

# Gold One Tailing Backfill Plant and Pipeline <u>Proof of Public Participation</u>

In terms of the

National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998)

July 2013

# Client Name: Gold One International Limited

Project Number: 12-561





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## 1 Appendix B-1: Site Notices

A2 laminated site notices according to Regulation 54 3 of National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) NEMA have been placed on and around the project area. The site notices were placed at the co-ordinates displayed in the table below, and in the figure overleaf.

Site	East (wgsdd)	South (wgsdd)
Entrance to Cooke Plant on the R559	27.714013	-26.223356
Sign board on the boundary of the Cooke 2 Shaft area.	27.718654	-26.272776
Entrance gate at Cooke 1 Offices on the R559	27.738436	-26.251345
Spar on the R28 in Randfontein	27.703783	-26.182933
Entrance to Bekkersdal on the R28	27.678752	-26.294184
Pick and Pay Centre on Forbes Street, Westonaria	27.654427	-26.318667
Shoprite Centre on President Steyn Street, Westonaria	27.652581	-26.322022
Entrance to Mohlakeng via Ralerata Street	27.697905	-26.208909
Entrance to Donaldson Dam, recreational fishing hotspot and downstream from Cooke 2 Shaft area	27.681914	-26.279759

GOLD ONE TAILINGS BACKFILL PROJECT: SITE NOTICE PHOTO LOCATIONS

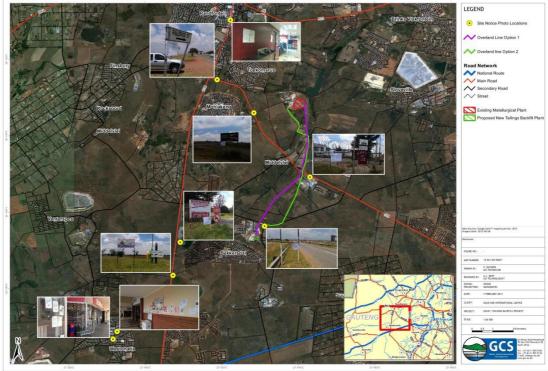


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#### Figure 1: Site Notice Locations

### Photographic proof of placement of the site notices is provided below:

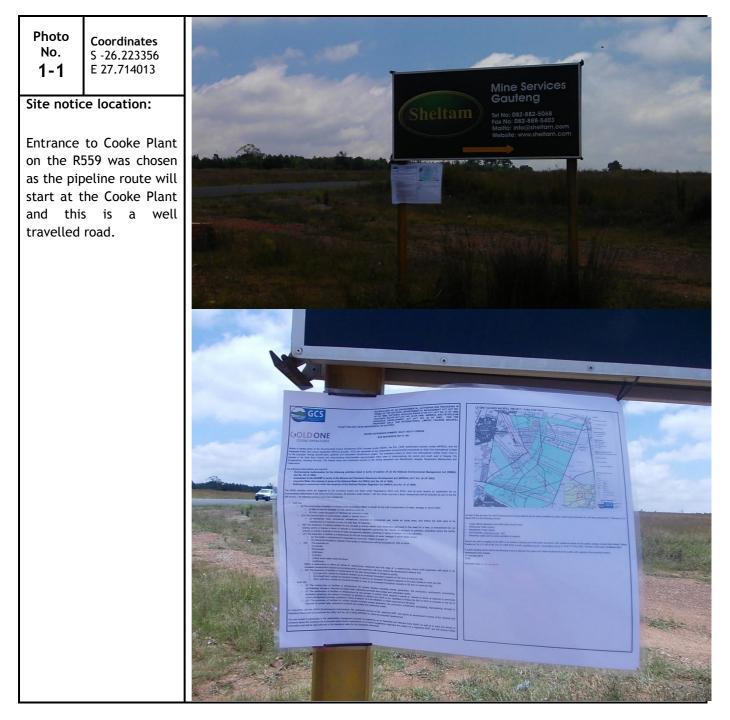
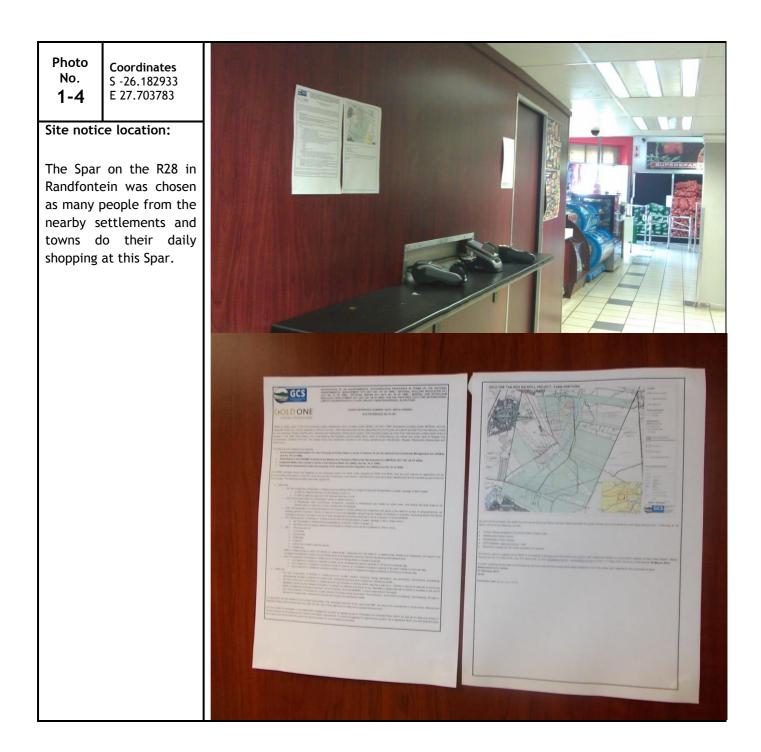


