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# **Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) for the proposed development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1, 2 and 3 and associated infrastructure (including Grid Connection infrastructure) near Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province**

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**1. INTRODUCTION**

The country wide restriction enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096, has resulted in the entire country being placed in a national state of disaster. This has limited the movement and gathering of people in an effort to curb the spread CoVID-19 and therefore requires that the public participation process be amended and adjusted to comply with the restrictions.

As a result, alternative means of undertaking the required stakeholder engagement has been designed and implemented by SiVEST to ensure that all I&APs are afforded reasonable opportunity to engage meaningfully. As such, SiVEST are proposing the following amendments to the public participation process, described in more detail below.

**2. PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

The applicants, Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 3 (Pty) Ltd and Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd are proposing the development of commercial Wind Energy Facilities (WEF) and associated infrastructure on a site located approximately 20km South East of Pofadder within the Kai !Garib Local Municipality and the Z F Mgcawu District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province.

A preferred project site with an extent of 24 000ha has been identified as a technically suitable area for the development of the three WEF projects. It is proposed that each WEF will comprise of up to 30 turbines with a combined contracted capacity of up to 200MW per WEF. The overall objective of the proposed WEF developments is to generate electricity by means of renewable energy technologies capturing wind energy and to feed into the national grid.

SiVEST Environmental Division has subsequently been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the EIA process for the proposed construction of the Pofadder WEF 1, 2 and 3 as well as the BA for the Pofadder Grid. The proposed developments require EA's from the National Department Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE). However, the provincial authority (i.e. the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform)

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will also be consulted with. The EIA for the proposed development will be conducted in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) promulgated in terms of Chapter 5 of the NEMA. All relevant legislation and guidelines will be consulted during the EIA processes and will be complied with at all times.

The projects being undertaken are as follows:

- 200MW Pofadder WEF 1 – **DFFE Reference Number: To be Allocated** (part of separate EIA process / application).
- 200MW Pofadder WEF 2 – **DFFE Reference Number: To be Allocated** (part of separate EIA process / application).
- 200MW Pofadder WEF 3 – **DFFE Reference Number: To be Allocated** (part of separate EIA process / application).

In order to evacuate the energy generated by the WEF's to supplement the national grid, Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd is proposing two grid connection alternatives which will be assessed in a separate Integrated Grid BAR:

- **Pofadder WEF 1: Alternative 1:** A ~ 47 km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to the proposed Korana MTS.
- **Pofadder WEF 2: Alternative 1:** A ~ 54 km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to the proposed Korana MTS.
- **Pofadder WEF 3: Alternative 1:** A ~ 58 km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to the proposed Korana MTS.
- **Pofadder WEF 1 Alternative 2:** A ~ 7 km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to a proposed new 400/132 kV MTS located south of the WEF and adjacent to the Aggeneis – Aries 400 kV line. This MTS could serve as a back-up to the planned Korana MTS, in the event that Eskom encounters delays or development issues with that project.
- **Pofadder WEF 2 Alternative 2:** A ~ 13.5km km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to a proposed new 400/132 kV MTS located south of the WEF and adjacent to the Aggeneis – Aries 400 kV line. This MTS could serve as a back-up to the planned Korana MTS, in the event that Eskom encounters delays or development issues with that project.
- **Pofadder WEF 3 Alternative 2:** A ~ 17 km 132 kV OH powerline within a 300 m assessment corridor (150 m on either side) from the Switching Station on site to a proposed new 400/132 kV MTS located south of the WEF and adjacent to the Aggeneis – Aries 400 kV line. This MTS could serve as a back-up to the planned Korana MTS, in the event that Eskom encounters delays or development issues with that project.

The EA applications for the three wind farm projects and gridline are being undertaken in parallel as they are co-dependent, i.e. one will not be developed without the other.

The respective WEF and grid connection infrastructure developments will require separate Environmental Authorisations (EAs) and are subject to separate Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and Basic Assessment (BA) processes respectively. The proposed grid connection infrastructure developments will be handed over to Eskom once constructed (Eskom grid connection works). The substations will include an Eskom portion (switching station) and an Independent Power Producer (IPP) portion (facility substation) hence the facility substations will be included in the respective WEF EIAs and the Eskom switching stations in the respective associated grid connection infrastructure BAs in order to allow for handover to Eskom.

Although the respective WEFs and associated grid connection infrastructure (switching stations and overhead power lines) developments will be assessed separately, it is proposed that a single public participation process be undertaken to consider all of the proposed projects [i.e. three (3) WEF EIAs and one (1) grid connection BAs]. This is however dependant on approval from the DFFE. The potential environmental impacts associated with all of the proposed developments mentioned above will be assessed as part of the cumulative impact assessment.

### **3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN, STAKEHOLDER IDENTIFICATION AND ENGAGEMENT**

#### **3.1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: LEGISLATIVE REQUIREMENTS**

Public participation is the cornerstone of any EIA process. The principles of the NEMA as well as the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), govern the EIA process, including public participation. These include provision of sufficient and transparent information on an on-going basis to Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) and key stakeholders, such as Organs of State (OoS) / authorities, to allow them to comment, and to ensure the participation of previously disadvantaged people, women and the youth.

The public participation process is primarily based on two (2) factors, namely.

1. Firstly, on-going interaction with the environmental specialists and the technical teams in order to achieve integration of technical assessment and public participation throughout; and
2. Secondly, to obtain the bulk of the issues to be addressed early on in the process, with the latter half of the process designed to provide environmental and technical evaluation of these issues. These findings are presented to stakeholders for verification that their issues have been captured and for further comment.

The public participation (PP) process will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GN R 982). The primary aims of the Public Participation Process are:

- To inform I&APs and key stakeholders of the proposed project;
- To initiate meaningful and timeous participation of I&APs and key stakeholders;
- To identify issues and/or concerns of key stakeholders and I&APs with regards to the proposed project;
- To promote transparency and an understanding of the proposed project and its potential environmental impacts;
- To provide information used for decision-making;
- To provide a structure for liaison and communication with I&APs and key stakeholders;
- To assist in identifying potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed project;
- To ensure inclusivity (the views, needs, interests and values of I&APs and key stakeholders must be considered in the decision-making process);
- To focus on issues relevant to the proposed project and issues considered important by I&APs and key stakeholders;
- To provide responses to I&AP and key stakeholder queries / comments / concerns; and
- Meet the requirements for Public Participation as stated in Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

### 3.1.1. Compliance with regulations and subsequent circulars

In terms of Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), a BA/EIA application requires a 30-day Public Participation Process (PPP) for both the draft BA, Scoping and EIA process. In light of the country wide restriction enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096 (GN R 313) which has resulted in the entire country being placed in a national state of disaster and limits the movement and gatherings of people in an effort to curb the spread CoVID-19, the public participation process has been amended and adjusted in light of these restrictions<sup>1</sup>.

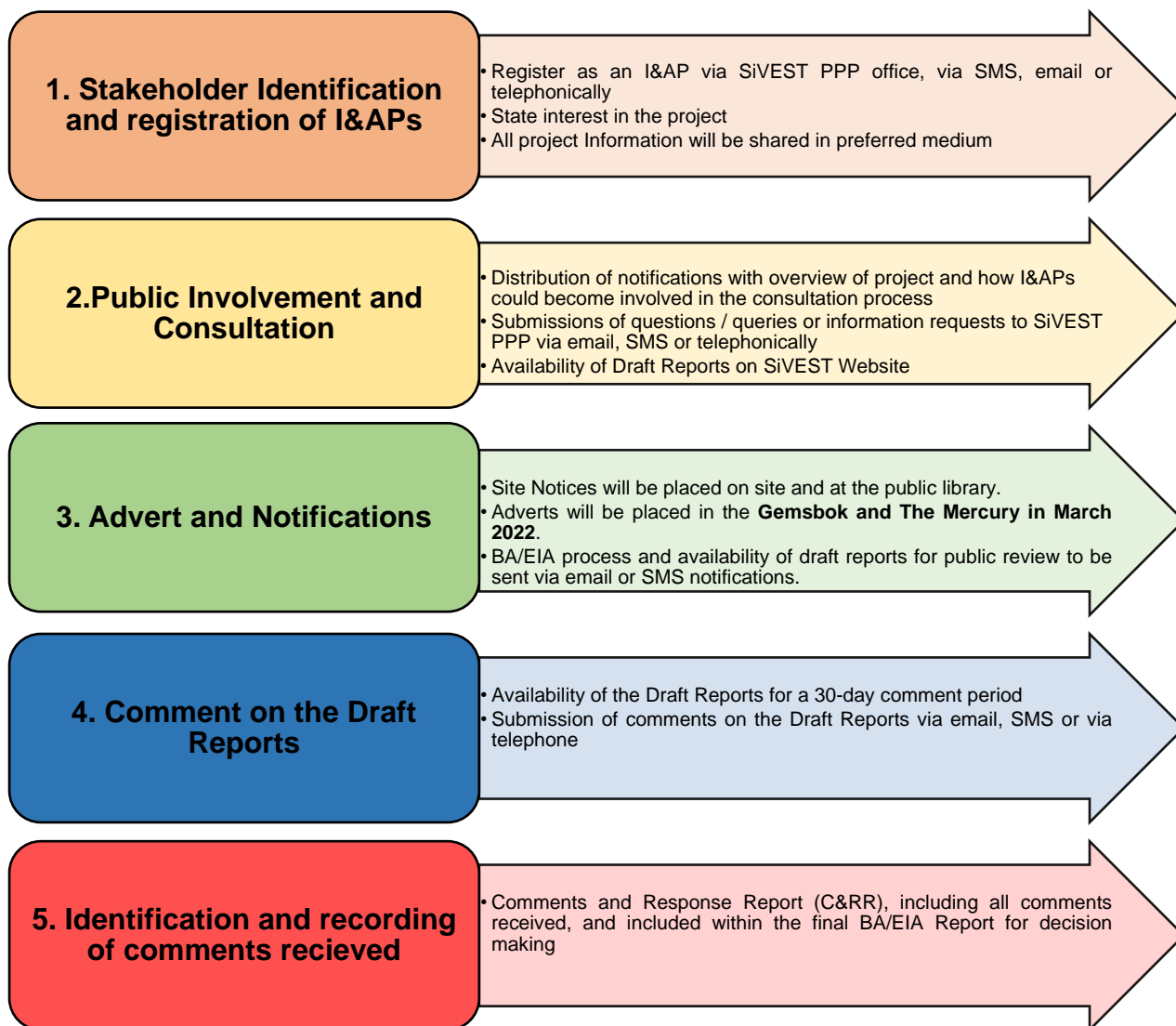
As a result, alternative means of undertaking the required stakeholder engagement has been designed and implemented by SiVEST to ensure that all I&APs are afforded reasonable opportunity to engage meaningfully. As such, SiVEST are proposing the following public participation process, described in more detail below. This Public Participation plan, detailed below, is being submitted to the DFFE for their review and approval.

### 3.2. PROPOSED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

**Figure 1** below provides an overview of the tools that are available to I&APs and stakeholders to access project information and interact with the public participation team to obtain project information and resolve any queries that may arise, and to meet the requirements for public participation.

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<sup>1</sup> General Notice issued by the DFFE on 24 March 2020



**Figure 1: Schematic illustration of PPP tools**



**Table 1: Public Participation Plan: Discussion of approach and methodology to meet the requirements of the Regulations**

Regulation/ circular	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements	Special requests
<p>Regulation 40(1), Regulation 40(3) &amp; Regulation 43 – provide all potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, <b>access to project related information</b>, access to the Basic Assessment, Scoping and EIA Report which will be made available for a period of at least 30 days to <b>submit comments on the draft reports</b> prior to submission of the Final Report for decision-making.</p>	<p>It is the intention to release all relevant project information to all interested and/or affected parties for a <u>30-day period</u>.</p> <p><b><u>Notification of BA/EIA process to be undertaken to be distributed using the following means:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Issuing of the notifications and initial landowner consultation (to be circulated to all I&amp;APs in March 2022 respectively as part of the Draft Scoping Report (proof to be included in EIA Report).</li> <li>• Placement of site notices in English and Afrikaans (as per regulations) to be placed along the entrance road to the application site and around the site itself on 8 March 2022 (proof to be included in Basic Assessment, Scoping and EIA Report).</li> <li>• Notification letter to be sent via E-mail or sms (if available, alternatively in the method identified/preferred by the I&amp;AP, if appropriate).</li> <li>• Public notification of the BA/EIA process will be advertised in a local newspaper (namely Die Gemsbok) and a Provincial newspaper, namely The Mercury in March 2022, as required according to Regulation 41(2) (c) of the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Proof to be included in the Basic Assessment, Scoping and EIA Report.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Availability of report for review:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Report available on SiVESTs website for download.</li> <li>• Electronic copies can be made available to parties via a secure digital link that will be emailed upon request for the documentation.</li> <li>• CDs / Flash drive to be couriered/posted, only if requested. (taking into consideration the required 30 day comment period).</li> <li>• The Draft Basic Assessment Report, Draft Scoping Report and the Draft EIA Report will be located at the following location and will be available for review: Pofadder Library, Loop Street, Northern Cape, South Africa</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Availability to comment:</u></b> Comments can be submitted in various mediums detailed in the row below, and will be captured and responded to by the SiVEST PPP Office.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

Regulation/ circular	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements	Special requests
<p>Regulation 40(2) - Provide access to all project information that has the potential to influence any decision regarding the application, unless protected by law, and must include <b>consultation</b> with Competent Authority, Organs of State &amp; registered I&amp;APs.</p> <p>Regulation 41(6) – Relevant <b>information available and accessible</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Report will be submitted to the DFFE using the DFFE online portal.</li> <li>Report will be submitted to Organs of State (OoS) and commenting authorities via an agreed electronic platform (such as on CD, Flash stick or via a secure digital link).</li> </ul> <p><b>Availability of report via means described above.</b></p> <p><b>Submission of comments to EAP:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comments will be able to be submitted directly to the EAP using the SiVEST email address (<a href="mailto:sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za">sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za</a>) or cell phone via call, SMS or WhatsApp (alternatively in the method identified/preferred by the I&amp;AP, if appropriate).</li> <li>Written comments can also be submitted via email.</li> </ul> <p>Any comments provided telephonically or via instant message will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments.</p> <p>Provision of project information and consultation via various means, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Telephonic consultation.</li> <li>Email correspondence.</li> <li>SMS and/or WhatsApp.</li> <li>The SiVEST Website will ensure that I&amp;APs are afforded sufficient opportunity to participate in the project and raise comments on the project with interest in the EIA process for the project. Virtual meetings, if required, will be conducted using an appropriate platform agreeable to all parties (such as Zoom, Skype or Microsoft Teams). The meeting will be recorded, and the attendees' details captured in an attendance register. Confirmation of their attendance will also be requested by e-mail and the correspondence will be included in the report.</li> </ul> <p><i>It should be noted that the use of postage will only be required should and I&amp;AP request that the documents be sent to them via CD or flash drive. All I&amp;APs and OoS will be sent an electronic link to the website where the report can be reviewed or downloaded. Should any I&amp;APs / stakeholders / OoS request documents via post or courier, this will be indicated and proof of postage will be provided in the final report. In addition, the project database in the final report will reflect whether any I&amp;AP / stakeholder / OoS / Authority received the documents via post or courier.</i></p>	<p>None, in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP</p>
<p>Regulation 41(2)(a) – <b>Site notice</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Placement of site notices in English and Afrikaans (as per regulations) along the entrance road to the application site will be placed on 8 March 2022 (proof to be included in the reports).</li> <li>Size and content were in accordance with Regulation 41(3) &amp; 41(4).</li> </ul>	<p>None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proof will be incorporated into the reports.</li> </ul>	regarding PPP
Regulation 41(2)(b) – <b>Written notification</b> to affected and neighboring landowners and occupiers; municipality; ward councilors; Organs of State & other parties required by the CA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification letters to all I&amp;APs and OoS will be sent via email and SMS (where required).</li> <li>• Proof of notifications will be incorporated into the reports.</li> </ul>	None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP
Regulation 41(2)(c) – (e) – <b>Advertisements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public notification of the BA/EIA process will be advertised in a local newspaper (namely the Die Gembok) and in a Provincial newspaper, namely The Mercury in March 2022, as required according to Regulation 41(2) (c) of the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended. Proof to be included in reports.</li> </ul>	None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP
Regulation 42 – <b>Project database</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• I&amp;APs have been identified through a process of networking and referral, obtaining information from the SiVEST existing stakeholder database, neighbouring projects and liaison with potentially affected parties in the greater surrounding area.</li> <li>• Organs of State, key stakeholders and affected and surrounding landowners have been identified and registered on the project database.</li> <li>• Other stakeholders will be required to formally register their interest in the project through either directly contacting the SiVEST Public Participation team via phone or email or use of the SiVEST website.</li> <li>• The register of I&amp;APs will contain the names of:               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ all persons who requested to be registered on the database in writing and disclosed their interest in the project;</li> <li>○ all Organs of State which hold jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and</li> <li>○ all persons who submitted written comments or attended virtual meetings and viewed virtual presentations on the SiVEST website during the public participation process.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The information captured on the project database will contain the I&amp;AP information in line with POPIA.</li> <li>• No I&amp;AP contact details will be made publicly available.</li> </ul>	None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP

