of the community. The meeting was experifically advertised as a discussion concerning the project proposal and the environmental impact assessment.
2010 2011	Many people came today in the hope of finding jobs. Concern that project will only benefit certain individuals and not communities.	I&AP I&AP	18 January 2023 18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05	The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the project proposal and the environmental impact assessment. The comment has been recorded. The SLP will develop a plan for skills development and local economic empowerment.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House,	RESPONSE
2012	Concern about influx and lack of local government to cope with local infrastructure and service delivery.	I&AP		18 January 2023	FGM, Call) Public Mtg.05	The comment and has been recorded.
2013	Who are the shareholders in the project and is government part of the shareholders?	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	The shareholders include: TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. (TEEPSA), QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources International South Africa Limited and the consortium MainStreet 1549.
2014	The meeting with the Khoi; will it be on the 21 January 2023? Have the Khoi already been informed and where will the meeting be?	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There was an online Focus Group meeting held on 21 January 2023. Invitations were sent to the Indigenous Groups on the project I&AP database. Several focus group meetings were scheduled in the week 16 to 23 January 2023.
2015	Does TEEPSA have agreements already with government and offtakes with ESKOM?	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There is no end user agreement in place for the purchase of the gas; it is not known if it will be used for power or for generating liquid fuel.
2016 2017	We had PetroSA, now most of the community is unemployed. There are skills available within the community.	I&AP I&AP		18 January 2023 18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05	Block 11B/12B can provide further gas to PetroSA for the gas-to-liquid (GTL) facility if PetroSA wants to purchase the gas and condensate for processing. The comment and has been recorded.
2018 2019	The use of labour agents to recruit personnel for the project is problematic, as they take a substantial percentage of the wage paid and employees do not have enough to live on The project will be of benefit to local companies that have developed skills over the 20-year period of Mossgas operation.	I&AP		18 January 2023 18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05	The comment and has been recorded. The SLP process will identify the skills available in the area and the skills required by the project, should it go ahead.
2020	Within the area there are organisations that work in environmental field mitigating impacts, it is only fair to include them as shareholders to utilise their expertise	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	There are a number of environmental organisations and associations on the project I&AP database and they have been notified of the project and invited to a focus group meeting, as well as the public meetings.
2021	There are many other structures in the community that can be used to help mobilise	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	Thank you. The Scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasted on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the project and the public consultation process.
2022 2023	Timeframe for consultation is too short. Details of project required to allay leaves of corruption and the beneficiaries. What is the public consultation timeframe in the ESIA?	I&AP		18 January 2023 18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05 Public Mtg.05	The public comment period was extended to 14 February 2023. A further public comment period will also be provided in the impact assessment phase. The public consultation process for the scoping phase ran from 01 December 2022 to 14 February 2023.
2024	Include the benefits of the project in the information documents.	I&AP		18 January 2023	Public Mtg.05	Potential socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed in the impact assessment phase and the results will be made available in the next phase of the project.
2025 2026	The project description should be presented at a slower pace. The locals must be heard and given a voice on whatever might concern them.	I&AP I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	This suggestion will be considered for future public meetings. The objective of the Scoping process is to provide an opportunity to communities as interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to review and comment on the
2027	Don't disregard us as the community. The Khoi-San and local community must benefit. There is an issue of trust within the community due to failed promises. Multi-nationals might cause clutter and confusion.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	proposed activities and the scope of the environmental and social studies to ensure that they include issues of local concern. A focus group meeting with Indigenous Groups / First Nations was held on Monday 23 January 2023. TEEPSA and WISP presented the information as was
0000		10.40		40.1	D 11: 14: 00	presented in the public meetings and the discussion allowed Indigenous Groups to raise issues of concern and provide feedback to the project team. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological
2028	The sea should be protected. The indigenous people of the community will find it difficult to give the land away. Has the project been endorsed already?	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faumal receptors. No decision has been taken as to whether the Production Right and Environmental Authorisation applications will be granted.
2030	The reproduction of sea horse species should not be neglected.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The Knysna seahorse Hippocampus capensis is endemic to the south coast of South Africa, where it has been found in only in the estuary of the Keurbooms River in Plettenberg Bay, the Knysna Lagoon, and the estuarine portion of the Swartvei system in Sedgefield. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. This will include estuaries of the South
2031	The land and ocean are our property.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Coast. The comment has been recorded.
2032 2033	The Khoi-San will apply "Customary law" to prevent the TEEPSA from going through. TEEPSA will be taken to the cultural court by the Khoi-San. The sea and environment are priority for First Nations. We were classified as coloured and lost our identity.	I&AP I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. The comment has been recorded.
2034	What are the timeframes of the project?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The indicative timeframe is that the Production Right and Environmental Authorisation application will be completed in 2024. If the rights is granted and EA is issued, construction of the offshore production wells, subsea infrastructure and pipeline to the F-A Platform will commence in 2025 are completed in 2026. First pas will be produced in 2027 and the operational life of the project is estimated at 20 years. Decommissioning and closure will commence at the end of
2035	The importance of consulting communities shouldn't be neglected.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The objective of the public participation process is to enable opportunities forconsultation with communities.
2036	Will the project create employment and learnership opportunities? I am interested in the SLP & consultation process and the project will produce jobs and	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The SLP will identify the skills available in the local municipal areas and identify the requirements to train people so that they can be employed.
2037 2038	therefore should be supported. It is advisable to have strategies in place to combat challenges, e.g., load shedding. The money for the project should be considered at environmental and social view.	I&AP I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. The comment has been recorded.
2039	Include the impacts on the West coast and coastal parts of KZN.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The contribution of the project to cumulative impacts within the vicinity of the project's area of influence will be assessed as part of the ESIA. The consultation process has considered a number of factors in identifying the project area of influence; if this changes due to the findings of the specialist
2040	Why are the boundaries of this project between Mossel bay and East London, what about people form the further west who aren't aware of this project? Why is the project not engaging people in Gansbaai?	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	studies, the public consultation will be extended, as necessary. The consultation process has considered a number of factors in identifying the project area of influence; if this changes due to the findings of the specialist
2041	winy is the project not engaging people in cansissair. The project needs to consider the dilapidated PetroSA infrastructure due to lack of maintenance.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	studies, the public consultation will be extended, as necessary. TEEPSA has assessed the PetroSA infrastructure to check it is suitable to accept the gas and condensate for production. Any alterations required to the F-A Platform for the Robert 18/12 nonice will be minor.
	TEEPSA takes their resources and sells it back to them as electricity and petrol at high prices. The speaker wants TEEPSA to register a Trust where the					Platform for the Block 118/12 project will be minor. The First Maliers and Abstricted service will be appeared throughout the ESIA and SID process as and of the appropriate process with IPADs.
2043	community will benefit from the project as Aboriginals don't benefit from such projects. Aboriginals demand 41% or 51% of project shareholding. Concerned about representation people who represent Knysna are not at the meeting. Fossil fuels can be made from dagga that does not damage the environment.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The First Nations and Aboriginal groups will be engaged throughout the ESIA and SLP process as part of the consultation process with I&APs. A key aim of the cultural heritage impact assessment (CHIA) that was commissioned by TEEPSA for Block 11b/12b is to help improve, where necessary, public
2044	People have lost respect for the culture as they laughed when the Chief of the Khoi- San spoke. Government run the country, but they don't own it; it is owned by Khoi-San. TEEPSA needs to preserve and respect the culture. The cultural heritage is at risk here.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	A key after of the Custom at terrage impact assessment (Chris) talk was commanded by Eccarbon books. I for zo to the pripore, writer feedessay, poun- perception of indigenous peoples (including Nicho-Sinn). The CHIA foreign the rich relations that indigenous and costat loopeles have with the costs and sea, and the need to take care in managing these important assets. The First Nations and Aboriginal groups will be engaged throughout the ESIA and SLP process as part of the consultation process with IRAPs.
2045	The project has benefits and challenges and the community and TEEPSA must manoeuvre through the challenges. The speaker has been involved in projects like this and is experienced in the process, speaking for himself and not as a representative of any structure. The community has kids that will benefit from	IP AD		10 January 2022	Public Mtc 06	
2045	this project. The project might generate electricity that can alleviate the current blackouts experienced by communities. He supports the project. The community must not politicise the project.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded.
2046	The speaker added that the project will have possible impacts on the environment. Section 12.8 of the report talks about the additional impacts. The speaker is concerned about the cumulative impact the project will have on the environment	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The objective of the ESIA is to identify the potential impacts and understand how they can be avoided, minimised and managed over the construction, production and decommissioning and closure phases of the project. The ESIA will consider the potential for cumulative impacts that arise from the activities of other projects that are proposed in the energy sector or are near to
2047 2048	Section 12.5 of the report cans about the administration in pacts. The speaker is concerned about the cumulative impact the project running in the coastines. There is an issue with the competent authority which has led to broken trust in the competent authority.	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	Block 118/128 and/or are happening at the same time as the Block 118/128 project, in order to minimise adverse impacts. The comment has been recorded.
2049	Support for the project was expressed with the comment that if the community does not appreciate this opportunity, opportunities for growth of people are lost. Do what's best for the people; everyone must benefit.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded.
2050	If unforeseen events occur in the middle of the project what are the plans for remediation/compensation?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	TEEPSA must make financial provision to pay for environmental clean-up and compensate individuals and communities in the event of a spill that adversely affects people's livelihoods. TEEPSA also has insurance for unforeseen events.
2051	What are the plans for remediation or compensation for the locals?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	In terms of Production Right obligations, TEEPSA is obliged to set aside funds to remediate environmental damage and compensate communities in the event of environmental damage and adverse effects on people's livelihoods due to a spill or leak. The compensation would be decided by a committee, set up by the Treasury, to consider compensation on a case-by-case basis.
2052	Project area is within a fish habitat.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The marine ecology and biodiversity specialists will consider the potential impacts on habitats used by the fish species found along the coast.
2053	Will there be an exclusion zones for Fishers?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	During the construction phase, there will be a 500-meter radius exclusion zone around the drill rig at every well site while it is operating. Once the subsea infrastructure is installed, there will be an exclusion zone around the gas field and along the alignment of the pipeline to the F-A Platform for trawling activities.
2054	Are there any operational rigs around the project area?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	No. During the operational phase, all the infrastructure will be on the seabed. The existing F-A Platform is the only infrastructure that is on the sea surface.
2055	Is this meeting a true reflection of the public participation process?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	From Monday 16 January 2023 to Thursday 26 January 2023, several online and in-person meetings were held. The in-person meetings were held in coastal towns so that people have an opportunity to provide local knowledge inputs to the Scoping process to inform the ESIA process. The online meetings were held with various groups to discuss specific issues of concern.
2056	Areas are contiguous, one affects the other.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. No seismic surveys (where a survey ship tows a seismic array continuously over a large area of ocean) are planned for the production process. When the
2057	Seismic surveys are proposed again, for what reasons? Have the seismic surveys stopped?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	production well is drilled, there may be a requirement for Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) within the well but this will be a short-duration activity and may not be required on all the wells drilled.
2058	How much gas has been identified?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Within Block 118/12B, for the Luiperd discovery, it is expected between 1.0 Tcf (Trillion Cubic Feet) and 2.0 Tcf of gas and between 46 MMstb (Millions of standard lank barrels) and 97 MMstb of condensates. For the Brulpadda discovery, between 0.5 Tcf and 1.5 Tcf of gas and between 28 MMstb and 77 MMstb of condensate is expected.
2059	Is the F-A Platform infrastructure able to support production?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	TEEPSA has assessed the PetroSA infrastructure that it intends utilising to check that it can take the quantity of gas and condensate to be produced.
2060 2061	Are there any available alternatives if the oil pollutes the sea? Will the health impacts on the community be assessed?	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	TEEPSA is obliged to set aside funds to cover the costs of clean-up and compensation to communities and individuals adversely affected by a catastrophic event. The issue of Community Health, Safety and Security will be considered as part of the Social Impact Assessment (SIA).
2062 2063	Will there be jobs for the community? They have not benefitted, and babies are sick of asthma. Why believe a company that did not change? Will air quality be the same after the project has started and while it is ongoing?	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The SLP process will be identifying employment opportunities for communities. The issue of Community Health, Safety and Security will be considered as part of the Social Impact Assessment (SIA). Impacts on air quality will be assessed in a dedicated specialist study that will form part of the ESIA.
2064	you and quanty of the same after the project has started and writing it is object. The project will influence climate change and would like to see the results of the impact study. Gas utilisation has emissions and due to poor maintenance of facilities lead to pollution. The current Mossgas and Eskom stations are poorly maintained.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	An assessment of the greenhouse gas emissions generated over the project timeframe is being undertaken for the ESIA.
2065	Gas can be a fugitive emission; and should not be sold as an "environmentally friendly" product. The community must choose what is best for them. Knysna has sufficient natural resources with beautiful landscapes and is rich in biodiversity. Knysna must	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded.
2066	be held at a high esteem. The beautiful landscapes, natural resources are being taken away from future generations. Social needs and demands should be met.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. Social needs and demands will be addressed in the Social Impact Assessment. TotalEnergies is involved in a number of energy production initiatives, of which TEEPSA is one. The South African Integrated Resource Plan includes gas as one
2067 2068	Why not advance in renewable resources. As a long-standing resident, locals have never benefited from projects like these.	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	energy source in a mix of fossil and renewable sources, with the intention of moving towards decarbonising the economy by 2050. Potential local benefits stemming from the project will be assessed as part of the socio-economic assessment that will be done for the ESIA.
2069	Why is TEEPSA further exploring more fossil fuels in the light of climate change.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	TotalEnergies is involved in a number of energy production initiatives, of which TEEPSA is one. The South African Integrated Resource Plan includes gas as one energy source in a mix of fossil and renewable sources, with the intention of moving towards decarbonising the economy by 2050.
2070	We want job opportunities; how is TEEPSA managing expectations like these?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	This project cannot create jobs for everyone; the SLP process is required as part of the Production Right application to investigate the skills required for the project, the availability of these skills and how any skills gaps can be managed over the life of the project. This project cannot create jobs for everyone; the SLP process is required as part of the Production Right application to investigate the skills required for the
2071 2072	What will TEEPSA do to upskill the people? This project will cause many social ills and unrest; how will TEEPSA manage this. What's in it for the people of Knysna?	I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	Triplect, the availability of these skills and how any skills gaps can be managed over the life of the project. The socio-economic assessment will consider issues of Community Health, Safety and Security.
2073	What type of qualifications are required for the project? What type of jobs will be created by the project?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Many different types of skills are required for gas and condensate production and processing. The project will require several technically qualified personnel. Specifics about the number and type of jobs will be included in the SLP which will be made available for public comment in 2023.
2074 2075	The project should also give more consideration to people with disabilities; how will employment opportunities be created for them? TEEPSA only wants the profit but CSR promises have not materialized given that hundreds of people are without employment.	I&AP I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	Support for people with disabilities is a key principle that TEEPSA will follow in developing various elements of its SLP The comment has been recorded.
2076	Total doesn't have a good name due to the mess. The project is not going to happen in their shores. The community benefits from the sea and they inherited all from their forefathers so they will protect the sea. Mossgas made promises that they did not fulfil. They brought people from Johannesburg and overseas to work at the plant. Mossel Bay must benefit first. Khor-San Leadership want to be engaged on a one-	I&AP - I&AP		19 January 2023 19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06 Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. Leaders of communities of Indigenous Groups are being consulted and will continue to be consulted through the ESIA and SLP process.
-	on-one basis. The Khoi-San want their land back. The Khoi-San would like to benefit from the project, and they want commitments in writing. The project is already			,		
2078	orchestrated as it was done in lockdown. We want Total to go back and start consulting with the Khoi-San as landowners. Phezula was developed without involvement of Khoi-San leadership, and they will not let Total do the same as they are the First Nations and are the rightful owners of the land. If Total does not consider them they will lack the matter to the Children Court life to one a threat	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Leaders of communities of Indigenous Groups are being consulted and will continue to be consulted through the ESIA and SLP process. The Production Right and Environmental Authorisation applications were submitted in 2022; the project can not proceed if these authorisations are not granted.
2079	not consider them, they will take the matter to the Cultural Court. It's not a threat Total must ensure meaningful participation and involve the communities in the SLP development process, especially learnerships. What are the support	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	TEEPSA intents to provide support for various skills development initiatives for local community members as part of its SLP. More details in this regard will be communicated during the SLP specific consultation process that will be undertaken in 2023. The SLP process will put a system in place for learnerships once
2080	programs put in place to develop learnerships? They do not want the Xolobeni situation where the community stopped the proposed development. They support the project. The project will boost the	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded.
2080	economy of the area. No sustainable jobs are created in the area; the only area that creates sustainable jobs is in the Western Cape through the EPWP program.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. The SLP process and socio-economic study being done for the project will assess the type and number of employment
	How will the Krysna community benefit from the project? What will the criteria for benefit be? Communities want to understand how the project will benefit them. Is Government or ESKOM a partner? They know what was coming. They support the project, but it looks like hijackers if National Government is					opportunities the Block 11B/12B project could be associated with, should it go ahead. The Government automatically has a 20% equity holding in the project in terms of the law. ESKOM is not a partner. However, TEEPSA is negotiating with
2082	involved. Thanks for the information please proceed with the process. The speaker says they do not want a percentage as all South Africans should benefit from the project.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	ESKOM to see if they are interested to take gas and condensate for the Gourikwa power plant in Mossel Bay.
2083	Is the presentation a true representation of the project? Are there two applications? Production and Exploration rights applications? Is the oil and gas sufficient for production?	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The presentation outlines the activities for which the application for a Production Right has been made. As part of the production activities, there will be further appraisal wells drilled to the eastern side of Block 11B/12B to understand the potential for further gas and condensate resources. There is a substantial amount of gas that has been identified to date.
2084	There must be baseline for Mossgas marine life that must be considered.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Benthic surveys are being conducted and will serve as a baseline for future surveys. TEEPSA will be responsible for the construction process that includes the installation of the production wells, the subsea infrastructure and the pipeline to the F-A
2085	How will Total manage expectations that jobs will not start until 2027? The only jobs available are for highly skilled people only.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	Platform. PetroSA will be responsible for gas and condensate production and will operate the gas field and the F-A Platform; the final destination for the gas and condensate has not been identified to date. The SLP process will identify the skills and training required for the production process and, if the Production Right is granted, PetroSA will use the timeframe for the construction of the production wells to train and reskill personnel. Specifics about the number and type of jobs will be included in the SLP which will be made
	The community must manage their own expectations as Total does not care; they have done nothing for Mossel Bay. Hundreds of people from all over the country will flock to Mossel Bay for jobs. There will be an increase in drug use. There are old and disabled community members, matriculants and people with					available for public comment in 2023.
2086	degrees are unemployed. There is a request for Total to support cultural projects and orphans. Most graduates are unemployed and owe NSFAS. Most end up having problems with alcohol.	IGAP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The socio-economic assessment will consider issues of Community Health, Safety and Security.
2087	The speaker welcomes the project as it will benefit people. The presentation was excellent.	I&AP		19 January 2023	Public Mtg.06	The comment has been recorded. Holes start at approximately one meter (m) in diameter (approximately 36 inches (f) at surface becoming narrower with depth. The plan is to drill up to 6 holes for the plant of the
2088	You indicate you are drilling 6-8 holes for final production. What is the size of each area around the borehole and what is the size of the total disturbed area?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	[production wells]. The disturbed area on the seabed is roughly 5 m x 5 m. The total disturbed area depends on how far apart the wells are once they have been diriled and the total area of the gas field will depend on the spacing of the wells and the length of the production pipeline between the gas field and the F-A Platform.
2089	There are three local publications. No advertisements were placed and no local radio stations were used. I checked with local newspapers and local radio. Can the comment period be extended to allow for better notification and participation?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	Advertisements were placed in national, regional and local newspapers, including the Knysna-pelt Herald, in November/December 2022 and again in January 2023, to notify stakeholders of the project and the dates and venues of the public meetings. Similarly, radio advertisements were also broadcast early in December 2022 and again in January 2023 via regional and local/community radio stations. See Chapter 9 of the FSR for details. Due to stakeholder interest in
2090	Is the area to the East (of Block 118/2B) a new application and forming part of the production right at ESIA, or is it a separate project?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	the project, an extension to the public comment period was granted by PASA; the comment period was expended to 14 February. As part of the same application (the Production Right application), up to four appraisal wells will be drilled in the eastern side of Block 118/12B. In oil and gas development there is ongoing exploration in parallel to production activities to improve the understanding of the geological resource. If a commercially viable
2090	What is WSP's relationship with TEEPSA? Does it allow for recommendations that natural conditions don't allow for the project to proceed? Who is WSP's client, is WSP independent enough, even though paid by TEEPSA to say no, this project cannot proceed? What is the nature of relationship between WSP and			20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	resource of gas and condensate is discovered, a new Production Right application will be submitted to PASA. The Production Right application process requires the Applicant (TEEPSA) to appoint a consultant to independently assess environmental and social impacts of the project. The environment impact assessment process in South Africa is regulated in terms of the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. The cost of the EIA and the supporting specialist team is carried by the Applicant. WSP is contracted to TEEPSA to deliver an independent statement of impact and make
	TEEPSA?					recommendations in relation to mitigation of impact and deliver a document that will allow the regulator to decide whether the project can proceed or not.
2092	How will recruitment and procurement be done?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	No recruitment and procurement processes are in place. If the Production Right application is granted, TEEPSA will establish the process and systems to engage with providers of goods and services; and to engage with presonnel required for the project. Through the Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process, the project will engage with district, local and metropolitan municipalities to identify specific opportunities for
2093	How will communities benefit and how will skills be developed?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	development and to understand community needs. The SLP process will also conduct a consultation process regarding Local Economic Development (LED) and Human Resources Development (HRD) initiatives.
2094	Who will be the employer (the developer or a recruitment agent)?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	During the construction phase (expected to continue for 2 to 3 years) specialist marine drilling contractors will be used as they have the expertise and experience to work in the prevailing environmental conditions.
2095	How many employment opportunities will the project create?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	During the production phase, the operation of the gas field and the F-A Platform will be undertaken by PetroSA who will employ an operations team. The SLP team and the socio-economic assessment team will identify the employment opportunities that the project could support. WSP will use a combination of in-house specialist teams and external specialists knowledgeable in their discipline and the local area. It is important that
2096	Would WSP partner with local scientific experts to conduct some of the specialist and studies?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	stakeholders who believe they have specific local knowledge make that information available to better inform the studies. TotalEnergies is invested in several renewable energy projects. Although there is a global shift to more sustainable energy sources, there is still a need for gas as
2097	If you have 900 million barrels, 3 million tons of CO ₂ will be released which is not in line with COP27.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	an energy source. The project emissions will be modelled as part of the specialist studies and presented to stakeholders when the draft EIA report becomes available. The company is committed to providing energy to the country. The carbon footprint of other sources of energy also needs to be considered. For example, the import of gas for energy generation.
2098	What are the TEEPSA plans to reduce CO ₂ impacts? Why still invest in fossil fuel projects? What is the total carbon footprint of the project after 20 years on environment and communities?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	Total Energies is invested in several renewable energy projects. Although there is a global shift to more sustainable energy sources, there is still a need for gas as an energy source. The project emissions will be modelled as part of the specialist studies and presented to stakeholders when the draft EIA report becomes available. The company is committed to providing energy to the country. The carbon footprint of other sources of energy also needs to be considered. For
2099	How will project be financed?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	example, the import of gas for energy generation. The consortium of investors includes TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. (TEEPSA), QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources International South Africa Limited
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COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE TEEPSA is required to make financial provision for the costs associated with final decommissioning and closure of its activities and infrastructure. The company
2100 2101	What financial provisions will be put in place for rehabilitation and compensation in the case of disasters (such as oil spill or leak)? What will the impact be over the 20 years, will these be investigated in the project's ESIA?	I&AP I&AP		20 January 2023 20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07 Public Mtg.07	also insures its risk. The government has a national oil spill response fund which is activated in the event of a major spill. The ESIA considers the effect of project activities over the construction, operation and decommissioning and closure phases of the project life cycle.
2102 2103	Have all the environmental investigations taken place? The remaining time seems very short for a project of this complexity. Propose that comment period be extended because there is a lot of information to be read.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	The ESIA starts with the Scoping phase and the technical studies have yet to be done. The environmental impact assessment will be made available in draft form to stakeholders mid-year. The EIA process is a regulated process and timeframes are prescribed. WSP did however request an extension to the deadline for closure of the public
				20 January 2023		consultation process, from PASA. The request was approved and the public comment period was extended to 14 February. WSP is a company specialising in environmental services, among others. TEEPSA appointed WSP as an Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the Environmental Authorisation application that is required in terms of the Production Right application.
2104	Independence of WSP and the nature of relationship with TEEPSA was questioned. Will the environmental impact report be available for public scrutiny?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	The ESIA considers the impact of the proposed project activities and provides recommendations on the avoidance and mitigation of impacts. The draft environmental impact assessment report, all supporting specialist studies and management plans will be made available for public review.
2105	What will be the effects of the project 20 years from now, will these be assessed? How much carbon will be produced in SA over 20-years period. The Scoping report doesn't mention anything about this.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	The effect of the project over the construction, production and closure and decommissioning phases is included in the impact assessment. The calculation of the carbon footprint for the project is one of the specialist studies to be done as part of the ESIA. No seismic surveys will be done (where a ship continuously tows a seismic array over a large area of the ocean). During the drilling of the production well, use is
2106	Will seismic testing take place and will there be sonar?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	made of a Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) technique that localised and used to ensure that the well is correctly sited. Sonar will be used to profile the sea floor to assist in identifying where the well will be located.
2107 2108	In the environment impact assessment, there is no mention of how much carbon will be produced and affect the communities of this country. The project will be developed by a French company, the profits will return to France and the impacts will stay on the people of South Africa We need a single set of rules for the meeting. We cannot have people interjecting like the last speaker and disrupting the person answering questions.	I&AP		20 January 2023 20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07 Public Mtg.07	The carbon footprint of the project will be determined through a dedicated specialist study to be undertaken. The findings of this study will be presented in the draft EIA report that will be made available for public review. The comment has been recorded.
2100		IQAF		20 January 2023	Public Mitg.07	At the end of the construction phase of the contractors leave. The project moves into a production phase. During production, gas is delivered to the PetroSA F-A platform and PetroSA is responsible for environmental management during the production operation. Once the field is depleted, wells must be capped and
2109	When you finish the project, do you leave right there? What will happen with the project infrastructure and any possible long-term impacts? Whose responsibility will this be once TEEPSA leaves at the end of the project life?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	permanently decommissioned and the subsea infrastructure removed. TEEPSA, as the production right holder, in this instance, will not be released from its environmental liabilities until such time as the regulator is satisfied that all infrastructure has been removed, suitable post closure monitoring has been
2110	You mentioned an appeals process - what does it entail? The reason for asking is that there seem to be many projects that could potentially increase the	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.07	undertaken and there is no evidence of any latent environmental effects. Once the Minister for Mineral Resources and Energy has announced the decision on the production Right application, the EAP must inform all registered stakeholders and provide them with a copy of the environmental authorisation together with information regarding the appeals process. This including the time
2111	economic activity in the area and they get shot down and people do not understand how to handle this (their disagreement with regulators decision). This project will make a huge impact on the marine environment. Was an assessment made before this project started to determine whether it would not be better to drill in the desert environment where there is minimal disturbance to animal or natural environments? The impacts to the garden route will be	I&AP			Public Mtg.08	within which an appeal must be lodged and the forms that must be used to submit an appeal to the authorities. The location of a gas resources is where specific geological conditions occur and, in this instance, the offshore gas and condensate resources found in Block
2111	significant. The project will affect communities from Mossel Bay to East London; in view of this, WSP should have consulted local municipalities first to get their guidance	I&AP		20 January 2023 20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	11B/12B are substantial and can only be developed in place. The public communication process commenced in December 2022. Online meetings were held with four municipalities prior to the face to face public meetings.
2113	regarding communication. The project will affect access to beaches.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	Further engagement with municipalities was also held in January and February - see Chapter 9 of the Final Scoping Report for details. No access to beaches will be affected. The project infrastructure is approximately 100 km offshore and is located on the seabed. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the economic assessment, will identify the
2114	Learnerships were mentioned in the presentation but employment opportunities were not mentioned. What are they?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	number of employment opportunities that the project can support. The SLP continues throughout the project life and the plan must be reviewed every five years to ensure it is still suitable for the needs of the community. The
2115	We support the project but TEEPSA should invest in communities In Plettenberg Bay focussing on education and skills development	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	SLP will identify the needs in communities in terms of Local Economic Development (LED) and Human Resources Development (LED) initiatives, aligned with the Integrated Development Plan for the area. TEEPSA will employ experienced contractors to undertake the construction of the gas field, given the prevailing ocean conditions in Block 11B/12B. PetroSA will
2116	TEEPSA should provide meaningful job opportunities.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	be responsible for the operations of the gas field and the F-A Platform. Once production of the gas and condensate commences, PetroSA will need to ensure that they have trained personnel to take up the required roles.
2117	You mention six wells for production and another four for ongoing exploration in the eastern part. Why are they in the same phase and why can it not be done separately?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	Up to six production wells are planned in the western section of Block 118/128 and up to four appraisal wells could be drilled in the eastern section of the Block. These are done when the drill rig is available and weather conditions are favourable. Within Block 118/128, the Luiperd discovery contains between 1.0 Tet (Trillion Cubic Feet) and 2.0 Tet of gas and between 46 MMstb (Millions of standard tank
2118	Has the size of reserves been established in TEEPSA's earlier campaign? If drilling is successful by how much will the reserve be expanded?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	barrels) and 97 MMstb of condensates. The Brulpadda discovery contains between 0.5 Tcf and 1.5 Tcf of gas and between 28 MMstb and 77 MMstb of condensate.
2119	We condemn the manner in which this public participation is done. This venue is far from surrounding towns. This seems to be undermining our communities who don't have an opportunity to hear first-hand about this project. We ask to have meetings in our communities: they are seven in this area. This process is	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The potential reserve of the eastern side of Block 1181/28 is not confirmed. The public meeting venues were selected to allow for ease of access, but the number of meetings to be conducted within the timeframe of the public consultation period did not allow for multiple meetings in towns. TEEPSA has agreed to provide transport to meetings for communities outside of the area where
2113	and on the ear opportunity to treat insertiand about this project. We ask to have needings in our communities, they are seven in this area. This process is not a privilege it is our right.	Idar		20 danuary 2020	r dollo Witg.00	the meeting is to be held. The specialist studies include:
						- 0i spill and drill discharge modelling - Marine acoustic modelling
2120	We need you to explain the environmental scientific studies that will be done. What will the project's impacts be on health and people in our communities who	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	-Marine ecology and biodiversity -Socio-economic assessment -Social impact assessment
	suffer with sinus				•	*Cultural heritage assessment *Air quality and greenhouse gas / climate change assessment
						Closure Plan The social assessment will consider issues of Community Health, Safety and Security.
2121	How will this project affect fishers who will be negatively impacted by the project. How will TEEPSA manage economic impacts on fishers?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The marine ecology and biodiversity will consider potential impacts to fishing activities, and the socio-economic and economic assessments will consider the potential impacts to small-scale fisher livelihoods.
2122	What meaningful employment opportunities will there be for communities? We want opportunities to be rightful business partners of the project. We won't	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The studies will make recommendations for measures to avoid or reduce and manage potential impacts to small-scale fisher activities. The SLP process and the economic assessment will identify the opportunities for direct, indirect and induced employment.
2123	allow the same mistakes to be made that happened with PetroSA. Who is the JV undertaking this project? Who is Mainstreet partner?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	TEEPSA will enagae with local communities throughout the project process to ensure that people are aware of the opportunities. TotalEnergies holds a 45% participating interest in Block 118/128, while QatarEnergy and Canadian Natural Resources hold 25% and 20% respectively. Main Street 1549 Proprietary Limited has a 10% participating interest; Africa Energy owns 49% of the shares of Main Street 1549.
2124	Where will the nerve centre of the project be?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The project activities will be mainly located in Mossel Bay (the support vessels will operate out of the Mossel Bay harbour) and the personnel rotations will be done by helicopter from George Airport.
2125 2126	Will DMRE undertake a roadshow to the affected communities? How will black-owned businesses benefit from this project?	I&AP I&AP		20 January 2023 20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08 Public Mtg.08	WSP is not aware of DMRE's plans for a roadshow. The SLP is the process that will be identifying the economic empowerment and skills development opportunities. Outside of the SLP projects, TEFPSA and PetroSA have Socially Responsible Investment (SRI) programmes and initiatives undertaken in terms of the corporate
2127	What future social investment will there be in the communities? Give statistics in respect of the benefits and employment opportunities for people in our communities. Tell us the next time you come	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	programmes that are undertaken outside of the SLP process. The economic assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will identify the number of employment opportunities that the project can support. The public participation process for the impact assessment phase will be announced. All registered
						I&APs will receive notification of future public meetings. The proposed activities will take place approximately 60 km offshore. An exclusion zone of 500 m will be in place for construction and operation. An EIA for this
2128	Within what radius will construction take place. Was an EIA conducted and if yes, what is the impact of construction of laying a pipeline on the sustainability of marine life?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	work is currently being undertaken. Oil spill and drill discharge modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase to assess the spatial impact of the proposed activities. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology team to ensure our extension of the modelling team.
						impacts of oil spill on all sensitive and significant coastal and marine habitats, features and species, including both offshore, coastal and onshore protected areas.
2129	What prospects are there (what is the % chance) that the authorities will approve the project?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	WSP does not have any indication as to whether the Production Right and Environmental Authorisation applications will be granted. As part of the ESIA, the role of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner is to provide the Regulator with information to make a decision on whether or not to issue an Environmental Authorisation for a project, and if so, under what conditions.
2130	We're blessed to have a well-protected marine environment - how will this be assessed by EIA?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The production right area excludes the Kingklip Corals EBSA, and no drilling or other such proposed activities will take place within this EBSA. Effects of activities undertaken within the production right area that may affect the EBSA and surrounding MPAs are bring quantified through far field oil and drill cuttings modelling
2131	Please improve communications about future meetings. Many colleagues would have liked to attend, but couldn't due to short notice.	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	studies, as well as noise modelling studies. The public meetings were advertised in newspapers and radio stations. I&APs that registered in the scoping phase will receive notifications of future public meetings.
2132 2133	We support the project. Communities in the area are poor and unemployed and need economic opportunity. Has TEEPSA had discussions about employment opportunities with rate payers and businesses? The only time that rate payers and businesses will hear us is	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08 Public Mtg.08	The comment is recorded. This will be dealt with through the SLP process which will look at skills and economic development projects. The SLP will be undertaking a separate consultation
2134	when they have support. Can we find more information on your website about who Main Street are?	I&AP		20 January 2023 20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	process. TotalEnergies holds a 45% participating interest in Block 11B/12B, while QatarEnergy and Canadian Natural Resources hold 25% and 20% respectively. Main
2135	Suggestions as to best notify the communities: communications work best via WhatsApp groups with two weeks' notice given. You can also use loudhailer's but then work through the ward councillors	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	Street 1549 Proprietary Limited has a 10% participating interest; Africa Energy owns 49% of the shares of Main Street. The suggestion has been recorded and will be considered for the next round of public consultation.
2136	Is TEEPSA's project the same type of project as the Shell project, and how does the TEEPSA project differ from the Shell project if it is different?	I&AP		20 January 2023	Public Mtg.08	The Shell project was an offshore oil and gas exploration project. The TEEPSA project is a production project. The activities undertaken for a production project are different to those of an exploration project, primarily that no seismic survey (the deployment of an array of seismic buoys behind a ship and towed over a
2137	Re slide 16, please explain: What exploration drilling will entail?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	larce area of the ocean to create a 2D or 3D trace of the seabed) is required for a production project. Exploration' and 'appraisal' drilling are the same activity. The wells are drilled to understand and estimate the extent, reserves and potential production of a gas field.
2138	Re slide 16, please explain: What is appraisal drilling?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	Exploration' and 'appraisal' drilling are the same activity. The wells are drilled to understand and estimate the extent, reserves and potential production of a gas field.
2139 2140 2141	Re slide 16, please explain: What is vertical seismic profiling? Re slide 16, please explain: What is well logging? Re slide 16, please explain: What is flow testing?	I&AP I&AP I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) is the transmission of seismic waves directly down the borehole to understand the geology in the immediate area. Logging is the detailed recording of the geological characteristics of the well to understand the potential of the well as a gas and condensate resource. A flow test (or well test) is when hydrocarbons are allowed to flow and measured to check the potential rate of extraction.
2142 2143	Re slide 16, please explain: What is sonar surveys? Re slide 16, please explain: What is seaffoor sampling	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	Sonar is a technique that uses sound to determine the position of underwater objects and the level of the seafloor. Seafloor sampling involves the removal of samples of the marine life settled on the seabed. The sampling is done using a grab sampler that removes a certain
2144	Re slide 16, please explain: What is metocean buoy?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	quantity of the seabed sediment and the associated marine animals. The metocean buoy is a vertical array of instruments that measure various physical characteristics of the column of seawater, such as temperature, pressure, conductivity and current speed and direction.
2145	Will alternatives be investigated?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The alternative to be considered include location, type of activity, layout and design of the wells and subsea equipment, technology and operational aspects. The no-go alternative will also be considered.
2146 2147	How will the proposed activities impact fishermen? Is it a guarantee the existing FA platform will be used and gas routed to the Mossel Bay refinery?	I&AP I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	The impact on fishers will be considered in the marine ecology and biodiversity, social and economic assessment to be undertaken in the ESIA. No off-take agreement has been signed with PetroSA.
2148 2149	If the further drilling in the Eastern part of the Block proves commercially viable, would Total be allowed to pipe gas to an alternate FA platform and land site or would that require an entirely new application? How much marine vessel traffic will there be. What are the departure and arrival points?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	A new Production Right and Environmental Authorisation application would be required. Support vessels (materials and supplies) will operate from Mossel Bay. Personnel will be transported via helicopter from George airport. The number and type of
2149	How much helicopter traffic will there be. What are the departure and arrival points? How much helicopter traffic will there be. What are the departure and arrival points?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	support vessels and the schedule is to be finalised. Personnel will be transported via helicopter from George airport. The number and type of support vessels and the schedule is to be finalised.
2151	The meeting is not held at a good time. Saturdays are not good days for meetings.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The suggestion will be considered for future public meetings.
2152 2153	The community makes use of loud halling to communicate information. I am concerned that many members of the community are not present at the meeting. How were people notified or invited to the meeting?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The suggestion will be considered for future public meetings. The date, venue and time of the public meetings were announced over local radio stations and advertisements in local newspapers. Interested and Affected
2154	What will be the benefits of the project to the local communities?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	Parties (I&APs) on the database were notified by email and SMS of the meetings. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) is assessing the needs of the project in terms of skills requirements and the skills that are available. It will also look at local empowerment opportunities. The socio-economic assessment will look at potential benefits of the project.
2155	I would like to know whether the consultants are happy to proceed and are they satisfied that meaningful scoping phase consultation has taken place at Sea Vista given the poor attendance at the meeting? If you only return again in the impact assessment phase you may need to repeat the scoping so people can	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	With the low attendance, WSP will consider returning to conduct further consultation when people are available.
2156	understand the project and process. Are the consultants happy to proceed? I suggest that you use existing structures in the community to inform people of meetings	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The suggestion will be considered for future public meetings.
2157	Jobs were promoted at the first meeting held in Mossel Bay. Why were jobs promised at the first meeting?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	No jobs were promised at the meetings in Mossel Bay. TEEPSA is aware that messages were being circulated that offer jobs and has taken steps to find the origin of the messages and shut it down.
2158 2159	What is the ownership of Block 11B/12B and how did TEEPSA obtain these blocks? The ocean and ocean resources belong to the people of SA in the construction phase there will be drilling, supply vessels, helicopter transport, work at the wells and platform. Are there jobs in this phase that will be	I&AP I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	TEEPSA purchased an interest in Block 11B/12B from Canadian Natural Resources. The construction of the wells will be done by a specialised contractor that has the drill rig and specialised equipment required to work in the prevailing conditions
2160	available to locats because by now these skills should be available in the area? What are the plans to employ locals with required skills? Is the "spider model" image showing the existing subsea infrastructure at Mossgas? How much infrastructure is there, how will new infrastructure be added	I&AP I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	in the Block 11B/12B area. The SLP will identify the skills requirements for the project and skills that are available in areas. The diagram (in the presentation) is indicative of the layout of the wells and subsea infrastructure and it can only be finalised once the wells are drilled,
2161 2162	and what will it look like after further development? There is no answer yet on the oil spill that recently happened at PetroSA. What caused the oil spill? Do you have an answer?	I&AP I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	depending on the conditions on the seafloor. TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the pipeline leak but has not had any feedback to date. The oil on the beach however is believed to have come from
2163	I would like better images showing the current subsea infrastructure. The current information in the presentation does not help me.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	a passing ship. At this stage, only conceptual images of proposed subsea infrastructure is currently available. WSP will look into obtaining better images relating to the current PetroSA and Block 9 subsea infrastructure.
						TEEPSA is working with the fisheries industry to ensure that the well drilling and installation of subsea infrastructure and pipeline has minimal impacts on the fishing grounds in the area. A permanent exclusion zone will be established along the alignment of the subsea pipeline from the gas field to the F-A Platform to
2164	We would like guarantees that the project will not affect areas where we fish. Can guarantees be provided by TEEPSA?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	minimise risk to the subsea pipe and to fishing vessels. TEEPSA is required to set aside funds to ensure that, in the event of an oil spill that disrupts the livelihood of the fishers, an environmental clean-up can be
						undertaken and compensation paid to the individuals and communities that are adversely affected. Compensation will be determined on a case-by-case basis. TEEPSA is working with the fisheries industry to ensure that the well drilling and installation of subsea infrastructure and pipeline has minimal impacts on the
2165	We have the rights to fish from River mouth to Oyster Bay. In the long run, with existing subsea infrastructure and the new activities proposed by TEEPSA,	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	feet on a working with the instense industry to ensure that the well orining and installation of subset inhabitional and pipeline has minimal impacts on the fishing grounds in the area. A permanent exclusion zone will be established along the alignment of the subsea pipeline from the gas field to the F-A Platform to minimise risk to the subsea pipe and to fishing vessels.
	what will happen if the project impacts fishers? Will there be compensation if fishers low income is due to TEEPSA's activities?			,	•	TEEPSA is required to set aside funds to ensure that, in the event of an oil spill that disrupts the livelihood of the fishers, an environmental clean-up can be undertaken and compensation paid to the individuals and communities that are adversely affected. Compensation will be determined on a case-by-case basis.
2166	What if fish disappear due to the activities of TEEPSA?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The marine ecology and biodiversity specialists will consider the variability in fish stocks and the potential for the proposed activities to adversely affect the fish cooldations in the area.
2167	Currently there is decrease of fish species in the sea. Will this project not lead to further decline of fish, and availability of fish species? This is the main source of income for fishers.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The marine ecology and biodiversity specialists will consider the variability in fish stocks and the potential for the proposed activities to adversely affect the fish populations in the area. The marine ecology and biodiversity specialists will consider the variability in fish stocks and the potential for the proposed activities to adversely affect the fish the marine ecology and biodiversity specialists will consider the variability in fish stocks and the potential for the proposed activities to adversely affect the fish
2168	If this project is approved and fish species decline, fishers will be left without income. Fishers don't have the skills TEEPSA requires for its operations.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	populations in the area. This meeting is part of the Scoping phase of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and the objective is to present the proposed project and
2169	Not acceptable for the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to not to know the answers to questions about impacts on fishers. The EAP is supposed to have specialists at meetings and do their homework before coming to meetings.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	the ESIA process, and obtain feedback in the form of comment, concerns, observations and questions so that local knowledge can be incorporated into the scope of the specialist studies. Once the studies have been done, a further round of consultation will be undertaken where the specialists will be able to provide answers.
2170	What plans will TEEPSA make to secure the livelihoods of fishers?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	answers. TEEPSA is working with the fisheries industry to ensure that the well drilling and installation of subsea infrastructure and pipeline has minimal impacts on the fishing grounds in the area.
2110	The second of th	IONE		Li vandaly 2023	. done witg.09	The ESIA will provide recommendations regarding measures to be implemented to ensure that the project activities do not adversely affect small-scale fishers. A grievance mechanism will also be in place where a compensation claim can be lodged. TEEPSA intents to provide support for various skills development initiatives for local community members as part of its SLP. More details in this regard will be
2171	Will aging fishers be included in TEEPSA's skills development programme?	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	ILEYSA intents to provide support for various skills development initiatives for local community members as part of its SLP. More details in this regard will be communicated during the SLP specific consultation process that will be undertaken in 2023. The SLP process will consider the community needs; the comment is noted.
2172	In relation to language the team is poorly prepared for presentations in isiXhosa. Please improve this. The mix of isiZulu and isiXhosa used is disrespectful to locals. The same degree of respect shown to locals by Afrikanas and English speaking translators should be shown to isiXhosa persons by providing a local interrupter. This company trables to sequence for the process.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The recommendation will be considered for the next round of public meetings.
2173	interpreter. This comment relates to ensuring fair practice. This meeting is taking place at the height of the fishing season. The majority of fishers are at sea because it is squid fishing (Choka) season now.	I&AP		21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	WSP is factoring this into the planning for the ongoing public consultation process for the project.
2174 2175	Please extend the DSR comment period. How will climate change impacts be assessed by WSP and what will be assessed?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	The DSR comment period was extended to 14 February 2023, as per the request of stakeholders. A study will be undertaken to calculate the greenhouse gas emissions of the project and to understand the impact of climate change on the project and also the
2175	now will climate change impacts be assessed by Wor and what will be assessed? We need an overview of TEEPSA as a company. Who are the JV partners, what is their proportion of shares and where are these companies registered?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	impact of the project on climate change. TEEPSA and its joint venture partners, QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources International (South Africa) Limited, and a South African consortium, MainStreet discovered as and associated condensates in Block 118/12B. After conducting technical and feasibility studies TEEPSA confirmed the commercial viability of the
2176	we need an overview or IEEPSA as a company, who are the JV partners, what is their proportion of shares and where are these companies registered? Where are the shareholders registered? Who are they and where are they based?	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	discoveries. TotalEnergies holds a 45% participating interest in Block 11B/12B, while QatarEnergy and Canadian Natural Resources hold 25% and 20% respectively. Main
2177	where are the shareholders registered? Who are they and where are they dased? WSP's company introduction on its website lists one of its divisions as no ill and gas division that provides services including development and production from oil fields. What is the proportion of revenue from the energy section (oil and gas projects)? As a subdivision of WSP, how are you independent in this	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	Street 1549 Proprietary Limited has a 10% participating interest; Africa Energy owns 49% of the shares of Main Street. WSP is a multi-disciplinary consulting company that offers specialised engineering services as well as specialised scientific services. The company has internal systems to prevent conflicts of interests arising, Information on the revenue generated by 0.8G services will be sought. WSP is not conducting any engineering
2178	Irom on leads, what is the proportion of revenue from the energy section (oil and gas projects)? As a subdivision or wish, now are you independent in this Ela? I would like confirmation that WSP will not be involved in any future engineering work that may come out of the 118/128 project.	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09	work on this project, only the environmental impact assessment and associated studies. In terms of the EIA process, this is not a criterion for independence. The criteria are that WSP has no economic interest in the project, other than being paid for
2179	I am concerned about WSP'S true independence in the ESIA - it is highly unlikely that WSP will 'go against' the Production Right application, in fact WSP will	I&AP		21 January 2023 21 January 2023	Public Mtg.09 Public Mtg.09	their professional services. The ESIA process is undertaken for the purposes of the Environmental Authorisation application that is a requirement of the Production Right application. The Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy makes the final decision, taking into account the findings of the ESIA. The role of the EAP is to prepare the EIA
2100	secure a positive outcome in the PRA.	IOPLE		z i valiualy 2023	, abito Mtg.09	Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy makes the final decision, taking into account the findings of the ESIA. The role of the EAP is to prepare the EIA according to the requirement of the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended).

Process Proc	COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
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The company of the		correct isiXhosa, which many locals understood.				_	Your comment has been recorded. Given the timeframe for the public consultation process, it is not possible to visit every town along the coast and that is why St Francis Bay was chosen as a
Part					-	-	venue for the meeting, as it is close to Oyster Bay and Humansdorp. A public meeting will be held in Jeffreys Bay on Monday (23 January 2023). Koura FM was used to broadcast information on the project including the public meeting details.
Part	2185	I have been fishing here since 1998. I am concerned that drilling will affect fishing grounds.	I&AP	21 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.09	Potential impacts on fishers will be assessed as part of the specialist studies that will be conducted for the impact assessment phase of the project.
1		The lack of rain already impacts the availability of fish as a food source. We are concerned. Climate change affects the swells and the sea. How will this impact	190.0				
1.	2188		I&AP	21 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.09	The request has been recorded. The results of the specialist studies will be included into a non-technical summary report that will be provided in 3 languages, during the next phase of the project.
A	2189		I&AP	21 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.09	Your concern has been recorded. It is WSP's role to provide all information generated on the project, including the comments received from I&AP's, to the
March 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997 1997	2190	Who is doing the consultations for Block 5/6/7 and DWOB?	I&AP	21 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.09	The company, SLR, is the EAP for the Environmental Authorisation application for the Block 5/6/7 Exploration Right application and I am do not know which company is the EAP for the DWOB project.
March Marc	2191	Have you followed the proper process adequately to ensure every person in Kouga has been notified about the project.	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	November/early December 2022; also that the draft Scoping Report was available for review and where a copy of the document was available; or to contact the Project Office to register. The date, wenue and time of the public meetings were announced over local radio stations and advertisements were placed in local newspapers in the first 2
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Marie Mari	2196		I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Your request has been recorded.
March Control of the Control of	2197	Get recommendations of how to inform those who are late on how best to be informed.	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Your request has been recorded.
Process	2198	Next meeting to please be scheduled at 6pm.	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Your request has been recorded, and will be considered for future public participation planning.
March Marc	2199	Get a balance to ensure how best to engage with the community	I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Your request has been recorded.
Page Continue and Continue						_	Your request has been recorded, and will be considered for future public participation planning.
March Marc						-	
19 19 19 19 19 19 19 19	2202	A Kouga municipality representative is needed, she received information about project today only.	I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	with the Kouga Local Municipality was arranged by Kouga Municipality for 19 January 2023.
March Marc	2203		I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	municipalities in online meetings to inform them of the project. Advertisements were placed in local newspapers and announcements made on local radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 regarding the project and the public meetings. The details of the process followed are included in Chapter 9 of the Final Scoping Report. The presentation is approximately 45 minutes.
Company and all or department of the company of t	2204	What is the timeframe of this presentation and also the project to gather comment?	I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	The public participation process started on 1 December 2022 and was extended to close on 14 February 2023. There is a regulatory requirement that no public consultation takes place between 15 December 2022 and 5 January 2023, and the law requires that people are given 30 days to review and comment on the
March Marc	2205	How does one register as an I & AP on the database?	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	document. People can register by sending an email to the project email address or a WhatsApp message to the WhatsApp number (please note the number only takes
March Section Company Compan	2206	·	I&AP			_	It was agreed that the meeting would be postponed. The remaining attendees requested the presentation and discussion session to continue as an open house
Part	2207	How will fairness of process and access to information be maintained given the resolution by a local chief to postpone the meeting?	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Registered I&APs will receive notifications of documents as they become available for review and comment and also of the next round of public consultation.
March Marc	2208		I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Announcement of the project had been made on local radio stations and advertisements placed in local, regional and national newspapers to inform people about the project. Site notices have also been placed at various public places along the coast line. Refer to Chapter 9 of the Final Scoping Report for details. The comments raised in the public consultation process will be captured in the Final Scoping Report, which will be submitted to the Competent Authority for
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March Company Compan	2210	This project is a national initiative that will benefit SA and we need to go about this in a reasonable way.	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	
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An extra description counter from concerned 10 20 20 20 20 20 20 20							The ocean conditions in the area of Block 11B/12B are challenging but two wells have been successfully drilled and this has provided valuable knowledge about
Property of the control of the con	2214	Where will the pipes be? Do you consider benthic environment?	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	The placement of the flow pipes between the wells and the manifolds and other subsea infrastructure can only be identified once the final location of the production well has been decided. The final alignment of the pipeline between the gas field and the F-A Platform will be decided based on minimising the impact
March Marc	2215	How will exclusion zones affect fishers, especially Mossel Bay and St Francis?	I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	There will be temporary exclusions zones around the drill rig while the wells are being drilled and the subsea infrastructure is installed and these will be removed
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April	2217		I&AP				The marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider baseline conditions.
See metal class and was all accounts of an extraction of a control of	2218		I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	fishing grounds in the area. The ESIA will provide recommendations regarding measures to be implemented to ensure that the project activities do not adversely affect small-scale fishers. A
2	2219		I&AP	23 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Thank you for the comment, your concerns are noted. The marrine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including squid spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for including
Part	2220	What will the economic impact be on the fishing industry and livelihoods	I&AP	23 Ja	inuary 2023	Public Mtg.10	Thank you for the comment, your concerns are noted. The marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill dicharages motiling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the rotox, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance shocks insbrow (including
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State	2224	We are concerned about oil leaking into the sea due to an accident near Cape Town, how will this be handled?	I&AP	24 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.11	TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the oil leak but have not had a response to date.
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Halles and Tables as well and the following the following state of the control of	2238	stretches from Cape Town, Northern Cape, Eastern Cape, Free State - land belongs to Khoi-San. You need the consent from the Khoi-San before you can proceed.		24 Ja	nuary 2023	Public Mtg.11	The comment has been recorded.
The Albert dark has been placed by regardated by any 12 Ages 10 Per designation and section of the compression of the compres		making. We must be part of the board of TEEPSA as owners of the land. As owners we have the right to claim royalty payments. You need an agreement with the					
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2266 2267	The names of the venues advertised via SMS are not correct - this is of concern as it impacts those people who could have attended the meetings. What contingency plans are in place in case of a major oil spill? I'm raising this concern in the context of the major oil spills that have occurred in recent past	I&AP		25 January 2023 25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12 Public Mtg.12	Ine venue was changed at the request of the Saran saarman Municipal manager, due to health and sarety conceins about the lintal venue. It was asset requested that a public meeting was held in another location in the Mollhambe municipal area. Electronic messages were sent in the three local languages by SMS and email, and local officials announced the meeting with loud hailing in the local communities. TEEPSA is obliged to prepare a contingency plan that conforms to the requirements of the national continency plan. The regional oil spill coordinator office is
2267	in the Gulf of Mexico. How will the fishing community benefit from this project?	I&AP		25 January 2023 25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12 Public Mtg.12	notified when drilling starts. Potential impacts on fishers will be addressed in the marine ecology and socio-economic studies that will be conducted as part of the ESIA.
2269	How are fishing communities being consulted and approached to inform them and obtain the issues of concern?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	The contact details for small-scale fisher associations and unions have been obtained and focus group meetings held to hear their specific concerns.
2270 2271	What will be the impacts of the project on the livelihoods of the fishers? Are any previous seismic results/studies published and available? Will historic seismic studies be considered as part of the ESIA study / assessment?	I&AP I&AP		25 January 2023 25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12 Public Mtg.12	The marine ecology and socio-economic assessment will address this issue as part of the assessment phase of the project. TEEPSA previously conducted seismic surveys in Block 11B/12B. As part of the baseline marine ecology and biodiversity studies, literature on impacts of seismic surveys in Block 11B/12B. As part of the baseline marine ecology and biodiversity studies, literature on impacts of seismic surveys in Block 11B/12B.
2272	Are any seismic studies being planned and what is the vertical seismic mentioned??	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	surveys on marine life will be reviewed. No seismic surveys will be done; vertical seismic profiling (VSP) is a technique that uses sound waves to assess the geological formation immediately
	What will TEEPSA do after the 20 year production period: Will there be areas that need to be rehabilitated and whose responsibility will this rehabilitation be?					surrounding a well to confirm the geology of the area at the time the well is drilled. TEEPSA is obliged to prepare a Closure Plan that outlines how the subsea infrastructure will be decommissioned and removed, if appropriate. The plan is
2273	What will happen with stranded assets?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	periodically updated. The plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision for rehabilitation of areas disturbed by the removal of infrastructure and monitoring of infrastructure that remainded to the plan makes provision and the plan
2274	We are here to engage, even though there could be positive impacts, the ESIA needs to balance the economic, social and environmental aspects. What will happen if the environmental impacts are such that it will prevent the project from proceeding? The majority of people are supporting the project. I am concerned that most people don't understand the ESIA process. They will be disadvantaged and not	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	If the Environmental Authorisation is refused, then the Production Right will not be granted and the project will not go ahead.
2275	benefit from project, because big corporates can oppose the project legally.	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. TEEPSA representatives undertook community mobilisation activities in the Alexandria, Kasouga, Jaluka and Mpekweni in the Ndlambe and Port Alfred local
2276	We would like to see a list of the communities mobilised and a list of the people who did the mobilisation?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	municipal areas. Your comment is noted. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and
2277	Please look after the environment, the sea and people and avoid political corruption.	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of th sensitivity of the faunal receptors.
2278	Can we be introduced to the TEEPSA Community liaison officers?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	The CLOs present in the meeting were introduced to the meeting attendees.
2279	In ESIA, I understand that independent consultants must ensure their independence. With the role of TEEPSA's community liaison officers (COO) and taking into account TEEPSA as a company has a vested interest, how can the public be assured of WSP's independence if TEEPSA CLO's are used to distribute	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.12	WSP, as the independent environmental practitioner, is not involved in the TEEPSA mobilisation activities. WSP is obliged to follow the process detailed in the EIA Regulations 2004 (as amended).
	information in communities?					TEEPSA CLOs are briefed to tell people when and where the public meetings are being held. Brian Magongoa: BA (Social Science) with a Certificate in Train the Trainer Program and a Certificate in Risk Assessment and Community Development. Brian
						the public meeting facilitator and has over 28 years experience. Toni Pietersen: B.A. Hons. (Psychology), University of the North-West and a Certification from the International Association for Public Participation (IAP2). Ton
2280	l ask that all presenters to state their qualifications, experience and role on the project. Thank you for the presentation. We need each other. There are many things planned for Port Alfred. A port is being considered at Port Alfred and this will be important for deep-sea projects. The project will potentially contribute	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	the public participation facilitator and has 25 year' experience. Eduard Groenewald: Master's Degree from Heriot-Watt University in Safety and Risk Management. Eduard is the Health, Safety and Environment lead, TEEPS/
	to the economic development of Port Alfred, which is much needed.					and has over 20 years experience. Eduard is presenting the project technical proposals. Helen Crosby: M.Sc (Oceanography), Nelson Mandela University, MBA, University of Cape Town; LLB, University of London. Project manager for the ESIA with
2281	How did you get the information from the seismic profiles?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	over 25 years experience. See Appendix A of the Scoping Report for the CV's of the WSP team. Under the exploration right, three seismic campaigns were undertaken in 2019/2020.
2281	The exploration that was done doesn't coincide with the area for which you apply for a Production Right now: please explain why these areas are different?	I&AP		25 January 2023 25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	TEEPSA conducted exploration drilling in Block 11B/12B in 2019 and 2020. TEEPSA is also applying for an Exploration Right for Block 5/6/7 on the south coas
	1 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1					and for the Deep-Water Orange Basin (DWOB) on the west coast. The Production Right application area has also been reduced to avoid marine sensitive area At the end of the production life of Block 118/12B, the subsea equipment will be decommissioned and removed from the seabed. The estimated production
2283	After the 20 years production, what will happen then? Why a 20 year project?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	of the gas field is 20 years. They can be used for synthetic fuel, petrochemicals and plastic production. The discovery that was made is gas and gas will be produced. The GTL plant has
2284	Hydrocarbons are aromatic and what will they be used for?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	unit that could process condensate. The basis for the production right is the gas and not the condensate. Olivia Allen is the registered EAP from WSP, supported by a team of environmental and social experts within WSP. See Appendix A of the Scoping Report for
2285	Who is the registered EAP SA on team?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	CV's of the WSP team. WSP employs qualified environmental and social specialists to undertake the technical studies that are required for an ESIA. Local specialists are also contract.
2286	What are the criteria used to select and appoint specialists who form part of the team?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	WSY employs qualitied environmental and social specialists to undertake the technicial studies that are required for an ESIA. Local specialists are also contract to undertake studies where local knowledge is important, such as the marine ecology. TEEPSA has a mix of energy supply. Globally there is still a need for the use of hydrocarbons which will, in the future, be replaced by renewable energy.
2287	In light of climate change, why do you pursue gas production? I don't understand that. It makes no sense to pursue oil and gas projects given the impact on climate change.	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	Hydrocarbons has a mix or energy supply. Globally inerties is sin a need for the disc or hydrocarbons which wai, in the future, be replaced by reflewable energy. Hydrocarbons has several uses. Gas has been identified as a transition fuel and is needed especially in South Africa as an energy source. The Need and Desirability chapter in the Sooping Report sets out the strategic context of the project.
2288	I am concerned that by 2050 the climate change impacts will be unmanageable. People are dying daily, look at the impacts in KZN already! We don't want you to take our recourses. These needs to be a nartnership between the neonle of SA and TEEPSA TEEPSA are urged not to become nort of	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The comment has been recorded.
2289	We don't want you to take our resources. There needs to be a partnership between the people of SA and TEEPSA. TEEPSA are urged not to become part of the corruptions of government. Please lie up to the promises you (TEEPSA) have make. Liquid Killer, the page in this page (or my and one), this page want to noting with TEEPSA (overnment must not be the page in the p	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The comment has been recorded. The comment has been recorded. The comment has been recorded, As part of the Production Right application, TEEDSA is preparing a Social and Labour Plan (SLD) that will consider issues or
2290	I would like to see a future legacy for my, and our, kids and we want to partner with TEEPSA. Government must not be the only beneficiary of TEEPSA's project!	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The comment has been recorded. As part of the Production Right application, TEEPSA is preparing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) that will consider issues o skills development and local economic empowerment. TEEPSA has personally expended to the production for extended the production of the productio
2291	How much does TEEPSA hear about from communities and how will communities benefit from the value chain?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	TEEPSA has an ongoing programme of community consultation facilitated through the CLOs. The SLP will identify the community needs in terms of local economic empowerment and skills development, including training. The literature requires understand the local than the local th
2292	What is the time-span within which marine ecological research is done as a part of ESIA? There are seasons related to the marine life that need to be considered. How is this handled in context of ESIA timeframes?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The literature review is underway to inform the baseline studies and a programme of benthic sampling has been undertaken. The results of the analysis will bused in the marine ecology and biodiversity assessment. Recommendations will be made for further surveys, if necessary.
2293	What oil spill modelling methods and software will be used for oil spills and drill cuttings and how will simulated predictions of impacts be assessed?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	A specialist modelling software package is used to assess a worst-case scenario. See Chapter 11 of the Scoping Report for details on the plan of study for th spill and drill cuttings modelling that will be done as part of the ESIA.
2294	How are the oceanographic currents of Agulhas in the area of drilling going to be considered and assessed? How will this affect operations in different seasons?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	It is not anticipated that the proposed activities will affect the oceanographic functioning of the system directly. The impacts of the proposed activities on clim change are however assessed as part of the climate change impact assessment.
2295	What type of temporary and permanent local employment opportunities will there be?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The SLP will assess the skills requirement of the project and the skills available in the local area and identify training needs and the programmes required to provide the relevant training and skills development.
2296	Will there be skills development?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	Yes, there will as part of the development of the Social and Labour plan that TEEPSA must develop as part of the production right application.
2297	Who are your projects BBBEE partners and is government's interest vested in the project? What is government's stake in the project?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	The BBBEE partner is Main Street 1549, which has a 10% equity holding in the project. If the project goes ahead, the South African Government will have a 2 stake in the project.
2298	Does the SA government use tax payers' money to fund their stake in project?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	No, there is no Government contribution towards the costs of the project.
2299	What does the cultural heritage impact assessment entail?	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	Section 11 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and methodology for the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) study. Primary data was collected a series of field surveys with interviewees in communities along the south and south-east coast together with secondary data collected via a literature review.
						Coelacanths have been found in the waters of Kenya, Tanzania, Mozambique, South Africa, Madagascar, Comoros and Indonesia. Coelacanths are known fron four locations along South Africa's east coast, including Wright, Jesser and Diepgat canyons off Sodwana Bay, Chaka canyon off Cape Vidal, Umzumbe, locate
2300	We did have a coelacanth discovered in the waters and we are proud of it!	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	90 km south of Durban, and the East London where the first coelacanth specimen was recorded. The most recent sighting of a live coelacanth was off the soil
						coast of KwaZulu-Natal, 325 km south of the iSimangaliso MPA where the main South African population is located, suggests coelacanths are more widespreading the South African coast than previously thought and that the first specimen caught off East London may not have been a stray (Fraser et al. 2020). This
2301	Thank you very much for a very good meeting, good information that was professionally managed.	I&AP		25 January 2023	Public Mtg.13	certaibly be addressed in the marine ecology impact assessment report. The comment is recorded.
2302	I understand what TEEPSA wants to do and that they will develop a social and Labour plan (SLP). However, we also recognise that not everyone will have	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	Once production has commenced, the SLP can extend the skills development and local economic empowerment programmes, but the project can only suppo
2303	employment opportunities. So, what opportunities are there for SMME's and how will this be addressed in the SLP? How many jobs will be created?	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	limited number of employment and supplier opportunities. The SLP and socio-economic assessment will identify the number of employment opportunities that the project can support.
2304	Are you considering any specific programs to empower the youth in coastal communities?	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	The SLP will address the issue of youth empowerment in the training and skills development programme.
2305	Will any of your projects require relocation and if yes, what will the compensation be?	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	There will be no new onshore infrastructure development. No relocation is required.
2306	Macro-science tell us if we extract more fossil fuels it will affect the future legacy of Earth's children. This is a plea to stop this project and TEEPSA to invest in renewables.	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	The comment is recorded.
2307	Scientific experts called for a moratorium on oil and gas exploration due to the just transition to green energy and reduction in CO2 emissions. Scientific proof says this is not the way forward. Will the impact assessment consider cumulative impact?	I&AP		26 January 2023	Public Mtg.14	Cumulative impacts will be considered in the ESIA. There are no brine (salty water) discharges planned for the proposed activities. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been
	The coastline must be protected for future generations. Oil and gas development is not sustainable. There is high biodiversity in the Agulhas current in the					cetaceans. Cetacean occurrence off the South Coast of South Africa, their distribution, depth range, seasonality/presence in the production right area and IUCN status are presented in Section 7.2 of the Scoping report. Oil spill and drift discharpe modeling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the
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						The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meetings were specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project
1435	5.In two of the consultations that I attended (St Francis and Kenton-on-Sea) there was extremely poor attendance by local communities. At the meeting in Gegeberha, which I attended, it appears that a very large part of the audience was bussed in from the Northern Areas of Geberha and that this group had the impression the meetings was about jobs. Additionally, those who attended the meeting in Kenton were notified during the afternoon of the day before the meeting that the venue for the 10 am	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023		and the ESIA process. The mobilisation done by the EAP took place through official channels as described in Section 9.12 of the Final Scoping Report. The change to the Port Alferd meeting on 25 January was exceptional; the Municipal Manager of the Sarnh Baarham District Municipally advised that the Jauka Hall in Port Alfred was not suitable as a venue due to health and safety reasons. The Municipal Manager recommended that two meetings be convened, one at Kenton-on-Sea and one in Port Alfred. WSP sent electronic messages to the registered I&APs to notify them of the change of time and venue once the information was available and the local municipality Offered to broadcast the change in venue to the local communities through their established communication
	meeting to be held as per your information in Port Alfred, had changed to the Kenton Community Hall. They subsequently found out that the meeting was actually held in the Kenton Town Hall.					channels, such as a loudhailer, community WhatsApp groups and the Ward Councillors. Notifications as well as reminders for the public meetings took place via methods described in section 9 of the Final Scoping Report. WSP was not involved in providing transport for people to the Gqeberha public meeting and, as far as WSP is aware, attendees organised themselves to get to
1436	Further, small scale fisher leaders along the coast associated with the Port Alfred meeting, were initially informed that there was transport available and then on the day of the meeting were told that there was no transport for them to attend the meeting.	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023	E-mail	the meeting venue. WSP was not involved in providing transport to the public meetings and is not aware of any arrangements that may have been made by TEEPSA CLOs with community leaders.
						a)WSP had no arrangements to provide transport to the public meetings held in January 2023. TEEPSA CLOs arranged transport to the public meetings on request by community leaders. However, WSP does not have details of the transport arrangements made by the TEEPSA CLOs or the payment amount or
1437	Please provide details of: a)What arrangements were made by your team from TOTAL and WSP with regards to transport to the meeting, including how money for transport was disbursed and to whom this was disbursed. b)How you identified and approached Khoi and San leaders to attend the meeting in Gqeberha. c)Your budgef for these consultations with a breakdown of how the budget was allocated to enable participation and attendance at the various venues along	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023		payees. Shesction 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides a detailed account of how stakeholders were identified and the notification process. In addition, many First Nations / Indigenous Groups who attended the public meetings provided the ESM team with the names of Chiefs to be added to the I&AP database. These actions were followed up by the team and invitations extended to them to attend the public meetings. In addition, an online focus group meeting took place with the First Nations / Indigenous People on the 23rd of January 2023 during which they were also encouraged to notify their constituents of the remaining public meetings and opportunities to comment. The team engaged with the Municipal Manager of the Sarah Baartman District Municipality, Ms Unathi Daniels, who provided the contact numbers of some of the First Nations Leaders, not specifically Knion and San. Paramount Chief Wayne Peterson was contacted pror to the Jeffreys Bay meeting and requested that he inform his constituents of the remaining meetings. The Khoi and San leaders organised amongst themselves to attend the meeting in Gogberha.
	the coast to enable participation by interested and affected parties. d) What you intend to do to remedy consultation with interested and affected parties that were excluded from attending the consultations.					c)TEEPSA invited environmental consultants to tender for the ESIA for the proposed Block 11B/12B project. A proposed budget for the public participation process was submitted as part of the ESIA tender. The public participation budget is based on fees and cost associated with venue hire; placement of advertisements, travel and accommodation. WSP considers the sharing of detailed cost as proprietary information. Payment of the fees of an independent EAP by an applicant is compliant with the definition of "independent EAP" in, and Section 13 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, (as amended). d)WSP understands that people were inconvenienced by the change in venue of the morning meeting from Port Alfred to Kenton-on-Sea (with the cancellation of the morning meeting in Port Alfred) and the change in venue for the afternoon meeting in Port Alfred. Another round of consultation will be held once the DAIT ESIA report is available and WSP is now aware that the Jauka Hall is not a suitable venue; another halls will be found for bublic meetings to be held in the Nambe Local Municipal area. The public consultation process will timeously advertise the venue, date and time of the public meetings. a)TEEPSA's Site Liaison Officers (SLOs) form part of TEEPSA's corporate communication department and are responsible for TEEPSA's long-term community
1438	6. It became apparent in the meetings I attended that TOTAL had specifically appointed staff to support community consultation processes associated with Block11b/12b. Please provide details of: a) he role of the staff appointed by TOTAL for consultative activities associated with Block11b/12b. b)Please provide the names and contact information of such staff and their areas of operation.	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023	E-mail	engagement stratego outside of the company's ESIA processes. Similar to the work undertaken by the SLOs in other areas of the country where TEEPSA have applied for offshore exploration icenses, they conducted community mobilisation in the Garden Route District and the Eastern Cape Region along the coast of the offshore Block 118/128 project. To distribute additional site notices and flyers about the proposed offshore Block 118/128 project. To create avenueness of the proposed project in high human traffic areas in coastal communities in the project area. These areas included community libraries, clinics, community halls, municipal offices, local community shops, regional offices for government departments, and door-to-door distribution of information; and To offer a point of contact through the SLOs should community members need transport to the public meetings. Names and contact details of TEEPSA CLOs are confidential. However, the CLOS were introduced on request at the public meeting held at Kenton-on-Sea.
1439	7. Your presentation to interested and affected parties along the Eastern Cape Coast on the proposed production of oil and gas in Block 11b/12b, state that you intend (under physical impacts) to conduct a climate impact assessment. a)Please provide details of your free to the technical consultants, specifically in terms of methodology to assess climate change impacts. a)Please provide detail of your reasoning as to why the impact of climate change is limited to physical impacts. b)Please detail how you will consider the foundational principle in NEMA of "polluter pays".	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023		a) The climate change impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will be prepared in line with the Equator Principles 4 (EP4). The Climate Impact Assessment approach is designed to be consistent with the approach of the Taskforce for Climate-related Financial Disclosure (TCFD) and considers climate change rests to the Project as the risks of the Project to climate change. Both physical and transition climate-related impacts will be considered as part of the climate change assessment. The climate change assessment will consider carbon tax as part of the transition risks to the project. by TEEPAS is obliged to prepare a Closure Plan that complies with the requirements of the Financial Provisioning Regulations 2015, as amended. The Regulations includes a requirement for an environmental risk assessment that describes the potential for future environmental impacts to arise after decommissioning and the estimated cost of clean-up, remediation and monitoring. The financial provision must be set aside in the prescribed manner and will be forfeited in the event of the Covernment undertaking the work. In addition, TEEPSA has eat aside an amount for events where an emergency response is required to ensure that clean-up costs and compensation payments can be made. TEEPSA also carries insurance in the event of an emergency response is
1440	8. You stated in your presentation that you will consider socio-economic impacts and limit the potential impacts for fisheries to loss of fishing grounds and fishing gear. Please provide detail as to why these are the specific impacts on fisheries you are assessing.	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023	E-mail	The presentation is an introduction to the Project, the ESIA process and the potential impacts that have been provisionally identified. The ESIA will include a social assessment and an economic assessment of the Project activities on the area of influence and Chapter 11.8 of the Final Scoping Report outlines the terms of reference for these studies. The issues to be considered in these studies is not limited to fishing activities.
1441	9. You also stated that you will consider the cultural heritage of coastal communities along the coast that could experience impacts as a result of the production and further exploration activities associated with Block11b/12b. Please provide detail of the specific brief to the cultural heritage consultant.	Irna Senekal	Nelson Mandela University, Coastal Justice Network , Algoa Bay Ocean Stewards	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 11 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and methodology for the Intangible Cultural Heritage study.
2341	As you undertake the stakeholder engagement process, the Aboriginal group must be considered and engaged with so that they can share the information. To drill for oil and gas in South Africa's seas are short-sighted and careless in view of the international climate crisis. Minister Gwede Mantashe of Minerals	Ivan Heskwa		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	The comment is recorded.
1513	and Energy should not drive and support this so-called Blue Ocean policy of the ANCSACP government which will result in large scale damage to ocean life and the atmosphere. South Africa is already known for large-scale fossil fuel pollution in the eastern Mpumalanga region. South Africa must not further add to this environmental pollution by drilling for and extracting oil and gas. To proceed with these short sighted South African government policy will be absolutely reckless. The envisaged Karpower Ship gas to energy plan will also be environmentally destructive for decades to come. This cannot proceed in level of this cardinal fact. I object to TotalEnergies obtaining the right to drill for gas along the coastline of Southern Africa. It is destructive madness. I live in a coastal town that will be	Jacobus Barnard		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comments have been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1101	DIRECTLY affected by this, economically and on a community level. We have not yet even begun to recover from the effects of the COVID lockdown and economic loss, and our local fishing industry (which is a major provider of employment for this region) is being severely impacted by the effects of global warming - yet this is being touted as a good idea? No. #whostoleouroceans #thegreenconnection #reconsmitted #reconsmitt	Jacqui Pirzenthal	Individual	28 January 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. The potential impacts of the proposed project on the socio-economy, fishers and community health and safety will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1581	I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL LIFE. If granted, this license will further destroy the viability of of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all our sakes.	Jacquie Mangold		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of the project on marine ecology and the socio- economy. Potential impacts on marine ecology the seconomy. Potential impacts on marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1203	IWWF would like to provide the following submission into the ESIA process for the proposed TEEPSA exploitation of oil and gas in blocks 11bf/2b south of the South African coast. We consider the marine impacts to be potentially problematic, and the entire process unnecessary and unjustified in light of South Africa's national and international commitments. We trust that the attached submission will be considered in detail, and hope that it provides guidance for the deciding body with respect to the justification for the continued exploration for oil and gas. WWF South Africa hereby submiss a response to the draft Socoing Report (hereafter "the DSR") prepared as part of the Environmental and Social Impact	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 (Need and Desirability) considers the Block 118/12B Project in the strategic context of South Africa's energy requirements and it's commitments to Net Zero by 2050.
1204	Assessment (ESA) for application by TotalEnergies EP South Africa & V.(TEEPSA) to undertake exploration well drilling in 80x t19h12b of the South Coast of South Africa. We trust this submission will be considered and included in the ESIA process. WWF opposes the proposed exploration well drilling and production. There is strong scientific evidence that expanding fossil gas is inconsistent with the Paris Agreement goals of limiting climate change to less than 2 °C, with all	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1205	There is solving scenning to below 1.5°C. As a signatory to the Agreement, South Africa is obligated to make every effort to attain this goal. This means no new gas exploration and no new infrastructure for producing, refining, exporting, transporting, and consuming oil and fossil gas. Such enormous investments in one winfrastructure rearea new lossil tel dependence, making the transition to actual love-carbon and zero-center one ergy much more difficult (Swanson et al., 2020). Furthermore, renewable-based alternatives to most fossil-gas uses are either already cheaper or will be within a few years (IRENA, 2020). 2. To have a 50% chance of limiting warming to 1.5 °C, global oil and gas production must decline by 3% per year until 2050, with most regions reaching	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The climate change impact assessment will quantify the GHG emissions associated with the project and comment on if the anticipated emissions are aligned to the climate goals of the country. South Africa is a signatory to the UNFCCC and to the Paris Agreement. As an energy and emissions intensive middle-income developing country, South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to move towards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the need for recognition of its capabilities and national circumstances. This will be addressed in the climate study.
1206	peak production now or within the next decade (Wetsty et al., 2021). As a result, global gas consumption must be cut in half by 2040 compared to 2020 (IPCC, 2018). This means that any rossi gas production and distribution capacities South Africa invests in will have to consider horse rise spans, making them more likely to become stranded assets (Mercure et al., 2018) or lock South Africa into an uncompetitive fossil fuel development pathway. A particular risk in this areas is that private companies with explositation rights may sue the state for loss of profits should South Africa subsequently try to limit the use or exploitation of in order to comply with national and international commitments. South Africa's position as a developing country is well-established. It entitles the country to slower fossil phase-out compared to developed countries in	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The climate change impact assessment will address the transition risks faced by the proposed project. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the GHG emissions associated with the project and comment on if the anticipated emissions are aligned to
1207	line with the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Nevertheless, as the country responsible for some 50% of Africa's historical GHG emissions, South Africa has a singular responsibility for action on the continent. In line with the 1.5°C threshold and based on historical responsibilities, as an upper-middle income country, South Africa must lead the Southern African region in the quest to stop any production or any significant consumption of oil and fossil gas by 2050. 4. The European energy crisis as a result of the invasion of Ukraine has resulted in significantly increased investment in renewable energy, such that many of the national economies will decarbonize much sooner. Coupled with the likely imposition of carbon border adjustments on an increasing number of products,	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023		the climate goals of the country. South Africa is a signatory to the UNFCCC and to the Paris Agreement. As an energy and emissions intensive middle-income developing country, South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to move towards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and the need for recognition of its capabilities and national circumstances. This will be addressed in the climate study.
1208	South Africa is likely to find limited markets for exporting gas by the time it comes to market, whist at the same time finding it harder to export products to many of our markets due to failure to decarbonize. Consequently, investing in gas infrastructure assets at the cost of decarbonizing has the potential to undermine any short-term economic gains, guite apart from the increased impacts of climate change.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The climate change impact assessment will address the transition risks faced by the proposed project. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options
1209	5. It is troubling that the production right area comprises some of the most pristine marine environments in South African waters, which contain critical and diverse marine habitats, support endangered species, and provide essential environmental services.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-maii	will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera camapian surveyed both the proposed piceline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including sites important to endemic fish species in the area, like estuaries and MPAs). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drilling sclickharge impacts as sessessed, as well the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marrine impact assessment.
1210	Detailed comments are provided below. The high-level conclusion is that there is no justification for oil and gas exploration or exploitation since it does not comply with South Africa's international commitments. Furthermore, it will have considerable climate impacts, potentially undermining any developmental gains it might achieve.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The climate change impact assessment will quantify the GHG emissions associated with the project and address if the proposed project is aligned with South Africa's climate commitments.
1211	The proposed production pipeline route passes through Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBAs), Ecologically or Biologically Significant Areas (EBSAs), and Important Marine Mammal Areas (IMMA) and is close to Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and Ramsar sites. Because of the disruptive nature of gas production, the impact of the exploitation is likely to be experienced in nearby habitats. Ensuring the viability of marine habitats should be a critical national goal, given their economic and global environmental value.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on labitats, faunal species and important holological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Preliminary RDV and drop camera epifatum results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 RDV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and dillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine cology team to identify key receptors bothore, and on the coast (including sites important to endemic fish species in the area, like estuaries and MPAs). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and offill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drilings discharge impacts will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in figgrounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
	Important considerations and concerns about oil and gas exploration and exploitation in Block 11b/12b Gas exploration and exploitation are Neither Needed nor Desirable.					
1212	Natural gas in the energy mix will serve as a bridge on the path from reliance on fossil fuel to carbon neutrality from 2050 (as per the Paris Agreement) and complement renewable energy sources (as per the IRP (2019) (DSR). This claim is outdated, untrue, and ultimately a poor starting point. At the low penetration levels currently seen in South Africa (and most of the Global South), grid management needs for integrating renewables are modest and low-cost. They will suffice until storage costs have fallen further. However, countries with excellent solar resources, such as South Africa, have a strong advantage. Greater sunlight consistency throughout the year makes solar energy strongly pairable with batteries, creating less need for longer-term storage. Best estimates for Australia by the CSIRO suggest only -5h of storage is necessary for full grid stability, and the recent rapid drop in battery storage costs is articipated to continue as production scales globally (Graham et al., 2022).	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The intention is that, pending the outcome of negotiations between TEEPSA and PetroSA, gas and condensate from Block 11B/12B will provide a new source of feedstock for the PetroSA GLT facility and/or the ESKOM Gourikwa power plant that is currently using diesel as feedstock. This is existing infrastructure that requires little modification to accommodate the new feedstock supply.
1213	Moreover, in some countries (including South Africa, as demonstrated by the recent Risk Mitigation IPP), the combined cost of wind or solar with batteries is already less than that of flexible "peaker" gas plants. This is likely because South African peaker gas plants primarily nu on expensive diseal. In addition, the recent explosion in fossil gas prices due to the Ukraine conflict highlights the vulnerability of fossil fuel supply chains to rapid cost inflation. Whilst it may be considered that domestic supply would mitigate this risk, the reality of exploitation by global firms in an interlocked market means that cost of supply is contingent on the global price – hence it is no buffer against such price shocks. Moreover, independent technical and economic assessments are universally clear that such peaking generation would require minimal amounts of gas (Halsey et al., 2022; NBI, 2022; Rolf et al., 2022). Consequently the argument that such development is critical for South Africa's energy future carries little water. When considering an application for Environmental Authorisation, the Competent Authority must take into account the considerations specified in section 240	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1214	of NEMA, which include: La any pollution, environmental impacts or environmental degradation likely to be caused if the application is approved or refused; it measures which may protect the environment from harm or prevent or mitigate any environmental impact; and it where appropriate, any feasible and reasonable alternatives to the activity, including feasible and reasonable modifications to the activity, including the option of not implementing the activity, "(emphasis added) As a result, passing the "need and desirability" requirement for an Environmental Authorisation does not imply that the applicant, TEEPSA, can rely solely on decarbonised future. Much more is required where the outcome has scientifically-supported long-term impacts. TEEPSA must demonstrate that the planned project is both needed and desired and that no alternatives exist, such as the inability to explore for gas elsewhere or apply to generate gas elsewhere (which WWF notes TEEPSA is busily applying for in block 5607 and Deep Drange Water Basin, as well as exploring gas options in neighbouring states of Mozambique and Namibia). The issue at hand is whether there is a need to explore and exploit further oil and gas deposits and whether doing so is desirable given the climate crisis. South Mircia's obligations to cut greenohouse gas emissions and the fact that exploration and exploitation activities are harmful to the	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 6 of the Scoping Report identifies the No-go option as an alternative and this will be assessed in the ESIA.
1215	environment. Description of the environment WWF is concerned about the risks associated with oil drilling off the South Coast. This region is influenced by the Agulhas Current, one of the world's fastest- moving and most powerful oceanic currents transporting about 75 million cubic metres of water per second (Bryden et al., 2005). This current is not static; it has a width of up to 100 kilometres, and although it usually flows from north to south, current reversals are common, especially in deeper water (Largier et al., 1992). In addition, large-scale eddies that separate from the current impede the flow, as water from offshore frequently reaches the shores. Due to the strength of the Agulhas current, it would likely be impossible to contain an accidental or typical operations! split. Environmental impact assessments rank the chance of a catastrophic blowout (= large-scale oil leak) as extremely low on a global scale. However, this does not account for the greatly enhanced hazards posed by the South Coast's harsh and distinctive physical environment.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Numerical modelling of the dispersion from a well blowout or condensate leak will be carried out using state of the art methods, research findings, and software tools. The behaviour of the Agulhas current, including its extent in the study area, and the effect of flow reversal and eddy generation will be included in the dispersion modelling. Details will be provided in the modelling reports.