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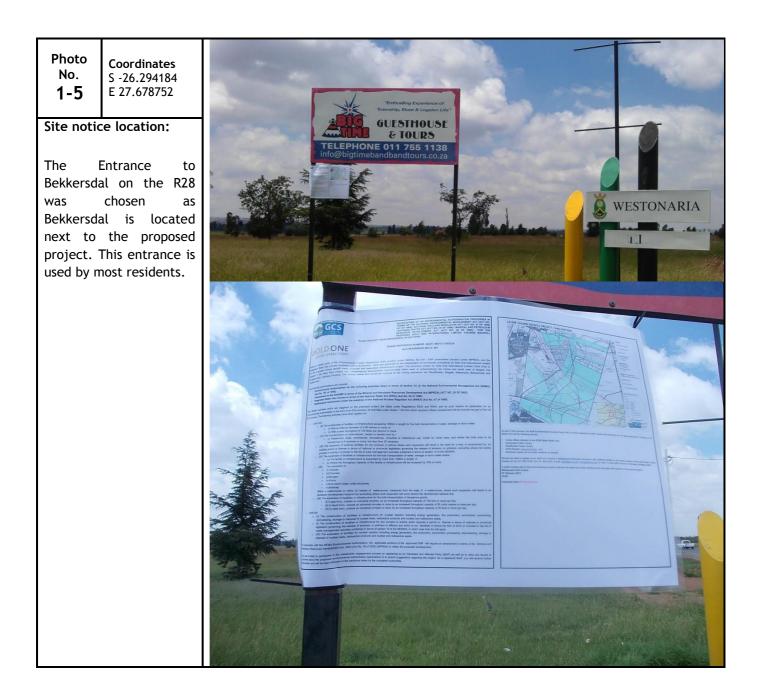


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# 2 Appendix B-2: Advertisements

### 2.1 Scoping Phase Advertisement - 15 February 2013

GCS	NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) / NATIONAL NUCLEAR REGULATOR ACT (ACT NO. 47 OF 1999) / NATIONAL WATER ACT (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) / MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002) FOR THE PROPOSED GOLD ONE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED TAILINGS BACKFILL PLANT PROJECT NEAR BEKKERSDAL IN GAUTENG				
GOLDONE	GDARD REFERENCE NUMBER: GAUT: 002/12-13/E0230				
GOLDONE	GCS REFERENCE NO:12-561				
COOKE OPERATIONS					
Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 54 of the Environmental Impact Regulations published in Government Notice R.543 in Government Gazette No.33306 of 18 June 2010, under Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process, to be undertaken by GCS (Pty) Ltd. (GCS) on behalf of Gold One International Limited (Gold One) for a proposed establishment of the Tailings Backfill Plant and associated pipeline near the Cooke 2 Shaft area, near Bekkersdal (Westonaria) in the Gauteng Province. The proposed Backfill Plant and associated pipeline is located on the on several portions of the farms Luipaardsvlei 243 and Gemsbokfontein 190.					
The following authorisation is required for	the proposed activity:				
	for the following activities listed in terms of section 24 (2) the National Environmental Management Act				
(NEMA), (Act No. 107 of 1998)					
	i terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (MPRDA) (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002) in terms of the National Water Act (NWA) (Act No. 36 of 1998).				
	er the auspices of the National Nuclear Regulator Act (NNRA) (Act No. 47 of 1999).				
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	by the proposed establishment of the Backfill Plant are listed under Regulations R544 and R545, and as such al Authorisation in the form of an EIA process.				
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<ul> <li>39 (i)(ii)(iii)(iv)(v)(vi)</li> <li>49 (i)(ii)(iii)</li> </ul>					
In conjunction with the NEMA Environme	ntal Authorisation, the applicable sections of the approved EMP will require an amendment in terms of the prent Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) to reflect the proposed development.				
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issues or concerns about the proposed e	holder engagement process by registering as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) as well as to raise any nvironmental authorisation applications or to submit suggestions regarding the project. As a registered I&AP, I be kept informed of the decisions taken by the competent authorities.				
As part of this process, the draft Environ February to 19 March 2013 at the following	mental Scoping Report will be made available for public review and comments for a 40 days period from 7 g venues:				
<ul> <li>Cooke offices situated on the R</li> </ul>	559 (Main Road) road;				
<ul> <li>Westonaria Public Library;</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Randfontein Public Library</li> <li>GCS Website: www.gcs-sa.biz</li> </ul>	and				
<ul> <li>GCS Website: <u>www.gcs-sa.biz</u></li> <li>Electronic copies can be made a</li> </ul>					
Liectronic copies can be made a	available of request.				
	r to receive a Background Information Document (BID), with additional details on the project, please contact 03 5726, Fax: 011 803 5745, E-mail: <u>estie@gcs-sa.biz</u> / <u>rianap@gcs-sa.biz</u> or Post: P O Box 2597, Rivonia,				
A public meeting will be held at the following Westonaria Civic Centre	ng venue to discuss the project and obtain feedback from the public with regards to the proposed project:				
27 February 2013					
15:00					

An advertisement, according to Regulation 54 of NEMA regarding the project background and the assessment process being followed were placed on 15 February 2013 in the Randfontein/Westonaria Herald.



#### 2.2 EIA Phase Advertisement - 17 July 2013

An advertisement, according to Regulation 54 of NEMA regarding the project background and the assessment process being followed will be placed on 17 July 2013 in the Randfontein/Westonaria Herald.