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Regulation 44 – <b>Comments</b> to be recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Comments will be able to be submitted directly to the EAP using the SiVEST email address (<a href="mailto:sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za">sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za</a>) or cell phone via call, SMS or WhatsApp.</li> <li>• Written comments can also be submitted via calls, SMS, WhatsApp, email.</li> <li>• I&amp;APs without the applicable electronic facilities to access the SiVEST website will be provided with the opportunity to submit their comments and communicate with the public participation team via SMS or WhatsApp. These comments will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments.</li> <li>• All comments received throughout the EIA process will be acknowledged and captured in the C&amp;RR with a relevant response.</li> <li>• The C&amp;RR will be included in the final report which will be submitted to the Competent Authority (CA) for decision making.</li> </ul> <p><i>It should be noted that I&amp;APs / stakeholders / OoS will be notified throughout the EIA process to provide comments via the methods mentioned in this PPP. They will also be advised to contact SiVEST directly, if required, in which case other arrangements can be made (if required). SiVEST's public participation email address is monitored on a daily basis to confirm whether any comments or queries have been received. Once a comment is received the project team will save a copy, respond accordingly (using an appropriate method) and the comment / query will also be added to the C&amp;RR (along with an appropriate response), which will be attached to the final report for consideration. SiVEST will also include all proof of correspondence with I&amp;APs, stakeholder and OoS as part of the EIA Report, while the project database in the report will reflect the method of communication with any I&amp;AP / stakeholder / OoS / Authority</i></p>	None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP
Regulation 4(2) – Notification of <b>decision</b> on application	<p><b>Notification of Environmental Authorisation (EA)</b> using the following means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification letter with details as outlined in the EA issued will be sent via email and SMS (same method used during public consultation described above).</li> </ul>	None - in line with current NEMA EIA Regulations regarding PPP

## 4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION WAY FORWARD

We kindly request approval of the following process to be followed:

### Release of Draft Reports for public comment:

- The Draft Scoping Report, and thereafter both the Draft Basic Assessment and Draft EIA Report for the proposed development will be released for public review and comment for a period of 30 days from the 15 March 2022 till the 13 April 2022 and the 18 July 2022 till the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2022 respectively (tentative dates).
- The Draft Scoping Report will be submitted at the same time as the Environmental Authorisation (EA) application form is submitted to DFFE.
- The report will be uploaded on to the SiVEST Website at <http://www.sivest.co.za/Download>

### Notification of I&APs, landowners and OoS / authorities:

- All affected landowners, the relevant provincial authority (namely the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform) and I&APs will be notified of the BA/EIA process.
- All landowners (affected and surrounding) and I&APs will be notified of the submission of the Draft Reports and the 30-day public review and comment period accordingly.
- In addition, all Organs of State (OoS) / authorities will be sent electronic copies of the Draft Basic Assessment, Draft Scoping Report and the Draft EIA Report.
- The 30-day review and comment period will be provided for both the public and for OoS / authorities, as required by the EIA Regulations (2014), as amended.
- All I&APs will be notified via Email and SMS, which is deemed suitable considering that contact details are available (i.e. a cellphone number confirms access to a cellphone).

### Comments and Response Report (C&RR):

Comments received on the DBAR, DSR and DEIR will be included in the final reports, which will be submitted to the DFFE for decision making at a later stage (within the timeframes as stipulated in the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended). A full C&RR will also be drafted to capture all comments received during the EIA process, including responses thereto. The C&RR will be included in the Final EIA Report.

The public participation process will come to a close for the project when the decision on the EIA is received and is made available to the public. All registered I&APs / stakeholders will be notified of the EA (should this be granted) and appeal process accordingly<sup>2</sup>.

## 5. CONCLUSION

The Public Participation Plan, as set out above, has been drafted for the BA/EIA Process for the proposed development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1, 2 and 3 and associated infrastructure and Grid Connection to ensure that reasonable opportunity is provided to I&APs / stakeholders and that all administrative actions are reasonable. Proof of all correspondence and notifications will be included in the public participation appendix included in the EIA Report(s).

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<sup>2</sup> Section 43(1) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA)

The Public Participation Plan is submitted to the DFFE, for discussion and agreement before the Public Participation Process is undertaken for the proposed EIA process.

## 6. SCHEDULE

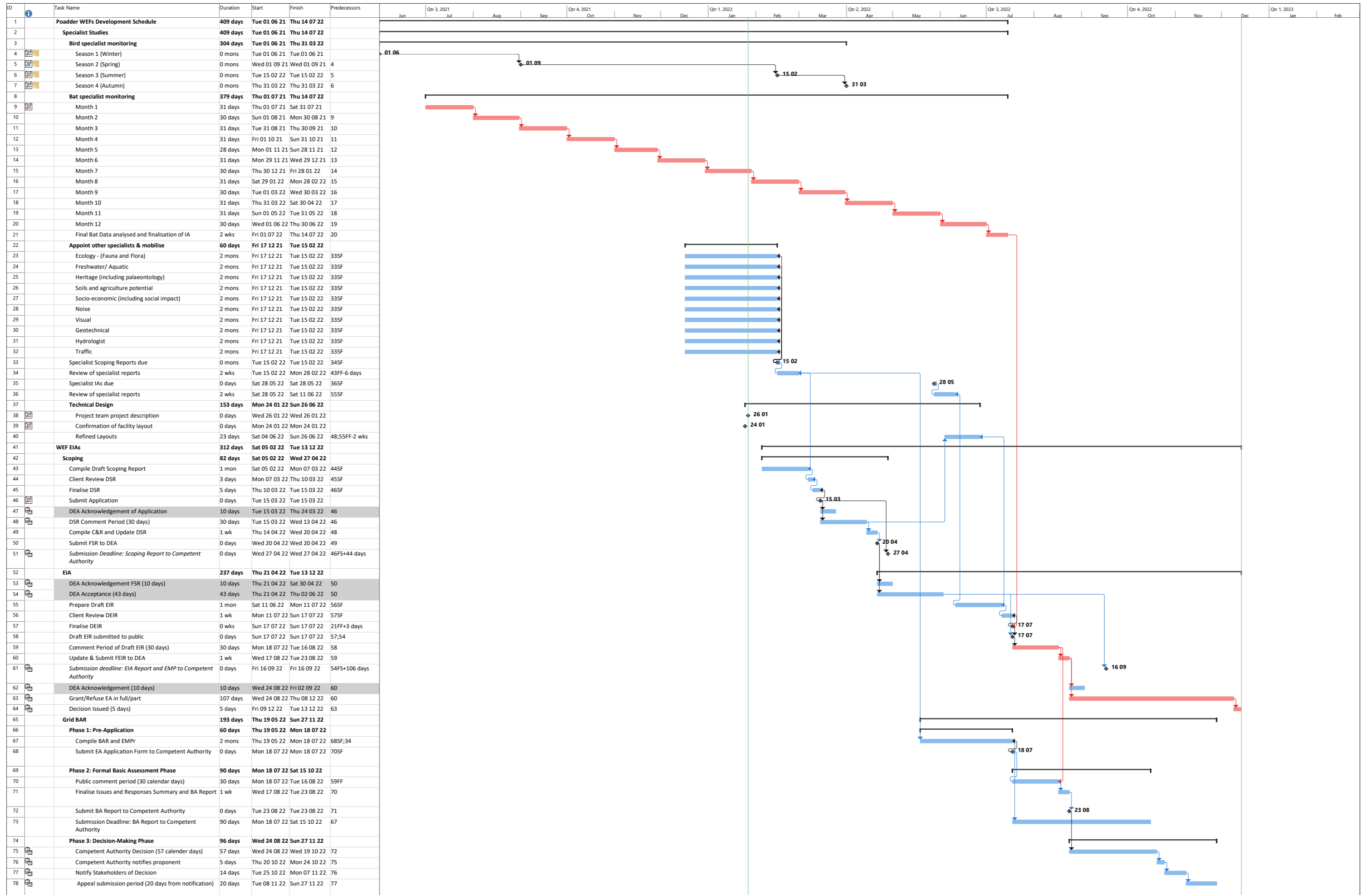
The public participation process will commence in March 2022 with the submission of the draft Scoping Report. Thereafter, the Draft Basic Assessment Report and the Draft EIA Report will go out for comment together from 18 July 2022 till the 16<sup>th</sup> of August 2022.

The project schedule is attached in **Appendix A**.



## **APPENDIX A:**

### **Project Schedule**







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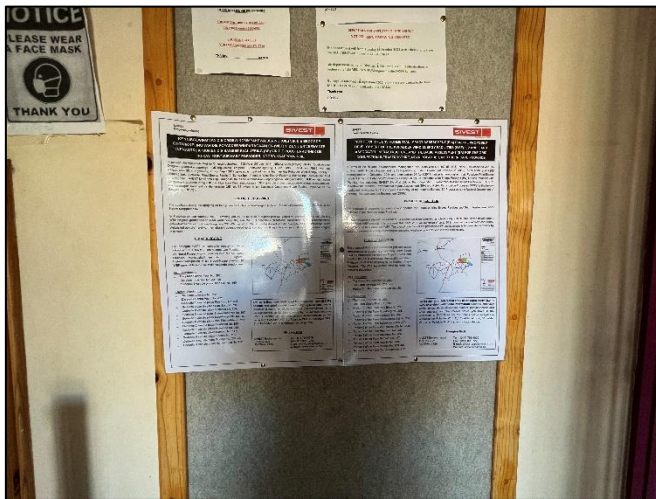
**Location:** Kakamas Town

**Coordinates:** -28°46'11.339" S; 20°36'59.660" E



**Location:** Kakamas Library

**Coordinates:** -28,46'26.169" S; 20°37'19.460" E



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**Location:** Kai! Garib Local Municipality

**Coordinates:** -28°46'35.740" S; 20°37'17.369" E



**Location:** Pofadder Library

**Coordinates:** -29°7'30.800" S; 19°23'5.639" E



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**POFADDER WEF 1, 2, 3 AND POFADDER GRID**

Proof of site notices

18 March 2022

**Location: Khai-Ma Local Municipality**

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**Location: Along R358**

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**Location: Along R358**

**Coordinates: -29°15'0.699" S; 19°27'55.679" E**



**Location: Farm Portion**

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**Location: Grid**

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**Location: Pofadder Town**

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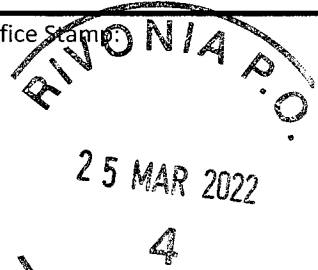
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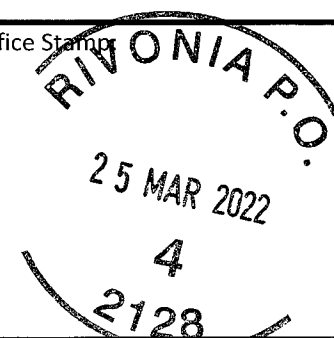
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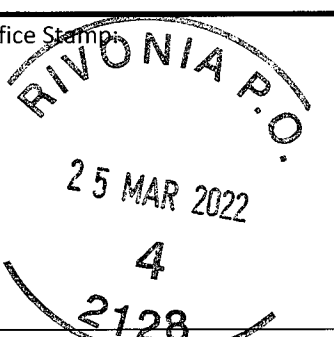
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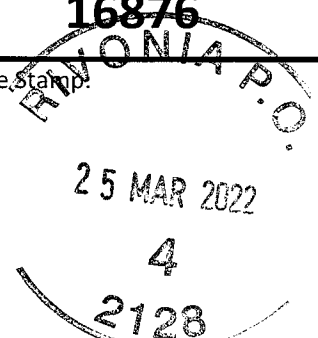
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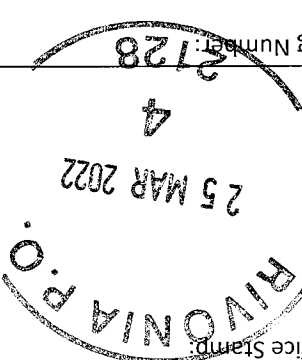
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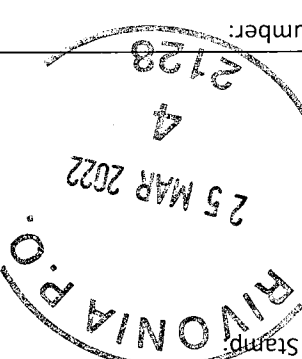
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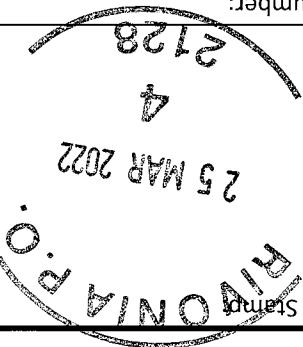
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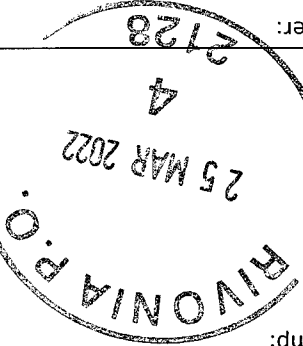
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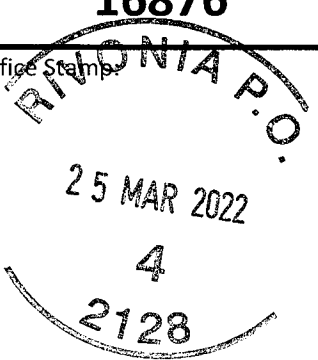
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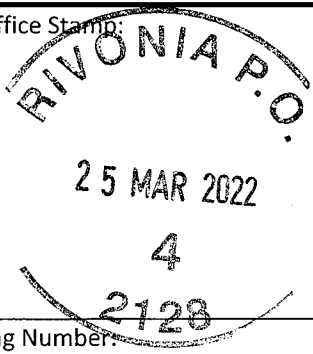
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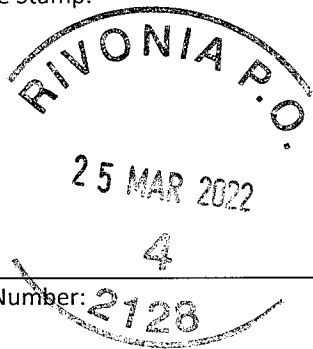
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*HAND DELIVERY*


## 16876 LO Notification


### English Notification

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27849230030	MTN	DELIVRD	3/28/2022 5:06:00 PM	3/28/2022 5:06:45 PM	3/28/2022 5:06:50 PM	Please note that SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 3 (Pty) Ltd and Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the abovementioned projects.	Pofadder WEFs	LO Notification
27849230030	MTN	DELIVRD	3/28/2022 5:07:00 PM	3/28/2022 5:07:21 PM	3/28/2022 5:07:22 PM	You have been identified as an adjacent / surrounding landowner for the proposed projects. SiVEST would thus like to please request the email address and/or postal/residential address (should you not have an email address) of you and any occupants residing on your land, so that we can send information regarding the projects and involve you in the EIA processes.	Pofadder WEFs	LO Notification
27849230030	MTN	DELIVRD	3/28/2022 5:08:00 PM	3/28/2022 5:07:48 PM	3/28/2022 5:07:50 PM	Please forward your email address and/or postal/residential address to Hlengiwe Ntuli at: 073 357 2058.	Pofadder WEFs	LO Notification

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**16876 DSR Notification**

**English Notification**

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## **sivest\_PPP**

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**From:** sivest\_PPP  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 March 2022 15:40  
**Cc:** Michelle Guy; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Starting  
**Attachments:** 16876 Pofadder WEF DSR Notification Letter Rev 1.0 25022022 Final.pdf; 16876 Pofadder WEF Advert rev 2.0 240322 Final (with Afrikaans).pdf

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Dear Interested and/or Affected Party

**NOTICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1, 2 AND 3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND GRID INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE OF SOUTH AFRICA (DFFE Reference No: To be announced)**

**• AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORTS FOR PUBLIC REVIEW**

Please note that SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd has been appointed Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 3 (Pty) Ltd and Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the abovementioned projects.