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					. Om, odli)	The development of oil and gas subsea pipeline infrastructure is non-compatible within a CBA Natural area. This potential impact cannot be eliminated because it is essential to the proposed activities — there is no alternative routing that avoids CBA Natural Areas, given the location of the FA platform relative to the Leiper
						resource. Mitigation will include the following: -Routing options must account for areas of high sensitivity, and those areas should be avoided.
	Marine protected areas and other conservation areas The DSR confirms, among other things, that the proposed production right pipeline route passes through a Critical Biodiversity Area (CBAs) and southwest of					*Nouning options must account for areas or night sensitivity, and those areas should be avoided. *Pipeline routing should be optimised to minimise the amount of trenching required, which will also minimise the unavoidable impacts of increased suspended sediment and sedimentation rates in the vicinity of pipelaying activities.
1216	the Kingklip Corals Ecologically or Biologically Significant Areas (EBSAs). And as stated in the DSR, "the development of the subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-compatible within the CBA Natural area." As rerouting the pipeline to avoid CBA areas is not feasible, WWF	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	•Pre-construction site ROV surveys must be untaken to ensure construction activities do not disturb or destroy the sensitive and significant vulnerable marine system indicator epifaunal communities identified in the marine ecological impact assessment (based on in situ preliminary ROV and drop camera campaign data
	recommends terminating oil and gas exploitation over Block 11b/12b.					from late 2022), vulnerable habitats (e.g., hard grounds), and structural features (e.g., rocky outcrops). These surveys must make use of suitable expertise to identify areas of sensitivity on site. -Further mitigation includes ensuring that the installation of pipelines and manifolds locations are not located within a one km radius of any sensitive species,
						habitats or structures (Table 7 6). Despite these mitigation measures, CBA Natural areas will still be impacted. Therefore, as complete avoidance mitigation is not possible, alternative areas of
	This contradicts the DSR's suggestion to assess the substrate in the CBA Natural areas as pipeline construction and the extraction activities continue. As stated previously, the Agulhas current is powerful and dynamic, making it nearly impossible to contain any oil spills. A major oil spill in this region could have					similar community structure, function and size to the one impacted must be identified and ringfenced as an offset area (as is provided for in Harris et al 2022).
1217	stated previously, the Aguinas current is powerful and dynamic, making it nearly impossible to contain any on spins. A major on spin in this region could nave a catastrophic impact on seabirds of which some are already endangered and facing functional extinction in some colonies like the African Penguin. Other seabirds like Cape gannet and Cape commorant are at similar risk given their conservation status as endangered. In such conditions, recommending the	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Oil spill modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecology impact assessment will assess potential impacts of oil spill on all sensitive and significant coastal and marine habitats, features and species, including both offshore, coastal and onshore protected areas.
	construction of a gas pipeline is environmentally unacceptable and unjustifiable. Especially when a less expensive and environmentally friendly alternative exists in the quise of renewable energy.					Including both ortsnore, coastal and onshore protected areas. Project activity marine acoustic effects will be assessed. Noise levels will be compared to criteria thresholds for relevant species.
1218	TEEPSA's vertical seismic profiling operations, similar to past and ongoing explorations along our coastline, use seismic air guns to probe for the presence of shale gas deposits. However, these airgun arrays are considered 'disruptive technologies', which can cause acoustic disturbance over 3,000 km from the	James Basins	WWF South Africa	02 5-6 2022	E-mail	Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There
	survey vessels (Nieukirk et al., 2004). This stream of energy is significant in an aquatic environment where sound waves travel much further than in the air, where most wildlife relies on acoustic communication throughout their life cycles. Therefore, it constitutes noise pollution and a threat to marine life's behavioural patterns and survival.	James Reeler	www South Ainca	03 February 2023	E-mail	is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed in the marine impact assessment, which will involve the consideration of
	Seismic operations have been implicated in altering the behaviour of marine life, such as whales and dolphins attempting to escape airgun surveys (Gomez et al., 2016). Several other disruptions to marine biota have been documented, including altering penguin behaviour (Pichegru et al., 2017), physiological harm					the sensitivity of the faunal receptors under an ecosystem-based approach. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being
1219	to scallops (Day et al., 2017) and nock lobsters (Day et al., 2019), and decimating larval krill populations (McCauley et al., 2017), which are vital prey for species such as humpback whales (Megaphera novaeangliae). In controlled experiments, negative impacts on zooplankton have been documented more than 1 km from the sound source, a significantly wider reach than the predicted 10 m-impact range.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Seasmic Proming (VSP) will be done on some wells that are orined to characterise the geological formations of the seasets. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the mire ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies.
	Moreover, since the impacts of activities within the exploration area are likely to be observed in proximity to a significant number of Marine Protected Areas					A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important
1220	(MPAs), CBAs, EBSAs, Important Marine Mammal Areas (IMMA) and Ramsar sites, significantly more substantial buffers around these critical biodiversity areas are indicated. In addition, since a significant effect of climate change is the diversion of oceanic currents and the consequent potential shifts in species areasmblages, the EIA should include projections of current and species shifts as a component of the climate impacts assessment. Such shifts will necessarily	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The latter part of this comment regarding species shifts in response to climate change raises two questions. The first, is about the contribution that this particular development will have on global climate change, and the effects thereof. This will be addressed by the climate change specialist study.
	assentiately such a randow factor by projectors or current and species aims as a component of the cannot enhance impacts assessment, own aims with received meant the excision of additional areas from future development where substantial changes in the ocean environment are anticipated and should therefore be prudently excluded from the exploration area.					The second is regarding shifts, in response to climate change, of species within or surrounding the production right area. It is not expected that, within the lifetime of this project, significant shifts in biota within the 11b/12 Block will occur. However, these effects will be considered in the marine ecology impact
	Proposed Technical and Specialist Studies Should the project go forth in the EIA stage despite the overwhelming evidence that it does not align with a prudent environmental approach (as per the					assessment.
1221	National Environmental Management Act) and is in conflict with our obligations under the Paris Agreement for reduce acron emissions, WIPS supports the proposed Technical and Specialist Studies that WSP will obtain during the Project's Impact Assessment Stage and the terms of reference for such studies and	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1222	reports. IWWF has no objections to the Reports and Studies listed as necessary for the Impact Assessment Stage and appreciates that the Oil Spill Modelling Study will be subjected to an independent review. However, there needs to be extra consideration of the impacts of blowout prevention failure in light of the strong	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Numerical modelling of contaminant dispersion from a subsea blowout or condensate leak will include a full 3D representation of the Agulhas Current over a 5-
	offshore currents that could spread the oil over significant distances resulting in deepwater oil and gas blowouts. In addition, the EIA must include a substantial climate assessment that includes not just the direct impacts of the exploration emissions but also a					year period. The effect of spill mitigation measures will also be modelled and the findings presented in the study report.
1223	consideration of the potential emissions associated with any significant oil or gas find concerning South Africa's total carbon budget. Such a budget must align with the 1.5 "C target put forward in South Africa's Nationally-betermined Contribution to the Paris Agreement (RSA, 2021). It must also consider the allocations for other development critical sectors. Moreover, outside of the specific South African context, consumption of the gas in	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The climate change assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will quantify the GHG emissions and discuss how it aligns to South Africa's commitments.
1224	other countries through export will also have direct impacts on South Africa through indirect climate impacts. As such, any additional fossil fuel exploitation either locally or through export undermines multiple objectives within the national planning and environmental guidelines.	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The macro-economic implications will be considered in the ESIA economic assessment.
	The Specialist Studies must also include a comprehensive cost-benefit analysis (of exploration and production), including the social cost of carbon for the decision-maker to determine whether the benefits of exploration and production are in the best interests of the entire community. The estimated social impact the production are producted to the production are in the best interests of the entire community. The estimated social impact					
1225	cost of carbon has recently been revised significantly in light of improved scientific evidence and better-calibrated damage functions in integrated assessment models. As a result, the 95% confidence interval falls between \$45 and \$413 per tonne of CO2 (tCO2e-1), with the best average estimate being \$185 tCO2e-1 (Rennert et al., 2022). It is also worth noting that this value has been consistently raised over time as clearer evidence arises of the considerable additional	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	The cost-benefit aspects will be considered in the ESIA economic assessment.
	impacts of climate change.					This will be included in the comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment that is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on
	The second of the Month of the Second of the Se					habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The aspent of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or
1226	The exploration area for seismic acquisition intersects with the southwestern corner of the Kingdigi Corals EBSA and CBA Natural area. It is close to two MPAs (the Indian Seamounts MPA and the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA). The exploration may also impact up to three RAMSAR sites (De Hoop, De Mond and Wilderness Lankes) near the exploration priority area. WWF, therefore, expects that the Specialist Studies will include a comprehensive analysis of the	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	Vulnerability (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production
	potential and likely impacts on these CBAs, MPAs, EBSAs and RAMSAR sites.					area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify shabitats and therefore, potential impacts, morre accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key
						winn the production right area. An on spin and ornings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to demany key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including estuaries, Ramsar sites etc). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle.
						Ecologically or Biologically Significant Marine Areas (EBSAs) are important for South Africa's future contributions to achieving this target. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on the
	Finally, given the recent ambitious goals under the Kunming-Montreal Post-2020 Global Biodiversity Framework to which South Africa has recently signed up, it is clear that South Africa will need to expand the protection of coastal waters (CBD, 2022). Thebenefits of such protection are well-outlined in the Framework document, and the timelines require protection of significant additional areas of coastal waters to meet the target of effectively conserving and					surrounding ESSAs, MPAs and Critical Biodiversity Areas (a spatial plan for the natural environment, designed to inform planning and decision-making in support of sustainable development, as per SANBI 2017). Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact sassessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more
1227	rramework occument, and me timelines require protection or significant adultional areas or coasial waters to meet the target of effective conserving and managing "at least 30 per cent of coastal and marrine areas, especially areas of particular importance for biodiversity". It is therefore essential that the EIA evaluate the potential impact of any of and gas exploitation on the achievement of this target, and make recommendations as to the restriction of site(s)	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the manne impact assessment to quantity habitats and intereore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. According to Harris et al. (2022), the development of the subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-
	and/or activities to enable the achievement of such.					compatible within the CBA Natural area. Despite mitigation, CBA Natural areas are still likely to be impacted by the proposed pipeline routing. Therefore, as complete avoidance mitigation is not possible, alternative areas of similar community structure, function and size to the one impacted must be identified and
1228	WWF trusts that these inputs will be reflected upon by the relevant authorities, and is prepared to engage further throughout the process should additional	James Reeler	WWF South Africa	03 February 2023	E-mail	ringfenced as an offset area (as is provided for in Harris et al 2022). These offsets will be determined as part of the marine environmental impact assessment. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
2349	inputs be required. The indigenous people within the area are the rightful owners of everything in the sea and on land. TEEPSA needs to have a meeting with the indigenous people to provide more information and get acceptance.	Jan Maritz	South African Aboriginal Congress	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	WSP has noted what has been said and will look into returning to hold discussions with the indigenous communities.
964	I am an interested and affected party. I am a South African citizen and I am deeply concerned about climate change, and the effects that prospecting and drilling for oil and gas have, on both land and sea. As a country and a world, we should not be considering any new projects that concern fossil fuels, and	Jane Harley	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events such as oil spills, on the environment, tourism and other socio-economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process, Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as
	especially not when the vast majority of the reward will not even go to South Africa, but will leave the country. It makes no sense that we should mess up our oceans and ocean life, run the terrible risks of spills, add to the greenhouse gases, and barely (if at all) benefit.			,		part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1102	I would like to register as an interested party for the above-mentioned. If feel that this is an issue of national importance which we do not feel we have the competency and representation to fully comment on at this stage. I am a	Jane Pitchford	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist
	resident of Plettenberg Bay (Garden Route) however I feel that it affects a large environmental area and the wider public. I am concerned for any plans to drill and build new gas pipelines off the coast of Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.					study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify
1103	1. This area lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current which is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. This area Borders on a Marine Protected area and the intended activity is likely to have a massive impact on the MPA. 3.1 feel that our government should be focusing on putting monies and energy into environmentally sustainable / renewable energy sources.	Jane Pitchford	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa
	4.If this project is allowed it could open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies.		South Durban Community Environmental			Integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global dimate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA. The impact significance of oil leaks / spills on marine ecology, fishers and other socio-economic related aspects will be assessed as part of dedicated specialist
1229	Oil spills from platforms, pipelines, tankers, and coastal facilities poses a serious risk to our coasts, and the economy.	Janeira Reddy	Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	studies that will be done as part of the ESIA process. Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The
1230	Offshore drilling operations release toxic pollution into the air and water. How will this be prevented?	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	EIA process currently underway for Block 11B/128 is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of imitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water
						surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in the draft EIA report. Impacts on air quality as a result of the production related activities will also be assessed and the relevant mitigation measures recommended.
1231	Block 11B/ 12B lies in the middle of the Agulhus current which is important for whale and sardine migration.	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023	E-mail	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and a comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
1232	Exploration and drilling at the platform can release volatile organic compounds, greenhouse gases, and other air pollutants. How will this be prevented?	Janeira Reddy	Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	Recommendations (including mitigation measures) will be provided in both the air quality and climate change studies that will be undertaken. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on the marine protected
1233	The Block borders a Marine Protected Area.	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	areas. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs, are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of
						the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The
1234	A major spill could devastate our beaches. How will this be prevented?	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	ESIA process currently underway for Block 1181/28 is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water
1235	Will and independent external Environmental Control Officer (ECO), not associated with WSP, Total, QatarEnergy or any other JV partners, monitor all the	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023	E-mail	Surface. The regulation from the modelling of potential spills will be detailed in the draft EIA report. Consideration will be given to the role of an Environmental Control Officer (ECO) as an independent monitoring party to the Project as part of the ESIA
1236	phases of this proposed activity? When offshore drilling is introduced into a region, it jeopardizes commercial fishing, recreation, and tourist economies. These people rely on fishing for their survival.	Janeira Reddy	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023	E-mail	assessment. The economic and social effects of the proposed project on fishers and tourism will be evaluated as part of the ESIA process.
1237	Exploration is a high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along the coastline.	Janeira Reddy	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1238	What carbon byproducts and other pollutants will be released into the air in the areas where they plan to drill.	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	The air quality study will assess the likely pollutants associated with these operations, including well flow testing flaring.
1239	Energy companies are using seismic testing to reveal where there could be potential oil deposits beneath the ocean's surface. So there is a possibilities that the harmful effects from the seismic surveys could be for nothing. Why risk that?	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	Seismic surveys for Block 118/128 were completed in 2019. No further seismic surveys will be undertaken.
1240	The seismic blasts have been shown to decrease the number of zooplankton that live almost everywhere and form the backbone of the ocean's ecosystem.	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118F128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is
1241	The water that these animals live in is just as crucial to their survival. It's a source of oxygen for them and a substance they are constantly immersed in.	Janeira Reddy	South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023	E-mail	interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, including the
1241	The water that these animals live in is just as crucial to their survival. It's a source of oxygen for them and a substance they are constantly immersed in. How will the risk of offshore drilling be lowered to an acceptable level and mitigate the immense risks that come with it?	Janeira Reddy	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail	biochemical risks (i.e. the potential impacts on oxygen levels and the effects thereof on marine biota). The risks of drilling wells and laying subsea infrastructure in the open ocean are minimised by using appropriate vessels and equipment, understanding the
1242	There was an oil leak/spill on 1/12/2022 in Mossel Bay which proves that accidents happen and the effect is always that of a negative one. With oil comes	Janeira Reddy Janeira Reddy	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail	prevailing metocean conditions to time the best window of opportunity to do the work and use confractors with the experience and expertise to do the work. TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the oil leak but have not had a response to date.
	many issues as well as locals tapping into the oil and even murders. Oil and gas exploration contributes to green- house gases. The released carbon gets stored on seabed sediments	Janeira Reddy	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	01 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1769	I wish to register as an interested and affected party. I am a South African citizen concerned about the future of our environment including our oceans. Whatever negatively impacts these environments impacts me and my fellow citizens. The company that ignores these concerns in the pursuit of profit rather	Janet Jansen	,	03 February 2023	WhatsApp	assessinent. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project.
1021	than the general good should be denied every opportunity to continue As a South African Citizen all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. Exploration and Production will negatively impact marine, plant, bird and consequently human life. Our oceans are precious, and cannot be replaced, and our fishermen need an undisturbed environment to	Janet Longman	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
	marine, plant, bird and consequently numan life. Our oceans are precious, and cannot be replaced, and our risnermen need an undisturbed environment to carry out their work. Oceans Not Oil is a coalition of 35 organisations and individuals whose ultimate objective is the cessation of seismic exploration and oil and gas exploitation	- Silve Conginali	nurradi		E-mdll	, and the state of
	off our coastline. It is an emancipatory and conservation imperative engaging public support and South African policymakers to build an economy beyond gas and oil - with its consequence to its marine life and intangible heritage, subsistence and commercial fisheries, the tourism, recreation and hospitality					
229	industries - and deal with climate change vulnerability that is the legacy of gas and oil. This letter serves to comment on and lodge an objection to the TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Draft Scoping on the Environmental and Social Impact	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The information is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Assessment (ESIA) and proposed public participation process for the proposed offshore production right and environmental authorisation applications for Block 118/128. It also serves to highlight numerous contentious issues with this EIA process. Our primary concerns that there is clear systemic injustice and fundamental flaws in the EIA process for this application, and as such WSP have failed to comply with the EIA requirements as set out in NEMA and the EIA					
	Indicating a laws in the EVA process for this application, and as such visor have raised to comply with the EVA requirements as set out in victiva and the EVA Regulations, and this is evident for the following reasons. The objection is based on the following, inter alia: 1.BIASED, UNFAIR & UNDEMOCRATIC PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS					
	This application's public participation process has been shown to be deeply flawed and undemocratic:					The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcast on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and
	(a)Loud hailing by municipal councillors was witnessed on the 16th and 18th of January in the Kwanonqaba formal settlement in Mossel Bay and in the Thembalethu formal settlement in George, announcing that jobs were available should the public arrive, sign in and attend the public meetings for this BLOCK					the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. In addition, the purpose of the meeting attendance register was also explained so that participants understood that signing of the attendance register served as evidence that they attended the public meeting, that
230	11B/12B application (Annexure A & B).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	they would be registered as I&APs and receive information about the proposed project until the completion of the ESIA process. The POPI Act requirements to protect participants' contact information was also shared. The Lead Facilitator further confirmed the preferred language at every public meeting and obtained meeting participants' consent. In addition, during the
	Furthermore, at the Thembalethu public meeting on 18 January 2023 a participant approached the microphone saying that most of the people present at the meeting only came because they were promised jobs, but that they were confused by the stakeholder engagement because it had nothing to do with the liber Sealing that they bed hope middled many left the meeting thereafter.					presentations, the Lead Facilitator would confirm at regular intervals whether meeting participants understood the technical concepts of the proposed project and the ESIA. In cases where participants required explanations in Afrikaans or isiXhosa, these were given in the required languages. The ESIA team received
	jobs. Feeling that they had been misled, many left the meeting thereafter. This inducement of the community in an effort to tick box a public participation meeting does not constitute meaningful engagement of the community by					requests for the presentation to be translated into Afrikaans and isiXhosa. In response to these requests, the ESIA team translated the presentations and translated presentations were available from the eighth public meeting.
	This inducement of the community in an enort to tick box a public participation meeting does not considure meaningful engagement of the community by WSP.					

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231	(b)A major deficiency is, and has been, the failure of this DSR regime to consider ethnodiversity. Many of the I&APs, attending the same Thembalethu public meeting on 18 January 2023, do not speak English or Afrikaans with the proficiency required to fully understand the literature to grasp the implications of the project and how to address these. This needs to be tackled retroactively with immediate effect as this process has been fundamentally exclusionary. (Annexure A & B)	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9.4 of the Draft Scoping Report provided detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed project. The EAP considered several sets of regulatory requirements, and p.89 of the draft scoping report provided additional factors that were considered in the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs. Therefore, the EAP believes that efforts beyond the requisitory requirements were made to create a preliminary list of I&APs. Section 41 of the EAP Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs, and Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs (also see Section 9 of the Final Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs (also see Section 9 of the Final Section 9 (a), and (c) outlines the requirements, stakeholders are always encouraged to and are responsible to register as I&APs, and documentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs to distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs using the ESIA process. In addition, Section 9 of the Final Section 9 (a) the Final Section 9 of the Final Section 9 of the Final Section 9 of the Final Section 9 (a) t
232	(c)WSP did not democratically or fairly manage the Thembalethu public meeting on 18 January 2023 to prevent intimidation and racist comments by an ANC Councillor from Mossel Bay, of those who asked difficult questions or who offered critique. The same councillor threatened one participant outside physically. (Annexure A & Mossel Bay).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP was not aware that this occurred and regrets the incident outside of the public meeting. At the start of each public meeting, attendees were requested to respect each other and allow people to safely express their view. WSP cannot comment on stakeholders' behaviour outside of a public meeting.
233	(d)WSP consultants refused to include all inputs by participants on their whiteboard flipchart notes and when questioned about this, WSP declared the comments invalid. These inputs that were deemed "invalid" were critical of the project. (Annexure A & B)	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Lead Facilitator, at the start of each public meeting obtained meeting participants' consent to digitally record the meeting, proceedings and take photographic evidence of the meetings. Meeting participants granted permission for the digital recordings and photographic evidence at most of the public meetings, however, there were a few public meetings where consent was not granted. Meeting participants' consent or non-consent was always respected. The Leaf Facilitator also explained the purpose of the whiteboard flipchart was to capture the key issues raised. More detailed notes would be produced after the meetings, which, together with the presentations and meeting recordings would be available via WSP's website and data-free website. At the meetings were participants did not grant consent for the digital recording of the meeting proceedings, one of the ESIA team members captured notes by hand and more detailed notes were made on the whiteboard flipchart. WSP denies and is not aware of any team member having refused nor declaring any meeting participant's inputs as invalid.
234	As such WSP has failed to follow a procedurally fair process in accordance with Section 3 of the Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, (PAJA). Section 3(1) (a) of PAJA requires a procedurally fair process for administrative decision-making. This includes a reasonable opportunity to make representations about the subject matter being considered (section 3(2) (b)(1)). This opportunity to make representations, and is linked to the model of participatory and representative democracy in this country.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA process follows the requirements of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1999), as amended and the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. The objectives of the ESIA scoping phase are to share information about the proposed project. ESIA and public participation process, Plans of Study for impact assessment, and opportunities for comment, for I&APs to contribute issues or concern, questions, comments and to make recommendations; and for I&APs to comment on the proposed Plans of Study for impact assessment. Please refer to Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report for more information about the public participation process and procedures followed during the public meetings. WSP would welcome any suggestions that you may have.
235	2. NEED AND DESIRABILITY OF THE PROJECT a) To frame this project, which continues to expand and sustain the use of fossil fuels, which in turn exacerbate global warming and extreme climate events, as consistent with NEMA principles and as if NEMA principles (quoted in 4.4 of the ESIA) will guide the ESIA process, is an abuse of public trust. It has been shown that Total (kranded now TotalEnergies) "personnel received warnings of the potential for catastrophic global warming from its products by 1971, became more fully informed of the issue in the 1980s, abgan promoting doubt regarding the scientific basis for global warming by the late 1980s, and ultimately settled on a position in the late 1990s of publicly accepting climate science while promoting polety delay or policies peripheral to lossil fuel control. WSP promotes a "future scenario" TotalEnergies as environmentally responsible with claims that its oil-based business model will help contribute" to control of the country's strategic objective of moving to a sustainable economy" and "serve as a bridge on the path from reliance on fossil fuel to carbon-neutrality from 250° without TotalEnergies imag actual changes to this model. This DSR adds to TotalEnergies "flatny of denial and deflection of attention away from the wilful global endangerment by promoting fossil fuel products. Methane's (CH4) considerably higher global warming potential than carbon dioxide (CO2) (Holmes et al., 2013) makes it a substantial contributor to climate change. 2014 estimates suggest that CH4 emissions from oil and gas production activities have increased from 65 to 80 TgCH4.y-1 , in the late 20 years. This seculation jeopardiese the success of	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	a) The inclusion of a section in the Scoping Report on Need and Desirability is a requirement of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended and is based on the principle of sustainability, set out in the Constitution and in NEMA, and provided for in various policies and plans, including the National Development Plan 2030 (NDP). Addressing the need and desirability serves to inform the Environmental Authorisation application decision-making process regarding sustainable development. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and various commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The Need and Desirability section will be expanded in the ESIA report to incorporate the findings of the specialist studies to situate the project, which involves the exploitation of natural resources, in the context of the ecological sustainable development. As the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), WSP does not endorse the TotalEnergies business model. The ESIA will include a climate change study that will assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will
	the Paris Agreement. Given the fact that the subject of any production right represents a significant threat to the environment and to biodiversity, not to mention the public's constitutional right to an environment that is protected for the benefit of current and future generations, WSP lack of critical analysis in this regard demonstrates bias and an unjustifiable dereliction of duty. b)This project has the potential to put the \$8.5bn Just Energy Transition Partnership and future critical concessional loans, designed to support SA's just transition from fossif fuels, at risk. 3. 2022 FAILURE OF OFFSHORE PIPELINE LEAK NEAR MOSSEL BAY NEEDS EXPLANATION					quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. The ESIA study will include a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which
236	The scoping report has given no explanation for the leak, its quantity of condensate lost and the extent of environmental contamination, in the PetroSA condensate pipeline running from the offshore FA platform to the GTL refinery in Mossel Bay. It stands as a precedent; therefore it is imperative that the public is fully informed before further proceedings take place. 4. ALTERNATIVES REMAIN UNCONSIDERED	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process. The leak from the PetroSA pipeline was under investigation; however, enquiries by TEEPSA had not had a response by the time the CRR was compiled.
237	It cannot be denied that the actual alternatives to extraction of fossil fuels is an investigation into the use of renewable energy. a)Please supply energy alternatives to this project. SOCIO ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT a)That this project has the potential to exclude or reduce catch rates for large pelagic longline fisheries and small scale fishers for years could prove	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 6 of the Final Scoping Report considers alternatives to the project.
238	catastrophic for some of them. These fisheries spend most of its time at sea searching for fish with actual fishing events taking place over a relatively short period of time. These fisheries will be severely disadvantaged being unable to work in their operational areas. The significance of impact of both cumulative effects and extended duration should be considered high and compensation for loss of income must be established through an Cost Benefit Analysis.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The overall economic impacts will be assessed as part of the environmental impact assessment process. The social impact assessment will also consider potential livelihood implications.
239	b)Please support your view in defail, and in estimated increase to household income, of the "socio-economic benefits" of the project to local communities. Given a recurring pattern of the "pre-source curse" effect: increase indebtedness, corruption and instability frequently which wmajor oil and gas resource finds, even before production begins, and which is playing itself out in Mozambique currently, this needs substantiation. "In contrast to hopes for development, Mozambicans are now on average poorer than they were a deade ago, 75% of Mozambicans spend less that \$1 per day, and 90% are under the international poverty line of \$1.90. Cabo Delgado, where the gas projects are based and site of an ongoing violent conflict, has been hit the worst: household spending has dropped by 38% in the last 5 years. Inequality is rising; the richest 10% of population account for 43% of expenditure, while the poorest 10% account for just 0.8% – and are poorer than they were a decade ago."	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The example provided of the failures of the oil and gas industry is acknowledged. Socioeconomic benefits will be taken into account during the environmental assessment process. The SIA will take into account measures designed to maximize local socioeconomic benefits and minimize adverse impacts. One must acknowledge that there is little chance that any single project will meet all the socioeconomic needs of a population. Nevertheless, the SIA will focus on measures to maximize the socio-economic benefits to local communities and individuals.
240	6. MANAGEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF PETROLEUM EXPLORATION AND PRODUCTION Contemporary research such as The Economic Contribution of the Ocean Sector in South Africa as well as the Review of Ocean Economy Activities within the South African Exclusive Economic Zone with Particular Reference to the Offshore Oil and Gas, Fishing and Mining Sectors (Ken Findlay: CPUT Research Chair: Oceans Economy, July 2018) finds fishes with the valuation of the oil and gas sector which was undertaken by the Operation Phakisa consultancy firm, and which is presented in the Phakisa Document (Offshore Oil and Gas, Exploration: Final Lab Report for Operation Phakisa).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
241	There is no mention of a Cost Benefit Analysis or a Strategic Environmental Analysis for this application. Consequences of a blowout, or accidental release (and these happen as a matter of course during offshore operations) to tourism, fisheries and recreational industries need to be fully considered.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The plan of study for the project's ESIA includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of a blowout or accidental spills on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process. Conducting a Strategic Environmental Assessment for offshore gas development as part of SA's integrated resource plan will be recommended to the Regulators.
242	Despite numerous requests to DMRE and DFFE, there has been no Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) undertaken for offshore Oil & Gas in South Africa. Considering the potential for massive pollution being present, a rigorous, independent and proactive SEA should be undertaken to inform the environmental viability of this offshore oil and gas proposal. a)Please supply a Cost Benefit Analysis for this application.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
243	a)Prease supply a Strategic Environmental Analysis for this application. Jolian Strategic Environmental Analysis for this application to associated tourism, fisheries and businesses which rely on a healthy marine environment. Transparency is needed with regards to Oil Spill Response, Planning and Capacity necessary for public health and welfare as well as that of the marine and coastal environment. In the blowout contingency plan, the deficit of technological expertise or resources or difficulty of effective co-ordination with all government and conservation agencies that have a statutory responsibility for some aspect of offshore oil and gas activities regarding incident management should be highlighted. Furthermore, the delegated National Incident Commander, along with the intended lines of responsibility for inter-agency efforts, should be made available for proper stakeholder and IAAP engagement. The citizens of South Africa need assurance that incident management is fully informed and that South Africa has capacity to deal with the latest technology, practices and risks associated with, and due to, the different geological and ocean environments being explored, prior to the commencement of drilling. There is significant concern over timeous response to a spill given the listed mitigations and rate of flow of the Agulhas current: although the properties of the properties and environments being explored, prior to the commencement of drilling. There is significant concern over timeous response to a spill given the listed mitigations and rate of flow of the Agulhas current: although the properties of the properties and environments are mentioned to the different geological and coan environments being explored, prior to the commencement of drilling. There is significant concern over timeous response to a spill given the l	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA process currently underway for Block 11B/12B is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in the draft EIA report.
244	BLABILITIES AND FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR OIL SPILL REMEDIATION The Scoping Report makes no mention of what appropriate insurance safeguards TotalEnergies have in place for remediation against oil spills and other environmental damages. Considering the serious toll a spill would have on safe recreation at beaches, healthy habitats for wildlife, industries such as tourism and fishing, the South African taxpayer and the general public, the EIA should produce proof of these insurance safeguards and a reasonable level of fiscal readiness for long term clean-up and reparation process, in the event of a major disaster. Please indicate what insurance safeguards are in place in the event of accidental release. EMERGENCY RESPONSE:	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA will ensure that it has all the necessary insurances in place in accordance with legislation and company policies.
245	s)Please discribe the protocol and time frame of response if there is accidental leakage/blowout from more than one well. b) 018 Spil Contingency Plan (OSCP) for Subsea and Surface Release, detailing (0 Spil Response, including the Blowout Management Protocol, Planning and Capacity, must be reported to both stakeholders and the public relevant for each exploration, extraction or decommissioning operation; must include the possibility of more than one event; and must be made available for proper stakeholder and I&AP engagement. Livy deficit of technological experies i resources / difficulty of effective co-ordination with all government or conservation agencies that have a statutory responsibility for some aspect of offshore oil and gas activities regarding incident management, should be highlighted to commodate, along with the intended lines of responsibility for inter-agency efforts, should be made available for proper stakeholder and I&AP engagement. The citizens of South Africa need assurance that incident management is fully informed and has capacity to deal with the latest technology, practices and risks associated with, and due to, the different geological and ocean environments being explored, prior to commencement of drilling. d) The Sconjing Report must provide an Assessment of Onshore Environment and Miligation in case of oil pollution. Buried oil contaminants can resurface as the beach erodes. Buried oil must be removed through mechanical excavation. The Scoping Report needs detailed modelling of cross-shore distribution of oil contaminants relating to beach morphodynamic terminology to help optimize beach clean-up planning. I) The solid provide and the provide and account of the provided of the pr	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Over and above the environmental and social management plan (ESMP) that will be developed as part of the ESIA process, an Emergency Response Plan, Oil Spill Contingency Plan and Blow Out Contingency Plan will be developed as a standalone document for the project. Your comments on the aspects that need to be addressed in the plans have been noted. The ESMP will outline the regulatory approval process for these plans. Oil spill modelling is being done a part of the ESM process; the findings of which will be used to inform the impact assessment with regard to potential onshore impacts, and corresponding mitigation measures required for inclusion into the environmental management plan. The numerical modelling of spill dispersion is however presently not assessing the cross-shore distribution of stranded oil. If the modelling results show a high probability of significant shoreline oiling, a follow up assessment can be conducted to examine cross-shore distribution and effect of shoreline morphodynamics on resurfacing of buried oil in more detail.
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247	gradually get thinner away from the wellhead . a)Please ensure the Drill Cutting Discharge Modelling includes environmental effects and impacts, i.e. smothering. b)Please advise of drill cuttings of Shrohre treatment and discharge to sea are assessed in terms of impact on seafloor/ benthic community, water column biology and expected dispersion? Cognisance must be taken of the hazards of drill cuttings disposal onto the seabed (after cleaning) because they are often contaminated with drilling llubricants, synthetic-based drilling fluids (SBFs) and other non-aqueous drilling fluids (NAFs).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The drill cuttings dispersion study will examine the long-term (10 year) environmental impact of the cuttings, e.g. smothering, which get deposited on the seabed in the vicinity of the wellhead. The dispersion and impact of water based muds and non-aqueous drilling fluids is also included in the DREAM simulations.
248 249	OPPease outline what mitigation measures will be used against sediments contaminated with petroleum products, heavy metals and salts, which do not biodegrade and can accumulate in high concentrations affecting reproduction of marine life, and biomagnify toxic substances in the food chain. d)Please provide a detailed report, describing the compound ingredients, levels of expected toxicity and radioactivity of the lubricants used, and their effects to species (including human), including larval stages.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	c) No sediment, other than drill cuttings will be generated in the drilling of the production and appraisal wells. Appropriate mitigation measures will be identified as part of the ESIA specialist studies d) Chapter 5 (Project Components and Activities) provides a description of the drilling muds composition. The ESIA will consider the toxicity of the compounds to human and animal species.
250	to species (including human), including larval stages. e)Furthermore, please provide an explanation as to how these toxins will be mitigated during fish spawning periods where necessary.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Oil spill and drill discharge modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study which will assess potential impacts on all sensitive and significant coastal and marine habitats, features and species, including both offshore, coastal and onshore protected areas, and cognisant of ecologically sensitive periods of the year (spawning, etc). The mitigation presented in the study will account for these periods of particular ecological sensitivity.
251	f)How and where in the water column will drill cuttings discharge to sea be dispersed? g A detailed composition of these emissions and effluents regarding their toxicity, biodegradation, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbon content and their metal	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Dril cuttings and drilling muds will initially be discharged near the seabed at the drilling site for the early stages of drilling oflowed by discharge at 10 m below the water surface as the well progresses deeper into the seabed. WSP's numerical modelling report on the dispersion of drill cuttings and drilling muds will provide all relevant details associated with the drilling operation discharges and the long-term fate of the discharged materials.
252 253	content, need to be made public/ described in the ESIA. h)What assurances are there that drill cuttings will be treated to reduce oil content before disposal over board?	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The composition of emissions and effluents will be detailed in the relevant chapters of the ESIA. TEEPSA operating procedures will be used during the production phase of the Project to ensure that drill cutting discharges meet relevant international and national standards, including the reduction of oil where non-aqueous drilling fluids (NADP) are used.
254 255	JW6I the NADFs be oil based or synthetic? Please describe their classification. JOffshore thermal desorption offers an alternative method to treat drilled cuttings offshore and reduce the oil concentration on cuttings to typically less than 0.5% by weight prior to marrise discharge. Is this a method being considered?	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The classification of the drilling fluids will be provided in the Draft ESIA report The comment will be circulated to the technical team for consideration and incorporation into Chapter 6 (Alternatives) of the Draft EIA Report.
256	ki)The Drilling Discharges Modelling Study must evaluate the contamination by not only Kgs of Non-aqueous Drilling Muds per well, but also model for the risk of the cumulative exposure to toxic and non-toxic stressors (dissolution of the chemicals, transport and deposition of particles, biodegradation, attachment of chemicals to particles, and eventually formation of agglomerated particles), and the fates of the discharge compounds in the sediment (e.g., concentrations and biodegradation in the sediment, bioturbation, equilibrium partitioning for organic chemicals and heavy metals, oxygen content in the norewater. Change of princip size and furnal form the tonges of discharge from 10 wells.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	These aspects will be addressed in the drilling discharges dispersion modelling that is being done as part of the ESIA.
257 258	porewater, change of grain size, and burial) from the tonnes of discharge from 10 wells. What is the period that the effects of the operational waste will have on the environment given the various types of waste, i.e. radioactive, and various detrimental chemicals and organics? myPlease advise as to which actual licenced waste contractor will be used for disposing of volumes of NADF remaining from the project. It is in the public	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Drill discharge modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. The drilling fluid will be treated prior to disposal at sea in accordance with best practice and to meet all regulatory standards. If required, the licenced waste
259	interest to know the name of the contractor should the option be employed. n)Plasse advise as to which actual licenced radioactive waste contractor will be used for disposing hazardous wastes from the project, for the same reasons as above. o)Radioactive sources may be used for certain types of data acquisition. Please identify, and declare the half life/rate of radioactive decay, of the radioactive	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	management contractor will be appointed once the Production Right application has been granted. No radioactive waste will be generated during the Block 11B/12B.
260 261	o)radioactive sources may de used for certain types of data acquisition. Please identify, and decare the nair illerate of radioactive decay, of the radioactive sources. p)Please identify the exact methods to be used for the treatment and also disposal of toxic radioactive drill wastes, frack flowback, drill mud, all radioactive substances and related tools, instruments used in the usage of any radioactive materials.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	No radioactive sources will be used to collect data for the Block 11B/12B Project. No fracking will be done on the Block 11B/12B project as offshore drilling does not use the fracking technique to extract gas and condensate.

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262 263	opPlease identify the exact methods for the treatment and disposal of the drill mud if onshore. i)Please advise as to how and where toxic and also radioactive wastes are to be treated and disposed of, and in what municipalities?	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	FGM, Call) E-mail E-mail	No drill muds will be disposed onshore. No toxic and radioactive waste will be generated for disposal on the Block 118/12B Project.
263 264 265	s)How will compliance to international standards for the handling, storage, disposal etc. of radioactive substances be managed? (i)Total Energies and Shell have endorsed the Zero Routine Flaring by 2030 (Shell ZRF by 2025) initiative launched by the World Bank and the United Nations	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	No toxic and radioactive waste win be generated for disposal on the Block 118/128 Project. No toxic and radioactive waste will be generated for disposal on the Block 118/128 Project. Routine flaring is associated with oil extraction and as the Block 118/128 is a gas and condensate extraction project, there will be no routine flaring.
266	in 2015 for new field development, so what consequence does this hold for this operation? u)Please give a realistic determination of the volume of gas to be flared per test, its emissions quantity and concentration, and expand estimates given that there may be up to ten wells in total.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Block 5/6/7 Final Scoping Report provided an estimate of the volume of gas flared per test at 10 000 barrels (bbf) of oil per test i.e., up to 20 000 bbl. over the two tests associated with an appraisal well. Up to 2 Drill Stem Tests (DST) per appraisal well, with each test taking up 2 days to flow and flare (24-hours a day). For well flow-testing, hydrocarbons would be burned at the well site. A high-efficiency flare is used to maximise combustion of the hydrocarbons and burner heads which have a high burning efficiency under a wide range of conditions will be used. This estimate will be confirmed during the ESIA and reported
267	y)What carbon budget has been allocated by the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment for this project?	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	in the Draft ESIA for Block 118/128. Your question has been recorded and will be forwarded to the DFFE.
268	w)Has a greenhouse gas mitigation plan been prepared and submitted to the Minister for approval? 11.PIPELINE INFRASTRUCTURE	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	A greenhouse gas assessment will be done for the project as part of this ESIA. The report will be submitted to the commenting authorities and the competent authority. A new subsea pipeline will be installed to convey gas and condensate from the wells to the F-A Platform. After processing at the F-A platform, the gas and
269	Given the gas condensate will be transported to land via pipelines, both new and existing infrastructure, there is little information on impacts of the pipeline infrastructure specifically. a)Please provide comprehensive clarity of pipeline infrastructure and its environmental impacts and threats during and after the infrastructure has been installed. 12 EXPLOSIVE USE	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	condensate will be transported to shore via the existing subsea PetroSA pipeline that runs between the F-A Platform and the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid plant. TEEPSA has surveyed the PetroSA infrastructure to check its suitability to accept for the Block 11B/12B product and if any modifications are required. It is likely that minor modifications will be required to the F-A Platform to accommodate the riser from the new pipeline. PetroSA will obtain all necessary licences and permits to do the work.
270	1/2.EM/USIVE USE The Scoping mentions that if required the use of explosives will be undertaken during drilling if required. b)Please provide, in detail the use of explosives as well as who holds the permits in terms of use of explosives for these operations. c)Furthermore, what mitigation will be in place during explosions given the extremely high risk to marine fauna in the use of explosives.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	This will be clarified in the ESIA phase of the project
271	Despite the lengthy duration of an application process, at no time has TotalEnergies requested to undertake any Biological Baseline studies to satisfy the concerns raised by various stakeholders in the various application leading up to this application. There remains little information or knowledge of the deep offshore marine environment in the Areas of Interest, and therefore there is still no actual benthic data of what exploration drilling could potentially impact upon in terms of biodiversity. Remotely Operated Vehicle surveys to seek a suitable location for the pipelines and wellheads but these surveys simply cannot be deemed as a baseline survey (MPRDA Req 49(1) (scoping) and Reg 50 (EIA)).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for your comment. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of
272	14. SPECIES SPECIFIC MITIGATION Increased offshore anthropogenic activities, such as offshore mining, are likely to generate additional energy costs to migrating humpback whale populations. Therefore, energy related to reproduction would be jeopardized because the demand for energy would be funnelled into other related survival activities such as having to travel greater distances to avoid an area and changing swimming speeds. While local disturbances to behaviour may be minor, the costs of repeated disruptions may accumulate over a long journey (such as a migration) and thus collectively have a major impact on the energy stores of the whales. Given the historical anthropogenic pressure (whaling) on the Humpback whale population and its recent population connecer that exploration will be occurring in their direct impaction channels, thus disturbing and changing the behaviour of the population, at an unknown cost. Many of the species listed in South Africa are listed as Threatened (Vulnerable, Endangered and Chiically Endangered) in SA waters. applease indicate which species are Southern African endemic species which occur within the area and at what depth ranges. Furthermore, many species are listed on ToPS, CITES and CMS and therefore should be mitigated differently. 3 Please comment on what biodiversity offsets are being considered and how the various levels of priority of threatened species will be determined and mitigated.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. Cetacean occurrence off the South Coast of South Africa, their distribution, depth range, seasonality/presence in the production right area and IUCN status are presented in Table 7.4 in the scoping report. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor or a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptor in a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptor in a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the prosesses (including habitats that meet definitions of hattart habitat; or ecosystems with important functional value in immaritating the biotic integrity of habitats). UCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory (congregator species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that whereyossible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
	15.SEISMIC NOISE, PRESSURE EMISSIONS & SONAR SURVEYS a)South Africa is a signatory to a resolution passed at the 67th International Whaining Commission (IWC) 2018 for the elimination of acoustic pollution that affects whales (of all 13 species and populations considered under the IWC), and therefore has a duty to cooperate. Please explain how South Africa can fulfil this duty given that this project may take up to 7 and half years to complete (TBC) and will create significant disturbance for an extended period for protected					
273	and unprotected species. I. The identified marine noise specialist must be capable and equipped to undertake in situ measurements (if they do not already exist) of the sound scape, and have the ability to interpret hearing thresholds (Doth Temporary Threshold Shift-based thresholds (TTS) and Permanent Threshold Shift (PTS)) of marine fauna in the proposed area. Rather than establishing the safety zone radius solely based on a fixed distance, the safety zone radius should be, at most conservative, of either 500 meters or a radius determined using propagation models based on the best variable data and science for a pre-determined	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will assess Marine Acoustic effects from Project activities, incorporating mitigation, including effects to marine mammals, e.g., whales. Comparison to both Temporary Threshold Shift (TTS) and Permanent Threshold Shift (PTS) criteria thresholds will be assessed.
274 275	acoustic threshold (McQuinn and Carrier, 2005). b)Please clarify whether the sonar surveys will take 4 weeks for the entire project (all 10 wells) or whether they'll operate be 4 weeks per well? c)Please include seabed coring in your noise modelling.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	This will be clarified in the ESIA phase of the project Oriling activity marine acoustic effects will be assessed. The noise emissions from drill bit underground and the vibrating drill string and casing are expected to
276 277	Cyricase include Season unting in your mose modelling. (i) Please include Vertical Seismic Profiling in your noise modelling. (ii) Please include the decibel attenuation for the Vertical Seismic Profiling.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	be much lower (Gales, 1982; Erbe et al. 2017), and therefore are considered negligible compared to the rig in the modelling study. Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) acoustic effects will be included in the underwater acoustics modelling and will be assessed. Acoustic estimation from the open environment will be included in the acoustic modelling.
278 279	f) What alternatives to Vertical Seismic Profiling have been investigated? g) Please include the number and size of airguns being used.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Acoustic attenuation from the ocean environment will be included in the acoustic modelling. Section 6 of the Final Scoping Report considers alternatives to the project but no alternatives to Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) are proposed specification of the airgun array associated with Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be provided, e.g., number, size.
	h) Please establish cumulative acoustics limits for relevant species for the following: I. Multi beam echo-sounder (70-100 kHz)			,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
280	ii. Single beam echo-sounder (38-200 kHz) iiii. Sub-bottom profiler (2-16 kHz) iiv. Vertical Seismic Profiling (please confirm the relevant Hz range) v. Sea bed coring	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project activity noise emissions and comparison to relevant species criteria thresholds will be provided in the marine acoustic assessment including frequency information.
281	vi. Noise from the rig vii. Noise from the many vessels operation simultaneously I) Please indicate when these operations may run concurrently – seismic while drilling for e.g., including across all wells.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Concurrent Project activities will be described and assessed in the Marine acoustic assessment for concurrent cumulative effects, such as Drilling activities will include concurrent drilling platform, tubs, and support vessels.
282	j)Key findings and modelling must be projected for the full length of the proposed operation.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project activity effects will assessed considering planned Project duration. The main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key papers covering underwater noise
283	k)What international operational guidelines will be followed for mitigation of noise during this operation?	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	and its effects: -Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and -Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assests the effect of anthropogenic sound on marine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), permanent threshold shifts (i.e., permanent loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), and behavioural response in marine mammal hearing due to both impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al 2019, NMFS 2016, D18e). The disturbance (behavioural response) threshold for all marine mammal species was set as 160 d8 re 1 μPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 d8 re 1 μPa (SPLms) for non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (southall et al 2019, NMFS 2016, D18e). The disturbance thresholds do not consider the overall duration of the noise or its acoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance thresholds do not consider the overall duration of the noise or its acoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance thresholds do not consider the overall duration of the noise or its acoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance responses to per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behavioural disturbance noise thresholds for sea turtles for both impulsive and non-impulsive sources was set as per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behavioural disturbance noise thresholds for sea turtles for both impulsive and non-impulsive sources was set as per Finneran et al. (2017). Sound exposure guidelines for fish, fish eggs, and fish larvae have been developed by Popper et al. (2014) for impulsive and continu
284	()Please assess the full scale of this acoustic footprint including impacts caused by vibration through drill string and casing, vibration into the seabed, vibration of drill bit.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project drilling activity marine acoustic effects will be assessed. The noise emissions from drill bit underground and the vibrating drill string and casing are expected to be much lower (Galse, 1982; Erbe et al, 2017), and therefore are considered negligible compared to the rig in the model study. The results from the noise study will be assessed in the marine biology specialist study for various marine groups, including mammals, seebrids, fish and study.
285	m)Please indicate how precautionary protocols will be established in areas of steep bathymetry close to seismic surveys and multibeam bathymetric sonar. Ocean depth, multibeam echo sounders sweep a swath up to 7.4 times water depth and so affect a wide area. Potential impacts on marine mammals may range from physical diamage, including gross damage to ears and the bends', temporary and permanent threshold shift (deafness), to perceptual (masking biologically squificant noises) and behavioural impacts (temporary on permanent displacement and stress) as well as indrect effects (reduced prey availability) (Gordon et al., 1998). High intensity, low and mid-frequency sonar has been implicated in some fatal strandings (Frantiz, 1998).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The concerns are noted and will be addressed in the marine ecology impact assessment. It is proposed that one Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be used per exploration will be used to the Scoping report). It is understood that the VSP source for the explorationy activities will only utilise non-orifset VSP which has a far smaller spatial scale the offset VSPs or seismic surveys. A noise modelling study is being undertaken to assess the spatial extent of the proposed VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key papers covering underwater noise and its effects: Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on marine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), permanent threshold shifts (i.e., permanent loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), spermanent threshold shifts (i.e., see an exploration of the proposed visition of the proposed visi
286	n)Please indicate how precautionary protocols to limit the disruption of rest will be established for the extended period of this project. Perhaps one of the most overlooked aspects of anthropogenic noise impacts is the 'disruption of rest periods', which are important to migrafing, or even generally moving, marine animals, Significant stress due to prolonged exposure to seismic and anthropogenic underwater noise has been merel in a number of species (Finneran et al., 2002; Exert et al. 1995; McCauley et al. 2003; Rollard et al. 2012). These studies indicate cumulative effects could result in metabolic maladaptation, suppressing growth, immune system function, thermoregulation and the reduction of reproductive rates, with implications for individual and population fitness. Chronic problems of this kind are a legitimate conservation concern.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	To quantify the spatial extent of the expected noise of the proposed activities, a noise modelling study is being, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. A significant proportion of human-generated ambient noise is from shipping traffic, and this noise generally overlaps with, and therefore impacts, the low frequencies range (see for example https://www.ospar.org/work-eass/eiha/noise). With several major ports on the coast of South Africa, including Cape Town, Mossel Bay, Gopberha, East London, and Durban, it is expected that underwater noise levels in the vicinity of the Project area are significantly impacted by existing wessel traffic. There are also other areas of offshore exploration and production of the South Coast, Please note that this marine impact assessment will assess the impacts of the noise produced by the proposed activities for this project accounting for ambient noise. However, with regards to the cumulative effect on the region, a Strategic Erwironmental Assessment (SEA) should be undertaken as a matter of urgency by DFFE to quantify the cumulative impacts of current and future offshore exploration and production activities in the region, south and SEA is, unfortunately beyond the scope of this assessment.
287	OCumulative acoustic limits should be established, since there is a very real risk of displacement from feeding or breeding areas which could have far reaching effects not only for whole, and vulnerable, animal populations, but also on the fishing sector and our food security. These limits should be appropriately matched to the spatiotemporal scale and exposure rate of the risks to individuals and populations. Measurement of noise budget, such as those under consideration under the EU Marine Strategy Framework Directive (Tasker et al. 2010), should lead to limits on the source levels that are introduced on a regional scale.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	A Strategic Environmental Assessment is required to quantify the cumulative impacts of current and future offshore exploration and production activities in the region. However, such an SEA is beyond the scope of this assessment and should be undertaken with urgency by the DFFE for inclusion in applications of this kind in the future. Please note however that cumulative noise effects emanating from the proposed activities detailed in the Scoping report will be assessed in the marine ecological impact assessment.
288	p)Please assess the various technologies available for detecting marine animals in low-visibility conditions. Technologies that need to be explored include, active acoustic monitoring (AAM), radio detection and ranging (RADAR), light detection and ranging (LIDAR), satellite, and spectral camera systems, especially infrared (IR).	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The following will likely be proposed in the marine impact assessment for VSP operations during periods of low visibility (where the mitigation zone cannot be clearly viewed uto 1500 m): -the VSP source is only used if passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) technology is in place to detect vocalisations (subject to a risk assessment indicating that the PAM equipment can be safely deployed considering the metocean conditions) or there have not been three or more occasions where cetaceans, penguins, shoaling large pelagic fish or turtles have been sighted within the 500 m mitigation zone during the preceding 24-hour period; -a two-hour period of continual observation of the mitigation zone was undertaken (during a period of good visibility) prior to the period of low visibility and no cetaceans, penguins, shoaling large pelagic fish or turtles were sighted within the 500 m mitigation zone; and
289	The use of airguns in a marine environment requires mitigation and no seismic activities should take place during the known breeding and migration periods of cetaceans and turtles.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	-marine mammal observers (MMOs) will use a thermal camera during hours of darkness for cetacean observations The mitigation measures put forward in the marine impact assessment will include that activities should not occur during times of peak sensitivity of these species (such as during migration and breeding).
290	2)Please indicate how this will be mitigated. Any operation of seismic surveys, vertical seismic surveys, Sonar surveys and bathymetric surveys happening concurrently must be taken into consideration with cumulative impacts assessed.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects will consider concurrent timing of Project activities with potential overlapping distances to criteria thresholds.
	3) Please provide assessment of cumulative impacts. 16.LIGHT POLLUTION			-		The impacts of light pollution during all project phases will be assessed in the marine ecology impact assessment. The marine ecology impact assessment will
291	Operations introduce considerable amounts of artificial light (e.g., electric lighting, gas flares) that can potentially affect ecological processes in the upper ocean, such as diel vertical imprison of plankton. Artificial night-light also attracts numerous species, including squid, large predatory fishes, and birds. Please evaluate for mitigation the effect of lights and the physical presence of ships on the movement of sensitive species. 4)Please ensure a full assessment of light and mitigation thereof is undertaken.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	give consideration to impacts of anthropogenic lighting as a result of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration, etc.) using an ecosystem-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration the ensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'universibility' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. It is established that artificial structures such as vessel hulls, pilings, platforms and infrastructure associated with oil and gas production will, over time, develop a charge of the property of the propert
292	17.INVASIVE SPECIES Ships, drilling equipment and rigs are used and relocated all around the world. 5)Please provide an assessment on the negative impacts on native biodiversity, including risk to fisheries, from invasive species colonising drilling infrastructure should be assessed and mitigated.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	In Sealastiest that an initial subcutes such as vesser investions, pinels, plantoris and invasion to a successful with or any gas production with the foliar footing community of marine epitanua which may consist of alien invasive species. Wherement of these artificial structures and their associated biofouling communities from one place to another in the ocean provides an opportunity for the translocation of alien invasive species. Introduction of alien invasive species may also take place via discharge of ballast water, containing eggs, cysts and larvae. A specific assessment of risk of the introduction of marine alien and invasive species, along with appropriate mitigation to reduce, and of possible, avoid, will bed considered in the Marine Ecology Assessment. In addition, the environmental management program, which will be available for public comment together with the draft EIA report and studies will respond to this aspect. De- and re-ballasting of vessels will be undertaken only under strict adherence to International Maritime Organisation (IMO) quidelines (Guideline A.886(2D)) governing discharge of ballast waters at sea.
293	18. MARINE PROTECTED AREAS / CBAs The Scoping Report should propose buffer zones adjacent to Marine Protected Areas and Critical Biodiversity Areas in order to protect marine biota inside the designated areas to mitigate mining impacts in these areas. The Scoping acknowledges that the pipeline transverses a significant portion of CBA natural and that oil and gas pipelines are not compatible with either CBA natural or CBA restore. (6)Please ensures that the actual species and features which designate these areas as CBA's are explained in detail. There is currently insufficient information to accurately assess impact of the pipeline. 7)A linear structure, such as a pipeline fragments habitats. Fragmentation needs to be explored appropriately.	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available and will be used in the marine impact assessment to quantify these impacts more accurately. While fragmentation of habitats is of significant concern in the terrestrial or intertidal environment, is not as much a concern within the three-dimensional ocean system.
294	19.TIMING OF IMPACT Given the duration of the project (production and installation), impacts will be for approximately 20-30 years, throughout the year. 3)Please specify how species and ecological processes will be mitigated between seasons? In Particular for migration periods, spawning periods etc. 20.WELL ABANDONMENT	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The impacts of the proposed activities will be assessed in the marine biology specialist study. This study will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecocystems-based approach in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal groups. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Proposed mitigation measures will account for both temporal and spatial sensitivity. The production wells will be plugged with purpose-designed plugy with integrity tests exhibiting acceptable results, and will be permanently abandoned once it
295	More information is required with regards to well abandonment and its mitigation. 9) Will well be permanently or temporarily abandoned?	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	has been established that they are intact and non-leaking. Further detail regarding well plugging and abandonment will be presented in the draft EIA report and accompanying closure plan report.
296 297	10)Please describe the well integrity testing methodology to be utilised. 11)Please provide information on the types of well barriers utilised, types of plugging materials utilised, their functioning and verification.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	This will be clarified in the ESIA phase of the project This will be clarified in the ESIA phase of the project Monitoring recommendations will be made as per the results of the ESIA. Monitoring will likely be recommended for benthic impacts, water quality, marine
298	12)What does 'monitoring' entail, where will these data be housed, will South Africans have access to the data and what data would be embargoed, similar to the majority of data in this sector within South Africa?	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	Monitoring recommendations will be made as per the results of the ESIA. Monitoring will likely be recommended for benthic impacts, water quality, manne mammals and birds, managed by the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) (which will be made available to the public for comment) and the Environmental Authorisation, if granted.

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299	13) Well failure is a common enough issue and serious. Please advise as to which actual contractor will be used for well plugging. 14)Incidents involving radiation sources in well logging have occurred mainly as a result of operator error or equipment failure. According to the International Atomic Energy Agency 2020 Radiation Safety In Well Logging: Specific Safety Guide report, the hazards involved and the necessary control measures should	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	FGM, Call) E-mail	The well plugging contractor will only be appointed at the end of the Project production period which is 25 years.
300	be identified for each of the following conditions: .Storage of the well logging sources .Calibration and operation of the well logging tools; .Tansport of the sources;	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The relevance of this issue will be clarified in the ESIA phase of the project
	iv.Work at the site with the well logging tools; v.Maintenance of the tools; v.Disposal of disused sources.			,		
301	vii.The possibility of theft and sabotage of radioactive sources. 15)Please identify control measures for each of these conditions. 16)How will TotalEnergies ensure monitoring will be carried out after production has ceased and throughout de-commissioning? Please provide a report on	lanet Salaman	Occase Not Oil	02 Enhance 2022	E mail	All works done will follow relevant quality control and assurance requirements, and regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before used above account accou
302	how the applicant will ensure well monitoring. For all the reasons stated above, it is our request that the proposed exploration does not proceed.	Janet Solomon Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	before well abandonment can take place. Requirements surrounding post-dosure monitoring will be detailed in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA, and will be continuously monitored and evaluated during the operational phase. The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
	Our Affiliated Organisations include: - African Conservation Trust - Africans Conservation Alliance					
	-Centre for Environmental Rights -Conservation Guardians -Coastwatch					
	-Coasta Links (KwaZuu Natal) -Conservancies K2N -Earth Life Africa (Durban)					
	-Eastern Cape Environmental Network -Embabhaceni Development and Nature Solutions -Fisherfolk Formations					
	-FrackFree SA Youth					
303	Hkai Tikguoa Conservancy (George) HkwaZulu Ntali Marine Stranding Network Legal Resources Centre Hwapine Azanian Movement	Janet Solomon	Oceans Not Oil	03 February 2023	E-mail	The information is recorded.
	Masifunds Development Trust +Sardine Run Association +Sardine Run Association +Sentine Closen Allance					
	-South African Youth Climate Change Coalition -South African Squid Management Industrial Association -South Durban Community Environmental Alliance					
	-Sustaining The Wild Coast -The Bluff Work Experience and Volunteer Program -Unknownas Fishing Forum					
	-Vaal Environmental Justice Alliance -Vanishing Present Productions -Widalands					
992	I am interested and affected by this venture due to how involved and closely related I am to the natural elements, what ever they might be. I cannot stand by and watch them destroy our natural ecosystems for the mere fact of capital gains. It can always be done in a way that is better for all parties involved, and however that might cost them more money and make things more challenging in more ways than one, this is something that should absolutely be a	Jean Janse van Rensburg	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify the risks to the environment, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1480	perequisite to being able to undertake such a venture - making sure they the absolute least of amount of harm is done to our natural systems for everything needs to be in balance if we want to keep outer beautiful earth functioning in the glorious way that at does object to Total energies or anyone else drilling oil in the oceans off of South Africa. These pristine waters are migration routes for whales and dolphins and	Jean Lazarus		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and
	are home to so many species of aquatic animals.			02.100.00.7.2020		important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Thank you for your comment, your concerns are note. The marrine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to ident and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. Prevention is always preferred to clean-up, which is why
1481	Oil companies have traditionally not been trustworthy with regards to prevention and clean up of oil spills. How do you clean oil out of the ocean any way? These areas are used by fisher people to harvest food and ecotourism brings in much income to the area. Both of these and many more economic fields	Jean Lazarus		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	mitigation will always seek to first prevent impacts, but also that impacts must be effectively planned for to ensure adequate and prompt responses to minimize impacts. These mitigation measures include ensuring sufficient redundancy i.e., multiple well casings and 80P "stacks" to prevent loss of well control, and the requirement for vessels to have Shipboard 01 / Marine Pollution Emergency Plans in place to ensure that spills can be effectively handled. All of these
	would be threatened merely to being more income to multinational shareholders.					management requirements will be made available in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) (which will be made available to the public for comment) and the Environmental Authorisation, if granted. The marine impact assessment will consider fisheries (both commercial and small scale), and the spatial and temporal overlap of the proposed activities and
1482	This at a time when climate change is threatening our economies and human life in such a devastating manner. I object on these grounds and many more.	Jean Lazarus		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	impacts thereof on these fisheries. These results will also be assessed with the socio-economics specialist study. The objection has been recorded and wilb e considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global cliented change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
49	In the documentation it was noted that there would be public forums. Is this meeting a repeat of what we might see in the future or is this a separate session to what the documentation shows which will take place in 2023? It object adjainst Total energies and to gas pipelines being built or gas extracted off the coast of Mossel Bay! It has been proven through various other efforts	Jean Malan	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	There will be a combination of meetings which will include public meetings and focus group meetings. Some meetings will be online while others will be face-to-face. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of
1586	raving said that, long term permanent damage for short term illiancial gain by unit leading parties. If proper research is lone it would be an obvious neil No.	Jeanne Lynette Louw		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Potential impacts on marine ecosystems will specifically be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and d'inflidischarge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify
1179	Objection against Total gas https://oceansnotol.org/2023/01/12/total-partners-plan-public-meetings-for-10-new-oilwells-off-between-mossel-bay-cape-st- francis/. This will destroy our beautiful coastline and the animals in and around it. No beaches no tourism I wish to be kept informed about all developments with regard to the proposed work program as an IAP. I am most interested and think that I am already	Jeffery White	Individual	03 February 2023		these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1694	registered as such, but this has been going on for such a long time. I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of of living space and our planet.	Jennifer Campbell		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1510	Concerned citizen blockB1. Save our environment and whales	Jenny Fox		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1092	The coast belongs to the people and wild animals who occupying the space. And your greed will benefit no one except your bank account. I urge you to withdraw any plan / investment to destroy our coast and nature. COMMENTS AND OBJECTIONS	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the imigratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through of spill and drill discharge modelling studies
	Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. Why does this concern us all? 1. Lies in the middle of the Aquibus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. Borders on a Marine Protected area.					that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1093	3.Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. 4.Have you heard about Karpowership??	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading Epic Trading	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP is aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective for the Biock 1181/28 Project.
1095	5.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1096	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. etc	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading	02 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist
1097	The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry - conflict of interest much?) has been snuck through the eastern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape.	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading	02 February 2023	E-mail	disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 1181/128 project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required.
						The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
1098 1099	The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come. We have to make a stand now (see map). We need EVERYONE to comment. We did this before for Shell, and we can do this again. Please raise your voices South Africa! And be prepared, this is not	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading Epic Trading	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	the end of it. To object: register as an interested party at the data-free website https://wsp-engage.com/lotal-11B12B/, sending a WhatsApp message to WSP at *27 (0) 76 684 3842, or emailing them at teepsaElA@wsp.com. Those who register before 3rd of February will have an additional opportunity to comment in March or April once the specialist studies have been completed.					
1100	#totaldestruction #totalfalacy #totalfungrowable	Jenny Pike	Epic Trading	02 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
2368	Thanks for the opportunity to register as an interested and affected party. Our organization, Green Worx Empowerment Centre would like to participate in all	Jerohme Kannemeyer	Green Worx	10 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information on the project.
						All stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. Face-to-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Ray in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings also convened in January
2348	The rural areas did not attend the meetings as they did not have transport. This is a concern. How will they be informed of the project.	Jerome Van Aswegan		23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	towns or wissers pay in the vesterin cape and cast curroun in the casterin cape, securit specific relief to the properties of saltitude (2023, TEEPSA soffered to make transport available to people in rural communities. Kindly specify the communities you are referring to so that the ESIA team can take this information into consideration in its planning during the impact assessment phase, which is the next phase of the ESIA.
223	Natural Resources: the rights of the peoples concerned to the natural resources pertaining to the lands shall be specifically safeguarded. These rights include the right of these peoples to participate in the use, management and conservation of these resources.	Jessica Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA and WSP acknowledge that natural resources are important to cultural heritage beliefs and practices and therefore when the Cultural Heritage impact Assessment report discusses the importance of protecting cultural heritage, it is also emphasising that all reasonable measures must be taken to safeguard and protect nature as well.
224	Mineral or other resources: in cases in which the State retains the ownership of mineral or sub surface resources or right to other resources pertaining to lands, government shall establish or maintain procedures through which they shall consult these peoples, with a view to ascertaining whether and to what degree their interests would be prejudious, before undertaking or permitting any programmes for the exploration or exploitation of such resources pertaining	Jessica Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	The Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment Report will consider the measures that need to be undertaken to either avoid or minimise potential impacts of the Project under normal and emergency conditions. NIKSO has been identified as the Government Department mandated to work with communities to develop biocultural protocols that establish the terms and
	to the lands. The peoples concerned shall wherever possible participate in the benefits of such activities, and shall receive fair compensation for any damages which they may sustain as a result of such activities. Development: Government action to apply to Convention shall include assisting the members of the peoples concerned to eliminate socio-economic gaps that					conditions under which WSP and TEEPSA should engage with the communities; especially in the event of commercialisation of indigenous knowledge. The bidocultural protocol sets the terms of engagement and does not imply acceptance of the project or proposals by the community.
225	may exist between indigenous peoples and other members of the national community, in a manner compatible with the aspirations and ways of life. The improvement of the conditions of life and work and levels of health and education of the peoples concerned, with their participation and co-operation, shall be a matter of priority in plans for the overall economic development of areas they inhabit. Special projects for development of the areas in question shall also be so designed as to promote such improvement.	Jessica Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	It is acknowledged that natural resources are important to cultural heritage beliefs and practices and therefore when the Cultural Heritage impact Assessment report discusses the importance of protecting cultural heritage, it is also emphasising that all reasonable measures must be taken to safeguard and protect nature as well.
1571	l would like to register as an interested party to object to Totals proposed activities of the coast of South Africa. Let me know if that is a more appropriate form of objecting. I don't belong to any sector but wish to object. I live at the coast and am very concerned about environmental issues.	Jill Callaghan		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block 118/12B project. Your objection has been recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify environmental risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
909	I, object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I have seen the destruction of marine life at Tshani village on the Wild Coast when Shell were blasting. Thank you.	Jill Fish	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded. A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on the marine environment will be done as part of the ESIA process.
1710	Good day, my name is Joan Gallagher and I want to object to any oil or gas exploration. It is ridiculous that at this time when we are supposed to be moving away from fossil fuels that people think thatthey can explore and damage our coastline, taking away the livelihoods and the beauty and magnificence that we have been blessed with in their never ending greed, they are disquisting and need to be stopped. I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our	Joan Gallagher		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1788	local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet.	Jo-Ann Outram		07 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1028	I hereby lodge my OBJECTION to TotalEnergies' plan to drill new wells and lay pipelines in the area between and offshore from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis. My objections: 1. a blowout, accidental release or spillages will be catastrophic to marine life plus the regional industries of tourism, fisheries and recreational industries;	Joanne Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events, on the environment, tourism, fisheries and recreational industries will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1029 1030	Offshore oil and gas exploration has a major negative impact on green gases and hence climate change; and More desirable and viable energy alternatives have not been fully considered.	Joanne Macgregor	Individual Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa
1030	S. more destration and visuale energy atternatives raive not been may considered. Deep water coral beds will be smothered by operational waste. S. Fish spawnings will be negatively impacted by toxic waste and emissions.	Joanne Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023		integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. An oil spill and fullings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including sites important to endemic fish species in the area, like estuaries and MPAs). A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment will
1032	CSEM surveys pose a risk to elasmobranch species (incl sharks, rays, skates).		Individual	,	E-mail	use the results of these studies to assess the impacts of the smothering and the discharge of operational waste. No CSEM surveys will be conducted for the project. The environmental importance of the Aquitas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist
1032	8. The are is situated in the Agulhas current - a major route for Whale and sardine migration; and	Joanne Macgregor	Hulvidual	02 February 2023		The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals.