GCS	ENVIRONMENTAL: MANAGEME ACT: (ACT: NO.: 47: OF: 1920) PETROLEUM: RESOURCE: DEV	MENTAL: AUTHORISATION PROCESSES IN TERMS: OF- ENT-ACT: (ACT: NO.: 107: OF-1998) /: NATIONAL: NUCLEA ): /: NATIONAL: WATER: ACT: (ACT: NO.: 38: OF-1998) / TELOPMENT: ACT: (ACT: NO.: 28: OF-2002) -FORTHE-TR ED: TAILINGS: BACKHEL: PLANT: PROJECT: NEAR B	REFECULATOR: 9 MINERAL: AND OPOSED COLD			
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A-previous-public-notice-placed-in-this-newspaper-on-15-February-2013-announced-the-abovementioned-project-to-interested-and- Affected-Parties-(IBAPs)-and-requested-them-to-submit-comments-or-suggestions-with-regard-to-the-Environmental-Authorisation- Processes-that-were-being-undertaken-in-terms of the-National-Environmental-Wanagement-Act-(Act-No107-of-1998), the National- Nuclear-Segulator-Act-(Act-No47-of-1999), the-National-Water-Act-(Act-No36-of-1998)-and-the-Wineral-And-Petroleum-Resource- Development-Act-(Act-No28-of-2002).¶						
Gold-One-Cooke-Operations-(Gold-O	ne)-has-appointed-GCS-(Pty	)-Ltd-as-consultants-to-facilitate-the-environmental	authorisation			
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Proof of placement was requested from the newspaper and will be included in the Final EIA PPP document.

#### 3 Appendix B-3: I & AP Notification

#### 3.1 Pre-Application Notification Letter - 15 January 2013

Proof of the pre-application I&AP notification had to be submitted along with the NEMA Application document. A pre-application notification letter was delivered to all houses and dwellings on properties adjacent to the proposed Project. Where no-one was home a notification letter was left in the post box. The pre-application notification letter serves to:

- Give a brief description of the EIA and public participation processes;
- Invites Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), to participate in the process; and
- Provides brief project description.

For the pre-application notification letter deliveries, a table was formulated with the known Interested and affected parties listed as well as any contact details, the property name/ farm portion and whether or not they have received the pre-application notification letter. Provision was also made for any I&AP's that were not listed. By means of a map and directions from the locals, as many of the listed I&AP's as possible were presented with the pre-application notification letter as well as visiting other farms and institutions that may not have initially been listed as I&AP's.

63 Wessel Road Rivonia 2128 PO Box 2597 Rivonia 2128 South Africa	Client Template
Telephone: +27 (0)11 803 5726 Facsimile: +27 (0)11 803 5745	
Consultants	According to Section 18 of the NENA General Notice Regulation 543 of 18 June 2010, and
Our Reference QCS Ref - 13-561	EAP must: • Be independent:
Your Reference Gold 1 Tailings Backfill Plant	<ul> <li>Have expertise in conducting the EIA, etc.;</li> </ul>
2013.01.14	<ul> <li>Be objective, even if this result in views and findings that is not favorable to the applicant, etc.</li> </ul>
Gold 1: Tailings Backfill Plant Proposed Project	GCS Water and Environment (Pty) Ltd (GCS) has been appointed as the EAP for the Gold1 Tailings Backfill Project. Once the project is initiated through the NEUA application to the
Attention: Interested and Affected Party	GDARD, GCS will provide you with a Background Information Document (BID), as an initial
Number of pages: 2 (including this one)	<ul> <li>opportunity to comment, which will describe:</li> <li>The motivation for and components of the proposed project;</li> </ul>
Dear Sir/Madam	<ul> <li>Potential successform metal authorization process and public participation process to be</li> <li>The environmental authorization process and public participation process to be</li> </ul>
NOTIFICATION OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES IN TEMSIS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MAUNEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) (NEMA), MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT	followed; How stakeholders can contribute to the process; and How to contact GCS.
NO. 28 OF 2002) (MPRDA), NATIONAL WATER ACT (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) (NWA) AND NATIONAL NUCLEAR REGULATOR ACT (ACT NO. 47 OF 1999) (NNRA) FOR THE PROPOSED	
GOLD 1 TAILINGS BACKFILL PLANT PROJECT.	Meanwhile, should you have any questions, or would like to obtain more information, please feel free to contact myself, or Riana Panaino
The proposed Gold 1 Tailings Backfill Project development will fall within a brownfields area located near Bekkersdal, Westonaria and Randfontein in the Gauteng Province. The	Yours sincerely
proposed project will require the construction and operation of the following	
infrastructure: Tailings Backfill Plant, Tailings pipelines, Return Water Pipelines, Ancillary infrastructure at plant.	Resards
Gold 1 appointed GCS (Pty) Ltd as an independent environmental consultant to facilitate the environmental authorisation processes for the Tailings Backfill Project in accordance with the MPRDA, NEMA, MWA and NNRA.	2 haluf
The environmental authorisation process will be conducted to ensure that the	Estie Retief Riana Painano Environmental Project Manager Environmental Consultant
Ine environmental automisation process will be conclusive to ensure that the environmental impact that may be associated with the proposed project are taken into consideration. Interested and Affected Parities (BAPs) have an opportunity to comment by providing issues of concern and to ensure that the Competent Authorities being the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Devolution (BARD), Department of Mineral Recourse (DMR), the Department of Water Affairs (DWA), and the National Nuclear Regulator (NNR) has sufficient information to make a decision.	Environmental Project Manager Environmental Consultant For GCS (Pty) Ltd For GCS (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP)	
According to Section 17 of the NEMA General Notice Regulation 543 of 18 June 2010:	
<ul> <li>"before applying for environmental authorization of an activity, an applicant must appoint an EAP at own cost to manage the application."</li> </ul>	
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## 3.2 Proof of Pre-Application Notification Letter deliveries - 15 January 2013

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# 3.3 Proof of Pre-Application Notification Letter sent via email - 15 January 2013

Pre-Application Notification letters were sent via email to those identified I&AP's that weren't available when the letters were delivered.