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that, in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended), the Draft Scoping Reports (DSRs) for the above-mentioned projects will be available for public comment and review from **31 March 2022 to 03 May 2022** (end of business day).

Should you wish to receive an electronic copy of the DSRs please forward your request in writing to us.

Hard copies of the DSRs can be reviewed at the following public place:

VENUE	STREET ADDRESS	HOURS	CONTACT NO
Pofadder Library	Loop St, Pofadder, 8890 (1084 Water Street)	Mondays- Fridays 7:30am - 4:00pm	054 933 0221

The reports as well as the accompanying appendices are also available on SiVEST's website: <http://www.sivest.co.za/>, click on Downloads, then browse to the folder '16876 Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities'.

**Attached is an English letter and advert notifying you of the review period.**

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Please note that SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd has been appointed Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 3 (Pty) Ltd and Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the abovementioned projects.

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that, in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended), the Draft Scoping Reports (DSRs) for the above-mentioned projects will be available for public comment and review from **31 March 2022 to 03 May 2022** (end of business day).

Should you wish to receive an electronic copy of the DSRs please forward your request in writing to us.

Hard copies of the DSRs can be reviewed at the following public place:

VENUE	STREET ADDRESS	HOURS	CONTACT NO
Pofadder Library	Loop St, Pofadder, 8890 (1084 Water Street)	Mondays- Fridays 7:30am - 4:00pm	054 933 0221

The reports as well as the accompanying appendices are also available on SiVEST's website: <http://www.sivest.co.za/>, click on Downloads, then browse to the folder '16876 Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities'.

***Attached is an English letter and advert notifying you of the review period.***

SiVEST is committed to complying with the requirements as set out in terms of POPIA.

I.T.O POPIA, you hereby declare and confirm that you, as an I&AP providing information, consent for your information to be gathered, stored and distributed for the purpose of this project.

Kind Regards,

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# Uppies hokkie presteer puik by Noord-Suid Derby

Die Hoërskool Upington se SuperSpar hokkie eerstespanne het puik presteer tydens die Noord-Suid Derby in Worcester.

1ste Seuns: Speel 4 wedstryde, wen 2, verloor 1 en speel 1 gelykop.  
1ste Dogters: Speel 4 wedstryde en wen al 4!



# Uppies netbal skitter by Waterkloof

Die URB sellulêr eerste netbal dogters lewer skitterende resultate by die Waterkloof netbalfees.

Hier volg hul uitslae:  
Wen Overkruijn 24-11  
Wen Alberton 18-17  
Wen Ben Viljoen 35-13  
Wen Geloftes 34-17  
Wen Brandwag 28-8  
Wen Waterkloof 22-19

# Hotazel Kollege swemmers presteer

GEMSBOK-HOTAZEL:Drie van Hotazel Kollege se leerders het aan die "Level 1 Provinsial" Gala in Kathu deelgeneem.

CJ du Plessis (Gr 5), Joné Poolman (Gr 5) en Urban Swart (Gr 7) het gesamentlik 19 medaljes in die individuele items, waaraan hulle deelgeneem het, verower.  
CJ du Plessis wen 6 goud en 1 silwer medalje.



CJ du Plessis



Urban Swart



Joné Poolman

Joné Poolman wen 1 goud, 2 silwer en 2 brons.

Urban Swart wen 1 goud, 2 silwer en 4 brons.

# Velties onder die top 16 skaakspelers in SA

Drie leerders van die Hoërskool Duineveld, Kiara Leite, Lika Botha en Emma Botha het aan die 2de rondte van die OSA-JCCC deelgeneem.

Hierdie kompetisie is die Aanlyn SA Junior Skaakkampioenskappe.

Al drie Velties het onder die TOP 16 in hulle onderskeie ouderdomsgroepe geëindig. Hulle neem daarom op 9 en 10 April deel aan die finaal van



Lika Botha

hierdie Skaak Velties onder die TOP 16 in Suid Afrika geëindig het, kwalifiseer hulle om aan die World Youth Rapid & Blitz Championships 2022 te gaan deelneem in Rhodes, Griekeland vanaf 30 April tot 4 Mei 2022.



Emma Botha

hierdie kompetisie. Na afhandeling van hierdie laaste deel van die kampioenskappe, wat die vorm van 'n uitklopronde aanneem, word die TOP 8 per ouderdom in die land aangekondig. Die spelers staan dan ook 'n kans om Prorealeure te verwerf!  
Weens die feit dat



Kiara Leite

**SIVEST**  
Environmental Division



## NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS

Notice is hereby given of a Public Participation Process (PPP) to be undertaken in terms of the National Environment Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations.

DFFE Reference Number: To be allocated upon submission of application

**Nature and Location of Activity:** The applicants, Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd, Pofadder Wind Facility 3 (Pty) Ltd and Pofadder Grid (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of a commercial Wind Energy Facilities (WEF) and associated infrastructure on a site located approximately 35 km South East of Pofadder within the Kai !Garib Local Municipality and the ZF Mgcawu District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. It is proposed that each WEF will comprise of up to 30 turbines with a combined contracted capacity of up to 200 MW per WEF.

Applications for Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes for the proposed Wind Energy Facilities and associated infrastructure and a Basic Assessment (BA) Process for the Grid will be submitted to the competent authority, the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFPE), for a decision.

**Applicable NEMA Listed Activities:** LN1 GN R327 - 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 28(ii), 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii) LN 2 GN R325 - 1 & 15 LN3 GN R324 - 4(g)(ii)(ee), 12(g)(ii), 14(ii)(g)(ii)(ff), 18(g)(ii)(ee)(ii), 23(g)(ee).

To register as an Interested and / or Affected Party (I&AP) and / or to obtain additional information please submit your name, contact details (telephone number, postal address and email address) and the interest which you have in the application to SIVEST as per the details below and please reference the 'Pofadder 1 WEF' or 'Pofadder 2 WEF', 'Pofadder 3 WEF' or 'Pofadder Grid' in your correspondence:

I, T.O POPIA, you hereby declare and confirm that you, as an I&AP providing information, consent for your information to be gathered, stored and distributed for the purpose of this project.

## KENNISGEWING VAN OMGEWINGSMAGTIGINGSPROSES

Kennis geskied hiermee van 'n Openbare Deelnameproses (ODP) wat ingevolge die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur, 1998 (Wet 198 van 1997) soos gewysig, en die Regulasies op Omgewingsimpak-evaluering (OIE-regulasies), onderneem moet word.

DBVO-verwysingsnommer: Sal toegeken word met indiening van aansoek

**Aard en ligging van aktiwiteit:** Die applikante, Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Edms.) Bpk., Pofadder Wind Facility 2 (Edms.) Bpk., Pofadder Wind Facility 3 (Edms.) Bpk. en Pofadder Grid (Edms.) Bpk. beoog die ontwikkeling van kommersiële windkragaanleë (WEF's) en verwante infrastruktuur op 'n terrein wat sowat 35 km suidoos van Pofadder in die Kai !Garib Plaaslike Munisipaliteit en die ZF Mgcawu Distrikmunisipaliteit in die Noord-Kaapprovinsie geleë is. Daar word beoog dat elke WEF uit hoogstens 30 turbines sal bestaan, met 'n gekombineerde gekontrakteerde vermoë van hoogstens 200 MW per WEF.

**Aansoek om Bestekopman- en Omgewingsimpak-evalueringprosesse (OIE-prosesse) vir die beoogde windkrag-aanleë en verwante infrastruktuur en 'n Basiese Evalueringproses (BE-proses) vir die Roosterkonneksie, sal by die bevoegde owerheid, synde die Departement van Bosbou, Visserye en die Omgewing (DBVO) ingedien word vir 'n besluit.**

**Toepaslike NEMA-gelyste aktiwiteite:** Lyskennisgewing (LK) 1 Staatskennisgewing (SK) R327 - 11(i), 12(ii)(a)(c), 19, 24(ii), 28(ii), 48(i)(a)(c), 56(ii) LK 2 SK R325 - 1 & 15 LK3 SK R324 - 4(g)(ii)(ee), 12(g)(ii), 14(ii)(g)(ii)(ff), 18(g)(ii)(ee)(ii), 23(g)(ee).

Om as 'n Belangstellende en/of Geaffekteerde Party (B&GP) te registreer en/of om bykomende inligting te bekom, moet u asseblief u naam, kontakbesonderhede (telefoonnommer, pos- en e-posadres) en die belang wat u by die aansoek het, aan SIVEST verstrek by die onderstaande besonderhede en die verwysing 'Pofadder 1 WEF', 'Pofadder 2 WEF', 'Pofadder 3 WEF' of 'Pofadder Grid', in u korrespondensie gebruik.

Ten opsigte van die Popi-wet, verklaar en bevestig u hiermee dat u, as 'n B&GP wat inligting verskaf, toestem dat u inligting vir die doel van hierdie projek ingewin, gestoor en versprei mag word.

Pofadder 1 Centre Point Coordinates	Pofadder 2 Centre Point Coordinates	Pofadder 3 Centre Point Coordinates
29°17'49.32"S 19°42'1.77"E	29°17'19.51"S 19°44'45.51"E	29°20'14.90"S 19°48'2.61"E

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Correspondence throughout the remainder of the PPP and EIA Process will only be distributed to Registered I&APs. Registration is possible throughout the EIA Process.

A copy of the draft Scoping Reports can be obtained on the SIVEST website at the following address: <http://www.sivest.co.za/Download> or at the Pofadder Library, Loop Street, Pofadder. The comment period for the Draft Scoping Report will run from 31 March 2022 to 3 May 2022.

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26650 GEDEELTE VAN ERF 16249	Jan de Weestraat, Morning Glory	Woondoeleindes	Mnr & Mev Bezuidenhout	Privaat Verkoop
21523, PABALLELO	Gushastraat 20, Paballelo	Woondoeleindes	CN Thulela	Privaat Verkoop
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12969 HONDJAG	Hondjag, Upington	Industrie: Transport & Warehouse	Frans Titus Transport	Privaat Verkoop
GEDEELTE ERF 784, OLYVENHOUTSDRIFT NEDERSETTING	OLYVENHOUTSDRIFT NEDERSETTING	Landbou	Mr J White	Privaat Verkoop

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**PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 AND ASSOCIATED  
INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

**LANDOWNER CONSENT FORM REQUIRED IN TERMS OF CHAPTER 6 REGULATION 39(1) OF  
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I, **Maria Magdalena Visagle ID No. 4203310005083**

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**The FARM GANNA POORT NO. 202**

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give consent for the undertaking of an EIA process for the proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 and associated infrastructure on my property provided all required consents are obtained. This serves to confirm that I have been informed that an Environmental Impact Assessment process is being undertaken by SIVEST SA (Pty) Ltd for the proposed activity. I am further aware of my right to participate in the public participation process that will be undertaken as part of the process<sup>1</sup>.

I am aware / am not aware of any land claims, prospecting rights, mining rights and/or other applications taking place on the property. The details of such applications /projects include:

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Magi

Name

Magi

Signature

08.03.2022

Date

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**PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 AND ASSOCIATED  
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I, Willem AORIAAN VAN NIEKERK

as Director of

AW & JP VAN NIEKERK (PTY) LTD

the lawful owner of:

The Farm Lovedale No. 201

give consent for the undertaking of an EIA process for the proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 and associated infrastructure on my property provided all required consents are obtained. This serves to confirm that I have been informed that an Environmental Impact Assessment process is being undertaken by SIVEST SA (Pty) Ltd for the proposed activity. I am further aware of my right to participate in the public participation process that will be undertaken as part of the process<sup>1</sup>.

I am aware / am not aware of any land claims, prospecting rights, mining rights and/or other applications taking place on the property. The details of such applications / projects include:

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Name

[Handwritten Signature]

Signature

28/02/2022

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**PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY <sup>1</sup> AND ASSOCIATED  
INFRASTRUCTURE, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

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I, Theunis Gerhardus Nicolaas Visser

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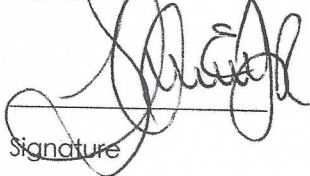
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give consent for the undertaking of an EIA process for the proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility <sup>2</sup> and associated infrastructure on my property provided all required consents are obtained. This serves to confirm that I have been informed that an Environmental Impact Assessment process is being undertaken by SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd for the proposed activity. I am further aware of my right to participate in the public participation process that will be undertaken as part of the process<sup>1</sup>.

I ~~am aware~~ / am not aware of any land claims, prospecting rights, mining rights and/or other applications taking place on the property. The details of such applications / projects include:

**Theunis Gerhardus Nicolaas Visser**

Name



Signature

**17 February 2022**

Date

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**POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 (PTY) LTD**

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**Proposed Development of the Pofadder  
Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 and  
associated infrastructure near Pofadder in  
the Northern Cape Province**


**Appendix 5G: Comments and Response Report**

Issue Date: 5 August 2022

Revision no.: 1.0

Project No. 16876

DFFE Reference Number: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2150

Date:	5 August 2022
Document Title:	Proposed Development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 and associated infrastructure near Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province
Revision Number	1.0
Author	Michelle Guy (EAP) <i>Pr.Sci.Nat Reg No. 126338</i> <i>EAPASA Reg No. 2019/868</i>
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Client:	Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd

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**POFADDER WIND FACILITY 1 (PTY) LTD  
POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 (WEF)  
COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT**

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# POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 (PTY) LTD

## POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1 (WEF)

### COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Public Participation Process forms an integral part of the EIA process. It is a mechanism that aids to identify potential impacts of proposed projects on the biophysical and the human environments. Identified Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP's) are given an opportunity to comment on the proposed project and make recommendations on mitigation requirements.

The process followed in informing I&AP's of the proposed project is outlined in Sections 24(2) (a) and 24(d) of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (as amended) and the EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended on 7 April 2017). This report presents comments received from I&AP's and responses provided as part of the Scoping Process.