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COMMENT NO.	CUMMENT, ISSUE OF SUUGESTION	KAISED BY	UKGANISATIUN	DATE	Open House, FGM, Call)	Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is
1033	7. Noise and pressure emissions impact negatively and widely on marine turtles, mammals and cetaceans.	Joanne Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key papers covering underwater noise and its effects: Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and *Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turties. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on manine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), permanent threshold shifts (i.e., permanent loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), and behavioural response in marine mammal haring due to both imputsive and non-imputsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for imputsive sounds (Southall et al 2019, MMS 2016). Coll 301. The disturbance (behavioural response) threshold for all marine mammal species was set as 160 dire of 1 pra (SPLms) for imputsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 direction of the noise of the consideration of non-imputsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 direction of the noise of the consideration of the noise or its acoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance thresholds are much lower for continuous sounds than impulsive sounds, which is attributed to the differences in the way the ear perceives buodiess for these sound types. Appropriate thresholds for sea turties related to impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources were set as per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behavioural disturbance noise thresholds for sea turties for both impulsive and non-impulsive and non-impulsive and non-impulsive and non-impulsive and non-impulsive and
1034	 It borders a sensitive and protected marine protected area. There is no way of ensuring this reserve stays uncontaminated in the event of spillage or other- origin pollution from drilling and exploration activities. 	Joanne wacgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	close to the block include the Port Eisabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast comer, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (come 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs, under worst-case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitats or structures are given a suitable buffer zone from the installation of pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far field oil spill, noise and drill cuttings modelling results are complete. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overleven fisheries operations and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spital and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will be the impacts of general operational and construction safely exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the original operations in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estatates) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
1035	10. If this venture is permitted, it will set a precedent for the wholesale exploitation of energy reserves off our coastline, which will catastrophic to marine and coastal life, and adjacent industries. It hereby logge my OBLECTION to TotalEnergies' plan to drill new wells and lay pipelines in the area between and offshore from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis.	Joanne Macgregor	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1711	My objections: a blowout, accidental release or splitages will be catastrophic to marine life plus the regional industries of tourism, fisheries and recreational industries; offshore oil and gas exploration has a major negative impact on green gases and hence climate change, and more desirable and viable energy atternative short on the control of th	Joanne Macgregor		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority, WSP's EIA report will provide a comprehensive assessment of the impact of production related operations. including unplanned events, on environmentally sensitive areas, including spawning areas and coral beds, in the region.
70	I represent the Abalone industry. This project will be close to a potential ranching area. Should there be an unplanned spill event, what financial means does TOTAL have at its disposal to compensate financial harm? Is there a process in place and does this include insurances. If you can prove that you have suffered financial loss, will you will be compensated?	Johan	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The details of the impacts associated with unplanned events will be made available in the EIA report, in the next phase of the project. TEEPSA will ensure that it has all the necessary insurances in place in accordance with legislation and company policies. In terms of compensation, if the project and is plain the national government also has an oil spill contingency plan. All claims go through a panel which investigates claims for compensation. TEEPSA will work closely with government in this repard.
2	Will aspects of human health and wellbeing be considered overall in the ESIA and, specifically, in instances where references are made to the environment?	Johan Compion	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	Human health and wellbeing will be assessed and further identified when looking at issues such as social disruption and community health, safety and security.
4	Please include the District Municipalities together with the Local Municipalities as part of the Local Economic Development (LED) plans/projects. Regarding mobilisation of communities to attend meetings, please involve ward committees and local municipalities in the communication. Local municipalities	Johan Compion	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	WSP notes your request and undertake to engage further with the District during the SLP specific consultation process.
6	have communication departments, and these departments must be contacted as they know the best methods and mechanisms to communicate with their communities.	Johan Compion	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	Thank you for this guidance.
	I hope you are aware of the leaking 8" condensate pipeline after the beach crossing about 500m from the shoreline landside? I am a n RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me and the whole world. It is clear that all focus must	Johan Uys	Individual	23 December 2022	E-mail	TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the oil leak but have not had a response to date. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this
1177	be on renewables. Thank you very much for registering the Garden Route District municipality as an interested and Affected Party for the proposed project. Our comments on	Johan Walters	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
164	Internation of the distriction o	Johann Schoeman / Monde Stratu	Garden Route District Municipality	11 January 2023	E-mail	This information has been recorded. Based on the information available at this time, there should be no Section 21 (listed) activities associated with the TEEPSA facilities. This will be discussed with the District Municipality during the ESIA process.
165	2. It should be noted that if any small boilers as contemplated in GN No. 831 of November 2013, will be operated Garden Route District municipality will be the authority responsible for issuing small boiler registration certificates.	Johann Schoeman / Monde Stratu	Garden Route District Municipality	11 January 2023	E-mail	As TEEPSA is not responsible for anything from the PetroSA F-A Platform, inflow and downstream of this operation there is unlikely to be any Section 23 (e.g. small boilers) activities associated with the TEEPSA application. In addition, since the onshore operations at the proposed laydown area is expected to make use of the existing (port) infrastructure for any heating and power requirements, the support operations associated with the construction phase would not require boilers. There is no reference in the project documents of any operations that are part of the TEEPSA ESIA that require steam, heat or power generation thus there should be no requirement for a small boiler. TEEPSA will not operate any boilers > 10MW heat input and less than 50 MW heat input. The vessels would require power but this would be heavy Fuel Dil (HFO) generators or Natural Gas (NS) turbines.
166 68	3. Further comments will be made in terms of Air Quality management as the environmental and social impact assessment progresses and the possible listed activities confirmed with the appropriate Licencing Authority. We understand that there is another TEEPSA project off the southern cape coast that is further along in the process and that this could be where the	Johann Schoeman / Monde Stratu John	Garden Route District Municipality Individual	11 January 2023 07 December 2022	E-mail V-Public Mtg.01	The comment has been recorded. Based on the information available at this time, there should be no Section 21 (listed) activities associated with the TEEPSA facilities. This will be discussed with the District Municipality during the ESIA process. TEEPSA is engaging with various structures and small-scale fisheries on various projects as part of ESIA processes and from a corporate company perspective.
74	confusion is. I would like to highlight the fact that public consultation in this country is challenging with load shedding and virtually no postal service. In terms of other TOTAL applications in the area, there is some confusion on the other projects. In Hermanus a group of disadvantaged individuals were part of the previous	John Bristow	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	There are other projects on the west coast that have ESIA processes and related consultation. Thank you for raising that point EEPSA is undertaking multiple ESIA related projects that are overlapping in some instances. TEEPSA is also implementing its appropriate that the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in the project is also implement to the project in t
	meetings, and this was encouraging to see. The work you are talking about now, if successful, will link into the existing PetroSA infrastructure which is standing idle and in need of an upgrade. We all want a clean environment, but we have a challenge with employment. Ultimately the economic benefits will be the most telling factor of all. This could be an	John Bristow	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	own community engagement processes, outside the EIA processes. The proposed Block118f/12B project will feed into the existing PetroSA F-A Platform which is now coming to the end of its life cycle. Planned upgrades to this facility will provide an additional 20 years to the life of the facility and could potentially benefit people whose jobs depend on the PetroSA facility. Further socio-
	opportunity to uplift MOSSGAS. In note Michele's comments and that we are dealing with an extractive industry. I wish to say this positively, but unfortunately we the citizen's want all these fancy good and plastics which is the real problem which we have to address. The Niger Delta is an example of oil population, greed and corruption which has					economic benefits could include local off-take for gas to be used at local Gas-to-Liquid and Gas-to-Power facilities. TEEPSA is engaging with potential local clients in this regard. The Final Investment Decision (FID) will be taken once the Production Right has been granted.
	destroyed a valuable part of Nigeria. If you want a good example of a country which has been transformed by minerals, and I know we are not talking about oil and gas, it is Botswana. Botswana really is the jevel box of Africa. The country has uplifted itself through diamonds and educated its people. Although not perfect, it is a good example and a model that has worked.	John Bristow	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1709	strongly object to Totals planned drilling and building of new pipelines offshore at Mosel Bay. I represent the Eastern and Western cape, Block 118/128 project as a living human being with children, grandchildren and a deep concern for the future of	John McKay		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	this precious planet, and as a deeply concerned citizen of the Eastern Cape, we have every right to protect our seas and planet from any further irreversible damage being done to this precious earth by big fuel companies and consortiums. This project cannot be allowed to happen under any circumstances.	John Sven van Straaten John Wills	Jongensfontein Ratepayers Association	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive ESIA will be conducted to assess the potential environmental impacts associated with the project. The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
693	On behalf of the Jongensfontein Ratepayers Association, we are strongly opposed to the proposed offshore production for Block 118/128 by TotalEnergies. My family and I object to Total's plan to build gas pipelines off Mossel Bay. This would be detrimental to the marine wildlife in the area, not to mention the whale and sardine migration. The area borders on a protected marine area. Gas and oil are high risk to the environment, tourism and the coastline. This is a bad idea all around, and we are in opposition to it.	Jolene Banuelos	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. The marine cooling impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecologist scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate miligation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1596 1132	I would like to register as an interested and affected party of the public sector to the Total Projects 11B and 12B. I am against these projects due to a high risk to the environment, tourism and other coastal enterprises. I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Jonathan de Villiers;	Individual	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block. 118f/12B project. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118f/12B project.
1/24	I totally object to Total putting a gas pipeline in the middle of an oceanic migration route. This is totally unnecessary and obviously been punted as it will fill the coffers of a select few who care not one iota for the sea creatures, livelihoods and lourism of our beautiful country. AN END TO ALL THIS CRAP MUST HAPPEN NOW IT MUST STOP. IN THIS DAY AND AGE, HAS NOBOBY LEARNED ANYTHINGAS A PEOPLES, WE ARE DEGENERATING AT A RATE OF KNOTS because of corruption which is obviously at the core of this heinous proposition. END THIS RUBBISH Now!!!!!	Joy Nita Orton		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/128 project.
	Fire everybody involved in Government. They are a discrace to the nation. I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the	Joy Roach		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of
484	viability of living space and our planet. I am a nitrested and affected party. I am a citizen of South Africa and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I am extremely concerned about the destruction of our marine ecosystems and the disruption of marine life. In this time of crisis for our plant and our climate	Joy Robinson	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures.
483	there is no place for this destructive process, especially in the pursuit of polluting fossil fuels. Please find attached my registration documents for the actions stated below. Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 11B/12B by TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. Please confirm receipit and correctness of the documents.	Joy Robinson	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
	AS REGISTERS IN FINANCE READ THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT AND OBJECT TO THE HIGHEST DEGREE ANY FURTHER ACTIONS OF OIL Exploration ALONG THE COAST THAT I AM REDINING AT. This is due to visual and marrine interferences caused by such practices including drilling and more advanced actions of oil prospecting. It's happened delse where and will not accept any contamination of resources we use to survive as food source.	JP vd westhuizen	Individual	28 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA is being undertaken to assess the potential impacts of the proposed project activities, including those on the marine environment and onshore.
1172	Previous application by Shell has been rejected by high Court and therefore this application should be terminated and discourage any exploration of any nature. Trusting that the best will decision will be achieved for the environment and future generations. This email seeks clarity around process of public consultation on the EIA process for TEEPSA's proposed project in Block 118/128 off the coast of St Francis.	JP vd westhuizen	Individual	28 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The outcomes of the ESIA will be submitted to the competent authority to make an informed decision on whether or not to issue an environmental authorisation for the project. The WSP stakeholder engagement team contacted Mr Joseph on 24 January 2023 and provided Mr Joseph with more information on the ESIA process,
	Could please refer me to the right person? Extinction Rebellion Cape Town herewith registers itself as an interested and affected party in relation to the granting of an offshore production right and environmental authorisations for further exploration in Block 118/12B, as requested by Total Energies EP South Africa B.V. and other participating interests, namely Oatar Petroleum, CNR International and Main Street 1549, and as described in the scoping report of WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd as the Environmental	JR Joseph Judy Scott-Goldman	Koukamma quarries Extinction Rebellion	23 January 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	including the public consultation process. The objection is recorded. WSP confirms that Extinction Rebellion Cape Town has been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
	Practitioner. Our objections are detailed below. We request confirmation that our objections have been received and ask to be informed of future developments in relation to the offshore production right and environmental authorisations. Extinction Rebellion (XR) Cape Town is one of 1000 voluntary groups in 75 countries that make up Extinction Rebellion International. XR acts out of love for	ŕ	Extinction Rebellion	•		
	humanity to resist the systems that are killing life on Earth. We demand a steep reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and protection and repair of nature, and call for the necessary political, social and economic change to achieve this. The production right and further exploration authorisations should be refused on the following grounds. Objection 1: A gas industry will increase South Artica's greenhouse gas emissions, which flats to align with our national commitments in terms of the UNFCCC South Artica is a signatory to the funited Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) which means it is committed to limiting the world's	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded.
323	average temperature rise to below 2°C as compared to pre-industrial levels and pursuing efforts to limit the global average temperature is to 1.5°C. Given South Africa's commitment to addressing this existential threat to humanity, there is no rational basis for ramping up a gas industry in South Africa. All stages of the process of producing gas from exploration and extraction to processing, transport and burning involve the release of greenhouse gass. GMGs. Methane is a highly potent greenhouse gas. 80 times more potent than CO2 over a 20-year period. Methane is the principal constituent of natural gas. During the production of oil and natural gas, methane is emitted into the air both deliberately for example through the well testing mentioned on page 23 of the report), and accidentally via leaks in the system. And yet there is very little mention of GHGs in the study. We argue that no company should be given rights to produce fossil fuels without an estimate of resultant GHG emissions and an explanation of how South Africa will meet its Nationally Determined Contributions if Rossil fuel extraction continues within its borders.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the anticipated greenhouse gas emissions and address how the emissions align to South Africa's climate commitments.
	The requested production rights and environmental authorisations for drilling further exploratory wells are all steps in the direction of growing a gas industry, it is irrational for the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE) to grant fossil fuel exploration and production rights. Such consideration fails to account for the impacts of the unfolding climate and ecological crisis which will drastically destabilies South Africa's trade, health, and food and water security. South Africa should move in the direction of a rapid and intense development of its enormous renewable energy potential. The US is ramping up the global transition to renewable energy with its inflation Reduction Act and other bills that are giving tax breaks and grants to promote renewable energy. In contrast, South Africa is moving in the direction of carbon-intensive industry.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
225	As the climate and ecological crisis continues to unfold, we will be well-served by any and all reduction and mitigation efforts. Any further investments in fossil fuels represent a regression in both these respects. The path towards renewable energy and away from fossil fuels should be expedited, not avoided.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the
326	The production right should be refused because the environmental assessment fails to adequately address climate impacts of exploring, extracting, transporting, and burning natural gas and the social costs of increasing our GHG emissions. Objection 2: Impact on the marine environment	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. The climate change might change impact assessment will consider significant GHG's through the lifecycle of the proposed project.
	Humanity is imposing extreme pressure on our oceans; ocean warming, acidification and pollution, increases in marine traffic and noise, and rampant overfishing have left the health of our oceans on the brink of total, irreversible collapse. South Africa ranks as the third most biodiverse country in the world. This biodiversity is South Africa hartural wealth. However, because it is not counted in the country's GDP it is invisible. And when that wealth is hidden in the deep ocean, this wealth goes unseen and its destruction goes unseen also.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the marine impact assessment.
328	The ESN is to be commended for its detailed description of the pressures on marine life that granting gas production rights and further exploration rights in Block 11B1/28 would entail. Section 7.2.1 acknowledges that there are diverse marine flora and fauna in the area and high levels of endemism (section 7.2.2). Table 7.2 lists 28 important large migratory fish and reveals that 17 of the 28 (61%) are vulnerable, near threatened, endangered or critically endangered. Every single species of shark on the list falls into one of those categories. The Great Hammerhead Shark and Oceanic Shark are critically endangered. Table Every single species of shark on the list falls into one of those categories. The Great Hammerhead Shark and Oceanic Shark are critically endangered. These species of turble occur in the area (section 7.2.5). Section 7.2.9 of the report states that Leatherback and Loggerhead turtles are both described as "Vulnerable", and the Green turtle is "Endangered" on a global scale (IUCN 2021). Section 7.2.10 of the report informs us of mariner protected areas (MPAs), critical biodiversity areas (CBAs) and ecologically or biologically significant areas (EBAsa) in, or close to, the area of interest. Offshore MPAs in close proximity to Block 11B1/28 include the Southwest Indian Seamounts MPA to the southwest of the block and the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA to the northeast. The northerm border of Block 11B1/28 lies alongside the Kingdiglic Corals EBAs and pits northeast of the Shackleton Seamount Complex EBSA. The proposed pipeline routing passes through the southwestern corner of the Kingdigi Corals EBSA and through a critical biodiversity area (CBA) Natural area.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the marine impact assessment.
329	There are grave risks to marine populations that inhabit or migrate through Block 118/12B from gas exploration, extraction and transport. Activities include high-decibel sonar surveys, seafloor sampling, well drilling, pipe laying, and an increase in human marine traffic. If we do not treat MPAs, CBAs and EBSAs with respect, the tools being used by our conservation agencies will continue to fail. Measures proposed in the report are lother assess significant areas, communities or species along the pipe routing line or around proposed wells and to have plans in place to manage and mitigate risks. However, as acknowledged in the report, risk mitigation and disaster planning are made difficult by the harsh conditions of Block 11b/12b, which is exposed to high winds, large swells and the Agulhas oceanic current, which is considered the 'second strongest surface current in the world' (Section 7.1.1.1).	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the marine impact assessment.

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	The WMF's Living Planet Report of 2022 fells us that of the plants and animals that are currently monitored by scientists, taking 1970 as the benchmark, the numbers are down to 31% of the numbers the scientists found in 1970, on average. This is a devastating 69% drop in wildlife populations in less than a lifetime. In Africa, the figure is a decline of 66%. The report is a real wake-up call in terms of valuing our natural resources. The argument that South Africa					
330	needs to grow its economy is no longer an argument for destroying its environment. We have to ask questions about growth; of what, to whose benefit and to whose loss, and at what cost. The World Bank wrote in July 2021 that the global economy faces annual losses of \$2.7 trillion by 2030 if ecological tipping points are reached and countries fall to invest more in protecting and restoring nature. We have to assess this request for gas production not in a narrow way	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the marine impact assessment.
	but in the wider context of catastrophic climate change and biodiversity loss. The production rights and rights to further exploration for oil and gas requested for Block 11AB/12B should be rejected on the grounds that they pose grave					
331	risks to biodiversity in the region, risks which are unnecessary, given South Africa's potential to source energy in less ecologically damaging ways and given that we are in a global climate and ecological emergency.	Judy Scott-Goldman	Extinction Rebellion	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The green areas indicated on the maps on pages 11 and 64 of the Draft Scoping Report represent the central and eastern portions of Block 118/12B, where
	Referring to the TEEPSA Block 11B12B scoping public meeting presentation from the website https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents 1. Proximity to sensitive areas					future production and exploration related activities are proposed to take place. The Block 1181/2B production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingklip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts
662	1. Frozimity to sensitive areas There are two unexplained (greenish) colours in the key of the maps pages 11 and 64 of the [sentence incomplete]. The platforms and existing wells are conveniently placed and grouped where these areas briefly part. The block proximity is bordering on i.e. four-bring critical blodwersity areas with proposed	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	like block include the Port Intagenia Corlas MPA (of the normess corner), amost bordering the production right aleas) and the Southwest intern seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst-
	exploration areas marked well into critical areas.					case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitats or structures are given a suitable buffer zone from the installation of pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far field oil spill, noise and drill cuttings modelling
						results are complete. The most up to date data available in the scientific literature on cetacean occurrence off the South Coast of South Africa, their distribution, depth range, seasonality/fresence in the production right area and IUCN status are presented in Section 7.2 of the Scoping report.
663	Whaling information from 1960 cannot possibly give us the information we require to indicate that the two marine mammal species identified will be the only two most affected. Also The list of threatened, critically threatened and near extinction species (pages 56-59 and page 53) is far too large to even consider allowing for any further exploration and or proposed production for the block under application and scrutiny. It would seem the block size has been	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	You are correct in that the Block 118/128 production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingkip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Eizabeth Corals MPA (to the northest corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marrine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts
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664	government should not allow licenses to even begin processing if they fall within these areas. This is therefore the fault of the department responsible for marine protection to entertain and allow the applicant to further the process of applying. This would have saved the applicant and their predecessors billions	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures, including appropriate buffer zones and offsets.
	of rands. The applicant could possibly lawfully argue that damages be paid by that department and also implicated is the department of energy and minerals as they signed off on the surveys supplying the data to the petroleum industry. Every aspect of the area under consideration is fragle ecologically. It is widely known that disturbance in the ecology has DIRECT impact on communities					
665	reliant on ocean resources. It is also widely known that the population most affected is low income families who will be force below the poverty line. If this is acceptable to the Chairman, executives and shareholders of Total Energies then they should definitely proceed. It the notion that what they need in order to profit in any way has any affect as dire as poverty on any single family seems preposterous to the Chairman, executives and shareholders of Total Energies	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The proposed project's ecological and livelihood implications will be assessed during the environmental and social assessment.
	then they should abandon this application. 2. The unlawful seismic information gathered illegally in December 2021-2022 as well as all surveys that happened prior should be confiscated and not					
666	allowed to be used as part of the production process. It should be wiped from all memory and if exploration is what they need to confirm their suspicions that oil and gas exist there then they need to reapply to survey. The illegal seismic surveys cannot be reversed, the damage was done and future impact unknown but conveniently presumed to have none by the entire oil and gas industry.	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The seismic surveys conducted in Block 11B/12B were authorised by TEEPSA's previous Exploration Right.
667	3.What is so concerning is that rather then have a fully documented well presented safe and secure environment presentation, each new applicant for this block modifies their EIA based on the pushback they receive from the small (gaining momentum) environmentally concerned groups who relentlessly battle	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
067	the giants of oil and gas. With most recent wins as court battles and the largest national environmental protest campaign encouraging concerned people of the country and the world the voice to say and then to stop further damage to the vulnerable environment heading for climate disaster.	Julie Anderson	individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authorny.
668	4. Thank you for hearing the outcry and stopping the process (Regardless that it was by force of court order and not voluntary) this has allowed the applicant to obtain the necessary information to appease the affected parties. Undoubtedly Total energies were expecting an outcome in their favour but the more new applicants research the area, the more evident it is that this should definitely NOT proceed any further then it already has.	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The Production Right and Environmental Authorisation application submitted by TEEPSA for the Block 118/128 gas and condensate extraction project is an ongoing project that is following the regulatory process as prescribed in the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended. It has not been stopped by a court order. This comment appears to refer to a different project.
669	5.1 propose the department of environment, forestry and fishery should immediately apply to have the now well researched area declared a world heritage site. Therefore no single other applicant will be allowed to consider to apply to any interfering activities listed in the table on page 67 ever. In fact I would go	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	This comment appears to refer to a different project.
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670	of south Africa increase considerably which will look like a win to the government departments concerned. It will be well received by the global community and demonstrate willingness to listen to citizens and protect the environment and most vulnerable coastal communities.	Julie Anderson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	No application has been brought against the Block 11B/12B Production Right and Environmental Authorisation application. This comment appears to refer to a different project. The green areas indicated on the maps on pages 11 and 64 of the Draft Scoping Report represent the central and eastern portions of Block 11B/12B, where
	I have the following comments to make regarding this proposed project and/or the public participation process:					future production and exploration related activities are proposed to take place. The Block 11B/12B production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingklip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to
1659	 Proximity to sensitive areas There are two unexplained (greenish) colours in the key of the maps pages 11 and 64 of The platforms and existing wells are conveniently placed and grouped where these areas briefly part. 	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst-
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1660	Whaling information from 1960 cannot possibly give us the information we require to indicate that the two marine mammal species identified will be the only two most affected.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	results are complete. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping Report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cataceans.
1661	Also The list of threatened, critically threatened and near extinction species (pages 56-59 and page 53) is far too large to even consider allowing for any further exploration and or proposed production for the block under application and scrutiny.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comments will be incorporated into the ESIA marine impact assessment. The production right application area was reduced to avoid sensitive marine areas. The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on
1662	It would seem the block size has been determined by the sensitive areas that have been studied and borders (as in touches) these areas. The sensitive areas are marine areas and therefore cannot be subjected to a walled pool that will restrict movement, overlapping WILL occur and the entire block is simply too	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst-case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitats or structures are given a suitable buffer
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1663	government should not allow licenses to even begin processing if they fall within these areas. This is therefore the fault of the department responsible for marine protection to entertain and allow the applicant to further the process of applying. This would have saved the applicant and their predecessors billions of rands.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The implications of the marine protected and critical biodiversity areas to the project are outlined in Section 7.2.10.6 of the Scoping Report.
1664	The applicant could possibly lawfully argue that damages be paid by that department and also implicated is the department of energy and minerals as they signed off on the surveys supplying the data to the petroleum industry.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comment has been recorded.
1665	Every aspect of the area under consideration is fragile ecologically. It is widely known that disturbance in the ecology has DIRECT impact on communities reliant on ocean resources. 2. The unlawful seismic information gathered illegally in December 2021-2022 as well as all surveys that happened prior should be confiscated and not	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The outputs of the marine ecology impact assessment will be incorporated into the socio-economic and social impact assessment studies, to assess the impacts on fishers and local communities.
1666	allowed to be used as part of the production process. It should be wiped from all memory and if exploration is what they need to confirm their suspicions that oil and gas exist there then they need to reapply to survey. The illegal seismic surveys cannot be reversed, the damage was done and future impact unknown	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The seismic surveys conducted in Block 118/12B were authorised by TEEPSA's previous Exploration Right.
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1667	the giants of oil and gas. With most recent wins as court battles and the largest national environmental protest campaign encouraging concerned people of the country and the world the voice to say and then to stop further damage to the vulnerable environment heading for climate disaster	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	presentation given at the public meetings is only for this project and has not been influenced by events on other projects.
1668	4. Thank you for hearing the outcry and stopping the process (Regardless that it was by force of court order and not voluntary) this has allowed the applicant to obtain the necessary information to appease the affected parties. Undoubtedly Total energies were expecting an outcome in their favour but the more new applicants research the area, the more evident it is that this should definitely NOT proceed any further then it already has.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The Environmental Authorisation application as part of the Production Right application for Block 118/12B is an ongoing process and is not subject to a court order.
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1670	areas of south Africa increase considerably which will look like a win to the government departments concerned. It will be well received by the global community and demonstrate willingness to listen to citizens and protect the environment and most vulnerable coastal communities.	Julie Anderson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The Environmental Authorisation application as part of the Production Right application for Block 118/12B is an ongoing process.
						The meeting recording as well as the meeting notes are available via WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128. Furthermore, Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape
						Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: -Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio).
	Many thanks for the presentations on the 7th December 2022 (online) and the public meeting held in Plettenberg Bay on the 17th January 2023. While we appreciate the efforts, we would like it noted that the online meeting, due to load shedding, cannot be deemed as a satisfactory engagement. During this					 -Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. -Placement of site notices at various public places. -Data-free website to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11812B)
795	lonline meeting, I submitted several queries via the chat prior to load shedding and none of these were addressed. Load shedding happened 30 minutes into the presentation. The meeting held on the 17th January 2023 was exceptionally badly advertised, with times changing and then changing back and people lonly becoming aware of the meeting on the day of the meeting. The time allowed for questions was inadequate with only I questions being allowed. Again,	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	A dedicated email address (teepsaElA@WSP.com) and WhatApp number (076 694 3842). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. Face-to-face public meetings were coveneed in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held
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						members at 15:00 and this was communicated to the stakeholders on the I&AP database via bulk SMS. The additional meeting was requested due to concerns with the availability of transport. The scoping phase consultation process marked the beginning of the public participation process. There will be further
						opportunities for the public to participate during the next round of meetings that will take place in the next phase of the ESIA, namely the impact assessment phase. You are welcome to submit any suggestions you may have to the Public Participation Office through the following email address: teepsaEIA@WSP.com.
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	 The questions posed at the meeting in December which still require answers are as follows: 	Iulia Carliela	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment	02 Enhaugu 2022	E-mail	Thank you for this comment, your concerns are noted. The Scoping Report (Section 7.2.7) has been updated to include the most up to date data available in the
797	- How does TEEPSA into to address the lack of research and understanding of cetaceans and other species that occur offshore and in the deeper waters?	Julie Carlisle	Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for this comment, your concerns are noted. The Scoping Report (Section 7.2.7) has been updated to include the most up to date data available in the published literature to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. Marine Mammal Observers (MMOs) will be required as part of mitigation measure requirements of the marine ecology impact assessment. These will be detailed
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822	· What is the potential impact to sea life from the corrosion of the flowlines?	Julie Carlisle	Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	metallic coatings (Aluminium and Zinc) together with the use of indium-activated aluminium anodes. The type of corrosion protection to be used will be confirmed during the ESIA and the marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider the impact of the corrosion protection method on marine life. Pipelines that are located in shallow water will in cortain instances be buried during construction, to ensure that they do not interfere with maritime activities. The
823	Why is it necessary to bury pipe components in trenches in shallow water to decommission them? Why can they not be removed? Why is any removeable infrastructure or equipment left?	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	removal of subsea infrastructure, making safe of any remaining infrastructure if appropriate, as well as required seabed rehabilitation requirements, will be considered in the Closure Plan being developed as part of the ESIA.
824	Considering that the Agulhas current is the strongest surface current in the world, what are the risks to equipment and marine life should equipment get damaged?	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, your concerns are noted. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities (including on sensitive, breeding and migratory species), with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. These impacts will include unforeseen events (like an unforeseen well blow out), as well as potential pollution during all project phases.
825	- The table of the hearing ranges of cetaceans in the report does not link this information to the actual activities that are proposed. What will the impact be on cetaceans (and other sea life) and will research be conducted to establish the number of cetaceans (and sea life) that may be impacted?	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for this comment, your concerns are noted. The scoping report (Section 7.2.7) has been updated to include the most up to date data available in the published literature to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. He may be the production of the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans. Such as an orderise that will be used in this toutly to aid assessment of environmental effects come from to key papers covering underwater noise and its effects: **Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and *Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on manine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), permanent threshold shifts (i.e., permanent loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), and behavioural response in marine mammal hearing due to both impulsive noise course, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al 2019, NMFS 2016). The disturbance (behavioural response) threshold for all marine mammal spoises was set as 160 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLms) for impulsive noise sources were set as per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behaviovarial disturbance noise surves were at as per Finneran et al. (2
826	4. Draft Scoping Report Non Technical Summary The identified and listed potential impacts described the document include aspects listed below. How will these potential impacts be mitigated and what risk percentage is deemed as "acceptable"? - Impacts on air quality due to air emissions from vessel engines and from well testing;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	applied for impulsive and non-impulsive noise. Examples of miligation measures that will be employed to mitigate impacts on air quality are provided in Table 11-1 of the Scoping Report; these include the development of a dedicated plan for waste management and pollution control (for air and water quality at sea), use of high efficiency burners for well testing, and optimisation of rig positioning, rig movement and logistics to reduce the number of trips required to and from the onshore logistics base. The measures that will be applied to the project will be further developed based on the findings of the air quality study that will be done as part of the ESIA. For the air quality study, detailed design information will not be available. The air quality study significance rating will be based on other operations that would use the same or similar vessels. Recommendations will be made for further studies, where required. Management procedures (including mitigation measures) were investigated as part of the air quality study and the feasible options included as recommendations.
827	Impacts on sea water quality at drilling sites due to drilling muds and cuttings and cement which will be discharged into the sea during well drilling;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through an oil spill an drill discharge cuttings study.
828	Impacts on sediment quality (bottom contours, grain sized and some chemical parameters) from discharge of drilling muds and cuttings and cement and from seafloor sampling:	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum Plettenberg Bay Community Environment	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through an oil spill an drill discharge cuttings study. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey
829 830	Impacts on plant and animal life on the sea bottom in areas where wells are drilled, or project infrastructure is installed; Incineration of individual birds from well stem test flaring at the drillship;	Julie Carlisle Julie Carlisle	Forum Plettenberg Bay Community Environment	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	data. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey
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832	The potential for collision between project vessels and marine mammals and sea turtles or due to well drilling, VSP and/or sonar survey activities, resulting in injury or mortality;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
833	Impact on bird life / nesting due to disturbances caused by marine vessels and helicopter traffic;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
834	Protection from fish pressure of some fishes and invertebrates species attracted to the project infrastructures where the exclusion zone will be applied;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum Plettenberg Bay Community Environment	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment is noted with thanks. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess this potential impact through the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
835	Loss of fishing gears due to project vessel movements in fishing areas;	Julie Carlisle Julie Carlisle	Forum Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Maritime safety will be addressed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment that forms part of the ESIA. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact
837	Loss of small-scale/artisanal fishing grounds due to project infrastructures and their exclusion safety zones;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	assessment. Potential impacts on fishers will be assessed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA.
838	Risk of collision between project vessels and small-scale fishing boats due to project vessels movements;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts on fishers will be assessed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA.
839	Social unrest in coastal communities due to the perception of project negative impacts on fisheries combined with very limited local benefits;	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	The potential for social mobilisation for or against the project will be considered as part of the social impact assessment.
840	Potential impacts on human cultural heritage and spiritual connections to the ocean and coastline, which is of sacred value to communities.	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered in the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (CHIA). The CHIA will also consider values which you raise as a concern. Section 11.8.8 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and method for the CHIA study.
841	The Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum thanks you for the opportunity to comment and we look forward to your response to our concerns and queries raised. We reserve the right to comment on this proposed project in the future.	Julie Carlisle	Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms the Plettenberg Bay Community Environment Forum has been registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information about this project.
1507	I am a concerned citizen. Our oceans are sacred and they should not be for sale!They need to be protected from the exploitation of greedy corporations!	Julie Pocock		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded.
1154	I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1.The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine ministration. 2.The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.	Julie Tilanus	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine cosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid
1155	3.Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Julie Tilanus	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	or reduce these impacts. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1156	4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Julie Tilanus	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1157	5.This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. 6.The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.	Julie Tilanus Julie Tilanus	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 1181/12B project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas
1162	I strongly oppose to the above pipeline. Please register me as an interested party.	Julie van Niekerk	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be
199	The Imakaya Heath And Welfare Academy NPO of Mosel Bay would like Total Energies to develop and implement comprehensive human resource development programmes, Mine Community Development Plan promoting employment, advance of social an economic welfare, Socio Economic Development, Social Fund, Safety and security, Social Fund Sustainable Development and to utilize and expand the exiting skill base for Empowerment of H.D.S.A. to serve the community.	Kalla September	Imakaya Heath And Welfare Academy (Mossel Bay)	30 January 2023	E-mail	informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. IEEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment, advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. The SLP includes elements such as human resource development (employee skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, portable skills training and employment equity); and community development (through development projects aligned with relevant municipal IDPs; procurement, supplier and enterprise development).
200	As a stakeholder and I/AP I further request that the Mine Community be part of the Production Rights and further exploration rights, and therefore must benefit in the construction and all phases of the project of Total. We must be an active participant in the development of the project.	Kalla September	Imakaya Heath And Welfare Academy (Mossel Bay)	30 January 2023	E-mail	A separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during the first half of 2023. During this process, TEEPSA will engage with local authorities and community representatives regarding the contents of the SLP. We welcome the opportunity to engage with you during the various phases of the proposed TEEPSA Block 118/12B project and more specifically, during the various phases of the SLP development.
201	Our NPO support the Exploration and Production rights and father exploration rights of Total Energies. We as imakaya Health and Welfare Academy recommend the following for consideration: To advance youth and women empowement. To advance Socio Economic Welfare in our Area. To advance Socio Economic Welfare in our Area. To expand the existing skills development in our Area. To expand the existing skills development. To have direct employment from TEEPSA and not make use of Labour Brokers. To ensure the development of required skills in respect of core and critical skills, artisans ext. To identified significant business opportunities. To train the locals in ocean economy. To give training in marine equipment. To foster an entrepreneurial culture. To foster an entrepreneurial culture. To facilitate access to business premises (Spatial Development). To gel Alignment with the IDP with locals prioritize their needs. To give support to environmental programmed/kilod project, beach cleaning ext. To establish a Social Fund or Trust Fund made evalable by the company TEEPSA for the needs of the poor (infrastructure development) ext. Safety and Security: to give priority to our hot spots per area with support of camera project and support to neighborhood watches. Sustainable development: the social, economic and environmental inclinos must be bringing into planning, implementation decision making by all	Kalla September	Imakaya Heath And Welfare Academy (Mossel Bay) Imakaya Heath And Welfare Academy (Mossel Bay)	30 January 2023 30 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP acknowledges the suggestions, which will be given due consideration during preparation of the SLP.
1116	stakeholders affected. I am an interested and affected party as a citizen of Sedgefield in South Africa. I object most strongly to The proposal by Total to do extensive damaging research on our coastline. Our oceans are full of precious life and no more raping of this valuable resource must be allowed.	Karin Noëline Ritchie	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	Vour objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
1117	I stand absolutely against the further exploration and destruction of our natural blome. It is completely unnecessary and the alternative technology that does exist needs to be allowed to surface. The preservation of the earth and especially our coastline should be our number one priority. Good day, Please receive my questions regarding the ESIA presented at the Scenery Park, East London Hearing on Thursday 26 dan 2023 for the proposed	Karin Robichon	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
1514	new well drilling and pipeline building & linking up to MosGas from Blocks 11B/12B Regarding possible damage: 1) - How long have the older gas wells (as you are drilling new wells in the same area) been active? - Has there been any monitoring of their social and environmental impacts? - If so, what have these impacts been?	Kate Teesdale	Ocean Steward of Wild Coast	01 February 2023		Gas fields were first drilled in the area surrounding Block 118/128 in the late 1970's and exploration drilling from 1981 to 1991 saw approximately 1811 exploration wells drilled. Block 9 is located within the Bredasdorp basin, a sub-basin of the Ofteniqua basin that extends over most of the offshore south coast and its adjacent to Block 1816/128. This block supplied the Mossags (now PetroSA) gas-to-liquid plant since the 1980's; however, the gas field has now reached end of life, flyts://www.petrolumiampingrax.com/index.pb/24-petrolumi-gelogy-resources). WSP is not award or dany environmental and social mentioning done by PetroSA, as the owners and operators of the Block 9 gas fields. At the end of life, gas wells are plugged, capped and abandoned. There is no further monitoring unless, during the production stage, there is an indication that the well may leak.
1515	- Who did the monitoring? 2) - How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon the local fisheries? - How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon the whale and turtle migrations, and the sardine run? - How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon local tourism? 3)	Kate Teesdale	Ocean Steward of Wild Coast	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Potential impacts on fishers, marine ecology and tourism will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. The results of the studies will be made available for public review in the next phase of the ESIA process.
1516	If an accident occurs, what is the extent of the impact, including the range of coastline and ocean affected, given that the Agulhas current reaches just over 9km/hour? - Can TotalEnergies guarantee no accident, and if not, how can TotalEnergies justify, in economic terms or otherwise, any harm done when this is being done in a living environment, and therefore on its terms? - If there is an accident, can TotalEnergies guarantee compensation for those negatively affected? - If there is an accident is there are proliferior both to decide on issues of compensation?	Kate Teesdale	Ocean Steward of Wild Coast	01 February 2023	Whate Ann	Numerical modelling of contaminant dispersion from a subsea blowout or condensate leak will include a full 3D representation of the Agulhas Current over a 5- year period. The extent of the impact on the surrounding ocean and nearby coastine will be predicted by the model. The effect of spill mitigation measures will also be modelled and the findings presented in the study report. TEEPSA will ensure that it has all the necessary insurances in place in accordance with legislation and company policies. In terms of compensation, if there is an oil spill, the national government also has an oil spill contingency plan. All claims go through a panel which investigates claims for compensation. TEEPSA will work closely with government in this regard.
1517	If there is an accident, is there an objective body to decide on issues of compensation? Would like to submit my Objection to the TotalEnergies proposal of Policy 1180/128 from Mossel Bay to Cape St. Francis. I believe it is ethically & morally abhorrent that any company knowingly continues to explore for and mine fossil fuels given the precarious environmental situation of our planet, and continues to do so using irvasive, harmful, highly risky methods that should even require permission from government and the People. I say No.	Kate Teesdale	Ocean Steward of Wild Coast	2-Feb-23 & 3-Feb-23		The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP also confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP for the
1518 1519	Good morning. Please confirm receipt of my Objection, and confirm. Bear in mind, however, that the first message was not merely a 'comment', but a Question. And that my message yesterday was not merely a 'comment', but	Kate Teesdale	Ocean Steward of Wild Coast Ocean Steward of Wild Coast	2-Feb-23 & 3-Feb-23 2-Feb-23 & 3-Feb-23	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The EIA Regulations (2014), as amended) require that all comments and issued raised by I&AP's be captured and incorporated into the ESIA process.
1297	an Objection. Please receive my questions regarding the ESIA presented at the Scenery Park, East London Hearing on Thursday 26 Jan 2023 for the proposed new well drilling and tipidling and tipidling S linking up to MosGas from Blocks 118/128.	Kate Teesdale	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1298	Regarding possible damage: * How long have the older gas wells (as you are drilling new wells in the same area) been active? * Has there been any monitoring of their social and environmental impacts? * If so, what have these impacts been? * Who did the monitoring?	Kate Teesdale	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The Block 9 well field that has been providing feedstock to the F-A Platform and the PetroSA Gas-to Liquid plant for the last 30 years is adjacent to Block 11B/12B. WSP is not aware of any monitoring of the environmental and social impacts of the wells.
1299	* How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon the local fisheries? * How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon the whale and turtle migrations, and the sardine run?	Kate Teesdale	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts associated with the construction, operation and decommissioning of the project, as well as unplanned events, such as an oil spill, on aquatic receptors and on fishers, will be addressed in dedicated studies that are being done as part of the ESIA process. The purposed reduction that describes the property of the purposed of the project of the purposed of the pu
1301	* If an accident occurs, what is the extent of the impact, including the range of coastline and ocean affected, given that the Agulhas current reaches just over 9km/hour? *Can TotalEnergies guarantee no accident, and if not, how can TotalEnergies justify, in economic terms, any harm done when this is being done in a living	Kate Teesdale	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The numerical modelling study report will present the extent of impact from an accidental subsea blowout. The model will represent the behaviour of the Agulhas current as it changes with location and time.
1302	environment, and therefore on its terms? "If there is an accident, can TotalEnergies guarantee compensation for those negatively affected?	Kate Teesdale Kate Teesdale	Individual Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage and for ongoing work to restore the environment. TEEPSA is required to set aside funds to ensure that, in the event of an oil spill, an environmental clean-up can be undertaken and compensation paid to the clinical communities that one advanced in federal Compensation will be determined on a cere by use polaries.
1304	* If there is an accident, is there an objective body to decide on issues of compensation?	Kate Teesdale	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	individuals and communities that are adversely affected. Compensation will be determined on a case-by-case basis. In terms of Production Right obligations, TEEPSA is obliged to set aside funds to remediate environmental damage and compensate communities in the event of environmental damage and adverse effects on people's livelihoods due to a spill or leak. The compensation would be decided by a committee, set up by the
1124	I would like to hereby register my objection to the TotalEnergies Proposed Offshore Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation for Block 118/128.	Kathleen Samson	Individual	02 February 2023		emoninental carriage and averse effects on people's vereinnous due to a spirit of leak. The compensation would be decided by a Committee, set up by the Treasury, to consider compensation on a case-by-case basis. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority, WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 1181/28 project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and
1125	Offshore production of gas and oil is unacceptably harmful for fragile and necessary ecosystems. I reject another move by consultancies funded by oil conglomerates to further destabilise socio-environmental communities which see no benefits, only continuing losses. This is not developement, it is the unsustainable excrativism.	Kathleen Samson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (impration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available iterature, as well as in situ survey data. Please note that WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of affecting WSP's independence. Please also note that TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advances social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects.
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COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
1126	As a concerned and angered citizen of South Africa, I register my objection to all forms of exploration off the coast by companies like TotalEnergies. Future energy sources must be green, sustainable, and benefit all levels of local communities, first and foremost the poorest.	Kathleen Samson	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11Bf/12B project. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SIP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects.
1636	Please register me as an I&AP for the Total Energies EIA for the project between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis. I have only just become aware of this matter, and as a South African citizen I am deeply concerned about the influx of applications for prospecting and plans for resource extraction along our entire coastline. Whilst each project must be considered in its own context, it is my feeling that the cumulative effect of so somary applications/projects MUST be considered by the decision-making authorities as a priority, as each project can and with have knock-on and wider impacts than anticipated. The fact that our marine resources are already stressed by human interventions, abuse and mismanagement, as well as the long-term climate change issues which we will be dealing with for generations to come, requires that any and all applications must be scrutinised, researched and assessed far more carefully than ever before, so as not to exacerbate an already dire state of affairs.	Katrin Visser		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1754	Please forward all information documents to me per email, so that I may understand the scope of the proposed work, in order to participate in the process meaningfully I am a concerned citizen - I have had the pleasure of visiting St. Francis many a time, and so simply cannot support the idea of seismic blasting on the South African coast. HANDS OFF!	Kayla Visagie		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. There will be no seismic surveys undertaken as part of the project (seismic surveys involve a ship towing an array of seismic buoys over a large area of ocean). Limited Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done during drilling of the wells.
1189	I hereby object to the testing for potential oil and gas sites within the Outeniqua Basin. My grounds for objection are: Seismic testing is harmful to tge whales & dolphins that reside in these waters. These creatures are a huge tourism draw card & harming them will almost certainly have a negative impact on the tourism industry which is a major income & employment generator along this coastline.	Kayla Wolfaardt	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	A precautionary approach is required and will be applied. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study.
	The inevitable leaks & spills should oil be discovered will be detrimental to the natural environment which would lead to a decline in fish stocks. This will affect the local population, many of whom rely on their fresh catch to sustain their families. One should bear in mind that the profits from harvesting oil and gas go into the pockets of an elite few and do not benefit the local population in any	Kayla Wollaarut	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The impact significance of oil leaks / spills on marine ecology, fishers and other socio-economic related aspects will be assessed as part of dedicated specialist studies that will be done as part of the ESIA process. Your comments have been recorded. The social benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the socio-economic studies that form part of the ESIA. TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others.
1191 1551	meaningful way. The environmental degradation has a long term effect that profit seeking corporations do not care about - as long as it's not on their doorsteps. I hereby confirm my objection to the project for ocean exploration for gas and oil by Total petroleum group. Off South African coast in the Mossel Bay,	Kayla Wolfaardt Kelly and Michael	Individual Linga Longa Guest Cottage	04 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Garden Route and as well as West Coast exploration. I as resident of the East Coast of South Africa would like to formally state my objection to Total Energies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coast line of South Africa. As we have seen in numerous accidents around the world, the industry is not as safe as we are told or led to believe. The consequences of even the smallest accidental spillage are catastrophic. Examples include but are not limited to the recent Blue Water Horizon accident which occurred in the Gulf of Mexica and the undeniable affects that it has had on the environment.	Faught Kevin Fish	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. The impact significance of an unplanned oil spill will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1751	As a surfer and regular visitor to the garden route i want to register my objection to further damage being done to this pristine coastal and whale migration tourism jewel.	Kevin Harris		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. This data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either ambigation to either avoid or reduce the impact of the proposed activities. Examples include restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on migrating catescans to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in the revest number.
2342	Has due process been followed? It seems that the correct process has not been followed as the indigenous leaders have not been consulted first? We are not in favour of any exploration happening on our coastline. Please note our firm stance on oil and gas projects on the coastline because as you see	Kevin Maart	Aikonese Cochoqua Tribal Council	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	An online focus group meeting was held on 23 January 2023 with different First Nations to explain the project proposals. In return the First Nations put forward their concerns and observations and requirements in terms of engagement with the project.
	all over the world that the local communities are impacted the most. From the indigenous people side we are against the exploration right. I take exception to the fact that Chief Tanya Kleinhans and Pedro Garcia claim that they are speaking on behalf of the Cochoqua.	Kevin Maart	Aikonese Cochoqua Tribal Council	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	The objection is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The response is to the statement in in Row 2355 that Chief Tarrya Kleinhans and Pedro Garcia claim that they are speaking on behalf of the Cochoqua. At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of contacting leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the
2353	There should be a proper process of meeting. We should not get information a few minutes before the meetings.	Kevin Maart	Aikonese Cochoqua Tribal Council	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis reparding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocols, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided also will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies. The purpose of the Scoping process is to inform the I&APs of the proposed project and provide the opportunity, through the public consultation process, to
2357 2358	We do have the same agenda to protect our marine environment and social environment. The grievance mechanism as indigenous people we are looking at is free prior and informed consent. It do not want a colonialist to inform me about how to protect my heritage.	Kevin Maart Kevin Maart	Aikonese Cochoqua Tribal Council	23 January 2023 23 January 2023	V-FGM-14 V-FGM-14	respond with concerns, comments and suggestions regarding the potential impacts on local communities, the environment and the economy. This feedback informs the scope of the specialist studies undertaken in the assessment phase. WPS understand that there is a requirement to follow a process when engaging with First Nations and is meeting with NIKSO on how to engage appropriately.
2336	l agree with the executive major. Please continue to engage with the municipalities so that we have constant information of the project throughout the process.	Khululwa Ncamiso	Sarah Baartman District Municipaltiy	10 January 2023	V-FGM-06	Please refer to Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report for detailed information about the consultations that took place with the local authorities in the proposed project area. Information regarding the project will continue to be distributed to the municipalities. In terms of the stakeholder engagement process, it is important that councillors also attend the public meetings within their jurisdiction.
108	Where will drilling be taking place? What is the drilling depth and what drilling platforms will be used?	Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023	V-FGM-12	The draft scoping report (Section) provides a detailed project description for the project. Production well drilling will take place in vicinity of the Luiperd and Brubadda discoveries and exploration drilling will be undertaken in the eastern portion of the block. The consultation and studies focus on an area that is The scope of the ElAs outlined in the scoping report in which the extent of the assessment is described. The consultation and studies focus on an area that is
109 110	Why have impacts been limited to just the area under application? Oil spills can impact a much broader area. What is being done about the invasive marine species?	Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	V-FGM-12 V-FGM-12	larger than the direct coastal contact area of the offshore block, for the very reasons that you raise. The outputs of the oil spill modelling will indicate the potential extent of impacts for unplanned events. The environmental management program, which will be available for public comment together with the draft EIA report and studies will respond to this aspect.
111	How will the need for human resources from overseas be managed?	Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023	V-FGM-12	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken during 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment and procurement principles will be communicated.
112 113	How will planned and unplanned discharge into the ocean be managed? How is waste going to be managed? There are not a lot of waste facilities in the area.	Kim Horwood Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	V-FGM-12 V-FGM-12	Please see Chapter in the Scoping Report (Project Activities and Components). More information on how planned and unplanned discharges will be managed will be contained in the draft ElA report and EMP, which will be made available for public review. Drilling units and support vessels could incinerate waste or transport back onshore for disposal, subject to the facilities' capacities. Reforgrade condensate is not expected. The resource estimate for the Luiperd discovery is between 1.0 Tcf (Trillion Cubic Feet) and 2.0 Tcf of gas with a mid-
114 115	Are they expecting a retrograde condensate and do they know what the reservoir contains? How will venting and flaring be managed during the production phase?	Kim Horwood Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	V-FGM-12 V-FGM-12	case of 1.4 Tcf, and between 46 MMstb (Millions of standard tank barrels) and 97 MMstb of condensates, with a mid-case of 63MMstb. The resource estimate for the Brulpadda well is between 0.5 Tcf and 1.5 Tcf of gas and between 28 MMstb and 77 MMstb of condensate. The Scoping Report (Table 11.1) outlines preliminary miligation measures for various project activities. Measures will be further investigated during the ESIA
117	What drilling chemicals and drilling muds are going to be used. How are the anchors going to be dropped?	Kim Horwood Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	V-FGM-12 V-FGM-12	phase and feasible options included in the recommendations. Please see Section 5.1.2.3 of the draft scoping report. There will not be any anchoring of the vessels. Semi-submersible drilling units will be used which operates on its own propulsion. A temporary 500 m diameter exclusion zone will be instituted around the drill and support vessels during the construction process. An exclusion zone will be
	Will there be limits on fishing on vessels ? Does the closure plan include closing / capping on wells?	Kim Horwood Kim Horwood	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023 20 January 2023	V-FGM-12 V-FGM-12	A temporary sou or diameter excusion zone will be instituted around the orial and support vesses ourning the construction process. An excusion zone will be instituted along the alignment of the pipeline from the gas field to the FA Platform for the duration of the production phase. Yes, the closure plan that will be developed as part of the ESIA will address all aspects of decommissioning including well capping.
120	We would like to see how TOTAL would be operating in South Africa in terms of ESG commitments as a company . Is there a list of other lessons learnt from previous gas fields? Are there key items that TEEPSA is considering based on previous similar projects and key	Kim Horwood Kingsley Dell-	Kromme Enviro-Trust St Francis	20 January 2023	V-FGM-12	TEEPSA commitments to ESG can be found on the company website. TEEPSA has successfully drilled two wells in the Block and now understands a lot about operating in the prevailing condition and this information is informing the
102 196	successes for the environment? Please find attached the demersal trawl "ringfence" fishing grounds shape file that we have on record.	Robertson Kirsten du Plessis	Industrial Development Corporation Irvin & Johnson Limited	19 January 2023 18 January 2023	V-FGM-11 E-mail	Project engineering design and planning process. WSP confirms receipt and that the information submitted will be included in the ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity assessment.
1796	I would like to register for: Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 118/12.	Klaus Woitschach		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The Applicant for the Production Right for Block 11B/12B is TotalEnergies. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B,
1038	I Kobus Marais herby voice my concern to Shell blasting up our coastline being a Transkei resident we have enough on our hands with poachers and illegal fishing trawlers SAY NO TO SHELL. Hi there. Just want to confirm that this is one of the ways in which I can object to the building of pipeline? Thanks I think actions like this will destroy this	Kobus Marais	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. The EIA Regulations (2014), as amended, require that all comments and issues raised by I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the ESIA process. WSP
697	beautful country and ruin livelihoods We need to change the way we do things and people with the power (global) need to be the ambassadors this planet needs. STEP UP TO THE CHALLENGE, THE BIGGEST ON YET!! Our government has much to answer for, especially to the citizens of South Africa. This atrocity only adds to the sad and desperate state of what is happening in South Africa today. In supporting TotalEnergies via PetroSA, to drill off our coastline only adds to the government's continued greed and corruption. This drilling is planned for no fewer than 10 steas, along our 120km stretch of ocean.	Kyle Ansell L Bekker	Individual	03 February 2023 04 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information on the project, your objection has been recorded. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
698	This was a similar move made by Shell and we SAcans, stood together, and supported the fragile communities that try to eke out a living from fishing. They need and deserve to do that in pristine oceans! Not oceans polluted by old! Look at what has happened in the Nigeria delta! The locals were totally excluded (work is NOT and NEVER will be provided for the locals, as is promised") and they began stealing from the oil pipes and completely contaminated that once beautiful life-giving area. The citizens of South Africa, especially those who historically, have had to endure political, social and economic devastation over many years, deserve better	L Bekker	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
099	treatment from the government. Why not use the financial resources to do good; plan for the future in such a way that does no harm – to our environments and to the people who deserve to live in environments that will sustain them into the future. What is being proposed is tantamount to the destruction of our natural environment at the cost of our coastline and our citizens. Stop being short-sighted, money-grabbing and self-servingit it is time to set a positive example to the people of South Africa and indeed the world! The government has the power and resources to do GOOD, SHOW KINDNESS and work for the UPLIFTMENT of humanity. The world NEEDS that. What is being proposed is only going to cause further devastation in the long run!	L Bekker	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objective of the ESIA is to identify the impacts and benefits that would result from the Block 11B/12B project; and recommend appropriate mitigation measures.
700 686	Please, make your legacy one that breaks the mold of just taking and leaving a trail of poverty and unhappiness. Consider the legacy you will be leaving. Do not touch our oceans damage the ecosystem.	L Bekker Laetitia Antonites	Individual Individual	04 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Your concerns are noted. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will assess the potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach.
1584 1073	l object totally to the offshore drilling plans. They should NOT GO AHEAD! As a SA citizen, we will all be affected by this in the long run SA to clean up after Total has gone Nooooo!!	Larry le Roux Laura Norris	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1797	l object to Total's proposed drilling and new gas pipelines of Mosel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.	Lee Bennett	muvuudi	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1147 1148	On the basis of being a South African Citizen and a lover and protector of all Flora and Fauna in this country and deeply concerned by the mismanagement, theft, abuse, dereliction of duty as humans and caretakers and NOT owners of all living creatures, I strongly object the granting of rights to TOTAL and or anybody else being able, to drill along of proposed sites along our coastine. The impact and damage to the homes / environment of ocean creatures is unacceptable.	Leigh-Ann Strauss	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Your objection has been noted. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach to be to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
1149 1150	There I lodge my formal concern and objection to this and register as a concerned party / citizen/ ocean and animal lover. Whoever is part of this proposal should be charged with treason and theft of resources, malicious damage and negligence.	Leigh-Ann Strauss	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1746	*Petition Against Deep Sea drilling* I object against the above mentioned drilling	Leta dos Santos	muvuuai	03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 1181/28 project, as required by the ELA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts on environment, fishers and tourism will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact
	As a concerned citizen, I wish to register my objection to plans for TotalEnergies' proposed offshore production right, on the grounds of the high risk both driftling and pipelines pose to the environment, as well as the threat to lourism and fishing. I further object to the proposed ion as it is in the path of the annual sardine and whale migration and is in proximity to a Marine Protected Area, which makes the proposal completely unacceptable.	Liesl Oberholster		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. TotalEnergies has indicated that it has started a process of transitioning to becoming a multi-energies low-carbon company, through the modification of its energy mix by developing in the gas (notably biogas and hydrogen) and renewable electricity value chain. The energy mix of the Company's sales will shift
1163	We have a climate crisis all over the world. What is Total's plan to deal with this?	Linda Arkert	Individual	17 January 2023	By Hand	significantly and could stand at 50% gas, 30% petroleum products, 15% majority-renewable electricity and 5% biomass and hydrogen by 2030. In 2050, TotalEnergies would produce: -50% of energy in the form of renewable electricity with the corresponding storage capacities, i.e., around 500 TWh/year. -25%, equivalent to 50 Mt/year, of the energy produced would be from decarbonized energy molecules (either in the form of biogas, hydrogen, or synthetic liquid fuels from the following circular reaction: H2 + CO² e-fuels). -1 Mb/day of hydrocarbons (i.e., close to 4 times less than in 2030, in line with the reduction outlined in the IEA's Net Zero scenario) made up primarily of liquefied natural gas, around 0.7 Mboe/d, and very low-cost oil would account for the rest. This oil would be used, in particular, in the petrochemicals industry to produce around 10 Mt/war of powers, two-thirties of which would come from the circular encounty.
1164	What alternatives would be considered?	Linda Arkert	Individual	17 January 2023	By Hand	Alternatives considered for the project are described in Section 8 of the Scoping Report, and will be further unpacked in the impact assessment phase of the ESIA. Protential impacts on air quality and climate change have been identified in the Scoping Phase (as outlined in the Scoping Report), and will be assessed in the Impact Assessment Phase of the ESIA. A dedicated air quality study forms part of the study for the ESIA. The results of the studies, along with proposed management measures (including mitigation measures) and other recommendations, will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report, that will be available in the public domain for comment.
1165	Air pollution is a huge issue. This must be dealt with properly. How will this be done?	Linda Arkert	Individual	17 January 2023	By Hand	The plan of study for air quality is provided in chapter 11 of the Scoping Report. In regards to the TEFPSA Block 118/128 sources, the study discusses 1)The potential in port support operations, list the support essel types, emission sources and pollutants associated with these operations and available emission factors. 2)The veld fidling and flow testing flaring. In addition, the possible emission sources associated with the customer operations, that is the PetroSA F-A Platform and use of the product by refineries and power generation facilities, will be included. Recommendations have been made for further studies, where required. Management procedures (including mitigation measures) were investigated as part of the air quality study and the feasible options included as recommendations.
1166	What is the plan for a possible disaster? What worst case planning will be put in place?	Linda Arkert	Individual	17 January 2023	By Hand	Potential impacts associated with unplanned events, e.g., well blow-out and oils spills, have been identified in the Scoping Phase, and will be assessed in the various specialist studies that will form part of the Impact Assessment Phase of the ESIA. Recommended additional measures, in addition to the current TEEPSA contingency plans and policies for unplanned events, will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report.
	How will the health of the communities be protected? What jobs will be lost if this project, goes ahead?	Linda Arkert	Individual Individual	17 January 2023 17 January 2023	By Hand By Hand	Potential impacts on community health, safety and socurity will be addressed as part of the social impact assessment that will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. Potential impacts on tourism and fishers will be assessed as part of the socioe-economic assessment that will be done. A dedicated Closure Plan, which will address well capping and post-decommissioning monitoring, will be compiled for the impact Assessment Phase of the ESIA,
	Will oil caps be long lasting and monitored? I attended the hearing in East London on the 26th and wish to resubmit my comments and objections in case they were not recorded properly: As a private individual who serves as one of many stewards of the ocean, I object to the building and mining of a gas piplineline in the Outeniqua Basin, Block 1181/128 by TotalEnergies on these grounds: It is clear any research taken or done on the existing Mosgas Pipelines have not been taken into account for this pipeline, if even done at all. This shows a	Linda Arkert	Individual	17 January 2023	By Hand	The delais of which will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping Report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and
1766	lack of due diligence on the most obvious potential environmental and social impacts. It can also take decades to aquire adequate data, particularly on Ocean heating/acidification and the release of carbon through disturbance on the seabed, all which don't just impact environments but global warming. We cannot take any risks on this and therefor do not want these mines in our ocean.	Lisa Cloete		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	resident cetaceans. Available in situ data from recent surveys undertaken by TEEPSA as well as any available monitoring data from PetroSA will be used to inform the marine ecology assessment that will be completed in the next phase of the ESIA. The consultation process is intended to obtain feedback from a representation of society and the local communities in the area. It is not about the absolute
1767	*We do not feel that of the 14 million people on our coastlines that there has been adequate public engagement around this very important and potentially distruptive mining. Particularly by indigenous groups. *We understand that TotalEnergies has an intention to be net zero by 2050. We object to last minute mining and suggest an investment in real green energy.	Lisa Cloete		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	number of people consulted. Section 9 of the Scoping Report outlines in detail the methods employed by WSP to reach out to as many potential I&AP's as possible. TotalEnergies is involved in a number of energy production initiatives, of which TEEPSA is one. The South African Integrated Resource Plan includes gas as one
1768 850	solutions that are sustainable and non-invasive. We object fully to the industrialisation of our wild and living ocean. Thanks, we will see you at the next round of hearings. I would like to submit my objections that I gave at the hearing in East London last Thursday in case they were not taken down properly. I object to the building and mining of a gas pipeline in the Outeniqua Basin, Block 118/12B by TotalEnergies on these grounds:	Lisa Cloete	Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	energy source in a mix of fossil and renewable sources, with the intention of moving towards decarbonising the economy by 2050. Your objection has been recorded. Relevant, published information will be used to inform the ESIA.
	It is clear any research taken or done on the existing Mosgas Pipelines have not been taken into account for this pipeline, if even done at all. This shows a lack of due diligence on the most obvious environmental and social potential impacts. It can also take decades to acquire adequate data, particularly on Ocean heating/acidification and the release of carbon through disturbance on the seabed, all		Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will use the dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies to inform an assessment of potential impacts at
851	which don't just impact environments but global warming. We cannot take any risks on this and therefor do not want these mines in our ocean.	Lisa Uloete	individual	u i repruary 2023	t-mail	these sensitive sites (including MPAs and EBSAs) under worst-case conditions. The climate change specialist report will assess potential impacts of the proposed activities on the global climate.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE The comment is recorded. Please refer to Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report for a detailed description of the public participation process that was followed
852	We do not feel that of the 14 million people on our coastlines that there has been adequate public engagement around this very important and potentially disruptive mining.	Lisa Cloete	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	during the scoping phase and its suite of appendices. You are welcome to contact the Public Participation Office at the following email address: teepsaEIA@WSP.com.
853	We understand that TotalEnergies has an intention to be net zero by 2050. We object to last minute mining and suggest an investment in real green energy solutions that are sustainable and non-invasive.	Lisa Cloete	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
905	I hereby object to proposed activities on / in above stretch of Ocean as mentioned in Petition and as seen on Carte Blanche last year. I am an interested / affected person. Damage to any eco-system has invariably an affect on all/other eco-system/s and has a negative cascading effect and affects animals and markind directly/indirectly as science is proving and will then affect future generations.	Lisa Ferrarese	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection is recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with
906	Natural environments should be left alone and not interfered with and the surrounding communities and all SA Citizens should have the right to have a say in what happens in the environment in which they live in or live close to or visit or which is part of our/their country.	Lisa Ferrarese	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation. Your comment has been recorded.
907 908	Any form of pollution produced or produced as by-product/s or produced by accident has the potential to or will have a negative effect on an environment. I am an RSA Citizen and all the affects the environment or ocean consequently affects me.	Lisa Ferrarese	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on the environment will be done as part of the ESIA process. Your comment has been recorded.
142	I register in my private capacity as an IAP, but I also register on behalf of the Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement. You only need to send one communication with information and notification to the e-mail as indicated on the form. Please confirm that this registration was received by replying to this e-mail. Also please communicate a tyour earliest convenience, who the case officer is for the intended project.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. The competent authority for the project is the Department of Mineral Resources and energy (DMRE), however, they have delegated their duties to the Petroleum Agency South Africa (PAS/ for petroleum related activities. The application for environmental authorisation was submitted to the PASA on 18 November 2022 and was subsequently acknowledged in writing by the PASA on 10 December. The person the EAP has been engaging with at PASA is Phumia Ngesi. The DMRE case officer for the application is Peter Mohassa, Emil. Peter Mohassa,
143	1. On average, what is the average oil spills from platforms, pipelines, tankers, and coastal facilities every year. This poses an serious risk to our coasts, and the economy.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	WSP does not have data on average oil spills from facilities. However, to date 358 wells have been drilled offshore of South Africa by various operators with no well blow-outs recorded. Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. The
144	Offshore drilling operations release toxic pollution into the air and water. How will this be prevented?	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	EIA process currently underway for Block 1181/28 is examining the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigation assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from the modelling of spills will be detailed in the draft EIA report. Impacts on air quality as a result of the production related activities will also be assessed and the relevant mitigation measures recommended. GHG mitigation methods will be recommended based on the findings of the assessment.
145 146	3. Exploration and drilling at the platform can release volatile organic compounds, greenhouse gases, and other air pollutants. How will this be prevented? 4. Even a small oil spill could devastate the crab population by killing its larvae. Will this be investigated?	Lisa Starr Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022 05 December 2022	E-mail E-mail	Yes, oil spill modelling will be done as part of the ESIA process. The results of the study will be integrated into a marine ecology impact assessment. Multiple operational protocols are implemented for all offshore exploration and production projects to eliminate or minimise the potential for accidental spills. A
147	5. A major spill could devastate our beaches. How will this be prevented?	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	part of the ESIA process, the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines will be assessed. The computer models for spill dispersion also enable the investigators to assess the effectiveness of mitigation measures - application of subsea and on-surface dispersants, deployment of containment booms, using skimmers to remove oil from the water surface. The results from 1 modelling of potential spills will be detailed in the draft EIA report.
148 149	6. Will and independent external Environmental Control Officer (ECO), not accosted with WSP, Total, QatarEnergy or any other JV partners, monitor all the phases of this proposed activity? 7. Whose officers of diffuse in introduced late a police if logarating expression and toxical exception.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022 05 December 2022	E-mail	A standard condition in Environmental Authorisations is to have an independent ECO appointed to assess compliance of the project to the conditions of the EA and corresponding EMP. The potential impacts associated with the production related activities, including unplanned events, on commercial fishing, recreation and tourism related
150 151	7. When offshore drilling is introduced into a region, it jeopardizes commercial fishing, recreation, and tourist economies. 8. What is the total GDP from tourism that is at risk with this proposed activity? 9. What carbon by-products and other pollutants will be released into the air in the areas where they plan to drill.	Lisa Starr Lisa Starr Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022 05 December 2022 05 December 2022	E-mail E-mail	economies will be assessed as part of the ESIA. Potential impacts on tourism will be addressed in the social and the economic studies that will be undertaken in the impact assessment phase. The air quality study will assess the likely pollutants associated with drilling operations, including well flow testing flaring.
152	10. Energy companies are using seismic testing to reveal where there could be potential oil deposits beneath the ocean's surface. Have seismic testing already been done?	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B; no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profilir (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic
153	11. The seismic blasts have been shown to decrease the number of zooplankton that live almost everywhere and form the backbone of the ocean's ecosystem.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. Best practise intiglation to avoid and redunpated of these prospect VSP activities will be included in the marine ecology assessment. The potential impacts on fauna and ecosystem functioning will be assessed in the marine ecological process.
154	13. How will the risk of offshore drilling be lowered to an acceptable level and mitigate the immense risks that come with it?	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	imacd_assessment. The ESIA process identifies the environmental risks associated with the project and with, inputs from a team of experts, a management plan to mitigate those risks to an acceptable level is compiled. The draft EIA report and environmental management plan will be made available for public review in the next phase of the project.
155	12. The water that these animals live in is just as crucial to their survival. It's a source of oxygen for them and a substance they are constantly immersed in. 14. Noise pollution threatens whale and dolphin populations, interrupting their normal behaviour. This then drives them away from areas important to their	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	The project. Yes indeed, biochemical effects and impacts are important to consider, and will be assessed in the marine biology specialist study.
156	14. Noise pollution threatens whale and dolphin populations, interrupting their normal behaviour. This then drives them away from areas important to their survival [for breeding, socialising and feeding] harming them and sometimes even causing death. Our ocean is brimming with marine life so any noise pollution isn't welcomed.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	Marine acoustic effects to whale and dolphins will be assessed including comparison to injury and behaviour criteria thresholds.
157	15. As climate change is real we shouldn't be drilling for oil or gas. 16. Our local communities who are living sustainably from the ocean are opposed to any new oil applications, it will not create jobs and will effect their	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	A climate change impact assessment will be done as part o the ESIA to determine the project's potential impacts on climate change as well as the potential impacts of climate change on the project. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the social and economic assessment, will identify
158	livelihoods.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	the number of employment opportunities that the project can support. The social and economic studies will also address potential impacts on community livelihoods. TEEPSA has engaged with PetroSA regarding the oil leak but have not had a response to date. The oil on the beach however is believed to have come from a
159	17. There was a recent oil spill in Mossel Bay (Mon 28th November) which has washed ashore in tar balls. What procedures do you have in place to prevent this? also blue flag beaches were closed so this leads to a negative impact on tourism.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	passing ship. The magnitude, extent and ultimate significance of potential impacts associated with unplanned events, such as oil spills, will be assessed as part in the SSA and the relevant mitigation measures put in place. Potential impacts on air quality have been identified in the Scoping Phase (as outlined in the Scoping Report), and will be assessed in the Impact Assessment
160	18. Air pollution from fossil fuels can lead to breathing difficulties and is responsible for 13% of deaths in people aged 14 and older in the United States. It can also leak toxic substances into the ground which ends up in the drinking water which then again harms people.	Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022	E-mail	Phase of the ESIA. A dedicated air quality study forms part of the plan of the study for the ESIA. The results of the studies, along with proposed management measures (including mitigation measures) and other recommendations, will be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report, that will be available in the public domain for comment. The plan of study for air quality is provided in chapter 11 of the Scoping Report. The study will address in port and offshore support vessel types, emission sources associated with their operation, pollutants, and available emission factors, as well as well drilling and flow testing flaring. Emissions associated with the A Platform, and contributions of the project to on-shore support activities within and outside the port area, will be considered qualitatively, with recommendation made for further monitoring / studies, if required.
161	19. The glare from oil and gas sites is so strong that its visible from space. It is a well researched fact that light pollution has a negative impact on wildlife and the wilderness. 20. The way forward is Green Energy what steps have you taken towards a cleaner brighter future?	Lisa Starr Lisa Starr	Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement	05 December 2022 05 December 2022	E-mail E-mail	The impact of artificial light at night on natural ecosystems and wildlife populations is receiving increasing research attention, and there is a wealth of information that illustrates that artificial light at night influences animal orientation, circadian rhythm (nocturnal and diel activity), spatial distribution, habitat use, migration/dispersal, foraging efficiency and predatory behaviour, schooling behaviour in firsh, stress hornens, and reproduced and life history traits (Bassi et 2022, Bruining et al. 2018, Nelson et al. 2021, Thompson 2013). The impacts of light as a result of the proposed activities will be assessed in the EESIA marine ecolonical impact assessment. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's
2369	The still waiting for a reply to my email below (dated 07 December 2022). We need the contact details of the case officer allocated to this proposed project when the project was registered with the competent authority.	Lisa Starr	Founder of the Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement.	19 January 2023	E-mail	integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The details of the case officer were supplied to Ms Starr.
2370	I confirm we did receive the details of the case officer and have co'ed Mr Mohasoa in this mail too. We are registered as an I&AP as you will see on the thread below. We are registered about the negative impacts listed on page 102 of the Draft Scoping Report and we are of the opinion they outweigh the positive. We	Lisa Starr	Founder of the Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement.	20 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information on the project.
2371	await the final report since the Draft Scoping Report mention that the possible negative effects will be investigated. Even a small disturbance to our ocean is negative and the impacts of this proposal is significant. Please keep me informed of the process going forward. Please can we agree that if questions extend the duration of the meeting, that we go over time and that the meeting will continue?	Lisa Starr	Founder of the Helderberg Ocean Awareness Movement. Individual	20 January 2023 07 December 2022	E-mail V-Public Mtg.01	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information on the project. It was accepted by all present that the meeting will continue beyond the allotted time to give stakeholders time to ask questions/raise comments.
52	Please provide clarity regarding the estimated timeline of the project. When will the first decision be made? There could be an appeal made which could extend the timeline to August or September 2023. There may also be a court case which could drag on for a further two years which, if successful, will delay the start of the project to 2024 / 2025? Please clarify if the 5-10 year development phase is from 2022 or 2025? When do you anticipate starting production?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The timeline presented is a typical lifecycle of oil and gas and is not specific to Block 11B/12B. Environmental authorisation is required, followed by the granting of production right and a financial investment decision (FID) to proceed with the project or not. Once a FID is made, then production will start. The limelian preliminary and based on legislated timeframes. If all permits are issued and FID is taken, then production will be in year 2025/2026 with first gas in 2027. Note however that these timelines are preliminary estimates at this stage. Based on the indicative environmental timeframe, the final ESIA report will be submitted in July 2023 with a decision expected by November 2023.
61	Why are you starting in your consultation process in December? Why not wait for January? If you are serious about public participation, why start in December?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	A decision to start the consultation process in December was simply a function of the way the project has developed over time. A first round of introductory meetings was undertaken in 2022 with further extensive consultation undertaken in January 2023. Due to stakeholder interest in the project, an extension to the jubilic comment period was made to 14 February, to allow for further opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to the scoping phase of the project. The scoping process entails identification of all potential impacts; review of secondary data and using examples from previous projects provides an understanding the scoping phase of the project.
62	Who decided on the terms of reference for the specialist studies? What happens if comments put in now means that the term of reference has to be changed and the public asks for more information and they are told that it has been noted? If we want additional studies to be done, will they be done?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	of which impacts are relevant or not. This is to narrow the focus of studies that will be required. The ESIA has to be scaled to match the complexity and risk of the proposed activity. The scope of work is provided by the relevant specialists, considering the key questions for the impact assessment and comments received from stakeholders. It is not a closed process. The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) team, working with specialists, frame what the team believ is an appropriate scope of work which is included in the DSR and the consultation process. This is then made available for public comment and if there is a before the stakeholders that studies are insufficient, or that additional information should be included in the studies, or that the studies of that the studies, or that the studies is an expectable of the scope of the studie should be broadened, this can be communicated to the EIA team. This is essentially the purpose of the current scoping phase process and we welcome all
63	What happens with local government engagement, what permits are being sought from local government including councillors. Will local government have a process where they engage with citizens in their council area before giving permits for more oil and gas?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	comments. Numerous meetings with district and local councils (Municipalities) were held in the scoping process. We have approached the district municipalities asking if we could introduce and explain the project and the process and asked them to invite other people from the local authorities. The entire licensing process flows from the decision of the Competent Authority once they have taken a decision on whether the project will proceed.
64	You mentioned vulnerable groups need extra meetings, what does that mean and will that full list be made available ahead of the time?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The public consultation process has a requirement that when there are people who are inherently disadvantaged to access information about the project and express their concerns, there has to be allowances made for that. The public participation process is described in Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report. The list of organisations working with vulnerable people is presented in Appendix E1 (preliminary list of BAPs) and Appendix E2 (sit of registered I&APs at the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report). In terms of the POPIA, the contact details of stakeholders cannot be made available. The ESIA team is in the process of addressing the consultation needs that were expressed by key stakeholder groups during the scoping phase of the ESIA.
65	You mentioned that hard copies were dropped off, but those venues were closed. Are those areas going to get a time extension? How many pages is the report? If someone goes to the library to read the report, no one else will be able to read in at the same time. If people want hard copies, can they contact you? Will you print them? Are these reports available in Afrikaans and isXhosa? If you don't have a smart phone the QR code doesn't work. If you want a hard copy of the report to read through it, how are you going to get it?	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	If people request a hard copy of the report and non-technical summaries, we will send them hard copies. However, our only concern relates to possible issues with the postal service. Regarding delivery of documents, where documents were not initially delivered and placed as intended, subsequent deliveries were man to secure placement of hard copies at specified locations. The announcement documentation and the non-technical summare available in three languages namely – Afrikaans, English and isiXhosa. The full version of the Draft Scoping Report is available in English only. This was done in terms of practicality (it is a 216-page document) and the same approach will be followed with the impact assessment report. The public comment period was extended from the 3rd of february until the 7th of february 2023.
66	The consultant said something about the need to understand the wider economic benefits. That sounded a bit like they were biased, and one would hope that the environmental consultant is not biased and should be phrasing that as the need to understand the wider economic risk as well. I just want to clarify what the consultant meant by that.	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	Understanding the wider economic benefit is one of the specialist studies being undertaken. The word 'benefit' would be better expressed as 'striving to understand the wider economic context of the project in order to place it within this context. WSP does now shall be convey any element of bis any element of bis any element of bis mental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or confirm interest in the outcome of application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being
80	I want to thank you and the team for being patient and answering the questions. This has been a fair discussion. I am concerned because this is supposed to be an independent environmental practitioner and EIA study and if we have TOTAL and its paid employs going into the same communities, I believe that this is a conflict of interest if they are claiming to be explaining what the project is about because TOTAL is promoting its own development. I would believe that is not the right way to do things. It is not the first time we hear about this. If anybody should be explaining the project, it should be the consultants and not the	Liziwe McDaid	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	capable of affecting WSP's independence. ItEPSA's intention is to send people into the community as liaison officers to make people aware of the project. We are aware of the perception of bias and the is something we take note of. If you have a developer and they have a project that extends over a number of years, it is common for a developer to put staff in the region. However, we do not canvass issues through TEEPSA's team nor use them as part of the engagement process. They are used to disseminate information around places where meetings are to be held where people are invited into meeting and engage directly with the impact assessment team. We
1627	developer because they would be there to promote it. I hope 'taking note of doesn't mean 'ignoring'. I would love to ging the petition Stopping of drilling on the South African coast. I will sign everything, Organisations and Individuals have until 3 February to object/ comment on Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. Why does this concern us all?	Lizl van Rooyen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	cannot stop a developer to seek to build relationships in an area. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project, as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition.
1628	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Lizl van Rooyen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialists tudy. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impa
1629	Certain Government officials and their buddles stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Have you heard about Karpowership??	Lizl van Rooyen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Your comment has been noted. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from cumulative impact perspective for the Block11BI/28 Project.
1630 1631	5. Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Lizl van Rooyen		01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed a part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made
1632	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry -conflict of interest much?) *has been snuck through the eastern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape.	Lizi van Rooyen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 11B/12B project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent
1633	The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come. ##totaldstruction	Lizl van Rooyen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available. The comments have been recorded.
1	#totalfalacy #totallyunforgivable Please provide me with a link to the scoping report.	Londeka Phetha	Garden Route District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-01	The link to the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) was provided in the MS Teams meeting chat on 05 December 2022.
912	1. <u>Comments</u> Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed offshore Production Rights and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 118/128 by	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
913	TotalEnergies EP South Africa and I would like to use this opportunity to express our concern about the plans to invest further in new gas exploration and production in the time of climate emergency. I oppose the further development of a gas industry in South Africa for the following reasons: Climate change is already causing widespread disruption in every region in the world with around 1.1 degrees C of warming. Every tenth of a degree of additional warming will escalate threats to people, species and ecosystems. The latest assessment report by the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) clearly states that the limit of 1.5 degrees C is the scientifically confirmed minimum safe limit for our climate and sunty, hence, climate action is needed urgently(IPCC, AR6_WGII_SummaryForPolicymakers.pdf). In June 2021 the International Energy Agency published a study that clearly stated that the	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment has been recorded. As an energy and emissions intensive middle-income developing country, South Africa recognises the need for it to contribute its fair share to the global effort to move towards net-zero carbon emissions by 2050, taking into account the principle of common but differentiated responsibilities and antional circumstances. The climate impact assessment will further unpack the proposed
914	exploitation and development of new oil and gas fields must stop in 2021 if the world is to stay within safe limits of global heating and meet the goal of net zero emissions by 2050 (No new oil, gas or coal development if world is to reach net zero by 2050, says world energy body Fossil fuels The Guardian). Gas is NOT a more climate friendly fossil fuel. Looking at the whole value chain of gas, methane can escape through so called "gas leaks" into the atmosphere at many different points in the supply chain. These emissions have routinely been underestimated by industry and governments. Methane has a far greater global warming potential than carbon dioxide.	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	project's contribution to climate change and assess if the GHG emissions are aligned to South Africa's climate commitments. Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
915	Over the next 20-year period – which is a crucial time period to respond to the climate emergency - the warming potential is 84-86 times greater. Gas is NOT needed as a transition fuel. Combinations of renewable energies and energy storage are either already cheaper or are expected to be cheaper within a few years. Developing a local gas industry will take time, so by the time the infrastructure is in place, renewables and storage will have become the most cost-effective option, and the gas	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The intention is that, pending the outcome of negotiations between TEEPSA and PetroSA, gas and condensate from Block 118/128 will provide a new source of feedstock for the Mossgas GLT facility and/or the ESKOM Gouriqua power plant as existing infrastructure that requires little modification to accommodate the new feedstock supply.
916	Gas will NOT solve the energy crisis. Multiple experts agree that "Energy modelling shows that renewables are the quickest and cheapest way to get much-needed capacity onto the grid." (Gas power plans for Eskon not the solution to electricity crisis – Centre for Environmental Rights (cer.org.za). South Africa should act according to science-based	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Gouriqua power plant as existing infrastructure that requires little modification to accommodate the new feedstock support of the plant