From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	Riana Panaino 15 January 2013 02:57 PM mahatammohoagri@gmail.com Gold1 Notification of NEMA Application: Backfill plant Notification Letter.pdf	
Dear Stakeholder		
Please find attached associated pipeline.	the notification of the NEMA Application for the proposed new Backfill Plant Project and	
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Kind regards Riana Panaino		
Kind regards Riana Panaino Environmental Con	sultant www.gcs-sa.biz F· +27(11) 803-5726 F· +27(11) 803-5745 E· <u>rianap@gcs-sa.biz</u>	
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From: To: Sent: Subject: Microsoft Outlook mahatammohoagri@gmail.com 15 January 2013 02:58 PM Relayed: Gold1 Notification of NEMA Application: Backfill plant

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Subject: Gold1 Notification of NEMA Application: Backfill plant

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From: To: Sent: Subject: Microsoft Outlook villet@lantic.net 15 January 2013 03:03 PM Relayed: Gold1 Notification of NEMA Application: Backfill plant

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## 3.4 Draft ESR availability and public meeting notification - 7 February 2013

Riana Panaino	
From: Sent: To: Subject: Attachments:	Riana Panaino 07 February 2013 08:21 PM pitadv@safricon.co.za; pietadv@safricon.co.za Gold One BID and Draft ESR notification Gold One BID final.pdf
Dear Stakeholder	
	ormation from the Gold One Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP) Database for previous Cooke Operations. Please find attached the BID document for the proposed Tailings Backfill , Westonaria.
	pendent environmental consultants and environmental assessment practitioners (EAP), has add One to facilitate the environmental authorization process for the proposed Tailings Backfill
Should you wish to re below.	gister as an I&AP please respond to me by no later than 19 March 2013 at the contact details
Tel: (011) 803 577 Fax: (011) 803 574 Email: <u>rianap@gcs-s</u> Postal Address: GCS (F	5
	suggestions need to be sent to GCS in writing, either through Post, Email, Fax or by ents sheet attached to the BID.
As part of this process Date: 27 February 2 Time: 15h00 Venue: Westonaria Ci	
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If you do not wish to r	eceive any further communication about this project please inform GCS in writing.
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Operations. Vind asse	ede verkry vanaf 'n Publieke Deelname databasis vir vorige projekte van Gold One Cooke blief aangeheg die informasie dokument vir die voorgestelde uitskot terugvulling aanleg en iding naby Bekkersdal, Westonaria.
	afhanklike omgewings konsultant, is deur Gold One aangestel om die Omgewings Magtigings terugvulling aanleg te behartig.

Indien u geregistreer wil word as n Belanghebbende en Geaffekteerde Party, kontak my asseblief voor of op 19 Maart 2013 by die volgende kontaknommers:
Tel: (011) 803 5726 Faks: (011) 803 5745 E-pos: <u>rianap@gcs-sa.biz</u> Posadres: GCS (Pty) Ltd; Posbus 2597; Rivonia; 2128
Alle kwessies, bekommernisse of voorstelle moet asseblief op skrif na GCS gestuur word, deur middel van Pos, Faks, E-pos, of deur die kommentaarblad wat aan die informasie dokument geheg is in te vul, en na GCS te stuur.
As deel van hierdie proses, sal 'n Publieke Vergadering gehou word op: Datum: 27 Februarie 2013 Tyd: 15h00 Plek: Westonaria Burgersentrum
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Indie u nie enige verdere kommunikasie oor die projek wil ontvang nie, stel GCS skriftelik in kennis.
Rlana Panaino       www.gcs-sa.blz         M·       T·+27(11) 803-5726       F·+27(11) 803-5745       E· rianapôligo:s-sa.blz         Image: Construction of the second se
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### 3.5 Background Information Document (BID)

The Background Information Document is an integral part of the public participation process, as it

- Gives an overview of the EIA and public participation processes;
- Outlines the legislative background (NEMA, IWULA);
- Invites Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), to participate in the process;
- Provides information to all Interested and Affected Parties.

For the Background Information Document deliveries, emails were sent to Interested and Affected Parties listed and confirmed during the pre-application letter delivery. The BID is represented below.



Telephone: +27 (0)11 803 5726 Facsimile: +27 (0)11 803 5745 Web: www.gcs-sa.biz

## BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT AND INVITATION TO COMMENT

NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) / NATIONAL NUCLEAR REGULATOR ACT (ACT NO. 47 OF 1999) / NATIONAL WATER ACT (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) / MINERAL AND PETROLEUM RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT ACT (ACT NO. 28 OF 2002) FOR THE PROPOSED GOLD ONE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED TAILINGS BACKFILL PLANT PROJECT NEAR BEKKERSDAL IN GAUTENG

# Purpose of this Background Information Document

The purpose of this document is to provide all interested and affected parties (I&APs) with information about the proposed establishment of the new Full Plant Tailings (FPT) Backfill Plant, as well as the following:

- ☑ Introduce and explain the Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) process, especially the public participation process that is prescribed by the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998) (NEMA);
- ☑ Introduce and explain the Public Participation Process related to the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998)
- $\blacksquare$  Invite all I&APs to comment on :
  - The ecological, physical, socioeconomic and any other issues of concern;
  - The proposed public participation and environmental assessment process, and
  - Any other suggestions.

Date of Publication: 5 February 2013 Client Name: Gold One International Limited GCS Project Number: 12-561 GDARD Reference: GAUT: 002/12-13/E0230

# What is an EIA/EMP and what does an EIA/EMP contain?

The National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and Petroleum Resource Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) prescribes the processes to be followed when compiling the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) and the Environmental Management Programme (EMP), in respect of listed activities that forms the legal basis of this authorisation. The process aims to ensure that all relevant factors are considered when evaluating the potential environmental impacts of a project, as well as developing appropriate environmental management measures to mitigate these impacts.