## 2. COMMENTS AND RESPONSE TABLE

### 2.1. COMMENTS ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT

The following issues were raised on the Draft Scoping Report:

**Table 1: Comments and Responses Table**

Date of comment, format of comment, name of organisation / I&AP	Comment	Response from EAP / Applicant / Specialist
29 March 2022 Gerhard Visser	No one is living on my property. I am manging it and you already have my contact details.	Noted.
31 March 2022 Tsholofelo Sekonko Intern: Biodiversity Mainstreaming EIA Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the Draft Scoping Report for the proposed development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1,2 and 3 and associated infrastructure and grid infrastructure near Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Ms Rabothata and myself (both copied on this email).  Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries will be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za">BCAdmin@environment.gov.za</a> for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.	Noted.
09 April 2022, Jaco Kruger Adjacent Landowner	JJ Kruger en seuns trust van die plass Willemse opdam. Is die toestande gunstig vir windlaaiers op die plaas?  <i>Translation</i> JJ Kruger and Sons trust from the pond Willemse dam. Are the conditions favorable for wind turbines on the farm?	<u>Response from consultant:</u>  Thank you for your email.  Yes, the applicant has confirmed that the wind resource on the farms is suitable for wind turbines. A number of variables were examined such as wind presence and speed as well as other factors. A wind measurement mast was installed on the Pofadder 1 site in June 2021 which showed that the site is deemed to be suitable for the development of a wind farm.

Date of comment, format of comment, name of organisation / I&AP	Comment	Response from EAP / Applicant / Specialist
		<p>Please let me know if you have any additional questions for require further information.</p> <p><u>Response form I&amp;AP:</u></p> <p>Thanks.</p>
<p>11 April 2022, Jaco Kruger Adjacent Landowner</p>	<p>Is die plaas Willem se opdam een van die sites en watter een?  Is the farm Willem's dam one of the sites and which one?</p>	<p>Thanks for the email.</p> <p>The farm Willems Opdam is adjacent to the Pofadder 3 site. Please see image attached, with RE/220 in black. Please let me know if you need any additional information.</p>
<p>18 April 2022, Peter Cloete (Pr. Sci. Nat.) Production Scientist: Grade A Northern Cape DAEA RD LR</p>	<p>Please forward the Kml/Kmz files of the Pofadder WEF 1,2 &amp; 3 sites for assessment purposes. As well as the sensitivity maps kml files.</p>	<p>My apologies for the delayed response.</p> <p>Please find attached the information you requested.</p> <p>Please find the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preliminary Pofadder Project Cluster for Scoping</li> <li>• Updated turbine positions taking into account sensitivities</li> <li>• Sensitivity KMLs.</li> </ul> <p>Please let me know if you require anything further.</p>
<p>21 April 2022, John Geeringh (Pr Sci Nat) Senior Consultant Environmental Management Eskom</p>	<p>Please send me KMZ files of the affected properties, proposed development areas and proposed grid connection.</p> <p>Please find attached Eskom general requirements for works at or near Eskom servitudes and infrastructure as well as the Eskom setbacks guideline for renewable developments.</p>	<p>Please find attached as requested.</p> <p>Thank you for the Eskom requirements and guideline documents.</p> <p>Please let me know if you need anything further.</p>
<p>22 April 2022 Natasha Higgitt South African Heritage Resources Agency</p>	<p>The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted heritage reports and the recommendations of the specialists. Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the draft EIA documents inclusive of appendices.</p>	<p>Noted, SAHRA will be notified of the commencement of the draft EIA Phase.</p>

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25 April 2022 Millicent Solomons DFFE	<p><b>COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE</b></p> <p>The Application for Environmental Authorisation and Draft Scoping Report (SR) dated 31 March 2022 and received by the Department on 31 March 2022, refer. <u>This letter serves to inform you that the following information must be included to the Final SR:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Listed Activities</u></li> <li>• It has been noted that the wording/word “most/will likely” and “may” have been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project that relates to Activity 48 (i) (a) (c) and 56 (ii) of Listing Notice 1. Please confirm whether the above-mentioned activities will be triggered by this development.</li> </ul>	Noted, the Listed Activities have been confirmed in Section 6.2 of the FSR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It has been noted that the wording “most likely and likely” has been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project that relates to Activity 15 of Listing Notice 2 and Activity 4 (g) (ii) (ee), 12 (g) (ii), 14 ii. (a) (c) (g) (ii) (ff), 18 (g) (ii) (ee) and 23 ii (a) (c) (g) (ii) (ee) of Listing Notice 3. Please confirm whether the above-mentioned activities will be triggered by this development and indicate if it is the systematic biodiversity plans or in bioregional plans and provide the name of the plan.</li> </ul>	Noted, the Listed Activities have been confirmed in Section 6.2 of the FSR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Please ensure that all relevant listed activities and sub-activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus</li> </ul>	Noted, all relevant listed activities and sub-activities have been applied for.

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	<p>is thus on the applicant and the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities and sub-activities are included in the application and the final SR. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the draft SR, an amended application form must be submitted with the final SR. Please note that the Department's application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <a href="https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms">https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms</a>.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the activities applied for have been updated in the DSR and the application form and are aligned. The updated application form is included in Appendix 9 of the FSR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Project description</u></li> <li>It is noted that on page 8 of 45 of the application form that the proposed development will include an associated infrastructure such as a road of approximately 50km long. You are requested to describe the route of the proposed road in details (from start to the end) as well as the route of the main access road and provide the length of the main access road.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, details on the roads have been included in the project description in Section 6.1 of the FSR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Layout &amp; Sensitivity Maps</u> Please provide a layout map which indicates the following:</li> <li>All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g. roads (existing and proposed);</li> </ul>	<p>A layout map and a sensitivity map have been included in Appendix 3 of the FSR. The "preliminary layout" includes the proposed road layout. The "proposed layout" shows the proposed turbine positions taking into account the specialist sensitivities. The final road designs will be included in the draft EIA Report.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Location of the WEF overlaid by sensitive features and its buffer;</li> </ul>	<p>A sensitivity map has been included in Appendix 3. All sensitivities including the buffers have been overlaid with the WEF positions.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The numbers of each WEF;</li> </ul>	<p>Each turbine has been numbered. Maps provided in Appendix 3 of the FSR.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g. CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected, buffer areas; and no-go areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ The above map must be overlain with a sensitivity map and a cumulative map which shows existing WEF plants and their associated infrastructure. Please be advised that Google maps will not be accepted.</li> <li>○ Please ensure that the above map has a clear legend that communicate with details of the map.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>All sensitivities including buffers have been included in the sensitivity layout included in Appendix 3.</p> <p>A map showing the other Pofadder WEFs in relation to Pofadder WEF 1 has been included in Figure 2 of the DSR.</p> <p>A map showing other WEF projects within a 35km radius has been included in Appendix 2.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• It is noted that wind turbine number 28 on the sensitivity layout dated 11 March 2022 is overlapping heritage sensitivity theme. Please ensure that final SR include a sensitivity layout which indicate the exact buffer in terms metres from the wind turbine and the heritage sensitivity theme. In addition, ensure that the sensitivity layout indicate the actual buffer for all the proposed wind turbines.</li> </ul>	<p>The position of the turbines are represented by the circle in the sensitivity map, the adjoining number is the label and is not indicative of the position of the turbine.</p> <p>All sensitive areas as identified in the sensitivity map are inclusive of the buffers imposed and no additional buffers on top of the sensitive areas are required.</p> <p>The crane pad and laydown for turbine 28 are located within the low sensitivity 50m heritage buffer. The updated layout for the DEIR will be amended to avoid this buffer.</p> <p>Information on the various specialist buffers is included in Section 8 of the FSR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further to the above, the following were also noted, and <u>you are required to clarify why the turbines will be located within the sensitive features:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ According to the bat constraint map, there are turbines allocated within the no-go area;</li> <li>○ It has been mentioned in the draft SR that rocky outcrop may provide roosting spaces for bat species, however, in terms of the delineated habitat features, there are turbines located on the rocky outcrop area;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>There are no turbines located within no-go bat areas according to the proposed layout. Two turbines were located within a bat sensitive area however have been removed based on the specialist input. The specialist studies will be updated in the DEIR phase and impacts will be assessed on the proposed layout, as per Section 17 of the FSR.</p> <p>There are no turbines located on the rocky outcrop as per the proposed layout included in Appendix 3.</p>

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		All specialist reports will be updated in the DEIR phase and an impact assessment will be undertaken on the proposed layout.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ In terms of the Avifaunal sensitivity map, the WEF will be located in close proximity while part of the line corridor will affect very high sensitive area which will result in collision with avifaunal species;</li> </ul>	<p>Turbine 10 is situated in an area that has been identified as very high sensitivity by the avifaunal specialist. This is as a result of a water trough within 500 m of the turbine. Pages 4 &amp; 31 of the avifaunal report indicated that the water trough could be relocated if it impacts on the proposed layout. Therefore, the water trough within 500m of turbine 10 will be relocated so as to allow the turbine position to remain in its current location.</p> <p>This detail is included in the FSR.</p> <p>All specialist reports will be updated in the DEIR phase and an impact assessment will be undertaken on the proposed layout.</p> <p>The impacts associated with the proposed grid line are considered acceptable within the high avifaunal 2km buffer around the white back vulture roost on the 400kV aries/Upington powerline. This will be assessed as part of the Basic Assessment that will be undertaken for the Pofadder Grid.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Again, according to the ecological sensitivity and aquatic/freshwater resource maps, there will be turbines located within high ecological sensitive area and very high freshwater features.</li> </ul>	<p>There are no turbines located in high ecological and very high freshwater features according to the proposed layout included in Appendix 3. All turbines that were located in these areas were removed based on specialist input.</p> <p>All specialist reports will be updated in the DEIR phase and an impact assessment will be undertaken on the proposed layout.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Public Participation Process (PPP)</u></li> <li>• The final SR must provide evidence that all identified and relevant competent authorities have been given an opportunity to comment on</li> </ul>	Noted, all the identified and relevant competent authorities have been given an opportunity to comment on the proposed

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	<p>the proposed development, including but not limited to the South African Astronomical Observatory, Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation, Namakwa District Municipality, Z F Mgcawu District Municipality, Ka! Garib Local Municipality and Khai-Ma Local Municipality, Agri SA – Northern Cape, ATNS – Cape Town International Airport, SANRAL, Birdlife South Africa, Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works, SAHRA Head Office, Square Kilometre Array, SA Civil Aviation Authority, Eskom Transmission Limited, SENTECH, Endangered Wildlife Trust, Telkom SA, Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Land Reform and Rural Development, WESSA, Department of Environmental Affairs and Biodiversity (Provincial and Northern Cape Department), Transnet, Department of Water and Sanitation, National Department of Economic Development, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Provincial and Northern Cape Department), Department of Transport, Department of Mineral Resources, Air Traffic Navigation Services, and the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE): Biodiversity Conservation (BCAdmin@environment.gov.za), the relevant heritage authorities.</p>	<p>development. Proof of consultation is included in Appendix 5 of the FSR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It has been noted that the names provided of the organs of state/key stakeholders mentioned on page 76 of the draft SR is confusing e.g. ATNS Cape Town International Airport while the project will take place in the Northern Cape.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this will be corrected in the FSR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the Final SR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Competent Authority (CA) of the attempts that were made to obtain comments. The PPP must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended and the approved Public Participation Plan.</li> </ul>	<p>Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders has been included in Appendix 5. The public Participation Process has been conducted in accordance with Regulation 39, 40, 41, 42,43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as was approved by Department on the 10<sup>th</sup> of March 2022 as part of the PP Plan.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A comments and response trail report (C&amp;RR) must be submitted with the final SR. The C&amp;RR report must be a separate document from the</li> </ul>	<p>Issues, comments and concerns raised to date have been captured in the C&amp;RR. The C&amp;RR has incorporated all</p>

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	<p>main report and must be in the table format, which reflects the details of the interested and affected parties (I&amp;APs), the date comments were received (actual comments received) and responses provided. Please ensure that all issues raised and comments received during the circulation of the draft SR from registered I&amp;APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department's comments) in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed. Comments made by I&amp;APs must be comprehensively captured (copy verbatim if required) and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&amp;AP's comments.</p>	<p>comments for the proposed development received from commencement of the EIA process. The C&amp;RR is a separate document from the main report and is in the table format as requested.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Specialist Assessments</b></li> <li>• Specialist studies must include a detailed description of the study's methodology, an indication of the locations and descriptions of the development footprint, and all other associated infrastructures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisation.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this is included in the specialist assessments.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The specialist studies must also provide a detailed description of all limitations to their studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation, will not be accepted.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, each specialist report will state the limitations. The specialist assessments have been undertaken taking into account the correct season</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.</li> </ul>	<p>Contradicting specialist recommendations have not been identified. Should the specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP will clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons, and where necessary, include further expert advice.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should it be determined that there is a need for additional specialist studies to be undertaken based on the outcome of public participation, these must be commissioned and included in the draft EIA reports for public comment.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, additional specialist studies will be undertaken, if required. To date, none have been identified.</p>



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Declaration forms must be provided for all specialist studies to be conducted.</li> </ul>	Noted, these are included in Appendix 6.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>It is further brought to your attention that Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes in terms of Sections 24(5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, when applying for Environmental Authorisation, which were promulgated in Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020 (i.e. "the Protocols"), and in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 (i.e. protocols for terrestrial plant and animal species, etc), have come into effect. Please note that specialist assessments must be conducted in accordance with these protocols, except where the applicant provides proof to the CA that the specialist assessment affected by these protocols had been commissioned before the date on which the protocols came into effect and in this case Appendix 6 of the Environmental impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, will apply.</li> </ul>	<p>All specialist assessments have been undertaken in line with the following:</p> <p>The gazetted Environmental Assessment Protocols of the NEMA EIA Regulations (2014, as amended), where applicable (Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on the Identified Environmental Themes must be in terms of Sections 24(5)(A) and (H) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998.);</p> <p>Where a specialist assessment is required and no specific environmental theme protocol has been prescribed, the required level of assessment has been based on the findings of the site sensitivity verification and complies with Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations any relevant legislation and guidelines deemed necessary.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please note further that the protocols require certain specialists' to be registered with SACNASP. Refer to the relevant protocols in this regard.</li> </ul>	Noted, this has been taken into account and the required specialist appointed.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please include a table in the final SR summarising the specialist studies required by the Screening Tool, a column indicating whether these studies will be conducted or not, and a column with motivation for any studies that will not be undertaken. Please note that if any of the specialists' studies and requirements recommended in the Department's Screening Tool are not commissioned, motivation for such must be provided in the report as per the requirements of the Protocols.</li> </ul>	The findings of the Screening Tool and the associated specialist studies undertaken for the Pofadder WEF are included in Section 7 of the FSR.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Environmental Management Programme</u></li> <li>Should the proposed development include a substation and power line as an associated infrastructure, please ensure that the generic EMPs</li> </ul>	A substation will be included as part of this application. The generic EMP will be used in this regard.

