

DRYCUT HOUSING PROJECT, AMAJUBA DISTRICT

BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (BID)

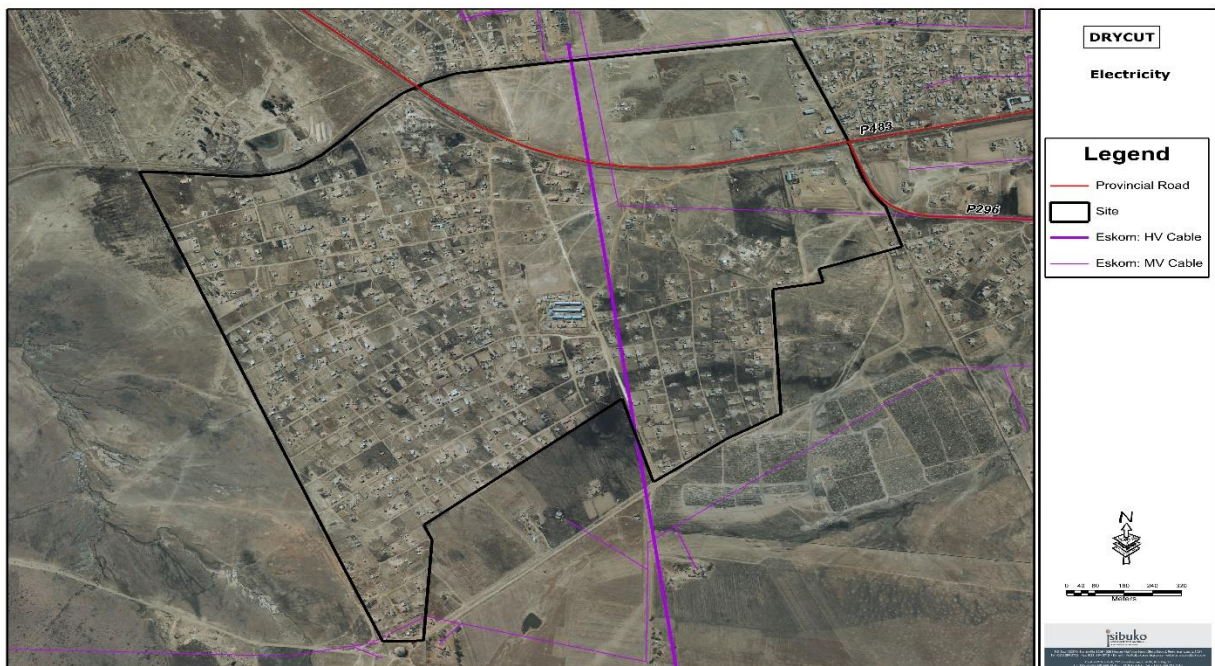
BACKGROUND

Amajuba District Municipality in collaboration with the KZN Department of Human Settlements proposed to formalise the Drycut settlement near Madadeni, within the Amajuba District. In all, about 1000 residential units are envisaged to be constructed. It is expected that houses will be constructed on the compounds of qualifying beneficiary. This will also include the upgrade of internal roads and also pipelines for water reticulation.

There patches of undeveloped grasslands within the community which may be removed for the proposed development. This triggers activities within Listing Notice 1 of GNR 983, of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998). This implies that environmental authorisation is required. Key triggered activities, relate to removal of vegetation of more than 1 ha, potential crossing of watercourses by roads and pipelines.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT SITE

The site currently consists of the informal community of Drycut and adjacent open spaces as indicated on the attached areal photograph, as per the proposed project boundary.



Environmental Process & Considerations

This triggers activities within Listing Notice 1 of GNR 983, of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) for which environmental authorisation is required.

As part of the planning process being undertaken by Maseko Hlongwa and Associates, an environmental impact assessment is being conducted. A Basic Assessment (EIA) process is being

undertaken by Bizycon (PTY) LTD and an application for authorisation for this project will be submitted to the KZN Department of Economic Development, Tourism & Environmental Affairs (EDTEA).

All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are may submit their names, contact details and written interest or comments relating to the above development to the contact persons given below within 30 days of the date of publication of this advertisement: 11 July, 2019.

Your involvement

Environmental Assessment plays a vital role to ensure that it provides the necessary and adequate information on which to base the decision of whether to grant environmental authorisation on the anticipated project. This environmental approval will also give information on whether or not and if yes under which conditions the authorisation will be granted. There are numerous stakeholders that are involved from entirely different sectors and each contributes towards a desirable conclusion. Your remarks, if any will enhance all appropriate concerns or appraisals that are assessed in the EIA. You are therefore encouraged to fill in the enclosed registration/comment form or write a letter, call, and email or send a fax the EAP on the following contacts in case you want to comment on the proposed development.