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917	The proposed area is bordering on a Marine Protected Area and falls within the Agulhus Current which is a major route for migration of marine mammals and fish. Risks are unnecessarily high for the marine species that our local fishing communities and tourism relies on.	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	You are correct in that the Block 1181/28 production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingkip Corals ESSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take in account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the ESSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and ESSAs under worst-case conditions. Militagion requirements will likely include that sensitive species, babilates or texter are given as uitable buffer zone from the installation of pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far field oil spill, noise and drill cuttings modelling results are complete. The marine impact assessment of the overagement o
918	2. Conclusion South Africa has signed the Paris agreement (South Africa signs Paris Agreement on Climate Change in New York Department of Environmental Affairs (dffe.gov.za)) which agrees to limit climate change to under 2 degrees C and with all efforts to limit it to 1.5 degrees, hence there is no space for using further hydrocarbons beyond the currently discovered reserves. Fossi gas expansion is inconsistent with the Paris Agreement goals, and as a signatory to the Agreement South Africa should not undertake any further investments in the development of new gas projects.	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
919	Building a local gas industry will take a lot of time. Electricity generated by our massive sun and wind resources within our own borders is the most secure and sustainable way forward. Instead of producing and using more fossil fuels South Africa should invest all they have in building a renewable energy industry.	Lorna Fuller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Section 4 (Need and Desirability) discusses the shift in the use of fossil fuels with the objective of decarbonising the economy in line with the intention of a net zero economy by 2050. The Environmental Assessment Practitioner is obliged in terms of the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended, to consider all comments and respond appropriately.
920	I hope that WSP will take into account the comments and information provided in this submission. I strongly object to any form of drilling on our coastline, especily in the Cape and by the Total company. Kindly register me as a concerned person with a	Lorna Fuller Lorna Putterill	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Your objection has been
398	strong objection. I wish to register as an interested or affected party. I am a South African citizen and I am filing this objection in my personal capacity, I strongly object to the application to convert the exploration rights into	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	recorded. We confirm that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the Block 118/128 project.
399 400	production rights. The era of fossi fluel production should be ended and more appropriate energy sources explored instead. The destructive effects of the exploitation and use of fossi fluels are well known. South Africa has made international undertakings to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. Developing gas resources will not	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Your objection has been recorded Chapter 4 of the Draft ESIA Report sets out the strategic context in which this Project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's Integrated Resource Plan and energy transition is considered. The Project's potential contribution to climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
401	contribute to this goal. The risks of extensive, long-term or permanent environmental damage from fossil fuel energy generation are too high. Even limited damage would not be acceptable. Your ESIA draft scoping report acknowledges the challenging conditions: "The strong Agulhas Ocean current, coupled with the high wind and waves, make the harsh metocean conditions a challenge for especially the installation /construction phase of the project It is considered as the second strongest surface current in the world." Your draft scoping report notes that the proposed pipeline will pass through a critical biodiversity area. These risks to	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
402	the marine and coastal environment are unacceptable. The ocean is not your playground, to use to extract resources for your own gain at will. This is a national resource and should be preserved. The draft scoping report refers to the expected use of the product: "The outcome of the on-going commercial negotiations (including agreements for the sale	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
403	of the gas) should determine the use of the gas. Some possible use scenarios include Gas to Liquids (GTL) or Gas to Power (GTP).* I believe that South Africa should not be encouraging the use of gas-to-liquid or gas-to-power. There are strong indications that such huge infrastructure projects are encouraged by certain elements within government because of the potential for corrupt payments and wealth. This is particularly so when government is expected to be a significant oustomer for the end product or funder of essential infrastructure to enable the project. The gas-to-liquid aspect of this project appears to be an attempt to provide a use for the financially disastrous state-owned PertoSA, which should be closed down as a waste of money and a drain on the fiscus (the EIA states that the gas and condensates would be sold to PetroSA). The gas-to-power aspect appears to be a blatant attempt to support the Karpowership generation projects, which strik of corruption due to the manipulated bid process, the unjustifiably long proposed 20-year "emergency" contract and the enormous and unaffortable cost.	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA's negotiation with both PetroSA and ESKOM is ongoing. Section 6 of the Scoping Report discusses the alternatives to the project, including the no-go option where the project does not proceed.
404	It is well-known that renewable energy projects are now considerably cheaper than gas. Put your money, expertise and energies into developing cutting-edge renewal technologies instead. We do not want our oceans put at risk. I would like to add my name to the list of interested parties in the proposed Total gasline project off Mossel Bay, from the information currently available. I	Louise Flanagan	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Draft ESIA Report sets out the strategic context in which this Project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's Integrated Resource Plan and energy transition is considered. The Project's potential contribution to climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1794 1774	believe to this proposal. Is strongly oppose the jams for Total to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mosei Bay in the Outeniqua Basin for reasons that have been listed by thousands of caring, environmentally conscious citizens of our beloved country, and hereunder are just some of the reasons why:	Lucie Pascoe Luke Vlok		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1775	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area Certain Government officials and their buddles stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Luke Vlok		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and fordli discharge modeling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marchost overline studies to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. The comments have been recorded. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered
1776 1777	S. Certain Overtrinent of Inclusar and user joudness send to gain in assayery from the proposed x no one of annual income. Have you heard about Karpovership?? Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Luke Vlok		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block118/128 Project. The comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as
1778	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc	Luke Vlok		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1799	I'm the ward committee member of Ward 6 Plettenberg Bay Bitou. My concern is, we had an event that was taking place in Piessang half Plettenberg Bay Western Cape, we ask the officials to come back to the black and colored community to introduce this program so that the poor of the poorest can have time to participate. I am a South African Citizen who's opposing the project that the entity "Total Energies" is intending to implement in Mossel Bay & Cape St. Francis oliven the	Lulamile Klaas		14 February 2023	WhatsApp	As discussed telephonically on 15 February 2023, the ESIA team is reviewing the requests received for additional meetings. We will keep you informed of progress.
1526 1674	approval of Petroleum Agency SA as the project will have severe negative impact on the environment. This roject is only beneficial for the short term, unsustainable & damaging. The environmental impact will span to further numerous & various aspects which will only contribute to the number of problems that the country is facing. This short term project will in the long term prove to be unvisible. I am an extremely concerned clitzen objecting to the continued attempts by energy companies to drill new wells and pipelines. The sealfe in our seas and occass need to be protected for the future well believing of the Earth!	Luyanda Ndaba Lynde Dicks		03 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The comments have been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be conducted to assess the potential environmental impacts on the project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based
1570	I object to the offshore drilling!	Lynn Scholtz		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in study survey data. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1625	I would like to object to gas pipelines being built and gas extracted along the South African coast line I object to Total Energies proposed drilling and construction of a pipeline along the Mossel Bay and St Francis coastlines. Our oceans and coastline needs to	Lynne price		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1509	be protected and these plans go against all prospects, plans and hopes for a greener and sustainable future. Life on Earth relies so much on the health and biodiversity of our ocean. With all this money and effort being put into non-renewable energy which will only harm our planet more, why not redirect that into renewable, greener more sustainable efforts!? My objection to this heinous crime against our planet and the oceans fragile ecosystem is short and simple. This is NOT to happen. Our oceans are dying due to human greed and total disregard for our environment. Without our oceans as with out our forests, those who pereluted such activities are not only	Madeleine Chaput Marc de Melville	Individual	02 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with
1604	killing our planet (a sentient being, life force) but also leading all inhabitants of this life giving planet, to our death. Without our oceanswe will certainly perish!!!! My vote is NO !!! I, hereby object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin.	Margaret Angela		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1605	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Weisswange Margaret Angela Weisswange		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and full discharge modeling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine cological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate militagion to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1606 1607	Certain Government officials and their buddles stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Have you heard about Karpowership?? Gas and 01 is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Margaret Angela Weisswange Margaret Angela		01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded. We are aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block 1181/128 Project. The comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as
1608	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc	Weisswange Margaret Angela Weisswange		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a
1609	The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry -conflict of interest much?) *has been snuck through the eastern Cape and ignored the greater Western Cape.	Margaret Angela Weisswange		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 1 IBr129 project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bax. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
1610	The most terrifying thing is if this is allowed, it will open our entire coastline to oil and gas companies and we will be sitting in hearings for possibly decades to come. #totaldestruction #totaldestruction #totaldestruction	Margaret Angela Weisswange		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comments have been recorded.
1611 1063	I represent the Eastern and Western cape, Block 11B/12B project as a deeply concerned citizen. This cannot be allowed to happen under any circumstances. Please register me as an Affected and Interested Party in this matter.	Margaret Angela Weisswange Margaret Anne	Individual	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The comments have been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project.
1064	We cannot in 2023 allow foreign oil interests to drill off our coastline, when the fragility of the balance of marine life along South African coastlines is put at risk purely for the benefit of these interests and a connected few locals.	Neunborn Margaret Anne Neunborn	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on marine life.
1065	This is an outdated and retrogressive energy resource, and the oil companies involved, after all this time, have not managed to control their mining activities to avoid terrible "accidents" which would become the clean up burden of this third world country - the oil companies and their onshore enablers just walk away.	Margaret Anne Neunborn	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on the environment will be done as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage. There is also provision for compensation to communities and individuals affected by spills and leaks.
1066 1067	South Africa's oceans are not theirs to exploit and damage, they are for to be cherished for the future, for future generations to know their beauty and the marine wonders of our shores. I cannot bear the arrogance of these hit and run companies, and the mirage of job creation foisted upon citizens of this country.	Margaret Anne Neunborn Margaret Anne	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
981	l am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. Therefore consider me both interested and affected.	Neunborn Marge Hughes	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128. No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic
648	I have a major concern with the impact of the offshore drilling and seismic work on the local biodiversity. The Western Cape draws a lot of tourism and should not consider projects that are detrimental to sensitive biodiversity areas.	Marietjie Bell	La Finca Tranquila	03 February 2023	E-mail	Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the manine ecological study. The Offshore drilling will also be cliedly desired the results included in the marine impact assessment. There is interaction between both modelling teams and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystema-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the importance (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or Vulnerability (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Preliminary ROV and drop carner agripulan results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production and proper pleane routing options will be made available for use in the marrine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 KNV and drop carner campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as site in a number of habitat within the production right area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marrine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including estuaries, Ramars sites etc). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stagents and the project lifecyle. The marrine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (i
649	On a further note, why are we considering gas instead of focussing on solar or even nuclear energy?	Marietjie Bell	La Finca Tranquila	03 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Final Scoping Report provides strategic context for the Project in the South African strategies to decarbonise the economy, primarily by decommissioning coal-fired power generation and ultimately replacing all hydrocarbon sources with renewables by 2050. The local context of the Project is also discussed, pericularly in proximity to the existing PeroSa Infrastructure and that the intention is to replace the depleted Block 9 gas field as a feedstock for the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid plant and possibly also supply the ESKOM Gourikwa power station with gas for the open cycle turbines.
650 651	I herewith therefore want to raise my objection against this project. I have spoken to several people in our community who are also not up to speed with this project and its impacts. Please consider a further round of meetings to address concerns.	Marietjie Bell Marietjie Bell	La Finca Tranquila La Finca Tranquila	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The objection has been recorded. Please provide the Public Participation Office with specific information about the communities being referred to in your comment. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information about the public participation process conducted during the scoping phase of the ESIA. The EAP welcomes any
652	If the project do go ahead, what measures will be in place to protect the pipeline structures from vandalism? We have train tracks and electrical cables being stolen on a daily basis, how safe are the pipelines from damage?	Marietjie Bell	La Finca Tranquila	03 February 2023	E-mail	recommendations that you may have. The pipeline from the well field to the F-A Platform is a subsea pipeline and is approximately 100km offshore.
1387	For the following reasons and concerns: I do not believe that the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 1181/28 should be granted. Total and accumulative: GHG emissions 1.There will be vast related onshore infrastructure development with various plants: required to process the gas for export.	Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	A lifecycle perspective will be employed in the CC Assessment in order to assess the impact of the project on climate change. This entails considering the most significant sources of GHG's throughout the entire lifecycle of the project.
1388 1389	2.What are all the various industrial infrastructures that will be required to be contistructered onshore to process the oil/ gas landing by pipeline from offshore and including_pumping onto the export vessels? 3.What will the total greenhouse gas emissions be for all the various related onshore industrial infrastructures for the total duration of a production permit?	Marily Lilley Marily Lilley	Individual Individual	04 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	No onshore infrastructure will be built as part of this Project. The climate change assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will quantify GHG emissions from gas processing and end-use. The possible scenarios at
1390	4. What will the total greenhouse gas emissions be for all the various related offshore infrastructures required for the duration of a production permit, including all flaring, venting, fugitive emissions, use of diesel etc, emissions from vessels required in developing offshore production infrastructures,	Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	present are the GTL facility or the Eskorn gas to power operation. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1391	including total ghg emissions for vessels transporting the oil/gas for export to and from South Africa for the duration of a production permit? Power electricity requirements 1. How much power would be needed for all the related onshore infrastructures for the total duration of a production permit? 2. Where will all this power be sourced for the permit duration?	Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	The intention is that the Block 118/12B gas and condensate would provide feedstock for the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid plant and/or the adjacent ESKOM Gourikwa power station. There will be a be a net surplus of fuel or electricity during the production phase.
1392 1393	2.Where will all this power be sourced for the permit duration? Details required please. 3.South Africa does not have enough power with rolling blackouts with many various negative impacts on the public and business, and no solution in the near future to increase power output to satisfy the needs of SA and the public.	Marily Lilley Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail	No electricity will be required for the onshore GTL facility and/or the ESKOM Gourikwa power station during the production phase. No electricity will be required for the onshore GTL facility and/or the ESKOM Gourikwa power station during the production phase.
1394	near truture to increase power output to satisfy the needs of SA and the public. 4.1 believe that before any production permits are considered these issues need to be considered and answers given to the SAfrican public.	Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Thank you for this comment, your concerns are noted. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the
1395 1396	5. The possible impacts on the ocean and the wide diversity of marine. Iffe in the area including migrating whales are of great concern to me. 6. The possibility of pipeline and other offshore drilling and production related infrastructure leaks, spills explosions, with sea, environment, air contamination, and impacts on marine life are of great concern to me.	Marily Lilley Marily Lilley	Individual Individual	04 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetacoans. The concerns have been recorded. These issues will be addressed in the ESIA phase.
1397	Environment, social 1. The possibility of onshore leaks, spills, explosions from related onshore infrastructures impacting communities, environment, air, health are of great concern to me.	Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023	E-mail	Existing onshore infrastructure will be used for the project. As part of the ESIA process, the dispersion of contaminants by ocean currents in the unlikely event of a spill and the probability of spill contents reaching nearby shorelines, and the impact on the environment and community health and safety, will be assessed. The ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider impacts of project activities on fish populations. The ESIA socio-economic study will consider impact
1398 1399	2.The possible impacts on small scale fishers and fishing communities both onshore and offshore are of great concern to me. 3.The health and environmental impacts of toxic gasses from oil and gas infrastructures omshore and offshore eg emissions flaring, venting, spills, explosions, on the environment, health and global warming.	Marily Lilley Marily Lilley	Individual	04 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The ESIA manne ecology and biodiversity study will consider impacts of project activities on itsh populations. The ESIA socio-economic study will consider impact on communities, especially small-scade fisher communities. The potential adverse impacts of the proposed project will be assessed through detailed specialist studies as part of the ESIA - refer to the plan of study for the ESIA in Chapter 1 of the Scoping Report.
1400 1401 1402	4.How and where will all the toxic radioactive flow back be disposed off? What will the total flow back be for all the wells to be drilled? Is fracking included as per the 'deviated' wells? 5. All the Constitutional Rights of South Africans must be upheld.	Marily Lilley Marily Lilley Marily Lilley	Individual Individual Individual	04 February 2023 04 February 2023 04 February 2023	E-mail E-mail E-mail	No toxic radioactive flow back will be generated as fracking is not used as a technique to extract gas and condensate from an offshore well field. Fracking will not be used as a drilling and extraction technique on the Project. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
694 1595	I am TOTALLY against the idea of off shore drilling. I would like to object, what info do you need from me. Tourism and concerned citizen, well done all of you	Marina Barkhuizen Mario R A	Individual	02 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block 118/128 project.
1560	l object to the pipeline being place at Mossell Bay. The whales breed there every year. What will happen to these poor magnificent creatures if you do this??	Paymans Marion Lemmer		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of
1703	l am so sad. Please Stop. I want to object to the gas exploration.	Marius Strydom		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors, inclsing cetaceans. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1798	l biglict to Total drilling because of the destruction they will cause to the marine and adjacent environment. Thank you for your email reminding me about the need for my to submit comment by today, 3 February. I regret my delayed response, due to my having	Marsha Holtzhausen		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	had to attend to various urgent issues in the past weeks. Please record my total opposition to proceeding with exploration as per port of the TEEPSA Block 118/128 ESIA, and confirm that my opposition to proceeding further has been recorded. Stop the oil and gas drilling along our coastline. Stop the corruption between government and consulting agency - environmental and drilling for oil and gas	Mary de Haas	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
	Come on - ETF	Mary Jane Waite	Garden Route Biosphere Reserve 2019 team for UNESCO	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded.
1109	I have recently become aware of Total Energies plans for the exploitation of fuel reserves off the South African coastline. As a citizen of South Africa and an enthusiastic ocean swimmer, I hereby register as an I&AP. Please keep me informed of the project's progress and note my strong objections to further plunder of our seas by Total or any other agency of the human industrial complex.	Mary Ralphs	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project, your objection has been recorded.
	I object very strongly to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin, which is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration and borders on a Marine Protected area. It would be completely disastrous to the environment and to tourism. In these days of much better understanding of what we have done towards destroying our planet, surely surely Total cannot be allowed to be so greedy and selfish as to cause	Mary Watson		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to optential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. This data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either avoid or
	greater destruction to our world. The world belongs to us all. PROTECT OUR PLANETII! PLEASEII!! Please register me as IAP.	Marulau Naurdigata	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	reduce the impact of the proposed activities. Examples include restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on migrating cetaceans to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in fewest number. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
	Please do not destroy our marine life, our environment, as tourism is all that keeps us going, and Nature needs to be preserved not exploited.	Marylou Newdigate Marylou Newdigate	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts on the environment, marine life and tourism will be assessed as part of the comprehensive ESIA process underway.
	It's going to add more CO2 to the atmosphere. It's very short term thinking, Please don't do it. Please register me as an Interested & Affected Party. I am a RSA citizen and all negatively impacts the ocean & environment consequently impacts me.	Marylou Newdigate	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/12B project.
	Please think about all the inhabitants of the ocean along our coastline. You are going to harm them irrevocably. We owe them a living!! PLEASE - no more plundering of our already fragile oceans. Consider future generations.	Mathilda du Preez Maureen de Villiers		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	Retrieving data. Wait a few seconds and try to cut or copy again.
	As an affected stakeholder I would just like to know if there will be transport available for the consultation meeting to be held at Port Alfred, on the 25th of this month regarding 11B 12B. Your response would be greatly appreciated, thank you.	Melisa Pullen		17-Jan-23 & 2-Feb-23	WhatsApp	Yes, transport can be arranged to the public meeting.
1729	I object to more offshore oil and gas drilling in our precious ocean, reason is, I'm a fisher living in a fishing community. In the case of a disaster we will be tremendously affected, our livelihood WILL be at risk. In the past there has been many disasters that took place, to name a few DEP WATER RONZON MUNBA HIGH NORTH OCEAN RANGER	Melisa Pullen		17-Jan-23 & 2-Feb-23	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. Potential impacts on fishers as a result of the proposed production related activities, including unplanned events, such as oil snills, will be assessed as part of the FSIA process.
	The list goes on					Over and above the environmental and social management plan (ESMP) that will be developed as part of the ESIA process, an Emergency Response Plan, Oil Spill Contingency Plan and Blow Out Contingency Plan will be developed as a standalone document for the project. The regulatory approval process for these
1730	There are no clean up plans in place and no compensation !!	Melisa Pullen		17-Jan-23 & 2-Feb-23	WhatsApp	opin contangency pria and bow Out contingency prian win or eventuped as a satinative occurring in the control in the regulatory approved in the SIMP. TEEPSA is required to set satisfied manical provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage and for ongoing work to restore the environment. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological
						processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with
1731	How can you drill next to a marine protected area	Melisa Pullen		17-Jan-23 & 2-Feb-23	WhatsApp	change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity planning processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat'; or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range-
						restricted or migratory /congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and
	Do you even consider the environment Do you consider our livelihood	Melisa Pullen		17-Jan-23 & 2-Feb-23	WhatsApp	additional actions are proposed. These aspects will be considered during the environmental and social impact assessment process.
	Do you consider our human rights					Vour objection has been recorded. The marine impact assessment will use the most up to date data available in the published literature to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident cetaceans.
						The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "unlerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with
660	hope this finds you and your family well. My plea and objection to this project moving forward is to consider future generations and our fragile marine life. Please, I wholeheartedly object to this going ahead. Thank you may my voice be added and heard today.	Melissa Adey	And Beyond	01 February 2023	E-mail	change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity planning processes (including habitats
						that meet definitions of 'natural habitat'; or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range- restricted or migratory /congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks. This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impacts are
	The pdf application form you have on the website is not editable so I can not complete it. For the record here are my details and I am registering to object to					mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are occoosed. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. Your objection has been recorded. We will keep you informed of further development on the
	the proposed plans. Registering as an interested and affected party and request information to be sent to this email address. Kindly let me know my objection and registrations have been received and noted. [Comments: Offshore drilling has many unaccounted for environmental risks that have long lasting impacts. It takes a teaspoon of oil to pollute a litre of water,		Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	proposed Block 118/128 project. The ESIA specialist studies will consider the impacts arising from normal operating conditions and emergency events. An oil spill modelling exercise will be
	so how can potential and likely oil spills be prevented? What happens if there is an oil spill, who pays for the destruction of the marine ecosystem that science has already proven is at unparalleled risk from human activities and pollution? This cost like is home to many local fisherman and small torrisk businesses that rath on access to the unscraled marine are system for their likelihoods and	Melissa Baird	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	undertaken to understand the extent and impact of an emergency event and this will be considered in other specialist studies such as the marine ecology and biodiversity assessment. Thank you for bringing your concerns to our attention. After completing the environmental and social impact assessment, a report will be submitted to the
690	This coast fine is home to many local fishermen and small tourist businesses that rely on access to the unspoiled marine eco system for their livelihoods and well being. If a newironment and its people are likely to be negatively impacted - in any shape or form - this should be enough to re-address this prospecting application until all questions are answered and guarantees are in place.	Melissa Baird	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	appropriate authorities. This report will provide an overview of the anticipated impact and risks and any mitigation or avoidance measures that may be necessary. Based on the information, the authorities will make a decision. If a stakeholder disagrees with this decision, they may appeal it. This process must be completed before implementation can begin
691	Renewable energy sources are far more able to supply local community energy requirements, create jobs for skilled and semi-skilled labour without the threat of severe environmental damage. There are other viable alternatives.	Melissa Baird	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment have been recorded.
	INTRODUCTION These submissions are made by The Green Connection and Natural Justice in response to the Draft Scoping Report published for comment by WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd for the proposed offshore production right and environmental authorisation applications for Block 118/12B on 2 December 2022. Comments					
	are due on 3 February 2023. The Green Connection is a registered non-governmental organisation, that believes economic growth and development, improvement of socio-economic status and conservation of natural resources can only take place within a commonly understood framework of sustainable development. It aims to provide	Melissa Groenink,	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &			
	practical support to both the government and non-governmental/civil society sectors, which are an integral part of sustainable development. Natural Justice: Lawyers for Communities and the Environment is a non-profit organisation specialising in environmental and human rights law in Africa – with a focus on the pursuit of social and environmental justice for local and indigenous communities. Natural Justice offers direct support to local and indigenous	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	communities impacted by the ever-increasing demand for land and natural resources. On 20 January 2023, Green Connection and Natural Justice submitted comments to Petroleum Agency SA in response to the section 10 Notice inviting comment on TEEPSA's application for a production right for this block. The jorganisations have an interest in this project, in the interests of the protecting the environment, in the interests of protecting the local and indigenous peoples					
	and communities who will be impacted, as well as in the public interest OBJECTION TO THE EXPLOITATION OF OIL AND GAS RESOURCES					
	The extraction, processing, storage, transport and end-use of oil and gas from the proposed production operations will result in unacceptable significant emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs), increasing atmospheric GHG levels and resulting in increased adverse impacts on human health and well-being and ion the environment (species and ecosystems). Impacts on human health and well-being are likely to include (among others) impacts from increased adverse	Melissa Groenink,	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	00.5.1		Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken in the next phase of the project, during which the proposed project's greenhouse
	environmental effects, impacts on food availability and affordability, loss of property due to sea-level rise, direct impacts of catastrophic weather events, and deterioration in physical and mental health and well-being. Environmental impacts are likely to include (among others) increased temperatures, worsening and prolonged droughts, longer and more intense heatwaves, increases in extreme weather events, increased ocean acidity, decline in ecosystems and habitat,	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	gas emissions will be calculated and the corresponding impact on climate change assessed.
	and increased rates of species extinction. These impacts are significant and unacceptable The exploitation of oil and gas resources, and specifically as proposed in this application, is not needed or desirable. Globally, the proven reserves of oil and					
	gas far exceed what can be used without causing catastrophic climate change. There is already sufficient proven oil to supply over double the emissions consistent with 1.5°C, whilst already proven gas resources are nearly three times more than the 1.5°C budget. As a party to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC) and the Paris Agreement, South Africa has committed to limiting the increase in the global average temperature to					
407	well below 2°C and to pursue efforts to limit the temperature increase to 1.5°C. South Africa is not, however, on track to meet these commitments. According to the Climate Action Tracker, "South Africa's climate policies and commitments need substantial improvements to be consistent with the Paris Agreement's 1.5°C temperature limit." (Climate Action Tracker, South Africa, https://climateactiontracker.org/courtnes/south-africa/). It provints followed South Africa's they are the province of the Control of the Co	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050.
	"insufficient" approach to climate mitigation, "warming would reach over 2°C and up to 3°C." (Climate Action Tracker, South Africa, https://climateactiontracker.org/countries/south-africa/piciliosis-action/). Approving more oil and gas projects, including offshore exploration and production, would push South Africa further sway from activiting its international climate commitments.					
	As the public trustee of the environment generally, of biological diversity, of protected areas, and of coastal public property, the State must take measures to ensure that our oceans are used, managed, protected, conserved and enhanced in the interests of the whole community, for the benefit of present and future					
488	generations. The phase out of oil and gas is urgently needed to avert the climate crisis, to protect and promote the State's obligations to provide basic necessities such as water, food, shelter and an environment that is not harmful to health or well-being. Given this, the exploitation of oil and gas is not ineeded, is undesirable, is locally and globally irresponsible, is contrary to South Africa's international climate change and biodiversity commitments, and	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050.
	contravenes the State's obligations under section 24 of the Constitution. The Green Connection and Natural Justice object to the authorisation of the proposed production activities.					
	COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT Notwithstanding the above, we provide further comments on the Draft Scoping Report and ESIA in general. In our view, upon full and proper assessment, the impacts associated with production will be found to be highly significant and unacceptable, and the environmental authorisation should be refused.					
	1.The ESIA must comprehensively assess the marine impacts of the project 1.1.The ESIA must use appropriate methods for modelling the impacts of a well blowout and other operational & unexpected spills or leaks of methane and gas condensate into the environment.					
	1.1.1 Accurate modelling of the fate of methane from blowout or leak must consider the depth of the emission, its force and maximum quantities emitted given realistic timeframes for gaining control of the well, and the depth of the well. Studies show that methane cause depletions in oxygen levels and jacidification when dissolved in the marine environment, and contribute directly to climate change when methane bubbles reach the surface. (Saarh C. Weber					
489	et al., Hercules 265 rapid response: Immediate ecosystem impacts of a natural gas blowout incident, 129, Deep Sea Research Part II: Topical Studies in Oceanography, 66–76 (2016), https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/articles/S0967064515003507; Isabel C. Romero et al., Tracking the Hercules 265 Imarine gas well blowout in the Gulf of Mexico, 121, Journal of Geophysical Research: Ceans, 706–724 (2016),	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
	https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/2015JC011037; D. F. McGinnis et al., Fate of rising methane bubbles in stratified waters: How much methane reaches the atmosphere?, 111, Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans (2006), https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1029/2005JC003135; J. E. Olsen et al., Doservations of Rising Methane Bubbles in Trondherinsford and Its Implications to Gas Dissolution, 124, Journal of Comprised Research Coceans,	rianan olo				
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	et al., Rising Arctic Ocean temperatures cause gas hydrate destablization and ocean acidification, 36, Geophysical Research Letters (2011), https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1029/2011GL047222; Fenix Garcia-Tigereros et al., Estimating the Impact of Seep Methane Oxidation on Ocean pH and Dissolved Inorganic Radiocarbon Along the U.S. Mid-Atlantic Bight, 126, Journal of Geophysical Research: Biogeosciences, e2019/G005621 (2021),					
	D480https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1029/2019JG005621.) 1.1.2.Accurate modelling of the fate of gas condensate from a spill or blowout requires prerequisite studies of the composition of particular condensate from					
490	the field being drilled, and lab studies of its fate in the environment. This is standard practice for gas condensate associated with Norwegian offshore oil and gas production. (Jane H.C. Øksenvåg et al., Sigyn condensate – properties and behaviour at sea, (2017), https://sintef.brage.unit.no/sintef-; Lei Chen, Jiayan Yang & Lixin Wu, Modelling the Dispersion of Dissolved Natural Gas Condensates From the Sanchi incident, 124, Journal of Geophysical Research: Oceans,	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	E-mail	Numerical modelling of the dispersion from a well blowout or condensate leak will be carried out using state of the art methods, research findings, and software
	8439-8454 (2019); Andrew P. Negri et al., Derivation of toxicity thresholds for gas condensate oils protective of tropical species using experimental and modelling approaches, 172, Marine Pollution Bulletin, 112899 (2021), https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0025326221009334; E. Kababu et al., Effects of crude oil and gas condensate spill on coastal benthic microbial populations, 10, Frontiers in Environmental Science (2022),	Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys	,		tools. Details will be provided in the modelling reports.
	https://www.fronliersin.org/articles/10.3389/fenvs.2022.1051460)					A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The spatial and temporal extent of the
491	1.2.The ESIA must assess the immediate and chronic impacts of sonar and seismic surveys. Table 5-4: Summary of Sonar Survey states that the following will be equipment/source specifications of those surveys: Multi-beams Echo Sounder, Side Scan Sonar, Sub-bottom Profiler, and Ultra-High Resolution Seismic (Draft Scoping Report p. 277). It is unclear whether the last, Ultra-High Resolution Seismic, refers to Vertical Seismic Profiling, or to ultra-high	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	E-mail	modelled noise impacts will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment, and will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach) in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal groups. Section 7.2 of the Scoping highlights the ecological network conceptual
	resolution 3D seismic surveys. In either case, the ESIA must explain the process to which this reference refers, and must carefully examine the full footprint of acoustics and impacts of any seismic and sonar studies.	Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys			model, which described the various ecological interactions and processes. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-
						case scenario. These potential impacts on a number of species groups (mammals, birds, turtles, fish) will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. A noise modelling
						study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of sound as a result of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration, etc.) using an
						ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'unleneability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
						The main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key papers covering underwater noise and its effects:
						**Popper et al. (2019) main the maintain exposure currier, as the **Popper et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on marine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, TTS), permanent threshold shifts (i.e., permanent loss of hearing sensitivity, PTS), and behavioural response in marine mammal hearing due
	1.3.The ESIA must consider acoustic impacts on all species. Many marine species, beyond marine mammals, depend on sound and acoustic cues for vital biological functions. These surveys are to be used to investigate the bathymetry, including where the pipeline is to be laid, and will be conducted in a marine	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	E-mail	to both impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al 2019, NMFS 2016, 2018). The disturbance (behavioural response) threshold for all marine mammal species was set as 160 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) for impulsive noise (e.g., seismic surveys) and 120 dB re
	Critical Biodiversity Area; currently the Draft Scoping Report only considers impacts to marine mammals (the baseline information for which, as noted below, is inadequate) and not to any of the other acoustically-dependent marine species and their important biological functions.	Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys	, 2020		1 µPa (SPLrms) for non-impulsive noise (e.g., drilling) (NMRS 2016). These disturbance thresholds do not consider the overall duration of the noise or its accoustic frequency distribution to account for species dependent hearing. The disturbance thresholds are much lower for continuous sounds than impulsive sounds, which is attributed to the differences in the way the ear perceives loudness for these sound types.
						Appropriate thresholds for sea turtles related to impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources were set as per Finneran et al. (2017), which derived both TTS and PTS thresholds and applicable frequency weighting functions. The behavioural disturbance noise thresholds for sea turtles for both impulsive and non-impulsive sources was set at 175 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) (Finneran et al. 2017).
						Sound exposure guidelines for fish, fish eggs, and fish larvae have been developed by Popper et al. (2014) for impulsive and continuous (i.e., non-impulsive) noise sources. Fish are grouped into three categories depending on whether they have a swim bladder, and if it has a role in their ability to hear. Fishes with no swim bladder are less susceptible to injury from noise exposure, altihough some injury may still result from exposure to sound pressure. Fishes with swim
						bladders in which hearing both does and does not involve the swim bladder are both susceptible to injury although hearing, although the latter only detect particle motion, not sound pressure, while the former detect both. For fish, masking and behavioural effects are assessed qualitatively, in terms of relative risk (i.e., high, moderate, and low) at distances from a noise source (i.e., are, intermediate, and far) (Popper et al. 2014).
						(tile, ingli, mourate, and low) at Ussairuss intoin a loss source (us, inear, inethropate, and rail / ropper et al. 2014). While limited information is available for sound exposure thresholds for penguins and other driving birds, recent studies (Serensen et al. 2020) have examined the behavioural response of penguins to impulsive noise. Based on the findings of this study, a conservative behavioural threshold of 120 dB re 1 µPa (SPLrms) was applied for impulsive and non-impulsive noise.
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493	1.4.The ESIA needs to detail how impacts during Humpback whale and Southern Right Whale migration periods will be mitigated.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	FGM, Call)	These potential impacts and mitigation will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g.,
		Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink,	Adrian Pole Attorneys Natural Justice, The Green Connection &			value of an ecological receptor) or "vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on environmentally sensitive
494 495	1.5.The ESIA needs to detail how operational spills and leaks will be mitigated during spawning periods. 1.6.The ESIA acoustic analysis must look carefully at behavioural responses driven by acoustic harms, and not just temporary and permanent threshold shifts. This analysis must also give consideration to ambient and project noise in decidecade frequency bands to ensure that impacts on marine organisms	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Adrian Pole Attorneys Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	areas, including spawning areas and coral beds, in the region, will be done. The Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (a., drilling rig, vessels, Vertical Seismic Profiling [VSP], Sonar) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species. Marine Acoustic criteria thresholds will consider both injury and behaviour effects for
496	sints. This alarges must also give contract about or allotine, any piec, lose in reduceate requestly quarts of ensure that impacts on manne digitalities. 1.7.Fig. 7-5, of the Draft Scoping Report states the following-"Therefore, it is expected that existing underwater noise levels in the vicinity of the Project are significantly impacted by existing vessel traffic." The ESIA should incorporate the ambient soundscape, as well as other operational noise contributors, such	Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Adrian Pole Attorneys Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	E-mail	marine mammals, sea turtles, fish, penguins and diving birds, including consideration of species frequency response, activity time duration, i.e., exposure, Sound Exposure Level (SEL) criteria thresholds. Agreed, and general construction noise impacts (including helicopters) will be included in the Marine Ecology and Acoustic Assessments.
497	as helicopters, drilling, dynamic positioning system etc. (Draft Scoping Report at Page 41). 1.8. The Draft Scoping Report, at Table 5.3, cites the use of explosives. The ESIA needs to outline various permits required for this activity. (Draft Scoping Report at page 24)	Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Adrian Pole Attorneys Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	All necessary licences and permits will be obtained prior to any Project activities commencing.
498	1. 9.With regards to the section on turtles as outlined within the current draft scoping report, the section requires revision in order to reflect that South Africa hosts 5 species. (Draft Scoping Report at page 49)	Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The section was meant to reflect that three species breed on South African shores. This has been updated for clarity, and the other species have been included Marine Ecology Assessment.
499	1.10.The ESIA must consult the most recent literature and consider the strandings of 'smaller cetaceans' along the coastline, with specific reference to the extremely high numbers of Kogia species. (Draft Scoping Report at page 55)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink.	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	This will be included in the Marine Ecology Assessment.
500	1.11.In the Draft Scoping Report the IUON status and endemism of the African Penguin is downplayed. The ESIA should include an in depth review of this population given the dramatic deficine over the last 2 decades / Seci	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink,	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	A broader discussion of the current status and population trends of the African penguin will be included in the Marine Ecology Assessment. The Marine Ecology Assessment will include greater detail on international treaties to which South Africa is signatory, including CMS. Species on the NEM: BA
501	and in CITEs are not mentioned (except the white shark). The obligations for which South Africa is a signatory to CMS and CITES is poorly written. Furthermore, species in marine TOPS regulations are not mentioned. The ESIA needs to unpack all these legislative tools as well as the species which will be affected in the proposed area.	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Threatened or Protected Species Regulations (2007) list have been included. Note however that CITES regulates the trade in species (which is not applicable here). The impacts of light poliution will be assessed in the marine biology specialist study. This study will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including
502	1.13. The Draft Scoping Report mentions under the section "Potential impacts of the Project on EBSAs in the area surrounding Block 11B/12B": that light will be considered. Light pollution and impacts on biological processes should be fully explored, and not just on the impacts on EBSA's. (Draft Scoping Report at page 103)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal groups. The assessment of potential impact will involve the consideration of the senativity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the importance (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or vulnerability (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. It is established that artificial structures such as vessel hulls, pillings, platforms and infrastructure associated with oil and gas production will, over time, develop a
503	1.1.4 The ESM should deal with invasives and alien species in detail and the risks for South Africa, given that ships, drilling equipment and rigs are used and relocated around the world for these types of projects. 1.15.The National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act requires, in terms of section 63, that additional relevant factors are taken	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink,	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	fouling community of marine epifauna which may consist of alien invasive species. Movement of these artificial structures and their associated biofouling communities from one place to another in the ocean provides an opportunity for the translocation of alien invasive species. Introduction of alien invasive species and so take place via discharge of ballast water, containing eggs, cysts and larvae.
504	into account in an application for environmental authorisation for coastal activities. The Scoping Report falls to identify these factors, or indicate how they will be assessed in the ESIA.	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Block 118/128 is located offshore of the south coast and no onshore development will take place as part of the Project activities. Section 63 of the National Environmental Management: Let is management Act is not applicable to the Project ESIA. Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. A lifecycle
505	2.The ESIA must comprehensively assess the full lifecycle climate impacts of the project 2.1.Globally, the proven reserves of oil and gas far exceed what can be used without causing catastrophic climate change.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	perspective will be employed in the climate change assessment in order to assess the impact of the project on climate change. This entails considering the most significant sources of GHGs throughout the entire lifecycle of the project. The end use will be assumed to be either fuel consumption from the GTL plant or the use of power from the Eskom gas to power facility. The scope of the study will consider direct emissions from the construction, operation and decommissioning phases of the project as well all significant indirect GHG emissions associated with the project. Indirect emissions will include both upstream and downstream scope 3 emissions.
506	22.According to recent reports by leading energy experts, development of new gas fields at this time is incompatible with a 1.5°C pathway. See, for example, the following: 2.2.1.* capital and operational expenditures for the exploration and extraction of oil and gas in new fields—which are incompatible with selected IPCC and IEA 1.5°C pathways—are expected to reach USD 570 billion annually by 2030 (Rystad Energy, 2022). By themselves, these investments would suffice to bridge the entire investment gap for wind and solar in 2030 Preventing investments in any oil and gas fields beyond the aready under development is essential to limiting temperature rise to 1.5°C, and could additionally free up a significant sum of capital required to fill the wind and solar investment gap." (IIISD. Navigating Energy Transitions (Oct. 2022) at 27) 2.22. Beyond projects already committed as of 2021, there are no new oil and gas fields approved for development in our pathway, and no new coal mines	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
507	2.2.2.5 eyopron projects a leaded youthreads as of 22/21, neter are no new oal and gas netus approved to development in our plantway, and no new coal mines or mine extensions are required. The unwavering policy focus on climate change in the net zero pathway results in a sharp decline in fossil fuel demand, meaning that the focus for oil and gas producers switches entirely to output – and emissions reductions – from the operation of existing assets. (International Energy Agency, Net Zero by 2050 (2021) at 21)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
508	2.3.The ESIA must take this reality into account when assessing the significance of climate impacts, especially with regard to its proposal to engage in more exploratory well drilling.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. A lifecycle
509	2.4.The climate change impact assessment must include a comprehensive life-cycle assessment, including upstream and downstream emissions and impacts associated with the proposed production and ancillary activities.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attomeys	03 February 2023	E-mail	perspective will be employed in the climate change assessment in order to assess the impact of the project on climate change. This entails considering the most significant sources of GHGs throughout the entire lifecycle of the project. The scope of the study considers direct emissions from the construction, operation and decommissioning phases of the project as well all significant indirect GHG emissions associated with the project. Indirect emissions will include both upstream and downstream scope 3 emissions.
510	2.5.Climate change is likely to result in more frequent and more extreme weather events, which is particularly significant as the exploration activities will already be occurring in a dynamic ocean environment, in an area of already high volatility due to the Aguihas current. This existing volatility is recognised in the Scoping Report, (T'mb strong Aguihas Ocean current, coupled with the high wind and waves, make the harsh melocean conditions a challenge for especially the installation / construction phase of the project." pg. 35) and increased volatility of the ocean must be taken into account in this assessment. 3.The ESIA must accurately describe baseline environmental conditions	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink,	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys Natural Justice, The Green Connection &	03 February 2023	E-mail	Physical climate change impacts on the proposed project will be assessed as part of the climate change assessment. Climate projections on variables such as near surface in temperature, sea surface height and sea level rise will be analysed under different future scenarios. The risks that physical changes in climate pose to the project will be analysed as part of the assessment. 3) The environmental conditions will be described in the marine ecology and biodiversity baseline chapter of the Draft ESIA Report.
511	3.1.Baseline environmental conditions must be described and impacts assessed with reference to the most recent available literature. 3.2.According to the Draft Scoping Report, knowledge of the baseline of cetaceans in and around Block 118/12B is very limited and outdated. Given how	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	3.1) The marine ecology and biodiversity chapter of the Draft ESIA Report will assess the impact of the project activities on the environment, and the description of the baseline conditions will reference relevant iterature.
512	quickly cetacean distribution and feeding and breeding patterns are changing as a result of changing ocean temperatures and resource availability, this gap in knowledge must be remedied by new surveys that cover all seasons over at minimum two years. 3.2.1. "While current data is available on species distribution and abundance of cetaceans in Block 118/128 for two baleen whale species, the humpback whale Megaptera novaeenglise and southern right whale Eubalaena australias, almost all data is limited to the nearshore continental shell (Pisces 2019). Indeed, the majority of information available on the seasonalist and distribution of large whales offshore (>200 m deep) is based on contained in which are the 1960s (Pisces 2014). Even historical data from commercial whaling data from the 1960s (Fisces 2014). Even historical data from commercial whaling activities, or government run cruises between 1975 and 1986, mostly occurred inshore of Block 118/128 (Findigy et al. 1992, Pisces 2019). Information on abundance, distribution or seasonality of smaller cateaceard whales and dolphins) known to occur in oceanic waters off the shelf south of the Agulhas Bank is particularly poor (Pisces 2019). "(Draft Scoping Report p. 54-55)	Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping Report.
513	3.3. Given this lack of baseline information, a precautionary approach should be taken, such that where the impacts of production cannot be accurately predicted, the activity should not be authorised.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Detailed baseline data will be collected in the ESIA phase and described in the Draft ESIA Report that will be made available for public review and comment. The requirement for public participation is embedded in South Africa's Constitution and regulatory processes. Notably, Section (2)(4)(f) and (o) of the National
514	4.The ESIA must undertake comprehensive public participation to achieve meaningful consultation 4.1.Recent judicial precedents must be applied in ensuring that effective and meaningful consultation is achieved, through genuine, bona fide substantive two-way processes aimed at achieving, as far as possible, consensus, especially in relation to what the process entails, and the import thereof. (Sustaining the Wild Coast NPC and Others v Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy and Others (34912021) [2022] ZAECMKHC 55 [95].) Insofar as they do not, and have not, these processes run contrary to NEMA and the Constitution.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Environmental Management Act, 1998 states "the participation of all interested and affected parties (I&APs) in environmental governance must be promoted and all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equitable and effective participation and participation by vulnerable and disadvantaged persons must be ensured, and - the environment is held in public trust for the people, the beneficial use of environmental resources must serve the public interest and the environment must be protected as the people's common heritage". To this end WSP and TEEPSA firmly believe that the ESIA process is being followed in compliance with the above requirements. WSP and TEEPSA have and will continue to consult with all registered I&APs, and provide information about the proposed project, opportunities for comment and consider all issues raised in the specialist studies during the ESIA. As such, WSP is obliged to reflect all the issues, concerns, questions, objections, and recommendations raised through it ESIA. South African laws mandate the country's Government to make decisions regarding production right and Environmental Authorisation applications. TEEPSA is currently in the process of applying for an Environmental Authorisation to undertake production activities. Should Environmental Authorisation be granted for the
515	4.2.It is clear that TEEPSA has not meaningfully consulted with all potentially impacted groups during the exploration well drilling application phase. For example, representatives of the Gourikwa Khoisan Stambuis and Khoisan Traditional Council were invited via email to a Focus Group Meeting, and there was only one follow-up discussion with Chiel Barry Jacobs, Int the end, no meeting materialized. *Draft Scoping Report pdf*) That Scoping Report again proposes to distribute the notification letter, registration and comment sheet via email and online through WSP's website, noting only that other mechanisms for reaching I&APs, such as radio announcements and rhyers, "will also be considered." (*Draft Scoping Report at 92) The production right consultation process should actually reach all potentially affected community members, and meeting invitations should not only be set through electronic means, since it	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	proposed project, TEEPSA will continue to consult with all registered I&APs in the project affected area to obtain their views about aspects that may directly impact them as a result of the project. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides a detailed account of the public participation process that was followed during the scoping phase, including effort to consult with the First Nations / Indigenous Groups. Several First Nations / Indigenous Groups have submitted comments in writing and the ESIA team has be and is continuously in personal contact with several First Nations / Indigenous Groups. Moreover, at the time of publishing partial Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of consulting with legitimate leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape Sf Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings (as requested by them during the public meetings), appropriate meeting protocods, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information with their constituents and their communities. The information with their constituents are considerable to considerable to considerable to considerable to considerable to considerable to the considerable to considerable to considerable to considerable to the considerable to considerable to the considerable to considerable to the considerable to the considerable to considerable to the considerable to considerable to the constitution of the considerable to the considerable to considerable to the considerable to considerable to the co
516	has proven ineffective at reaching remote communities who may be harmed by the project. 4.3. The traditional authorities and leadership structures of impacted groups must be specifically engaged. However, consultation must extend beyond these authorities and structures to ensure that communities participate. Monarchs and leadership cannot make representations on behalf of all community	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid &	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	In the relevant specialist studies. The ESIA public participation process has specifically sought to engage with leadership of communities within the project Area of Influence and a number of online focus group meetings have been scheduled to discuss specific issues of concern. Several in-person public meetings have been held where interested an
517	members. (Sustaining The Wild Coast NPC and Others v Minieral Resources and Energy and Others (3491/2021) [2021] ZAECOHC 118 [26]) 4.4.The scope of the assessment of impacts ought to be develored to include impacts to communities beyond the parameters of the Mossel Bay Municipality. It should include, inter alia, communities living in other areas along the east coastline beyond the parameters of the Mossel Bay Audicipality. It should include, inter alia, communities living in other areas along the east coastline beyond the immediate vicinity of the production area. 4.5.The list of communities and groups who will be consulted as part of the heritage impact assessment process should have been made available to	Adrian Pole Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Affected Parties have been able to obtain information about the project and provide feedback in their comments, concerns and questions. The Scoping process serves to define the Scope of Work for the specialist studies to be undertaken in the impact passes affect, indirect and cumulative impacts and, for certain environmental and socio-economic aspects, the impacts are likely to extend beyond the Mossel Bay Municipal area.
518	interested and affected parties during the scoping phase in order for I&APs to identify gaps in the proposed consultation and assessment process. The EIA Regulations require that the person conducting the public participation process ensure that "(a) information containing all rearring that in respect of the application or proposed application is made available to potential interested and affected parties". (EIA Regulations, section 41(6)(a).) These relevant details include a list of which communities will be consulted, the methodology used to identify the communities to be consulted, the proposed embodology for inconsultation that, and whether the proposed project has been subject to any prior consultation thus far. The Draft Scoping Report fals to include information and has therefore deprived interested and affected parties of their right to review and comment on the development of the methodology to be adopted and to identify which cultural groups or communities will be consulted.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment Report will consider the measures that need to be undertaken to either avoid or minimise potential impacts of the Project under normal and emergency conditions. Section 11.8.8 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and method for the CHIA study, including a list of the locations at which interviews were conducted in the community.
519	4.6.By relying solely on the EAP's own information to identify potential I&APs, important groups may be excluded. In Sustaining the Wild Coast and Others v Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy and Others, the Eastern Cape High Court found that public participation was inadequate where a database was compiled through "analysis of potential stakeholders and based on stakeholders engaged in previous similar studies in the area" and where the company declined to give further details about how the database was created. (Sustaining the Wild Coast NPC and Others v Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy and Others (2022) 1 All SA 796 (ECG) para 21)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9.4 of the Draft Scoping Report provided detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed project. The EAP considered several sets of regulatory requirements, and p.89 of the draft scoping report provided additional factors that were considered in the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs. Therefore, the EAP believes that efforts beyond the regulatory requirements were made to create a preliminary list I&APs. Section 41 of the EUR Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs. Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and mainternance of a register of I&APs (also section 9 to the final Scoping Report for more information). In view of the regulatory requirements, stakeholders are always encouraged to and are responsible to register as I&APs. All documentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs of distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs cuin the ESIA process. Therefore, we would like to invite you to notify us of organisations that may be interested and to whom the project information can be sent.
520	4.7.Though it appears from the Scoping Report that TEEPSA is relying heavily on an existing database of potential I&APs, the Scoping Report does not provide sufficient information, as required by the EIA Regulations, to facilitate comment on the adequacy and accuracy of the I&AP database and community outreach efforts.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9.4 of the Draft Scoping Report provided detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed project. The EAP considered several sets of regulatory requirements, and p.89 of the draft scoping report provided additions that were considered in the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs. Therefore, the EAP believes that efforts beyond the regulatory requirements were made to create a preliminary list I&APs. Section 41 of the EAR Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs and Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs (also Section 9 to the Final Scoping Report for more information). In view of the regulatory requirements, stakeholders are always encouraged to and are responsible to register as I&APs. All documentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs to distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs durin the ESIA process. Therefore, we would like to invite you to notify us of organisations that may be interested and to whom the project information can be sent.
521	4.8. Stats SA should be identified as a relevant government agency that must be consulted, particularly as it is key enabler of natural capital accounting (NCA), with a mandate to promote the use of official statistics within policy development, policy monitoring and evaluation as well as decision-making efforts, particularly in aspects relating to environmental management such as the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and the Post-2020 Global Biodiversity	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Statistics South Africa has been added to the stakeholder database and provided with project-related information.
522	Framework. 5. The ESM must consider a full cost benefit analysis, factoring in the social costs of carbon 5.1.lt does not seem that the TEEPSA have included within their scope of assessment, an assessment of the estimated cost of damages that will result from every additional ton of carbon) emitted into the atmosphere due to this particular project. The externalized costs of climate change aggravating activities on the marine environment and the local communities must be assessed. These damages include, but are not limited to, see level rise, severe weather, melting permafrost, ocean acidification, and ecosystems shifts. (Simon Evans et al., "The Social Cost of Carbon" (February 2017) The Carbon Brief, online). Assigning	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA economic study will consider the social costs of carbon as part of the scope of work. The plan of study in Chapter 11 of the Final Scoping Report has been updated to reflect this.
523	no value at all to future harms from climate change is inappropriate and misleading. 5.2.The assessment scope should include identifying the projected gross tonnes emissions associated with direct emissions and indirect emissions. For direct emissions these calculations should include the emissions resulting from the construction, operational, decommissioning and reclamation phases of the processing facility, the marine terminal and likely nearby related infrastructure. Scoping determinations would have to be made with respect to upstream and downstream emissions such as emissions associated with construction, operation, decommissioning and abandoment of gas pipelines as well as extraction, gathering, and refining. Gross and net downstream emissions must be factored in. 6.As part of the need to consider a full cost benefit analysis, scope for the consideration of natural capital accounting should be extended. Natural Capital	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. A lifecycle perspective will be employed in the CC Assessment in order to assess the impact of the project on climate change. This is entails considering the most significant sources of GHOS throughout the entire lifecycle of the project. The scope of the study considers direct emissions from the construction, operation and decommissioning phases of the project as well all significant indirect GHG emissions associated with the project. Indirect emissions will include both upstream and downstream scope 3 emissions.
524	Accounting (NCA) provides a common framework for measuring and tracking over time the contribution of ecosystems and natural resources to social and conomic goals, such as water security, food security and job creation, and provides a wealth of information that can improve planning and decision-making related to the management of natural resources. The underlying premise for NCA is that since the environment is important to society and the economy, it should be recognized as an asset that must be maintained and managed, and its contributions better integrated into decision making. Ecosystem accounting incorporates a wider range of benefits to people than those captured in standard economic accounts, and provides a structured approach to assessing the dependence and impacts of economic and human activity on the environment.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	A cost benefit analysis is not within the scope of the economic impact assessment. However, negative impacts on the local economy (for example on the touris and fishing industry) is being considered as part of the study.
525	7.The ESIA must consider feasible technological alternatives to the project as required by section 240(1)(b)(iv) NEMA, including as part of its assessment of need and desirability. 7.1.As the report notes, NEMA requires applicants to consider "different means of meeting the general purpose and requirements of the activity, which may include alternatives to (a) the property on which or location where it is proposed to undertake the activity, (b) the type of activity to be undertaken; (c) the design or layout of the activity; (d) the technology to be used in the activity; and (e) the operational aspects of the activity. (Draft Scoping Report at 33)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 6 of the Draft ESIA Report will consider feasible technological alternatives.
526	7.2. The Draft Scoping Report only identifies alternatives related to oil and gas production. It does not explore any "activity alternatives" because "[t]he location of the proposed project is constrained to the location of the gas, condensate and oil rim resource and confirmed reserves." (Draft Scoping Report at 33). Yet, the "general purpose" of the activity can be achieved through renewable energy, such as offshore wind.		Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The intention of the Block 118/12B Project is to provide further feedstock to the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid plant and also, possibly, to the adjacent Gourikqa power plant. Block 118/12B gas and condensate will replace the depleted feedstock from the Block 9 field. The Need and Desirability chapter of the Final Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this Project takes place and also considers the Project in the context of the location of the resource. The Need and Desirability chapter will not consider renewables as they are not an appropriate alternative to the proposed Project in terms of the nature of the Project development. A strategic environmental assessment of the Integrated Resource Plan, 2019 would provide a broader framework within which consideration can be given to the environmental and social impacts and benefits of offshore gas development relative to renewables. The Scoping report serves to provide information on the proposed project activities and provide a preliminary list of potential impacts that could be expected to
527	7.3. The Draft Scoping Report justifies the need for natural gas production "as one element in the mix of technologies that will secure energy generation capacity going forward" - "a bridge on the path from reliance on fossil fuel to carbon-neutrality" and complementary to renewable energy sources. (Draft Scoping Report at 13) The report also touts the project's socio-economic benefits in the form of jobs related to operating the FA Platform and associated infrastructure and the PetroSA GTL refinery, which would use the gas and condensates from the project.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Scoping report service to provide information on the proposed project activities and provide a preminary its of potential impacts that could be expected to a raise from the project activities. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. However, this is not a justification; and the finding of the specialist ESIA studies that assess the impact of the project activities on the environment and prevailing socio-economic and economic conditions will provide the information on which the Regulator will make a recommendation to the Minister.
528	7.4.Investing in a renewable energy project like an offshore wind farm would yield these environmental and socio-economic benefits and more, without posing the threat of harmful oil spills that are expensive to clean up. Total is not new to the offshore energy sector. There are currently 10 projects in its offshore wind profition, one of which is the Seagreen Offshore Wind Farm - Scotland's largest offshore wind farm. (TotalEnergies, Our Offshore Wind Portfolio, https://totalenergies.com/infographics/totalenergies-offshore-wind-power-portfolio-worldwide.)	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.

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	7.5. Once operational in the second quarter of this year, Seagreen's 114 turbines are expected to power 1.6 million homes and displace 2 million tonnes of carbon dioxide from fossil fuel generation. (Seagreen, Building Scotland's largest offshore wind farm, https://www.seagreenwindenergy.com/.) Unlike oil and gas production, which, as the report acknowledges, is limited by the location of existing reserves, wind turbines may be able to occupy a greater percentage					
529	of Block 118/128. (Michael Freeman, Offshore Wind Can Lower Energy Prices and Beal Out Oil and Gas (Sept. 23, 2022). The Centre for American Progress. https://www.americanprogress.org/article/dishfore-wind/can-lower-energy-prices-and-beal-out-oil-and-gas/) Offshore wing-jects last create jobs spanning several occupations and roles, with a concentration in the manufacturing and supply chain. (Stefek, Jeremy, Chioe Constant, Caitlyn Clark, Heidi Timesand, Corre Christol, Ruth Baranowski. 2022. U.S. Offshore Wind Workforce Assessment. Golden, CV. National Renewable Energy Laboratory. NRELIPP. 2000-041798. https://www.nrel.gov/docs/hy2asbid1798.pdf.) With regards to areas in Block 118/128 with deeper water depended floating offshore wind as "an extremely promising and technical segment where Total brings its extensive expertise in offshore operations and maintenance." (TotalEnergies, Renewables: Total Enters Folating Offshore Wind with a First Project in the UK (Mar. 19, 2020), https://totalenergies.com/media/news/press-	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
530	releases/renewables-total-enters-floating-offshore-wind-first-project-uk.) 7.6.Alternatively, Total could explore opportunities to invest in renewable projects on land. Given the potential of renewable energy to meet the purposes of oil and gas exploration, the ESIA should consider renewable energy projects as alternatives.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Total has a diverse portfolio of investment in energy generation and the Block 11B/12B Project is one in a number of development that is intended to provide reliable source of energy as part of the transition to renewables. A strategic environmental assessment of the Integrated Resource Plan, 2019 would provide broader framework within which consideration can be given to the environmental and social impacts and benefits of offshore gas development relative to
531	7.7. The two pipeline routes considered in the Draft Scoping Report cut through the Critical Biodiversity Area, even though the Draft Scoping Report notes that "development of the subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes [si] considered one-compatible in the CBA Natural area." (Draft Scoping Report at 121.). The base case was ultimately selected because it "reduces footprint impact on the marine CBA." (Draft Scoping Report at 21.).	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Indeed, as per Harris et al (2022), the development of the subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-compatible within the Indeed, as per Harris et al (2022), the development of the subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-compatible within the Indeed, as the Indeed area. The environmentally preferable option is to revoke the Aproximation and the Indeed area (2014) that the existing F-A gas platform pass through a CBA area. There is promised in Harris et al. (2014) that, should significant mineral or petroleum resources be identified during prospecting/exploration within a CBA area, alternative CBAs and/or biodiversity of large to be identified to meet transfer for the same biodiversity features that are found at the six. This provision would apply to evelopment of piceling.
532	7.8. The proposed pipeline transverses a significant portion of CBA Natural. According to the sea-use guidelines and stated in the Draft Scoping Report, oil and gas pipelines are not compatible with either CBA Natural or Restore. Limited information is available on what biodiversity features designate this area as a CBA natural area. Clarity is required to make an appropriate assessment of risk. The impact of linear infrastructure such as the pipeline in fragmenting habitats	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	are to be belinked to meet larges to inter larges and exposed as an exposure of the production of the present infrastructure critical to the production phase of this project. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available and will be used in the marine impact assessment to quantify these impacts more accurately.
533	and gene flow, amonast other impacts, must be thoroughly investigated. 8. The scope of the assessment must include the full impacts of the project, including downstream effects 8.1 According to the Draft Scoping Report, "Any construction, modification or upgrades at the F-A Platform or at any onshore facility, if required by the off- taker of gas or condensates, will be subjected to a separate Environmental Authorisation ("EA") Application." (Draft Scoping Report, p. 2). However, there may be upgrades required at these facilities that are not teld to the off taker, but that result directly from the addition of the gas and gas condensates from Block 118/128 to the pre-existing processing and offtake system. These may include upgrades to the current processing facility, for example. Any of these alterations that have impacts that must be considered under NEMA should be integrated int this application, as the development of Block 118/128 is at direct	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Any upgrade to the F-A Platform that may be required will be done by PetroSA in terms of existing licences or permits or a separate application for an Environmental Authorisation will be submitted by PetroSA.
534	trigger of those required changes. 9. The ESIA must fairly assess both the negative and positive impacts associated with the no-go alternative 9. The description of the No-Go alternative, as currently previewed in the Draft Scoping Report, focuses heavily on detailing the economic and social benefits that South Africa would forego without an accounting of the environmental, climate, and social harms that would be avoided. The ESIA should fairly	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 6 of the Final Scoping Report (Alternatives) will be updated once the results of the specialist studies are available.
535	represent the costs and benefits of choosing not to proceed with the project. 9.2.It would be prudent for the ESIA to report on history of the compliance, incidents, spills and failures and any other environmental harm that have occurred across the globe, associated with operations by TOTAL E & P South Africa B.V., Qatar Petroleum International Upstream LLC, CNR International (South Africa) and Main Street 1549 (Pty) Ltd.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Information provided by TEEPSA indicated that: *Three wells have been drilled offshore between RSA and Namibia with no spills (in a South African context, 358 wells have been drilled in the offshore environment to date by various operators and no well blow-outs have been recorded) *In Angola, TotalEnergies have drilled 156 production wells with an approximate production of 550 Kbopd (this is for oil not gas) *No spills from evells (blow out or leaks) experienced in Angola *Thirteen spills from oil production facilities (FSPO's) were recorded of which only had an impact on shore and, in total, environmental clean-up cost, includiresponse and clean-up of approximately USD 3 Million including cost for air surveillance, sealitie tracking dispersants, boats, personned, etc. Further information will be added to the Draft ESIA Report if it becomes available. No information is available for Qatar Petroleum, CNR International and Mail Street 1549 (Pby) Ltd.
536	10.The ESIA must comprehensively assess the impacts on tangible and intangible heritage and cultural resources 10.1.The ESIA should assess impacts on tangible and intangible heritage and cultural resources through a specialist heritage impact assessment study. The Draft Scoping Report references a number of different specialist assessments that will be employed to study specific and relevant impacts such as marine acoustic; marine ecology, air quality and climate change, oil spill modelling and drill discharge modelling, socio-economic impact studies and lastly closure in terms of financial provisioning. However there does not appear to be the inclusion of a separate and specialist assessment on the impact to heritage resources. Instead, reference is made to the consideration of 'the results of the Cultural Heritage study undertaken for Block 1181/128', which is an existing study. This study has not been made available as part of this phase of the assessment, and consequently we are not able type.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA Maritime Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) will consider issues of maritime heritage, archaeology and palaeontology (as tangible heritage). The st comprises a desktop exercise based on information gathered from a number of underwater heritage databases and other relevant sources to assess the pol for physical cultural heritage remains in or on the seabled in the project area. The HIA will comprise of an assessment of the potential for historical shipwared be in the project area and, as requested by SAHFA, an assessment of the palenotological potential of the area. The HIA will complement the Intangible Cultural Heritage (ICH) study undertaken along the south and south-eastern cape coast to conduct primary anthropological research to describe, discuss and analyst receiving environment, specifically key stakeholders' intangible cultural heritage and the prevalence, frequency commonatity of the study and the state of the s
537	Furthermore, it appears that this report will not be made available for public comment, contrary to NEMA requirements. 11. These heritage resources must be identified and the potential impact on these resources assessed as part of a heritage impact assessment. In addition to the tangible heritage resources, heritage resources which must be considered include "places to which oral traditions are attached or which are associated with living or intangible heritage", and "landscapes and natural features of cultural significance". These could include particular species which hold significant cultural and heritage importance to small-scale hishers.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded will be considered in the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (CHIA). The CHIA will also consider the values and senses of place well as sites of importance as raised as a concern. Section 11.8.8 of the Scoping Report details the terms of reference and method for the CHIA study.
538	12. The application must adequately assess negative socio-conomic impacts. 12.1 The ESIA should clearly identify and map out thisting grounds used by small-scale or artisanal fishers to ensure that project activities will not interfere with them and thus the fishers' livelihoods, either directly or indirectly, S-PD531ome of the impacts which should be specifically examined include those from spills or changes to the behaviour of resident species due to project activities, which may reduce accessibility to or abundance of target species. (Nathan Andrews et al., 0f. fisheries and coastal communities: A review of impacts on the environment, livelihoods, space and governe, Energy Research & Social	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	The reference to the 2021 Andrews et al. article refers. This article is already part of our database. From a social impact perspective, the livelihoods implicati will be considered as part of the social assessment.
539	Science 75 (2021), https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S221462962100102X.) 13.The ESIA must consider impacts on food security and food sovereignty, especially in relation to livelihoods that may be impacted by the proposed production and related activities. 13.1The Draft Scoping Report fails to consider impacts on food availability and security into a climate impacted future, and it appears that there are no plans to do so in the ESIA. A right to food perspective is critical in this assessment.	Melissa Groenink, Liziwe McDaid & Adrian Pole	Natural Justice, The Green Connection & Adrian Pole Attorneys	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential adverse livelihood impacts will be considered. The concept of food sovereignty, in the sense that food distribution and production mechanisms are controlled by those who produce, distribute, and consume food, will not be considered as such. This is a policy and systems issue beyond the scope of this project.
1546	Hi I'd like to object and register as an effected party of the proposed deep sea oil exploration off of mossel bay	Michael Alexander Yaman		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms you have been registered as an I&AP and will continue treceive information about the project.
1624	I object to the proposed Gas Drilling off the Eastern Cape, Western Cape Coast line and would like to be kept informed of any future developments Objection to oil exploration/drilling/pipelines in ocean between mossel bay & St Francis bay. This should not be permitted for the following reasons: Destruction of the environment for the benefit of few. Total is a foreign company with only financial objectives.	Michael Graham Lello	D	03 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project will continue to receive information regarding the project. Your comment has been recorded. Potential impacts of the project on the environment, including climate change, will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
	There will be polition from activity. Global warming from fossil fuels.					Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed active
1725	Please don't those poor dolphins and whales don't deserve to be the victims of humanicorporate greed! Good day. As a concerned citizen I hereby lodge my objection to Total Energies plans for surveying and possible drilling between Mossel Bay and Cape St	Michael John Deall		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available liter as well as in situ survey data.
1600 1567	Francis. I, hereby officially object to TOTAL doing any exploration work for either gas or oil on the East Coast (Indian Ocean) of South Africa. Thank you for your kind	Michael Theunissen Michael Waldeck		03 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
47	response. May your day be productive and yet filled to the brim with loyfulness. With regard to time, the people present at the meeting are either in favour or against this development. I am against it. We do not get time to air our concerns. For the people who are in favour please allow for those who are against to have their say.	Michele Rivarola	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	This has been noted. All viewpoints are equal and valuable. All stakeholders must use the opportunity to air their opinions.
50	It sounds like this project is going to go ahead even though TOTAL does not fully understand the Block. What has gone into making this decision? I find it pretentious that we are told that a company that's going to be involved in oil and gas projects is prioritising climate goals. Please provide clarity on this.	Michele Rivarola	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	Your comment is noted. The current application forms part of a legal process that is required when applying for the necessary authorisations, isoness and permits before TEEPSA can undertake the proposed production activities. As such, the current Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), along the required public consultation being undertaken, forms part of the application. Once the ESIA process has concluded, the application goes to the compete authority, in this case being the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE). A decision is them made to either grant or refuse the application is uscessful, there will be further opportunity for stakeholders to appeal the decision. Only once a final decision been made by the COMPAL Authority, after any potential appeals, the project may proceed. No construction or related activities may start prior to all the necessary authorisations, right fleences being in place.
51	Would it be possible to get a list of all TOTAL projects for review?	Michele Rivarola	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The information is available on the TotalEnergies website (https://totalenergies.com/south-africa). The information is available on Petroleum Agency of South Africa (PASA) website. There is a map that shows where all the rights have been issued and who [are] the holders of those rights. ESIA studies for the thre Blocks that TEEPAS is working on are currently underway with relevant studies now available in the public domain.
53	There is no way that natural gas is an environmentally friendly hydrocarbon. It has a global warming potential which is 80 times that of carbon dioxide. So, it is a figment of imagination to anyone who says this is an environmentally friendly solution, it certainly is not. It may be a commercially friendly solution for some people making the money but certainly not for the environment. We all know what happened in 2010 in the gulf of Plorida although that was an oil well, 12 years on oil is still spewing out, this is still on-going and has not been remedied by any of the companies. All they did was try and shoulder the responsibility on somebody else. I would like to know what contingency measures is going to be in place and what type funds are going to be made available	Michele Rivarola	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. When concluding the impact assessment, the specialist team need to look at the measures that are inherent in the operational practice of the developer and then make recommendation to supplement these measures are deficient in any way or respond specifically to the unique characteristic of the reservoir that is being pursued. That is part of the process going forward in the impact assessment that specialist teams need to respond to. On a technical side, the Florida well has been closed and capped and is not spiling oil anym. There have been a lot of lessons dearnt by the industry, and changes in technology including response and capping of wells. All the information around oil is
54	should we end up with a similar situation given that there is drilling deep into the sea and the earth crust and the possibility of things going wrong is not remote as it happens all the time. These are disasters, you don't only have dead animals you have dead people. 12 years down the line, that cap in Florida is still leaking oil it is well documented they still picking up dead fish and birds covered in oil, 12 years on. Is this the type of risk we want to take in this country?	Michele Rivarola	Individual	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	mitigation, prevention and contingency plans will be done through the ESIA process and impacts will be assessed. Recommendations, mitigation and management of impacts will be provided by WSP through the ESIA process. Impacts associated with unplanned events will be addressed in the impact assessment phase of the project; the results of which will be shared with the publications of the project of the project of the project in the results of which will be shared with the publication of the project
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203	24. Everyone has the right— (a) to an environment that is not harmful to their health or wellbeing; and (b) to have the environment protected, for the benefit of present and future generations, through reasonable legislative and other measures that— (i) prevent pollution and ecological degradation; (ii) promote conservation; and (iii) promote conservation; and (iii) secure ecologically sustainable development and use of natural resources while promoting justifiable economic and social development. In keeping with the Constitution and Bill of Rights Sections it 7(1)(c) and 75(1)(b) of the MPRDA state that the national Minister of Minarral Resources and Energy (national Minister) can suse a prospecting right/reconnaissance permit if the prospecting/reconnaissance will not result in unacceptable pollution,	Michele Rivarola	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
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1623	[9] the fundamental flaw in the stakeholder engagement process that has not engaged communities to the south which are at considerable risk given the flow of the Agulhas current should there be an offshore accident. Please ensure I am registered as an ISAP which I have done in person at the East London stakeholder engagement and by whatsapp. Please ensure I am notified of all relevant communications by email or whatsapp.*	Mike Denison	WESSA	29-Jan-23 & 3-Feb-23	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/128 project. The meeting notes are available via WSP's webstle at: https://lwww.spc.com/en-zaservices/pubc-couments and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128. Furthermore, Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: *Nor rounds of media amnouncements (newspapers and netwospapers) and netwospapers and ne
1771	I'm writing as a concerned citizen over TotalEnergies plan to drill new wells and build new pipelines in the 12000sq. Km area between Mossel Bay and Cape St. Francis. 1. A major concern is that the proposed projects lies in the middle of the Agulhus current which is a major highway for whale and sardine migration every year. Oil spills are catastrophic to the environment and wildlife and unfortunately as events have proven in the Niger Delta, projects of this magnitute cannot succeed in poverty driven countries without disastrous accidents occuring. Just last month in December, the beaches here in the Garden Route were closed because oil was found on beach goers hands and feet, there was an apparent "investigation" but are still waiting for that outes, so no body is the accountable and our vulnerable oceans are left to suffer for the greed of this government. PetroSA, like many of SA's state-owned entities such as Eskom, have proven to be riddled with corruption and incompetence.	Mikyla Pearson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	You're comments have been recorded. In less potential impacts will be assessed in the Marine Ecology. Assessment, note that while the production fight are covers 12 000 Mar.), the entire area will not be utilised. Footprints of impacts will be determined by the underwater noise modelling and the oil spill and drill cuttings dispersion modelling study. Construction footprint will be assessed to the size of the subsea infrastructure, and the expected area of impact associated with construction methods (anchors etc). The area of idered construction impact will certainly be far smaller than 12000 km2. The spatial extent of unplanned events, such as oil spills, will be quantified in the oil spill modelling study, and the results used by the marine ecologist and feiners especialist in their assessment of potential impacts. The Marine Ecology Assessment will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology inclined plaintaits, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, laval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach) in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various ecological interactions and processes. The assessment of potential impacts will evolve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological erceptor) or vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to a project-induced change, the assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors to a repost-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in a repeatment to present a worst-case scenario. Monitoring recommendations will be made as per the results of the marine impact assessment. Monitoring will likely be recommended for benthic impacts, wate quality, marine mammals and birds, managed by the Environmental Mahmagement Programme (EMPP) (which will be made available to the public for comment) and the Environmental Authorisation, if granted. As
1772	This could dramatically increase the likelihood of serious accidents enormous long term damage to the coastline environment and knock-on effect on small-scale fishers, Local tourism and other businesses - this is a risk we cannot afford to take. A Totalenergies spokesperson stated that after a serious accident, the SA government will investigate (still no feedback from the December Mossel Bay oil spill) and TotalEnergies will be responsible for compensation. Well once the damage is done compensation pointless because the condition of our beautiful natural environment will be irreversible. This project will not benefit the people of SA but rather Gwede Mantashe's wallet and other government officials.	Mikyla Pearson		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	and the Environmental Authorsasion, it granted. As the manne ecological speciasist, I cannot speak to it the data will be made publicly available. The comments have been recorded. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned events such as oil spills, on the environment, fishers, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA must make financial provision to pay for environmental dean-up and compensate individuals and communities in the event of a spill that adversely affects people's keinholded. TEEPSA also has insurance for unforseen events. TEEPSA will need to comply with Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, which prescribes the requirements for duty of care and remediation of environmental damage.
1773	2. Only certain government officials and their friends stand to gain massively from the proposed project. As per our constitution, the coastline belongs to all of us, for present and future generations, but TotalEnergies' project offered only finite development, not long term sustainable development. The jobs associated with the project involved working deep underwater on gas well construction or on the rigs or flying helicopters which require people trained in a high level skills overseas, meaning Local people would not be eligible for the jobs. absolutely object to TOTAL Energies cratching in our oceans. Have human beings not done enough damage to our planet? One day, when there are no			02 February 2023	WhatsApp	As part of the ESIA process, socio-economic study will be undertaken to assess the potential benefits and impacts on local communities. TEEPSA is also require to develop a Social and Labour Plan as part of the Production right application. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated.
1047	fish in our rivers, no birds in our skies and no animals roaming our veld, we will realise THAT YOUR CAN'T EAT MONEY. Stop already, you greedy bastards you are ruining everything that is precious on this Earth.	Moeksie Mohamed Enver	Individual	06 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
793 1262	I am an interested and affected party. I am a RSA citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently also affects me. Thank you very much for registering the Garden Route District municipality as an interested and Affected Party for the proposed project. Our comments on the draft scoping report as follows: 1. In terms of section 38 (5)(e) of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act 39 of 2004) (the Act), the Minister responsible for minieral resources is the Licencing Authority for any section 21 listed activities which may be triggered by the proposed project as the proposed activity	Bulbulia Monde Stratu	Individual Garden Route District Municipality	03 February 2023 16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. This information has been recorded.
1263	relates to a prospecting, mining, exploration or production activity as contemplated in the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002). 2. It should be noted that if any small boilers as contemplated in GN No. 831 of November 2013, will be operated Garden Route District municipality will be the authority responsible for issuing small boiler registration certificates.	Monde Stratu	Garden Route District Municipality	16 January 2023	E-mail	Operation of the PetroSA F-A Platform will be in terms of existing permits and licences, inflow and downstream of this operation there is unlikely to be any Section 23 (e.g. small boilers) activities associated with the TEEPSA application. In addition, since the onshore operations at the proposed laydown area is expected to make use of the existing (or they will be obtained port) infrastructure for any heating and power requirements, the support operations associated with the construction phase would not require bollers. There is no reference in the project documents of any operations that SEIAth that
1264	Further comments will be made in terms of Air Quality management as the environmental and social impact assessment progresses and the possible listed activities confirmed with the appropriate Licencing Authority.	Monde Stratu	Garden Route District Municipality	16 January 2023	E-mail	require steam, heat or power generation thus there should be no requirement for a small boiler. TEEPSA by boilers > 10MW heat input. The vessels would require power but this would be Heavy Fuel Dit (HFD) generators or Natural Gas (NG) turbines. The comment has been recorded. Based on the information available at this time, there should be no Section 21 (listed) activities associated with the TEEPSA facilities. This will be discussed with the District Municipality during the ESIA process.
310	As an Interested & Affected Party, The Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB) hereby submits comments on the Draft Scoping Report for proposed additional exploration driling and associated activities in Block 11th/12b on the South Cape of South Africa. SANCCOB has already participated in several ESIA processes for TotalEnergies and submitted comments on the scoping report for proposed exploration and drilling in Block 11th/2B in 2020. SANCCOB also submitted comments on the scoping report for proposed exploration and drilling in Block 11th/2B in 2020. SANCCOB also submitted comments on the scoping report and ESIA for Block 567 and on the scoping report for Block DWOB. SANCCOB includes those submissions as an Appendix to this letter as many of the points raised in those submissions applies to this one.	Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that SANCCOB has been registered as an I&AP on the ESIA and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
311	1.Risk of a blow-out / oil spill in table 8 - 1 for the environmental and social interactions an accidental oil spill is considered a minor negative interaction. It is well-documented that even a small spill can have a major impact on seabirds under certain conditions. Therefore, it is essential that the risk of an oil spill is seriously considered, and appropriate mitigation measures are identified for various scenarios.	Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The reasoning for the minor interaction for a small spill is due to the fact that the Area of Interest is approximately 75 km from the shore at its closest point and is unlikely, considering the dominant winds and currents, that a small spill will reach the sensitive coastal zone. The initial interaction presented in the Scoping Report will be confirmed by the specialist studies in the next phase of the ESIA. The assessment will consider both normal operations and unplanned events, such as oil spills. The Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the sense of the Plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the plan of Study for Impact Assessment includes the undertaking the plan of Study for Impact Assessment Impact As
312	Considerations must also be given not only to the increased number of vessels operating around the drilling site but also the high vessel traffic in the area (as quoted on Page 41 of the Scoping Report) which increases the potential for vessel collision. It is therefore concerning that the risk of vessel traffic are not being assessed by this ESIA. The weather conditions of South Africa can be extremely hazardous thereby increasing the risk of on all spill incident cocurring. Oil spill response companies will not be effective if the sea and/or weather conditions are too rough; it is crucial that these factors are considered in the ESIA and plans are in place to mitigate these.	Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023	E-mail	of OI Spill Modelling, which will include both stochastic modelling (which will present the probability of contamination above defined threshold values for sea surface and shorelene under different spill scenarios) and deterministic modelling (which will study the trajectory and fate of an individual oil sick (usually the worst-case trajectory identified in the stochastic simulation) in order to better understand how the oil spill progresses in the marine environment, estimate the amount of oil that could reach the coast depending on the weather conditions and oil weathering, as well as the minimum time to observe these impacts. This information will be used by the other specialists in their assessments, as well as enable TEEPSA to establish practical and feed oil spill response planning. The ESMP will further specify the requirement for regulator approval of the oil spill contingency plan and blow out contingency plan prior to any activities taking place. The ESMP will include specifications related to the storage of hazardous substances.
313	On page 118 there is specific mention of that an Oil Spill Contingency Plan will be compiled. It is essential that oiled wildlife response is included in the plan and listed in Table 11-1 as a mitigation strategy. In the interest of transparency this plan should be shared with all relevant stakeholders. If needed confidential information can be blacked out. On page 88 there is reference that storage of oil, gas and/or fuel diesel in containers larger than 500m ³ will likely occur. It is important that the ESIA evaluates		Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB) Southern African Foundation for the	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA indicated that the inputs (e.g. location, type of resource, season, contractor, response services) to an Oil Split Contingency Plan (OSCP) and Blow-Out Contingency Plan (BOCP) are unique and specific to each operation and contractor. Thus, the specific content of these plans cannot be developed in detail ahea of time. The ESMP will specify commitments on the approach to and key components of such plans.
314	how these materials will be stored to and what plans are in place should something happens to the drilling unit and the material goes overboard. Birdillé SA, CapeNature and SANCCOB are partnering to attempt to establish a new colony for African penguins at De Hoop Nature Reserve. This site was selected based on the high food availability as per DFFEs fish surveys. The first release of thirty penguin fledgling took place on 11 June 2021. Fives releases took place in 2022 adding up to 148 birds. During the last release adult penguins were discovered at the site. In November 2022 chicks were spotted at the site which is the first time adults have bred at this location since 2038. Adults and juveniles in the process of moutting were solghted. Whist still early days this is a positive development. The EUA needs to include this site as an area of critical importance in the event of an oil spill. Additionally, the increase in noise levels due to drilling activity and increased vessel traffic must be considered. A recent study in Algaba Sp found that needs underwater noise levels likely contributed to the decline in African Penguin numbers on St Croix Island. (Pichagru et al 2022) (Pichagru, L., Whert, L., Thiebault, A., Charier, I., Stander, N., Ludyin, R., Lewis, M., Carpenter-King, T. and McInnes A. 2022. Maritime traffic trends a round the southern by African – Did marine noise	Monica Stassen Monica Stassen	Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB) Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESMP will include specifications related to the storage of hazardous substances. Oil spill and drill discharge modelling will be done as part of the impact assessment phase. The outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology impact assessment will assess potential impacts of oil spill on all sensitive and significant coastal and marine habitats, features and species, including both offshore, coastal and onshore protected areas.
316	pollution contribute to the local penguins' collapse? Science of the Total Environment. Vol 849.) 2. Sensitive marine wildlife likely to be impacted. There are many seabird's species occurring in the vicinity of the drilling area many of which are listed as endangered on the IUCN Red List for Threatened and Endangered species. An oil spill affecting pelagic seabirds could be calastrophic as these birds are not easy to capture, extremely susceptible to stress and secondary complication linked to rehabilitation. As such their mortality in rehabilitation centres is often very high. It is therefore essential that the ESIA adequately addresses the risks posed to these species and how they will be mitigated.	Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Marine Ecology Assessment will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems—based approach) in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal groups. Section 7.2 of the Scoping Report highlights the ecological network conception elevations consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor or a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment or present a worst-case scenario.
317	3. Disturbance to marine wildlife The concern remains that the drilling operations and the associated increase in shipping traffic, could negatively impact pelagic fish, seabirds and cetaceans surrounding the drill site. The noise produced by ship engines, drilling technology and air transportation has the potential to cause disorderation and stress in marine wildlife resulting in complete avoidance of the region going forward. This could have significant implication on wildlife if the area is used as a key foraging or breeding location. The ESIA needs to consider seasonal variations in species and life cycle events to ensure that drilling does not occur during sensitive periods.	Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)	03 February 2023	E-mail	These potential impacts will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. The results of the underwater noise modelling will be used by the marine ecologial and fisheries specialist in the assessment of potential impacts. The Marine Ecology Assessment will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach) in the assessment of potential impact on marine ecology and the various faunal groups. Section 7.2 of the Scoping Report highlights the ecological interactions and processes. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "vulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
318	Page 120 notes (Table 11-1) that the operational lighting that will be required on the drilling unit during the hours of darkness; this poses a threat to nocturnal widdlife, particularly seabirds. Night lighting often causes seabirds to become disorientated and potentially colide with vessel or drilling structure. Whilst the document alludes to some type of mitigation strategy it needs to be explicitly detailed in the ESIA. Birds are also attracted to floating structures and any object that is left unoccupied for any length of time could be become occupied with birds. Depending on the time of year these birds could start nesting making removal of the nests impossible until the chicks have fledged. The ESIA study should take this into	Monica Stassen Monica Stassen	Southern African Foundation for the Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB) Southern African Foundation for the	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	The impacts of light pollution during all project phases will be assessed in the marine ecology impact assessment. Appropriate mitigation measures will be recommended in the same study, based on the impact assessment. This impact will be assessed in the marine ecology impact assessment, and appropriate mitigation recommended.
	As a Stakeholder we wish to register Landmark Foundation as an Interested and Affected Party and request confirmation thereof. Please find attached our		Conservation of Coastal Birds (SANCCOB)			WSP confirms that the Landmark Foundation has been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the proposed Block 11B/12B
435 436	comments on Draft Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment required by 3 February 2023 and confirm receipt thereof. I attended two public meetings - on 16 January 2023 in KwaNonqaba and on 18 January 2023 in Thembalethu - and wish to record the following serious	Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Project. Your comments have been recorded and responded to.
437	concerns. Firstly, we note that the PPP was launched during December (the notorious holiday period for problematic EIA applications to slip in beneath the radar). Be that as it may, none of the above-mentioned I&AP's that I represent, were directly informed. I just happened to find out from the Garden Route District Municipality on Sunday 15 January 2023. When I referred back to the George Herald of 12 January 2023, I eventually spotted an obscure ad in tiny lettering on the sports page. We find I odd that the meetings were held in areas which aren't universally accessable.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	A decision to start the consultation process in December was simply a function of the way the project has developed over time. A first round of introductory meetings was undertaken in 2022 with further extensive consultation undertaken in January 2023. Due to stakeholder interest in the project, an extension to the public comment period was made to 14 February, to allow for further opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to the scoping phase of the project. The way the project was announced and the meeting dates communicated is provided in detail in Chapter 9 of the Scoping Report.
438	But what is of greatest concorm, is that most attendees at both meetings informed me that agents with loud haliers had gone around KwaNonqaba and Thernhalethu unging residents to bring their Ibs to register for jobs at the meetings, At the KwaNonqaba meeting, residents threatened violent protest if these jobs didn't materialise. Unfortunately it is the Mossel Bay and Garden Route District municipalities (and not TEEPSA) which will bear the brunt of resultant infrastructural damage.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the SSIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the SSIA process. Section 9. 1.2 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. Thank you for bringing the dated automated response under our attention. The automated response has been updated. The Public Participation Office tried to
439	Attendees at both meetings also informed me that they had been told that "Greenies want to stop the project because they didn't care about job creation for the poor".	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	contact Mr Van Hemert on the 17th of January and subsequently sent an email in response to the last sentence of the letter. The last sentence of the safety and risk of attending a meeting at the Pellisurs Hall in Jeffreys Bay at 5pm and whether a morning meeting could not be scheduled at the Pellsrus Hall or at Sea Vista in Cape St Francis. The response provided via email on 17 January 2023 noted that the team will consider the request and revert. Notwithstanding, the public meeting continued as scheduled and advertised, however, a resolution was tabled at the Pellsrus public meeting by meeting participants that the meeting should be recommend due to dissatisfaction with the time, verue and low attendance. The ESIA team was in contact with the Kouga Local Municipality and community leaders at the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report to establish a new date, time and venue for the Jeffreys Bay public meeting. The information will be communicated with registered IAAPs as soon as the information has been confirmed. The public meeting will be incorporated into the Comments and Responses Register (CRR) and environmental specialist studies. As mentioned, stakeholders can register as I&APs during the ESIA process and meeting participants will be registered as I&AP. The Lead Facilitator further confirmed the preferred language at every public meeting and obtained meeting participants consent. In addition, during the
440	In Thembalethu, the presentations were stretched beyond the advertised two hour duration with WSP insisting on repeating the presentations in Xhosa and Afrikaans even though the audience were satisfied with just the English version. This resulted in most attendees leaving within the first hour after collecting their fruit at the door.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	presentations, the Lead Facilitator would confirm at regular intervals whether meeting participants understood the technical concepts of the proposed project are the ESIA. In cases where participants required explanations in Afrikaans or isiXhosa, these were given in the required languages. The ESIA team received requests for the presentation to be translated into Afrikaans and isiXhosa. In response to these requests, the ESIA team translated the presentations and translated presentations were available from the eighth public meeting. The presentation given at the public meeting served to introduce the Project, the ESIA process and the potential impacts as provisionally identified. The purpos
441	Environmental aspects of the project were glossed at the meetings. No mention was made of the potentially devastating impact on the Kingklip Corals, the Agulhas Bank Nursery and the marine protected areas and critical biodiversity zones.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	The presentation greet at the public meetings served to includuce the reject, the ESN process and the public meetings is to provide the opportunity for I&APs to give feedback in terms of concerns, questions and commet agriding issues that may affect them locally and need to be considered in the ESIA. The ESIA specialists will be undertaking detailed studies to assess the potential impacts on the environmental and on local communities and this information will be presented in the Draft Scoping Report that will be made available for public review and comment.
442	In Thembalethu, a resident who questioned Total's human rights record in Africa, was confronted by a WSP representative who accused the young man of being a 'colonialist'.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP is not aware of this regrettable incident and no WSP employee was involved in accusing any member of the public who attended a meeting of being a colonialist. The requirement for public participation is embedded in South Africa's Constitution and regulatory processes. Notably, Section (2)(4)(f) and (o) of the National
443	Surely TEEPSA or WSP didn't intend for the PPP to become a mere box-ticking farce that is sold to desperate job-seekers as a "job creation process which 'greenies' want to stop"? The reputational damage of this flawed process will potentially scupper the project.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	Environmental Management Act, 1998 states "the participation of all interested and affected parties (I&APs) in environmental governance must be promoted an all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equitable and effective participation by vulnerable and disadvantaged persons must be ensured, and - the environment is held in public trust for the people, the beneficial use of environmental resources must serve the public interest and the environment must be protected as the people's common heritage". To this end WSP and TEEPSA firmly believe that the ESIA process is being followed in compliance with the above requirements. WSP and TEEPSA have and will constitute to consult with all registered I&APs, and provide information about the proposed project, opportunities for comment and consider all issues raised in the specialist studies during the ESIA. As such, WSP is obliged to reflect all the issues, concerns, questions, objections, and recommendations raised through t ESIA. South African laws mandate the country's Government to make decisions regarding production right and Environmental Authorisation applications. TEEPSA is currently in the process of applying for an Environmental Authorisation to undertake production activities. Should Environmental Authorisation be granted for the proposed project, TEEPSA will continue to consult with all registered I&APs in the project affected area to obtain their views about aspects that may directly impact them as a result of the project.
444	Seismic surveys have been implicated in altering the behaviour of marine life such as whales and dolphins attempting to escape airgun surveys. It is more than just coincidence that during TEEPSA's exploration activities in the Brulpadda and Luipaard blocks in 2019/2020, environmentalists logged at least nine whale beaching between SIII Bay and Wilderness. Please provide a comparation of the environmental impacts of one exploitation use a use ass evolvation.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B. No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. Schoolation incurses drilling of exploration suite list has the heart of the profile of
445 446 447	Please provide a comparison of the environmental impacts of gas exploitation vis a vis gas exploration. Please describe the exploration methods to be used and their environmental impact. What is the difference between fracking of the Karoo and fracking of the Indian Ocean?	Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023 03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Exploration involves drilling of exploration wells that are then Chapter 5 of the Final Scoping Report details the Project Activities and Components and Fracking is a specific technique to remove gas and oil from onshore shale formations and is not the technique used in offshore gas and condensate production. If the Production Right application is granted, the ESIA will include monitoring and auditing requirements for all phases of the Project (construction, production
448	Who will monitor TEEPSA's activities? A retired oil rigger says "You don't want to know what goes on out there. No one sees or monitors the carnage".	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	and decommissioning). Audit report will be available to the public and an Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to oversee compliance. TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage. There is also provision for compensation to
449 450	In the event of gas leakages or oil spills, who is responsible for cleaning up and rehabilitation? And who will pay? Exploration and Production is located in the middle of the Aghulas Current and will negatively impact marine, plant, bird and consequently human life. In particular the migration routes of Whales and Sardines. The proposed area borders PE Corals Marine Protected Area (MPA) which is an important conservation zone for protecting endangered bottom feeders like kingklip. What will the effect be on this MPA? There is a distinct possibility that activities	Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	communities and individuals affected by spills and leaks. The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine biology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with meraine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these subjects of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact.
	associated with the setting up of wells during the drilling process, and or accidental spillage, could disrupt the inhabitants of this sensitive area.					these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.