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	<p>are used for the management of impacts of the substation and power line that will be constructed for this development.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The EMPr for the facility (i.e. WEF) must comply with the requirements of Appendix 4 in the EIA Regulation, as amended.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the facility EMPr will comply with Appendix 4 of the EIA Regulations.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><u>Cumulative assessment and wake effect to be conducted in the EIA phase</u></li> <li>Should there be any other existing WEF facilities in close proximity of the proposed development, you are required to provide information on the potential wake effects of the proposed development as part of the plan of study of the Environment Impact Assessment.</li> </ul>	<p>There are no known authorised WEF's within 30km of the Pofadder WEF Cluster and therefore wake effects will not be applicable.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should there be any other similar projects within a 30km radius of the proposed development site, the cumulative impact assessment for all identified and assessed impacts must be refined to indicate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e. hectares of cumulatively transformed land.</li> <li>Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.</li> <li>The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.</li> <li>A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>All similar renewable energy facilities within a 35km radius have been assessed as part of the cumulative assessment (Section 13.3.5 of FSR).</p> <p>All renewable energy developments within a 35km of the proposed application site are shown in Figure 29.</p> <p>Furthermore, the cumulative impact significance rating also informed the need and desirability of the proposed development. Despite the fact that the proposed development site is not located within any of the identified Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZs), the proposed development is in line with the national planning vision for wind and solar development in South Africa.</p>
	<p><u>General</u></p>	<p>Noted, the Final Scoping Report will be submitted to the Department by the 18 of May 2022.</p>

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	<p>You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 21(1) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, which states that:</p> <p><i>“If S&amp;EIR must be applied to an application, the applicant must, within 44 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority a scoping report which has been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority”</i></p> <p>You are further reminded that the final SR to be submitted to this Department must comply with all the requirements in terms of the scope of assessment and content of Scoping reports in accordance with Appendix 2 and Regulation 21(1) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.</p>	<p>The EAP can confirm that the FSR complies with all the requirements in terms of the scope of assessment and content of Scoping reports in accordance with Appendix 2 and Regulation 21(1) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended. This has been tabulated in Table 1 in Section 1.2 of the FSR.</p>
<p>28 April 2022 A.A Hlengani Northern Cape Region DWS</p>	<p><b>PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER LOCATED IN THE FARM GANNA POORT NO. 202 WITHIN THE KAI GARIB LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IS A LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN THE Z F MGCAWU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY OF THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCES, SOUTH AFRICA.</b></p> <p>Reference is made to the above-mentioned report with the Draft Basic Scoping Report dated 31 March 2022, submitted to Department of Water and Sanitation. This Department has no objection to the proposed amendments of the above-mentioned application and wish to comment as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The applicant must note that no activities are allowed within 100m of a water resource or within 1:100-year flood line (whichever is the greatest), if the proposed amendments fall within these criteria, the applicant need to apply for water use license to ensure that the riparian ecological status of the water resource will not be negatively impacted.</li> </ol>	<p>Noted, the applicant will need to apply for a Water Use License and obtain authorisation in terms of Section 21 (c) and (i) of the National Water Act prior to development commencing.</p>

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	2. The report indicates the presence of wetlands and drainage lines (173 drainage lines) within the vicinity of the study area. Please note that this Department requires that a water use licence for Section 21 (c) & Section 21(i) water uses be applied for if the construction activities fall within a 500-metre radius of a wetland. This Department must be notified of any existence of wetlands within this area. Section 21 (c) & Section 21(i) water uses are respectively defined as "impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse" and "altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse under the NWA.	Noted, the applicant will need to apply for a Water Use License and obtain authorisation in terms of Section 21 (c) and (i) of the National Water Act prior to development commencing.
	3. Please note that any development within 500m from the boundary of any wetland requires a water use licence according to National Water Act (NWA) 1998 (act no.36 of 1998).	Noted, the applicant will need to apply for a Water Use License and obtain authorisation in terms of the National Water Act prior to development commencing.
	4. Waste needs to be collected and disposed of at a registered municipal site during and after construction, and written agreement should be provided to this department.	Noted, waste will be collected and disposed of at a registered municipal site with prior agreement. This will be included in the draft EMPr.
	5. Storm water must be managed in such a manner as to disperse runoff and to prevent the concentration of storm water flow.	Noted, this will be included as a condition of the draft EMPr.
	6. No surface, ground or storm water may be polluted as a result of any activities on the site	Noted, this will be included as a condition of the draft EMPr and mitigation measures to prevent pollution will be included.
	7. Please note that all requirements as stipulated in the national water Act (NWA) 1998 (Act no.36 of 1998) must be adhered to.	Noted, the applicant has been informed of this.
29 April 2022 Seoka Lekota Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment	<p><b>COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE</b></p> <p>The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the draft report.</p> <p>Based on the information provided, the Directorate Biodiversity Conservation does not have any objection, as the site does not fall within formally protected area and most of the site is considered as "medium sensitive". Therefore, development</p>	Noted, a walkthrough of the approved development footprint will be undertaken prior to construction to ensure that sensitive habitats are avoided.

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	<p>within this site area is considered suitable, as it would not pose major impact to the environment.</p> <p>Notwithstanding the above, the following recommendations must be considered in the final report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preconstruction walk-through of the approved development footprint to ensure that sensitive habitats and species are avoided, if there is any.</li> </ul>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Search and rescue plan must be developed to excise the relocation/ removal for any TOPs or species of conservation concern that have the likelihood of occurring in the study area.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this will be included with the submission of the Final Environmental Management Plan for approval.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sensitive habitats near the development footprint must be avoided or demarcated as No-Go area (i.e., wetlands or drainage lines).</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, all sensitive areas have been identified as no-go and turbine placement has taken this into account.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Appropriate buffer must be established around medium sensitive habitats (i.e., wetlands and rivers).</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the buffers as identified by the specialists have been taken into account and infrastructure in these areas have been avoided, where possible.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permits from relevant authorities must be obtained for the removal or disturbance of any Tops, Red Data listed or provincially protected species.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, permits will need to be obtained for the removal of any protected species. This requirement will be included in the draft EMP.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rehabilitation Plan that guide planting and seeding with indigenous perennial shrubs and succulents from the local area to avoid erosion and alien invasion must be developed.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this will be included in the rehabilitation plan that will be drafted and included with the submission of the Final Environmental Management Plan for approval.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pre and Post construction monitoring must be conducted under the guidance of an avifaunal specialist to assess collision rates.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this will be included as a condition of the draft EMP.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An approved anti-bird collision line-marking device must be fitted to the overhead cables on high-risk sections of the alignments to make cables more visible to birds in flight and reduce the likelihood of collisions.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, this will be discussed with the Avifaunal specialist and included as a condition of the draft EMP, if required.</p>

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	In conclusion, please note that 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: <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za">BCAdmin@environment.gov.za</a> for attention of <b>Mr Seoka Lekota</b> .	Noted, all PPP documents will be submitted to Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za">BCAdmin@environment.gov.za</a> for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.
29 April 2022, Peter Cloete (Pr. Sci. Nat.) Production Scientist: Grade A Northern Cape DAEA RD LR	<p><b>RE: PROPOSED DEVELOPMENTS OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1, 2 &amp; 3 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND GRID CONNECTION NEAR POFADDER IN THE NORTHERN CAPE.</b></p> <p>Introduction</p> <p>The applicant Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd is proposing the development of a commercial Wind Energy Facility (WEF) and associated infrastructure on a site located approximately 20km South East of Pofadder within the Kai !Garib Local Municipality and the Z F Mgcawu District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province.</p> <p>A preferred project site with an extent of approx. 3 000 ha has been identified as a technically suitable area for the development of the Pofadder WEF 1, 2 &amp; 3 which will comprise of up to 90 turbines with a combined contracted capacity of up to 200MW. The project site is located on the following properties:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The Farm Ganna-Poort 202;</li> <li>➤ The Farm Lovedale 201; and</li> <li>➤ Portion 3 of the Farm Sand Gat 150.</li> </ul> <p><b><u>Recommendations and comments</u></b></p> <p>1. Agriculture in the form of livestock grazing, is a significant economic venture for the Namaqualand and Bushmanland region. The overall Need and Desirability for renewable energy development in South Africa and the Northern Cape Province is not disputed, nor is the importance of WEF's in capital investment into the Province. The local socio-economic benefits of WEF's are also not disputed. Following from the above Department Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform</p>	<p>The site has very low agricultural potential predominantly because of climate constraints, but also because of soil constraints. As a result of the constraints, the site is unsuitable for crop production, and agricultural production is limited to low capacity grazing. The land impacted by the development footprint is verified in this assessment as being of low agricultural sensitivity.</p> <p>The amount of agricultural land loss caused by the project is well within the allowable development limits prescribed by the agricultural protocol to ensure appropriate conservation of agricultural production land. The footprint of the development is approximately eight times smaller than what the development limits allow.</p> <p>The Agricultural report concluded that the proposed development will not have an unacceptable negative impact on the agricultural production capability of the site. The proposed development is therefore acceptable, and it is recommended that the development be approved.</p> <p>Furthermore the applicant will submit an application in terms of the Subdivision of Agricultural Land Act 70 of 1970 to the DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, LAND REFORM AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DALRRD) for ministerial consent to</p>

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	<p>(DAERL) is also highly aware of the complexity of attempting to reconcile different land uses that may not be compatible. The same applies to situations where the over-all benefit of a development might be strongly positive, but with significant negative consequences for small numbers of IAP's.</p> <p>2. The proposed development falls within the Bushmanland Arid Grassland, Bushmanland Basin Shrubland, Bushmanland Inselberg Shrubland and Namaqualand Klipkoppe Shrubland (figure 1). These vegetation types have also become increasingly exposed to destructive land use due to renewable energy development expansions, mining and agriculture activities. Due to this vegetation units being most at risk by the proposed activity, suitable mitigation and management actions have to be implemented to protect this vegetation unit from irreversible impacts.</p>	<p>register a long term lease to construct and operate the Pofadder WEF 1.</p> <p>Noted, sensitive vegetation as identified by the specialists has been identified as no-go and will be avoided as far as possible. Mitigation and management actions identified by the specialists for mitigating negative impacts will be included in the draft EMPr for implementation during planning, construction and operation.</p>
	<p>3. The most important habitats for plant and animal life within the Bushmanland ecosystem are the rocky outcrops of the Bushmanland Inselberg, red sandy dunes, ephemeral washes, floodplains and drainage lines. The Bushmanland Inselberg Shrubland also occurs within the vicinity of the proposed development. Some turbines are located on the escarpment of the Bushmanland Inselbergs (Figure 1). It is important to note that the Bushmanland Inselbergs are important refugia for succulent plants and animals and act as corridors for rocky habitat species migrating across the sand covered plains of the Bushmanland. Based on their higher biodiversity and contribution to local habitat diversity, the rocky outcrops (Bushmanland Inselbergs) must be avoided by the development. This does not however imply that plains habitats are of little ecological concern, as the development could significantly affect localised habitats with the following protected plant species: Aloidendron dichotomum (Aloe dichotoma), Hoodia gordonii, Boscia albitrunca, Boscia foetida, Acacia as well as bird species associated with red dune habitats such as the Red Lark and Sclater's Lark that may be present. Permits are needed for any damage/removal/ movement/transport of specially protected ((regulation 49(1) (a) and (d)), and protected species ((regulation 50 (1) (a) and (d)) in terms of the Northern Cape Nature</p>	<p>The proposed layout has avoided the rocky outcrop as this was identified by the specialists as a sensitive feature. In addition, ridges identified as structurally complex by the ecological specialist have also been avoided.</p> <p>Permits will be obtained for any damage/removal/movement or transport of protected species. Permits will also be obtained for instances where indigenous plant species are impacted up to 100m from middle of the roads and rivers.</p> <p>The presence Aloidendron dichotomum will be confirmed by the specialist and changes will be made to avoid these species, if required.</p> <p>Noted, a walkthrough of the approved development footprint will be undertaken prior to construction to ensure that sensitive habitats are avoided.</p>

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	<p>Conservation Act. Permits are also needed for instances where indigenous plant species are impacted up to 100m from middle of the roads and rivers ((regulation 51 (1)) or for large scale clearing ((regulation 51 (2)). Hoodia gordonii is protected under NEMBA TOPS legislation and an integrated permit will be required. Since there is a moratorium in force on the removal of Aloidendron dichotomum plants from the wild (Provincial Gazette Extraordinary, 1 April 2005; Gazette 968, No. 3), it is proposed that the GPS locations of Aloidendron dichotomum trees are recorded and the proposed footprint (if observed) be revised to avoid damage to any of these trees. Where avoidance is not possible, the ecology specialist must recommend suitable mitigation measures to be implemented (such as transplanting) for the development cycle of the proposed WEF project and the relevant authorities must be consulted to consider exemptions i.t.o EA and permits for the removal/transplant. Only if the entire hierarchy of mitigation options have been exhausted, may the relevant authorities consider exemptions i.t.o EA and permits for the removal or transplant. A pre-construction walk-through would be required to inform permit application.</p>	
	<p>4. Concerns regarding the habitat fragmentation of the red sand dunes habitats which harbours a variety of wildlife (e.g., Red Lark (Calendulae burra) and the near threatened Sclater`s Lark (Spizocorys sclateri), that occurs on the barren stony plains must be investigated at a local landscape level. One should not only depend on desktop to make an inform decision. Rain is the driving force behind the dune ecosystem, with fauna and flora responding to it dramatically when it arrives. The timing and amount of seasonal rainfall, the existence of relatively long rainfall and drought cycles, and the ephemeral flow of streams are key element of the Bushmanland ecology.</p>	<p>Detailed in-field investigations have been undertaken to inform the sensitivities identified and thereafter the placement of turbines within the landscape.</p> <p>Both the Red Lark (Calendulae burra) and the Sclater`s Lark (Spizocorys sclateri) have been identified by the avifaunal specialist as potentially occurring at the Pofadder 1 WEF site. However, all no-go areas identified by the avifaunal specialist have been taken into account.</p> <p>Turbine 10 is situated in an area that has been identified as very high sensitivity by the avifaunal specialist. This is as a result of a water trough within 500 m of the turbine. The avifaunal report indicated that the water trough could be relocated if it impacts on the proposed layout. Therefore, the</p>



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		water trough within 500m of turbine 10 will be relocated so as to allow the turbine position to remain in its current location.
	5. The large number of ephemeral pans scattered throughout the region are focal points for wildlife species. These pans are habitats in the landscape that needs to be maintained in a natural or near natural state in order to ensure the continued existence and functioning of species and ecosystems services. Cognisance should be taken towards the localised habitats that contributes towards to ecosystem services in the landscape.	Noted, the ecologist identified the ephemeral washes as very high and high sensitive areas and as such these areas have been avoided by the turbine infrastructure.
	6. The layouts for turbines 48 and 49 are located within/close to a CBA 1 corridor (figure 2). The loss of CBA1 and associated impacts is not supported and must be mapped as a “No-Go area”. The Critical Biodiversity Area Tier 1, located within the study area are based on broad scale buffering of drainage features to the south of the site. According to the current layout of the Pofadder 1, 2 & 3 WEF`s, a very limited area of ESA will be impacted. Furthermore, it is recommended that the wind turbine located within the watercourse (freshwater resource system classified as ESA) is moved to an acceptable area outside of this watercourse as well as its recommended buffer area.	Turbines 48 and 49 are located outside of the CBA 1 area. Only the access road and MV cabling would need to cross a small section of the CBA (approximately 1km). The CBA 1 does not correlate with the watercourse identified as part of the freshwater ecological assessment. The access road should therefore not have a significant impact on the connectivity of the CBA corridor. This can be investigated further in the DEIR.  The turbine (turbine 55) that was located in the freshwater resource system has been relocated outside of this sensitive area as recommended by the ecologist. This is shown on the sensitivity layout in Appendix 3.
	7. The Scoping report notes that no protected area is located near the site but does not mention Important Bird Areas (IBA). Ideally this information should be included in the report as well. Proximity to the IBA (Figure 3) should be determined. The final Scoping Report must indicate all private and government nature protection areas in the area, including Important Bird Areas.	According to the avifaunal specialist, an Important Bird Area (IBA), the Mattheus-Gat Conservation Area SA034 (Barnes 1998, Marnewick et al. 2015) is situated approximately 12km north of the development area. This IBA is one of a few sites protecting both the globally threatened Red Lark, which inhabits the red sand dunes and sandy plains with a mixed grassy dwarf shrub cover, and the near-threatened Sclater's Lark, which occurs erratically on gravel plains. A Verreaux's Eagle nest is located just inside the border of the development