The purpose of the EIA is to assess the current environment in which a proposed activity will take place and assess all potential impacts in terms of its extent, duration, intensity and significance relating to the specific activity. The EMP describes the goals and objectives for environmental management to minimise or eliminate the potential environmental impacts, the action plans to bring effect to those goals and objectives, the procedures to be implemented to ensure integration of environmental management into the daily operations, as well as a plan to raise awareness of employees and the surrounding community with regards to environmental management.

# Project Description

A new Full Plant Tailings (FPT) Backfill Plant is proposed for the Cooke Operations, initially to provide backfill to Cooke 2 Shaft with the intention to expand to Cooke 3 Shaft if necessary. The latest production profile has been used to determine the required backfill. The stope height of 3.5m has precluded the use of cyclone classified tailings (CCT), also referred to as hydraulic fill. A 100% fill has been designed for the stopes. The backfill has been designed to have a free standing height of 3.5m. The backfill will be placed at a density of 1.75 kg/m3. All backfill will have a binder added, with the current design based on approximately 7% binder addition.

The plant will be designed to be modular with all equipment (including the thickeners) being transportable to another site, thereby ensuring the backfill plant can be relocated to another site. Due to the shallow operations, surface boreholes located close to the mining operations can be used to transfer the backfill down the mine. All excess water will be transferred back to Cooke Plant for disposal.

# Where is the project located?

The proposed project by Gold One International Limited (Gold One) (known as the Cooke 2 and 3 Backfill Project) is to re-process its existing tailings storage facilities (TSF) in the Randfontein/Westonaria/Johannesburg region. The location is in the West Rand District and Johannesburg Municipalities approximately 40km west of Johannesburg city centre, and south west of Mogale City (Krugersdorp), Gauteng Province. The closest towns and residential suburbs to the mining operations are Randfontein, Mogale, Westonaria and Toekomsrus.

The Project area comprises 2 (two) farms, namely, Luipaardsvlei 243 and Gemsbokfontein 290 in the Johannesburg Registration Division. The proposed Pipeline will cross over the Luipaardsvlei farms, and the backfill plant will be situated on the farm Gemsbokfontein 290.

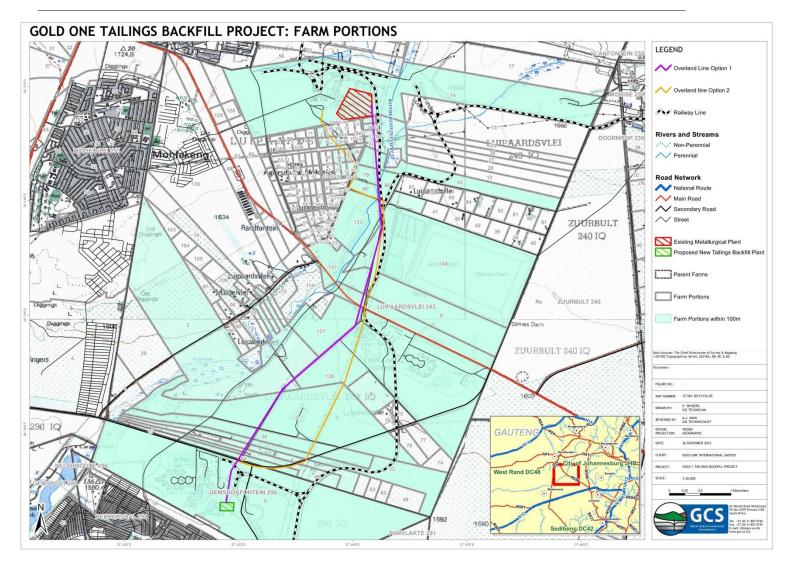


Figure 1: Location of the proposed Backfill Plant and associated pipeline

# Required Authorisations - Environmental Impact Assessment Process

The environmental authorisation processes for the proposed establishment of the new FPT Plant will be undertaken in accordance with NEMA, NNRA and the NWA. These Acts and its various processes and requirements are discussed below:

#### Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002)

In terms of Section 39 (1) of the MPRDA, every person who has applied for a mining right in terms of Section 22 must conduct an environmental impact assessment and submit an environmental management programme within 180 days of the date on which he or she is notified by the Regional Manager to do so. The applicant is also notified to notify and consult with interested and affected parties within 180 days from the date of the notice.

Due to the fact that the FPT Plant is being proposed within the Gold One operations area a new application in terms of the MPRDA is not required, however the applicable sections of the approved EMP for the FPT Plant will require an amendment in terms of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act, 2002 (Act No. 28 of 2002) (MPRDA) to reflect the proposed development.

#### National Nuclear Regulator Act (Act No. 47 of 1999)

The purpose of the National Nuclear Regulator Act is to provide for the establishment of a National Nuclear Regulator in order to regulate nuclear activities, for its objects and functions, for the manner in which it is to be managed and for its staff matters; to provide for safety standards and regulatory practices for protection of persons, property and the environment against nuclear damage; and to provide for matters connected therewith.

In terms of these Regulations, Gold One requires authorisation for the backfill of re-processed tailings into old mine voids. The public and worker safety assessments that will be carried out for the radiological assessment will be included in a separate investigation conducted under the auspices of the National Nuclear Regulator Act, but the results will be available for inclusion in the EIA report.

#### National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998)

Due to the requirements of the NWA, a Water Use License Application needs to be compiled and submitted to the Department of Water Affairs (DWA) to ensure the legality of the proposed project's water use.

GCS will be compiling and submitting the application for the required water use licenses as per the NWA. The Integrated Water Use License Application will be conducted for the project in parallel with the EIA and EMP process (NEMA) for any activity in terms of Section 21 of the NWA.

#### National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998)

Section 24 of the NEMA requires that activities (e.g. construction), which may impact on the environment must obtain an environmental authorisation from a relevant authority before commencing with the activities. Such activities are listed under Regulations Listing Notice 1 Government Notice (GN) 544 and Listing Notice 2 GN 545 (dated 2 August 2010) of NEMA.

