

NOTICE

NOTICE OF A SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED LICENSING OF THE NIEKERKSHOOP LANDFILL, SIYATHEMBA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) and Waste Management Activities listed in terms of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (NEM:WA) (Act No. 59 of 2008), that the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) is assisting the Siyathemba Local Municipality to licence the Niekerkshoop landfill. The Niekerkshoop landfill will require an Operational Licence from the Northern Cape Department of Environment, Nature and Conservation. DEA has thus appointed GA Environment (Pty) Ltd as independent Environmental Consultants, to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process as part of the Waste Management Licence Processes.

The Niekerkshoop landfill is located on Erf 1, Niekerkshoop township and on the Western outskirts of the Niekerkshoop town. The landfill is located in a fenced off area surrounded by pockets of natural vegetation. The R386 road from Prieska to Griekwastad provided access to Niekerkshoop town. The unpaved access road from the R386 road provides direct access to the landfill site. Access can be gained from this road. The landfill site falls within the jurisdiction of the Siyathemba Local Municipality. The site co-ordinates are 29°19'48.29"S; 22°49'41.92"E. The location of the site is indicated in **Figure 1**.

According to the National Environmental Management Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) as amended, the licensing of the Niekerkshoop landfill requires a Waste Management License (as per Government Notice 921 of November 2013). The following Waste Management listed activities are thus applicable.

- **Category A-Activity 13:** The expansion of a waste management activity listed in Category A or B of this Schedule which does not trigger an additional waste management activity in terms of this Schedule.
- **Category B-Activity 8:** The disposal of general waste to land covering an area an excess of 200m² and with a total capacity exceeding 25 000 tons;
- **Category B-Activity 9:** The disposal of inert waste to land in excess of 25 000 tons, excluding the disposal of such waste for the purposes of levelling and building which has been authorised by or under other legislation; and

The main objective of the project is to obtain the required licensing from the Competent Authority (Northern Cape Department of Environment, Nature and Conservation), for operational purposes. The Scoping and EIA process aims to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed licensing of the landfill site; as well as any alternatives to the development / activity and to compile appropriate mitigation measures.

KENNISGEWING

AANSOEK OM AFVALBESTUURSLISENSIE EN BESTEKOPNAME EN OMGEWINGSIMPAKEVALUERINGSPROSES VIR DIE VOORGESTELDE LISENSIËRING VAN DIE NIEKERKSHOOP STORTINGSTERREIN, SIYATHEMBA PLAASLIKE MUNISIPALITEIT, NOORD-KAAPROVINSIE

Kennis geskied hiermee ingevolge Hoofstuk 5 van die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur (NEMA), 1998 (Wet 107 van 1998) en die Afvalbestuursaktiwiteite gelys ingevolge die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur: Afval, 2008 (NEM:WA) (Wet 59 van 2008), dat die Departement van Omgewingsake (DO) die Siyathemba Plaaslike Munisipaliteit bystaan om die Niekerkshoop stortingssterrein te lisensieer. Die Niekerkshoop stortingssterrein is een van die stortingssterreine wat 'n Bedryfslisensie van die Noord-Kaapse Departement van Omgewing, Natuur en Bewaring sal vereis. GA Environment (Edms.) Bpk. is derhalwe deur die DO aangestel as onafhanklike Omgewingsimpak assessering (EIA) proses as deel van die Prosesse in 'n Afvalbestuurslisensie te onderneem.

Die Niekerkshoop stortingssterrein is op Erf 1 van die dorp Niekerkshoop, op die westelike buitewyke van die dorp geleë. Die stortingssterrein is in 'n afgekampte gebied geleë wat omring word deur stukke van natuurlike plantegroei. Die R386-pad vanaf Prieska na Griekwastad bied toegang tot die dorp Niekerkshoop. Die ongeplaveide toegangspad vanaf die R386-pad het direkte toegang tot die stortingssterrein gebied. Toegang kan steeds van hierdie pad bekom word. Die stortingssterrein is in die jurisdiksie van die Siyathemba Plaaslike Munisipaliteit. Die terrein se koördinate is 29°19'48.29"S; 22°49'41.92"E. Die ligging van die terrein word in **Figuur 1** aangedui.

Ooreenkomstig die Nasionale Wet op Omgewingsbestuur: Afval, 2008 (Wet 59 van 2008) soos gewysig, vereis die uitbedryfstelling van die Niekerkshoop stortingssterrein 'n Afvalbestuurslisensie vir Uitbedryfstelling (ingevolge Staatskennisgewing 921 van November 2013). Die volgende Afvalbestuur gelyste aktiwiteite is dus van toepassing .