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		<p>area in the IBA, approximately 12km from the closest planned turbine.</p> <p>The avifaunal specialist identified that the proposed wind energy facility is not expected to impact on the avifauna in the Mattheus-Gat Conservation Area due to the distance from the nearest planned turbines.</p> <p>This information is included in the FSR.</p>
	<p>8. The bat and avifaunal assessments must assess and make recommendations for definite measurements for the preferred hub height and rotor diameter to determine suitable buffers. The bat assessment does not make recommendations in this regard.</p> <p>Identified cumulative impacts associated with the proposed development must be rated with the significance rating methodology approved with the acceptance of the scoping report. The avifaunal study did not assess cumulative impacts using the approved methodology although cumulative impacts on a number of sensitive species was assessed. It is recommended that the approved methodology be used to assess an overall cumulative impact significance (figure 4).</p>	<p>Noted. All buffers applied by the bat specialist are to blade tip and no turbines (including the blades) are allowed to be located in no-go zones, this has been taken into account in the buffers applied. The specialists will be requested to elaborate on this and make recommendations for preferred hub-height and rotor diameter to determine the buffers.</p> <p>The avifaunal specialist has identified in the plan of study contained in the specialist report that that the following will be undertaken:</p> <p>- "Identification and assessment of the potential impacts of the proposed development on avifauna including cumulative impacts".</p>
	<p>9. With regard to economic and aesthetic impacts, there has to be more effort made to disguise turbines, even to the extent of considering different coloured paint and a change in the flashing red light system that mars the african night sky. An aircraft lighting detection system (alds) has been developed and is now widespread in the usa to reduce night time light pollution. There are also guidelines and voluntary compliance in the usa and europe to switch off or "feather" turbines below a certain wind speed, especially at night. This reduces bat mortality by up to 90%. The rapid</p>	<p>The applicant will investigate implementing various Aircraft lighting detection system (ALDS) technology to manage the red aviation hazard lighting. AVWS systems will require approval from the civil aviation authority in terms of the Aviation Act (Act 74 of 1962): 13th Amendment of the Civil Aviation Regulations 1997, dated 2008. The Visual Specialist will assess the visual and landscape impacts of the aviation lights and determine the</p>

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	<p>decrease in air pressure around turbines causes bleeding in bats' lungs. Wind turbines are the greatest cause of large-scale bat mortality (a massive cost to the agriculture sector and therefore to food security). But bats mainly fly at night and at low wind speed! We need to adopt these guidelines if they are proven best practice.</p>	<p>appropriate mitigation measures in the Visual Impact Assessment Report as part of the EIR.</p> <p>In terms of painting the turbines a different colour, according to the Aviation Act, 1962, Thirteenth Amendment of the Civil Aviation Regulations, 1997: dated 2008. "Wind turbines shall be painted bright white to provide maximum daytime conspicuousness. The colours grey, blue and darker shades of white should be avoided altogether. If such colours are to be used, the wind turbines shall be supplemented with daytime lighting, as required."</p> <p>Lighting will be designed to minimise light pollution without compromising safety. The applicant will investigate the use of motion sensitive lights for purpose of security lighting. Turbines are to be lit and painted according to Civil Aviation regulations. Given the remote location of the proposed Pofadder WEF 1 and the lack of tourist related resources associated with the surrounding area, the need to paint the turbines was not considered in the visual specialist's scoping report.</p> <p>In terms of the switching off or "feathering" of turbines below a certain wind speed, especially at night, the bat monitoring specialist will analyse the 12 months of data to determine the flight activities of the bat species in relation to the Pofadder WEF 1 turbine layout. This data will inform the need to implement curtailment of certain turbines during certain times of the year and below certain wind speeds.</p>

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	<p>9. Some permanent vegetation loss and avifaunal disturbance during the construction phase are inevitable and cannot be fully mitigated. Impacts on avifauna are also identified as a potentially significant concern as there are a number of listed species which are known to occur in the area which are vulnerable to collisions with or electrocution from power line infrastructure. This impact can be mitigated by ensuring that the electrical infrastructure at the site is bird friendly in design with clearly visible bird deflectors.</p>	<p>The site development plan for the Pofadder WEF 1 avoids all bats important features and the associated buffers delineated in the bat scoping report.</p> <p>The applicant will commit to certain mitigation measures as per the recommendation of the avifaunal specialist to be made during the EIA phase. Such mitigation may include.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The clearances between the live components should exceed the wingspan of any bird species;</li> <li>• The height of the tower should allow for unrestricted movement of terrestrial birds between successive pylons;</li> <li>• The live components should be “bundled” to increase the visibility for approaching birds;</li> <li>• “Bird streamers” should be eliminated by discouraging birds from perching above the conductors.</li> <li>• The installation of Eskom approved bird flight diverters may be installed on the full span length on the earthwire (according to Eskom guidelines - five metres apart).</li> </ul> <p>The majority of impacts relating to collisions and electrocution with the powerline will be assessed in the standalone Pofadder Grid BAR.</p>
	<p>10. If electrification of the property as security measure is considered, possible electrocution damage to small mammals such as pangolin and tortoises should be taken into consideration. Structures (fences) should be erected in such a manner to ease the free movement of wildlife.</p> <p>I hope you find these recommendations in order and please do not hesitate to contact me if there any uncertainties.</p>	<p>Galvanized palisade fencing will be used to fence off the substations.</p>

## 2.2. COMMENTS ON ACCEPTANCE OF FINAL SCOPING REPORT

Table 2: Comments and Responses Table – Continued

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<p>09 June 2022 Acting Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, Ms Millicent Solomons</p>	<p>ACCEPTANCE OF THE SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN WITHIN KAI !GARIB LOCAL MUNICIPALITY THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE</p> <p>The final Scoping Report (FSR) and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated and received by the Competent Authority (CA) on 12 May 2022 refer.</p> <p>The CA has evaluated the submitted FSR, and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated 12 May 2022 and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The CA in terms of Regulation 22(1) (a) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, hereby accepts the FSR.</p> <p>You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment as required in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.</p> <p>In addition, the following amendments and additional information are required to be incorporated in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR):</p>	<p>Noted.</p>
	<p><b>Listed Activities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CA has noted that activity 18 and 23 of Listing Notice are applied for as it relates to widening and expansion of the road. However, the preliminary layout map (labelled-16876 Pofadder 1 Preliminary Layout) depicts only internal road network and layout map (labelled-16876 Pofadder 1 Proposed Layout) does not indicate the location of roads to</li> </ul>	<p>The layout has been updated and references the secondary road (which is existing) and will need widening as well as the internal access roads which are new roads.</p> <p>With the layout changes, activity 23 is no longer applicable and has been excluded.</p>

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	<p>be widened and expanded. Please ensure that these discrepancies are clearly explained and clarified in the next EIA phase (i.e., draft EIA report). Also, please explain the difference between a preliminary layout and proposed layout.</p>	<p>The preliminary layout was the layout based on screening studies undertaken by the specialists. The proposed layout was the layout taking into account the specialist in-field investigations. The proposed layout has been updated further based on additional/updated wind data to produce the final proposed layout/development footprint that is being put forward for approval.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For activity 12 of Listing Notice 3, it has been noted that this activity is triggered due to the clearance of indigenous vegetation. Therefore, you are advised to indicate the type of indigenous vegetation to be cleared and also what trigger the CBA identified in bioregional plans when describing the activity.</li> </ul>	<p>Please note that Activity 12 from Listing Notice 3 is no longer applicable and has been excluded.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus is thus on the applicant and the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities are included in the application. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted. All applicable listed activities have been included in the application.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final EIA, an amended application form must be submitted. Please note that the Department's application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <a href="https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms">https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms</a>.</li> </ul>	<p>The application form has been updated and is included in the draft EIA submission.</p>
	<p><b><u>Project Description</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the comments dated 26 April 2022, it was specifically stated that "It is noted that the proposed project on page 8 of 45 of the application form will include an associated infrastructure such as a road of approximately 50km long. You were requested to describe the route of the proposed road in details (from</li> </ul>	<p>The route description has been updated and included in Section 6.1.3 of the DEIA.</p>

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	<p>start to the end) as well as the main access road and provide the length of the main access road". The response in the comments and response report indicated that "Noted, details on the roads have been included in the project description in Section 6.1 of the FSR". However, page 11 of the FSR still refer to "Pofadder WEF 1 will have a total road network of approximately 50km" as part of the component. Please ensure that route description (the route description must indicate the start and end of the road) of the total road network of approximately 50km is described in the draft EIAR.</p>	
	<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CA has noted that proof of emails and the reminder of the stakeholders consulted has been provided with the FSR. However, it is difficult to identify stakeholders who were provided opportunity to participate during scoping phase, since only names of the contact person appears on the list. Please compile a separate list, which will point out the stakeholders (it must include the name of contact person and the company/organization represented) consulted in the EIA phase.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the list has been included <b>Appendix 5</b>.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the SR from registered I&amp;APs and organs of state (<b>including this Department's Biodiversity Section</b>), which have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the final EIAR.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, all comments will be adequately addressed and submitted with the Final EIAR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final EIAR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.</li> </ul>	<p>All proof of correspondence will be included in the Final EIAR.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the PPP is being undertaken with Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 &amp; 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>A comments and response trail report (C&amp;R) must be submitted with the final EIAR. The C&amp;R report must incorporate all historical comments for this development. The C&amp;R report must be a separate document from the main report.</li> </ul>	<p>The updated CRR containing all comments received throughout the process will be included in the final EIA report.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please refrain from summarising comments made by I&amp;APs. All comments from I&amp;APs must be copied verbatim and responded to clearly. Please note that a response such as “Noted” is not regarded as an adequate response to I&amp;AP’s comments.</li> </ul>	All comments are included verbatim.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>As per the comments dated 02 May 2022 of the Northern Cape: Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform “the bat and avifaunal assessments must assess and make recommendations for definite measurements for the preferred hub height and rotor diameter to determine suitable buffers. <b>The bat assessment does not make recommendations in this regard</b>”. Please ensure that the above-mentioned specialists makes recommendations as per the comments mentioned above.</li> </ul>	The bat assessment has been updated to include an assessment of the preferred hub height, this information is included in the Bat Impact Assessment in <b>Appendix 6</b> .
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The CA has noted that CBA Pofadder map shows that the activities/application site will fall within CBA 1 and at the edge of CBA 2, however, buffer zone is not provided. The Northern Cape: Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform in their comments dated 02 May 2022 indicated that the loss of CBA1 and associated impacts is not supported and must be mapped as a “No-Go area”.</li> </ul>	No turbine components/supporting infrastructure/roads or cables are located within a CBA area as per the updated layout being put forward for approval.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>According to the current layout of the Pofadder 1, 2 &amp; 3 WEF’s, a very limited area of ESA will be impacted. Furthermore, it is recommended that the wind turbine located within the watercourse (freshwater resource system classified as ESA) be moved to an acceptable area outside of this watercourse as well as its recommended buffer area. Please ensure that this statement is adequately addressed in the EIA phase.</li> </ul>	<p>According to the current layout, very limited infrastructure is planned within this ESA, as well as any other freshwater resource features:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>There is only one pylon planned within the associated 500m buffer area according to the CBA spatial data</li> <li>No activities planned within the watercourse itself</li> </ul> <p>As confirmed by both the aquatic and terrestrial ecologist, a very limited impact is planned to occur within ESAs and will lead to a very limited loss of ESA (with the necessary mitigation measures in place). The loss of ESA is regarded as acceptable</p>



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		and will not threaten the province's conservation targets. No wind turbines are located within the watercourse.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In addition, please ensure that all the recommendations of the specialists indicate whether they support the proposed development or not.</li> </ul>	This information has been included in Section 17 of the draft EIA report, in the environmental impact statement.
	<p><b><u>Layout &amp; Sensitivity Maps</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Please provide a layout map, which indicates the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g. roads (existing and proposed);</li> <li>➤ The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g. CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected,</li> <li>➤ Buffer areas; and</li> <li>➤ All "no-go" areas.</li> <li>➤ The above map must be overlain with a sensitivity map and a cumulative map, which shows existing WEF plants and their associated infrastructure. Please be advised that Google maps will not be accepted.</li> <li>➤ Please ensure that the above map has a clear legend that communicate with details of the map.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	All maps are included in Appendix 2 and 3 of the DEIAR and includes the required information.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In the comments dated 26 April 2022, it was specifically stated that "It is noted that wind turbine number 28 on the sensitivity layout dated 11 March 2022 is overlapping heritage sensitivity theme. Please ensure that final SR include a sensitivity layout, which indicate the exact buffer in terms metres from the wind turbine and the heritage sensitivity theme. In addition, ensure that the sensitivity layout indicate the actual buffer for all the proposed wind turbines".</li> </ul>	<p>No turbine infrastructure (with the exception of certain roads) on the proposed layout being put forward for approval is located within an area that has been identified as sensitive by the respective specialists.</p> <p>In respect of the heritage sensitivity, the specialist recommended that significant historical structures should be avoided by at least 500 m. In terms of the proposed layout, all known historical structures have been avoided with the minimum distance between turbines and structures being approximately 750 m. A WEF road comes within about 300 m of historical structures but the specialist has deemed this acceptable.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Further to the above, it has been noted that the sensitivity map, Revision 0 dated 11 March 2022 prepared by SB shows that turbines 28 and 54 affect the heritage sensitivity (legend not clearly show the sensitivity and its buffer), turbine 1 is located at the edge of bat sensitivity and no buffer indicated and turbines 6 to 10 are also located at the edge of the ecological sensitivity without buffer zone shown. <b>Please note that failure to remove the wind turbines within sensitive areas and its buffer will pose a risk to this application.</b></li> <li>• In light of the above, you are required to clarify why the turbines will be located within the sensitive features: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ According to the bat constraint map (figure 6), there are turbines allocated within the no-go area;</li> <li>➤ According to Aquatic/Freshwater resource map (figure 10), there are turbines located within very high and high sensitive area and no buffer zone shown on the map;</li> <li>➤ It has also been noted that there are turbines located within very high sensitive area in terms of the ecological sensitivity map (figure 12)</li> <li>➤ In terms of the Avifaunal sensitivity map, the WEF will be located in close proximity while part of the line corridor will affect very high sensitive area, which will result in collision with avifaunal species.</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p><b>Specialist assessments</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Desktop Geotechnical Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Social Impact Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Transport Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Visual Assessment;</li> </ul>	<p>All recommended buffers provided by the specialists in their respective assessments (described in Section 8) are incorporated into the environmental sensitivity layers included in the sensitivity layout. The sensitivity layers are made up of the buffers prescribed by the specialists.</p> <p>All turbine infrastructure (with the exception of certain roads) is located outside of all specialist sensitivities (which are inclusive of the buffer areas). Any roads located within sensitive areas have been assessed by the respective specialist and are deemed acceptable.</p> <p>The layout has been updated to avoid sensitive areas as identified by the specialists. No turbines are located in areas identified as sensitive by the specialists.</p> <p>The avifaunal exclusion zones have been adhered to and no turbines are located within these zones.</p> <p>The grid will be submitted as a separate application, the impacts of which will be assessed in the Basic Assessment Report.</p> <p>The specialist studies listed have been undertaken and included in the submission.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Avifaunal Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Bat Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Agricultural Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Surface Water Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Heritage Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Noise Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Biodiversity Assessment;</li> <li>➤ Shadow Flicker Impacts (SFI); and</li> <li>➤ Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Path Loss and Risk Assessment Report (SKA Requirement).</li> </ul>	
	<p>The EAP must ensure that the terms of reference for all the identified specialist studies must include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A detailed description of the study's methodology; indication of the locations and descriptions of the development footprint, and all other associated infrastructures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisation.</li> <li>• Provide a detailed description of all limitations to the studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation will not be allowed.</li> <li>• Please note that the Department considers a 'no-go' area, as an area where no development of any infrastructure is allowed; therefore, no development of associated infrastructure including access roads is allowed in the 'no-go' areas.</li> <li>• Should the specialist definition of 'no-go' area differ from the Department's definition; this must be clearly indicated. The specialist must also indicate the 'no-go' area's buffer if applicable.</li> <li>• All specialist studies must be final, and provide detailed/practical mitigation measures for the preferred alternative and recommendations, and must not recommend further studies to be completed post EA.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted, the specialists have included all aspects in their respective studies.</p> <p>The placement of certain access roads and MV caballing in "No-Go" areas is deemed acceptable for watercourse crossing and bat buffers as indicated in the specialist reports.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Should a specialist recommend specific mitigation measures, these must be clearly indicated.</li> <li>Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expert advice.</li> <li>The assessment of the impacts by the proposed development on the receiving environment must comply with the requirements of the Regulations.</li> </ul> <p><b>Cumulative Impact Assessment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The cumulative impacts of the proposed development must be undertaken as per the requirements of the EIA Regulations.</li> <li>Should there be any other similar projects within a 30km radius of the proposed development site (both Pofadder WEF 2 and 3 must be also included as part of the cumulative impact assessment), the cumulative impact assessment for all identified and assessed impacts must be refined to indicate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e., hectares of cumulatively transformed land.</li> <li>Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.</li> <li>The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.</li> <li>A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>Cumulative impacts have been assessed in Section 14.3 and 14.3.5 of the DEIA report. All projects within a 35km radius have been included. The significance of the impacts has been assessed according to SiVEST Impact Assessment Methodology.</p> <p>the cumulative impact significance rating also informed the need and desirability of the proposed development. Despite the fact that the proposed development site is not located within any of the identified Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZs), the proposed development is in line with the national planning vision for wind and solar development in South Africa.</p> <p>The findings of the specialist studies undertaken as part of this EIA provide an assessment of both the benefits and potential negative impacts anticipated as a result of the proposed development. The findings conclude that there are no environmental fatal flaws that should prevent the proposed development from proceeding.</p>