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451	The risks of leaks, spills, blasts etc are unacceptable to even consider drilling. And leaving equipment after use on the sea floor creates more problems and hazards.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	FGM, Call) E-mail	These issues will be addressed in the oil spill and drill cuttings discharge modelling and marine ecology impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA process. The results of the studies will be presented the draft EIA report that will be made available for public review. First the report that will be made available for public review. First the report that will be made available for public review.
452	"Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after completing extraction and production. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government "i.e. the Taxpayer. This clause is absolutely unacceptable.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	retrieval, and if relevant in-situ abandonment of certain components with appropriate mitigation to ensure that they are inert and non-contaminating. Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA;
453	On 10 January 2023, the Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies (SAGE) issued an advisory on "the use of deep-sea seismic surveys to explore for oil and gas deposits in South African waters". We fully endorse their position and their recommendations, which we have paraphrased as follows: "Given a dearth of evidence on the impact of seismic surveys on marine life in SA waters, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for refusing or postporning measures to prevent environmental degradation. No seismic surveys should be conducted in SA waters without a comprehensive (EIA)	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine
454	report based on the latest science. *Individuals with land-based mining and generalised environmental experience should never be considered proxies for legitimate marine experts. Instead, EIA report and even EMPs for marine environments should be drafted by experts with professional marine science and/or marine environmental training and experience.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The ESIA for the Environmental Authorisation application for Block 1181/12B has a number of specialist disciplines, including an experienced marine ecology and biodiversity specialist, marine acoustics, air quality and greenhouse gas, social and economic specialists and oil spill and drill discharge modelling specialists. In addition, a closure specialist is also part of the team to prepare the required Closure Plan.
455	*Since the 1960s, several companies have operated off SA's coastline, with offshore oil and gas exploration under the assumption that their operations will have minimal impact on marine biota. These assumptions are based on, amongst others a lack of sufficient, detailed scientific information on SA's offshore marine resources, and a flawed distinction between substance-based pollutants and energy-based pollutants, such as sound.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will use the findings of the marine acoustic modelling and the oil splil and drill discharge modelling to assess the impacts on marine life and the marine environment. TEEPSA has commissioned a survey of the physical conditions and biota in the area where the development wells will be drilled and also in the subsea pipeline alignment corridors to get a better understanding of the impacts on the offshore environment and this will be used, together with on-site soans surveys and a ROV check on the seafloor, to decide the placement of the wells and the subsea infrastructure.
456	* Seismic air guns used to probe for the presence of shale gas deposits are considered 'disruptive technologies' which can cause acoustic disturbance over 3,000 km from the survey vessels (Nieukerk et al. 2004). This is significant in an aquatic environment where most wildlife relies on acoustic communication throughout their life cycles.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your concerns are noted. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies.
457	*The surveys have purportedly been planned to minimize known disruptions to important marine fauna. However, the planned surveys will be conducted near several Marine Protected Areas and in an under-explored section of the Agulhas Current, where the sea floor and biological environment are poorly characterized. Species of high conservation value, could foreseeably inhabit this section of the SA coast.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies, including areas of sensitivity (like MPASs). A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction
458 459	*The proposed technology that will be utilized for the survey has been implicated in disrupting early-life stages of a number of marine invertebrates, which are important to aquaculture projects along the Southern Cape coast, as part of Operation Phakisa. *There is relatively limited information on offshore SA biodiversity and ecosystems, including ecosystem services provided by a healthy marine environment.	Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies, including areas of sensitivity (including Aquaculture Development Zones). Noted with thanks. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine biology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Data on benthic habitats and biodiversity
460	The long-term impacts of seismic surveys and noise pollution in marine environments are therefore poorly understood, due to a lack of baseline information. **Compressed air sound sources constitute outdated technologies that have not changed significantly after more than 50 years of use. New technologies with lesser environmental impact have since been developed.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	are sourced from Snik et al. (2010), Atkinson (2010), Shipton & Atkinson (2010) and Quick & Sink (2005). The preliminary results of the 2022 Bourbon Evolution 807 benthic epifaunal assessment of Block1181/28 will be included in the marine ecology impact assessment. Noted with thanks, Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 1181/28, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. The area of impact will be
461	**Fourth Africa is a party to international protocols relevant to exploitation of marine resources, including the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea; the Convention on Biological Diversity; the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals; the Abidjan Convention; the Nairobi Convention; SA's Integrated Coastal Management Act 24 of 2008 and NEMA. As an international player, will Total Energies respect these conventions?	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	quantified by the noise modelling study, and the consequence of these impacts assessed by the marine ecological impact assessment. The Conventions are included in the policy and regulatory framework within which the ESIA for the Project is done. As such they inform the identification of potential impacts and the assessment of the impacts on the baseline conditions, specifically where sensitive or valuable environments or receptors are located and, consequently, inform the identification of mitigation measures that will be carried through into the Environmental Management Programme.
462	*All forms of pollution, including noise pollution in marine environments, need to be mitigated and reduced. The impact of these operations then needs to be monitored during the operations, as well as thereafter.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA marine acoustic noise study will identify the primary noise sources from Project activities and will model these to identify the extent and intensity of the sound waves. These will be compared to relevant noise level thresholds for marine species. The marine ecology and biodiversity study will include an
463	*When exploiting natural (marine) resources, the latest and least disruptive technologies need to be used, to mitigate the potential adverse impacts.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	assessment of noise impacts on marine species in and around Block 11B/12B. Technologies that are appropriate to the prevailing conditions and meet the specified safety standards will be considered.
464	*The Southern Cape has one of the largest concentrations of environmentalists who are concerned about the use of outdated and/or potentially harmful technologies and natural resource harvesting activities in environmentally sensitive areas but do not have the resources to monitor.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
465	*There is international precedent for noise pollution to be classified as a form of energy pollution, with similar impacts as substance-based pollutants. Furthermore, protection of marine biota and cephalopods is becoming increasingly prioritized internationally. Recommendations:	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. The area of impact for both these VSPs, drilling and ambient noise will be quantified by a noise modelling study, and the consequence of these impact assessment. Please note seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being
466	* Given a dearth of evidence on the impact of seismic surveys on marine life in SA waters, the lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for refusing or postponing cost-effective measures to prevent environmental degradation.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	seasme rrolling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are offined to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an injury into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 1181/28 and no further seismic surveys have given the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are diffield to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken,
467 468	* No seismic survey should be conducted in SA waters without a comprehensive Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) report based on the latest science. Only a holistic approach to marine oversight will ensure the sustainable use of our natural resources while also supporting tourism, local livelihoods, environmental health, and the maintenance of ecosystem services.	Monica Vaccaro Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
469	environmental nearth, and the maintenance or ecosystem services. "We further recommend strict monitoring measures not only to prevent gas and oil leakages but also severe fines and remedial action to clean up the environment at the exploiter's cost. Otherwise this becomes the cost burden of all coastal local authorities along the operational coastline, and especially the Mossel Bay Municipality, Hessequa Municipality, the Garden Route District Municipality.	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	Third-Party Liability coverage, that covers the cost of regaining control of and re-securing a well under blow-out, pollution clean-up, and cargo transport coverag will be in place during operations and plugging and abandonment activities. Note that these provisions are separate to the P&A (closure) cost provisions, and will be held at a company (TEEPSA) overhead level. More detail on this aspect will be provided in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA.
470	* As the highest profile operator in the offshore area, TEEPSA will inevitably be blamed for every environmental disaster, oil spills, gas leakages, etc. It is thus strategically important for the operator to conduct thorough research on the effects of exploration activities on the marine environment and coastal communities to prevent becoming branded as the scapegoat or the 'Big Satan' for everything that goes wrong in the region. Thave attended the stakeholder engagement. Firstly and foremost I was not impressed by the presentation at all because I was in public participation	Monica Vaccaro	Landmark Foundation	03 February 2023	E-mail	These considerations will be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment, and why a precautionary approach is recommended.
	engagement but I come out with nothing what I saw and obssed the presentation in Feather Market Hall was one sided very poorty organised what I mean there majority of the people attended were Khoisan people were transported who comes most of them from Northern Areas the people and the areas or ward that will be affected by this were not there or represented. I was born on city of gegeberha Ward60 Wells Estate Mothervell in the coastal area Ward 2 and 1 Summerstrand and Walmer Ward 40 kuyga and Seaview people were not the I find it strange that people attended and transported to the event are hardly affected that's one of my concerns didn't even see ward					The ESIA scoping process was advertised in local newspapers and broadcast on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public
1603	councillors in attendance? Such development they just remind me like CDC Coega when they came for application they went in motherwell door to door for us to sign their petition they did public participation we were clapping hands having faight that there is new dawn and development in motherwell when CDC was approved same people are watching in the gramstand not participating in anything that was address before unemployment people are coming from more than 100km perimeters of PE participation in jobs and business opportunities. I as a supplier registered you will have your drilling vessels that will be supplied by ship chandellers that coming outside from our city doing the same	Mphumezi Glen Tsomo		25 January 2023	WhatsApp	of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report details the activities undertaken by the EAP for the public consultation process.
1522	distribution that is meant for Small Mirco business Smmees in particular. I Object in the most strongest terms to the destroying of our sea life with the use of underground mining, drilling laying of pipes etc etc.	Mrs ED Devitt		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideratio to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1523	Thank youtotally against thec destruction of our planet including mammals and all animals OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape	Mrs ED Devitt		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1501	St Francis 1. I am an interested and affected party. 2. I object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. 3. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems, YET they will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA.	Muhammad Bhayat		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1502 1503	4. Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done. 5. The risks due to the course of such operations i.e., leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one.	Muhammad Bhayat		01 February 2023 01 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic
1504	6. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government. 7. They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove.	Muhammad Bhayat		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process. Appropriate diffigence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place.
1505	8. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficiaries. I attach herewith the following three submissions for your serious consideration:	Muhammad Bhayat		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded, Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The Epimary objectives SLP are to create employment, advance social and economic welfare, contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP.
1320	*The Duineveld Kusvereniging *Ystervarkfontein Bewarea & Groenkant Private Nature Reserve *Garden Route Waste Forum. Will you kindly acknowledge receipt?	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Forum	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1321	The Duneveld Kusvereniging was established in 1991 by the private coastal property owners located between Still Bay and Gouritsmond to promote sustainable environmental conservation in the region. ISSUES OF CONCERN:	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The information about the Duineveld Kusvereniging and its purpose is recorded.
1322	Validity of the Public Participation Process (PPP): * Despite being one of the oldest coastal conservation bodies in the Southern Cape, the Duineveld Kusvereniging was not notified directly about the public participation meetings. As secretary, I just happened to find out on Sunday evening 15 January 2023 from the Garden Route District Mayor's Office.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9.4 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed project. Section 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs, and Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs. All documentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs to distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs during the ESIA process. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report also describes the notification methods that were used during the scoping phase of the ESIA.
1323	* Be that as it may, I managed to shift my schedule to attend the first meeting on 16 January 2023 in KwaNonqaba, Mossel Bay. When I was unable to pose questions there due to the huge volume of job-related questions, I attended the second meeting 16 January 2023 in Thembaterful, George 17 Choginsart of the global energy crisis and South Africa's own calamities, I went to the meetings with an open mind. Howersew, that I observed and experienced at the two meetings raised alaming red flags about the integrity of the public participation process (PPP). I thus wish to place on record the following serious concerns. 1 Firstly, we note that the PPP was launched during December (the notorious holiday period for contentious EIA applications to slip in beneath the radar). 1 When I referred back to my copy of the George Herald of 12 January 2023, I eventually spotted an obscure notice in tiny lettering tucked away at the bottom of the sports page. 1 We also found to dod that the meetings were held in areas which were not universally accessible.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	A decision to start the consultation process in December was simply a function of the way the project has developed over time. A first round of introductory meetings was undertaken in 2022 with further extensive consultation undertaken in January 2023. Due to stakeholder interest in the project, an extension to the public comment period was made to 14 February, to allow for further opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to the scoping phase of the project. Advertisements were placed in local newspapers in December 2022 to notify people about the project, the public consultation process and an invitation to register as an Interested & Affected Party. The second round of newspaper advertisements were placed in January 2023 to the people with and venue for the public meetings. The venues were selected on the basis of accessibility for the majority of people with and without access to transport.
1324	*But what is of greatest concern, is that the majority of attendees at KwaNonqaba informed me that organisers had gone around their area with loudhallers the day before, urging residents to bring their IDs the next day to register for jobs. I was told the same at the Thembalethu meeting.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The organisers and activities mentioned are not part of the ESIA stakeholder engagement process arranged by WSP. The ESIA scoping process and public participation meetings were advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023. The advertisement stated that the meetings were part of the ESIA Scoping process for the proposed Block 118/128 project. The activities done by the EAP took place as described in Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report.
1325	"At the KwaNonqaba meeting, residents threatened violent protest if these jobs didn't materialise. Tragically, it is the Mossel Bay and Garden Route District municipalities (and not TEEPSA) which will bear the brunt of any resultant infrastructural damage.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify it public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. The mobilisation done by the EAP took place through official channels as described in Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report.
1326	*Attendees at both meetings also informed me that they had been told that "Greenies want to stop the project because they didn't care about job creation for the poor." This was stated specifically at the KwaNonqaba meeting when a lawyer claimed that 'the Bloom Association of the Netherlands' wanted to block the project." I googled the name and contacted the Association which is actually based in France. They responded that they were not aware of the TEEPSA application.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	BLOOM is an NGO based in France that has partnered with The Green Connection (an NGO based in Cape Town) to protest against the Teepsa project. Information about their activities regarding the project are available on their website: https://www.bloomassociation.org/en/a-new-climate-bomb-in-south-africa-tloom-and-the-green-connection-popsa-totaleneries-harmful-offknor-oil-gas-projects#:text=BLOOM's%:20actions%:20are%:20meant%:20for.and%:20environmental%:20justice%:20in%:20Africa.
1327	Thembalethu, the presentations were stretched unnecessarily beyond the advertised two hour duration with WSP, the environmental consultant, insisting on repeating the presentations in Xhosa and Afrikaans even though the audience were satisfied with the English version. Most attendees left within an hour of collecting their first at the door. The Thembalethu, a local subcontractor use told that "many REE subcontraction consortiusities" would be made available by TEEPSA. But after the meeting the	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The translations were done at the request of attendees and, as people have the right to be informed in their own language, the meeting facilitator was obliged to ensure that this request was addressed The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the
1328	"In Thembalethu, a local subcontractor was told that 'many BEE subcontracting opportunities' would be made available by TEEPSA. But after the meeting she said it was clear that this was an unrealistic expectation and that "only people who owned helicopters in George would benefit". "Environmental aspects of the project were barely mentioned at the KwaNonqaba meeting - and glossed over at the Thembalethu meeting. No mention was	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 1.2 of the Final Sopping Report describes the public consultation process undertaken to date. The objective of the Scoping process is to present the proposed development and obtain comment, observations, objections and concerns from local
1329 1330	made of the potential high risk impact on the Kingklip Corals, the Aguihas Bank Nursery, the Marine Protected Areas and the Critical Biodiversity zones. In Thembalethu, a resident who questioned Total's human rights record in Africa, was confronted by an unidentified TEEPSA agent as he was leaving, who	Muriel Hau-Yoon Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	communities to inform the scope of the specialist studies to be undertaken. As explained in the presentation, the specialist studies will be done in the second phase of the ESIA; and the marine ecology and biodiversity assessment will consider these issues. WISP was not aware that this occurred and regrets that the incident occurred. At the start of each public meeting, attendees were requested to respect each other and allow people to safely express their view. WSP cannot comment on this allegation.
1331	accused him of being a 'colonialist'. This was also witnessed by a local journalist. All of the above actions fly so blatantly in the face of good corporate governance and environmental protocols. Can it possibly be true in this age of transparency that TEEPSA and WSP did not knowingly conduct the PPP as a mere box-ticking farce to be sold to desperate job-seekers as a "job creation project which 'greenies' want to stop"? It goes without saying that the reputational damage of such a flawed public participation process places a huge question behind TEEPSA's credibility and corporate standing.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The requirement for public participation is embedded in South Africa's Constitution and regulatory processes. Notably, Section (2)(4)(f) and (o) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 states "the participation of all interested and affected parties ((&APs) in environmental governance must be promoted and all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equilable and effective participation, and participation by vulnerable and disadvantaged persons must be environment must be protected as the people's common heritage". To this end WSP and TEEPSA firmly believe that the ESIA process is being followed in compliance with the above requirements. WSP and TEEPSA have and will continue to consult with all registered (&APs, and provide information about the proposed project, opportunities for comment and consider all issues raised in the specialist studies during the ESIA. As such, WSP is obliged to reflect all the issues, concerns, questions, objections, and recommendations raised through the ESIA. South African laws mandate the country's Government to make decisions regarding production right and Environmental Authorisation applications. TEEPSA is currently in the process of applying for an Environmental Authorisation to undertake production activities. Should Environmental Authorisation be granted for the proposed project, TEEPSA will continue to consult with all registered (&APs in the project affected area to obtain their views about aspects that may directly inseat them as a result of the project.
1332	Environmental concerns *Seismic surveys have been implicated in altering the behaviour of marine life such as whales and dolphins attempting to escape airgun surveys. Is it mere	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling
1333	coincidence that during TEEPSA's exploration of the Brulpadda and Luipaard blocks in 2019/2020, at least nine whale beachings were logged between Still Bay and Wildermess? "Please provide a comparison of the environmental impacts of gas exploitation vis a vis gas exploration. "Compressed air sound sources constitute outdated technologies. New technologies with lesser environmental impact have since been developed. (Which	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The environmental impacts of production and exploration/appraisal drilling will be identified and detailed in the Draft EIA Report. The VSP operations source will be Dual Detta Sodera G-Guns (see Table S-3 of the Scoping report). One VSP will be used per exploration well toward the end of the drilling operations (there are four proposed exploration wells planned), it is understood that the VSP source for the exploratory activities will only utilise non-
1334	"Compressed air sound sources constitute outdated technologies. New technologies with lesser environmental impact have since been developed. (Which technologies will TEEPSA employ? And are these the latest and least disruptive?) "All forms of pollution in marine environments, need to be mitigated and reduced. The impact of these operations then needs to be monitored not only during its entire operational lifetime, but also for years thereafter. (Who will monitor TEEPSA's activities, 120 km off Mossel Bay for the next 20 years and beyond?)	Muriel Hau-Yoon Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	offset VSP which has a far smaller spatial scale the offset VSPs or seismic surveys. A noise modelling study is being undertaken to assess the spatial extent of the proposed VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The removal of subsea infrastructure, making safe of any remaining infrastructure if appropriate, as well as required seabed rehabilitation requirements, will be considered in the Obsure Plan, and provision for adequate funding to implement the closurue plan will be made. The possible need for post-decommissioning
1336	In the event of gas leakages or oil spills, does TEEPSA have a comprehensive contingency plan? And will it be held responsible for funding and implementing clean up and rehabilitation remedies?	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	monitoring, if relevant, will be assessed in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA. TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage and for ongoing work to restore the environment.

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1337	SAGE Advisory On 10 January 2023, the Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies (SAGE) issued an advisory on "the use of deep-sea seismic surveys to explore for oil and gas deposts in South African waters". We fully endorse their position and their recommendations, which we have paraphrased as follows: Our additional suggestions are parenthesised. 'Given a dearth of evidence on the impact of seismic surveys on marine life in SA waters, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	FGM, Call) E-mail	No seismic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will be concern an input into amérine coological study. There
1338	refusing or postponing measures to prevent environmental degradation. * No seismic survey should be conducted in SA waters without a comprehensive (EIA) report based on the latest science. *Individuals with land-based mining and generalised environmental experience should never be considered proxies for legitimate marine experts with professional marine science and/or marine environmental training and experience.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The ESIA team includes marine specialists who are familiar with the South African marine fauna and have extensive expertise and experience in assessing the potential impacts of activities on the marine ecology and biodiversity.
1339	"Since the 1960s, several companies have operated off SA's coastline, under the assumption that their operations will have minimal impact on marine biota. These assumptions are based on a lack of sufficient scientific information. (We insist that thorough, credible in-depth research be conducted prior to any commencement of any gas production activities.)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The marine environmental impact assessment will include preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident etaceans. Up to date fisheries catch and effort data for most commercial fisheries in South Africa will also be included. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important
1340	*The surveys will purportedly be conducted near several Marine Protected Areas and in an under-explored section of the Agulhas Current, where the sea floor and biological environment are poorly characterized. (We insist that thorough, credible in-depth research be conducted prior to any commencement of gas production activities.)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "ulnerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to particular expensions and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify thabitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and force parent campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including estuaries, Ramsar sites etc.) The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed in the assessed in context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks optential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessments.
1341	*The long-term impacts of seismic surveys on offshore biodiversity and ecosystems are poorly understood, due to a lack of baseline information. (We insist that thorough, credible, in-depth research be conducted prior to any commencement of gas production activities.)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	No seismic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies.
1342	* Seismic air guns used to probe for the presence of shale gas deposits are considered 'disruptive technologies' which can cause acoustic disturbance over 3,000 km from the survey vessels. (Has any research been conducted on the potential harm to marine invertebrates important to aquaculture projects as part of Operation Phakisa.)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	No sesimic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. Please note that no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine impeact assessment will take into consideration both local and international laws and treaties to which South Africa is signatory. For example, the
1343	South Africa is party to international protocols, including the UN Convention on the Law of the Sea; the Convention on Biological Diversity; the Convention on the Conservation of Migratory Species of Wild Animals; the Abidjan Convention; the Nairobi Convention; SA's Integrated Coastal Management Act 24 of 2008 and NEMA. (Does TEEPSA subscribe to these conventions?)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	marine impact assessment will be undertaken in line with the requirements detailed in the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1999) (NEMA) as mended and the National Environmental Management integrated Costal Management Act 2 of 2008 (CMA). Section 2(3) of NEMA tates that "development must be socially, environmentally and economically sustainable". Section 58(1) of ICMA places the duty of care requirement, as prescribed in Section 28 of NEMA, explicitly on any person who produced or discharged a substance which caused, is causing or is likely to cause, an adverse effect on the coastal environment.
1344	Only a holistic approach to marine oversight will ensure the sustainable use of our natural resources while also supporting tourism, local livelihoods, environmental health, and the maintenance of ecosystem services. "We further recommend strict monitoring measures not only to prevent gas and oil leakages but also severe penalties and remedial action to clean up the	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is noted and will be considered by the Competent Authority. An Environmental Management Programme will be prepared as part of the ESIA. This will set out the environmental and social monitoring to be undertaken
1345 1346	environment at the exploiter's cost. Otherwise this becomes the cost burden of all coastal local authorities within the operational area, and especially the Mossel Bay Municipality, Hessequa Municipality, the Garden Route District Municipality. As the highest profile operator in the offshore area, TEFSA will inevitably be the first entity to be fingered for every single incidence of marine and air	Muriel Hau-Yoon Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	during the life of the project. TEEPSA will monitor the activities of contractors undertaking construction, operational and obsure activities and will also co-ordinate with the relevant organisations in terms of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NOSCP) in the event of an emergency. TEEPSA has indicated that, in 2020 TotalEnergies set itself a new biodiversity ambition to coincide with the preparation of the United Nations' global biodiversity
1347	pollution, every environmental disaster, oil spill, gas leak, etc. The burden of proof should fall on the shoulders of TEEPSA to exonerate itself. It is thus crucial for the operator to conduct thorough research on the effects of exploration activities on the marine environment and coastal communities if it is to prevent becoming branded as the 'Big Statin' for everything that goes wrong in the region.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	plan, which aims to protect global biodiversity and updated its public commitments in this field. These considerations will be included in the comprehensive marine impact assessment, and why a precautionary approach is recommended.
1348	Moreover, it should be a prerequisite of the gas production licence that TEEPSA communicates efficiently and effectively with the public and the authorities with utmost transparency and integrity. The Garden Route Waste Forum is a volunteer body working with communities and municipalities in George and the rest of the Garden Route to reduce and	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Duineveld Kusvereniging	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA process follows the requirements of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1999), as amended and the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. The objectives of the ESIA scoping phase are to share information about the proposed project, ESIA and public participation process, Plans of Study for impact assessment, and opportunities for comment, for ISAPs to contribute issues of concern, questions, comments and to make recommendations; and for ISAPs to comment on the proposed Plans of Study for impact assessment.
1349	recycle the tons of waste clogging up the rivers between the Outeniqua mountain range and the Indian Ocean. It is also involved in coastal clean-ups and the eradication of harmful waste on beaches. It is also involved in coastal clean-ups and the eradication of harmful waste on beaches. It is also involved in coastal clean-ups and the eradication of harmful waste on beaches. SUES OF CONCERN Of split Just before the peak holiday season in December last year, a major economic and tourism disaster was narrowly averted when the Garden Route	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023	E-mail	The information about the purpose of the Garden Route Waste Forum refers. The Garden Route Waste Forum has been registered as an I&AP. As reported in various newspapers in December 2022, WSP is aware of the Heavy Furnace Oil droplets that washed up along the coastline along the Garden
1350	District Municipality acted swiftly to contain a massive oil spill at more than 20 beaches along the Garden Route, including several Blue Flag beaches. (Please refer to Addendum One) [Addendum included in the consultation record]. The culprit is being identified by researchers from the Nelson Mandela University. Monitoring: Will TEEPSA introduce stringent monitoring, mitigation agood governance controls to prevent oil spills and aga leaks from its production activities? A retired oil rigger says "You don't want to know what goes on out there in the deep blue ocean. No one sees or monitors the carnage". Whether	Muriel Hau-Yoon Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warnors	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Route, with the possible cause of the spill being a passing vessel. An Environmental Management Programme will be prepared as part of the ESIA. This will set out the environmental and social monitoring to be undertaken during the life of the project. TEEPSA will monitor the activities of contractors undertaking construction, operational and closure activities and will also co-ordinate
	true or not, widespread public perception is that energy companies will extract as much value for as little cost "because no-one is watching". *Mopping up: And in the likely event of an oil spill and gas leak, will TEEPSA be responsible for cleaning up and rehabilitation of the environment afterwards?					with the relevant organisations in terms of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NDSCP) in the event of an emergency. TEEPSA must make financial provision to pay for environmental clean-up and compensate individuals and communities in the event of a spill that adversely
1352 1353	Or will it be up to taxpayers and municipalities to fund expensive mop-up operations? And will TEEPSA thus ride on the backs of volunteers to clean up their mistakes? *Operational Waste: What kind of systems and controls will TEEPSA have in place to deal with operational waste for the 20 year duration?	Muriel Hau-Yoon Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	affects people's livelihoods. TEEPSA also has insurance for unforeseen events. No waste will be generated during the 20-year production phase as the extraction of gas and condensate is an offshore activity in the sealed system. Waste generated from onshore activities that support the offshore activities will be identified and the impact assessed in the ESIA phase
1354	* Lack of scientific data: Given a dearth of evidence on the impact of seismic surveys on marine life in SA waters, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for refusing measures to prevent environmental degradation.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for this comment, it is much appreciated. The sensitives of deep-sea systems to oil spill impacts (such as recovery times etc) have been widely studies id in the wake of the Deep-water Horizon oil spill in the Guid of Mexico (see for example Sills) et al. 2015). These findmany ROV and drop camera results from the 2022 in situ survey of the production right area will be used to inform the marine ecology impact assessment. In addition, oil spill and drill discharge modeling will be undertaken as part of the impact assessment phase, the outputs of which will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling loam and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed from the state of the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations in the production right pose to migrating and resident ectaceans.
1355	* EIA: No seismic survey should be conducted in SA waters without a comprehensive (EIA) report based on the latest science. "Penalties: The Garden Route Waste Forum further recommends stringent monitoring measures not only to prevent gas and oil leakages but also the	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023	E-mail	No seismic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. TEEPSA has global funds set aside to pay for environmental clean-up activities and provide compensation to communities and individuals; and also carries
1356	imposition of severe penalties and remedial measures to clean up the environment at TEEPSA's cost. Otherwise this becomes the cost and operational burden of local authorities in the operational area. "Corporate social responsibility." As the most visible operator in the target area, TEEPSA will bear the risk of being blamed for every environmental disaster,	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023	E-mail	insurance for disaster events. TEEPSA will need to comply with Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, which prescribes the requirements for duty of care and remediation of environmental damage.
1357	oil spill, gas leak, marine pollution, etc. The onus is thus on TEEPSA to convince the public and authorities of its corporate ethics and integrity, and to communicate efficienty and effectively at all times. "YestervarKontein Bewarea is made up of a cluster of environmentally conscious private coastal property owners, west of Mossel Bay in the proximity of the	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Garden Route Waste Warriors	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1358	YstervarKontein Lighthouse and next to Gourilwa Coastal Nature Reserve. "Groenhant Privade Naturureservant is a privately owned coastal nature reserve about 60km west of Mossel Bay which provides safe sanctuary to a rich biodiversity of marine and coastal life.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	The information about the purpose of the Ystervarkfontein Bewarea and the Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat refers. The Ystervarkfontein Bewarea and the Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat have been registered as an I&APs. Section 9.4 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information about the compilation of the preliminary list of I&APs to notify them of the proposed
1359	ISSUES OF CONCERN Validity of the Public Participation Process (PPP) None of the boties that I represent were directly notified of the public participation meetings. I just happened to find out about these on Sunday 15 January 2023 from an alert by the Garden Route District Municipality.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	project. Section 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), clearly stipulate additional methods of notification to enable stakeholders to register as I&APs, and Section 42 (a), (b), and (c) outlines the requirements regarding the opening and maintenance of a register of I&APs. All documentation produced and distributed to date encouraged I&APs to distribute the information to their constituents. Stakeholders can register as I&APs during the ESIA process. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report also describes the notification methods that were used during the scoping phase of the ESIA.
1360	Nonetheless I arranged to attend the first meeting on 16 January 2023 in KwaNongaba and the second one on 18 January 2023 in Thembalethu. At both meetings, almost all attendees were under the impression they were there to register for jobs offered by PetroSA. I was told "someone with a loud-halier had gone around urging them to bring their I/Ds to register for jobs. After signing the attendance registers, most of them sat for less than an hour, then left after discovering it was an 'environmental gathering'. Environmental concerns	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcast on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report details the activities undertaken by the EAP for the public consultation process.
1361	"Seismic surveys have been implicated in altering the behaviour of whales and dolphins attempting to escape airgun blasting. Is it mere coincidence that during TEEPSA's exploration of the Brulpadda and Luipaard blocks in 2019/2020, at least nine whale beachings were logged between Still Bay and Wilderness? "Compressed air sound sources constitute outdated technologies that have not changed significantly after more than 50 years of use. (Will TEEPSA employ the latest and least disruptive technologies?)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	Please note that no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. An Environmental Management Programme will be prepared as part of the ESIA. This will set out the measures for impact mitigation and environmental and
1362	All forms of pollution in marine environments, need to be mitigated and reduced. The impact of these operations then needs to be monitored during the operations, as well as thereafter. Who will monitor TEEPSA's activities, 120 km off Mossel Bay for the next 20 years and more? *In the event of gas leakages or oil spills, will TEEPSA be held responsible for funding and implementing clean up and rehabilitation remedies?	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	social monitoring to be undertaken during the life of the project. TEEPSA will monitor the activities of contractors undertaking construction, operational and discurse activities and will also co-ordinate with the relevant organisations in terms of the National Oil Spill Contingency Plan (NDSCP) in the event of an emergency. Should the Environmental Authorisation be issued, TEEPSA will be obligated to undertake regular environmental audits, for submission to the Competent Authority, and to make the audit report, and compliance monitoring reports, available to the public. Furthermore, TEEPSA will have to comply with Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, which prescribes the requirements for duty of care and remediation of environmental damage. TEEPSA has global funds set aside to pay for environmental clean-up activities and provide compensation to communities and individuals; and also corriers insurance for disaster events.
1363	SAGE Advisory On 10 January 2023, the Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies (SAGE) issued an advisory on "the use of deep-sea seismic surveys to explore for oil and gas deposts in South African waters". We fully endorse their position and their recommendations, which we have paraphrased as follows: Our additional suggestions are parenthesised. **Given a dearth of evidence on the impact of seismic surveys on marine life in SA waters, lack of full scientific certainty should not be used as a reason for refusing or postponing measures to prevent environmental degradation.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	No seismic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The most up to date information available in the published literature has been included in Section 7.2.7 of the Scoping report to quantify the likelihood and risk of proposed operations
1364	*No seismic survey should be conducted in SA waters without a comprehensive (EIA) report based on the latest science. "The surveys will purportedly be conducted near several Marine Protected Areas and in an under-explored section of the Agulhas Current, where the sea floor and biological environment are poorly characterized. (We would insist that thorough, credible in-depth research be conducted prior to any commencement of gas production activities.)		Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	In the production right, pose to migrating and resident celaceans. No seamic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. A comprehensive manine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The manine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "underability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifatura results from a 2022 is this survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing apropriate and available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera epifatura results from a 2022 to situ survey of the production area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology team to identify key receptors brishore, and on the coast (including estuaries, Ramsar sites etc.). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fehreires operations and the impact shereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impac
1365	* The long-term impacts of seismic surveys on offshore biodiversity and ecosystems are poorly understood, due to a lack of baseline information. (We would insist that thorough, credible, in-depth research be conducted prior to any commencement of gas production activities.)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	No sesimic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertrical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. No seismic surveys will be undertaken in the installation of the production wells and subsea infrastructure.
1366	Seismic air guns used to probe for the presence of shale gas deposits are considered 'disruptive technologies' which can cause acoustic disturbance over 3,000 km from the survey vessels (Nieuken's et al. 2004). (Has any research been conducted on the potential harm to marine invertebrates and other forms of marine life?)	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	These potential impacts on a number of species groups (mammals, birds, turtles, fish) will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will be come an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of sound as a result of the proposed activities on halists, faunal species and important biological processes (impact) is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'uninerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will study sensitive sensitive receptories in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. The main metrics and criteria that will be used in this study to aid assessment of environmental effects come from two key papers covering underwater noise and its effects. *Southall et al. (2019) marine mammal exposure criteria; and "Oppor et al. (2014) sound exposure guidelines for fishes and sea turtles. To assess the effect of anthropogenic sound on marine mammals, thresholds were defined for onset of temporary threshold shifts (i.e., temporary loss of hearing sensitivity, PTS), and behavioural response in marine mammal hearing due to both impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al. 2019, MMFS 2016, 2018). The disturbance (behavioural response) in marine mammal hearing due to both impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al. 2019, MMFS 2016, 2018). The disturbance (behavioural response) in marine mammal hearing due to both impulsive and non-impulsive noise sources, as well as injury criteria for impulsive sounds (Southall et al. 2019, MMFS 2016). The disturbance of the accusation of the n
1367	"We further recommend strict monitoring measures not only to prevent gas and oil leakages but also severe penalties and remedial action to clean up the environment at the exploiter's cost. Otherwise this becomes the cost burden of all coastal local authorities within the operational area, and especially the Mossel Bay Municipality, Hessequa Municipality, the Garden Route District Municipality.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	apoled for impulsive and non-impulsive noise. An Environmental Management Programme will be prepared as part of the ESIA. This will set out the environmental and social monitoring to be undertaken during the life of the project. TEEPSA will monitor the activities of contractors undertaking construction, operational and closure activities and will also co-ordinate with the relevant organisations in terms of the National OIS poll Contingency Dain (NOSCP) in the event of an emergency. TEEPSA will have to comply with Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, which prescribes the requirements for duty of care and remediation of environmental damage. TEEPSA has global funds set aside to pay for environmental clean-up activities and provide compensation to communities and individuals; and also carries insurance for disaster events. The ESIA process follows the requirements of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998), as amended and the EIA Regulations (2014), as
1368	It should be a requirement of the gas production application that TEEPSA is obliged at all times to be open and honest with their communication to the public and the authorities with regard to their operations, environmental measures and monitoring and mitigation processes.	Muriel Hau-Yoon	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat	03 February 2023	E-mail	amended. Monitoring and auditing reports will be made available to the public as per the EIA Regulations requirements.
1369 171	It should also be incumbent on the relevant authorities to have direct access to TEEPSA's operational area for regular inspections and monitoring processes. 1. I Mzwandile P Majola support this initiative driven by Total and hope that Total will at all times keep the community of Mossel Bay as well as all the other regions where affected posted with all developments and feedbacks.	Muriel Hau-Yoon Mzwandile Py Majola	Ystervarkfontein Bewarea / Groenkant Private Natuurreservaat Qhamokuhle 678 Trading	03 February 2023 16 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment is recorded.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
172	2. As noted in the Draft Scoping Report Non-Technical Summary share with us today, this is a joint venture comprising TotalEnergies EP SA.B.V, QatarEnergy Canadian Natural Resources and a South African consortium. In the meeting it was never disclosed the % share among the partnership. However as it was also mentioned that there negotiation to be held with PetroSA and businesses, and also it was never clear that the years to unfold the project before production is too long (2027) This is my recommendation: Petrosa and the government MUST enter into an agreement to start with the refurbishment/plant repairs/shutdown for a period of 3 years (2023-2026) This will alleviate employment crisis in the area while TEEPSA make sure that all required permits are in place.	Mzwandile Py Majola	Qharnokuhle 678 Trading	16 January 2023	E-mail	Section 3.1 of the Scoping Report provides a breakdown of the licence holders and their shareholding in the Joint Venture to develop Block 118/12B. Negotiations with PetroSA are ongoing and your recommendation regarding PetroSA and the Government commencing refurbishment of the Gas-to-Liquid (GTL) facility is recorded.
173	3. Also part of making sure that local small business are playing a part in the process in particular,Prepare us to play part in the procurement of equipment/consumables.	Mzwandile Py Majola	Qhamokuhle 678 Trading	16 January 2023	E-mail	As part of its SLP, TEEPSA undertakes to prepare a procurement progression plan that will prioritise development of local small business enterprises.
1039	I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet.	Nadia Mathewson	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
1528	I wish to lodge an objection on the Total matter	Nanandi S Albers		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 11B/12B project.
1726 90	To whom it may concern please note my Objection to the proposed Total oil and gas pipeline off the Coast of West & Eastern Cape. Especially on the acoustic, we all need to be consulted on the timing of the surveys.	Nanette Groves Cooper	Sea Harvest Corporation Proprietary Limited	02 February 2023 18 January 2023	WhatsApp V-FGM-08	Your objection has been recorded. TEEPSA normally provide 30 days' notice to the fishing industry. However, we are willing to engage with the industry to provide a longer lead time, and to
90	Especially on the acoustic, we all need to be consulted on the timing of the surveys. In terms of the Socio-economic assessment – topics listed was loss of fishing gear. Please explain how this fits in with the EIA?	Naseema Elias	Sea Harvest Corporation Proprietary Limited Sea Harvest Corporation Proprietary Limited	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	discuss timing of such work. Subsea infrastructure is installed in a manner which ensures that fishing equipment does not get snagged on the subsea infrastructure.
97	In assessing the economic damage arising from the spill, we should have an industry representative on the committees. We are aware of the positive impact that this will have on the blue economy.	Naseema Elias	Sea Harvest Corporation Proprietary Limited	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
794	I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I did not support Shell Co and I will not support TotalEnergies.	Naseerah Bux	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
635 636	I strongly object to any assessment and any oil or gas exploration in and around the coastline of South Africa, Mossel Bay and anywhere else around the globbe. The environmental damage done by Petrol companies during mining and exploration has been immense and unacceptable as well.	Nasreen Dindar	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with
637	The damage from oil spills have been devastating to entire ecosystems, one that recently comes to mind is the oil spill in Mauritius.	Nasreen Dindar	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. Oil spill modelling is being done as part of the ESIA process, to assess the potential impacts of an unplanned oil spill; the results of this study will be incorporated into the marine ecology impact assessment.
638	There are cleaner, greener and less harmful solutions to energy needs and they are plentiful. South Africa should be investing in solar power, wind power, hydro power to safeguard our communities and our environment and not be going backwards into the darg ages where there is a complete disregard for all	Nasreen Dindar	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
639	else except profits and corruption. Everyone is aware of this and we shouldn't even have to be objecting to this.	Nasreen Dindar	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1547	I would like to register as an interested and affected member of the public my objection to the Total project, and specifically projects 118 and 128 along and adjacent to the Southern African coastline on grounds of the negative impact to marine protected areas, tourism, eco-commerce, whale and fish migration, sea and coastab bird life; pollution of seabed, water and air.	Natalie De Villiers		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive ESIA will be conducted to assess the environmental and socio-economic issues you have raised.
2338	I am unsure of the purpose of the meeting and why an invite to this meeting was received.	Natalie Johnson	Western Cape Network on Disability	23 January 2023	V-FGM-13	A number of groups have been invited to the meeting to provide information on the proposed TEEPSA 11B/12B ESIA project and engage with the focus groups to get feedback on comments and issues.
1657	we as a human species are the most destructive on the planet . We do NOT need to destroy the oceans like we have destroyed the land . Stop the degradation of our oceans before we have nothing left .	Natalie Keulemans		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
661	I am in favour of going ahead with this project as it will create huge, much needed employment and business opportunities for RSA. This will also make the country to a certain extent self sufficient in the supply of gas and other by-products. There is also PetroSA close by that can be utilized with the runoff from these products. The area has for many years been used for the gas and oil exploration and has no negative incidents or effect here and not land up till it.	Natver Amtha	P.E Bolt & Hardware Supplies (Pty) Ltd	03 February 2023	E-mail	des veni as it sitt survey und. The comments have been recorded.
197	now. I give a big thumbs up for a go ahead for the exploration in the area. Herewith attached is the registration form and kindly note that I have already attending the session that was held at Mossel Bay Town Hall on Tuesday, 17th January 2023	, Nceba Shushu	Isfingo Consulting	18 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
137	Kindly note that my area of interest and where I can offer my expertise is on Enterprise and Supplier Development (ESD) which is part of the SLP. I wish Tot Energies all the best for this Project. Total Energies has an opportunity to maximise the local participation in this Mega Project. It is understood that more than 70% of the budget will be spent on	31	isinigo consulting	10 dalidaly 2023	E-mail	
198	Drilling. It is therefore recommended that this project create jobs in South Africa through procurement of support services as South Africa has the capabilities. Furthermore consideration should be made of Secondment of South African Drilling Engineers to Total Energies for Ingla and experience. Lastly, a commitment in terms of budget should be made towards the Social Labour Plan (SLP) as an investment towards Skills Development, ESD and CSI.	Nceba Shushu	Isfingo Consulting	18 January 2023	E-mail	The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the economic assessment, will identify the number of employment opportunities that the project can support.
1087	I am strongly opposed to this proposal as I think it is a huge waste of time and money. You say you are for sustainability but this project is expected to be productive for 16 to 20 years maximum. That is NOT sustainable. Why not rather put the effort into developing something like wave energy or wind energy out at sea in the same area. That could last decades. Instead an area of ocean will be disturbed at a vast cost and at the end there is nothing sustainable.	Nicci Ovendale	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The ESIA marine ecology and biodiversity study will consider the impact of the project on the marine environment.
1055	l object to the application for several reasons, predominantly: 1. Damage to the marine environment and impact on its various ecosystems.	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. Adverse and positive socio-economic impacts associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is currently in the process of
1056	2. Lack of any material benefit in terms of sustainable job creation or any other sustainable benefits.	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and
1057	3. Short-term and anthropocentric perspective that perpetuates the use of fossil fuels and their attendant emissions.	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. Noted.
1058	Kindly register me as an Interested & Affected Party. I represent myself as a local resident in proximity to the affected area.	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of
1734	Ref: Total Energies Gas Exploration â6" Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis I object to the application for several reasons, predominantly: 1. Damage to the marine environment and impact on its various ecosystems	Nick Munday		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the program of the consideration of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the value of an ecological receptor) or 'univerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN isting, the IUCN criteria based on expert-driven biodiversity planning processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat;' or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory (congregatory species and IUCN thresholds for Key Blodiversity Areas.
1735	2. Lack of any material benefit in terms of sustainable job creation or any other sustainable benefits	Nick Munday		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles will be communicated. The socio-economic impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will also assess potential benefits associated with the project.
1736	Short-term and anthropocentric perspective that perpetuates the use of fossil fuels and their attendant emissions	Nick Munday		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
1737	Kindly register me as an Interested & Affected Party. I object to the application for several reasons, predominantly:	Nick Munday			WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/128 project. Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the
1426 1427	1.Damage to the marine environment and impact on its various ecosystems 2.Lack of any material benefit in terms of sustainable job creation or any other sustainable benefits	Nick Munday Nick Munday	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures These issues form part of the social and labour plan and will also be addressed in the economic and socio-economic assessments that will form part of the impact assessment phase.
1428	3. Short-term and anthropocentric perspective that perpetuates the use of fossil fuels and their attendant emissions	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Impacts on Climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1429	Kindly register me as an Interested & Affected Party. I object in the strongest terms to any new oil and gas exploration of the SA coast.	Nick Munday	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 118/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this
1644	With the world's available oil and gas reserves more than sufficient to meet demand until the COP zero emissions by 2050' cut off date. Besides our neighbors have more than enough to supply SA, a position which encourage bilateral trade and increased regional stability. Please receive my comment on Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. It concerns me for the below reasons. And therefore I object to their Total's pain to fill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. It concerns me for the below reasons. And therefore I object to their Total's paper and the properties of Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. It concerns me for the below reasons. And therefore I object to their Total's paper and the properties of the Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. It concerns me for the below reasons. And therefore I object to the Total's paper and the Properties of the Proper	Nick Yell Nicky Zolezzi	Individual	02 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. Your comment has been recorded. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Fair field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1193	3. Karpowership are dangerous to ocean health.	Nicky Zolezzi	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP is aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block 118/128 Project.
1194	Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along coastline. Scontribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment.	Nicky Zolezzi	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the
1195 1196	etc 6. Tremendous sounds and air pollution caused.	Nicky Zolezzi Nicky Zolezzi	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Dedicated marine acoustic and air quality studies will be undertaken to assess the likely impacts associated with the project.
1197	Please confirm receipt of my objection. I am a member of Alga Bay Ocean Stewards and work part time at Mandela University in Engagement. I object to the application for exploration and	Nicky Zolezzi	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B
854 855	production in blocks 11B and 12B made by Total. Please could you answer the following questions: 1.How much money is expected to be paid by Total for this application?	Nicole Collier-Naidoo		03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	project.
856	2.To whom is this money paid?	Nicole Collier-Naidoo	Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	An application fee of R10 000 was paid to the competent authority, upon submission of the application for environmental authorisation. An application fee of R10 000 was paid to the competent authority, upon submission of the application for environmental authorisation.
857	3. How much money is Total expected to make should they find what they are looking for and go into production?	Nicole Collier-Naidoo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	There are no offtake agreements and gas price agreements in place yet. TEEPSA is still busy with technical and commercial negotiations with possible offtakers. The project's carbon footprint will be assessed in a dedicated climate change assessment that forms part of the ESIA process. The carbon footprint will employ a
858	4.What is the carbon footprint or environmental cost of this entire effort over time?	Nicole Collier-Naidoo	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	fleeying a season output his was assessed in a deducate change assessment had forms part of the EDP process. The denominous many a lifecycle prospective approach in the quantification of emissions associated with the proposed project. Significant emission sources from the project concept to end of life of the product will be assessed.
859 860	5.How will Total offset this footprint/cost? 6. Is money really more important to you than life on this planet?	Nicole Collier-Naidoo	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Offsetting will be investigated and addressed in the climate change report that will be compiled for the draft EIA report. This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
2337	b. Is money reasy more supportant to you man sue on mis passer? The project is going to be around the coastal lines. The obligations mentioned in the SLP, does this mean the people who will be developed, will it only be those municipalities? It will be beneficial that this is extended to other municipalities so that others can benefit from the learnerships and skills development	Nomhle Gaga	Sarah Baartman District Municipaltiy	10 January 2023	V-FGM-06	The request has been noted and will be considered for inclusion in the future planning of the SLP.
1559	programme. I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I am totally against this activity	Nomsa Johanna Mtsweni		04 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comments have been recorded. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will continue to receive information on the project.
1506	I would like to RSVP for the public meeting on 7 December 2022	Nomvelo Siwela	Kouga Municipality	02 December 2022	WhatsApp	You were registered for the virtual public meeting on the 7th of December 2022.
107	Are there any wells that will affect the municipality? Is there any development envisaged for the area? Is there anything that should be considered in the oil spill contingency planning?	Nomvelo Siwela	Kouga Municipality	19 January 2023	V-FGM-15	The production application area extends from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis. Production activities are concentrated in the western part of the block. There are no seismic surveys planned. The only portion on the eastern part of the block will be exploration wells for hydrocarbons. There will be another EIA process if further development is required in the area. All activities will be run from Mossel Bay. There might be a need to conduct some activities from Gegeberha or Cape Town, but this is currently not confirmed. The results of the oil spill modelling that will be done as part of the impact assessment phase will inform the extent of potential impacts and corresponding contingency plans.
1019	I, Norma Patricis Levin am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and object in the strongest possible terms to Total Energies mining the coast for gas and using seismic testing to do so. Seismic testing is extremely harmful to sea life and gas is a fossil fuel. Fossil fuels are destroying our planet but BIG GAS and corrupt governments don't care.	Norma Patricia Levin	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed for threft developments on the Block 118/12B project. Please note that seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/12B, and no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken for the drilling work and VSP operations, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will also be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
1640	Good day I would like to register as an interested and affected party with respect to Totals disastrous intention to explore the east coast of SA for oil and other fossil fuels. What a disgrace that can surely be partially attributed to the complete incompetence of SA leadership.	Oliver Carson		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project and will continue to receive information regarding the project.
679	I would like to object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1.The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration.	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. The environmental importance of the Aguilhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory pattern of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close colaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. The Block 118/12B production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingkip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Eizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts
680	2.The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	(some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst-case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitation or structures are given a suitable buffer zone from the installation of pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far field oil spill, noise and drill cuttings modelling
681	Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	results are complete. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
682	4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along coastline.	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
683	5. This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist
684	6.The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/128 project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required.
685	7. There as been evidence of serious misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the day before with a loud haiter telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to get a job. I am an interested and affected party and I hereby object to the plan proposed by Total Energies. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the	Olivia Andrews	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9.1 20 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send
1104	i an indirected and anotato party and interest object to the plan proposed by Total Energies. I am an NSA catzen and an tital negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Olivia Posthumus	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	information on the Block 11B/12B project.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
1597 1642	Hi I want to register as an interested and affected party I object strongly to TotalEnergies new gas pipeline proposal Mossel Bay -Cape St Francis because, due to the rapidly escalating climate crisis, the proposal is	Oswald Pamela Jane Heaton		03 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block 118/128 project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
703	neither ecologically nor morally sound. Greetings, please consider me an IAEP. If there are any applications underway which WSP is involved in, please send me details.	Pamela Jane Heaton Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023 02 December 2022	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
704	I'm a Johannesburg resident concerned about climate change. Please confirm you have added me to the IAP list for all activities associated with gas or oil exploration and exploitation. About two months ago, I requested to be considered an I&AP on anything you are working on in South Africa. My concerns are that WSP is not doing	Patrick Bond	Individual	05 December 2022	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an interested and affected party on the stakeholder database. Professor Bond was contacted telephonically by
705	professional work on climate-related aspects of fossil fuel exploration, and your silence confirms that this is an inadequate, unsatisfactory process you are leading. My further criticisms of the ESIA are attached. Please acknowledge your receipt of these concerns.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	wor outlimits that you later been registered as an interessed and anecess pary or the statements relations. Frotessor both was contacted deprindingly by the Public Participation Team via stelephone and WhatsApp on 6 February 2023, and a voice message left again via WhatsApp on the 14th of February 2023 to respond to the submission. The Public Participation team has not received a response from Prof Bond at the time of publishing of the Final Scoping Report.
706	Huh? Is there a problem with my typing or language? I asked you on 3 Feb 2023, 5 Dec 2022 and 2 Dec 2022, to be considered as an I&AP. What is so difficult to understand about those three requests? Why is this the first reply? I intend to file a complaint about this pathetic public participation process - where you clearly are not even reading the emails!—and request that your company be replaced with one that takes your responsibilities seriously. Who should I complain to, in the state regulatory authority and TotalEnergies? Your staff really need to take these existential-survival matters seriously.	Patrick Bond	Individual	06 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an interested and affected party on the stakeholder database. Professor Bond was contacted telephonically by the Public Participation Team via telephone and WhatsApp on 6 February 2023, and a voice message left again via WhatsApp on the 14th of February 2023 to respond to the submission. The Public Participation team has not received a response from Prof Bond at the time of publishing of the Final Scoping Report.
707	I am a University of Johannesburg sociologist (a distinguished professor), specialising in public policy and environmental economics. I am writing in particular about the implications of the proposed exploratory well drilling for South Africa's climate politics. (The views expressed below are personal, not institutional.) I hold a PhD in Geography and Environmental Engineering from Johns Hopkins University (1993), having earlier studied economics at Swarthmore College and the University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Finance. I also have engaged in many South African policy processes, having drafted the Reconstruction and Development Programme White Paper (1994) and many others. I also work closely with civil society organisations in South Africa, Africa and across the world.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your background, qualifications and interests are recorded.
708	I consider the public participation process to be, already, inadequate, since my requests to be put into the WSP/Total I&AP database and informed of the steps to be taken (in emails of 2 December 2022 and 5 December 2022), were simply ignored.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Public Participation Office is investigating the reason for the response you received. Please accept the Public Participation Office's apologies for the delayed response. We confirm that you have been registered as an interested and affected party on the stakeholder database. Professor Bond was contacted telephonically by the Public Participation Team via telephone and WhatsApp on 6 February 2023, and a voice message left again via WhatsApp on the 14th of February 2023 to respond to the submission. The Public Participation team has not received a response from Prof Bond at the time of publishing of the Final Scoping Report.
709	I am particularly interested and affected, as are all South Africans, and indeed the world's citizens, by the climate components of Total' proposed fossil fuels production process.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change and air quality will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
710	t also believe it is important to question whether Total and its managerial leadership – as well as allied local firms – are "fit and proper" for work of this sort.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that the company has the relevant knowledge, experience and expertise to undertake the proposed work. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The NBI Study is one of several documents referenced in the section and its
711	In making the case for further fossil fuels in the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), WSP/Total relies upon a National Business Initiative ((NBI) study of gas, one which downloaks the massive methane-leakage problems associated with gas, rendering the methant problems of the problems associated with gas, rendering the methant problems than CO2, as well as Social Cost of Carbon and Methane externality flabilities, as well as climate sanctions (the "Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism") that will be progressively imposed on South African exports by Western trading partners in coming years. Here is WSP/Total's reflection on that report: "Valus Transition and Climate Pathways Study for South Africa (also in needed for South Africa's deal-nistion strategy to support transitions in the power, symfuels, industry and transport sectors. South Africa also needs to develop its local resources as infrastructure to import Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) is limited."	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	comminments made to decarbonise the excellence of the care of the very sound of several documents retretence in the section and its inclusion does not constitute an endorsement. The ESM will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. The EU's Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism (CBAM) initiative will " initially apply to imports of certain goods and selected precursors whose production is carbon intensive" This will be incorporated into the Section in the draft ESM report/https://laxadio-customs.ce.europa.eu/green-taxadio-Oicarbon-border-adjustment-indicarbon/Section-ESMOSEM/SECOM/SECOMISE/
712	The obvious implicit standpoint of WSP/Total in the ESM is that from the 2019-20 successful exploration process, there will now be production: extraction, processing, refining, transport, combustion and waste disposal. Yet damaging sources of greenhouse gas emissions and other pollutants are partially acknowledged in the ESM, and then they are immediately downplayed: Potential impacts on air quality and climate change of air emissions including greenhouse gases (GHGS) generated by the Project: During operations air emissions will be emitted by various sources: drillship, specialized vessels, support vessels, flaring, etc. Potential actions to address the potential impacts include for instance: minimize potential air emissions during project impacts, and identify specific mitigation measures if required. What is utterly unsatisfactory, at this point – fully four years after the February 2019 fossil fuel discoveries – is that a proper study of climate implications has still not occurred. Instead, such analysis is only proposed for the future. 10.11.CLIMATE CHANGE AND AIR QUALITY STUDY The climate change risk assessment will assess the effects of the Project's greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions on climate, and the vulnerability of the Project	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway. The plan of study for climate change and air quality, as you have extracted in your submission, was included in the Scoping Report to allow for stakeholders to comment on the proposed work that will be done. The results of the study will be made available for public review, in the next phase of the process, likely to be in MayJune 2023.
713	The cultimate changers. This will include the assessment of a set of feasible alternatives to the process of climate, and or variety of the Project of the condition of the condition of the Control of t	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway.
714	10.1.1.2 Baseline Assessment The baseline assessment will comprise an analysis of the global context (i.e., the global atmosphere as the receiving environment) based on IPPC reporting of global emission trajectories and impacts. Additionally, the study will be contextualised within the national to local contexts in terms of climate change projections, considering expected changes in carbon dioxide levels and ocean acidity, air and water temperature, precipitation patterns, the rate of sea level rise, storm intensity, and wave renime, all of which could have implications for the Project.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway.
715	10.1.1.3 Climate Change Impact Assessment The project impact assessment will provide a clear designation of study boundaries, the identification of GHG emissions sources, and the selection of emission factors (with reference to IPCC, 2006, and South Africa's Draft Methodological Guidelines for Quantification of GHG Emissions). Emission estimation will follow for Scope 1 (direct). Scope 2 (imported electricity generation), and Scope 3 (indirect) emissions. The impact of cumulative emissions will be asserted relative to South African and global inventories. Climate change impact mitigation will be considered, with reassessment of impacts under a mitigated scenario.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway.
716	10.1.1.4 Air Quality Specialist Opinion The air quality specialist opinion will consider for emission sources and associated pollutants identified in exploration activities, and the likely severity of emissions. It is anticipated key sources will comprise fuel combustion in generators and other equipment used for the drilling units and vessel emissions.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway.
717	10.1.1.5 Climate Change Risk Assessment This assessment will consider Project exposure to climate changes (changes in carbon dioxide levels and ocean acidity, air and water temperature, precipitation patterns, the rate of sea level rise, storm intensity, and wave regime), the Project sensitivity to such, and any potential climate change	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway.
718	adaptations. There will be further assessment of transitional risks, e.g., proposed carbon taxes. This is entirely unsatisfactory, to kick the can down the road, because preliminary estimates of climate and associated economic damages are feasible, and	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The study components you have extracted from the Scoping Report will be done as part of the current ESIA process that is underway. The plan of study for climate change and air quality, as you have extracted in your submission, was included in the Scoping Report to allow for stakeholders to comment on the
	would lead to a very different conclusion than what WSP/Total have provided. The economic impacts of further fossil fuel exploration could be enormous because, as the Makhanda High Court ruled on 1 September 2022, when it mandated a full – not salami-sliced – analysis of the impacts of gas and oil exploration, extraction, processing, transport, combustion and disposal: the					proposed work that will be done. The results of the study will be made available for public review, in the next phase of the process, likely to be in MayJune 2023. The GHG Assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will employ a lifecycle perspective approach in the quantification of emissions associated with the
719	processes are discrete stages in a single process that culminates in the production and combustion of oil and gas, and the emission of greenhouse gases that will exacerbate the climate crisis" The point of Total's production is ultimately to extract and process methane gas for South African consumption. The ESIA allegation that Total is committed to	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	proposed project. Significant emission sources from the project concept to end use of the product will be assessed where such information is available.
720	carbon neutrality is impossible to believe: (Limita and carbon neutrality arbition) Total supports the objectives of the Paris Agreement, which calls for the reduction in greenhouse gas emissions and its goal of limiting the average rise in planetary temperatures to well below 2°C from pre-industrial levels. Total also supports the objective set out in the Paris Agreement of achieving global carbon neutrality—i.e. net zero emissions, which is the balance between GH6 emissions and anthropogenic removals in the form of sinks and reservors, such as forests, carbon capture and storage facilities. Total has set an ambition of reaching carbon neutrality (net zero emissions) by 2050 in Europe, from the production to the use of the energy products sold to its customers (Scopes 1, 2, 3 as defined by the GHG Protocol) and the objective of 60% or more reduction in the average carbon intensity of energy products used worldwide.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
721	Consistent with the National Environmental Management Act's "polluter pays" foundational principle, it is vital for WSP/Total to properly cost the entire project, by including discussion of the potential adverse effects of consequent greenhouse gas emissions using different scenarios, as is done in the pages below. (If on the other hand, there is an intent by Total to use the gas and oil for non-obustible purposes in which hydrocarbons are extracted to provide lubricants, synthetic materials, necessary plastics, pharmacoutical products, etc. then this should be clarified. The assumption from the application's discussion of gas	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The climate change impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will consider different end-of-life scenarios for the product. The emissions for those different scenarios will be estimated in the report.
722	symmetric materials, necessary pissucs, pnarmaceutical products, etc., then this should be carried in the assumption from the application's discussion of gas and oil use, however, is that the product is aimed at providing energy through hydrocaphon combustion. The following pages assume gas condensate deposits will be found and combusted, because if there was not a strong possibility of that outcome, there would be no formal production process.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The climate change impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will consider different end-of-life scenarios for the product. The emissions for those different scenarios will be estimated in the report.
723	Failure to calculate climate implications through gas life-cycle analysis (Consider the conomics behind a life-cycle analysis of Total's energy extraction strategy. As is well known, methane – the main ingredient (usually 90%) in both Liquefied Natural Gas (LNG) and Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) – is released during a wide variety of processes between exploratory drilling and final combustion. The exploratory phase, including seismic blasting, is part of a life-cycle of natural gas that is vital to account for, so as to quantify the total emissions in at least five stages: "upstream" gas production, including seismic blasting, exploratory drilling, extraction, processing and transport; ! tanker or pipeline transport; - tanker or pipeline transport;	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The GHG Assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will employ a lifecycle perspective approach in the quantification of emissions associated with the proposed project. Significant emission sources from the project concept to end of life of the product will be assessed.
724	Loover plant operations when the cas is burned to generate electricity. The Natural Resources Defense Council illustrates these steps as follows: UPSTREAM: Extraction of gas at the well, processing, and domestic pipeline transport; occurs in exporting country; greenhouse gas emitted: predominantly methane. LIQUEFACTION: Gas is cooled to -162 degrees Celsius to reduce its volume and convert it to liquid form; occurs in exporting country; greenhouse gas emitted: almost all carbon dioxide. RANKER TRANSPORT: Liquefied natural gas is loaded onto an LNG tanker and transported to its destination port; occurs on the high seas; greenhouse gass emitted: mostly carbon dioxide. REGASIFICATION: Liquefied natural gas is re-warmed to convert it to a gas; occurs in importing country; greenhouse gas emitted: mostly carbon dioxide. REGASIFICATION: Liquefied natural gas is re-warmed to convert it to a gas; occurs in importing country; greenhouse gas emitted: mostly carbon dioxide. (Christina Swanson, Arnanda Levin and Anny Mall, Sailing to Nowhere: Liquefied Natural Gas is Not an Effective Climate Strategy, Washington, DC: Natural Resources Defence Council (2021). Natural Resources Defence Council (2021).	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The GHG Assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will employ a lifecycle perspective approach in the quantification of emissions associated with the proposed project. Significant emission sources from the project concept to end of life of the product will be assessed.
725	transport through pipelines that in this region are often poorly maintained or subject to vandalism and petroleum-proute theft. While the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency regularly made estimates about preenhouse gas emissions from such sources, in August 2021 new research showed that the source-based estimates were only half the amount of methane release that were picked up in satellite imaging and atmospheric measurement, in studies by Stanford University analysts in Nature Communications, (Ruherford, J.S., Shewin, E.D., Ravitumar, A.P. et al. Closing the methane gap in US oil and natural gas production emissions inventories. Nature Communications 12, 4715 (2021). https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-25017-4)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Leakage will be investigated as part of the climate change assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA.
726	Full economic costing The WSP/Total analysis provides no estimates as to how much methane gas is potentially available in the relevant blocks, and has no information about the market value, and the environmental costs of likely externalities. In contrast, a 10% owner of the Block 1181/28 stake claimed to an investment analyst, "Discovered deposits are estimated by the government at 3.4 trillion cubic feet of gas and 192 million barrels of condensate; AEC says over a billion barrels of oil equivalent have been discovered."	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The social and environmental impact assessment will consider the full economic costing aspects.
727	The context is important. The extremely large gas reserves anticipated to be found both offshore and onshore South Africa, should be considered as a major potential source of greenhouse gas emissions, especially if more than 13 trillion cubic feet (tcf) of gas are capable of being extracted: - 8 tcf in the Orange Basin - 2 tcf in the Bredasdorp Basin - 3 tcf in the Unenqua Basin	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Noted. We will assess the project impacts from climate change and provide our professional opinion and the way forward based on the findings of the assessment.
728	Liscoveries that are likely in the Witwatersrand and Durban-Zululand basins To illustrate the costs that are associated with just one particular comparative site, the Transkei-Algoa blocks on the Indian Ocean, consider three factors: the oil-barrel equivalent of estimated gas reserves; the market value price of that gas; and the estimated Social Cost of Carbon associated with these amounts. 1) First, there may be the equivalent of a billion barrels of oil in the Transkei-Algoa blocks: Impact OED: "We would not be investing in the way that we are looking to invest in the area if we could not see a billion-barrel potential." (James Gaini, "Shell takes stake in Impact's Transkei & Algoa offshore blocks," African Energy, 10 September (2021), https://www.africa-energy.com/news-centre/article/south-africa-shell-takes-stake-impacts-transkei-algoa-offshore) 2)Second, the international market value of natural gas has zigzagged dramatically, ranging in 2022 from \$3.80 to \$9.30 per million British thermal units (MMBIu), and no November 2022 priced at around 52 20MMBIu), and in November 2022 priced at around 52 20MMBIu), and in November 2022 priced at around 52 20MMBIu, and in Silves/tradingeocomories.com/commori/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/tradinsystam/shantural-gas/	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Noted. We will assess the project impacts from climate change and provide our professional opinion and the way forward based on the findings of the assessment.
729	Agulhas Current, so it is difficult to estimate such costs. However, we do have some estimates of greenhouse gas damage to apply. Assume that methane is 80 times more potent as a greenhouse gas (in a 20-year period) than CO2. Indeed the biggest externalised environmental cost of all is the impact of the combustion of methane on climate. A barrel of gas generates 238 kg of CO2-equivalents when burned, or 0.26 tions. So if there are a	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The GHG assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA will consider emissions from methane and is quantified as part of the assessment. Methane from the product end-use will also be considered in the assessment.
730	billion barrels of gas available in the Transkei-Algoa blocks, we can assume something close to 260 million ton-equivalents of greenhouse gas emissions. The Social Cost of Carbon – i.e. an assessment of damages per ton – is holly contested. Barack Obama's administration assessed it at \$510nn but that is expected to rise dramatically in 2022 revisions. The IMF estimates \$60/ton. The European Union currently has an Emissions Trading Scheme price closer to \$100/ton. But the latest research by scientists suggests \$3000/ton is more accurate. (Rikistra, J., P. Waidelich, J. Rising, D. Yumashev, C. Hope and C.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment has been recorded. The ESIA will include both a climate change impact assessment and a social assessment. The climate impact assessment will consider the risks the proposed project contribute to climate change.
	Brierley 2021. The social cost of carbon dioxide under climate-economy feedbacks and temperature variability, Environmental Research Letters, Volume 16, Number 9. 6. September, https://opscience.jop.org/article/10.1088/1748-9325/act/d0b) If we set the Social Cost of Carbon at \$3000/ton, and there are 260 million tons of CO2- equivalents that could be released from all the gas to be extracted in					
731	Transkel-Algoa alone, the Social Cost of Carbon would be \$780 billion. Set against the gross (not net) income from a billion barrets claimed by the Impact CEO above, valued at \$32.7 billion (before costs are subtracted), this extraction obviously doesn't make sense if we take seriously full cost accounting. Comparisons in this exercise, where the applicant (Total's regular South African and Namibian partner impact) acknowledged liely deposits of a billion		Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
732	barrels, are appropriate if we take the billion barrel numeraire, so that if there is \$32.7 billion in gross income and the Social Cost of Carbon associated with that extraction is \$780 billion, then the damage being done for every barrel equivalent extracted, is 23 times the net income. Further calculations not yet undertaken in Total's exploratory proposal In addition to a missing Social Cost of Carbon estimate, other shortcomings are obvious. Natural capital accounting and the National Environmental	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA specialist study will consider the carbon emissions of the Project and the impacts on climate change; appropriate mitigation measure will be identified.
733	Management Act's commitment to the polluter pays principle are not taken seriously. It is imperative for the WSP/Total exploration assessment to undertake full cost accounting on even the roughly-estimated CO2-equivalent emissions that are implied by any oil and gas exploration, extraction, processing, transport, combustion and waste disposal. No such estimates are attempted. Ironically, WSP/Total makes a claim about what its ESIA intends to accomplish: During this phase, a detailed assessment of the potential impacts will be undertaken. The assessed impacts will cover the effects of the proposed development on numerous capitals, such as natural capital, human capital, financial capital, and institutional and political capital. All economic impacts	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA specialist study will consider the carbon emissions of the Project and the impacts on climate change; appropriate mitigation measure will be identified. The social costs of carbon will be considered in the economic assessment to be undertaken.
734	identified will be assessed and categorised in line with the rating provided by the environmental specialist. But there is no attempt to address these various 'capitals' much less contend with the adverse impacts. To illustrate the danger of omitting natural capital, the Gaborone Declaration – signed in May 2012 by South African Environment Minister Edna Molewa – recognised the limitations that GDP has as a measure of well-being and sustainable growth. The signatories committed to 'integrating the value of natural capital into national accounting and corporate planning.' (Claborone Declaration is Castionality in Africa. Caborone, Botrawan 21 May (2012), http://www.gaboronedeclaration.com/) For the sake of planning oil and gas extraction, WSP/Total must take the Gaborone Declaration's mandate seriously, not ignore it.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
735	There are additional costs that WSP/Total should be considering, including the associated infrastructure to process, transport and combust natural gas for South Africa's grid (since the Total application rests upon LNG's potential use as a "transitional" fuel to be deployed by Eskom or private suppliers such as Karpowerships. But a recent estimate by the International Institute for Sustainable Development of infrastructural costs associated with the most basic attempts to provide methane gas infrastructure – including gas plants, floating storage and regasfication units, LNG terminals and pipelines — is in the \$13-17 billion range, (Rhard Halsey, Richard Bridle and Anna Geddas; "Gas Perszure: Exploring the case for gas-fired power in South Africa," London, Marco (2022), https://www.iisd.org/system/files/2022-03/south-africa-no-need-for-gas.pdf) Were such infrastructure built (without cost and time overruns, corruption and other economic, social and environmental drawbacks that bedevil South Africa the mega-projects), it would quickly assume the status of a "stranded asset," insofar as the broader costs of such investments to the rest of the economy – especially exporters – would soon become obvious.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA specialist study will consider the carbon emissions of the Project and the impacts on climate change; appropriate mitigation measure will be identified. The Scope 3 carbon emissions will also be considered in the carbon emissions calculation.