In terms of the proposed new Backfill Plant, the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) is regarded to be the competent authority for environmental authorisation and as such all applications will be sent to GDARD.

The activities which are triggered by the proposed Backfill Plant are listed under Regulation R544 and R545, and as such require an application for an Environmental Authorisation in the form of an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process.

The purpose of the EIA process is to identify and assess the potential environmental and socio-economic impacts associated with the proposed project, and to develop measures to manage and/or mitigate the negative impacts, and enhance any potential positive impacts.

The following listed activities will requi	re environmental authorisation in terms of the NEMA:
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NOTICE NO	ACTIVITY	LIST ACTIVITY
GNR 544	9	The construction of facilities or infrastructure exceeding 1000m in length for the bulk transportation
		of water, sewage or storm water
		(i) With an internal diameter of 0.36 metres or more; or
		(ii) With a peak throughput of 120 litres per second or more
GNR 544	23	The transformation of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land to -
		(i) Residential, retail, commercial, recreational, industrial or institutional use, inside an urban area, and where the total area to be transformed is 5 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares;
GNR 544	28	The expansion of existing facilities for any process or activity where such expansion will result in the need for a new, or amendment tor, an existing permit or license in terms of national or provincial legislation governing the release of emission or pollution, excluding where the facility process or activity is included in the list of waste management activities published in terms of section 19 of the NEMWA
GNR 544	37	The expansion of facilities or infrastructure for the bulk transportation of water, sewage or storm water where:
		(a) The facility or infrastructure is expanded by more than 1000m in length; or
		(b) Where the throughput capacity of the facility or infrastructure will be increased by 10% or more
GNR 544	39	The expansion of (i)Canals (ii)Channels (iii)Bridges (iv)Weirs
		<ul> <li>(v)Bulk storm water outlet structures</li> <li>(vi)Marinas;</li> <li>Within a watercourse or within 32 metres of watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse, where such expansion will result in an increased development footprint but excluding</li> </ul>
		where such expansion will occur behind the development setback line
GNR 544	49	The expansion of facilities or infrastructure for the bulk transportation of dangerous goods: (i) In gas form, outside an industrial complex, by an increased throughput capacity of 700 tons or more per day
		<ul> <li>(ii) In liquid form, outside an industrial complex or zone by an increased throughput capacity of 50 cubic metres or more per day</li> <li>(iii) In solid form, outside an industrial complex or zone, by an increased throughput capacity of 50 tons or more per day</li> </ul>
GNR 545	2	The construction of facilities or infrastructure for nuclear reaction including energy generation, the
		production, enrichment, processing, reprocessing, storage or disposal of nuclear fuels, radioactive

NOTICE NO	ACTIVITY	LIST ACTIVITY
		products and nuclear and radioactive waste.
GNR 545	5	The construction of facilities or infrastructure for any process or activity which requires a permit or license in terms of national or provincial legislation governing the release of emission or pollution or effluent and which is not identified in Notice No 544 of 2010 or included in the list of waste management activities published in terms of section 19 of the NEMWA, in which case that Act will apply
GNR 545	25	The expansion of facilities for nuclear reaction including energy generation, the production, enrichment, processing, reprocessing, storage or disposal of nuclear fuels, radioactive products and nuclear and radioactive waste.

# Environmental Assessment Practitioner GCS (PTY) LTD

GCS (Pty) Ltd is afully integrated water, environmental, and earth science consulting services company based in the Republic of South Africa. GCS provides a professional consulting service in the fields of environmental, water and earth sciences. GCS has a team of highly trained staff with considerable experience in the fields of environmental and water science.

GCS will act as the Independent (EAP), as well as the Public Participation Practitioner for this EIA, environmental authorisation processes and PPP.

# **Public Participation Process**

The public participation process is an integral part of the EIA process, and continues throughout the EIA process.

The key objective of public participation during an EIA process is to assist stakeholders to identify issues of concern and suggestions for enhanced benefits, and to comment on the findings of the EIA.

Proposed steps in and scheduling of the process are as follows:

#### Step 1: Notify I&APs and identify issues

- Notify I&APs of the project proposal;
- Identify any issues/concerns of I&APs;
- Provide I&APs with a Background Information Document (BID) on the project, including a locality map and a Registration and Comment Sheet; and
- I&APS are required to register their interest in the project to receive further project information.

#### Step 2: I&AP review of Draft Scoping Report

Issues and concerns raised/identified are contained in a Comment and Responses Report for inclusion in the Draft Scoping Report;

- The report is released for a 30 day comment period; and
- All registered I&APs on the project database are notified in writing of the opportunity to comment.

Copies of the report will be made available on the GCS website <u>www.gcs-sa.biz</u>

#### Step 3: Final Scoping Report

Comments received from I&APs during the review process are considered in the compilation of the Final Scoping Report before it is submitted to GDARD for their decision making.

All I&APs on the project database will be notified in writing of the submission of the Final Scoping Report to GDARD.

#### Step 4: Draft EIR and EMPr for I&AP review

Compilation and release of a Draft EIR (including the draft EMPr) for a 30 day review period.

#### Step 5: Final EIR and Draft EMPr

The Final EIR, including the Comment and Responses Report and Draft EMPr will be compiled for submission to GDRAD for decision making.

#### Step 6: Notify I&APs of Environmental Authorisation and Appeal Period

All registered I&APs will be notified in writing of the environmental authorisation for the project and the appeal period, as well as the manner of appeal.

## Be an Integral Part of the Environmental Management Process

Public involvement is an essential part of any environmental assessment process. You have been identified as an I&AP who may want to receive information regarding the above-mentioned project and be allowed to provide your input into the environmental assessment process. All comments will be recorded and presented to the project team and regulatory authorities. You will receive feedback on how your comments have been taken into account and the outcome of the assessment.