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	<p><b><u>Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that generic EMPr is submitted for the management of impacts of the infrastructure related to the transmission and distribution of energy.</li> <li>• A construction and operational phase EMPr for the facility that includes mitigation and monitoring measures must be submitted with the final EIAR.</li> </ul>	<p>Both a generic EMPr for the substation as well as a construction and operational phase EMPr have been drafted and included in Appendix 8 of the draft EIAR.</p>
	<p><b><u>Additional Information</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Should there be a similar project in a close proximity, in terms of Appendix 2 (1) (h) (k) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, you are required to provide information on the potential wake effects of the proposed development and measures to mitigate those risks.</li> <li>• You are required to provide wake loss risks (wake effects) posed by this development and measures to mitigate those risks.</li> </ul>	<p>The closest operational wind energy facility is the Kagnas Wind Farm which is located approximately 80km south east from nearest turbine within the Pofadder WEF 1. There are three proposed wind energy facilities being Poorties, Namies South, Korana and wind energy facilities which have received environmental authorisation which are located between 25 to 35km from the proposed Pofadder WEF 1.</p> <p>The wind measurement resource campaign which is currently being undertaken by the applicant indicates that that the prevailing wind direction is from the north and north easterly direction. Given the extensive distances between Pofadder WEF 1 and the operational and proposed wind energy facilities and the prevailing wind direction, it can be concluded that the Pofadder WEF will not have a wake risk to the surrounding operational and proposed wind farms holding environmental authorisations.</p> <p>Based on the above description there is no need to conduct a wake effects study.</p>
	<p><b><u>Specific Comments</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Additionally, the CA has noted the discrepancies in terms of numbering the WTs between sensitivity layout and the preliminary layout. For instance, sensitivity layout indicates WT from 01 to 10, 27 to 34 and 44</li> </ul>	<p>All numbering of turbines has been finalized and will be as per the numbers on the proposed layout for approval and sensitivity layout.</p>

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	to 55, whereas the preliminary layout depicts WTs from 01 to 30. These discrepancies must be clarified and rectified in the EIA phase.	
	<p><b>General</b></p> <p>The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of Regulation 45 of GN R982 of 04 December 2014, as amended, regarding the time allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations.</p> <p>You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.</p>	Noted, all timeframes as stipulated in the regulations will be adhered to.



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**Cc:** Michelle Guy; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** RE: 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Starting

Good day

Your message is sent to the relevant official responsible for that area, further communication can be taken with him.  
Thanks

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**Sent:** Wednesday, 30 March 2022 15:40  
**Cc:** Michelle Guy <MichelleG@sivest.co.za>; Hlengiwe Ntuli <HlengiweN@sivest.co.za>  
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**Importance:** Low

Good afternoon,

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Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case application, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.

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**Cc:** Michelle Guy; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** Re: 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Starting

Have forwarded to the appropriate office.

On 30 Mar 2022, at 15:40, sivest\_PPP <[sivest\\_ppp@sivest.co.za](mailto:sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za)> wrote:

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**From:** Tsholofelo Shalot Sekonko <tsekonko@dffe.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 31 March 2022 15:26  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Cc:** MMatlala Rabothata; Tsholofelo Shalot Sekonko  
**Subject:** Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Starting

Dear Sir/Madam

DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the Draft Scoping Report for the proposed development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1,2 and 3 and associated infrastructure and grid infrastructure near Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Ms Rabothata and myself(both copied on this email).

Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries will be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: [BCAdmin@environment.gov.za](mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za) for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota

Regards,  
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## Hlengiwe Ntuli

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**From:** Peter Cloete <peter.denc87@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, 18 April 2022 09:42  
**To:** sivist\_PPP; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** Pofadder WEF 1,2 & 3 -Scoping Report

Dear Hlengiwe

Please forward the Kml/Kmz files of the Pofadder WEF 1,2 & 3 sites for assessment purposes. As well as the sensitivity maps kml files.

Kind regards

Mr. Peter Cloete (Pr. Sci. Nat.)

Production Scientist: Grade A: District Ecologist

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**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Cc:** Michelle Guy; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** RE: 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Open  
**Attachments:** Eskom requirements for work in or near Eskom servitudes.doc; Renewable Energy Generation Plant Setbacks to Eskom Infrastructure Rev2 - signed.pdf

Please send me KMZ files of the affected properties, proposed development areas and proposed grid connection. Please find attached Eskom general requirements for works at or near Eskom servitudes and infrastructure as well as the Eskom setbacks guideline for renewable developments.

Kind regards

John Geeringh (Pr Sci Nat) Reg. EAP (EAPASA)  
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**Sent:** Tuesday, 19 April 2022 09:48  
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SiVEST therefore wish to remind you to submit comments (if required) for the above-mentioned projects before close of business on **Tuesday 03 May 2022**, if you have not done so already.

Should you have any comments, please feel free to contact the public participation office at the details below:

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We would like to thank you in anticipation of your active and meaningful contribution to the EIA and public participation processes.

Regards,

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## Interim Comment

**In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)**

Attention: SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd

### **Proposed Development of the Pofadder Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 and Associated Infrastructure near Pofadder in the Northern Cape Province**

Sivest SA (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 and associated infrastructure near Pofadder,

A draft Scoping Report (DSR) has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) and the 2017 NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development will include the construction of 30 turbines, substation, operation and maintenance building, laydown area and batching plant, permanent laydown area, gate house and security, hard stand areas, and approximately 50 km of internal access roads.

Dr Marion Bamford and ASHA Consulting have been appointed to provide heritage specialist input as required by section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

*Bamford, M. 2022. Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd. Pofadder WEFS 1, 2, 3: Palaeontology*

The proposed development area is underlain by non-fossiliferous rocks of the Namaqua-Natal Suite, Mbizane Formation that may contain plant fossils and tertiary calcrete that may contain fossil bones or silicified wood. Fossils are rare and their distribution is unpredictable. A Fossil Chance Finds Protocol is recommended.

*Orton, J. 2022. Heritage Impact Assessment: Proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1, Kenhardt Magisterial District, Northern Cape*

A total of 38 heritage resources were identified within the proposed development area. These include surface scatters of Stone Age lithics with ostrich eggshell fragments of low and medium heritage significance, earthen dam walls with stone walling of low heritage significance, stone cairns, grinding grooves and grinding patch of

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low to medium significance, and stone walled structures of low-medium heritage significance.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- Care must be taken to avoid the stone boundary beacon at waypoint 524;
- The LSA archaeological sites at waypoints 519 and 520 must be excavated with at least 25-50 m<sup>2</sup> sampled at each;
- The rocky outcrop at waypoints 502-509 must be carefully examined and all features must be recorded by mapping, measurement, photography and excavation if any related deposits are found (none are presently known);
- Any unsurveyed parts of the final approved layout must be surveyed for archaeological sites and graves prior to construction; and
- If any archaeological material or human burials are uncovered during the course of development, then work in the immediate area should be halted. The find would need to be reported to the heritage authorities and may require inspection by an archaeologist. Such heritage is the property of the state and may require excavation and curation in an approved institution.

### Interim Comment

The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit notes the submitted heritage reports and the recommendations of the specialists. Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the draft EIA documents inclusive of appendices.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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## PER MAIL / E-MAIL

Dear Ms Guy

### COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Application for Environmental Authorisation and Draft Scoping Report (SR) dated 31 March 2022 and received by the Department on 31 March 2022, refer.

This letter serves to inform you that the following information must be included to the Final SR:

#### **(a) Listed Activities**

- It has been noted that the wording/word “**most/will likely**” and “**may**” have been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project that relates to Activity 48 (i) (a) (c) and 56 (ii) of Listing Notice 1. Please confirm whether the above-mentioned activities will be triggered by this development.
- It has been noted that the wording “**most likely and likely**” has been used in the description of the portion of the proposed project that relates to Activity 15 of Listing Notice 2 and Activity 4 (g) (ii) (ee), 12 (g) (ii), 14 ii. (a) (c) (g) (ii) (ff), 18 (g) (ii) (ee) and 23 ii (a) (c) (g) (ii) (ee) of Listing Notice 3. Please confirm whether the above-mentioned activities will be triggered by this development and indicate if it is the systematic biodiversity plans or in bioregional plans and provide the name of the plan.
- Please ensure that all relevant listed activities and sub-activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus is thus on the applicant and the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities and sub-activities are included in the application and the final SR. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.
- If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the draft SR, an amended application form must be submitted with the final SR. Please note that the Department’s application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>.

**(b) Project description**

- It is noted that on page 8 of 45 of the application form that the proposed development will include an associated infrastructure such as a road of approximately 50km long. You are requested to describe the route of the proposed road in details (from start to the end) as well as the route of the main access road and provide the length of the main access road.

**(c) Layout & Sensitivity Maps**

Please provide a layout map which indicates the following:

- All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g. roads (existing and proposed);
- Location of the WEF overlaid by sensitive features and its buffer;
- The numbers of each WEF;
- The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g. CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected,
- Buffer areas; and
- All “no-go” areas.
  - The above map must be overlain with a sensitivity map and a cumulative map which shows existing WEF plants and their associated infrastructure. Please be advised that Google maps will not be accepted.
  - Please ensure that the above map has a clear legend that communicate with details of the map.
- It is noted that wind turbine number 28 on the sensitivity layout dated 11 March 2022 is overlapping heritage sensitivity theme. Please ensure that final SR include a sensitivity layout which indicate the exact buffer in terms metres from the wind turbine and the heritage sensitivity theme. In addition, ensure that the sensitivity layout indicate the actual buffer for all the proposed wind turbines.
- Further to the above, the following were also noted, and you are required to clarify why the turbines will be located within the sensitive features:
  - According to the bat constraint map, there are turbines allocated within the no-go area;
  - It has been mentioned in the draft SR that rocky outcrop may provide roosting spaces for bat species, however, in terms of the delineated habitat features, there are turbines located on the rocky outcrop area;
  - In terms of the Avifaunal sensitivity map, the WEF will be located in close proximity while part of the line corridor will affect very high sensitive area which will result in collision with avifaunal species;
  - Again, according to the ecological sensitivity and aquatic/freshwater resource maps, there will be turbines located within high ecological sensitive area and very high freshwater features.

**(d) Public Participation Process (PPP)**

- The final SR must provide evidence that all identified and relevant competent authorities have been given an opportunity to comment on the proposed development, including but not limited to the South African Astronomical Observatory, Northern Cape Department of Environment and Nature Conservation, Namakwa District Municipality, Z F Mgcawu District Municipality, Ka! Garib Local Municipality and Khai-Ma Local Municipality, Agri SA – Northern Cape, ATNS – Cape Town International Airport, SANRAL, Birdlife South Africa, Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works, SAHRA Head Office, Square Kilometre Array, SA Civil Aviation Authority, Eskom Transmission Limited, SENTECH, Endangered Wildlife Trust, Telkom SA, Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Land Reform and Rural Development, WESSA, Department of Environmental Affairs and Biodiversity (Provincial and Northern Cape Department), Transnet, Department of Water and Sanitation, National Department of Economic Development, Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (Provincial and Northern Cape Department), Department of Transport, Department of Mineral Resources, Air Traffic Navigation Services, and the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE): Biodiversity Conservation ([BCAdmin@environment.gov.za](mailto:BCAdmin@environment.gov.za)), the relevant heritage authorities.
- It has been noted that the names provided of the organs of state/key stakeholders mentioned on page 76 of the draft SR is confusing e.g. ATNS Cape Town International Airport while the project will take place in the Northern Cape.

- Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the Final SR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Competent Authority (CA) of the attempts that were made to obtain comments. The PPP must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended and the approved Public Participation Plan.
- A comments and response trail report (C&RR) must be submitted with the final SR. The C&RR report must be a separate document from the main report and must be in the table format, which reflects the details of the interested and affected parties (I&APs), the date comments were received (actual comments received) and responses provided. Please ensure that all issues raised and comments received during the circulation of the draft SR from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction (including this Department's comments) in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed. Comments made by I&APs must be comprehensively captured (copy verbatim if required) and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&AP's comments.

**(e) Specialist Assessments**

- Specialist studies must include a detailed description of the study's methodology, an indication of the locations and descriptions of the development footprint, and all other associated infrastructures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisation.
- The specialist studies must also provide a detailed description of all limitations to their studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation, will not be accepted.
- Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.
- Should it be determined that there is a need for additional specialist studies to be undertaken based on the outcome of public participation, these must be commissioned and included in the draft EIA reports for public comment.
- Declaration forms must be provided for all specialist studies to be conducted.
- It is further brought to your attention that Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes in terms of Sections 24(5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, when applying for Environmental Authorisation, which were promulgated in Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020 (i.e. "the Protocols"), and in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 (i.e. protocols for terrestrial plant and animal species, etc), have come into effect. Please note that specialist assessments must be conducted in accordance with these protocols, except where the applicant provides proof to the CA that the specialist assessment affected by these protocols had been commissioned before the date on which the protocols came into effect and in this case Appendix 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, will apply.
- Please note further that the protocols require certain specialists' to be registered with SACNASP. Refer to the relevant protocols in this regard.
- Please include a table in the final SR summarising the specialist studies required by the Screening Tool, a column indicating whether these studies will be conducted or not, and a column with motivation for any studies that will not be undertaken. Please note that if any of the specialists' studies and requirements recommended in the Department's Screening Tool are not commissioned, motivation for such must be provided in the report as per the requirements of the Protocols.



**(f) Environmental Management Programme**

- Should the proposed development include a substation and power line as an associated infrastructure, please ensure that the generic EMPs are used for the management of impacts of the substation and power line that will be constructed for this development.
- The EMP for the facility (i.e. WEF) must comply with the requirements of Appendix 4 in the EIA Regulation, as amended.

**(g) Cumulative assessment and wake effect to be conducted in the EIA phase**

- Should there be any other existing WEF facilities in close proximity of the proposed development, you are required to provide information on the potential wake effects of the proposed development as part of the plan of study of the Environment Impact Assessment.
- Should there be any other similar projects within a 30km radius of the proposed development site, the cumulative impact assessment for all identified and assessed impacts must be refined to indicate the following:
  - Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e. hectares of cumulatively transformed land.
  - Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.
  - The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.
  - A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.

**General**

You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 21(1) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, which states that:

*"If S&EIR must be applied to an application, the applicant must, within 44 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority a scoping report which has been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority"*

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

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

Yours sincerely



**Ms Milicent Solomons**

**Acting Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations**

**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment**

**Letter signed by: Olivia Letlalo**

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**Date: 25/04/2022**

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Good day

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We would like to thank you in anticipation of your active and meaningful contribution to the EIA and public participation processes.

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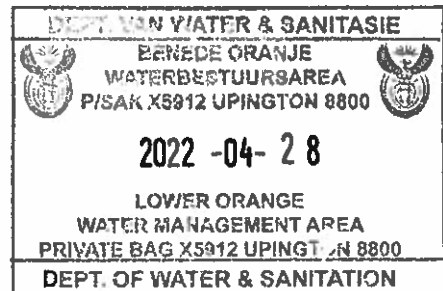
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Attention: Hlengiwe Ntuli/Michelle Guy

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Reference is made to the above-mentioned report with the Draft Basic Scoping Report dated 31 March 2022, submitted to Department of Water and Sanitation.