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736	The claim that gas is a "transition" or "bridge" fuel was debunked yet again by a Bloomberg reporter in a February 2022 article entitled, "The case against methane emissions keeps getting stronger," warning of the dangers of CH4 emissions, which in the critical next 20 years are measured as at least 80 times more potent a greenhouse gas than CO2". (Akshaf Rashi, "The Case Against Methane Emissions Keeps Getting Stronger," Bloomberg, 15 February (2022), https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2022-02-15/the-case-against-methane-emissions-keeps-getting-stronger). The urgent need to reduce methane emissions by at least 45 percent during the 2020s as a to prevent global warming in excess of 2 degrees is not in question reample at the United Nations Environment Programme, which records important public health co-benefits: "switching away from gas would reduce carbon dioxide and volatile organic compound emissions" that are causes of additional threats to public health. (United Nations Environment Programme and Climate and Clean Air Cosition, "Global Methane Assessment: Benefits and Costs of Mitigating Methane Emissions," Nairobi (2021), https://www.unen.org/resources/report/piolabe/methane-assessment-benefits-and-costs-militiation-embhane-amissions, but and the purpose, however, already one argument on behalf of gas rests upon the back-up role played in the event of cloud or vendless days, and at night. For this purpose, however, already	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The South African Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2019 places energy at the centre of a decent standard of living for all citizens while considering the commitments made by South Africa to reduce the total greenhouse gas emissions in terms of the Paris Agreement on Climate Change and how this can be reconciled with the need to support the country's current energy demand. This Plan acknowledges electricity as the preferred any and outlines how a diversified energy mix will support this while maintaining the objectives of the Low-Emission Development Strategy to decarbonise the economy in line with commitments made at COP26. The documents referenced will be considered in the update to the Need and Desirability chapter during the ESIA phase.
737	2724 MW are available to Eskom in the form of pumped storage capacity in which water is lifted upfull by energy during the day, allowing for hydropower to generate electricity on its way down. (For context, demand on a typical winter day is rarely above 30 000 MW, hence at full capacity, pumped storage is an eprovide 9 percent of the grid's power already). (Pumped storage is defined by Eskom, as "A lower and an upper reservoir with a power stallion/pumping plant between the two. During off-peak periods the reversible pumps/furbines use electricity to pump water from the lower to the upper reservoir. During periods of peak demand, water runs busic into the lower reservoir through the turbines, generating electricity. "The Z274 MW aireaballe in three pumped storage schemes – Ingula, Drakensburg and Palmiet – does not include Cape Town's 180 MW Steenbras municipal pumped storage capacity. https://www.eskom.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/2021Integrated/Report.pdf)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The intention is that, pending the outcome of negotiations between TEEPSA and PetroSA, gas and condensate from Block 11B/12B will provide a new source of feedstock for the PetroSA GLT facility and/or the ESKOM Gouriqua power plant that is currently using diesel as feedstock.
738	In addition, the mining and smelling firm that has been Eskom's largest consumer, Anglo American (with current iron ore, platinum and diamond mining), has committed to using 100 percent renewable energy by 2030. (Karl Gernetzky, "Anglo American inks agreement as it eyes 100% renewable power in SA," Business Day, 18 March (2022). https://www.businessilve.co.za/bd/companies/mining/2022-03-18-anglo-american-inks-agreement-as-it-eyes-100-renewable-power-in-sa/) Anglo's deal with Electricité de France Renewables calls for 3 to 5 GW of solar, wind and storage. (Dieketseng Maleke, "bining company Anglo American signs contract with French renewable energy specialist EDF," Business Report, 22 March (2022), https://www.iol.co.za/business-report/companies/mining-company-anglo-american-signs-contract-with-french-renewable energy-specialist-edf-22ff Aboe-d/0ca-446-oa18-0697/be96e72).	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The intention is that, pending the outcome of negotiations between TEEPSA and PetroSA, gas and condensate from Block 11B/12B will provide a new source of feedstock for the PetroSA GLT facility and/or the ESKOM Gouriqua power plant that is currently using diesel as feedstock.
	And the single largest Eskom customer, BHP Billiton's South32 subsidiary – for its Hillside smelter (aluminium) at Richards Bay – is seeking zero-carbon alternatives including energy storage. (Charlotte Matthews, "South32 plans to end Eskom dependence as energy deregulation gathers pace," MiningMX, 19 August (2021), https://www.miningmx.com/news/energy/47231-south32-working-on-plans-to-end-eskom-dependence-as-energy-deregulation-gathers-pace/) The climate-sanctions implications of ignoring full cost accounting One simple reason to carry out such accounting is the point made by President Cyril Ramaphosa on October 11, 2021, explaining the danger to the economy					
739	of further fosalf fuel development. Ramaphosa referenced the "Carbon Border Adjustment Mechanism" (CBAM) that will be imposed by Western importers of South African goods, in its Presidential letter advocating a low-carbon economy and Just Transition for affected workers and communities: "As our trading partners pursue the goal of net-zero carbon emissions, they are likely to increase restrictions on the import of goods produced using carbon- intensive energy. Because so much of our industry depends on coal-generated electricity, we are likely to find that the products we export to various countries face trade barriers and, in addition, consumers in those countries may be less willing to buy our products." (Cyril Ramaphosa, "From the desk of the president," Pretoria, 11 October (2021), http://www.thopresidency.gov.aufrom-the-desk-of-the-president/desk-president/%2Cmonday% 2C-11-october-2021) Others in the private sector have similar worries. Isaah Mhlanga, chief economist at AlexanderForbes, wrote in May 2022 that "SA must out carbon emissions quickly—to protect its own economy: Carbon taxes will be applied and markets will be closed to those goods that have a high carbon content SA will need to decarbonies faster to protect its exports, and thus economic growth. This is necessary because it's a matter of time before	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
	carbon taxes are levied on all sorts of goods, and markets will be closed to those goods that have a high carbon content. Even though SA has not contributed the largest share of carbon emissions by global standards, it must adjust at the fastest rate possible, not necessarily to be a leader in efforts to move to net zero, but to protect its economic interests." (Isaaah Mhlanga, "SA must cut carbon emissions quickly—to protect its own economy," Business Day, 1 May (2022), https://www.businessilve.co.za/bt/opinion/2022-05-01-isaah-mhlanga-sa-must-cut-carbon-emissions-quickly-to-protect-its-own-economy/.) The largest corporate consumers of Eskom understand this threat, as well. Climate-related trade distincentives will, according to even a South African Treasury report in August 2021, soon create major vulnerabilities for exporters of from and steel, cement, fertilizers, aluminium and automobiles. Climasury, "Tav Polity Discussion Demandary Source and Carbon Polity Sources and Source and Sources and S					
740	This problem will be amplified if a coal-to-methane gas transition occurs, not only because methane is a far more destructive greenhouse gas than CO2. Promethane advocates point out that European (especially French) eilites claim that "natural gas" and nuclear energy should both be considered "green" (in the official EU taxonomy), a July 2022 decision that revealed the many dangers of dependency on Russian gas imports and need to replace these instead of moving earlier to full-fledged renewable energy. Nevertheless, the likelihood of CBAM climate sanctions strengthening against both methane gas and indirect "embedded" emissions (i.e. the use of Eskom's high-fossil energy generation in production), is inevitable, and will affect all future South African exports. Thus BHP Billiton's potential "wheeling" of electricity to its smelter originating in pumped storage at the proposed Tubates scheme arises as a result of the threat of climate trade sanctions, according to Mining Weekly, (Martin Creamer, "Pumped storage has potential to throw Hillside Aluminium green lifeline," (Creamer's Mining Weekly, 10 January (2022), https://www.miningweekly.com/article/pumped-storage-has-potential-to-throw-hillside-aluminium-green-ifeline-2022-01-10.)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
	As the leading mining magazine reported in early 2022, "the emergence of carbon border tariffs and end-user demand for green aluminium could send the price of unabated aluminium sky-high owing to the large quantity of electricity that is required for aluminium to be produced." (Martin Creamer, "Working on options to secure green energy for Hillside Aluminium – South32," Mining Weekly, 7 January (2022), https://www.miningweekly.com/article/working-on-options-to-secure-green-energy-for-hillside-aluminium-south32-(2022-01-07) There is, of course, a more general case for rationing electricity and therefore disconnecting the South32 aluminium senter and other guzzlers, contemplated even in the business media, given the irrationalities of the status quo. (Michael Avery, "Here's an idea: morthall electricity-guzzling smelters," Business Duy, 3					
741	July (2022), https://www.businessive.co.za/bd/opinion/columnists/2022-07-03-michael-avery-heres-an-idea-mothball-electricity-quz/ling-smelters/) in each case, South African economic development requires full cost accounting to assess whether, at a time coal-fired power plants are going to be retired	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
742 743	early, their replacement by methane gas in Karpowerships may exacerbate South Africa's vulnerabilities. Bearing in mind the likelihood of climate sanctions if our economy remains reliant upon fossil fuels, the Social Cost of Carbon is the most appropriate polluter-pays metric to judge the full costs of the proposed exploration to be followed by exploitation and combustion. Total as not "fit and proper" to carry out further fossil fuel extraction finally, there is a terribly important question to pose, as South Africa's finally grapples with private-sector corruption of its state apparatus, a problem that in February 2023 is seen as acute given investigations of President Ramaphosa for his Phala Phala financial controversy, and an outstanding Zondo Commission on State Capiture recommendation that Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy, Gwede Mantashe be investigated and potentially proceducted for his own alleged corruption by the firm Boassa during the 2010s when he was ANC Secretary General. (Schumo Sinne, "Zondo recommends Mantashe be probed for	Patrick Bond Patrick Bond	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Socio-economic, ecological, and energy factors will be considered during the ESIA social assessment Study. Total Energies has indicated that the company has the relevant knowledge, experience and expertise to undertake the proposed work.
744	corruption." CityPress. 2 March (2022). https://www.news24.com/citypress/politics/zondo-recommends-mantashe-be-probed-for-corruption-20220302) As a result of the penetration of such elements deep into the South African state and corporate sector, it is vital to enquire whether Total is a fit and proper	Detects Deced	In the state of	00 5-1	F	
744 745	company to be given responsibility for such extremely dangerous offshore gas and oil exploration, drilling, processing, in relation to humanity's greatest crisis. When it comes to the Paris firm's integrity in relation to climate change, historians Christophe Bonneuil, Pierre-Louis Choquet and Benjamin Franta note that beginning in 1971, Total's (and its predecessors') scientists issued initial internal warnings of rising sea levels due to CQ concentrations, and these were systematically glorned, followed by "overt denial of climate science. To from at least 1989 to 1994." This was followed by "mutiple and subtler forms of agnopenesis, such as wilful ignorance, responsibility-shifting, strategic philanthropy, promotion of peripheral solutions, and corporate controversy management (with) a flow of complex, technical information that is difficult to interpret or challenge, helping Total to the burden of proof on its critics and keep the upper hand in climate controversies." (Christophe Bonneuil, Pierre-Louis Choquet and Benjamin Franta, "Early warnings and emerging accountability." Total's responses to global warning, 1971–2021." Global Environmental Change, 71 (2021), 1011–1011. **Histo://www.sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect.com/sceneederect	Patrick Bond Patrick Bond	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that the company has the relevant knowledge, experience and expertise to undertake the proposed work. TEEPSA has indicated that EI's and Total's knowledge of climate risk since the 1970s has been no different from that published in scientific journals at the time, which the scientific paper published today fully confirms. TotalEnergies disagrees with the claim that the climate risk was concealed by Total or EII, either in the 1970s or since. TotalEnergies notes that the paper itself states that EIf and Total already accepted the findings of climate science, publicly and openly, as long as 25 years ago. TotalEnergies regrets that it was never approached or consulted by the authors of the paper, which TotalEnergies will study in detail. TotalEnergies of process of pointing up at a situation from fifty years ago, without highlighting the efforts, changes, progress and investments made since them. Since 2015, TotalEnergies has been engaged in a profound transformation of its activities with the arbition of been given one of the world's top five renewable energy players by 2030 and getting to net zero carbon emissions by 2050, by setting specific greenhouse gas reduction targets for 2030. You can read the detailed response in the link below https://doclahenergies.com/midelinkewSpress-releasesenfotalenergies-attenent-globel-environmental-study
746	Climate Change. To illustrate, just before the 2015 COP21 summit in Paris, the company promoted global carbon pricing, to be administered by the United Nations (although as was accidentally revealed later by an ExxonMobil lobbyist, this was a strategic distraction – not a serious proposal – since it was extremely unlikely to be adopted). (Chris McGreal, "ExxonMobil lobbyists filmed saying oil giant's support for carbon tax a PR ploy," The Guardian, 30 June (2021), https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2021/jun/30/exxonmobil-abbyists-ail-giant-carbon-tax-pr-play)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has indicated that the official company statement is as follows: TotalEnergies supports the objectives of the Paris Agreement, which calls for reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in the context of sustainable development and eradicating poverty, and which aims to hold the increase in the planet's average temperature to well below 2°C above pre-industrial levels. To achieve these tergets, the world's energy systems need to be transformed. This dual challenge consisting of providing more energy to as many people as possible with less GHG emissions concerns society as a whole, with opvernments, investors, companies and consumers all playing an important role. At the heart of the climate stakes, TotalEnergies' aim is to provide energy that is more available, more affordable, cleaner and accessible to as many people as possible. In this context, the Company's ambition is to reach carbon neutrality (net zero emissions) by 2050 together with society. Read more in the link below: https://totalenergies.com/company/transforming
747	But the flows of money within Total are revealing, for although in early 2016, Pouyanné announced "One Total 2035" allegedly consistent with the Paris Climate Agreement's ambition to keep warming to below 1.5 degrees in the 21st century, Total was meanwhile investing in many other reserves. For Choquet, this is because the "persistence of short-termed compensation schemes in the higher corporate hierarchy impedes the elaboration and implementation of deep decarbonisation strategies at the firm level." (Pierre-Louis Choquet, "Piercing the corporate veil: Towards a better assessment of the position of transnational oil and gas companies in the global carbon budget," The Anthropocene Review, 6, 3, 243-262 (2019), https://journals.sapepub.com/doi/10.1177/2053019619869325)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Chapter 4 (Need and Desirability) provides the strategic context for the Project and the local context.
748	Hence from 2015-19, Total invested \$77 billion in oil and gas capital infrastructure, compared to \$5 billion in non-fossil fuel energy sources. According to the Reclaim Finance project of Les Amis de la Terre France, this trajectory – which Total admits includes its rising fossil portfolio up to a 2024 paek – would mean the company overshoots by \$3 percent the level of greenhouse gas emissions in 2005 consistent with a 15.76 degree rise. As a result, Greenpoace France, Notre Affaire à Tous, Les Amis de la Terre and ClientEarth sued Total in March 2022 for deceptive marketing, arguing flat Pouyanné's publicity campaign "violates European consumer law by falsely portraying the company as being not rack to achieve net zero emissions." (Business Alturan Rights Resource Centre, "WGOs sue Total for allegedly misleading the public over Net Zero marketing claims, accusing it of greenwashing." London, 3 March (2022), this preventable of the public over Net Zero marketing claims, accusing it of greenwashing." London, 3 March (2022), the public over-net-zero-marketing-claims-accusing-it-of-greenwashing/)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has indicated that the official company statement is as follows: TotalEnergies is implementing its strategy in a concrete way (investments, new activities, significant reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, etc.) and is in line with the objectives the company has set itself to become net zero by 2050. TotalEnergies disagrees that the strategy is one of "greenwashing." TotalEnergies has 17 GW of installed renewable capacity workdwide (up from early 0 GW in 2018) and a portfolio of nearly 50 GW at various stages of development, on track to be among the world's top 5 producers in 2030 (with a target of 100GW) and already among the top 5 investors in 2022. The global company direct emissions (scope 1+2) have decreased by 20% since 2015, on track to reach the -40% target announced for 2030. TotalEnergies has set a goal of having lower Scope 3 emissions worldwide in 2030 than in 2015 in absolute terms: indirect emissions related to the use of products sold to our customers are effectively on a downward trajectory worldwide while our energy sales are growing, which is made possible by a reduction in the carbon intensity of products sold (-11% between 2015 and 2021, with a target of 1-20% in 2030). TEEPSA has indicated that TotalEnergies amonanced the exceptional 8 88 saset impairments including 7 BS in Canadian oil sands:
749	To be sure, in mid-2020, Pouyanné's write-off of \$7 billion worth of Canadian oil sands project reserves raised expectations, because as industry analyst Gerard Kreeft remarked, "with one swoop of a pen, Total cast aside the petroleum classification system, which was the gold standard for measuring oil company reserves. The company simply decided that these reserves could never be produced at a profit." (Gerard Kreeft, "The day after the night before," Africa Oil&Gas, May (2022), https://africaoilgasreport.com/2022/05/energy-transition/Total-the-day-after-the-night-before/)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	IEEE/SA has indicated that I olatenergies announced the exceptionals bis asset impairments including? It's in Canadian of is ansists hiths://lotalenergies.com/media/news/short-term-price-revision-and-climate-ambition-total-announce-sexceptional-8-b-asset For the calculation of impairment tests of its assets, Total set in 2019 a price scenario with a 2050 Brent price of 50%b, in line with the "well below 2"C" scenario of the IEA. Given the drop in the oil price in 2020, 1014 decided to review the price assumptions over the next years and selected the following profile for the Brent price: 35%b in 2020, 40%b in 2021, 50%b in 2022, 60%b in 2023; gas prices have been adjusted accordingly.
750	The tar sands were among the world's most expensive petroleum sources. But so too were Russian assets, including \$4.1 billion in a Siberian gas project that Pouyanné belatedly and grudgingly wrote down in April 2022 following Western sanctions against Moscow caused by the invasion of Ukraine (during a three-month period when thanks to skyrocketing oil prices Total recorded profits of \$9 billion), *Le Monde, *Total announces start of withdrawal from gas megaproject in Russia, *Paris, 28 April (2022), https://www.lemonde.fr/en/economy/article/2022/04/28/Total-announces-the-beginning-of-a-withdrawal-from-ils-gas-megaproject-in-russia_981883_19.html)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies indicated in a company official statement that it will no longer equity account for its stake in Novatek and record a 3.7 bit impairment in Q4, 2022. Further to its principles of conduct defined for its activities in relation to Russia, published on March 22, 2022. TotalEnergies have withdraw from its Russian assets while ensuring that it continues to supply gas to Europe. TotalEnergies holds a 19.4% stake in the company Novatek, a stake that it cannot sell given the prevailing shareholders' agreements, as it is forbidden for TotalEnergies to sell any asset to one of Novatek's main shareholders who is under sanction. In view of the European sanctions in force since the beginning of the war, the two directors representing TotalEnergies on the board of directors of Novatek are led to abstain from voting in meetings of the board of directors of this company, particular on financial matters. They are therefore no longer in a position to full carry out their ducties on the board within highly become an issue for the governance of this company. Under these circumstances, the Board of Directors of TotalEnergies has decided to withdraw the representatives of the Company from the board of PAO Novatek with immediate effect. As a result, the criteria for significant influence no longer being met within the meaning of the accounting regulations that apply to the Company for longer equity account for its 19.4% stake in Novatek in the Company's accounts. This will lead to record an impairment of approximately \$3.7 billion in the accounts for the 4th quarter of 2022. In addition, TotalEnergies will no longer book reserves for its interest in Novatek, with an impact on the Company's reported proved reserves as the end of 2021 of 1.7 billion of barrels. However, the life duration of the Company's proved reserves will remain above 11 years of production.
	Also expensive, especially for the environment, society and political rule, were Total's Southern and Central African fossil investments dating back seven					TotalEnergies indicated in an official company statement that its non-operated interest in block 14 in Angola has been sold. TotalEnergies has signed an agreement to sell, jointly with Injex, the company Angola Block 14 B.V. to the Angolan Company Somoil. The transaction is subject to the approval of the Angolan authorities. Angola Block 14 B.V., owned by TotalEnergies Holdings International B.V. (50.01%) and Injex Angola Block 14 Ltd (49.99%) holds a 20% interest in block 14 in Angola and a 10% interest in block 14 K. The offshore blocks have been producing since 1999. Net production from Angola Block 14 B.V. was 9,000 barrels of oil equivalent per day in 2021. "By divesting this interest in mature fields, TotalEnergies is implementing its strategy to high-grade its oil portfolio, focusing on assets with low costs and low emissions" said Hern-Max Modny-Nuce, Seriour Vice President Africa of TotalEnergies Exploration & Production. "TotalEnergies remains the number one energy player in Angola, through its leading operating position in deep-offshore, its interest in Angola LNG and in a first solar power plant project, Quilemba Solar, located in the southwest of the country." https://totalenergies-com/media/news/press-releases/angola-totalenergies-sell-sit-anon-operated-interest-block-14. Mozambique LNG: TotalEnergies Entrusts Jean-Christophe Rufin with an Independent Mission to Assess the Humanitarian Situation in Cabo Delgado Province
751	decades in Portuguese-utled Angola. Today. Total is suffering losses at various sites in the region, due to a military conflagration in Mozambique and a sharp rise in environmental and social opposition to its exploration and extraction in South Africa. In Angola, 17otal has operated since 1953 and has 1600 employees, producing 45 percent of the country's oil output. (Total, "Angola: Total selfs its non-operated interest in block 14," Paris, 17 January (2022), https://Total.com/media/hews/press-releases/angola-Total-selfs-its-non-operated-interest-block-14)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	In 2023, Patrick Poyyanné, Chairman and CSC of TotalEnergies, visited the Cabo Delgado province of Mozambique to review the security and humanitarian situation. He visited the Ating industrial site, the resettlement village of Quitunda, the towns of Palma and Mocimboa da Praia and met with President Filipe Nyosi to discuss the security and humanitarian situation in Cabo Delgado province, where the Mozambique LNG orpicet is located. Oring this visit, Patrick Pouyanné said he has entrusted Jean-Christophe Rufin, a recognized expert in humanitarian action and human rights, with an independent mission to assess the humanitarian situation in Cabo Delgado province. This mission will also evaluate the actions taken by Mozambique LNG and what the same propers are additional actions to be implemented, if required. The report of this mission will be delivered at the end of February and its conclusions will be shared with all Mozambique LNG's partners, who shall decide whether the conditions are met for resuming project activities. On April 26, 2021, considering the evolution of the security situation in the north of Cabo Delgado province, Mozambique LNG without and project partners to declare force majeure. "Since 2021, the situation in Cabo Delgado province has improved significantly, thanks in particular to the support provided by the African countries that committed themselves to restore peace and security, said Patrick Pouyanné, CCO of TotalEnergies. The lifting of the force majeure and the return to normal life for the people of the region. The mission entrusted to Jean-Christophe Rufin should enable Mozambique LNG's partners to assess whether the current situation allows for a resumption of activities while respecting human rights."
752	In Angola as well as Nigeria, Gabon, Congo-Brazzaville and Cameroon, oil-related corruption was prolific. One of Total's former (pre-merger) subsidiary firms – French state-owned Ef Aquitaine – robbed the peoples and environments with exceptional irresponsibility. (Total was also prosecuted successfully in both France and the United States for bribing Iranian officials, with further allegations outstanding in Myanmar and Yemen. BBC News, "Shell admits fuelling corruption," London, 11 June (2004), http://news.bbc.co.uk/2/hi/business/G796375.stm)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that it is aware that the company is highly exposed to the risk of corruption and applies a principle of zero tolerance. TotalEnergies has implemented a robust and regularly updated anti-corruption compliance program with the aim of promoting a culture of compliance and transparency, which skey in ensuring the sustainability of the Company's activities. Failure to comply with such legislation such as the U.S. Foreign curry Practices Act and the French law on transparency, the fight against corruption and the modernization of the economy, is likely to expose the Company to a high criminal, financial and reputation risk, as well as the enforcement of measures such as the review and reinforcement of the compliance program under the supervision of an independent third party. The commitment of the entire Company and the efforts undertaken are unrelenting in order to ensure the sustainability and continuous improvement of the anti-corruption compliance program, which the U.S. authorities deemed to be appropriate in 2016, thus putting an end to the monitorship that was introduced in 2013. This program is drawn up by a dedicated organization acting at the Complany and business segment levels, namely the Compliance and Legal Risk Management Department, headed by the Chief Compliance Officer, and the Branch Compliance Officers, and the substainability and continuous activities while having its own dedicated reporting line. The constant high level of commitment by the General Management is reflected by the principle of zero tolerance for corruption that is clearly set out in the Company's Code of Conduct available in the link below:
753	One scandal, entailing at least 305 million euro in misappropriation of assets (considered France's worst corporate behaviour on record), occurred during President François Mitterrand's 1981-1995 term. It implicated his ally Loik Le Floch-Prigent (Elf's leader from 1989-93) and 29 other executives including Alfred Sriven, Alain Gillon and André Tarallo (whose nickname was "Mr. Africa" because of personal connections to the continent's tyrannical nulers). In 2003, they received multiple-year jail sentences and paid tens of millions of euros in personal fines. (Jon Henley, "Gigantic sleaze scandal winds up as former Elf oil cheirs are jailed," The Guardian, 13 November (2003), https://www.theguardian.com/business/2003/now/13/france.oilandpetrol)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that it is aware that the company is highly exposed to the risk of corruption and applies a principle of zero tolerance. To prevent risks of corruption, TotalEnergies has implemented a robust and regularly updated ant-corruption compliance program. The aim of this program into promote a culture of compliance and transparency, which is key in ensuring the sustainability of the Company's activities. Failure to comply with such legislation such as the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and the French law on transparency, the fight against corruption and the modernization of the economy, is likely to expose the Company to a high criminal, financial and reputation risk, as well as the enforcement of measures such as the review and reinforcement of the compliance program under the supervision of an independent third party. The commitment of the entire Company and the efforts undertaken are unrelenting in order to ensure the sustainability and continuous improvement of the anti-corruption compliance program, which the U.S. authorities deemed to be appropriate in 2016, thus putting an end to the monitorship that was introduced in 2013.

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754	While the Luanda government was at war with a right-wing guerrilla army – the National Union for the Total Independence of Angola (UNITA) – originally promoted by South Africa's apartheid regime and the U.S. Central Intelligence Agency, Total gave UNITA founder Jonas Savimbi generous funding prior to his death in 2002. (Radio France International, "Decryption of Ell's African strategy: the African States concerned," Paris, 29 January (2003), http://www1.rfi.fr/actutriarticles/037/article_20564.asp.)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	https://wiki.totalenergies.com/sites/default/files/2019-01/TOTALMENTE%20C0M%20ANS0LA%2060%20years%20ENGLISH.pdf In 1992, the Angolan war was making operations so difficult that the company was forced to relocate its operational base to Pointe Noire in Congo Brazzaville (now the Republic of the Congo) until 1966, when the Sonis base in Luanda was able to assume responsibility for all of Eft Exploration Angola's officer operations. The teams working on the block successfully drew on their creativity, critical thinking and boldness to master the day-to-day technical and logistical problems that arose, such as the corrosion that afflicts all marine infrastructure. https://wiki.totalenergies.com/en/country/total-angola
755	As Global Witness reported, Total's leadership 'bribed politicians, interfered in elections and lured governments into ruinous oil-backed loans in an attempt to protect the company's market share. By funding both sides in Angola's civil war, Elf helped to prolong a conflict that cost an estimated 1.5 million lives and displaced millions of people. '(Global Witness, "Elf verdict jails the guilly, but their bitter legacy remains," London 22 May (2011) , https://www.globalwitness.org/en/press-releases/elf-verdict-jails-guilly-their-bitter-legacy-remains/)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Please see link to TotalEnergies history in Angola: Total E&P Angola: Pioneers in 1953 Leaders in 2013 - https://wiki.totalenergies.com/sites/defaultfiles/2019- 01/TOTA/MENTE%20COM%20ANGOLA%2009%20years%20ENGUSH.pdf in 1992, the Angolan war was making operations so difficult that the company was forced to relocate its operational base to Pointe Noire in Congo Brazzaville (now the Republic of the Congo) until 1996, when the Sonils base in Luanda was able to assume responsibility for all of Elf Exploration Angola's offshore operations. The teams working on the block successfully drew on their creativity, critical thinking and boldness to master the day-to-day technical and logistical problems that arose, such as the corrosion that afflicts all marine infrastructure. https://wiki.totalenergies.com/en/country/total-angola
	In this context, Total's current leader Pouyanné began his career as Ell's Angola manager in 1997 at the age of 34, during one of the worst epochs of corrupt neo-colonial extraction. The country's president, José Éduardo dos Santos, was already in power 18 years and due to stay another two decades, until 2017. During the two years Pouyanné served in Angola, the Lunada regime was already being accused of massives oil-related corruption, for as Human Rights Watch (HRW) reported, "More than \$4-billion in state oil revenue disappeared from Angolan government coffers from 1997 to 2002, roughly equal to the entire sum the government spent on all social programmes in the same period." (Human Rights Watch, "Angola-account for Missing Newenues," New York, \$1, January (2004), https://www.hrw.org/news/2004/01/11/angola-account-missing-oil-revenues). In 2003, Angola was ranked by Transparency International as among the world's ten most corrupt states. Matters did not improve even after peace was achieved in 2002, for the International Monetary Fund discovered unaccounted spending (mostly in the petroleum sector) of \$32 billion from 2007-10, leading HRW to criticise "corruption and mismanagement, including in connection with the state oil company, Sonangol." (Human Rights Watch, "IMF: Withhold funds to Angola," New York, 27 March (2012), https://www.hrw.org/news/2012/03/27/imf-withhold-funds-angola).					
756	By 2013, Dos Santos' eldest daughter Isabel - "Africa's richest woman" - was exposed for her dubious acquisition of \$3.5 billion in wealth by Forbes, through family-state enteriess. (Kerry Dolan, "Daddy's Girt How An African "Princess' Banked \$3 Billion In A Country Living On \$2 A Day," Forbes, 14 August (2013), https://www.forbes.com/sites/kerryadolan/2013/08/14/how-isabel-dos-santos-took-the-short-route-to-become-africas-richest-woman/?sh=73fdb3c45f50) Isabel's father nevertheless appointed her to run Sonangol in mid-2016, and when meeting Pouyanné later that year, as she put it, "we spoke for several hours, and from there was born an intense working relationship and mutual support." (Isabel dos Santos, Instagram, archived at https://web.archive.org/webl/"https://www.instagram.com/p/Bbl9fdqlMhy/) In October 2017, as Pouyanné tweeted, they met again to "decide Tolal's future projects in Angola," at a time the French firm was responsible 40 percent of the country's oil production. (Patrick Pouyanné, "Avec Isabel Dos Santos, la CEO de Sonangol, pour décider des futurs projets de Total en Angola," Twitter, 18 October (2017), https://hwitter.com/ppouyanne/status/920/37701753998257) But a month later Isabel was fired by Dos Santos' successor João Lourenço, during an anti-corruption crackdown. She was further exposed in the "Luanda	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that it is a standard practice to have regular meetings with all National Concessionary Board Members (ANPG now, Sonangol then), as they are main stakeholder and the main regulatory body for Company activity in Angola.
	Leaks" along with her pilable accountants PwC, Boston Consulting Group and McKinsey, and by 2019 became the target fill an expected proceedings in Lurand as well as in Lisbon and Pairs, resulting in a freeze of all her known assets, Gydney P. Freedbergs, Scilla Melocci, Michigon, Douglas Dabby and Delphine Reuter, "How Africa's richest woman exploited family ties, shell companies and inside deals to build an empire," Washington, DC, International Consortium of Investigative Journalists, 19 January (2020), https://www.iciprogrivestigations/lurada-leaks/how-africas-richest-woman-exploited-family-ties-shell-companies-and-inside-deals-to-build-an-empired. Kerry Dojan, "How Isabel Dos Santos, Once Africa's Richest Woman-exploited-family-ties-shell-companies-and-inside-deals-to-build-an-empired. Kerry Dojan, "How Isabel Dos Santos, Once Africa's Richest Woman-Went Broke." Forbas, 22 January. Westernish, the country's of reserve in the offshore Gabbie fields was elseidy depleting. With Sonnagin learning in late 2019 in Brit 2019 to the Property of the Companies complained of non-payment, and the number of offshore fags fell from 18 to 2 from 2014-17. (Libby George, "Sonnagio delays payments as it battles to reform," Reuters, 23 November (2016), https://www.reuters.com/article/us-angola-oil-exclusive-du/SKNR31EP) As one Reuters specialist put it, "The search for the 'Angolan pre-salt' resulted in some of the most expensive dry wells ever drilled and sapped exploration					Please see link to the Universal Registration Document 2021, Section 5 which details TotalEnergies Business Model -
757	appetite. Critics say the situation was exacerbated by Isabel dos Santos." (Stephen Eisenhammer, "Angola battles to revive oil exploration as output declines," Reuters, 15 November (2018), https://www.reuters.com/articleus-angola-oil-exploration-idUSKCN1NK0KQ) Total's joint ventures with Sonangol, Equinor (Norway), ExonMobil and BP in older oil fields continued, and a national oil agency optimistically predicted that 2022-27 would see \$66 billion in new investments in the sector, up 40 percent on the prior five years. (Graciosa Silva, "ANPG predicts investments of 66 billion dollars in the oil sector over the next five years," Ver Angola, 8 June (2022), https://www.verangola.net/va/en/062022/Energy/31236/ANPG-predicts-investments-of-66-billion-dollars-in-the-oil-sector-over-the-next-five-wears.htm)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	file://iC/Users/J1053867/Downloads/TotalEnergies_URD_2021_EN_accessible.pdf
758	Yet in late 2021, Pouyanné's attempt to revitalise Total's stake in deeper waters failed, when offshore drilling at an uncrecedented depth—4.6 km below the sea – failed to pay off, (Africa Intelligence, "Total fails utra deepwater offshore attempt on Block 48," London, 20 December (2021), https://www.africaintelligence.com/oil-gas_exploration-production/2021/12/20/Total-fails-ultra-deepwater-offshore-attempt-on-block-48, 109712127-art)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies has indicated that the Block 48 appraisal well (Ondjaba) was drilled in 2021 and was a dry well. TotalEnergies indicated that there's no obligation for public (external) communication in these cases as for commercial discoveries. Authorities and partners were duly informed and all legal obligations were met.
759	Moving to Mozambique, Total has been the main force not only in relation to gas extraction but also the construction and security arrangements in Cabo Delgado, specifically the Alungi Peninsula and nearby Palma, where terrible battles have raged since 2017 as a result of community and Islamic insurgencies. In March 2021, when social conflict became severe, as veteran journalist Alex Perry recounted, the Paris firm put its narrow self-interest above that of nearby villagers and its own contractors. By that point, Total knew to expect an attack in Mozambigue. It knew that from its long experience with oil and gas as a flash point for conflict, especially in Africa, and in particular when a company employed the incendiary approach if adopted in Mozambique: cut a deal with a government known for corruption, keep the profits, and share as little as possible with the population Perhaps most damning, Total knew an attack was likely coming, and that any obcodshed would affect all of Palma, because three months before it happened, the company's own advisors warmed that it could. (Alex Perry, "Tim Stall Alive but Sh't is Getting Wild: inside the Siege of the Amarula," Outside, 1 June (2022), https://www.outsideonline.com/outdoor-adventure/exploration-survival/attack-amarula-hotel-palma-mozambique-africal.)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies indicated in an official company statement that its non-operated interest in block 14 in Angola has been sold. TotalEnergies has signed an agreement to sell, jointly with Injex, the company Angola Bock 14 B.V. to the Angolan Chrompany Somoil. The transaction is subject to the approval of the Angolan and Inject. Angolan Bock 14 B.V. and Inject. Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan and a 10% interest in block 14 In Angolan Angolan Bock 14 In Angolan Ang
760	In January 2021, Pouyanné signed a deal with the government of President Filipe Nyusi – which was then ranked by Transparency International within the top 20 percent of the world's most corrupt regimes – for military protection. (Transparency International, "Mozambique," Berlin (2021), https://www.transparency.org/en/cpi/2021/inde/winz) Total managers rapidly made space in the Alungi Peninsula compound to house 700 soldiers and 12 Ukrainian mercenaries with helicopters. The soldiers patrolled, but as one contractor complained to Perry, "We'd come across them midweek on the road. AK in one hand, bottle of beer in the other, motherless drunk." By March 24 that year, "Total passed word that its staff would resume operations at Afungi" after many had been evacuated three months earlier due to insurgent attacks near the complex. (Perry, op cit.) Total managers rapidly made space in the Afungi Peninsula compound to house 700 soldiers and 12 Ukrainian mercenaries with helicopters. The soldiers patrolled, but as one contractor complained to Perry, "We'd come across them midweek on the road. AK in one hand, bottle of beer in the other, motherless drunk." By March 24 that year, "Total passed word that its staff would resume operations at Afungi" after many had been evacuated three months earlier due to insurgent attacks near the complex. (Perry, op cit.) Also by then, the Mozambican government also recognised its own military's incapacities, having first hired Moscow mercenaries (the Wagner Group) who suffered high casualty levels – a dozen Russian deaths and two dozen injuries – in late 2019 and soon left. (Peter Fabricius, "Wagner private military-inclass wounds in northern Mozambique," 2019 Mozambic, 2019 Nutries/www.dailynavenéche.co.za/article/2019-1-129-wagner-private military-inclass."	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	provided by the African countries that committed themselves to restore peace and security, said Patrick Pouyanné, CEC of TotalEnergies. The lifting of the force majure and the resumption of activities at the Mozambique LNG project site require, in particular the restoration of security in the region, the resumption of public services and the return to normal life for the people of the region. The mission entrusted to Jean-Christophe Rufin should enable Mozambique LNG's partners to assess whether the current situation allows for a resumption of activities while respecting human rights.* Total Energies has indicated that the main challenges associated with the effects of the Company's activities in terms of respect for human rights have been identified using the methodology set out in the United Nations Guiding Principles on business and human rights (INGP) Reporting Framework relating to the "salient Issues", that is to say, the human rights at risk of the most severe negative impact through the Company's activities or business relationships. On this basis, the Company identified as is assient risks subdivided across three key areas: 1. human rights in the workplace of TotalEnergies' employees as well as of the employees of its suppliers and other business partners (forced labour and child labour, discrimination; just and favourable conditions of work and saleties (the risk of mission of programs). The sale of
761	Inconsilecks-wounds-in-northern-mozamhinue/.) They were soon followed by the South African firm Dyck Advisory Group, which complained that its attempt (in late March 2021) to rescue Total subcontractors under attack by Al-Shababa were foled by Total, whose "refusal to give fuel to rescuers trying to save civilians was stunning, and crippling." Indeed several thousand local residents went to the Afungi ortress but were turned away by guards. As Perry concluded, What Total also did, in employing drunk soldiers and security avisees who failed to sound a timely alarm, closing its gates to fleeing civilians, and locating its worker camps outside Afungi while its principal contractor relocated inside, was to show that, as long as it was protected, it didn't feel responsible for anyone else. Total employed the very people it would later exclude to build the very structures that would later exclude them Total announced no compensation and sent no public message of condolence. By its own count, it helped evacuate just 2,100 people, a mere 4 percent of those who had fled Palma. (Perry, op cit.)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Total Energies has indicated that the main challenges associated with the effects of the Company's activities in terms of respect for human rights have been identified using the methodology set out in the United Nations Guiding Principles on business and human rights (IND6P) Reporting Framework relating to the "salient issues", that is to say, the human rights as fixs of the most severe negative impact through the Company's activities or business relationships. On this basis, the Company identified six salient risks subdivided across three key areas: I human rights in the workplace of TotalEnergies' employees as well as of the employees of its suppliers and other business partners (forced labour and child labour; discrimination; just and favourable conditions of work and safety). 2. human rights and local communities (access to land; the right to health and an adequate standard of living) 3. respect for human rights approach is based on strong and formalized commitments. It is supported by a dedicated organization and embedded in an awareness-raising and training program, as well as evaluation and follow-up mechanisms aiming at measuring the effectiveness of the Company's actions. TotalEnergies is committed in particular to respecting internationally recognized human rights and standards, wherever the Company periocipes on Business and Human Rights, the EGD guidelines for multimational enterprises and the (VPSHR). In 2016, the Company published a human Rights Briefing Pape in accordance with the recommendations of the United Nations Guiding Principles Reporting Framework. Consult the 2018 publication on the subscience stands in the company, is regularly presented to the Executive Committee in order to support the origing efforts to implement the Code of Conduct and to respect human rights: tsp. Affiliate in a principle of the Company, is regularly presented to the Executive Committee in order to support the origing efforts to implement the Code of Conduct and to respect human rights: tsp. Affiliated.
762	Total's force majeure in late April 2021 meant the firm could reject its contractual obligations and avoid liabilities, causing chaos and anger in Cabo Delgado and ridicule elsewhere. (*Total.* Total declares Force Majeure on Mozambique LNG project.* 26 April (2021). https://Total.com/media/news/press-releases/fold-folares-Force-majeure-nazambique-ly-project#:~text=Paris%2C%2026%20Apri%20201%20-%20Considering,project%2C%20to%20declare%20force%20majeure)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies provided a link to the Mozambique project status: Considering the evolution of the security situation in the north of the Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique, TotalEnergies confirms the withdrawal of all Mozambique LNG project personnel from the Afungi sits. This situation leads TotalEnergies, as operator of Mozambique LNG project, to declare force majeure. TotalEnergies expresses its solidarity with the government appel of Mozambique and wishes that the actions carried out by the government of Mozambique and its regional and international partners will enable the restoration of security and stability in Cabo Delgado provincie in a sustained manner. The information on this website will be updated as and when new information comes to hand. https://mzhq.totalenergies.co.mz/en TOTAL DECLARES FORCE MAJEURE ON MOZAMBIQUE LNG PROJECT https://mzhq.totalenergies.co.mz/en/press-releases/total-declares-force-majeure-mozambique-ing-project
763	Perry's critique – from the standpoints of local community residents and international contractors abused by Total – reflected only one side of the story. Other critics demanded a different approach to the offshore methane gas: leaving it be. For example, Maputo-based political economist Tomas Selemane offered an essential rational for a Just Transition instead of Total's resource curse: "There is no military solution to the conflict which has exploded in the gas-rich northern province of Mozambilgue since 2011. It will end only by addressing its root causes, among them, extreme poverty, enterpolyment, lack of health and education services, and lack of water supply." (Thomas Selemane, "From promised land to hell," The Church in Southern Africa - Open to the World, 5:32, Aug-Sept (2021), Pretoria.)	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies provided a link to the Mozambique project status: Considering the evolution of the security situation in the north of the Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique, TotalEnergies confirms the withdrawal of all Mozambique. Dulk project personnel from the Alungj site. This situation leads TotalEnergies, as operator of Mozambique LNG project, to declare force majeure. TotalEnergies expresses its solidarity with the government and people of Mozambique and wishes that the actions carried out by the government of Mozambique and its regional and international partners will enable the restoration of security and stability in Cabo Delgado province in a sustained manner. The information on this website will be updated as and when new information comes to hand. https://mxlng.totalenergies.co.mz/en TOTAL DECLARES FORCE MAJEURE ON MOZAMBIQUE LNG PROJECT https://mxlng.totalenergies.co.mz/en/press-releases/total-declares-force-majeure-mozambique-lng-project
764	While Southern African and Rwandan troops were deployed at Emmanuel Macron's request in mid-2021, they have not quelled the violence. In mid-2022, the insurgency revived just south of the Afungi Peninsula. Over the course of two weeks, a dozen attacks left 16 people dead and caused 11,000 to flee. Two Australian graphite mines closed down temporarily. The more aggressive Rwandan troops displaced the fighting from the coastal zone of Cabo Delgado to areas slightly to the west, as the guerillas moved easily into forested terrain. But in May 2022, sporadia. Al-Shababa stacks. Al-Shabababa stacks. Al-Shababa a stacks. Al-Shabababa stacks. Al-Shabababa stacks. Al-Shababa stacks. Al-Shababa stacks. Al-Shababa stacks. Al-Shabababa stacks. Al-Shababababa stacks. Al-Shababababababababababababababababababab	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies provided a link to the Mozambique project status: Considering the evolution of the security situation in the north of the Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique, TotalEnergies confirms the withdrawa of all Mozambique, TotalEnergies expresses its solidarity with the government and people of Mozambique and wishes that the actions carried out by the government of Mozambique and its regional and international partners will enable the restoration of security and stability in Cabo Delgado province in a sustained manner. The information on this website will be updated as and when new information comes to hand. https://mxlng.totalenergies.co.mz/en TOTAL DECLARES FORCE MAJEURE ON MOZAMBIQUE LNG PROJECT https://mxlng.totalenergies.co.mz/en/press-releases/total-declares-force-majeure-mozambique-ing-project
765	The influential Eurasia Group consultancy concluded, "The potential for Islamic State to provide funding and resources to the insurgents and the possible arrival of reinforcements from Tanzania will likely strengthen the insurgency, making the resumption of the Equefied natural gas exploration project in the next 12 years unlikely." (Agência Lusa, "Reorganização dos terroristas toma improvável regresso das petroliferas até 2023 em Moçambique." Observador, 23 May (2022), https://bbservador.pt/2022/06/23/heorganizaçao-dos-terroristas-forma-improvável-regresso-das-petroliferas-ate-2023-em-mocambique). Total may continue to partner with the South African/U.S-rirm Sasol in extracting and processing Mozambican gas. The two-decade long gas extraction from	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TotalEnergies provided a link to the Mozambique project status: Considering the evolution of the security situation in the north of the Cabo Delgado province in Mozambique, TotalEnergies confirms the withdrawal of all Mozambique LNG project personnel from the Afungi site. This situation leads TotalEnergies appears for Mozambique LNG project, to declare force majeure. TotalEnergies expresses its solidarity with the government and people of Mozambique and wishes that the actions carried out by the government of Mozambique and its regional and international partners will enable the restoration of security and stability in Cabo Delgado province in a sustained manner. The information on this website will be updated as and when new information comes to hand.
766	Sasol's Pande offshore field in the centre of Mozambique was beginning to wane as depletion rates rose. The main consumer of that gas is Sasol's facility in Secunda, which remains the single largest point source of CO2 emissions in the world and also an extreme local pollution hotspot (especially SO2 and NO), in part because of inefficient operations whose roots are illustrative of South Africa's "minerals energy complex." (Ben Fine and Zav Rustomjee, The Political Economy of South Africa London: Hurst (1996).	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA provided the following link in response to the comment - https://mz/ng.totalenergies.co.mz/en/press-releases/total-declares-force-majeure-mozambique-ing-project
767 768	Saso had grown most rapidly during the 1970s, given the state's need to avert United Nations-mandated anti-apartheid oil sanctions. The firm used a technology Nazi Germany had devised to squeeze oil from coal. At the end of the existing pipeline running from Mozambique to South Africa – through the central and southern part of the country – is a massive petrochemical complex at Sasoberg, including the Natref refinery which is mainly owned by Sasob but 36 percent by Total. However, the South African refining industry suddenly went into decline in the 2002s, given new petrol and air quality standards and the inability of the oil of refineries to justify crude imports, given that refined imports were cheaper from the world's mega-refineries. As a result, even the two operations in Africa's largest refining complex, South Durban – noe jointly owned by BP and Shell and the other by Malaysia-based Petronas with Nilhelos as partner – short in April 2022 and December 2020, respectively. Natref's fate depended in part upon whether a massive pipeline from Durban to Johannesburg could be retooled in a manner that justified further refinery contraction on sound economic grounds. (Paul Burkhardt, "SA petroleum imports expected to triple next year as domestic refineries close," Blocomberg, BM (AV (2022)), https://www.news24.com/fin24e/comparts-petroleum-imports-expected-in-pipel-ext-year-as-sitor-refineries-close-	Patrick Bond Patrick Bond	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	TOTAL DECLARES FORCE MAJEURE ON MOZAMBIQUE LNG PROJECT TEEPSA provided the following link in response to the comment - https://mzing.totalenergies.co.mz/en/press-releases/total-declares-force-majeure-mozambique-lng-project
769	2022056) Moreover, the other element working against Total's operations at Natref was growing anti-pollution sentiments from local residents of Sasoburg and their national NGO and legal alies. In mid-2022, a shortage of crude petroleum available in Transnet pipelines from Durban meant the 108,000-barret-a-day Natref refinery shut down temporarily. Break-ins and tampering with pipelines are so common that in 2019-20, Transnet acknowledged as S. million litres were stolen by fuel syndicates. (Centre for Environmental Rights, "groundWork goes to court to defeat Minister's plan to weaken air pollution standards," Cape Town, 6 May (2019), https://wcw.news.pd. replution-standards, Tabelo Timse, "How armed gangs steal millions worth of fuel from buried Transnet pipelines," News24, 18 March (2022), https://www.news24.com/lin/24/companies/amabhungane-bow-armed-aanos-steal-millions-worth-of-fuel-from-buried-transnet-pipelines-20220317). But It was on South Africa's Atlantic coastline that Total generated most eco-social resistance in early 2022, when its plans for seismic blasting became clear.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
770	but it was on sount artics a suantic coastine that four generated most eco-social resistance in early 2Uz2, when its pairs for seismic passing became clear. Working in conjunction with Impact Africa and a finy company, Seziginy (run by three men whose other online presence was providing furner) services in rural villages in the country's far north), Total chose a 3-dimensional exploration area (i.e. using much more intense, targeted blasting of the ocean floor). The legal Resources Centre in Cape Town, clarified how a judgement made against Shell two weeks earlier "confirmed the right of interested and affected communities to be consulted meaningfully, which includes the opportunity to voice their concerns about the proposed project and to have those concerns adequately addressed." Total's local partners (especially Impact Africa and Sezigyn in the 3-D zone but all the other clients of Seismic Searcher) had simply ignored their obligations, especially in relation to Wicomb's subsistence-fisherfolk clients.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.

OMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION In the same week, a "Scientific Advisory Group on Emergencies" within the Academy of Science of South Africa firmly weighed in against seismic blasting on	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
771	marine-conservation grounds, detailing why "There is a reasonable apprehension of real harm to marine life." Their case was based on the "lack of sufficient, detailed scientific information on South Africa's offshore marine resources (both biotic and abiotic), and a flawed legal distinction between substance-based pollutants and energy-based pollutants, such as sound." (Scientific Avisory Group on Emergencies Sub-committee on Marine Ecology and Risk Mitigation, "Advisory on the Use of Deep-Sea Seismic Surveys to Explore for Oil and Gas Deposits in South African Waters," Johannesburg, 10 January (2022),	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
772	https://www.assaf.org.za/files/2022/SAGE/SAGE%204dvisory/ki20on/ki20Shell%20Seismic/ki20Survey.pdf) These lines of argument proved successful in five out of six early-2022 High Court judgements — mainly injunctions against further seismic blasting — and were backed by dozens of protests attended by people of diverse races, classes and ages, with different agendas in attempting to halt Total, Shell and local partners. On 1 September 2022, the Makhanda High Court found in favour of Shell's critics, on various grounds including those excerpted below in Appendix	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The application to PASA is to convert an Exploration Right previously granted to Block 11B/12B to a Production Right. The Production Right application invola different set of activities to an Exploration Right, specifically that there is no requirement for seismic surveys.
773	1. One reason for the oil companies' defeat is that they were seen to have potentially negated good governance through financial contributions to the ruling party, whose chairperson since 2017 has been Mantashe. His role was seen as especially obnoxious, and as a result of his attempt to libel oil company critics, Mantashe forfeited his own right to play a regulatory role in adjudicating community and environmental complaints. Likewise, Totals two main local parinters – Johnny Copelyn, the chair of Impact Oil (parent of Impact Alica), and Phuthuma Nhleko of Pembani Group (the	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
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775	sunday-independent/2019/811/281505947850542) Corporate social responsibility is insufficient as a system of accountability, even including France's 2017 Law on the Duty of Vigilance (based on the UN Guiding Principles on Business and Human Rights). The latter is described by Antoine Duval from the Asser Institute as filed a legal complaint against Total as a result. (Duval interview, 8 July 2022, and Les Amis de la Terre France, The National Association of Professional Environmentalists and Africa Institute for Energy Governance v Total SA, Versailles Court of Appeal, RG 2001692, Paris, 10 December (2020).) *apologetic and acritical. **Lipining1* along tradition of processes aimed at limiting the actual responsibility of corporations." Three NGOs critical of Total's role in the East Africa Crudo Oli Pipeline (linking Uganda and Tanzania) — Les Amis de la Terre, the Ugandan National Association of Professional	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA has indicated that TotalEnergies aims to fuel long-term sustainable growth. Their ambition is to become the responsible Energy Major, contributing to better energy, socio-economic development and upliftment in the communities in which they operate. TotalEnergies' dedicated CSI initiatives include: Youth Inclusion & Education, Climate & Environment, Cultural Dialogue & Heritage, Road Safety and Enterprise Development. TotalEnergies Corporates Voice in Section 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 1991, 199
776	Environmentalists, and the Africa Institute for Eneray Governance – logether It should be abundantly evident that a "fit and proper" corporation test is overdue for Total (and partners Impact Africa and Pembani, especially in the Brulpadda area, given their presumed influence – as major campaign donors – over President Ramaphosa). Such an examination would confront a recent past that, over the past quarter century, suggests the environmental, social, political and economic impacts of its oil and gas businesses are in severe conflict with sustainability and good governance.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
777	Firms in the extractive industries should be considered as, in essence, outsourced service providers. After all, the state owns the minerals and fossil fuels in South Africa's political territory (including offshore exploration sites). This perspective would allow management of natural resources in a very different manner, and would allow for the transparency that is now lacking (including in environmental impact assessments). The government should be considered the principal, with the citizenry acting as the custodians or trust beneficiaries, who in turn have the right to demand from service providers fit and proper behaviour. Given Total's record, it is hard to imagine that if there were a genuine opportunity to bid for the extraction of South Africa's natural resources, it could be considered a serious candidate.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
778	Conclusion This submission has focused on the climate damage implicit in an entire methane life-cycle process, but additional critiques by civil society and other researchers relating to the impact on biodiversity, marine life, local economic development in areas with highly-vulnerable eco-tourism assets (e.g. fishing), and (non) consultation, are of enormous importance. Again, to remind of the stakes associated with climate damage, Southern Africa was from 2000-19 the overst-hit region within Africa, as Mozambique was considered the world's fourth most damaged country, especially as a result of the two cyclones in 2019. (David Eckstein, Vera Künzel and Laura Schäfer, "Global Climate Risk Index 2021," Germanwatch, Bonn (2021), <a "pain="" 100="" 2011-18="" 2017,="" 2019="" 2022.="" 267="" 351="" 500="" and="" april-may="" bay="" bombs"="" cape="" cities="" city="" completely="" day="" depleted="" dropped="" durban:="" eastern="" four="" href="https://limites/veibet-vei</td><td>Patrick Bond</td><td>Individual</td><td>03 February 2023</td><td>E-mail</td><td>Your comments have been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.</td></tr><tr><td>779</td><td>parts of the country (resulting in a severe locust plague in 2021-22 once rain came), a " in="" killing="" mid-2022,="" mm="" mm,="" more="" mudsides.<="" of="" people="" reserves="" second="" several="" storms="" td="" than="" the="" threat="" town="" twice="" water="" zero"=""><td>Patrick Bond</td><td>Individual</td><td>03 February 2023</td><td>E-mail</td><td>Your comments have been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.</td>	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
780	WSP/Total's failure to address aspects of the climate catastrophe and environmental economics discussed above, as well as its failure to confront the various ways Total fails a "fit and proper" partner test, together suggest wilful blindness. Due to the failure of the proposal to properly consider the full cost accounting required for such a vital natural resource (one that should also entail rudimentary natural capital accounting), due to the adverse impact on the rest of the economy as climate sanctions are imposed, due to the new precedents in which precisely such calculations led to cancellation of gas and oil offshore exploration in the United States and South Africa's Indian Ocean, and finally due to Total's status a untift and imprecise the WSP/Total team working on Total's exploratory blasting and drilling proposal must take responsibility for redoing the work by addressing these numerous shortcomings.	Patrick Bond	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The process is currently in the Scoping Phase. The outputs of the various specialist studies, including GHG assessment and climate change impact assessment be incorporated into the Draft ESIA Report and ESMP that will be made available for public review in the next phase of the project.
881	I have read the contents of the registration form and would hereby like to register as an I&AP. My initial comments are as follows: We note with concern that yet another fossil fuel extraction project is being proposed off our South African shores despite all the hard scientific evidence that the exploitation of such deposits is primarily for the production of energy thereby giving rise to increasingly harmful		Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region) Wildlife and Environment Society of South	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The ESIA includes a Greenhouse Gas study that will calculate
882	greenhouse gases which propel us towards climate tipping points. The massive investment that is required for such a project detracts from efforts to develop more renewable energy installations and the results could be as disastrous as the "new" coal fired plants such as Medupi and Kusile have turned out to be.	Patrick Dowling	Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	carbon emissions generated by the Project and the contribution to climate change. The marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas).
883	Our concerns are varied and include the following: 1. Given that the area to be explored is associated with several fisheries and spawning grounds as well as the diverse trophic levels that underpin these it is important that proper baseline data informs and constrains the planned exploration activities.	Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the model of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential econossequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine in assessment.
884 885	2. Furthermore the targeted coastline plays a huge role in national tourism and even without the catastrophic spills and fires that have characterised the gas and oil industries, the industrialization of the coastal landscape with processing plants and gas pipes is itself an exceedingly negative impact. 3. The impacts do not end along the coast. The distribution network required exposes wilderness areas to more traffic, exploitation and possibility of vandalism.	Patrick Dowling Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region) Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Impacts of the project, included those associated with unplanned events, on tourism will be assessed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment that be conducted as part of the ESIA process. The cumulative effects of the project will be addressed as part of the ESIA (see Section 10 of the Scoping Report). Impacts on local infrastructure will also be assessed as part of the social impact assessment. It is however important to note that bulk supplies to the offshore development area will be sent via the po
886	4.As the project is linked to the PetroSA existing sea and land infrastructure it is imperative that, considering the inherent risks associated with aging pipes and the laying of new pipelines on land, the EAP assess the status of the PetroSA infrastructure and its ability to service the project for its proposed lifetime.	Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Cape Town and/or Ggerberha. TEEPSA has confirmed the suitability of the infrastructure for use in the project.
887	5. WESSA promotes public participation but hold to the principle that this should be informed and that participants need to benefit from capacity development, particularly when complex and long-term proposals with large potential impacts and implications are being discussed. By several accounts the public meetings that were held did not meet such requirements and seemed to imply jobs were on offer, an erroneous impression when much of the skilled labour needed for drilling operations will in all likelihood not be recruited locally.		Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objectives of the ESIA scoping phase are to share information about the proposed project. ESIA and public participation process, Plans of Study for impact assessment, and opportunities for comment; for I&APs to contribute issues of concern, questions, comments and to make recommendations, and for I&APs comment on the proposed Plans of Study for impact assessment. As stated in the public meetings, promises cannot bear eade given the objectives of the scorphase, that the outcome of the scoping phase informs the extent of the environmental specialist studies, and that most of the environmental specialist studies are yet to be undertaken. Furthermore, the impact assessment phase can only commence after the Competent Authority approved the Final Scoping Rep Please see Section 9 for more information about the public participation process methodology. The EAP welcomes any suggestions you may have.
888	6.As there was huge and effective opposition by coastal communities to the seismic survey exploration aspect of such drilling operations how will consultants be interacting with such groups during the full EIA process?	Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Sections 9.10 - 9.12 of the Final Scoping Report provide detailed information regarding the consultation process followed. At the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report, the ESIA team was in the process of contacting legitimate leadership of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups in the proposed project area between Mossel Bay and Cape SF Francis regarding arranging further consultation meetings, appropriate meeting protocy, sharing of information with their constituents and their communities. The information provided also will be taken into consideration in the relevant specialist studies. In addition, the team is contact with the Small-Scale Fishers and fisher sector in the proposed project area to arrange consultation meetings with them during their off-peak/closed fishing season.
889	7. In our view the project is at odds with several of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to which South Africa is a signatory viz: 1. Goal 3 – health and well-being. Climate change to which the project contributes is antithetical to this. 2. Goal 8 – decent work. When the scientific consensus is that this sort of work should not be happening the idea of decency fades away. 3. Goal 9 – industry innovation. The project is very much business as usual 4. Goal 11 – sustainable cities and communities. As above 5. Goal 12 – responsible production and consumption. As above. 6. Goal 13 – direction and consumption. As above. 7. Goal 14 – life below water. In recent years this has been a well-documented concern that covers over fishing, noise impacts, plastics and oil pollution and eutrophication. The fossili full industry contributes in several ways to the impacts. 8. Goal 15 – life on land. Global heating from continued burning of fossil fuels is set to have devastating impacts on South Africa's terrestrial ecosystems and ligitations.	Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region)	03 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
890 891	8. Finally, this ambitious and ill-advised proposal moves us away from a just transition, centralises energy resources and, ironically, commits us to self-inflicted loss and damage with little justifiable recourse to compensation for these. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this email.	Patrick Dowling Patrick Dowling	Wildlife and Environment Society of South Africa (Western Cape Region) Wildlife and Environment Society of South	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Section 4 (Need and Desirability) discusses the shift in the use of fossil fuels with the objective of decarbonising the economy in line with the intention of a rate occonomy by 2050. TEEPSA carries the liability for environmental and social damages and will comply with the legal requirements for financial provision clean up and restore the environment following a catastrophic event of the catastrophic event of the confirms receipt of your email and that you have been registered as an I&AP. WSP will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/1
15	Is there a separate meeting scheduled for Kouga Municipality?	Patrick Nodwele	Africa (Western Cape Region) Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	Introductory meetings were held with the municipalities along the coastline in 2022. The public consultation will continue into 2023 and will include both virtuand in person meetings with focus groups.
16	Please expand on the sensitivities in the yellow area indicated on the Block 118/128 locality map presented during the meeting. When generating the specialist reports more detail is required on the biodiversity in this area.	Patrick Nodwele	Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	The yellow area indicated on the locality map has been excluded from the application area. This area of Block 11B/12B, which has been relinquished, contai marine protected area in the eastern border and other critical biodiversity areas. Further information on biodiversity is included in the Draft Scoping Report. However, it does not focus on the relinquished area. Future marine spatial planning is currently being undertaken by DFFE and Nelson Mandela University. In information is available at the following link: https://cmr.mandela.ac.za/Research-Projects/EBSA-Portal/South-Africa.
17 18	There has been mention of other developments in the area. Please show these developments in the presentation to show proximity between what is existing and what is proposed. What are the lessons learnt from the similar/existing developments in the area? Please share the contact details of the competent authority.	Patrick Nodwele	Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan	07 December 2022 07 December 2022	V-FGM-03 V-FGM-03	The existing infrastructure includes the PerroSA F-A Platform and the pipeline from the F-A Platform to the shore. A new pipeline to link the Block 11B/12B field to the existing f-A Platform is proposed. Department of Minerals Resources and Energy (DMRE) is the Competent Authority. The Petroleum Agency of South Africa (PASA) is the regulating authority.
20	Air quality impact covers a wide range/area. Does the current study cover the wider area or is it confined to the desktop study?	Patrick Nodwele	Municipality Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	acting on behalf of DMRE. PASA makes a recommendation to the DMRE for a decision on the Production Right. The air quality study will be a desklop study and will address in port and offshore support vessel types, emission sources associated with their operation, pollutants, and available emission factors, as well as well drilling and flow testing flaring. Emissions associated with the F-A Platform, and contributions of the project to on-shore support activities within and outside the port area, will be considered qualitatively, with recommendations made for further monitoring / studies, if required.
21	There are also air emissions from traffic in the exploration area that needs to be taken into account.	Patrick Nodwele	Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	The air quality study will address in port and offshore support vessel types, emission sources associated with their operation, pollutants, and available emiss factors, as well as well drilling and flow testing flaring. Emissions associated with the F-A Platform, and contributions of the project to on-shore support activitin and outside the port area, will be considered qualitatively, with recommendations made for further monitoring / studies, if required.
22	The noise study relates to the marine environment. Does the noise study consider impacts on communities onshore?	Patrick Nodwele	Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	Land based noise sources will be considered in terms of community health, safety and security. This is a production-based application and the wells are for production purposes. The market for the product has not yet been identified. Any changes required onshore needed for the end user, will form part of future permitting. The current permit application focuses on wells drilled for production, associated activities to supply the wells and additional drilling over the life project to understand the geology in the area. No direct onshore activities associated with product beneficiation form part of the current assessment.
23	The constituency office which is linked to social structures and organisations should be contacted to ensure an effective public participation process in the Metro. Please write to the city manager and request contact/engagement with the constituency office. It address you on behalf of the Plett Tourism Association and submit the following objection to the approval for the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process for the proposed offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 11B/12B by TESA for the following	Patrick Nodwele	Nelson Mandela Bay Metropolitan Municipality	07 December 2022	V-FGM-03	Thank you for the information. WSP will reach out to the city manager and request the relevant contact details.
374	reasons: 1.The lack of adequate scoping and community engagement within the Bitou area. A Firstly, Bitou has many community members who rely on fishing as their main source of income and as their main source of food. These fishermen were not previously engaged with, nor were they made aware of the meeting – this study directly affects their livelihood, and they need to be engaged with and made aware of the potential impact on their livelihood. B. Secondly, the tourism industry is the main economic driver in Bitou, it fuels the building industry and it fuels the service industry. The local tourism authority was not engaged with prior to this meeting. Our branding and marketing campaign speak to sport and nature with a major focus being on our coastline and oceans and as a result the ecology of the area is uppermost in the mind of our tourists and exploration and exploitation of our natural resources such as that proposed is likely to create a negative perception in the minds of potential tourists thus adversely affecting tourism arrivals.	Patty Butterworth	Plett Tourism Association	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
375	2. The lack of advertising within the Bitou Community about the meeting. At the meeting held in the Piesang Valley Hall on 20th of January 2023 it was stated by the Total representative that the general Bitou Public were made aware of the proposed meeting through various communication channels including: -Local mewspapers -Local radio -Local municipality The question was raised as to 'what channels' were used as the public were unaware of the meeting – this question asked by me. I also asked that the meeting be postponed allowing for ample representation of the community. This was seconded by another community member present. TESA representatives replied, 'We will get back to you on that'. There has been no follow-up regarding this request. Upon further investigation, the announcement of this meeting was not shared by a local newspaper (there are two, the Seaexpress and What's New Piet) and it was not shared by a local radio station	Patty Butterworth	Plett Tourism Association	02 February 2023	E-mail	The Project was announced via newspaper advertisements, including the Knysna-Plett Herald (15 December 2022 and 12 January 2023) and radio advertisements on Eden FM (1 December 2022, morning, and afternoon and again on 10 and 13 January 2023, morning). Section 9 of the Scoping Report provides a detailed description on the public participation process and the public channels used to disseminate information about the project.
376	or this meeting was not shared by a local newspaper (there are two, the Seaexpress and what's new riett) and it was not shared by a local radio station (there are two, 93.4FM and Radio204). 3.The local Bitou Municipality only informed the public with a Facebook post on 19 January 2023. Many local residents are not on Facebook, and this cannot be considered an adequate means of communication.	Patty Butterworth	Plett Tourism Association	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
	4.TESA has not included the need for research focused on the impact on the tourism industry along the Bitou coastline and how the proposed TESA activity	Patty Butterworth	Plett Tourism Association	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments regarding the impacts of tourism have been noted. Tourism impacts in the project-affected area will be considered during the environment assessment process.
377	may affect our tourism industry. The town of Plettenberg Bay and the area known as 'Bitou' relies on its tourism industry as the main economic contributor. Plett's most unique selling points include its beaches, rivers and lagoons which is then followed by marine life and coastal activities.				E-mail	The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine biology special study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals.
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	I think the ocean has been abused enough. Let's not further destroy it. Our future depends on becoming more sustainable not more extractive. Please register me as an interested and affected party for ten proposed pipeline off Mossel Bay.	Paul Wigley Paul Wigley	Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is bei undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 11B/12B project.
	There are no explicit monitoring guidelines, and no quantifiable instruments in place that are able to measure the exact amount of waste that will be discharged into the ocean during the development and production phase of the project. There are no checks and balances or inability legislation in place in South Africa that can be used to hold companies like Total Energies liable for damages to	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The mitigation measures identified in the specialist studies will be included in the raft ESIA Report and transferred into the Environmental Management Programme for the Block 118/128 Project. These will include recommendations for monitoring where appropriate.
	the environment or for contravening environmental laws. There are too many international and other loopholes in the legislation that enables companies to find a way around our legislation. In other words, Total Energies will not be able to be held legally liable by South Africa for the pollution that will be generated by the project. This pollution includes oil spills, leaks, pollution related to unexpected breakdowns in machinery and radioactive waste that will be released during the drilling. There is a global trend whereby Total Energies tends to place the blame for any waste contraventions by the company onto third party contractors and in this way South Africa will not be able to hold the company liable for breaking the law with regards to environmental pollution and improper waste discoscal.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	wase usuboses. The counter-argument provided by Total Energies on which the Environmental Authorization will be based is that there is a South African legal framework in place to which the company should adhere with regards to pollution levels and waste disposal during the project. Let us use inland mining in South Africa as nexample. These mines also have a legal framework related to waste disposal and pollution levels to which they should adhere, but, in reality, the waste generated by these mining practices is not adequately monitored and environmental laws are contravened without consequences. Simply stating that there are laws in place that need to be adhered to does not expressly prevent Total Energies from contravening the law and is not sufficient to grant Environmental Authorization for the project to go ahead.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	South Africa does not have the capacity to monitor the proposed activities and to ensure that the law is not being broken, especially with regards to levels of contamination offshore and under the ocean. Total Energies medes to have specific and separate documentation and legally binding contracts in place that stipulate the exact scope of the waste that will be generated, how it will be disposed of and consequences (such as stipulation of fires or a complete	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	shuddown) if contravened. External, unbiased specialists and experts who are not financially benefiting from the project should be appointed to act as a watchdog to ensure that the laws pertaining to pollution and environmental protection are adhered to during all the phases of the project.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	A single EIA process is not sufficient to grant production rights at peak production capacity for a period of 20 years. Production rights should be granted for a limited amount of time with explict conditions. Long-term exploration rights should only be granted if all the prerequisites and promises made are actually being adhered to in full. For example, should a spill occur in year 2 of the implementation phase of the project the environmental authorization should be withdrawn and rendered null and void and Total Energies should be required to reapply for environmental authorization and a new EIA process should be initiated. It is mentioned in the Total Energies documentation that further oil and gas discoveries can potentially be made during the development and production phase	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	of the project. There should be an expressed limit placed on the amount to be explored and a separate exploration right should be obtained for drilling additional reserves. This should be outlined in the agreements and paperwork. The Total Energies project is not in line with Africa's legaly binding agreement to adhere to global guidelines and rules for moving towards renewable energy.	Pauline Cloete Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and
	Many private and independent environmental organizations are currently funding the protection of the coastline between Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis where the drilling is proposed to take place. Total Energies will be making a large profit from the project while these entities will continue to use their own limited and self-generated resources to counteract the environmental degradation caused by the Total Energies project. These organizations should receive direct engagement from Total Energies, because when leaks occur or when radioactive wastes released into the coasn, these organizations are the ones who will be left to deal with the consequences and they will physically have to counteract the environmental destruction caused by Total Energies.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. Your comment has been recorded. TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage. The provision for compensation to communities and individuals affected by spills and leaks.
,	I am opposed to the fact that the South African government is allowing international companies to make billions on our South African shore at very little benefit to South Africans. South Africa is a democracy which is based on a sound Constitution that has been set up to ensure equality for all, yet South African residents will be taking on all the risks, especially those risks related to the degradation of our environment, with very little direct benefit to the country. An executive decision is being made by the minister of environmental affairs and mineral resources, who is appointed to act for the country by the country. It goes against the South African constitution for ministers to have sole discretion for signing off on a project of this magnitude without including ALL injusts, comments and objections in the process.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken in the next phase of the project, which will assess the project's potentithe environment as well as the anticipated socio-economic benefits of the project.
	Observed to the Constitution explicitly states that everyone has the right to a healthy environment, and also the right to have the environment protected from pollution and ecological degradation, which promotes conservation and secures ecologically sustainable development. Performed Negative Impact on Tourism — The primary reason why tourism six the towns tocated along the coastifier form Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis is to	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on environmental
	visit and enjoy the ocean. If contamination of the ocean were to occur during any part of the project there will be a loss of tourism and a loss of income for the majority of the residents of these towns. Total Energies cannot guarantee that spills and serious pollution of our ocean will not take place and the company cannot guarantee that radioactive material will not make its way into the ocean. This directly threaters the livelihood of South African citizens. The Total Energies project and the proposed activities that will accompany the development and production phase of the project (i.e. underwater drilling,	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive assessment on the impacts of exportation and production operations, including operations spins and discringes, on environmental areas, fishers and fourism, will be done as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is required to set aside financial provisions to pay for clean-up in the event of environmental damage. There is also provision for compensat communities and individuals affected by spills and leaks.
	laying of deep-water subsea manifolds and flow lines, sonar and seafloor sampling, vertical selsmic surveys, underwater and subsea infrastructure construction) is, by nature, very destructive and there is sound scientific data and research to prove that these proposed activities will have a negative impact on the marine life, as well as on the aquatic organisms that are necessary for supporting marine life, on the ocean floor and on the underground sea bed that extends beyond the ocean floor.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, these impacts will be quantified and assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. Thank you for the comment. These potential impacts will be assessed in the Marine Ecology Assessment. Note that while the production right area.
	Underwater drilling releases radioactive waste into the ocean and is currently in the process of being banned in several countries and states (New Zealand, France, Costa Rica, Belize, Denmark, Ireland, California, Oregon, Washington) due to the severe environmental risks and destruction involved in these activities. The proposed area encompasses 12 000 square kilometres and is located on our major marine migratory route along the Agulhas Current on a very ensaitive aquate followersly area. Larger marine life is ke sharks, whalse, dophins and turtles will not be able to freely move through this massive area and their migratory routes will be disrupted. The noise and pollution of the 20 year drilling project will also interfere with their communication and navigation signals.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	12 000 km2, the entire area will not be utilised. Footprints of impacts will be determined by the underwater noise modeling and the oil spill and drill dispersion modelling study. Construction footprint will be assessed based on the size of the subsea infrastructure, and the expected area of impact with construction methods (anchors, etc). The area of direct construction impact will certainly be far smaller than 12000 km2. The spatial extent of u events, such as oil spills, will be quantified in the oil spill modelling study, and the results used by the marine ecologist and fisheriers specialist in their of potential impacts. The Marine Ecology Assessment will give consideration to impacts on marine ecology, including habitaties will spice as and biological processes (migrations, spawning, larval distribution). The Marine Ecology Assessment will use an ecosystems-based approach) in the asse potential impact on marine ecology and the various traular groups. Section 7.2 of the Scoping Report highlights the ecological interactions and processes. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of terceptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "value-patibility" (e.g., addition) of a receptor to cope of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case.
	The whole ocean is one big interlinked circular economy. If any of the smaller fishes, marine life, even the tiniest organisms living in the ocean is damaged then the predators and other species who rely on these species for food and life also become affected. The disruption to the ocean's cosystem that will result from the Total Bengies project will have a negative impact on small-scale and substance fishermen and will directly fact their livelihoods and income. The fact that the project will comprise of 12 000 square kilometres with an additional buffer zone also means that their fishing grounds and existing fishing routes will be disrupted, further affecting their fishing practices and livelihoods.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, your concerns are noted. The marine impact assessment will include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries or important habitats (including spawing areas), with the proposed operations and the potential impacts thereof. An oil spill discharges mode and a noise modelling study will also be undertaken. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reducting grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
	Large amounts of sediment will be released into the water during the construction and production phase of the project and the quality of the seawater will deteriorate. There is no accurate baseline to monitor and measure the severity of the degradation of the seawater quality. In the Total Energies EIA documentation it is mentioned that the infrastructure will be decommissioned during Phase 5 of the project. This can either mean	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for your comment. You are correct in that turbidity impacts are expected with the current proposed activities. These turbidity plumes wil as part of the oil spill and drill cuttings studies, and the impacts on marine biota and water quality assessed in the Marine Ecology Impact Assessme construction and production phase takes place in deep water, and the turbidity profile of these deep systems is generally well understood. Compare nearshore habitats (<50 m depth) areas further offshore (<50 m depth) tend to be more stable, with little to no sediment disturbance driven by war current forcing (Fleming & Hay 1988). Therefore, the baseline turbidity concentrations, while not measured in situ, are expected to be very low.
	in the Total Energies Evi Occumentation it is mentioned that the infrastructure will be completive milb er nefferd inactive or it an enter mean that all of the infrastructure will be completely removed. The impact of leaving any part of the infrastructure in the ocean will be long-term and devisating. It should be stipulated in the documentation exactly how the decommission phase will be implemented and legally binding contracts should be in place to hold Total Energies accountable so that they cannot find a legal loophole to leave after they have completed the drilling project without removing all of the infrastructure that was used during the project. The project is also that they are the project in the project of	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA will detail all aspects of the well plugging and abandonment, infrastructure dismantling and ret relevant in-situ abandonment of certain components with appropriate mitigation to ensure that they are inert and non-contaminating. Regulatory apprequired for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandonment can take place.
	Public participation is an integral part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, because it provides opportunities for ALL interested and affected parties to fairly participate in the decision making process. The public participation process is part of the legislative regime in South Africa and is recognized as the main instrument to ensure that any proposed development is sustainable from an ecological, environmental, social and economic perspective.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. The key objectives of the public participation process undertaken for the project are outlined in Chapter 9 of Report.
	an very thankful that the public meetings were inclusive and that they focused on reaching a broad sector of the population. It is very positive that communities were involved and able to give their inputs as part of the process. Newever, during the public participation process it is important that there is transparency and a climate of integrity, trust and credibility from the EIA applicant	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. As stated in the public meetings, the scoping process is to inform I&APs of the Production Right application and the Environmental Authorisation app
	namely Total Energies. Role-players should only promise what they believe they can deliver and should then deliver what they have promised. I attended the public meeting that took place at the Thembalethu Community Hall in George on 18 January 2023. During the days leading up to the meeting	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	has saled in the police meetings, the scoping process is an information of the Production regime application and the Environmental valuations about the price. The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 202
	vehicles with loud hailers drove through the Thembalethu formal settlement requesting that the community attend the public meetings and bring their ID documentation along to register for jobs. The message being conveyed to the public had nothing to do with the impact and scope of the project and simply promised jobs in exchange for attendance. There was unhappiness among the attendance and many people felt that they were being used as a rubber stamp to propel the process forward without being able to directly benefit from the Total Energies project. There is a negative socio-political impact that results from promising jobs without fulfilling the promises made. The consequences of not honouring promises made by Total Energies will fall onto the local municipal government as they will be the ones	Pauline Cloete Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the propose the ESIA process. Section 9.1 2 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. There is a regulatory requirement for the ESIA to consult with I&APs. Additional consultation will be held regarding the Social and Labour Plan (SLP community needs. The SLP process does not farm part of the ESIA process and will be undertaken as a separate constitution process. TEEPSA is at the beginning of the consultation process for this project and these meetings are held to help identify the sistation start are important to
	who will have to deal with the consequences on the ground if people are not able to get the jobs that they have been promised. During the part of the public meeting where there was an opportunity for questions and comments, an environmental representative present asked some questions about Total's human rights violations in other countries and raised some concerns about the environmental impact of the project. The person asked what assurance South Africans have that the environmental degradation that has taken place as a result of Total's projects in other countries will not be	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	communities so they are considered in the next phase of the ESIA. WSP was not aware that this occurred and regrets the incident. At the start of each public meeting, attendees were requested to respect each othe people to safely express their view. WSP cannot comment on stakeholders' behaviour outside of a public meeting.
	repeated during the new project. When the person left the meeting he was immediately bombarded by a municipal councillor outside the venue and was physically intimidated for speaking out against the project. The meetings started more than a half an hour late and ended almost 2 hours after the scheduled time.	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	Some meetings started late due to the number of participants that arrived. However, in these cases, the Lead Facilitator would first obtain meeting of consent to start as soon as all meeting participants were seated. In cases where meeting participants' consent was not granted, the meeting would attendees ushered into the venue and the attendance registers circulated. In cases where the meetings continued beyond the scheduled times, the Facilitator continuously verified with the audience whether the meeting could still continue. It was clearly stated that the ESIA team would provide all with a fair opportunity to contribute comments. The Lead Facilitator loss stated that those who wanted to leave the meeting ride us to time on.
	Several community members who were present during the meeting made it clear that they did not understand the discussions and that they were not able to follow what was being said. They asked that the WSP consultants use people from each community to interpret the discussions instead of bringing in external translators who do not speak the same lingo as the locals. The members of the community were under the impression that by signing the attendance register they will be receiving employment and they did not understand why the discussions were not explicitly related to their employment. As a result, many people left before the meeting was even halfway.		Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	velcome to do so. The ESIA team in future will strive to start with meeting registrations well before the commencement of the meeting to manage it. The purpose of the meeting attendance register was also explained so that participants understood that signing of the attendance register severa as that they attended the public meeting, that they would be registered as IRAPs and receive information about the proposed project until the compelle ESIA process. The POPI Act requirements to protect participants' contact information was also shared. The Lead Facilitator further confirmed the preferred language at every public meeting and obtained meeting participants' consent. In addition, during presentations, the Lead Facilitator would confirm at regular intervals whether meeting participants understood the technical concepts of the propose the ESIA. In cases where participants required explanations in Afrikasson or isiXhosa, these were given in the required languagh. The ESIA team rec
	EIA's and public participation is used to raise developers' and administrative authorities' awareness of the essential environmental issues that deserve attention. The process should include direct engagement and efficient coordination with environmental organizations and their inputs and opinions should be expressly sought and included in the planning of the project. However, no part of the paperwork, including the sections related to engagement with key role- players, does it mention engagement with independent environmental / conservation organizations. It is visited that the public participation process does not	Pauline Cloete	Kai Tikquoa Projects NPC	03 February 2023	E-mail	requests for the presentation to be translated into Afrikaans and isiXhosa. In response to these requests, the ESIA team translated the presentations translated presentations were available from the eighth public meeting. Please consult Section 9.11 of the scoping report for more information about the sector-specific focus group meetings that were convened.
	exclude engagement with environmental role players in order to ensure that the environment is conserved and protected and that everyone with environmental knowledge and expertise is able to provide their inputs. I object to the government allowing big oil and gas companies to destroy our oceans to seek for the purpose to get oil and gas. This had a huge negative impact now and for the next generation that has no voice now. We can't live in the now but for Tey tuture of our ocean/nature. This is NOT the solution. The ocean does not belong to the government, It belongs to nature. It might be the easy answer now with the benefit to fill our corrupt government pockets but it will be the end to life in earth. We cannot damage the ocean as it serves us very well reducing corban dioxide and producing clean fresh air. We need oxygen	Peder Christensen		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-tapproach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
	more than oil and gas!! We have live centuries before without so why no now?? There has been mention on several occasions of the data free website. Has local dynamics been considered when engaging with the community at large. I am concerned that there are many people that are not being reached and their exclusion on these processes could lead to negative feedback.	Pedro Garcia	South African United Fishing Front	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the followin methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: - Iwo rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). - Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three differ - Placement of site notices at various public places. - Placement of site notices at various public places Addictated email address (teepsaElA@WSRocm) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3842) In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified IARPs were invited to a virtual public meeting held on the 7th of December 2022 public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held be towns of Mosses Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetinger verse also convened in 2023. Transport were available to people in rural communities. Kindly specify the communities you are referring to so that the ESIA team can take to information into consideration in its planning during the impact assessment phase, which is the next phase of the ESIA.
	I did not at anytime claim to represent any indigenous groups. I just wanted to clarify that. Responsibility: The government authority responsible for the matters covered in this convention shall ensure that agencies or other appropriate mechanisms	Pedro Garcia	South African United Fishing Front	23 January 2023	V-FGM-14	This is a follow up to the response given to a comment in Row where exception was taken to the fact that Chief Tanya Kleinhans and Pedro Garcia or are speaking on behalf of the Cochoqua.
	exist to administer the programs affecting the peoples concerned, and shall ensure that they have the means necessary for the proper fulfilment of the functions assigned to them. Thindamental rights: Indigenous and tribal people shall enjoy the full measures of human rights and fundamental freedoms without hinderance or discrimination. The provisions of the convention shall be applied without discrimination to male and female members of these peoples. No form of force or	Pepino Koeries Pepino Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023 16 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment is recorded. The cultural rights of all South Africans should be considered and will be considered in the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment Report. The report include all international treaties and conventions that apply regarding the protection of indigenous and endogenous rights, as well as gender rights.
,	coercion shall be used in violation of the human rights and fundamental freedoms of the peoples concerned, including the rights contained in this convention. Mineral or other resources: In case in which the state retains the ownership of mineral or sub-surface resources or rights to other resources pertaining to lands, governments shall establish or maintain procedures through which they shall consult these peoples. The peoples concerned shall wherever possible participate in the benefits of such activities, and shall receive fair compensation for any damage which they may sustain as a result of such activities.	Pepino Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	also consider national law and how this considers the rights of indigenes, including those who self-describe as tribal peoples. The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Please spend this money to invest in alternative energy research. Fossil fuels have a limited future. What gives us the right to use it all up? Please consider the planet, not your pocket.	Peter Ablitt	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. TEEPSA is currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP), the primary objectives of which is to create employment; advance
	Eden Labour Forum welcomes the proposed project from which the community will benefit. We as the community will give our full support in all aspects to see the project to be a success. We welcome training and development of skills to our community and the youth within the Eden District. All agreements must be in writing. To show your good faith.	Peter Fillies	Eden Labour Forum	17 January 2023	E-mail	economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right hold contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. The SLP includes a human resource devel component with makes provision for skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, and portable skills traini separate and focused consultation process for the SLP will be undertaken during the first half of 2023. We welcome the opportunity to engage with the various phases of the proposed TEEPSA Block 118/12B project and more specifically, during the various phases of the SLP development.
	l object with all my heart. Please find my registration form as interested party attached. Can you please tell me whether this intended Total exploration application along the Cape South	Petra Brits	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. WSP confirms that you are registered as an IAAP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. A joint venture Tablistancine TBB S with Africa (VESEPA) Confirmation Makes the further between the development (South Makins) I institute of the South Africa (South Makins)
	reader into my regulation from as interested party accuracy. Only you please that in evidence in sometime or for a spin and many time tagle source coasts done byth health of fold arrengies SA company or (which?) other fold affiliate. Morning, i would like to know how our community will benefit from this and are there any job opportunities	Pienaar Spies Piet Andrew Commir	Individual	11 January 2023 30 January 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. (TEEPSA), QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources International (South Africa) Limited, and a South Africa on MainStreet 1549 has applied for a Production Right over Block 1181/28], located offshore from the Southern Cape Coast, Sorth Africa. During the SLP specific consultation that will be undertaken in 2023, specific aspects related to the required workforce and recruitment principles w
	I TOTALLY object to the gas extraction by Total that is being proposed. Please add my objection to the thousands or millions you receive.	PM PM	Individual	31 January 2023	E-mail	communicated. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	Kindly record my opposition to the above application on environmental grounds and that natural gas and petroleum products are being replaced with renewable resources. Kindly add me as an interested party. Kindly register me as an interested and affected person concerning the above assessment.	Prof ES Grossman Prof. Abraham Olivie	Individual r University of Fort Hare	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been noted. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a fram which the issue of South Africa integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate of assessed as part of the ESIA. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 118/12B project.
	Kundy register me as an interested and affected person concerning the above assessment. I would like to note the following: As in this case, mainly Western countries benefit from oil and gas exploitation in African countries, leaving behind ecological and economical disasters.	Prof. Abraham Olivie	1	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail	WSP contrins that you are registered as an IASP and will continue to send you information on the Block 118/12/b project. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify the environmental and socio-economic risks associated with the planned production related at including unplanned events, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them.
	Most importantly, given the global warming and energy crises this action is anachronistic; the continued exploration of hydrocarbons contradicts South Africa's and other countries' commitment made at COP27 to reduce dependency on and use of carbon emitting fuels.	Prof. Abraham Olivie	r University of Fort Hare	02 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of Soul integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of