I&APs include any person who will be directly or indirectly involved and/or affected by the project. To be recognised as an I&AP one must register with GCS (Pty) Ltd to be added to the stakeholder database for the project and may communicate via fax, email or telephone to obtain further information or comment on the proposed establishment of the new Off Grade Plant. All registered I&APs will be kept informed of the decision taken by the GDARD.

### How do you get involved?

- By registering your interest in the project with GCS as indicated below;
- By responding to our invitation for your involvement advertised in the local newspaper;
- By completing and forwarding the Registration and Comment Sheet to GCS if you have a query, comment, or require further project information;
- By telephonically contacting GCS;
- By reviewing the various reports within the stipulated comment period; and
- By attending any feedback meetings, which may be held during the review period.

## Public Notification

A major part of the Public Participation Process is to notify members of the public of the proposed activities, particularly those who may be directly or indirectly affected by the proposed project. This will be achieved via the following means:

- The placement of an advertisement in a regional newspaper;
- Notices, will be placed at the site;
- Distribution of BIDs to landowners and occupiers of land adjacent to the proposed prospecting area and to I&APs on request; and

• Local authorities will be notified in writing and automatically registered as I&APs.

# Documents for Public Review

The draft Environmental Scoping Report will be made available for public review and comment, from 7 February 2013 to 19 March 2013 at the following public venues:

Venue	Address	Contact person	Tel number
Westonaria Public Library	Neptune and Saturn Streets, Westonaria	Ms Esme Kuipers	011 278 3124
Randfontein Public Library	Stubbs / Sutherland St Randfontein	Mr Clement Daniels	011 411 0076/5
Cooke Offices	R559 (Main Road)	Mr Jonathan Steinman	011 411 6419
GCS Website	www.gcs-sa.biz	Estie Retief / Riana Panaino	011 803 5726

Comments on the draft ESR must be forwarded to GCS (see contact details on overleaf) on or before 19 March 2013 for inclusion in the final ESR and EIA/EMP submitted to the DENC.

### How to comment

Should you wish to register as an I&AP in order to be kept informed, please complete the registration form on the overleaf and submit to GCS via fax, post or email. Any further enquiries can be directed to GCS telephonically, or via fax or email. It is important that you provide your contact details so that we may respond to your comments or questions.

Please note that should you require any one else to be contacted, please provide their contact details as well.

## Contact Us

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Fax:	011 803 5745
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Postal Address:	P.O. Box 2597
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# Proposed establishment of the Gold One Backfill Plant near Bekkersdal (Westonaria)

I&AP Comment and Registration Form

GDARD Ref No: GAUT: 002/12-13/E0230 GCS Ref No: 12-561

GCS	Ref	No:	12-561	

Name:			Surname:					
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Please ind	icate in which aspects y	ou would requ	uire more inforr	nation				
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# 3.6 BID, Draft ESR availability and public meeting notification - Proof of Delivery

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#### 4 Appendix B-4: Public Meeting minutes & Presentations

#### 4.1 Scoping Phase - 27 February 2013

The Scoping Phase Public meeting was held on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2013. The public meeting presentation and minutes are included herewith. A voice recording of the meeting is available on request.



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### **Public Meeting Minutes**

Subject:	Introductory Public Meeting - Scoping Phase
Venue:	Westonaria Banquet Hall
Date:	2013/02/27
Time:	15h20 - 16h00
Attendance:	Estie Retief Riana Panaino Jonathan Steinmann Lucas Moloto
Distribution:	All stakeholders

Attendance Register attached as Annexure A, and the presentation slides attached as Annexure B.

	ITEM	DEADLINE	ACTION
1.	Purpose of Meeting and Introductions		
	1.1. The purpose of the meeting was to inform the Interested		
	and Affected Parties of the Proposed Tailings Backfill Plant		
	and associated pipelines near Bekkersdal in Westonaria.		
	1.2. Lucas Moloto (LM) was the only attendee from the public,		
	and the project and processes was explained to him.		
	1.3. LM mentioned that he is a construction contractor and		
	resides in Bekkersdal.		
	1.4. LM also mentioned that there is little work for him and is		
	looking for something new.		
2.	Matters Arising		
	2.1. LM mentioned that with the influx of mines into the area		
	from years ago there were noise and tremors that seems as		
	if they are not being addressed.		
	2.2. Jonathan Steinmann (JS) confirmed whether LM was more		
	interested in the Engineering aspects of the project than		
	the environmental side. LM confirmed that that is the case.		
	2.3. LM also said that he is interested in receiving more detail		
	about the socio-economic spinoffs.		
	<ol><li>JS said that the socio economic aspect is mentioned in the presentation.</li></ol>		
	2.5. JS discussed the detailed engineering design with LM and		
	how the proposed backfill plant will operate. JS further		
	said that if LM should have questions or uncertainties about		
	the engineering and operation process he can then raise		
	those.		
	2.6. JS confirmed that LM received information about the		
	project and how the plant will work.		
	2.7. JS explained the material will come from the existing		
	Cooke Plant. The pipeline will follow existing pipeline		
	route that is being used for the mud column and material		
	being reclaimed from the tailings dam. Existing conveyor		
	servitude will also be followed. The destination for the		
	tailings for this project is at the Cooke 2 operations.		
	Backfill plant will be positioned within the Cooke 2 surface		
	area where the tailings dam is now being cleared. It will		
	thus be constructed in existing disturbed area and not in a		
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new pristine area outside the Cooke 2 shaft. The Backfill		
Plant will contain 3 thickeners of height of 10m, Storage		
facility tanks and Binder. Product will then be pumped		
underground through 3 or four boreholes using rubber pipes		
that will not be visible to passers-by. Bekkersdal area will		
not be crossed, pipes will be routed around the Bekkersdal		
area.		
2.8. Estie Retief (ER) mentioned that the social aspect is		
addressed in the Scoping report.		
2.9. LM requested that GCS elaborate on the social aspect of		
the project.		
2.10. ER described the EIA process for clarification. The		
Scoping meeting is to obtain feedback from the community		
and stakeholders to hear what the issues and concerns are.		
2.11. ER thanked LM for attending as his input is valuable to		
the project.		
2.12. The reason for obtaining all the issues and concerns at		
this stage is so that when the impact report and		
management plan is written all these can be adequately		
addressed, assigning proper mitigation measures to		
possible impacts. This stage is thus the first step in the		
authorisation process. This is the first meeting and		
questions can't be answered in detail at this stage,		
however all the concern will be taken into consideration		
going forward.		
2.13. JS emphasised that if there are any concerns LM should		
please raise them, in order for GCS / Gold One to address		
them timeously.		
2.14. ER explained that Riana Panaino (RP) and herself (both		
from GCS) are independent consultants and therefore not		
affiliated with Gold One.		
2.15. GCS was appointed to conduct the environmental		
authorisations in terms of the National Environmental		
Management Act (NEMA), Mineral and Petroleum Resources		
Development Act (MPRDA), the National Water Act (NWA)		
2.16. ER explained the NEMA process where certain activities		
of a new development need to be authorised before the		
development can commence. Listed activities include the		