This Department has no objection to the proposed amendments of the above-mentioned application and wish to comment as follows:

1. The applicant must note that no activities are allowed within 100m of a water resource or within 1:100-year flood line (whichever is the greatest), if the proposed amendments fall within these criteria, the applicant need to apply for water use license to ensure that the riparian ecological status of the water resource will not be negatively impacted.
2. The report indicates the presence of wetlands and drainage lines (173 drainage lines) within the vicinity of the study area. Please note that this Department requires that a water use licence for Section 21 (c) & Section 21(i) water uses be applied for if the construction activities fall within a 500-metre radius of a wetland. This Department must be notified of any existence of wetlands within this area. Section 21 (c) & Section 21(i) water uses are respectively defined as "impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse" and "altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse under the NWA."



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5. Storm water must be managed in such a manner as to disperse runoff and to prevent the concentration of storm water flow.
6. No surface, ground or storm water may be polluted as a result of any activities on the site
7. Please note that all requirements as stipulated in the national water Act (NWA) 1998 (Act no.36 of 1998) must be adhered to.

Please feel free to contact this department, should there be any enquiries.

Yours sincerely,



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DATE: 28/04/2022



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**To:** Michelle Guy <MichelleG@sivest.co.za>  
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Dear Ms Guy

Please receive comments for the abovementioned projects for your perusal and implementation.

Regards,  
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**Attachments:** Pofadder WEF 1,2 & 3 Scoping Report.pdf

Dear Hlengiwe  
Please find comments and recommendations below

Regards

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Dear Ntuli

Trust you are well.

Please find comments and recommendations attached on your Draft Scoping Report.

Please feel free to contact Peter should you have any questions.

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Regards

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### **PER MAIL / E-MAIL**

Dear Ms Guy

### **ACCEPTANCE OF THE SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE POFADDER WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE NEAR POFADDER IN WITHIN KAI !GARIB LOCAL MUNICIPALITY THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

The final Scoping Report (FSR) and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated and received by the Competent Authority (CA) on 12 May 2022 refer.

The CA has evaluated the submitted FSR, and the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment dated 12 May 2022 and is satisfied that the documents comply with the minimum requirements of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended. The CA in terms of Regulation 22(1) (a) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, hereby accepts the FSR.

You may proceed with the environmental impact assessment process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment as required in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

In addition, the following amendments and additional information are required to be incorporated in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR):

#### **Listed Activities**

- The CA has noted that activity 18 and 23 of Listing Notice are applied for as it relates to widening and expansion of the road. However, the preliminary layout map (labelled-16876 Pofadder 1 Preliminary Layout) depicts only internal road network and layout map (labelled-16876 Pofadder 1 Proposed Layout) does not indicate the location of roads to be widened and expanded. Please ensure that these discrepancies are clearly explained and clarified in the next EIA phase (i.e., draft EIAR report). Also, please explain the difference between a preliminary layout and proposed layout.
- For activity 12 of Listing Notice 3, it has been noted that this activity is triggered due to the clearance of indigenous vegetation. Therefore, you are advised to indicate the type of indigenous vegetation to be cleared and also what trigger the CBA identified in bioregional plans when describing the activity.

- Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure as described in the project description. In addition, the onus is thus on the applicant and the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) to ensure that all the applicable listed activities are included in the application. Failure to do so may result in unnecessary delays in the processing of the application.
- If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final EIAr, an amended application form must be submitted. Please note that the Department's application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>.

### **Project Description**

- In the comments dated 26 April 2022, it was specifically stated that *"It is noted that the proposed project on page 8 of 45 of the application form will include an associated infrastructure such as a road of approximately 50km long. You were requested to describe the route of the proposed road in details (from start to the end) as well as the main access road and provide the length of the main access road"*. The response in the comments and response report indicated that *"Noted, details on the roads have been included in the project description in Section 6.1 of the FSR"*. However, page 11 of the FSR still refer to *"Pofadder WEF 1 will have a total road network of approximately 50km"* as part of the component. Please ensure that route description (the route description must indicate the start and end of the road) of the total road network of approximately 50km is described in the draft EIAr.

### **Public Participation**

- The CA has noted that proof of emails and the reminder of the stakeholders consulted has been provided with the FSR. However, it is difficult to identify stakeholders who were provided opportunity to participate during scoping phase, since only names of the contact person appears on the list. Please compile a separate list, which will point out the stakeholders (it must include the name of contact person and the company/organization represented) consulted in the EIA phase.
- Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the SR from registered I&APs and organs of state (**including this Department's Biodiversity Section**), which have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the final EIAr.
- Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the final EIAr. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof should be submitted to the Department of the attempts that were made to obtain comments.
- The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of Regulations 39, 40, 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.
- A comments and response trail report (C&R) must be submitted with the final EIAr. The C&R report must incorporate all historical comments for this development. The C&R report must be a separate document from the main report.
- Please refrain from summarising comments made by I&APs. All comments from I&APs must be copied verbatim and responded to clearly. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&AP's comments.
- As per the comments dated 02 May 2022 of the Northern Cape: Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform *"the bat and avifaunal assessments must assess and make recommendations for definite measurements for the preferred hub height and rotor diameter to determine suitable buffers. **The bat assessment does not make recommendations in this regard"***. Please ensure that the above-mentioned specialists makes recommendations as per the comments mentioned above.
- The CA has noted that CBA Pofadder map shows that the activities/application site will fall within CBA 1 and at the edge of CBA 2, however, buffer zone is not provided. The Northern Cape: Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform in their comments dated 02 May

2022 indicated that the loss of CBA1 and associated impacts is not supported and must be mapped as a “No-Go area”.

- According to the current layout of the Pofadder 1, 2 & 3 WEF`s, a very limited area of ESA will be impacted. Furthermore, it is recommended that the wind turbine located within the watercourse (freshwater resource system classified as ESA) be moved to an acceptable area outside of this watercourse as well as its recommended buffer area. Please ensure that this statement is adequately addressed in the EIA phase.
- In addition, please ensure that all the recommendations of the specialists indicate whether they support the proposed development or not.

### **Layout & Sensitivity Maps**

- Please provide a layout map, which indicates the following:
  - All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g. roads (existing and proposed);
  - The location of sensitive environmental features on site e.g. CBAs, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines etc. that will be affected,
  - Buffer areas; and
  - All “no-go” areas.
  - The above map must be overlain with a sensitivity map and a cumulative map, which shows existing WEF plants and their associated infrastructure. Please be advised that Google maps will not be accepted.
  - Please ensure that the above map has a clear legend that communicate with details of the map.
- In the comments dated 26 April 2022, it was specifically stated that *“It is noted that wind turbine number 28 on the sensitivity layout dated 11 March 2022 is overlapping heritage sensitivity theme. Please ensure that final SR include a sensitivity layout, which indicate the exact buffer in terms metres from the wind turbine and the heritage sensitivity theme. In addition, ensure that the sensitivity layout indicate the actual buffer for all the proposed wind turbines”*.
- Further to the above, it has been noted that the sensitivity map, Revision 0 dated 11 March 2022 prepared by SB shows that turbines 28 and 54 affect the heritage sensitivity (legend not clearly show the sensitivity and its buffer), turbine 1 is located at the edge of bat sensitivity and no buffer indicated and turbines 6 to 10 are also located at the edge of the ecological sensitivity without buffer zone shown. **Please note that failure to remove the wind turbines within sensitive areas and its buffer will pose a risk to this application.**
- In light of the above, you are required to clarify why the turbines will be located within the sensitive features:
  - According to the bat constraint map (figure 6), there are turbines allocated within the no-go area,
  - According to Aquatic/Freshwater resource map (figure 10), there are turbines located within very high and high sensitive area and no buffer zone shown on the map,
  - It has also been noted that there are turbines located within very high sensitive area in terms of the ecological sensitivity map (figure 12),
  - In terms of the Avifaunal sensitivity map, the WEF will be located in close proximity while part of the line corridor will affect very high sensitive area, which will result in collision with avifaunal species.

### **Specialist assessments**

- The following Specialist Assessments will form part of the EIAR:
  - Desktop Geotechnical Assessment;
  - Social Impact Assessment;
  - Transport Assessment;
  - Visual Assessment;
  - Avifaunal Assessment;
  - Bat Assessment;

- Agricultural Assessment;
- Surface Water Assessment;
- Heritage Assessment;
- Noise Assessment;
- Biodiversity Assessment;
- Shadow Flicker Impacts (SFI); and
- Electromagnetic Interference (EMI) Path Loss and Risk Assessment Report (SKA Requirement).

The EAP must ensure that the terms of reference for all the identified specialist studies must include the following:

- A detailed description of the study's methodology; indication of the locations and descriptions of the development footprint, and all other associated infrastructures that they have assessed and are recommending for authorisation.
- Provide a detailed description of all limitations to the studies. All specialist studies must be conducted in the right season and providing that as a limitation will not be allowed.
- Please note that the Department considers a 'no-go' area, as an area where no development of any infrastructure is allowed; therefore, no development of associated infrastructure including access roads is allowed in the 'no-go' areas.
- Should the specialist definition of 'no-go' area differ from the Department's definition; this must be clearly indicated. The specialist must also indicate the 'no-go' area's buffer if applicable.
- All specialist studies must be final, and provide detailed/practical mitigation measures for the preferred alternative and recommendations, and must not recommend further studies to be completed post EA.
- Should a specialist recommend specific mitigation measures, these must be clearly indicated.
- Should the appointed specialists specify contradicting recommendations, the EAP must clearly indicate the most reasonable recommendation and substantiate this with defensible reasons; and where necessary, include further expertise advice.
- The assessment of the impacts by the proposed development on the receiving environment must comply with the requirements of the Regulations.

### **Cumulative Impact Assessment**

- The cumulative impacts of the proposed development must be undertaken as per the requirements of the EIA Regulations.
- Should there be any other similar projects within a 30km radius of the proposed development site (both Pofadder WEF 2 and 3 must be also included as part of the cumulative impact assessment), the cumulative impact assessment for all identified and assessed impacts must be refined to indicate the following:
  - Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e., hectares of cumulatively transformed land.
  - Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.
  - The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.
  - A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.

### **Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)**

- Ensure that generic EMPr is submitted for the management of impacts of the infrastructure related to the transmission and distribution of energy.

- A construction and operational phase EMPr for the facility that includes mitigation and monitoring measures must be submitted with the final EIAr.

### **Additional Information**

- Should there be a similar project in a close proximity, in terms of Appendix 2 (1) (h) (k) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, you are required to provide information on the potential wake effects of the proposed development and measures to mitigate those risks.
- You are required to provide wake loss risks (wake effects) posed by this development and measures to mitigate those risks.

### **Specific Comments**

- Additionally, the CA has noted the discrepancies in terms of numbering the WTs between sensitivity layout and the preliminary layout. For instance, sensitivity layout indicates WT from 01 to 10, 27 to 34 and 44 to 55, whereas the preliminary layout depicts WTs from 01 to 30. These discrepancies must be clarified and rectified in the EIA phase.

### **General**

The applicant is hereby reminded to comply with the requirements of Regulation 45 of GN R982 of 04 December 2014, as amended, regarding the time allowed for complying with the requirements of the Regulations.

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

Yours faithfully



**Ms Millicent Solomons**  
**Acting Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations**  
**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment,**  
**Signed by: Ms Olivia Letlalo**  
**Designation: Deputy Director: Priority Infrastructure Projects**  
**Date: 09/06/2022**

cc:	Mr Unai Urtasun Bravo	Pofadder Wind Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd	Email: unai.bravo.urtasun@acciona.com
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**From:** Millard Kotze <millard.kotze@genesis-eco.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 09 March 2022 15:15  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Cc:** Ralph Damonse; Thomas Condesse  
**Subject:** Pofadder WEF 1, 2 and 3  
**Attachments:** IMG-20220309-WA0002.jpg

Good day,

I hope you are well.

Would you mind telling us who your client is for these projects? I would like to register as an I&AP.  
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Please let me know if you need anything els.

Kind regards

**Millard Kotze**

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**From:** Gerhard Visser <tgnvisser@telkomsa.net>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 29 March 2022 06:16  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Subject:** RE: 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: Landowner Notification

Hi Hlengiwe

No one is living on my property.  
I am managing it and you already have my contact details.

Kind Regards

Gerhard Visser

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**From:** sivest\_PPP [mailto:sivest\_ppp@sivest.co.za]  
**Sent:** 28 March 2022 04:59 PM  
**To:** tgnvisser@telkomsa.net  
**Cc:** Michelle Guy; Hlengiwe Ntuli  
**Subject:** 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: Landowner Notification

Dear Landowner,

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As a directly **Adjacent Landowner**, we hereby request that you provide us with the details of all persons residing on, leasing or managing your land (name, cell phone number, postal address and/or email address), so that we can ensure that all potentially Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&APs) are included on our respective project databases.

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

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Kind Regards,  
**Hlengiwe Ntuli**  
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**From:** Jaco Kruger <jacokruger28@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, 09 April 2022 15:44  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Subject:** Re: 16876: Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape: DSR Comment Period Starting  
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Jaco Kruger  
0828528463  
[jacokruger28@gmail.com](mailto:jacokruger28@gmail.com)

JJ Kruger en seuns trust van die plass Willemse opdam.  
Is die toestande gunstig vir windlaaiers op die plaas?

On Wed, 30 Mar 2022, 15:40 sivest\_PPP, <[sivest\\_ppp@sivest.co.za](mailto:sivest_ppp@sivest.co.za)> wrote:

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**Attached is an English letter and advert notifying you of the review period.**

SiVEST is committed to complying with the requirements as set out in terms of POPIA.

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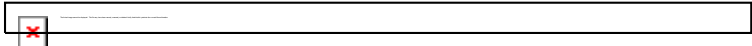
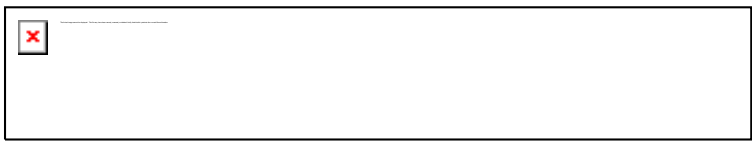
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Michelle

Is die plaas Willem se opdam een van die sites en watter een?

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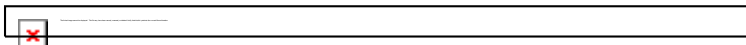
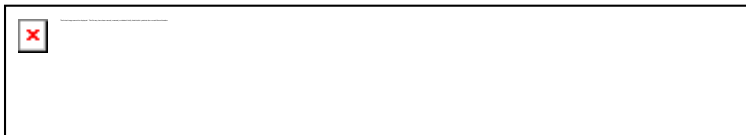
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**Sent:** Wednesday, 27 April 2022 11:32  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Subject:** Requote to be registered as I&AP for the proposed Pofadder WEF

Good day,

Wilderness Foundation Africa hereby requests to be resisted as interested and affected party in the Scoping and EIA process for the proposed Pofadder Wind Energy Facility 1,2 and 3.

Kindly confirm our registration as I&AP in writing.

Kind Regards,

**D'Reull de Beer**

*Facilitator: Northern Cape Land Project*



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**Sent:** Thursday, 05 May 2022 08:16  
**To:** sivest\_PPP  
**Subject:** Pofadder Wind Energy Facilities 1, 2 and 3 near Pofadder in Northern Cape  
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Good day

I would like to register as and I and AP.

Thank you

**David Dean**



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A T	Grundling	Agricultural Research Council (ARC)
Abra	van Wyk	Agri SA: Sutherland
Hassinah	Mileng	Air Traffic Navigation Services
Graham	Mondzinger	Air Traffic Navigation Services
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