	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
169	Please would you register me as an interested party (as a member of WESSA Eden & Western Cape). I will endeavour to attend the meeting in Plettenberg Bay on 20 January. The seismic studies, such as that proposed by Shell will have an undernable impact on the ocean floor and on the sea life as well. Placatory statements such	Prof. Ted Botha	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden & Western Cape	21 December 2022	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
	as 'they will not be conducted during breeding and or migratory periods' ring hollow - when are these times? When is the region devoid of migratory species? The answer is simple never, as the continental shelf teems with sea life throughout the year - not just during well-known 'migrations'. There is an undentable body of information that points to the facts that seismic activity is, and will always exert an impact on marrine life - be this crustacean, fish or mammals.					
170	There is a growing body of scientific evidence that points to the harmful outcomes of such seismic events, which have been shown to impact dolphin, whates info, crustaceans and even jellyfish negatively. Seismic activities may well be responsible for significant mortality within octopus communities, crabs, lobster and even the humble jellyfish - all of these are incredibly important to the viability and sustainability of the marine ecosystem. There is little doubt that any seismic activity - continuous and unrelenting as it will be, will also impact the survivability of endangered species such as the humpbacked dolphin. South Africa courts have ruled in the past, that fishing communities have' inalienable rights and that they must be consulted and represented during such consultation processes. I remind you of Section 24 of the Constitution of South Africa states, very clearly that 'everyone has the right to an environment which is not deemed harmful to their health and wellbeing'. Seismic 'studies' along the Eastern Seaboard of South Africa, will undoubtedly, as has been demonstrated elsewhere, prove to be harmful. The case and argument against 'irreparable harm' cannot be dismissed as 'irrelevant' or that it is 'not based upon sufficient compelling evidence' have been attempted in the past, but to little avail. The Eastern Cape High Court concurred in their judgement against such activity as recently as September 2022.	Prof. Ted Botha	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA) Eden & Western Cape	14 January 2023	E-mail	Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/128; no further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are drilled to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. A noise modelling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. There is interaction between the modelling team and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies. Best practise mitigation to avoid and reduce impacts of these proposed VSP activities will be included in the marine ecology assessment. The potential impacts on fauna and ecosystem functioning will be assessed in the marine ecological impact assessment. Impacts on community health and safety, as well as fisher livelihoods will be addressed in the socio-economic study that will be done as part of the ESIA process.
	It is clear that the National Environmental Management Act trumps any attempt or activity by any entity from indulging in any activity which could be construed to be harmful or detrimental to the environment and which would impact on any species (man included) that lives in or derives a living from that environment. There is a clear and immediate danger here - allowing such indiscriminate use of seismic activities will pose an immediate threat to the environment and must therefore be vigorously opposed.					
0.42	I am interested to tick the boxes to stop the greed for monetary gain. Like we did with Shell.lets do it again I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1.The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration.	Pru Harrington Rachel Gregorowski	Individual Individual	01 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Your objection is noted. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine
	ringration. 2.The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.			-		ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
	3. Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Rachel Gregorowski	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. These aspects will be considered during the process of assessing the project's environmental and social impacts.
	4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline. 5.This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment.	Rachel Gregorowski Rachel Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	These aspects will be considered during the process or assessing the project's environmental and social impacts. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
946	6.The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.	Rachel Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	dissessing formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 1181/2B project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required.
947	There has been evidence of misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the day before with a loud hailer telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID	Rachel Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and
	books expecting to get a job. Please note my objection	Rachel Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. Your objection has been recorded.
1000	I hereby object to the building of gas pipelines in Mossel Bay by Total SA. Please South Africa,wake up to the disaster awaitening our magnificent coastline and the destruction of animal life in the process. Directorate: Development Facilitation: 5.1. It is noted that the application also includes exploration and appraisal drilling and related activities, which will entail additional drilling of up to four	Rachelle Napier	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
357	exploration wells in the application area, bathymetry and sonar surveys, sampling surveys of the sea floor, and metocean surveys. This Directorate requires clarity why Activity 21C of Listing Notice ("LN") 1 and/or Activity 18 of LN 2 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) have not been applied for. This Directorate respectfully submits that the proposed exploration and appraisal drilling cannot be authorised under Activity 20 of LN 2 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) as said activity only includes "any other activity as contained in this Listing Notice, in Listing Notice 1 of 2014 or Listing Notice 3 of 2014, required to exercise the production right" (own emphasis).	Ralph van Delin	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Environmental Authorisation application is in support of a Production Right application submitted to PASA in terms of section 84 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2002, as amended. The 'exploration' wells to be drilled in the eastern section of Block 118/12B are appraisal wells to identify the potential for further production wells to be drilled (under a separate Production Right application) in the future. Activity 21C of LN 1 does not apply and Activity 18 of LN2 is also not applicable to this Project. Activity 4 of LN2 refers to the "The development of facilities or infrastructure, for the storage, or storage and handling of a dangerous good, where such storage
358	5.2. It is noted that Activity 4 of LN 2 of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) is being applied for. Please confirm that the handling and storage of oil, gas and/or fuel (diesel) will occur in containers to ensure applicability of the listed activity. Please further indicate the location of the containers for the storage and/or handling of dangerous goods (i.e., on the drilling unit, support vessels, or onshore logistics base). 5.3. The Draft EIA Report should indicate the names of the oceanic basins in Block 118/128 that will be subjected to production and exploration activities	Ralph van Delin	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) Department of Environmental Affairs and	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	occurs in containers with a combined capacity of more than 500 cubic metres. The Block 118/128 Project is the extraction of gas and condensate from an offshore well field that requires the installation of subsea infrastructure as described in section 5 of the Scoping Report (Project components and Activities). As such, the development of infrastructure to extract gas and condensate at a capacity of more than 500 cubic meters is relevant, as there will be no storage in containers during the production process. The information, as requested will be included in the draft ESIA report.
360	(e.g., Bredasdorp Basin for the proposed production pipeline). 5.4. The Draft EIA Report should provide the coordinates of the corridor for the proposed linear activity (production pipeline).	Ralph van Delin	Development Planning (DEA&DP) Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	The information, as requested will be included in the draft ESIA report. The information, as requested will be included in the draft ESIA report.
653	I have read the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the Proposed Offshore Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Applications for Block 118/128. Enrithermore the Block 118/128 joint venture is currently negotiating the gas offtake with potential customers in Mossel Bay. As I understood Total is working on the gas offtake agreement with PetroSA and/or Eskom with a State guarantee to reduce payment risk. Will this gas offtake agreement affect this	Rami Abiad	Individual	19 December 2022	E-mail	The offtake agreement negotiations are commercially confidential. No Project activities can commence prior to the Production Right (PR) and Environmental Authorisation (EA) applications being granted and the completion of the ESIA and associated processes is required in order to fulfill the requirements of the PR and EA. The Scoping phase is the first phase of the ESIA and the Final ESIA is scheduled for completion in July 2023.
1536	on the gas officiate agreement with recruise amount essort with an a state quartetier or reduce payment risk. With this gape in the signing before the Public perusal perior that ends of a february 2023 roll object to TotalOil and any other companies drilling oil off the South African coast. Already rich from polluting the world these companies are ignoring the urgent scientific calls to end the use of fossil fuels. Their plans to continue exploiting resources whose time is past must stop. The real needs of humans, sea life, and life on earth must take precedence over short-sighted greed.	Ray Lazarus		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your comments have been recorded. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1599	ine; and one or naturn stake precedency over shore's signed greed. Object to the proposed drilling and pipelines to be done in the ocean off the coast of South Africa. This action will cause irreparable damage to our marine and coastal life. The drilling and shockwaves will harm the sea creatures such as whales and dolphins, and the pollution and subsequent oil spills will destroy the beaches and life not only in the sea but in bird life and coastal communities as well. Not to mention the many people who count on the sea for fishing and making a living.	Rebekah van Heek		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive ESIA will be done to assess potential impacts associated with the proposed drilling and subsea pipeline, and unplanned events such as oil spills, on aquatic receptors and on fishers.
1062	intending a riving. Kindly note what our Lord who made the universe says in Isaiah 24:4-6 about polluting and harming His creation. I trust that you will really take this to heart because that is what you are planning by your project. The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers, the exalted of the earth languish. The earth is defiled by its people; they have disobeyed the laws, violated the statutes and broken the evertising covenant. Therefore a curse consumes the earth; its people must bear their guilt."	Reinette Nel	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded.
	I am against Total's application mine offshore between Mosselbay and Cape St Francis .	Rene de Lauwere		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1110	France just banned seabed mining, so clearly it has severe impacts on the environment. Why is Total, as a French company, willing to mine South Africa's seabed? Is this just an extension of European colonialization and double – standards?	Retha Redman	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The Block 11B/12B project does not involve seabed mining.
1765	I hereby strongly object to, and oppose Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin! Total and partners must NOT be allowed to drill off our coastline	Rian Silvis		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1675	- negatively affects tourism - Impacts our precious resources - opens up the door yet again for corrupt south african government officials - destroys our oceans	Richard Alexander		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Potential impacts of the project on the marine environment and tourism will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
671	Please register me as an interested and affected party for this application.	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be kept informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the
672	I would like to object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1. The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration.	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and dild discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
	2.The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
	3.Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. 4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along coastline.	Richard Andrew	Individual Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive assessment of the impacts of exploration and production operations, including operational spills and discharges, on environmentally sensitive
	This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	areas, tourism, and other socio-economic aspects will be done as part of the ESIA process. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
677	6.The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest.	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 11B/12B project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas
678	7. There as been evidence of serious misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the day before with a loud hailer telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to get a job.	Richard Andrew	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process.
9	The project area appears to be part of the Mossel Bay and Cape St Francis areas. These are the areas that will be directly affected as compared to the Overberg Municipality. Local authorities in the directly affected areas need to be consulted. The district municipalities have District Coordinating Forums which would be beneficial to		Overberg District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-02	Both the directly and indirectly affected areas need to be considered to identify the project area of influence.
1738	be engaged with. I believe you are busy with an eia for drilling in the outeniqua basin. Please register me as an interested and affected party. Richard Geyer richard@redengineering.co.za and note I object to this project going forward due to various environmental reasons	Richard Bosman Richard Geyer	Overberg District Municipality	05 December 2022 01 February 2023	V-FGM-02 WhatsApp	All direct and indirect municipalities are being contacted and consulted. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 11B/12B project. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist
949	I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1. The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area. 3. Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income.	Richard Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts. Your comment has been recorded.
951	4.6as and 0 li s a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline. 5.This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment.	Richard Gregorowski Richard Gregorowski	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	This aspect will be considered during the process of assessing the project's environmental and social impacts. Your comment has been recorded. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
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954	There has been evidence of misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the day before with a loud hailer telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to get a job.	Richard Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The scoping process for the ESIA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process.
	Please note my objection	Richard Gregorowski	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	I wish to register as an objector to the proposed drilling by TOTAL along our coastline. I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our	Rita Hardaker	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of
022	local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet. I object to the development of oil and gas industry off the coast of South Africa 11B & 12B as this is a short sighted endeavour especially considering the	Rob Campbell Rob Geyer	Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. Your objection has been recorded. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
•	long term implications and the state of our environment both locally and globally.	Kob Geyer	Huividual	UZ PEUTUATY ZUZS	C-Mail	Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: - Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). - Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages.
	Please find attached the first draft of an article I want to send to our local newspaper. I do want to be fair, though, and give you an opportunity to answer some questions, as follows: 1. Why are communities far removed from the target area involved in the public process?	Rob van Hemert	Individual	13 January 2023	E-mail	-Placement of site notices at various public placesPlacement of site notices at various public placesPlata-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/fotal-11B128) -A dedicated email address (teepsaElA@WRS-pcom) and WhatsApp number (076 894 3842). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022Face-to-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings were also convened in January 2023. The ESM team will consider the requests received for meetings to the west of Mossel Bay.
185	Why is there not a safer venue, additional to the planned one, arranged for the St Francis and Jeffrey Bay public meetings? Whites are fearful of venturing into townships at any time, but especially when its late.	Rob van Hemert	Individual	13 January 2023	E-mail	The location and timing of the meetings has to consider the ability of various stakeholders to attend meetings, hence the decision to hold the public meetings outside of office hours and in locations where the majority of people are able to access, either by public or private transport. Assimis usury for the western side of Block 1181/26, covering the drughadd discovery and the Luiperf Prospect was undertaken in March and April 2019.
	3. When was the seismic survey undertaken - this is more for my interest. 4. What are the commercial plans for this gas - ditto.	Rob van Hemert Rob van Hemert	Individual Individual	13 January 2023 13 January 2023	E-mail E-mail	The seismic survey of the eastern side of the Block 118/128 was completed in the first quarter of 2020. The proposed Block118/128 project will feed into the existing PetroSA F.A Platform which is now coming to the end of its life cycle. Planned upgrades to this facility will provide an additional 20 years to the life of the facility and could potentially benefit people whose jobs depend on the PetroSA facility. Further socio-
188	5. Is PetroSA still operational - ditto.	Rob van Hemert	Individual	13 January 2023	E-mail	economic benefits could include local off-take for gas to be used at local Gas-to-Liquid and Gas-to-Power facilities. TEEPSA is engaging with potential local clients in this regard. The PetroSA (PetroSA) facility is currently in care and maintenance mode due to the lack of gas feedstock from the offshore Block 9 gas field.
	By the way, I have had a long working association (as a consultant) with Total and love the company. I sent an early draft of a letter to the local paper to one of your addresses only to get a reply that you were on holiday until 6 Jan - I sent it on 13 Jan???? I	Rob van Hemert	Individual	13 January 2023	E-mail	Noted. The automated response has been updated. The Public Participation Office tried to contact Mr Van Hemert on the 17th of January and subsequently sent an email in response to the last sentence of the letter. The last sentence of the letter related to a concern regarding the safety and risk of attending a meeting at the Pellsrus Hall in Jeffreys Bay at 5pm and whether a morning meeting could not be scheduled at the Pellsrus Hall or at Sea Vista in Cape St Francis. The response provided via email on 17 January 2023 noted that the team will consider the request and revert. Notwithstanding, the public meeting continued as scheduled and
190	have revised this letter, which I intend to send on Monday some time, and it is hereby attached. Grateful if you could answer some questions incorporated in the letter, especially the last sentence.	Rob van Hemert	Individual	14 January 2023	E-mail	advertised, however, a resolution was tabled at the Pellsrus public meeting by meeting participants that the meeting should be reconvened due to dissatisfaction with the time, venue and low attendance. The ESIA team was in contact with the Kouga Local Municipality and community leaders at the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report to establish a new date, time and venue for the Jeffreys Bay public meeting. The information will be communicated with registered I&APs as soon as the information has been confirmed. The public meeting will still form part of the ESIA process and all issues raised at the public meeting will be incorporated into the Comments and Responses Register (CRR) and environmental specialist studies. As mentioned, stakeholders can register as I&APs during the ESIA process and meeting participants will be registered as I&APs.
	Oh boy, here we go again with a shot at producing fossil fuel in today's anti-FF environment. Total Oil is planning to produce gas on a commercial scale from fields off our southern coast. Not far to the west of their area of interest, gas has been produced for a number of decades and supported a viable and unique	Rob van Hemert	Individual	14 January 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
191	liquid fusis production facility just outside of Mossel Bay. The fields that supplied that gas are now deplete, leaving an expensive industrial facility without the feedstock to continue operations. Future gas production, within delivery range, may resurrect this plant, and provide much needed employment opportunities. The sea floor must have been subjected to a seismic survey some years before, as it takes ages to convert the data received from such a survey into tangible					