- **Kategorie A-Aktiwiteit 13:** Die uitbreiding van 'n afvalbestuursaktiwiteit wat in Kategorie A of B van hierdie Skedule gelys is, wat nie aanleiding gee tot 'n addisionele afvalbestuursaktiwiteit ingevolge hierdie Skedule nie.
- **Kategorie B- Aktiwiteit 8:** Die wegdoening van algemene afval na grond wat 'n gebied van groter as 200 m² dek met 'n totale kapasiteit wat 25 000 ton oorskry;
- **Kategorie B- Aktiwiteit 9:** Die wegdoening van onaktiewe afval na grond van meer as 25 000 ton, behalwe die wegdoening van sodanige afval vir die doeleindes van gelykmaking en bouwerk wat deur of ingevolge ander wetgewing gemagtig is;

Die proses se hoofdoelwit is om die nodige lisensieëring vir bedryfsdoeleindes van die Bevoegde Owerhede (Noord-Kaapse Departement van Omgewing, Natuur en Bewaring). Die Bestekopname en OIE-proses poog om potensiële omgewingsimpakte wat met die beoogde aktiwiteit gepaard gaan, asook enige alternatiewe vir die ontwikkeling/aktiwiteit te identifiseer en te evalueer en om gepaste versagtingsmaatreëls saam te stel.

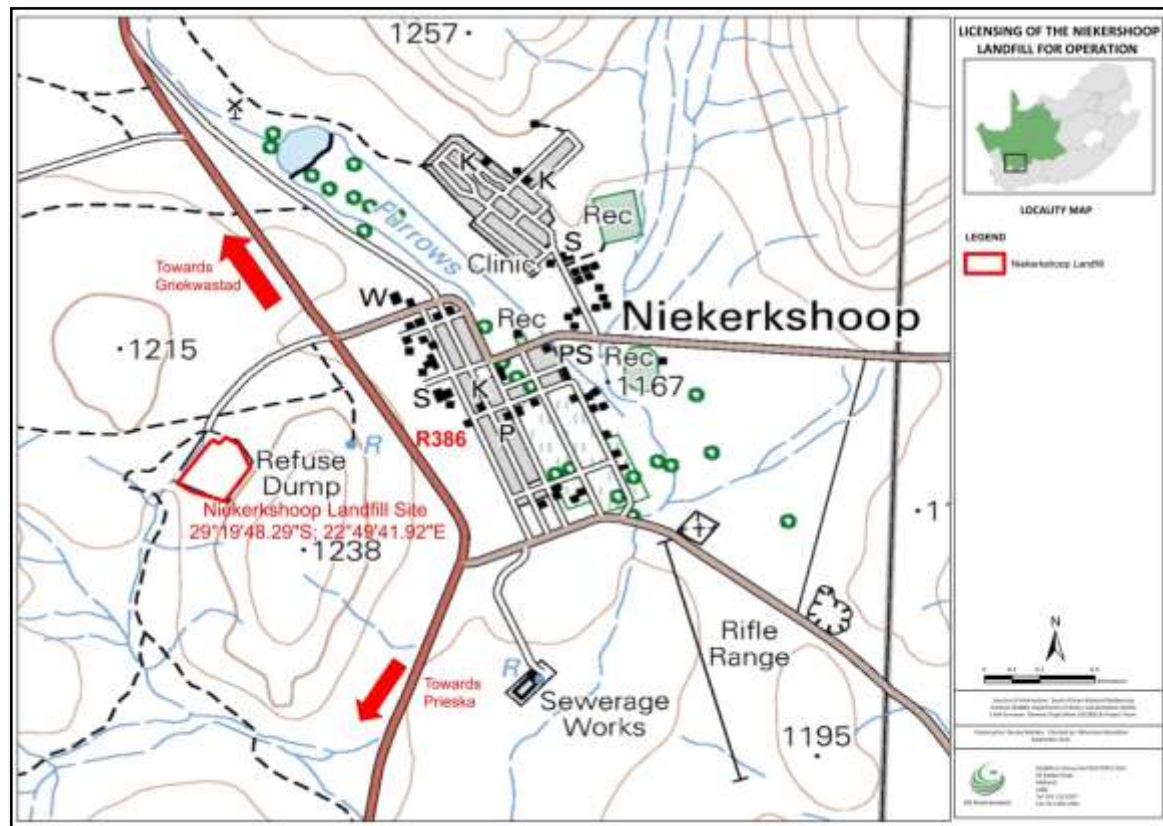


Figure 1: Location of the Niekerkshoop Landfill/ Figuur 1: Ligging van die Niekerkshoop stortingssterrein

Interested and/or affected parties who wish to participate by contributing comments, register or obtain more information on the above-mentioned project should please contact **Nkhensani Khandlhela** on: Tel: 011 312 2537, Fax: 011 805 1950, E-mail: environment@gaenvironment.com or nkhensanik@gaenvironment.com or Post: P.O Box 6723 Halfway House 1685.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROJECT BY NO LATER THAN 30th OCTOBER 2015

Belangstellende en/of geaffekteerde partye wat wil deelneem deur kommentaar te lewer, wil registreer of meer inligting oor die bogenoemde projek wil bekom, moet asseblief in verbinding tree met **Nkhensani Khandlhela** by tel: 011 312 2537, faks: 011 805 1950, e-pos: environment@gaenvironment.com of nkhensanik@gaenvironment.com of Pos: Posbus 6723, Halfweghuis, 1685.

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