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	All this aside – it's water under the bridge (or whatever) now – besides supposedly endangering all the fish life that many years ago, Total now wants to create further harm to the environment by producing a fossil fuel, the use of which will increase global warming, with all the resultant mayhem. It will be many years (if ever) before the world can operate without fossil fuel being used somewhere and somehow. F powers our transportation systems – road, rail, sea					
193	& air. Using biofuel is possible in all systems and may reduce the extent of environmental harm but it will not totally prevent it because it uses power to produce it and has some by-products that need to be disposed off requiring more power. In any case, in order to grow biotule mass you need fertiliser, much of which has FF as its base and needs lots of power to make. The ground space taken up by growing this product is also limited and by cutting down trees to	Rob van Hemert	Individual	14 January 2023	E-mail	A climate change assessment will be done as part of the ESIA to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
	make more space it reduces the amount of carbon taken up by these trees, thus negating much, if not all, of the benefit. The use of animal and fish fat is also limited. Electric vehicles need electricity to be produced somewhere and somehow to charge their batteries. That alone is bound to produce greenhouse					вазельных или цевныму иле десентиваее два интегатория или вте апториясь ва в гезов от ито ргорозов ребует вто войсезо ппидвиот органа.
	gasses, never mind how much GHG was produced in obtaining the material for making the batteries. I am convinced that electric cars create as much greenhouse gas overall as internal combustion engine cars. Back to Total's gas production. In order to be granted the necessary rights to produce this gas there has to be public participation, where concerns can be					The public meetings were convened in the Project zone of influence based on the information available at the time of undertaking the scoping phase of the ESIA.
194	raised and hopefully put to rest. The declared area of production interest stretches from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis, a distance of about 280km, and is about 100km from the shore, well outside of the shipping lane. Public meetings are to be held from Mossel Bay to East London, though – a stretch of over (600km. Why involve communities so far removed from the action? Why not then also involve Stilbaai and other communities to the west of Mossel Bay? Is it	Rob van Hemert	Individual	14 January 2023	E-mail	The EAP received several requests from stakeholders for meetings to the west of Mossel Bay, which are acknowledged and will be considered once the findings of the specialist studies are available. The scope of the public participation process during the impact assessment phase of the ESIA will be informed by the outcome of the specialist studies.
	intended to extend the production area beyond the stated one?					The Public Participation Office tried to contact Mr Van Hemert on the 17th of January and subsequently sent an email in response to the concern regarding the
	The venues for these meetings are obviously aimed at getting the bulk of the population involved, as most of these meetings are to be held in township areas and after work hours. That is laudable, but, most of those target people have little to no concern for the environment – just check how they dispose of their lubbish. People who do have concerns, and are willing and able to voice them, would probably not risk attending these meetings, especially late in the day.					safety and risk of attending a meeting at the Pellsrus Hall in Jeffreys Bay at 5pm and whether a morning meeting could not be scheduled at the Pellsrus Hall or at Sea Vista in Cape St Francis. The response provided via email on 17 January 2023 noted that the team will consider the request and revert. Notwithstanding, the public meeting portinued as scheduled and advertised, however, a resolution was tabled at the Pellsrus public meeting by meeting participants that the meeting
195	Park your cart there and you are asking for trouble as soon as you get out of it (or even before). If not relieved of your cell phone, watch and wallet as you walk to the meeting venue, it will probably happen on the way back, although chances are that your car will be vandalised or gone, anyway. I'm being cynical, but, am I completely wrong? I would like to attend the Jeffreys Bay meeting but am also not willing to accept the risk going there at Spm. Some venues have	Rob van Hemert	Individual	14 January 2023	E-mail	should be reconvened due to dissatisfaction with the time, venue and low attendance. The ESIA team was in contact with the Kouga Local Municipality and community leaders at the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report to establish a new date, time and venue for the Jeffreys Bay public meeting. The information will be communicated with registered (&APs as soon as the information has been confirmed. The public meeting will still form part of the ESIA
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73	Will the two wells, i.e. Brulpadda and Luiperd be capped and will the corridor pipelines be buried below the sea surface? Is there a possibility that they could	Robert Landman	I&J and South African deep-sea trolling	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	Brulpadda and Luiperd are exploration wells which have been capped and closed off. The development well to be drilled will be new wells specifically designed for production activities. Portions of the pipeline could be on the sea floor or buried, depending on the area. Some places will be elevated if there is hard substrate while other areas might be below the sea floor. Once the benthic conditions have been investigated, all of the factors will be considered on the final
	be trawled over or will they be in a designated no-go zone?		association			alignment of the pipeline. The information will be made available when TEEPSA has more detail of the pipeline routes. At this stage, a corridor has been selected where the pipeline is likely to be placed.
82 83	In terms of the map showing the exploration & production, are those shapefiles available to be shared? The scoping report indicates that there are specialist studies that will be done. The impact on the fishing grounds is in the marine ecology study scope. Will the impacts on fish also be addressed in the economic specialist reports?	Robert Landman	SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair	18 January 2023 18 January 2023	V-FGM-08 V-FGM-08	Shapefiles are available and will be shared. The shapefiles will be forwarded to you. Potential impacts to the commercial fishing grounds will be assessed in the marine study as it relates to fish population and/or habitat. Should a potential impact on the fishing grounds be identified through the ecology study, then the resulting economic impact on the fishing industry will be considered in the socio-
84	When will we get to see the specialist reports and will it be possible to see the specialist reports before going into the draft EIA report?	Robert Landman	SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	economic study. The specialist studies will only become available at the time that the draft EIA report is available for comment. They will be summarised into the draft EIA report and made available in full for public comment as an appendix to that report.
93	In relation to squid: We go to the east coast during the summer months and pull out during the winter months. Need to liaise with the fishing organisations on timing.	Robert Landman	SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair	18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	WSP will engage with the fishing organisations as per your suggestion. If your document did not include this methodology, you may be reviewing the non-technical summary report. The impact assessment methodology is in the Draft
94 95	In the scoping report there is normally a table which determines the level of impact. Is this in the scoping report? There is a high risk of surveys impacting on the fishing economies.	Robert Landman Robert Landman	SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair	18 January 2023 18 January 2023	V-FGM-08 V-FGM-08	Scoping Report. As discussed earler, the potential impact on fish stock and any resulting impact on commercial fishing economies will be assessed through the marine ecology and socio-economic studies.
98	The drilling sites are offshore and the pipeline that runs from the production well to the FA platform crosses the fishing grounds. If you find more oil reserves, will the pipeline cross those areas if oil reserves are found? Where will that pipeline be positioned?	Debert London	SADSTIA - Science Committee Chair	40 (2022	V-FGM-08	If a discovery is made in the eastern part of Block 118/128, then a full environmental impact assessment will have to be done and potential routing options for the pipeline will have to be assessed. A separate and full EIA process will have to be undertaken.
90	So the existing pipeline is going to cross the fishing ground. In the alternatives, there are no alternatives for routing the existing pipeline around the ring- fenced area?	Robert Landman	SAUSTIA - Science Committee Chair	18 January 2023	V-FGNI-UO	The corridor is being assessed to determine the impact on the sensitive areas. The pipeline does not cross the ring-fenced area. The outcome of the EIA will determine the recommendation for pipeline routing.
55	Thank you for the presentation. Would it be possible to provide the coordinate files or map files in an ArcGIS format to get an idea of the location of the pipelines, to see the impact it might have on fishing?	Robert Landman	I&J and South African deep-sea trolling association	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The GIS files were shared with the fishing industry. However, please note that the GIS files would not be for the exact pipeline route as this information is still to be assessed and it is not final. The information will relate to a corridor within which this infrastructure could be located.
56	Have the cost/benefit vs the risks been considered as part of the studies that will be undertaken? Looking at examples from the Gulf of Mexico, what has the impact of the gas been for the country and that area vs the associated risk? Is that one of the studies that will be ranging learning the impacts on fishing loperations, what would that mean for us if there were exclusion zones? Would that be considered in the scoping report? Is there socio-economic study and a	Robert Landman	I&J and South African deep-sea trolling association	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	Socio-economic and marine ecology impact assessments will be done for the project, as well as a climate change risk benefit analysis; the plan of study for these assessments is included in the scoping report.
1174	study that impacts on a biological view? I would like to voice my objection to the proposed gas pipeline as well as the subsequent 'industrialisation' of our ocean and coastlines as a result.	Robert Vincent	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.
1648	How do I object to the gass exploration off Mosselbay	Robin Thesen-Smith	1	01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project and will continue to receive information regarding the project. We confirm that you have been registered as an I&AP. Your objection has been noted. The public participation process undertaken to date is described in
1687	I want to object, that the project is in a marine sensitive area, has there been proper public participation, are there independent studies above what WSP has commissioned for the project, is there any conflict of interest? You are against the project	Rocco Andre du		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	chapter 9 of the Scoping Report. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a
	until all public concerns are addressed. You can provide a list of concerns if requested	Plessis		021001001, 2020	тиши фр	conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 11B/12B project specifically, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. There is no conflict of interest.
1045	l object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be	Rodney Michaels	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	Your objection has been recorded.
1086	and GvMantashe should be ashamed. Calling it progress!?? Disgusting! lobject To Total energies plan to drill and build along our South African coastline. I have seen the carnage that this kind of exploration and activity can visibly negatively affect the ecosystems that live there. If murn, it's the people who live along the coast that suffer. Money money money - that's all we care about -	Ronalee Olivier	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration
1708	It's just paper!!!But here we are killing, plundering, destroyingall for money but in the end we as a species are left poorer with the damage we're doing. I vote against Total Energies and I would like more information on the agreement our government is considering. No!	Rory Booth		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
844 845	I am writing to express my strong opposition to the proposed offshore oil drilling and building of new gas pipelines in Mossel Bay, in the Outeniqua Basin. The location of this project raises several environmental concerns that cannot be ignored. First, the area les in the middle of the Agulhus Current, which is a major highway for whale and sardine migration. Drilling and pipeline construction in this	Rose Clark	Individual	01 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist
040	area will disrupt the migration patterns of these marine species and potentially cause harm to their populations.	Nose our	marvada	011001daiy 2020	2-1101	study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. The Block 11B/12B Production Right area (the area in which drillingfother proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingklip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close to the block include the Port Etrabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts
						(some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and the EBSA. This will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst- case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitats or structures are given a suitable buffer zone from the installation of
846	Second, the proposed location borders on a Marine Protected Area, which is established to conserve the area's unique marine biodiversity and ecological processes. The introduction of oil drilling and pipelines will not only destroy the protected ecosystem, but also harm the livelihoods of local communities who depend on the area's resources.	Rose Clark	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far field oil spill, noise and drill cuttings modelling results are complete. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and the impropriate habitats (including spawing areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study,
						and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the
	Furthermore, the risks associated with offshore oil drilling are well-documented and undenlable. Gas and oil extraction is a high risk to the environment,					stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will use the dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies to inform an assessment of potential impacts at
847	tourism, and other economic endeavors along the coastline. The speed of ocean currents and thermal layers in the area make it extremely difficult to control any spills, as oil from the depths will be distributed across multiple depth zones and a very large area. The International Union for the Conservation of Nature (IUCN) calls for a moratorium on oil and gas exploration.	Rose Clark	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	A comprehensive manner ecology impact assessment will use the dispersion, on spin and noise moderning scoules or morn an assessment or potential impacts at these sensitive isses (including MPAS and EBSAs) under worst-case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include proper and safe design of subsea infrastructure, as well as the required spill contingency plans etc.
848	Finally, the extraction of oil and gas contributes to greenhouse gases and the release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. This will only exacerbate the effects of dimate change, which is already having devastating impacts on our planet and its inhabitants. In light of these serious concerns, I strongly urge you to reconsider the proposed offshroe oil drilling and pipeline construction in Mossel Bay. I believe that	Rose Clark	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts from climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
849	we must prioritize the protection of our environment and the well-being of future generations over short-term financial gains. Thank you for your time and consideration.	Rose Clark	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been recorded. The primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify potential risks to the environment, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them. It is acknowledged that natural resources are important to cultural heritage beliefs and practices and therefore when the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment
220	Natural Resources: the rights of the peoples concerned to the natural resources pertaining to the lands shall be specifically safeguarded. These rights include the right of these peoples to participate in the use, management and conservation of these resources. Mineral or other resources: in cases in which the State retains the ownership of mineral or sub surface resources or right to other resources pertaining to	Rosé Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	report discusses the importance of protecting cultural heritage, it is also emphasising that all reasonable measures must be taken to safeguard and protect nature as well.
221	lands, government shall establish or maintain procedures through which they shall consult these peoples, with a view to ascertaining whether and to what degree their interests would be prejudices, before undertaking or permitting any programmes for the exploration or exploitation of such resources pertaining	Rosé Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	to the lands. The peoples concerned shall wherever possible participate in the benefits of such activities, and shall receive fair compensation for any damages which they may sustain as a result of such activities. Development: Government action to apply to Convention shall include assisting the members of the peoples concerned to eliminate socio-economic gaps that					
222	may exist between indigenous peoples and other members of the national community, in a manner compatible with the aspirations and ways of life. The improvement of the conditions of life and work and levels of health and education of the peoples concerned, with their participation and co-operation, shall be a matter of priority in plans for the overall economic development of areas they inhabit. Special projects for development of the areas in question shall	Rosé Koeries	Kai !Korana !Gori Ais Tribe	16 January 2023	E-mail	It is acknowledged that natural resources are important to cultural heritage beliefs and practices and therefore when the Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment report discusses the importance of protecting cultural heritage, it is also emphasising that all reasonable measures must be taken to safeguard and protect nature as well.
	also be so designed as to promote such improvement.					The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of
	I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL					potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Sensitivity of species is assessed based on IUCN listing, the IUCN criteria
1779	LIFE. If granted, this license will further destroy the viability of living things and our planet. It is shortsighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all our sakes.	Rose Wise		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	based on expert-driven biodiversity planning processes (including habitats that meet definitions of 'natural habitat'; or ecosystems with important functional value in maintaining the biotic integrity of habitats), IUCN criteria for range-restricted or migratory/congregatory sepses and IUCN thresholds for Key Biodiversity Areas. Mitigation will follow a hierarchy, as specified in IFC Performance Standard 1, which is widely regarded as a best practice approach to managing risks.
						This is aimed at ensuring that wherever possible potential impact sem illustrate solution it, which is executed the suring that wherever possible potential impacts are mitigated at source rather than mitigated through restoration after the impact has occurred. Any remaining significant residual impacts are then highlighted, and additional actions are proposed.
1707	l object to the proposed drilling off the coast at Mossel Bay because it would interfere with whale migration, the sardine run and the environment. Oil companies have a really bad reputation for destroying the environment and we need to save our coast line. Please register my objections	Rosslyn Blench		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on labilatis, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-
	TotalEnergies EP South Africa B.V. (TEEPSA), together with its joint venture partners, QatarEnergy, Canadian Natural Resources International South Africa Limited, and a South Africa consortium, MainStreet 1549 held an Exploration Right (Exploration Right Ref. No.: 12/3/067) over Block 118/128, located					based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors.
	offshore from the Southern Cape coast, South Africa. To date the exploration programme for Block 11B/12B has been focused on the south-western part of the block and has resulted in d gas and associated condensates discoveries in the Paddavissie fairway including the Brulpadda and Luiperd discoveries					
405	(thereafter referred to as project development area) (CaseID: 20233). The Maritime and Underwater Cultural Heritage (MUCH) unit at the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) would like to thank you for submitting the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) for an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the proposed offshore production right and Environmental Authorisation (EA) applications for block 118/128 off the Southern Cape	Ruan Brand	South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	Comments received from the SAHRA, one of the commenting authorities in terms of the application for EA.
	coast, South Africa under section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, No. 25 of 1999 (NHRA). The proposed activities include exploration, in the form of marine surveys and well drilling, preparation for production consisting of drilling development and appraisal wells, the installation of subsea infrastructure, and modifications to existing infrastructure; and production which will involve the use of this infrastructure to flow gas to a platform for further					
	treatment with lastly, the exporting of gas and condensate to the shore not forming part of this ESIA. SAHRA has reviewed the document and has noted the following. On Page 82 of the DSR, under section 8.1.7, a summary of NHRA is provided. This section is easily misinterpreted as it states that all ship wrecks are					
	administered by SAHRA and that the only applicable heritage resource in the marine environment that the NHRA makes provisions for are ship wrecks. This section must be updated to reflect that: - Wrecks, meaning any vessel or aircraft, or any part thereof, which are older than 60 years, or which SAHRA considers to be worthy of conservation, are					
406	treated as archaeological in the NHRA under section 2(ii)(c) and as such, are administered by SAHRA; and - The scope of heritage resources that are in the marine environment consist of more than just wrecks. The National Estate, which is administered by SAHRA, according to section 3 of the NHRA, includes definitions which are applicable in the marine space, such as, but not limited to, places to which oral traditions	Ruan Brand	South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	Section 8.17 of the Scoping Report has been updated accordingly.
	according to security in the Minky, includes definitions which are approximate in the interference social so, but in the Minky makes to which are associated with living herblage, submerged landscapes and features of cultural significance, archaeological and palaeontological objects and sites, graves and burial grounds, etc. On page 77 of the DSR, under section 7.3.2, a brief overview of marine archaeology is provided. This section is poorly phrased implying that Mossel Bay's					
	history only started in 1487 when the Portuguese landed there, yet it also mentions that there are coastal caves nearby that were occupied up to 40,000 years ago. This section should reflect the rich history of the Southern Cape coast's archaeology which in some instances spans as far back as the Early Stone					
407	Age (ESA). Moreover, as this section speaks to marine archaeology, inclusions must be made reflecting the recent studies on the Palaeo-Aguihas-Plan (PAP). As there is no part of the DSR that speaks to palaeontology, this section can also be updated to include information relating to some of the fossits that have been discovered in the targeted area, such as those by the 1993 Africana Voyager III demersal cruise, as well as during the recent environmental baseline	Ruan Brand	South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	Section 7.3.2 of the Scoping Report has been updated accordingly.
	studies. There is also a paragraph dedicated to the wreck of the Kiani Satu which wrecked in 2013, and as this wreck is under 60 years of age it currently falls outside the remit of the NHRA and is therefore not considered a heritage resource. There are further minor changes that must be made in in Appendix B (other applicable national legislation) and Appendix C (other applicable international					
	legislation): - The National Policy on South African Living Heritage was adopted by cabinet in 2019, not 2009, as is listed;					
408	- The Protection, Promotion, Development and Management of Indigenous Knowledge Act, No. 6 of 2019 (IKS Act) should also be listed in the table as there are indigenous knowledge systems related to the marrier environment on the Southern Cape coast that might be impacted by some of the proposed activities; - The 2001 Convention on the Protection of the Underwater Cultural Heritage is mentioned twice in the table;	Ruan Brand	South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	Appendices B and C of the Scoping Report has been updated accordingly.
	- The 2003 Convention for the Safeguarding of the Intangible Cultural Heritage is omitted from the table. South Africa is not a state party to this convention, but has been observing for the past two years and there is a process underway to become signatories. As the 2019 National Policy on South African Living Heritage speaks strongly to this convention it should be included in this list.					
	SAHRA is pleased to note that a Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment (CHIA) will be submitted as part of this application, which will assess impacts to intangible cultural heritage. However, as the proposed exploration activities, including the installation of subsea infrastructure, may result in the disturbance of		Couth African Hardens D			A modifine archaeologist has been appointed to module 2 Days 4 U.S.
409	the seabed SAHRA insists that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) be conducted by a suitably qualified maritime archaeologist. Disturbance of the seabed has the potential to identify previously unrecorded tangible heritage resources, such as fossil localities and archaeological ship wrecks. The impact	Ruan Brand	South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	A maritime archaeologist has been appointed to conduct a Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment, as per your recommendation; the scope of work for the study has been included in Section 11.7 of the Final Scoping Report.
***	assessments must suggest mitigation measures for both tangible and intangible heritage resources which must be included in the ESIA. Please note that all updates and/or changes to the project, supporting documentation, correspondence, reports, or ny other work relating to the project must be uploaded to the case on SAHRIS to provide SAHRA with the opportunity to comment. SAHRA does not accept emailed documents or hard-copy	Duran P	South African Heritage Resources Agency	02 5-1	B	Anu correspondence with CALIDA will be unlested at the multiple or
410	documents received via post. Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case unmber quoted above in the case header. I object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be harmful to our	Ruan Brand	(SAHRA)	03 February 2023	Download	Any correspondence with SAHRA will be uploaded to the website as requested. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being
1161 69	wild coast and the wildlife living there. We know that failures can happen and that ordinarily, technical risk assessment are undertaken by the drilling companies. These companies have statistics	Ruan van der Walt Rudolph	Individual	27 January 2023 07 December 2022	E-mail V-Public Mtg.01	undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities. Yes, that is correct and this is the type of information that will be used to model various scenarios and assess various risks, as part of the impact assessment.
69	that relate to the possibility/probability of a failure or oil spill. What is the acceptable statistical value that an oil spill will occur? Is there a value? The proposal intends French firm Total to drill six (+4) wells so as to establish future viability in gas condensate (oil?) extraction. I have three major issues.	rudoipfi	THE TRACE	or December 2022	v-rubilc M(g.U1	The information forms part of technological risk assessment and it is the type of information that is included in risk assessment done for all activities.
640	Motivation/Rationale: The rationale and motivation for this continued use of fossil fuels is made largely on economic grounds. I seriously question this position. Recent activities in SA indicate that green energy may be delivered at a higher pace than originally forecast. Moreover, by pursuing this proposal, the pressure to transform to a	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050.
VHU	carbon-free economy is likely to lose impetus. It is thus necessary to read reports of a plethora of current and recent similar oil and gas initiatives. It is now most important to provide an overview of the existing exploration and extraction rights in the southern African region. In particular, the activities in Namibia	, van uci EISI	morroddi	. 5 . Gordany 2023	L-midli	Section 6 of the Scoping Report discusses the Alternatives, including the no-go option where the project will not proceed. Block 11B/12B is located off the south coast of South Africa and will not affect the west coast or the fishing right agreements between SA and Namibia.
	need to be assessed in the light of the Fisheries Protocol that we have between our countries. Communities:					The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
641	The proposed community/municipal interaction is weak and incomplete. Total SA does not have a great image when it comes to local communities. I find the public participation exercise weak. The focus on public in the coastal towns is misleading. Most of the major development and policy decisions are made in Gauteng and Prefora. Community involvement needs to be more adequately accommodated.	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	The purpose of the Scoping process is to provide local communities within the Project area of influence information about the proposed Project and afford the opportunity to give feedback in terms of concerns, observations and objections that will inform the scope of the ESIA. The ESIA is conducted in terms of the EIA
						regulations 2014, as amended and the Chapter 9 of the Final Scoping Report details the public participation process followed in the Scoping phase. TEEPSA is the operating partner in the joint venture. The shareholding of the joint venture is: TOTAL E & P. South Africa B.V 45%
642	More details on the role of partners such as Qatar should be provided.	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	Orac E or South Artica SV: -4-30 Gatar Petroleum International Upstream LLC - 25% CNR International (South Africa) - 20% Main Street 15-9 (Pty) Ltd - 10% 50 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (100 (1
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COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION The Proposal:	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
643	I have read the scoping report and generally find it strong and convincing. The fact that the former Mossel Bay facility at PetroSA is to be used is a positive feature. I believe that there is a general low risk posed to marine life, making this proposal acceptable.	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority
644 645	The fact that no viable alternatives are proposed weakens the proposal. There is a need to firm up on certain risk aspects that may compromise the actual operations. For example, the use of OMN Wbd vs NADF toxicity needs	Rudy van der Elst Rudy van der Elst	Individual Individual	10 February 2023 10 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 (Need and Desirability) of the Final Scoping Report discusses the Project in the strategic context of decarbonising the South African economy and the commitment to reach Net Zero by 2050. The issues of toxicity of water-based mud (WBM) vs non-aqueous drilling fluid (NADF) will be discussed in the draft ESIA.
	elaboration, or if the 109 km undersea pipe cannot follow the former PetroSA infrastructure.			-		The cill spill and full cutting modeling will provide an indication of the extent of dispersion of a worst-case scenario spill or leak. This information will be considered by the marine ecology and biodiversity team to assess the potential impact on marine life. Mitigation measures will be identified and included in the
646	So too does an accidental spill need more discussion and elaboration on remedial opportunities.	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	Project Environmental Management Programme. These will align with the environmental risk assessment undertaken as part of the Closure Plan that is required by the Financial Provisioning Regulations 2015, as amended for latent environmental impacts that may arise post closure.
647	Every opportunity should be taken to collect data and to have research expertise as part of the team. However this should not be seen as a blank cheque and careful management and controls must be in place. Such Conditions must be firm and deviations are not permitted. These conditions should also be in the public domain.	Rudy van der Elst	Individual	10 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and will be taken into consideration by the Competent Authority.
12	Has the national Department of Forestry and Fisheries (DFFE) been consulted as they are currently drafting a marine zoning plan.	Rulien Volschenk	Overberg District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-02	WSP is engaging with National and Provincial regulators as part of the Scoping phase. A detailed assessment of all potential unplanned events will be undertaken as part of the ESIA process. Over and above the environmental and social
14	Please provide information regarding the disaster management and associated protocols that will be followed as part of the proposed project.	Rulien Volschenk	Overberg District Municipality	05 December 2022	V-FGM-02	management plan (ESMP) that will be developed as part of the ESIA, an Emergency Response Plan, Oil Spill Contingency Plan and Blow Out Contingency Plan will be developed as a standalone document for the project. The ESMP will outline the regulatory approval process for these plans.
695	l object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it will have a catastrophic impact on the environment and especially the marine life. Directorate: Biodiversity and Coastal Management:	Russell Barry	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures.
348	4.1. This Directorate notes and supports the assessment of noise impacts on mammals from the proposed seismic survey activities and ancillary support activities (i.e., support vessel noise). The applicant is further encouraged to assess the potential cumulative impacts (from other noise-generating activities in	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The existing ambient noise and potential cumulative effects from other noise-generating activities in the licence block are anticipated to be considered in the Marine Acoustics assessment.
349	the licence block). 4.2. Please be advised that in accordance with the requirements of the Protocol for Specialist Assessment and Minimum Report Content Requirements for Noise Impacts published in Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020, the details and relevant expertise, including a curriculum vitae, of the appointed	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that details and relevant expertise, including a curriculum vitae, of the appointed specialist will be included.
	specialist for the Marine Acoustic Assessment must be included in the Draft EIA Report.	.,,,	Development Planning (DEA&DP)			This potential impact cannot be eliminated because it is essential to the proposed activities — there is no alternative routing that avoids CBA Natural Areas, given the location of the FA platform relative to the Leiper resource. Mitigation will include the following: -Routing options must account for areas of high sensitivity, and those areas should be avoided. -Pipeline routing should be optimised to minimise the amount of trenching required, which will also minimise the unavoidable impacts of increased suspended
350	4.3. The applicant highlighted that the development of subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-compatible within CBAs and that the environmentally preferred option is to reroute the pipeline to avoid CBAs. However, the applicant intends to not implement the environmentally preferable option as avoidance may not be feasible. Please be advised that the integrity of CBAs should not be compromised. As such, the applicant is advised to ensure that the proposed subsea pipeline avoid these sensitive environments or provide adequate reasons why avoidance is not possible.	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	sediment and sedimentation rates in the vicinity of pipelaying activities. -Pre-construction site ROV surveys must be untaken to ensure construction activities do not disturb or destroy the sensitive and significant vulnerable marine system indicator aprilamation munities identified in the marine ecological impact assessment (based on in situ preliminary ROV and drop camera campaign dat from late 2022), vulnerable habitats (e.g., hard grounds), and structural features (e.g., rocky outcrops). These surveys must make use of suitable expertise to identify areas of sensitivity on site of sensitivity on site of sensitivity on site of sensitivity on site of sensitivity or site. -Further mitigation includes ensuring that the installation of pipelines and manifolds locations are not located within a one km radius of any sensitive species, habitats or structures. Despite these mitigation measures, CBA Natural areas will still be impacted. If complete avoidance mitigation is not possible, alternative areas of similar community structure, function, size and level of diversity to the one impacted must be identified and ringfenced as an offset area. This must be undertaken as and of compromise negotiations in current or future NSP processes, (as is provided for in Harris et al 2022).
351	4.4. This Directorate notes that Offshore MPAs near Block 11B/12B include the Indian Seamounts MPA to the southwest of the block, and the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA to the northeast. Section 48 of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No. 57 of 2003) FINEM: PAAT) states that no person may conduct commercial prospecting or mining activities in a protected environment without the written permission of the Minister and the Cabinet member responsible for minerals and energy affairs. According to page 89 of the DSR, several I&APs have been identified, including CapeNature, the fishing industry, South African Mariatime Safety Authority, relevant offshore regulatory authorities (i.e., Department of Porstry, Fisheriers and the Environment's Branches for Fisheries, and Oceans and Coasts), South African Hydrographic Office, Port Authorities, and Marine Research Institutions. Please	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that the Minister of Environment Affairs is included in the I&AP database and has received notification of the project and relevant documents.
352	note that the Minister responsible for environmental affairs must also be consulted, per section 48 of the NEM. PAA, 2003. 4.5. This Directorate acknowledges the recommendation that where the seabed survey results indicate special environmental features such as corals at the planned location, alternative locations would need to be considered before proceeding with drilling. Please note that the presence of such sensitive features must be identified and the impact of the proposed activities on such sensitive features must be assessed during the EIA process, as this information must be considered by the competent authority to ensure informed decision—making.	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available and will be used in the marine impact assessment to quantify these impacts more accurately. These results will also be used to identify potential areas of offset, should avoidance not be possible.
353	4.6. As a state department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment, this Department has a constitutional monate to ensure that the environment is protected and to secure ecologically sustainable development. The Atlainal Environmental Management Act, 198 (Act, No. 107 of 1998) ("NEMA") requires the consideration of all relevant factors for sustainable development, including that a risk-averse and cautious approach be applied that considers the limits of current knowledge about the consequences of decisions and actions. This Directorate advises that competent authority should adopt a risk-averse and cautious approach in its decision-making, based on the limited knowledge available to determine cumulative impacts on the marine environment.	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
354	47. Whilst the applicant has indicated that an assessment of underwater noise impacts from the project will be carried out for several project activities, it should be noted that the conclusiveness of scientific knowledge is currently being contested, as considered in the Western Cape High Court Judgement in the case of Christian John Adams & Others v Minister of Mineral Resources and Energy & Others (case number: 1308/22) where applicants in this matter presented the argument that cumulative impacts of seismic surveys have not been studied in South Africa, and that the impact on fish assemblages was difficult to interpret. 48. The cumulative impacts of seismic surveying are purely speculative at this stage. It is therefore essential that a Strategic Environmental Assessment	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The Environmental Authorisation application is in support of a Production Right application. The seismic surveys for Block 11B/12B were completed in 2019 and no seismic surveys will be undertaken during the Project phases.
355	4.8. The cumulative impacts of sesmic surveying are purely speculative at this stage. It is therefore essential that a Strategic Environmental Assessment ("SEA") be conducted from an environmental, social and economic prespective, and this should be instituted at the earliest possible opportunity, it is recommended that a SEA, based on spatial planning principles, be undertaken to assess and manage potential cumulative impacts in a holistic manner and identify and implement regional level mitigation measures. The competent authority must take cognisions of this recomment to undertake a SEA to identify and implement regional seases cumulative impacts. 4.9. This Directorate therefore does not support further offshore petroleum reconnaissance, exploration, prospecting, or production activities until such time	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects will be assessed in the ESIA. A Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (e.g., drilling rig, vessels) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species.
356	4.5. This Directorate therefore does not support traitful or subsidier peroleum recommissance, exploitation, prospecting, or production activities units out that sufficient that Sufficient and strategic level information is available on the cumulative impacts of these activities for this Directorate to apply its mind and provide informed comments on such applications, and not consider each application for seismic surveying in isolation of each other.	Ryan Apolles	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects will be assessed in the ESIA. A Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (e.g., drilling rig, vessels) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species. The objection has been recorded. The environmental importance of the Agulhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be
654	I would like to raise my objection to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay for the following reasons: 1. The planned area is an environmentally sensitive area which lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. The planned area borders on a Marine Protected area.	Sabrina Adams	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	onsidered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
655 656	3.Government officials stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. 4.Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavours along coastline.	Sabrina Adams Sabrina Adams	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The environmental risks will be considered in the ESIA specialist studies, particularly the oil spill modelling to be undertaken.
657	5.This plan will contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment.	Sabrina Adams	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. WSP has a formal system of reviewing each prospect prior to bidding on an opportunity. The review process addresses, among other issues, the potential for a
658	6. The ESIA being done by WSP (A consulting firm that consults both on environmental and oil and gas drilling industry) - which is a huge conflict of interest. There as been evidence of misconduct by the consulting firm: for the public participation meeting in George the consultants mis advertised the meeting the	Sabrina Adams	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	conflict of interest and once that has been addressed, the decision to proceed with a bid will be made. WSP service offers are either stand-alone specialist disciplines or a combination of engineering and environmental services where that responds to the needs of clients. For the Block 118/12B project, WSP has been appointed for environmental services only. As a global company, learnings and experience from other oil and gas related projects can be drawn upon for use in the local context, as and when required. The scoping process for the ESA was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the
659 1787	day before with a loud hailer telling the community of Thembalethu that they could come and sign up for jobs at the meeting. 400 people came with their ID books expecting to get a job. I object	Sabrina Adams Sally Ann Talbot	Individual	03 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1707	Thereby register my objection to TotalEnergies' proposed offshore production and additional exploration for Block 11B/12B, Ref No: 12/4/13 PR based on the following concerns:	Outy Ain Tulou		OTTOBIORY 2020	тись-рр	The separation has been recorded and this as considered by the computer relationty.
332	1) The public participation process for this ESIA is deeply flawed due to bureaucratic bungling that completely ignored including any communities to the west of Mosei Bay, who would be directly affected by any major accident that might occur on the project due to the fact that the strong Agulhas current flows from east to west along that stretch of coastline and would spread any oil or other polition along the coastline of those western communities. This includes Boggoms Bay, Gouritz, Still Bay, Witsand, Arniston, Struis Bay, Cape Agulhas, etc. Thus the public participation process needs to be extended to include these ignored communities. 2)2) Alt the East London public meeting that I attended on 26th January 2023, TotalEnergies stated that if they went ahead with the project, their plan would be	Samantha Bailey	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. The public participation process is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where PASA sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
333	to construct the infrastructure required (wells, pipeline, etc.), and then hand the project over to PetroSA for the actual production. PetroSA is a state-owned entity of the South African government that is mired in corruption and incompetence, and it is very questionable that they the capacity to run the production in an efficient, effective and SAFE manner. Not only does this raise the high likelihood that the financial imanagement of the production could be severely compromised by corruption (with impacts on maintenance, etc.) but also this hugely raises the risk of major accidents occurring with devastating long-term impacts on the environment and all social and economic activity related to that environment. PetroSA has yet to account for the environmental damage caused by their condensate pipeline running from the offshore FA platform to the GTL refinery in Mossel Bay, and this is the exact platform that TotalEnergies plans to use for this proposed project. The ESIA specialist studies need to incorporate PetroSA's involvement in all the potential impacts and subsequent mitigation plans that are being considered for the proposed project as a whole.	Samantha Bailey	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	PetroSA is required to obtain the relevant permits and licences in order to operate the F-A Platform and the Gas-to-Liquid facility (PetroSA). The assessment of potential impacts includes operational activities and identifies mitigation measures that will be incorporated into PetroSA's Management Plans and Standard Operating Procedures for operational activities.
334	Impacts included nothing about climate change impacts. Granted the list stated that it was incomplete and would be detailed in the ESM's studies, but nonetheless, the omission backs up Oceans Not Oil's claim of TotalEnergies' litary of denial and deflection of attention away from the wilful global endangerment by promoting fossil fuel products. The brochure also states that the ESM will propose mitigation to reduce severity of any impact, but the ESM specialist studies need to examine how exactly TotalEnergies has mitigated their enormous damage to the climate to date, and how they propose to do this for this cardioular proiect.	Samantha Bailey	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA study will consider the greenhouse gas emissions and the impact of the project on climate change.
335	(4)This ESIA needs to undertake a Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) for offshore Oil & Gas production in South Africa. Considering the potential for massive pollution being present, a rigorous, independent and proactive SEA should be undertaken to inform the environmental viability of this offshore oil and gas proposal.	Samantha Bailey	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) is focused for policies, plans and programmes. An Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) is applied at a project level
861	1.Notification of meeting in Plettenberg Bay was utterly inadequate.	Sandi Cooper	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The meeting recording as well as the meeting notes are available via WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartiphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128. Furthermore, Section 9 of the Frial Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape: Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). Provision of printed documents for review at various public places. Placement of site notices at various public places. A dedicated email address (teepsatIA@WSPcom) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3842). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. Face-lo-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone or influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Eage. Sector specific online focus group meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Eage. Sector specific online focus group meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Eage. An additional meeting was requested by local community members at 1500 and this was communicated to the stakeholders on the I&AP database via bulk SMS. The additional meeting was requested due to concerns with the availability of transport. The scoping
862	2.The area is in the Agulhas current path of migration for sardines, whales and others.	Sandi Cooper	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals.
863 864	3.CO2 stored in the ocean bed that could be released, environmental issue. 4.High environmental risk to fishing and the environment, as well as tourism.	Sandi Cooper Sandi Cooper	Individual Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. Potential impact on the marine environment, fishers and tourism will be assessed through dedicated studies as part of the ESIA process.
865 866	S.Risk of corruption ever present. The proposed site borders a marine reserve.	Sandi Cooper Sandi Cooper	Individual Individual	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Your comment is noted. The Block Til2/18 production right area (the area in which drilling/other proposed activities will occur) is south of the Kingkip Corals EBSA. Other MPAs close the block include the Port Elizabeth Corals MPA (to the northeast corner, almost bordering the production right area) and the Southwest Indian Seamounts (some 12 km to the south of the production right area). The marine impact assessment will take into account all potential impacts on these MPAs and teBSA that has will be undertaken through dispersion, oil spill and noise modelling studies that will specifically consider the impacts at these MPAs and EBSAs under worst case conditions. Mitigation requirements will likely include that sensitive species, habitats or structures are given a suitable buffer zone from the installation of pipelines, drilling operations etc. The zone of impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, one far field of spill, and drill cuttings modelling
1111	I would like to register as an Interested and affected party for this project/ESIA. I am a resident of Plettenberg Bay and an independent environmental practitioner. I have conducted a number of environmental impact assessment studies.	Sandra Rippon	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	pipelines, draining operations etc. I ne zone or impact will be detailed in the marine impact assessment, once far need oil spill, noise and drail cuttings modelling results are comblete. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1112	I attended the public meeting at the Plesang Valley Hali P Plettenberg Bay. My comments are as follows: 1) The public participation period: commencing the public participation period on the 01 December 2022, given the annual holiday season in December, and closing of schools and businesses, is highly suspect. Why did WSP not wait until the start of the year (e.g.16 January) in 2023 before commencing the 30-day comment period?	Sandra Rippon	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	A decision to start the consultation process in December was simply a function of the way the project has developed over time. A first round of introductory meetings was undertaken in 2022 with further extensive consultation undertaken in January 2023. Due to stakeholder interest in the project, an extension to the public comment period was made to 14 February, to allow for further opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to the scoping phase of the project. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification
1113	2) As mentioned by several attendees, notice of the meeting was not received until yesterday when posted by the Mayor on social media.	Sandra Rippon	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: -Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). -Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different language -Placement of site notices at various public places. -Data-free vebsite to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128) -A dedicated email address (teepsaElA@WSPcom) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3842). -In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. -Face-to-face public meetings were convered in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed repriet area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings were sloc convened in January 2023. -The original meeting date and time at the Plesang Community Hall did not change. An additional meeting was requested by local community members at 15:00 and this was communicated to the stakeholders on the I&AP database via bulk SMS. The additional meeting was requested due to concerns with the availability of transport. The scoping phase consultation process marked the beginning of the public participation process. There will be the original review of the public of transport. The scoping phase consultation process marked the beginning of the public participation process. There will be the properturities for the public or the public original process.
	3) The Garden Route region is highly dependent on tourism for employment and economic development. Is there going to be an assessment on the negative					to participate during the next round of meetings that will take place in the next phase of the ESIA, namely the impact assessment phase.
1114	impacts to the tourism industry (e.g., the ocean whale and dolphin watching businesses, deep sea fishing. The jobs provided in the tourism sector are likely to be far greater than those provided by this project, which are probably going to be taken up by highly skilled, specialist contractors such as the international ship drilling rigs.	Sandra Rippon	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	The socio-economic study will assess potential impacts of the project on tourism. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the socio-economic assessment, will identify the number and type of employment opportunities that the project can support.
1115	4) I am greatly concerned about the impacts to marine biodiversity in this region with its high biodiversity value and believe the precautionary principle should be applied.	Sandra Rippon	Individual	29 January 2023	E-mail	A precautionary approach is indeed required. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
1146	I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Sanette Stiles	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available ilterature, as
1747	I object! You are ruining our planet	Sarah Klipin		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	well as in situ survey data. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 11B/12B project.
1071	I hope the email reaches you. As a Leader from my Fisher community I like to meet some of your stakeholders. We staying 100/at sea level. And asked for a meeting with your people. Please inform us when and where. Because we staying in the Southern Wescoust.	Sarah Niemand	Buffeljagbaai Community	02 December 2022	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to provide you with information on the Block 11B/12B project. Further to the telephonic conversation on the 14th of February 2023, the ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a response as soon as more information is available.
1472	Ms Niemand is a leader of a small fishing village on the Overstrand. There are several fishing villages in the area extending between Buffeljagsbaai, Gansbaai,	Sarah Niemand	Buffelsjagbaai Community	14 February 2023	Phone	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1473	Hermanus, Hawston, Kleinmond. Altogether she estimates that there are approximately between 3000 – 4000 fishers who make a living from the sea. They have heard that there are workshops and meetings and would like to find out for themselves what the project is about.	Sarah Niemand	Buffelsjagbaai Community	14 February 2023	Phone	The comment has been recorded.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE As indicated during the telephone discussion with the Public Participation Office on the 14 February 2023, the ESIA team is reviewing requests for meetings to
1474 1475	The fisher villages are small, and people must travel 35 km to take their children to school. There are also no shops and limited infrastructure. The fishers are concerned about TotalEnergies' Block 11B/12B oil and gas project, the drilling in the sea and the impacts on small-scale fishers.	Sarah Niemand Sarah Niemand	Buffelsjagbaai Community Buffelsjagbaai Community	14 February 2023 14 February 2023	Phone Phone	As included using the despiration exposition with the Public For independent of the ESIA process. Your concerns are noted. Potential impacts on small scale fishers will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
1476	She is raising her children from the sea. How would she be able to raise her children, if the project has an impact on their food security and livelihoods? She is also coordinating women in the village to produce alikreukel, "seevye konflyt" (directly translated this is "sea fig jam") and pickles. Although they	Sarah Niemand	Buffelsjagbaai Community	14 February 2023	Phone	Potential impacts on local community livelihoods will be assessed as part of the social impact assessment that will be done as part of the ESIA.
1477	produce on a small scale, they pay for the ingredients from their pockets and are also looking at the possibilities of creating a small market or outlet area to generate income for women. Although there is not really a "dosed season" for fishing, the crayfishing season is closed in May. However, this does not mean that the fishers do not go out	Sarah Niemand Sarah Niemand	Buffelsjagbaai Community Buffelsjagbaai Community	14 February 2023 14 February 2023	Phone	The ESIA socio-economic study will consider the potential impact of the project on small-scale fisher communities. WSP understands that fishers in these sectors would target other species during closed seasons, and are therefore essentially fishing all year round. This will be
103	to sea. They fish during the "closed season" to survive. In terms of the spatial frameworks within SA, to use coastlines to bring business into the local communities, what is the commitment from TEEPSA to facilitate the currism industry within the local communities and closest towns? What is the plan to assist these local economies? Are there any initiatives to	Sean Achim	Plein Business Chamber	19 January 2023	V-FGM-11	considered in the marine and fisheries impact assessment. These issues form part of the social and labour plan and will also be addressed in the economic and socio-economic assessments that will form part of the
	assist local communities? I do not see good local community representatives in this meeting. Local communities find it difficult to sustain themselves. Investment needs to occur in the			-		impact assessment phase. These aspects are not looked at in isolation and are assessed by the relevant specialists on the project. There are a number of public meetings that are being held to engage with the local communities. Meetings with the fisheries and local business are also being held.
104 87	local communities to address the injustices of the past. There needs to be commitment from the project to ensure business development and upliffment of the local communities.	Sean Achim	Plein Business Chamber	19 January 2023	V-FGM-11 V-FGM-08	Based on engagement with the local communities, it has been noted that a key theme is the benefit of the project on the local communities. This is being looked at and assessed by the project and relevant specialist studies.
88	The shapefiles should be made available to all fishing organisations. Trying to read the technical reports in 30 days is not easy. It will we beneficial to be able to comment on the draft reports.	Sean Walker Sean Walker	South African Tuna Longline Association South African Tuna Longline Association	18 January 2023 18 January 2023	V-FGM-08	Shapefiles are available and will be shared. The shapefiles will be forwarded to you. The draft specialist studies will be made available as an appendix to the draft EIA report. Stakeholders will be notified when these reports become available for public comment.
1265	The Directorate: Blodwersity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the report. Based on the information provided in the report, Block 118/128 falls within the warm temperate south coast which is a region of high endemism and diversity. The habitalt threat status of all the ecosystem types within the Production Right Area and proposed pipeline routing is "Least Concern", while the	Seoka Lekota	Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment, Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation	24 January 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, it is appreciated and will be taken into account in the marine impact assessment.
1266	Agulhas Blues is considered "Near Threatened. The substrate in the area is classified as "Southwest Indian Unclass Sidned Slopes. Offshore Marine Protected Area (MPA) near Block 1181/12B include the Southwest Indian Seamounts MPA to the orthest. Orall Seamounts MPA to the northeast. The northern border of Block 1181/12B falls alongside the full extent of the Kingklip Corals' Ecologically or Biologically or Bio	Seoka Lekota	Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment, Directorate: Biodiversity	24 January 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment, it is appreciated and will be taken into account in the marine impact assessment.
1200	Significant Areas (EBSA) and lies just to the northeast of the Shackleton Seamount Complex Ecologically Significant Areas (EBSA).	Seuka Lekuta	Conservation	24 January 2023	E-IIIdii	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with
1267	The proposed pipeline routing passes through the southwestern corner of the Kingklip Corals Ecologically or Biologically Significant Areas (EBSA). The proposed pipeline routing passes through a Critical Biodiversity Area (CBA) Natural Area. The northwestern corner of Block 11B/12B intersects the Southern Coastal and Shelf Waters Important Marine Mammal Areas (IMMA). Kindly note that any development within a very highly sensitive area that will result with significant negative residual impacts after mitigation is prohibited, therefore the project should avoid all highly sensitive areas.	Seoka Lekota	Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment, Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation	24 January 2023	E-mail	specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. Preliminary ROV and foro carrier aprilar results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. *Routing options must account for areas of high sensitivity, and those areas should be avoided. *Popletine routing should be optimised to minimise the amount of trenching required, which will also minimise the unavoidable impacts of increased suspended sediment and sedimentation rates in the vicinity of pipelaying activities. *Pre-construction alse ROV surveys must be unlasten to ensure construction activities do not disturb or destroy the sensitive and significant vulnerable marine system indicator epifaunal communities identified in the marine ecological impact assessment (based on in situ preliminary ROV and drop camera campaign data from late 2022), vulnerable habitats (e.g., hard grounds), and structural features (e.g., rocky outcrops). These surveys must make use of suitable expertise to identify areas of sensitivity on site. *Curther mitigation includes ensuring that the installation of pipelines and manifolds locations are not located within a one km radius of any sensitive species, habitats or structures (Table 7 6). *Despite these mitigation measures, CBA Natural areas will still be impacted. Therefore, as complete avoidance mitigation is not possible, alternative areas of similar community structure, function and size to the one impacted must be identified and ringfenced as an offset area (as is provided for in Harris et al 2022).
1268	Considering the above and the stage of the EIA process for the proposed development, the Directorate Biodiversity Conservation does not have any objection with the proposed DSR & Plan of Study.	Seoka Lekota	Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment, Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation	24 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP and will be informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Your comment has been recorded.
1269	All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@environment.gov.za for attention of Mr Seoka Lekola.	Seoka Lekota	Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment, Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation	24 January 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1131	I am an interested and affected party. I am a RSA Resident and Tax payer – and want to protect South Africa's Environment, oceans, and tourism industry, I am against all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment which consequently impacts me, and furture generations. There is no properly conducted	Sharon Schoutens	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify environmental and social risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them. The
	ElA that would condone such actions. TOTAL Leave our Oceans Alone!! Total you have caused enough environmental damage and reaped enough profits . Enough is Enough. Stop.		THE STATE OF THE S		11888	findings of the ESIA will be submitted to the competent authority for informed decision-making. The timing of the public participation process is dependent on the commencement of the ESIA and, in this instance, the ESIA commenced in September 2022.
1291	As a person who is extremely busy with seasonal business on the Garden Route, I find it unpleasantly suspicious that the publication of information and the period for submission of material has been perfectly placed over the holiday season. Shame on you! I will provide comment at a later period.	Sharon van Hees	Individual	12 February 2023	E-mail	The public comment period commenced on 1 December 2022 and ended on 3 February 2023; however, this was extended to 14 February 2023 in response to requests from stakeholders for more time to comment. The EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, stipulate that no public participation may take place between 15 December and 5 January and the 30-day comment period allowed for this requirement.
1292 1676	Sustainable power supplies are what the world should be looking at now – wind, solar, etc. why are you still targeting fossil fuels with all that we know about them now? Get with the new age.	Sharon van Hees	Individual	12 February 2023	E-mail	Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1127	Concerned citizen. I object to Total energys wish to drill holes in our ocean because it's unethical I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me.	Shawn Greyling Shelly Sanders	Individual	02 February 2023 03 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1643	I wish to lodge my objections to the Total energy plans	Shereen Digre		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
346	3. Directorate: Development Management (Region 3) 3.1. According to Figure 7-14 of the DSR, the proposed exploration right area falls almost entirely within the Kingklip Corals Ecologically or Biologically Significant Area (*EBSA*) and what appears to be a Marine Protected Area (*MPA*). (Please note, the MPA is difficult to ascertain due to the colour scheme being used for the legend). Whilst it is acknowledged that no specific management actions have been formulated for EBSAs, cognisance must be taken that the objective an EBSA is to identify features of higher ecological value that may require enhanced conservation and management measures. As such, a precautionary approach should be taken to avoid regative environmental impacts on an EBSA. The location of the proposed exploration and appraisal drilling	Shireen Pullen	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The production right area as indicated in Figure 7-16 excludes the Kingklip Corals EBSA, and no drilling or other such proposed activities will take place within this EBSA. Effects of activities undertaken within the production right area that may affect the EBSA and surrounding MPAs are bring quantified through far field oil and drill cuttings modelling studies, as well as noise modelling studies.
347	and related activities in relation to the EBSA should be identified during the environmental impact reporting stage. 3.2. According to the DSR, the proposed pipeline routing passes through a Critical Biodiversity Area ("CBA") Natural Area. The development of subsea pipelines associated with oil and gas processes are considered non-compatible within a CBA Natural area. As a rule, this Directorate does not support development that is not compatible with the management objectives of a CBA. Whilst the DSR has indicated that the environmentally preferred option of rerouting the pipeline to avoid the CBA may not be feasible, it has not provided reasons for the statement. Please provide reasons why the impact management hierarchy of avoidance cannot be implemented for the proposed pipeline routing. (In this regard, please also refer to paragraph 4.3. below.)	Shireen Pullen	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	Thank you for the comment. Indeed, the development of oil and gas subsea pipeline infrastructure is non-compatible within a CBA Natural area. This potential impact cannot be eliminated because it is essential to the proposed activities — there is no alternative routing that avoids CBA Natural Areas, given the location of the F-A platform relative to the Luiperd resource. Mitigation will include the following: Routing options must account for areas of high sensitivity, and those areas should be avoided. *Plepeline routing should be optimised to minimise the amount of trenching required, which will also minimise the unavoidable impacts of increased suspended sediment and sedimentation rates in the vicinity of pipelaying activities. *Pre-construction site ROV surveys must be untaken to ensure construction activities do not disturb or destroy the sensitive and significant vulnerable marine system indicator epifaunal communities identified in the marine ecological impact assessment (based on in situ preliminary ROV and drop camera campaign data from late 2022), vulnerable habitas (e.g., hard grounds), and structural features (e.g., rocky outcrops). These surveys must make use of suitable expertise to identify areas of sensitivity on site. *Further mitigation includes ensuring that the installation of pipelines and manifolds locations are not located within a one km radius of any sensitive species, habitats or structures. Despite these mitigation measures, CBA Natural areas will still be impacted. If complete avoidance mitigation is not possible, alternative areas of similar community structure, function, size and level of diversity to the one impacted must be identified and ringfenced as an offset area. This must be undertaken as
1720	I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our	Shirley Oheny		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision.
1544	local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet. Hi, pis register me to the list of people which are against the proposed project of new Gaz/pipe line of the coast of Mosselbay and further along.	Shirley Obery Simrha GIBBS		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	We confirm that you have been registered as an I&AP. Your objection has been noted. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed
1198	I would like to voice my objection to the drilling or start of an operation to drill for oil and gas in our east coast for Total energies or for any body for that matter for the following reasons: 1) Our Indian coans is home so some of the biggest migration of fish in the subcontinent such as whales. 2) The biggest shoal on earth which is composed of sardine run, sharks, birds, dolphins etc that all join a unique journey of sardine run. This journey creates sustainable revenue for our country.	Sinegugu Zukulu	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Block 1181/28 project. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (impiration etc.) using an ecosystem-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve magnetize in the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the 'importance' (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or 'vulnerability' (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario. Preliminary ROV and drop camera epifauna results from a 2022 in situ survey of the production area and proposed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marrie impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marrine ecology team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including estanders, Ramars sites els.) The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the price fleeyed. The marrine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drillidackarges modelling study, and a noise editing study. Separation and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safely exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of infesh stocks insolver (including MPAs and estuates) will assessed in the
1199	3) Allowing this operation puts us on a path for a risk of oil spill. If an oil spill happens these following will be impacted; We as coastal communities are dependent on the ocean for many spiritual reasons such as Amatola (Traditional healers who use the ocean). Many African independent churches that use the ocean for baptismal ceremonies. Traditional healers Amaggirha use the ocean as part of training in coastal communities. Our ancient ancestors reside in the	Sinegugu Zukulu	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	assessment. The impact significance of oil leaks and spills on cultural heritage will be assessed as part of dedicated specialist studies that form part of the ESIA process.
	ocean. PROTECTION OF OCEANS FOR SUSTAINABLE CONSUMPTION THROUGH TOURISM WOULD BE THE WAY TO BENEFIT ALL. 4) The time for reliance on fossil fuels is over and our country should move away. Coastal communities are the most vulnerable to climate change. We have					Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's
1200	seen how the recent floods killed mainly the poor. We need to move away from fossil fuels. This scheme will of caise enrich the few shareholders of total energy while impacting the lives of many who rely on the ocean. Our Indian Ocean has got some of the highest number of endemic fish species that deserve to be protected for sustainable eco-tourism development.	Sinegugu Zukulu Sinegugu Zukulu	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail	integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystem-shased approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Preliminary ROV and drop camera replinara results from a 2022 in stu survey of the production area and expressed pipeline routing options will be made available for use in the marine impact assessment to quantify habitats and therefore, potential impacts, more accurately. This 2022 ROV and drop camera campaign surveyed both the proposed pipeline routing areas, as well as sites in a number of habitat types within the production right area. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology learn to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including sites important to endemic fish species in the area, like estuaries and MPAs). The results of this study will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifelycet. The marine impact assessment will assist include an assessment of the overlap between fisheries operations and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill discharges modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the ol and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential
1202	NB: If I'm not registred as IAP please register me. I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity that adequaces are local and objects because the second of the second	Sinegugu Zukulu	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess
1499	that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is eff destructive and damaging to ALL LUEE. If granted, this license will knither destroy the viability of living inhiga and our plant. It is short-sliphed and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all	Sinta Schroeder		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate them. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
81	our sakes. In terms of the first presentation, there was an indication of the vessels that will be utilised in the drilling process. I want to check if our counterparts, that is DMRE, would have similar equipment to conduct site inspections. Normally the modus operandi would be to conduct site inspections where the activity is	Siyabonga Gqalangile	Director responsible for Environmental Affairs in the Eastern Cape	07 December 2022	V-Public Mtg.01	The DMRE will be in a better position to answer your question as this application falls under the MPRDA, its various Regulations and the mine Health and Safety Acts and other related regulations. The DMRE and other regulatory authorities have the right to inspect any facility at any time. Possible ways of inspecting the
1508	proposed. How would they conduct site inspections where the proposed development? I would like to register as an interested third party - objecting the proposed Mossel Bay pipeline.	Sonja Caroline		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	site could include the use of helicopters. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will continue to send you information on the Block 11B/12B project, your objection has been recorded.
1134	I strongly object to TEEPSA gaining rights to develop resources along the Southern Coast of Africa	Niederhumer Sonja Smit	Individual	26 January 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1500	I would like to object regarding the Totals plans to drill a gas pipeline off Mossel Bay	Stacey Engelbrecht		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1712	I am against Total's plans! The EMS Foundation confirms its interest as I&AP for the proposed activities in Block 11B/12B. We would like to be included in all correspondence relative to	Stefan Lessing Stefania Santaga		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that the EMS Foundation is registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project.
903	the next phases and processes of this consultation; we reserve all rights to comment accordingly. Kindly acknowledge receipt of this correspondence, This is ANOTHER strocity directed at the South African people. We are ALL dealing with SO much already, and now this corrupt, greedy government, is now supporting TotalEnergies through PetroSA, to drill off our beautiful coastline, in no less than than 10 places!!!! along a 120km stretch of ocean. This was a similar move made by Shell and we SAcans, stood together, and supported the fragile communities that try to kee out a living from fishing. They deserve to do that in pristine oceans! Not oceans polluted by oil Look at what has happened in Nigeria, in the delta! The locals were totally excluded (work is NOT and	Falcon Stephanie Anne Rielly	EMS Foundation	01 February 2023	E-mail	The comments have been recorded
1053	NEVER will be provided for the locals, as is 'promised') and they began stealing from the oil pipes and completely contaminated that once beautiful life-giving area. The colonists fucked up years ago, going into countries they had NO business in, and now you short-sighted, money-grabbing, self-serving imbeciles, are doing it some MOREI fuck off and use your money and power to do GOOD, KIND and UPLETING works for humanity. The world KEEDS that, Not what you people are preposing Please, make your legacy one that breaks the mold of just taking and leaving a trail of poverty and unhappiness behind. PLEASE Please register me as an I&A party.	Stephen Müller	Overstrand Municipality	02 February 2023 05 January 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
926	Prease register me as an IAA parry. This [email from Muriel Hua Yoon regarding KwaNonqaba meeting] is not acceptable with such a controversial EIA which has been brought to my attention:	Steve & Barbara	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA	17 January 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
927	The hall was jam-packed and overflowing with local residents, numbering over 400. They told me WSP, the environmental consultant, had gone around the township yesterday with a loud haler inviting them to 'register for jobs'. So they all turned up en masse with their ID books this morning.	Gettliffe Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	(WESSA) Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	The ESIA scoping process was advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts on radio stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023 to notify the public of the proposed project and the public consultation process. The meeting was specifically advertised as a discussion concerning the proposed project and the ESIA process. Section 9.12 of the Final Scoping Report describes the public consultation process.
928	There were about 30 questions from the floor – all relating to jobs. Not a single environmental concern was raised.	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	There is a regulatory requirement for the ESIA to consult with I&APs. The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) is a requirement of the Production Right application and addresses skills development. TEEPS is at the beginning of the consultation process for this project and these meetings are held to help identify the issues that are important to local communities so they are considered in the next phase of the ESIAA stated in the public meetings, the purpose of public participation is to provide an opportunity for people to raise diversity of perspectives to enrich the ESIA, which in turn provide the Competent Authority with information to make a decision about whether to grant the production right and environmental authorisation. The Lead Facilitator's role, and that of PAI public meetings are to listen and document attendees' views and comments. Attendees have a right to freedom of speech and a procedurally fair and just process.
929	A local lawyer, Gama Lunguni, welcomed Total's application 'wholeheartedly'. He then condemned the Bloom Association of the Netherlands who planned to stop the project, just as they had stopped Shell's seismic exploration'.	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	The objectives of the ESIA scoping phase are to share information about the proposed project, ESIA and public participation process, Plans of Study for impact assessment, and opportunities for comment; for I&APs to contribute issues of concern, questions, comments and to make recommendations; and for I&APs to comment on the proposed Plans of Study for impact assessment. As stated in the public meetings, the purpose of public participation is to provide an opportunity for people to raise diversity of perspectives to enrich the ESIA, which in turn provide the Competent Authority with information to make a decision about whether for grant the production right and environmental authorisation. The Leaf Facilitator's role, and that of the EAP at public meetings are to listen and document attendees' views and comments. Attendees have a right to freedom of speech and a procedurally fair and just process.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
930	Clearly, Total is sham-loading the Scoping process with signatures of township residents from Mossel Bay to St Francis Bay to claim that they had 'conducted an extensive public participation process'. Why else would they choose mainly township venues such as KwaNonqaba, Thembalethu and Khayalethu for the public meetings?	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	TEEPSA initiated a programme of raising awareness of the Block 11B/12B Production Right application in communities in the towns where the public meetings were held. All activities undertaken by TEFPSA in this programme are independent of the ESIA stakeholder engagement activities arranged and undertaken by WSP. The ESIA scoping process and public participation meetings were advertised in local newspapers and broadcasts to stations in December 2022 and again in January 2023. The advertisement stated that the meetings were part of the ESIA Scoping process for the proposed Block 11B/12B project. The activities done by the EAP took place as described in Section 9. 12 of the Final Scoping Report.
931	The public meeting in George is scheduled for this Wednesday, 18 January, from 5pm to 7pm at the Thembalethu Community Hall.	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	That is correct. The meeting notes and presentation of the meetings is available via WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-11B12B.
932	Total's application was pushed through over the December holidays. This in itself raises red flags. Deadline for comments is 3 February 2023. Hullo please add me to the objection list for total oil drilling off the Mossel Bay coast.	Steve & Barbara Gettliffe	Wildlife & Environment Society of SA (WESSA)	17 January 2023	E-mail	A decision to start the consultation process in December was simply a function of the way the project has developed over time. A first round of introductory meetings was undertaken in 2022 with further extensive consultation undertaken in January 2023. Due to stakeholder interest in the project, an extension to the public comment period was made to 14 February, to allow for further opportunity for stakeholders to contribute to the scoping phase of the project.
1681	I am objecting to the licensing because there is a strong economic, social, ecological and national and global argument against any activity that endangers our local and global ecosystem while seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past because it has started to and will continue to destroy the viability of living space and our planet.	Sue Anderson		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 1181/128 project, as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy.
868	Many thanks As a resident of the Mossel Bay greater area, I totally object to the proposed production of oil and gas in block 11/128 – I am aware of the risk to the well being and integrity of the ocean and all the creatures who live in the ocean, and the interference of all those fishers dependent on local fishing for their income. Profit above ecology destroys our living oceans and is a violation of life.	Sue Davidoff	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to identify and assess the impacts of the proposed project activities, with specific focus on the impacts and appropriate mitigation measures. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration
1646 993	I totally object to the prospect of any coastal oil drilling. Protect our seas, our whales and precious coastal environments! Leave our oceans and coasts alone! I, Susan Janssen of the Knysna district on the Garden Route ere by object to the Total ENERGIES project in Block 11B and 12B. These platforms pose a grave	Sue Gordon Susan Janssen	Individual	03 February 2023 14 February 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed
994	threat to our marine wildlife including birds and ecosystems. TOTAL is a French company and the benefit of this exercise has not been determined for SA, therefore hardly any jobs will be created for locals.	Susan Janssen	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	project activities. Noted: The Social and Labour Plan (SLP) process will assess the skills requirements for the project and, together with the socio-economic assessment, will identify the number of employment opportunities that the project can support.
995	The blasts used in the construction and running of these facilities has undeniable damage implications imposed on our wildlife and ecosystems, and later on our economic systems.	Susan Janssen	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 11B/12B. No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are influed to characterise the geological formations of the seabed. An oise midling study is being undertaken, and the outputs of the modelling study will become an input into the marine ecological study. The Offshore drilling will also be modelled (for both cuttings and other discharges), and the results included in the marine impact assessment. There is interaction between both modelling teams and marine ecology team to ensure correct information is needed for inputs into the studies.
996	TOTAL energies and their partners will not take any responsibilities, financial or otherwise after r they have finished with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the South African government. And the problem remains for the South African public and wildlife to deal with. On an ethical level this is unacceptable.	Susan Janssen	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA; regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandomment can take place. In terms of the Environmental Authorisation application for Block 1181/28, a Closure Plan will be prepared in compliance with the Financial Provisioning Act 2015,
997	TOTAL energies plans to leave all their equipment and waste material on the seabed because it costs them too much money to remove.	Susan Janssen	Individual	14 February 2023	E-mail	as amended. This requires a final closure plan with an associated costing that identifies the financial provisions to be set aside for the plan; and an environmental risk assessment to identify the potential for latent environmental impacts that may arise post closure and the financial provision required to pay for clean-up, remediation and compensation. The Closure Plan is updated every five years throughout the production phase and the closure scenario and costing are refined at every review.
998 1791	l object on all levels, this must be stopped at all costs! Strong objection from me re oil gas exploration/drilling along ANY South African coast. A total NO to Total.	Susan Janssen Susan Scott	Individual	14 February 2023 02 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1151	I'm an interested and affected party. I'm an RSA Citizen residing in Mossel Bay and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I object to Total Energies plans to endanger our oceans.	Talita Badenhorst	Individual	06 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based
411	Drilling/ fracking/ exploring for oil and gas adds negatively to climate change. What measures are put into place to mitigate this?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Project impacts on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESUA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment. The means to minimise GHG emissions from the Project would be achieved by: Implementing a maintenance plan to ensure all diesel motors and generators receive adequate maintenance to minimise soot and unburnt diesel released to the atmosphere and maximize the energy efficiency. Plan drilling operations efficiently, Optimise rig positioning, rig movement and the logistics (number of trips required to and from the onshore logistics base) in order to lower fuel consumption. Finsure no incineration (subject to obtaining an atmospheric emissions license for drilling unit) of waste occurs within the port limits. The following pollution prevention and control measures are proposed for oil burning / flaring: Optimise well test programme to reduce burning as much as possible during the test Les a high-efficiency burner for flaring to maximise combustion of the hydrocarbons in order to minimise emissions and hydrocarbon 'drop-out' during well testing. Monitor burner (continuous) for any malfunctioning, interruption, etc
412	How do you expect to mitigate the air pollution that comes with drilling for oil and gas?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	Examples of typical mitigation measures are provided in Chapter 11 of the Scoping Report. These included these include the development of a dedicated plan for waste management and pollution control (for air and water quality at sea), use of high efficiency burners for well testing, and optimisation of rig positioning, rig movement and logistics to reduce the number of frips required to and from the onshore logistics base. Detailed measures are being investigated as part of the air quality study, currently being undertaken, and the feasible options will be included as recommendations. Project effects to Marine Ecology will be assessed in the Environmental Assessment including a Marine Acoustic assessment modelling Project activity noise
413	How will drilling impact the marine life in that area? Has an underwater noise study been done?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	levels in the marine environment comparing noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species. A noise modelling study will be undertaken to quantify extent and duration of noise impacts. The results of this study will be assessed in the marine biology
414	How does this project help us achieve a just energy transition away from renewables and towards renewable energies?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	specialist study. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050.
415	How will you drill on the border of a MPA?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. Over and above the environmental and social management plan (ESMP) that will be developed as part of the ESIA process, an Emergency Response Plan, Oil
416	What is the evacuation plan in case of an emergency?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	06 February 2023	E-mail	Spill Contingency Plan and Blow Out Contingency Plan will be developed as a standalone document for the project. Your comments on the aspects that need to be addressed in the plans have been noted. The ESMP will outline the regulatory approval process for these plans. Tourism impacts in the project-facted area will be considered during the environmental assessment process. The subsistence (small-scale) fisherfolk is
417	How will this affect the subsistence fishermen and tourism in the area? How will the seismic blasting affect the temperature and homeostasis of the water? Certain organisms like zooplankton require specific environments to	Tanica Naidoo	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	06 February 2023	E-mail	considered a focus area from a social impact perspective. The production application area extends from Mossel Bay to Cape St Francis. Production activities are concentrated in the western part of the block. There are no
418 419	survive and a change in the underwater environment can cause great disturbances in the eco-systems under water. How will the drilling affect nearby communities? What sort of risks do they face?	Tanica Naidoo Tanica Naidoo	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	06 February 2023 06 February 2023	E-mail	seismic surveys planned. The only portion on the eastern part of the block will be exploration wells for hydrocarbons. There will be another EIA process if further development is required in the area. The ESIA specials studies will identify the potential impacts to communities and report on their findings in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report.
420	Have the surrounding communities/ fishermen been consulted? What are the long-term impacts of this project?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	06 February 2023	E-mail	Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape I own in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: *Two rounds of media announcements (newspapers and radio). *Provision of prinded documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. *Palacement of site notices at various public places. *Palacement of site notices at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages. *Palacement of site notices at various public places. *Palacement of site notices. *Palacement of site notices. *Palacement of site no
422	What is the need/desirability for this project?	Tanica Naidoo	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	effects will be considered, as required in the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050.
423	Will this help with the electricity crisis? If so, how?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	Block 11B/12B will produce natural gas that is intended to either replace feedstock for the PetroSA Gas-to-Liquid (GLT) facility or used at the ESKOM Gourikwa power plant that is equipped with Open Cycle Gas Turbine technology that currently utilises diesel supplied by the PetroSA facility to operate during peak demand
424	How will you control the gas that gets emitted when offshore drilling?	Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	periods and emergency situations. TEEPSA's negotiation with both parties is ongoing. Gas emitted during well (flow) testing will be controlled by means of high efficiency burners that are specifically designed to have a high burning efficiency in all weather conditions.
425 426	Methane is released when drilling which causes great damage to the ozone layer in a shorter period of time than carbon dioxide.	Tanica Naidoo Tanica Naidoo	South Durban Community Environmental Alliance South Durban Community Environmental	06 February 2023 06 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Project impacts, including from drilling, on climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
427	How will the off shore drilling affect migration patterns of certain sea life, such as whales, dolphins and turtles? How will you prevent corruption of the money needed for this kind of project?	Tanica Naidoo	Alliance South Durban Community Environmental Alliance	06 February 2023	E-mail	The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. The comment has been noted and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1783	Register objection	Tanua cowen	Autanice	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1770	Helio there! I object to Total's plan to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin. 1. Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. 2. Borders on a Marine Protected area As a South African citizen, concerned about the environment and conservation of this country, I wholeheartedly object to Total Energies plan to drilling in our	Tanya Hanekom		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The environmental importance of the Aguilhas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
911	ocean. Oil and gas rig operation disasters at sea are often catastrophic, as we learnt through the Deepwater Horizon, Ocean Ranger, DS Seacrest, Mumbai High North, Bohla?, Alexander, I. (kelland and Piper Alpha disasters, We should be protecting our ocean, by not allowing big corporations to exploit our natural environment, especially considering their operations often cause death and destruction I am a researcher based at Rhodes University, and I work to support small scale fisher organisations and other coastal environmental justice collectives. My questions and comments follow.	Taryn Aislinn Fish	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your concerns have been recorded. The impact significance of an unplanned oil spill will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. The change to the Port Alfred meeting on 25 January was exceptional; The minutes of the meeting with the Sarah Baartman Municipality reflect that the MM said that the Jauka Hall in Port Alfred was not suitable as a venue due to health and safety reasons. WSP sent electronic messages to the registered I&APs to notify
1378	I note the abundance of notifications that WSP has been sending to registered I&APs, via text message and email – but do not want this to obscure the significant procedural flavs in the actual implementation of these public meetings. - Dates and venues were changed with less than 24 hours notice; and promises of transport for community members was retracted on the morning of the meeting in question (in the case of the Port Alfred meeting on 25 January) – this must be recorded in the minutes of this public meeting.	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	them of the change of time and venue once the information was available and the local municipality offered to broadcast the change in venue to the local communities through their established communication channels, such as a loudhailer, community WhatsApp groups and the Ward Councillors. The TEEPSA offer of transport was not withdrawn; feedback received from the TEEPSA Community Liaison Officers was that, with the change in venue, people that requested transport for the PA morning meeting decided to not attend the afternoon meeting.
1379	Community members were recruited via loudhailer and told there was a meeting about jobs – there were mass walk-outs from these meetings when people realized they had been lied to (in the case of the Kwanonqaba and Thembalethu meetings on 16th and 18th of January) – this must be recorded in the minutes of these meetings.	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	The WSP public consultation process was described in the presentation; the public notifications included advertisements in local newspaper and radio but WSP did not organise loud haling in the communities. WSP is aware that, as part of the TEPSA community engagement process, TEPSA CLO were in the communities to hand out flyers, put up site notices about the project in public places and arrange transport to the meetings respecifically requested to do so by community leaders. There was no mention of jobs being offered at the meetings or in any of the advertising that WSP undertook for the public meetings.
1380	Despite the assertion on page 94 of the Draft Scoping Report that 'One of the key principles of the public participation process is adaptability and, as such, WSP will adapt the format of the meetings in accordance with local biocultural community protocols and local community customs', the issue of language, translation, duration and process was challenged in many of the meetings, where WSP was not able or willing to adapt their presentations in consideration of diverse representation of language / culture / literacy / local protocol. It must be recorded in the workshop reports that WSP was unable to cater for groups in which there were mixed groups of Xhosa, Afrikaans and English speakers – only one to one translation was provided (either English – Afrikaans or English-Xhosa).	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	The WSP facilitator of the public meetings speaks English, Afrikaans, isiXhosa and Zulu. Where agreed, the presentation was given in English with translations as required and questions and response were translated as required. Where attendees requested a translation of the presentation slides into isiXhosa, this was done by a member of the TEEPSA team who speaks isiXhosa as a first language. The facilitator translated questions and responses in isiXhosa and Zulu, as necessary. Where translation was requested this extended the time of the meeting beyond the scheduled 2 hours.
1381	How will future processes take serious consideration of local protocols and customs with regards to collective decision making?	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP made contact with NIKSO to request a meeting/workshop regarding the biocultural protocol and to establish the correct channels of communication with leaders of Indigenous Groups; many of whom attended the public meetings and have requested meetings with WSP and TEEPSA. The scoping process aims to collect people's feedback on the information provided; it is not a process to achieve consensus, a voted outcome or approval of the proposed project activities. In the Scoping report, the reference to "Mossel Bay and surrounds" appears in section 9.10 Focus Group Meetings (Page 94). The phrase reflects the
1382	Throughout the scoping report there is reference to the project affected area as being 'Mossel Bay and surrounds'. There is inadequate consideration of the entire rest of the coastline adjacent to Block 11/12B. There are diverse and distinct community groupings with their own distinct ocean livelihoods and socio-cultural connection to the ocean all along this coastline.	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	expectation that Mossel Bay and surrounding area will be the primary location of activities undertaken to support the project with the associated economic effects. The focus group meetings were held online and attended by parties across the country. WSP made contact with NIKSO to request a meeting regarding the biocultural protocol and to establish the correct channels of communication with Indigenous Groups, First Nations and Aboriginal Groups; many of whom attended the public meetings and subsequently requested meetings with WSP and TEEPSA. Noted with thanks. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystem-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. An oil spill and drillings discharge modelling study is being undertaken, with input from the marine ecology
1383	The specific impacts on all of the different species that small scale fishers along this coastline depend upon and are entitled to catch / harvest needs to be assessed.	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	team to identify key receptors both offshore, and on the coast (including CBAS, EBSAs, MPAs and estuaries). The results of these studies will be used to assess impacts under various stages on the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment for assessment of the assessment of the project lifecycle. The marine impact assessment will also include an assessment of the relief between fisheries operations (including small scale fishers on the coastline) and important habitats (including spawning areas), with the proposed operations and the impacts thereof using up to date fisheries catch and effort data for most fisheries in South Africa. This will be assessed through an oil spill and drill cuttings modelling study, and a noise modelling study. The spatial and temporal extent of the noise impacts and the oil and drillings discharge impacts will be assessed, as will the impacts of general operational and construction safety exclusion zones. This will be assessed in the context of potential reductions in fishing grounds, impacts on the stocks, and potential economic consequences thereof. Any potential impacts on areas of importance for fish stocks inshore (including MPAs and estuaries) will be assessed in the marine impact assessment.
1384	The specific tangible and intangible heritage of each affected community and small scale fisheries cooperative needs to be assessed, as well as the distinct fisheries-specific heritages along the affected stretch of coast	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	A cultural Heritage study was commissioned by TEFPSA and addresses issues of intangible cultural heritage in coastal communities where small-scale fishing is the way of life. The results of this study as well as the marine ecology and biodiversity study that forms part of the ESIA process will be incorporated into the Draft ESIA Report and environmental management programme. See Section 11 of the Scoping Report for more details pertaining to the scope of these studies. Section 10 of the Draft Scoping Report presented a preliminary high-level screening of potential impacts associated with the proposed project. The first step of the screening is to identify notherial sources of impacts, called impacts. Called impacts, (IPEs), corresponding to the various project. The riminary
1385	How will this be carried out? What methods will be used to generate these assessments? What peer review process will be in place to ensure the ethical quality of these assessments? I am vehemently objecting to the licensing of Total Energies because there is a strong economic, social, and ecological argument globally against any activity	Taryn Pereira Kaplan	Coastal Justice Network	03 February 2023	E-mail	the screening is to identify potential sources of impacts, called impact-producing factors (IPFs), corresponding to the various project activities. A preliminary screening is provided or each of the project phases, namely: construction, production and appraisal, decommissioning and accidental events. The identification of potential interactions in the matrices is based on the experience of the experts, the technical characteristics of the project and planned work methods; knowledge of the host environment and impacts of similar projects on the biophysical and social environments. The findings of the impact assessments are presented in the Draft EIA Report that is made available for public review and comment. Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on
1602	that endangers our local and global ecosystem. Seeking to exploit an energy source whose time has already past is self destructive and damaging to ALL LIFE. If granted, this license will further destroy the viability of living things and our planet. It is short-sighted and serves to benefit only a few. This pipeline, if laid, will have a direct negative impact on the delicate whale populations that migrate through these waters. It's unthinkable and I must not go ahead. For all our sakes. To whom it may concern, I Telani van bosch South African citizen invising in Critisa East object to the government allowing big oil and gas companies to destroy our oceans to seek for the purpose to get oil and gas. This had a huge negative impact now and for the next generation that has no voice now. We can't live in the now but for Tey future of our ocean/nature. This is NOT the solution. The ocean does not belong to the government. It belongs to nature, it might be	Tegan Munroe		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Thes data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either avoid or reduce the impact of the proposed activities. Examples include restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on migrating cetaceans to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in fewest number. The objection is recorded. A primary objective of the ESIA process is to identify these risks, assess their impacts, and recommend ways to avoid or mitigate
1490	in the now but for Tey future of our ocean/nature. This is NOT the solution. The ocean does not belong to the government. It belongs to nature, It might be the easy answer now with the benefit to fill our corrupt government plocets but it will be the end to life in earth. We cannot mage the ocean as it serves us very well reducing corban dioxide and producing clean fresh air. We need oxygen more than oil and gas! We have live centuries before without so why no now?? It object because we need to leave our oceans alone to sustain life on earth for foreseeable future. The ocean is highly important to keep healthy as it vital for	Telani van Bosch		2-Feb-23 & 3-Feb-23	WhatsApp	them. The objection is recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats,
1491 1704	all eco systems. Leave the ocean alone! Especially for the next generation that has no voice!! I wish to lodge my strongest objection to the proposed 11B and 12B projects. I am a longtime resident of Plettenberg Bay and depend upon the health of the	Telani van bosch Teresa Angless		2-Feb-23 & 3-Feb-23 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situs usiney date. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The ESIA will assess potential impacts on tourism as a result of the recorded reduction satisfact which this including undergood events.
1180	ocean for my livelihood in tourism. The proposed projects will have disastrous outcomes. I am a South African citizen and would like to register as an interested and affected party. The proposed Total Exploration project affects the health of the marine ecosystem which directly impacts on the health of all citizens. My objections include the following: 1. Exploration and Production will negatively impact marine,plant, bird and consequently human life.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	proposed production related activities, including unplanned events. WSP confirms that you are registered an I&AP and will continue to share information with you on the Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
					row, can)	TotalEnergies has indicated that it applies stringent HSE industry standards and practices to prevent incident and damage to the environment. A contingency and emergency response plan will be put in place for TEEPSA to be ready to respond efficiently and effectively manage any unlikely emergency scenario. Such safety
1181	Total Energies and partners are fully aware of this, in detail, and by the time real impact is apparent, the project is done, money pocketed, Total has moved on and the damage irreversible.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	plans and stringent safety management systems were implemented by TotalEnergies during the drilling of both Brulpadda and Luiperd exploration wells without safety or environmental nicident. These wells were drilled successfully in harsh ocean conditions in water depths of over 1700m within the Agulhas marine current. TotalEnergies is the only company with operational experience in the deep offshore of the Southern Coast of South can also ademonstrated competent operational capability year-round. See more: https://www.total.com/commitment/environmental-issues-challenges/environment-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection/anti-nollitinon-measurement-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-protection-prote
1182	3. The risks of leaks, spills, blasts etc are unacceptable to even consider risking one. (see pg. 7 of their brochure for more detailed risks Brochure - Total Energies Draft Scoping Report.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process.
1183	4. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Appropriate diligence will need to be implemented during the operational and subsequent decommissioning phase, to ensure that the plugged wells are stable and non-leaking after abandonment. Other adverse impacts that may have materialised during operations will need to be appropriately remediated to return the project site to a non-contaminated and ecologically functional state. These aspects will be presented in the closure plan being developed as part of the ESIA;
1184	5. They leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	regulatory approval is required for TEEPSA to obtain a Closure Certificate before well abandomment can take place. The removal of subsea infrastructure, making safe of any remaining infrastructure if appropriate, as well as required seabed rehabilitation requirements, will be considered in the Closure Plan, and provision for adequate funding to implement the closure plan will be made.
1185	6. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The masses and the environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficiaries.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SLP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment; advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP.
1186	7. Impact on the Environment is Impact. Any response that states that an impact can be "managed", "minimised" or "mitigated" in any way, is intended as a deception.	Tereza Whittaker	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The miligation hierarchy, which describes a stepwise approach that illustrates the preferred approach to miligating adverse impacts, will be applied in the ESIA. The governing principle is to achieve no net loss and preferably a net positive impact on people and the environment as a result of the project: - The preferred miligation measure is avoidance; - Them minimisation; Them relabilitation or restoration; and
1634	Totally against Shell drilling off shore this is appalling. What is Block 11B and 12B?	Terrick Hubbard		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	- Finally, offsetting residual, unavoidable impacts. The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Block 11B/12B is an offshore gas and condensate
1552	I would like to register and object to Totals plans to drill and mine for gas on South African coast lines	Tersia Vermaak		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP. Your objection has been noted. We will keep you informed of further development on the proposed Block 118/12B project.
1553	I object to the drilling for oil or gas on these coast lines as it will affect marine life I am still reviewing the documents. There are no stakeholder sessions scheduled in Cape Town. It would benefit the process if additional sessions were scheduled in Cape Town. The timing of the stakeholder engagement also happens largely over a holiday period, please review. Declaration: I am a former PetroSA employer.	Tersia Vermaak Thabiso Manne	Individual	02 February 2023 11 January 2023	WhatsApp E-mail	Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project, and will continue to receive information on the project. The public participation process followed to date is based on a number of factors, including the metropolitan and district municipalities where the Competent Authority sent notifications of the Production Right application. The ESIA team is reviewing the requests of meetings received from stakeholders to the west of Mossel Bay. We will provide a
1001	It's an insult to even consider this absurd proposal, 45% to total energies 25% to Qatar petroleum and 20 to CNR international are you kidding me?if multinationals don't to play ball let them leave you mean to tell me south Africa would get 5% ownership from this deal, and the tax atmail will worry about its diminishing tax collection when it wants to receive such ridiculous returns on a resource discovered off our shorelines, and the that xh atts's supposedly needed to be collected siphoned off by the same people who got more from this deal, the people of this land deserve more, if their gonna risk environmental armageddon and potential health risk let it be for more, citizens in these multinational homes get more and you want to offer us less on our own land, to them I say pack and leave.	Thamsanqa Ashley Kanyuchi	Individual	03 December 2022	E-mail	response as soon as more information is available. The comments have been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The potential impacts of the project activities, including unplanned events, on the environment, community health and safety, and socio-economy will be assessed as part of the ESIA.
345	1. The email notifications of 01 and 02 December 2022 notifying potential interested and affected parties ("I&APs") of the availability of the Draft Scoping Report ("DSR") and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA"), the email of 13 January 2023 reminding I&APs of the upcoming public meetings for the project, and the email of 17 January 2023 regarding an additional public meeting to be held in Jeffreys Bay, refer. 2. Please find consolidated comment from various directorates within the Department on the DSR and Plan of Study for EIA dated December 2022 that was downloaded from the whosted of the environmental assessment practition." ("EAP").	Thea Jordan	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The comment is recorded.
361	The Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on any or new information received. I strongly oppose the plans for Total to drill and build new gas pipelines off Mossel Bay in the Outeniqua Basin for reasons that have been listed by thousands	Thea Jordan	Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP)	03 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA team will keep you informed of the ESIA process, opportunities for comment and information, like the findings of the environmental specialist studies, as well as other relevant information.
1562	of caring, environmentally conscious citizens of our beloved country, and hereunder are just some of the reasons why:	Tiago Simoes Rebelo		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The environmental importance of the Aguihas Bank is noted and the potential impacts on marine ecosystems will be considered in the marine ecology specialist
1563	Lies in the middle of the Agulhus Current that is a major highway for Whale and Sardine migration. Borders on a Marine Protected area	Tiago Simoes Rebelo		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	study. The marine ecology impact assessment will consider the migratory patterns of marine animals. Far field impacts on offshore, and coastal MPAs are being considered through oil spill and drill discharge modelling studies that are being undertaken in close collaboration with the marine ecological scientists to identify these areas of sensitivity. The results of these studies will be used to quantify the impacts of the proposed activities on these areas in the marine ecology impact assessment, which will also provide appropriate mitigation to avoid or reduce these impacts.
1564	 Certain Government officials and their buddies stand to gain massively from the proposed x R8 billion annual income. Have you heard about Karpowership?? 	Tiago Simoes Rebelo		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been noted. WSP is aware of the Karpowership projects, and have included them as potential planned projects that will be considered from a cumulative impact perspective for the Block11B/12B Project.
1565	5. Gas and Oil is a super high risk to the environment, tourism and other economic endeavors along coastline.	Tiago Simoes Rebelo		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities on the environment, tourism and other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made
1566	6. Contribute to green-house gases and release of carbon stores of seabed sediment. Etc. CARING FOR SA's FUTURE! 1.Introduction	Tiago Simoes Rebelo		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	Impacts on climate change resulting from this project, including the GHG emissions, will be assessed as part of the ESIA, and recommendations will be made based on the findings of the assessment.
304	Project 90 by 2030 (Project 90') is a social and environmental justice organisation inspiring and mobilising South African society towards a sustainably developed and equitable low-carbon future. We work with stakeholders and decision makers to identify policies and actions that support climate justice; with a specific focus on developing environmental leadership in our youth and increasing people's ability to engage government—through active public participation—to address climate change, energy poverty, and the social injustices that intersect in their communities. On a daily basis we work with youth and community leaders on the Cape Flats in Cape Town. Uning conditions are hard and unoseholds struggle with the lack of service delivery. Communities understand that the impacts of climate change will worsen their living conditions and that there won't be any improvement without mitigating greenhouse gas emissions from fossil fuels and investments into adaptation. This submission represents the views of Project 90 by 2030. We are part of a network of numerous civil society increanisations.	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	The mandate of your organisation is recorded.
305	2.Comments Project 90 by 2030 welcomes the opportunity to comment on the proposed offshore Production Rights and Environmental Authorisation Application for Block 1187/28 by TotalEnergies EP South Africa and would like to use this opportunity to express our concern about the plans to invest further in new gas exploration and production in the time of climate emergency. We oppose the further development of a gas industry in South Africa for the following reasons: The climate crisis is upon us, and much more severe impacts are in store, if we fail to have greenhouse gas emissions this decade and immediately scale up adaptation. Climate change is already causing widespread disruption in every region in the world with around 1.1 degrees C of warming. Every lenth of a degree of additional warming will escalate threats to popele, species and ecosystems. The latest assessment report by the Interport b	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment has been recorded. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
306	Gas is NOT a more climate friendly fossil fuel. Looking at the whole value chain of gas, methane can escape through so called "gas leaks" into the atmosphere at many different points in the supply chain. These emissions have routinely been under-estimated by industry and governments. Methane has a far greater global warming potential is than carbon dioxide. Over the next 20-year period — which is a crucial time period to respond to the climate emergency - the warming potential is 48-48 times greater.	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
307	Gas is NOT needed as a transition fuel. Combinations of renewable energies and energy storage are either already cheaper or are expected to be cheaper within a few years. Developing a local gas industry will take time, so by the time the infrastructure is in place, renewables and storage will have become the most cost-effective option, and the gas	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
308	infrastructure will be a stranded asset. (fossil gas factsheef 1.ndf (panda.org) Gas will NOT solve the energy crisis. Multiple experts agree that "Energy modelling shows that renewables are the quickest and cheapest way to get much-needed capacity onto the grid." South Africa should act according to science- based evidence and invest in renewable energy sources as fast as possible. (Gas power plans for Eskon not the	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the
309	solution to electricity crisis – Centre for Environmental Rights (cer.org.za)) 3. Conclusion South Africa has signed the Paris agreement5 which agrees to limit climate change to under 2 degrees C and with all efforts to limit it to 1.5 degrees, hence there is no space for using further hydrocarbons beyond the currently discovered reserves. Fossil gas expansion is inconsistent with the Paris Agreement Goals, and as a signatory to the Agreement South Africa should not undertake any further investments in the development of new gas projects. Building a local gas industry will take a lot of time. Electricity generated by our massive sun and wind resources within our own borders is the most secure and sustainable way froward. Instead of producing and using more fossil fuels South Africa should invest all they have in building a renewable energy	Tina Schubert	Project 90	02 February 2023	E-mail	greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options. Section 4 of the Scoping Report discusses the use of natural gas within the strategic context of the South Africa Integrated Resource Plan (2015) and the commitments made to decarbonise the economy to achieve Net Zero by 2050. The ESIA will include a study to assess the potential impacts of the project on climate change. The climate change impact assessment will quantify the greenhouse gas emissions that are anticipated as a result of the proposed project and address mitigation options.
701	industry. We trust that WSP will take into account the comments and information provided in this submission. It is bester, object strongly to the proposed off shore exploration in our ocean. It is tremendously harmful to all sea live that will also affect us all in the future. There have already been conservation experts that have all the info needed to show exactly how harmful it is. You can do more studies to provide you	Titia Bester	Individual	01 February 2023	E-mail	The objection has been recorded. Seismic surveys have previously been conducted in Block 118/12B. No further seismic surveys will be conducted in this area. However, Vertical Seismic Profiling (VSP) will be done on some wells that are offiled to characterise the geological afformations of the seabed. A noise modelling study will be done unjourned to the modelling study will be done unjourned to the modelling study will be done unjourned to the modelling study will be done unjourned.
	with the necessary information before doing the seismic impact. To what extent are civil society and environmental interested groups involved in this process? We don't want a similar situation to what happened off the		National Indigenous Knowledge Systems			A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (minigration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. TEEPSA is working closely with civil society and other organisations that represent different sectors of society. More details about the list of preliminary list of IRAPs as well as the methods of how they were identified are included in section 9.4 of the Final Scoping Report. The preliminary list of IRAPs comprised a total
32	coast in KZN. This is not a DHI project. This is an interdepartmental issue. A interdepartmental committee will be set up to meet with the team after the consultation period.	Tom Suchanadan	Office National Indigenous Knowledge Systems	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	of 2,006 stakeholders and at the time of publishing the Final Scoping Report the number of registered (BAPs was 5,202. The database will be continuously updated during the public participation process and stakeholders can continue to register as I&APs during the ESIA process. The ESIA process follows the EIA Regulations (2014) as amended, regarding engagement with potentially interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) and ongoing
33 34	Will this be in order? With the department of environmental affairs, is there a contact person?	Tom Suchanadan	Office National Indigenous Knowledge Systems	15 December 2022 15 December 2022	V-FGM-05 V-FGM-05	consultation. Relevant representatives from the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) have been identified, registered as I&APs, received the project information produced to date. The ESIA team is engaging with the DFFE and Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report provides more information regarding the
			Office National Indigenous Knowledge Systems			The objectives of this first meeting with NIKSO were to introduce the proposed project and ESIA process; to better understand NIKSO's role, and gain an
35 36	What are you requesting from NIKSO? Before engaging any indigenous meeting there needs to be a biocultural protocol to follow the terms of engagement with the community rights. A physical discussion requested on where to have meetings.	Tom Suchanadan Tom Suchanadan	Office National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022 15 December 2022	V-FGM-05 V-FGM-05	understanding of existing biocultural community protocols / who are the First Nations in the Block 11B/12B project area. The recommendation is recorded. A description of subsequent engagements with NIKSO is documented in Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report.
37	In terms of the biocultural protocol, we have local service providers who provide translation in the local language who need to be briefed. Will the presentation be posted online?	Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	NIKSO is identified as the Government Department that is mandated to facilitate development of bio-cultural protocols with communities to establish the terms and conditions under which a community will engage with a third party regarding commercialisation of indigenous knowledge. The biocultural protocol only concerns the approach and method of engagement, it does not imply consent of the community to the project or proposal under discussion. The presentations have been posted online, in three languages. Please see WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the
38	There is a request to translate the presentation. We can help with the translation.	Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128 The presentations were posted online, in three languages. Please see WSP's website at: https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents and the data-free website which is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/Total-118128
39	It is legislated that when you go into the communities, engagement must be done in the local languages.	Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	websate which is accessioned valuation at https://www.peragage.com/r/otar-in-iz-zo- WSP approached NIKSO to assist with understanding the process and protocols of engaging appropriately with First Nations, Indigenous Groups and Aboriginal Groups.
40	Kedi Aphane can be contacted to obtain a database with requested contact details.	Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	The ESIA team contacted Kedi Aphane, Tom Suchanandan and Shumi Pango to request the relevant contact details. The contact details of the First Nations / Indigenous Groups could not be made available in terms of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 4 of 2013 (POPIA). Section 9.10 details the interaction
41	NIKSO will provide the required meeting protocols. Please provide NIKSO with details of when and where the meetings will be held.	Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05	with NIKSO to date. The relevant dates and proposed venues for public meetings were shared with NIKSO in electronic format via email and delivered by hand. The objectives of the public meetings were: (i) To introduce TotalEnergies Exploration and Production South Africa's (TEEPSA's) proposed offshore Block 11B/12B development project; (ii) To introduce the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) process that is being undertaken to support TEEPSA's
42	Can you please share what is going to be discussed in these meetings? Is it possible for us to share what a biocultural protocol is? Having this discussion prior to the meetings will be beneficial. We propose that a meeting be	Tom Suchanadan Tom Suchanadan	National Indigenous Knowledge Systems Office National Indigenous Knowledge Systems	15 December 2022	V-FGM-05 V-FGM-05	proposed production right and environmental authorisation process; (iii) To create understanding of the different aspects that form part of an offshore production right application project; and (iv) For IABPs to raise issues of concern and identify potential impacts for consideration in the Ascetion 9.12 of the final Scoping Report provides more information about the public meetings. Section 9.11 of the Final Scoping Report provides more information about the objectives of the orline focus group meeting that was convened with the First Nations / Indigenous Groups. Discussions with NIKSO are described in Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report.
1497	convened on Wednesday 21 December. As a proud South African citizen I whole heartedly object and am enraged by TotalEnergies plans to further destroy the beautiful yet incredibly fragile coast of Southern Africa. Or anywhere else in the world for that matter. Our home waters are home to some of the most magnificent animals on the planet, an	Tom Tiger de Villiers	Office	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based
	environment to be respected and enjoyed by us as well as future generations. The time has come for fossil fuels to be left in the past and in the ground . The only time I will ever willingly support TotalEnergies again is if TotalEnergies	•		<u> </u>	.,	to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, Isuani species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. Chapter 4 of the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's
1498	has a major shift toward renewable energy . Let's all move forward together , soon we won't be left with a choice , but by then it will be too late. The time is now and our eyes are on you . I have attended the meeting held in the Kleinmond Town Hall on 7 December 2022. I am aware of how TOTAL is going to benefit from this operation. I have	Tom Tiger de Villiers		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered.
1135	also noted the "safety measures" that will apparently be put in place to prevent any possible spill or damage to the environment. My concern at this stage remains the damage that this operation may cause to the seafloor and the sea in general. Kindly inform me how the sea is going to benefit from this operation. Although TOTAL will apparently take stops to minimise the effect on sea life. I am still not convinced that these measures will be sufficient to protect ALL fish	Tommy Snibbe	Individual	16 January 2023	E-mail	The ESIA team for the proposed Block 11B/12B project only convened a virtual meeting on the 7th of December 2022, not a meeting in Kleinmond.
1136	Although TO/AL will apparently take steps to minimise the effect on sea life, I am still not convinced that these measures will be sufficient to protect ALL hish species (right from the bottom of the food chain to the very top of the food chain). Until such time as TOTAL can convince me that their drilling operations will have no effect whatsoever on the environment and convince me that this whole operation will be to the benefit of the sea and ALL of its inhabitants, I strongly oppose the operation. Our environment is worth a lot more than all the money in the word!! A BIG RED NO from me!!	Tommy Snibbe	Individual	16 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments are noted. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
895	This is ANOTHER atrocity directed at the South African people. We are ALL dealing with SO much already, and now this corrupt, greedy government, is now supporting TotalEnergies through PetroSA, to drill off our beautiful coastline, in no less than 10 places!!!! along a 120km stretch of ocean. This was a similar move made by Shell and we SAcans, soot ologether, and supported the fragile communities that try to dee to ut a living from fishers, how described to do that in pristine oceans! Not oceans polluted by oil! Look at what has happened in Nigeria, in the delta! The locals were totally excluded (work is NOT and NEVER will be provided for the locals, as it promised) and they began stealing from the oil pipes and completely contaminated that outstill life-giving area. The colonists skrewed up years ago, going into countries they had NO business in, and now you short-sighted, money-grabbing, self-serving imbeciles, are didnig it some MoREI! Back off and use your money and power to do GOOD, KIND and UPLITING works for humanity. The wollEDS that Not what you people are preposing Please, make your legacy one that breaks the mold of just taking and leaving a trail of poverty and unhappiness behind. PLEASE	Tonia Edgar	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	All production rights granted in terms of the MPRDA must further the objectives of substantially and meaningfully expanding opportunities for historically disadvantaged persons to participate in the mineral and petroleum industries; and promote employment and advance the source development (e.g. 4 months). A SLP is a designed to give effect to these transformative objectives. As such, a SLP is relevant to offshore petroleum development projects. A SLP is a document that establishes obligations that the holder of a production right must comply with in relation to human course development (e.g. 4 employee skills development, learnerships, bursaries, internships, adult education and training, oprotable skills training, employment equity; community revents in providers of the production of the skills training, employment equity; community revents in providers and diving conditions; and downscaling and retranchment. An approved SLP is valid for the duration of the life of the production operation. It must be reviewed and updated every five years and aligned with local municipality integrated Development Planning (IOP) needs; it must be published; and reported on annually. Compliance with commitments detailed in an approved SLP is a legal requirement and a condition of a production right. The objectives of a SLP, as stipulated in the Minerals and Petroleum Resources Development Act 28 of 2004 (MPRDA), are to: - Promote employment and advance the social and economic welfare of all South Africans. - Contribute to the transformation of the industry. - Ensure that right holders contribute towards the socio-economic development of the areas where they are operating. It is a legal requirement for the approved SLP to be reviewed and updated every five years. During the review and update of the SLP, I&APs will have further opportunities to be consulted.
1697	My name is Tony Lubner, Chairman of the ORCA Foundation in Plettenberg Bay. Its one Ocean and one block affects another block. I object to Totalenergies plan to drill new Wells and lay new pipelines off OUR coastline.	Tony Lubner	ORCA Foundation	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. Section 9 of the Final Scoping Report provides detailed information regarding the public participation notification process. In summary, the following notification methods have been used and extended from Cape Town in the Western Cape to East London in the Eastern Cape: *Iwo rounds of media announcements (envespapers and networkspapers) and report of the Provision of printed documents for review at various public places, including non-technical summaries and audio recordings thereof in three different languages.
1698	1. Our communities have not been consulted.	Tony Lubner	ORCA Foundation	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	*Placement of site notices at various public places. Data-free website to access project documents (the data-free website is accessible via smartphone at: https://wsp-engage.com/fotal-11B12B) A dedicated email address (teepsatIAgWSP.com) and WhatsApp number (076 694 3942). In addition, all the stakeholders on the preliminary list of identified I&APs were invited to a virtual public meeting, which was held on the 7th of December 2022. Face-to-face public meetings were convened in January 2023 in coastal areas of the proposed project area and zone of influence. These meetings were held between the towns of Mossel Bay in the Western Cape and East London in the Eastern Cape. Sector specific online focus group meetings were also convened in January 2023.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION 2. There is a history of uncontrolled irreversable damage to marine life and environment caused by oilspills related to these installations, with no clean up, no	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
1699 1700	 There is a history of uncontrolled irreversable damage to marine life and environment caused by oilspills related to these installations, with no clean up, no accountability, no compensation. Most towns along this coastline are dependant on Tourism and one oilspill will mean disaster for thousands of people. 	Tony Lubner Tony Lubner	ORCA Foundation ORCA Foundation	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	Your comment has been recorded. Your comment has been noted. Potential impacts of the production related activities, including unplanned oil spills, on the environment, fishers, tourism and
1700 1701	3. Most towns along this coastine are dependant on Tourism and one oilspill will mean disaster for thousands of people. 4. Following the precedent and court ruling against Shell, all our communities will continue to stand against Totalenergies to prevent foreigners from taking advantage of our land and its people.	Tony Lubner Tony Lubner	ORCA Foundation ORCA Foundation	02 February 2023 02 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	other economic aspects will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Your comment has been recorded.
870	advantage or our saturation is people. I object to TotalEnergies obtaining the right to drill for gas along the coastline of Southern Africa. In the year 2023, when our planet is at such risk of POLLUTION and overheating, why would this even be considered? I live in a community along this stretch of coastline and this will have an immediate effect on many household incomes. Many of these communities are in	Tracy de Jager	Individual	28 January 2023	E-mail	This objection is recorded and the Competent Authority will consider it when making a decision. The project's potential contribution to global climate change will be assessed as part of the ESIA process.
871	the fishing industry and the impact this will have on them would be devastating not only to them but to the whole community as a whole. We have not yet even begun to recover from the effects of the COVID lockdown and economic loss, and our local fishing industry (which is a major provider	Tracy de Jager	Individual	28 January 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts on fishers and the livelihoods of local communities will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Potential impacts on fishers and the livelihoods of local communities will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. The project's potential contribution to global
872 89	of employment for this region) is being severely impacted by the effects of global warming - yet this is being touted as a good idea? No. Shapefiles are important information that we need.	Tracy de Jager Trevor Wilson	Individual South African Tuna Longline Association	28 January 2023 n 18 January 2023	E-mail V-FGM-08	climate change will also be assessed. Shapefiles are available and will be shared. The shapefiles will be forwarded to you.
879 880	[object to the proposed project on every level and would encourage the applicants to apply their expertise to developing sustainable technologies, rather than destroying the environment for short-term gain. I am also very suspicious of WSP's neutrality in the matter.	TT Douglas-Jones	Individual Individual	03 February 2023 03 February 2023	E-mail E-mail	Your objection is recorded. The objective of the ESIA is to understand the impacts on the environment and social communities and identify measures to avoid or minimise the impacts so that a decision can be made regarding the WSP has been appointed by TEEPSA undertake the ESIA for the Environmental Authorisation application that is part of the Production Right application. WSP, as an independent environmental assessment practitioner, does not have any material present or contingent interest in the outcome of the application for environmental authorisation, nor does WSP have any business, financial, personal or other interest that could be reasonably regarded as being capable of
1554	Hello my name is Tutani Mpunga a registered Freelance guide. I am a castodian of Mpondoland in the Eastern Cape Province of South Africa. As the son of the soil. Since i was young i have been raised by the sea food that my mother and father havest to eat and feed us as a family. Now i am a grown up man who has his family, i also raise my family the way my parents raised us. Started fishing in the fresh water pools, in the rivers and now I use ocean. We don't go to Universities to study about the environment we grew up on it. With the economic point of view oil and gas have a high value. I as the clitzen of South Africa i have noticed that city life is completely different from rural life. Our government must give us freedom as we voted for, We know what kind of of development we want not them to decide about our for fathers land that we want to inherit to our future generations. Public participation is very important in what ever our government is planning. Yes we apopried them to be our voice that turned to be our decision makers. They must stop exploiting our ocean	Tutani Mpunga		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	affecting WSP's independence.
1555	for a guick buck. Life is priceless. We don't have a want oil and gas drilling in our ocean because is going to kill us. Once a ring of a chain is broken the whole chain is broken. A healthy ecosystem is where all organisms benefits from one another without killing each other. Government should support us on what we want that is Eco Tourism	Tutani Mpunga		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the
4550	Agro Farming because these are sustainable development for us who are fully dependent on soil and all that exist on it. As a freelance guide I always encourage you to all stakeholders to live their offices and go to the ground and fully engaged with people who are involved in the area they want to develop. Also pay a great respect on what people on the ground feel about the development. Let people decide about their lives than	T		00.5-1		faunal receptors. The comment is recorded.
1556	trying to convince them to fall in a new life that they never experienced before. We are living in a democratic country. Gas and oil is going to destroy our environment thereafter we follow. As the costal residents of Mpondoland we felt excluded in decision making about the ocean. We're South African citizens who vote for a democratic government for a democratic nights. It is our rights to ensure that our ocean that we are using for our benefit to be protected. Oil and gas are non renewable resources that can not sustain our lives and the lives of our future generations. We inherent our ocean from our ancestors with the knowledge of using it sustainable. This is the same knowledge that we want our future generations for use it. We are busy working hard to promote cot outsime that also benefits local communities. The main attraction for our clertents is to see marine file. For example we do have a Sardine run here in the Wild Coast that turned to be a	Tutani Mpunga		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	
1557	sardine fever once they reached South Coast. There are families who still walk 15kilometres to go and collect sea food to feed their families. Our government with DEFF has started small scale fishing to operatives to use ocean as the means of supporting their families. I don't hink is the same government who wants to form boarders and sell our ocean in small farms. We as the coastal residents once our ocean is destroyed to we will be destroyed to We are all benefiting into the sea now but we can not all be employed or benefit buy mining our ocean. We are facing a huge crisis of climate change because of the oressure that we anoth in natural resources left us save our coean to protect us. We have had similar projects that have yielded adverse outcomes because municipalities and communities had not been adequately engaged and informed. I	Tutani Mpunga Unati Daniels	Sarah Baartman District Municipality	08 February 2023	WhatsApp V-FGM-06	Your comments have been recorded. Dedicated studies will be done to assess potential impacts of the project on climate change, toursim sector and fishers. Please refer to Section 9.10 of the Final Scoping Report for detailed information about the consultations that took place with the local authorities in the proposed
1118	do appreciate the time to meet with the SBDM. I object to TotalEnergies being given the rights to prospect for and or extract oil or gas along the coastline of South Africa. I believe it to be a mistake. Tiger 10.	Unetsie Roos	Individual	27 January 2023	E-mail	project area. Your objection has been noted.
1601	Question to Total: What are you going to do to safeguard the whales on their migration?	Ursula Browne		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available. Etarleature, as well as in situ survey data. Thes data will be used to inform appropriate mitigation to either avoid or reduce the impact of the proposed activities. European cloude restricting proposed activities that are assessed to be of high potential impact significance on migrating cetaceans to times when the animals are not present in the area, or present in
787	I would like to register myself as an interested party and also state my objection to the planned exploration and potential oil and gas drilling near Plettenberg Bay and along the Garden Route.	Vanessa Bruwer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	fewest number. Your objection has been recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
788	Our town and the greater Bitou area survives economically largely based on the tourism industry and businesses that cater to visitors from around South Africa and internationally. The attraction of the area to tourists and visitors is due to the thriving natural ecosystem and beauty of the area. The survey recently conducted by Plett Tourism demonstrated that the Bay in a haven to many cherished sea animals large and small. Any activity which risks upsetting the balance of the ecosystem will have a lasting effect on the main asset of the area - which is the experience of rest and renewal that visitors have connecting with nature in the area. This would affect jobs and earnings at grass roots level and lead to unnest in narea that patiety peaceful and secure.	Vanessa Bruwer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Potential impacts on tourism will be addressed in the socio-economic study; the results of which will be made available in the impact assessment phase.
789	The full effect of underwater sonar exploration is not understood well enough to mitigate all possible negative effects on the wellbeing and breeding of marine life including whales, dolphins, turtles and others.	Vanessa Bruwer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Marine Acoustic effects from sonar will be assessed in the ESIA. A Marine Acoustic assessment models Project activity (e.g., drilling rig, vessels, Vertical Seisming IVSP), Sonar) noise levels in the marine environment and will compare noise levels to criteria thresholds for relevant species. Marine Acoustic criteria thresholds will consider both injury and behaviour effects for marine ammants, sea turtles, fish, and marine birds (e.g., penguins and diving birds) including consideration of time duration, i.e., exposure, Sound Exposure Level (SEL) criteria thresholds.
790	Any mistake or oil spill at any stage would be an unforgivable disaster. This is a specified coefficiently addressed species taking refuse to broad and survive. It also seems to be an important assessment for the movement of	Vanessa Bruwer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	Your comment have been recorded. The impact significance of an unplanned oil spill will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. Your comment is noted with thanks. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities
791	This is a sensitive coastline with endangered species taking refuge to breed and survive. It also seems to be an important passageway for the movement of marrine life. To attempt to profit from oil mining here seems inappropriate for the area and unnecessarily risky given the nature of the area and the proposed project. Thank you for your attention to this matter.	Vanessa Bruwer	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data. The assessment of opental impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors. Sensitivity is a term that covers the "importance" (e.g., value of an ecological receptor) or "univerability" (e.g., ability of a receptor to cope with change) of a receptor to a project-induced change. The assessment will thus consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worst-case scenario.
208 925	Leave our environment alone. NO to all proposed off shore gas production and extraction. I object Shell wanting to put a gas pipeline at Mossel Bay. Stop the industrialisation of South African oceans. This is a marine sanctuary. Stop killing our sea	Vanessa Gibson Veneta Gent	Little Fish Agency	25 January 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. The objection is recorded. TEEPSA is the Applicant for the Production Right and Environmental Authorisation Application for the proposed Block 118/12B project. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will be conducted to assess the potential impacts of the project on the marine environment.
1639	life for greedy gain. I strongly object. I object due to the sea life, pollution and loss of jobs these actions WILL (not possibly) bring about. Stop destroying our only true assets for oil !!!!	Verna Leigh Jooste		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of
983	I am an RSA Citizen. I am an interested party and, although I live inland, this proposal that will affect South African ocean life will also affected me and fellow olizens and fourists.	Veronica Israelstam		05 February 2023	E-mail	the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project.
1587	Our delicate and sensitive coastal area will be destroyed by this drilling I utterly object against Total Energies drilling OBJECTION TO THE APPLICATION for any exploration and/or production by Total Energies and Partners, along the South African coasts Mossel Bay to Cape	Victoria Isaacs		02 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1575	It is an interested and affected party. 2. I object to the application for production rights, any exploration rights or any seismic surveying proposed by Total Energies and partners for the specified area now or at any time in the future. 3. The scoping report clearly recognises the coast of South Africa for its eco systems and clearly lists the appalling impact that their production will have on these systems. Yet They will proceed if granted approval by Petroleum Agency SA.	Waseem Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the proposed Block 118/128 project. Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, fauna species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1576	4. Any exploration and or production will negatively impact marine plant, bird and consequently human life. By the time full impact is known, irreversible damage is done.	Waseem Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	A comprehensive marine environmental impact assessment is being undertaken to assess the impacts of the proposed project activities on all these sensitive receptors. The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and importan biological processes (imgration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment will consider the most sensitive receptors in the assessment to present a worschaes scenario.
1577	5. The risks due to the course of such operations i.e., leaks, spills, blasts etc, are too high to even consider risking one.	Waseem Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	WSP's ESIA study includes a comprehensive assessment of the effect of accidental spills, leaks and underwater noise on the marine and socio-economic environment, the findings of which will be presented in a detailed report, in the next phase of the process. TEEPSA is obliged to submit a Closure Plana as part of the Environmental Authorisation application. The document is prepared in accordance with the
1578	6. Total Energies and their Partners, relinquish all responsibility, financial or otherwise, that may arise in the explored blocks after they're done with production and have moved out. This becomes the responsibility of the SA government. 7. They get to leave all their equipment, material etc on the seabed because it's too costly for them to remove. 8. The "reasons" of benefit to the economy, contribution towards alleviating the energy crisis, and job creation are fancy wrappings. The people and the	Waseem Kolia		01 February 2023	WhatsApp	requirements of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) Financial Provisioning Regulations 2015, as amended that set out, among other, the requirements for financial provision for rehabilitation and remediation, decommissioning and closure activities at the end of prospecting, exploration, mining or production operations; and remediation and management of latent or residual environmental impacts which may become known in future. Socio-economic benefits associated with the project will be assessed as part of the ESIA process. TEEPSA is also currently in the process of developing a Social and Labour Plan (SEP) which will target beneficiaries in the Mossel Bay area, amongst others. The primary objectives of an SLP are to create employment;
1579 1635	environment are worse off in the long run. Corrupt politicians, greedy and manipulative wealthy individuals and corporations are the designed benefactors and beneficiaries. I object to Total energies or anyone else drilling oil in the oceans off of South Africa. These pristine waters are migration routes for whales and dolphins and are home to so many species of aquatic animals. Oil companies have traditionally not been trustworthy with regards to prevention and clean up of oil spills. How do you clean oil out of the ocean any way? These areas are used by fisher people to harvest food and ecotourism brings in much income to the area.	Waseem Kolia Weber Janse van		01 February 2023	WhatsApp WhatsApp	advance social and economic welfare; contribute to transformation by promoting advancement of historically disadvantaged people (HDPs); and ensuring that right holders contribute towards socio-economic development in the areas that will be affected by proposed projects. It is a legal requirement for applicants for a Production Right to develop and implement a SLP. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive ESIA will be undertaken to assess the potential impacts of
1033	Both of these and many more economic fields would be threatened merely to being more income to multinational shareholders. This at a time when climate change is threatening our economics and human life in such a devastating manner. I object on these grounds and many more "I'm an interested and affected party. I'm a SA citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment impacts me, impacts the entire planet. Any action that does not promote environmental sustainability and protection for all species, belongs in the past. In the words of Mary Oliver:	Rensburg		03 February 2023	wnatsApp	the project on marine ecology and the socio-economy, informed by oil spill modelling, amongst other.
1046	"I would say that there exist a thousand unbreakable links between each of us and everything else, and that our dignity and our chances are one. The farthest star and the murd at our feet are a family; and there is no decency or esseen in honouring one thing, or a few things, and then closing the list. The pine tree, the leopard, the (Platte) river and ourselves-we are at risk together or we are on our way to a sustainable world together. We are each other's destiny." Thank you for your time and for your long term, respectful vision. I am an interested and effected party and live in George a mere 30km away. I am an RSA citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment	Wendy Miller	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 11B/12B project. Your objection has been recorded. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on
956	consequently impacts me and my family. I belief the exploration plan of Total will irreversibly harm the eco system of the ocean. I strongly object to their plans we need to protect the eco systems at all costs. With yare we even entertaining selling our ocean.	Wessel Grobler	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
100	The energy being considered is gas. SA is getting funding to move away from energy that impacts on climate change. Is the project in line with national goals? I would like to get a sense as to whether there is any documentation which shows the environmental characteristics of the areas that would be affected and	Wilfred Lunga	Human Sciences Research Council	19 January 2023	V-FGM-10	There is a need for gas in the marked as a transition fuel as renewable energy is still being developed. Chpater 4 (Need and Desirability) of the Final Scoping Report discusses the Project in terms of the strategic goals to decarbonise the South African economy and the committenest to reach Net Zero 19200. The ESIA process is focused on identifying the potential impacts and understanding the effects on the receiving environment and includes the social
101	get an understanding of existing environmental issues in the areas. What are the measure in place to prevent or reduce the adverse effects in those areas?	Wilfred Lunga	Human Sciences Research Council	19 January 2023	V-FGM-10	environment. The information on the potential impacts are contained in the draft Scoping report and will be further unpacked in the draft EIA report, which will contain the specialist study findings and detailed measures to mitigate potential impacts. The philidric is proceeded, MRD specifing that you are greatered as no IEAA or mail the proceeding
702	Please note me down as the following: I am an interested and affected party. I am an RSA Citizen and all that negatively impacts the ocean and environment consequently impacts me. I look forward to hearing from you. Hi I would like to nominate that the west coast would not be used for pipe lines. Please add a link to you instagram bio to make it easier for people to access	Wilfried Detlef Bohm	Individual	03 February 2023	E-mail	The objection is recorded. WSP confirms that you are registered as an I&AP and will keep you informed of further developments on the Block 118/128 project. Your comments have been recorded. WSP confirms that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project and will continue to receive information regarding
1652	the website	Wisane Magadzi	F. W. L	02 February 2023	WhatsApp	the project. Please note that WSP, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner, is not involved with the petition. Your objection has been recorded. The description of the project and its associated infrastructure is provided in Chapter 5 of the Scoping Report. Chapter 4 of
1089 1786	I object to the plan to create in the Indian Ocean an industrial outlet. No to TOTAL!!	Wolfgang Paulig Yolande van der	Individual	03 February 2023 01 February 2023	E-mail WhatsApp	the Scoping Report sets out the strategic context in which this project takes place and presents a framework in which the issue of South Africa's integrated resources plan and energy transition is considered. The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1645	Dear Sirs, I would like to OBJECT to the proposed drilling for oil and development of oil/gas pipelines between Mossel Bay and St Francis, South Africa. Our Earth needs protecting from further pollution and damage. Our sea life needs to be protected and a sustainable balance maintained. Earth and its natural behance is in a critical state. We need to STDP damaging development and preserve what we can for furture generations. It is our RESPONSIBILITY as	Merwe Yvonne Lello		03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority. A comprehensive marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to potential impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach and the most up to date available literature, as well as in situ survey data.
1447	educated citizens. Please keep me informed of the situation. Thank vou. Would you allow terrorists to enter your home and blow up your possessions wife and children with explosions. I think not. Genesis 2-15 "The Lord God took the man and put him in the Garden of Eden to work it and keep it." God gave mankind a command and told him that he must tend or keep the garden. The Hebrew word for "tend" or some translations say "keep" it is "shamar" and it means more than just keep it neat and tidy. The Hebrew word means "to guard" or "to watch and protect." The other Hebrew word in this verse that's very important is the word "work" or as some translations more accurately say "to cultivate" and is from the Hebrew word "abad" meaning "to serve" so Genesis 2-15 would better read as: "The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to serve it and to guard and protect it." That means that we are stewards of the earth and the Master will require of us an account on how we've been stewards of what so given us. So far, it's not	Zafirula Simonato	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	been good stewardship to say the least. God created all things. Genesis I: NIV. In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the Spirit of God was hovering over the waters.					
1448	Nehemiah 9:6 You alone are the LORD. You made the heavens, even the highest heavens, and all their starry host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them. You give life to everything, and the multitudes of heaven worship you.* Job 12:7-10	Zafirula Simonato	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
	But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds of the air, and they will tell you; or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish of the sea inform you. Which of all these does not know that the hand of the LORD has done this? In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind. God Asks Us to Take Care of His Creation In the Bible, God commands man to be a steward of the environment. Isaiah and Jeremiah prophesy about the dire consequences that occur when man					
1449	disobeys God and falls to take care of the Earth: God commands us to keep and care for the earth but God's edict to have dominion over the earth doesn't mean to have complete domination and exploitation of it. PLEASE HONOUR OUR CREATOR OR SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES OF YOUR ACTIONS.	Zafirula Simonato	Individual	02 February 2023	E-mail	The comment has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.
1793	the ocean houses thousands of beautiful species, many native to south Africa and it would be an unfair tragedy to lose wildlife due to unnecessary human intervention	Zoe Alexandria van Z	yl .	03 February 2023	WhatsApp	The marine ecology impact assessment will give consideration to impacts of the proposed activities on habitats, faunal species and important biological processes (migration etc.) using an ecosystems-based approach. The assessment of potential impacts will involve the consideration of the sensitivity of the faunal receptors.
	Am Zuzeka Ciliba a resident of KwaNonqaba and also a chaiperson of All Women in Bussiness. Also a stake holder affected and a women leading women's organisation :All Women in Bussiness Poverty is reality in Mossel Bay town to both educated and uneducated. It's imperretive of Total to build trust with the community. Sorry to say you carry a burden and crimes you did not commit. Empower the community wit info needed to be employable when in operation, both job seekers and tender chasers. Women must be empowered and be given their stake as household pillars and children raisers Department of education must work withdepartmentofmoineral and enegy to advance scarce skill in school level. When students transfered with knowlede will also open choices to leave town or the country					
2372	When students transfered with knowlede will also open choices to leave town or the country Work together with existing big and small companises to empower communities with better projects and bussinesses Community trust will help as another hand of development for total Don't dish crumbs cause when crumbs are finished. Then the noise will be bigger than before. You don't want to dent your image with endless chaotic riots of this town Liasson officer between you and communities must have passion about this community. His/her strength must be to serve Our women's organisation have wing of youth empowerment We empower women from all walks of life all racess. All levels. Educated or uneducated. All ages We have been so much marginalized in so many opportunities before this one. We are back to yower to take what is richifully ourse.	Zuzeka Ciliba	All Women In Bussiness	21 January 2023	E-mail	Your comments have been noted and will be submitted to the competent authority for consideration. The socio-economic impacts of the project, including impacts on community livelihood and women and vulnerable groups, will be considered as part of the ESIA.

COMMENT No.	COMMENT, ISSUE or SUGGESTION	RAISED BY	ORGANISATION	DATE	SOURCE (Email, Open House, FGM, Call)	RESPONSE
1300	*How might this project, with or without any accidents, impact upon local tourism?				Potential impacts associated with the construction, operation and decommissioning of the project, as well as unplanned events, such as an oil spill, on tourism, will be addressed in dedicated socio-economic study that will be done as part of the ESIA process.	
1680	l object to the Total pipeline				WhatsApp	The objection has been recorded and will be considered by the Competent Authority.