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pumping of tailings through the pipeline, the construction		
of the plant and the deposition of the backfill material.		
2.17. ER further explained that due to this project falling		
within an existing mining right under the MPRDA an		
amendment to the current Environmental Management		
Plan needs to be undertaken.		
2.18. The National Water Act requires an application for the		
pipelines crossing the Wonderfonteinspruit and the		
deposition of the tailings underground. The specific		
activities for the Water Use License are still being		
investigated, and Digby Wells Environmental is being		
consulted with regards to the Water Use License (WUL)		
they have submitted for the TSF that will have a pipeline		
on the same route. At the next public meeting more details		
will be available regarding the WUL.		
2.19. ER mentioned that the processes are undertaken		
together.		
<ol><li>LM asked whether the pipeline will be superficial.</li></ol>		
<ol><li>ER said the pipeline will be above ground.</li></ol>		
<ol><li>LM enquired whether the pipeline will be enclosed.</li></ol>		
2.23. JS said that where the pipeline crosses the		
Wonderfonteinspruit it will be enclosed, but not at other		
areas.		
2.24. JS further mentioned that the crossing will be changed.		
A new crossing will be constructed and existing pipes		
moved to the new crossing.		
2.25. LM asked what mechanisms will be put in place for		
maintenance and spills.		
2.26. JS said that the EMP will dictate what management		
measures should be followed, also the pipeline will not		
operate 24/7 which allows for time to do maintenance		
should it be required. Pipeline will be operated eighteen		
hours a day and also mentioned that this project is only for		
a four year life of mine.		
2.27. LM was concerned about who will be liable for spills		
should they happen, the mine or the government.		
2.28. JS assured him that the mine will be liable, and if there		
are spills the mine will clean it up. JS also said that after		

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closure the mine must re-establish the pre-construction		
environment.		
2.29. ER mentioned that part of the EMP is an Environmental		
Awareness plan and an Emergency Response Plan, which		
dictates which authorities will have to be contacted and		
made aware of the problem. A spill from a pipe will have		
to be addressed immediately, cleaned and the pipe		
repaired.		
2.30. JS said spills might happen, but if a pipeline is designed		
correctly spills are not expected within the first seven		
years. If proper maintenance is conducted and the pipe is		
rubberised correctly than spills should not occur within the		
four year life of the mine. Accidents however can happen,		
such as machinery driving over the pipeline, and then those		
spills will be addressed accordingly.		
2.31. ER mentioned that the National Nuclear Regulator Act		
will also be taken into account due to the tailings being		
radio-active. The mine has current authorisation for		
processing of the tailings but needs to apply for a change		
of the Certificate of Registration in terms of the National		
Nuclear Regulator. Japie van Blerk will conduct the		
radiation study and the results will be available in the EIA		
report and EMP.		
2.32. ER said that one Public Participation process will be		
followed for the four processes in order to provide		
adequate time for the public to look at the reports and		
comment on the findings. When conducting one Public		
Participation process it is easier to address all comments in		
all documents simultaneously.		
2.33. ER mentioned that the area is a brownfields area and		
environmental studies were previously conducted for the		
Geluksdal TSF EIA. For these reasons the previous studies		
will be used for this project and additional studies will not		
be required.		
2.34. RP also mentioned that studies were conducted		
previously in that area for a new Uranium Plant that would		
also make use of the same pipeline route. There is thus a		
lot of information available, and this information will be		

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	used to supplement this EIA.		
	2.35. LM confirmed whether the pipeline will lay parallel to		
	the Geluksdal pipeline. JS confirmed this as true, the		
	Geluksdal pipeline will just continue past the Cooke 2 shaft		
	area where the Backfill Plant Pipeline will stop.		
	2.36. RP assured LM that the socio-economic aspect will be		
	addressed as this was a concern from LM. LM said that		
	people in previously disadvantaged areas are always		
	looking for new job opportunities when projects like these		
	come along.		
	2.37. JS said that additional employment opportunities will be		
	made available. The exact figures aren't finalised yet and		
	will be more accurate as the process progresses.		
	2.38. LM said that he is happy with that statement.		
	2.39. JS said that Gold One will always try to appoint as many		
	local people as possible, and they are now in a drive to get		
	people back. Ronnie, the HR manager will do the best to		
	serve the local community.		
	2.40. LM wanted to know how this project will relate to Acid		
	Mine Drainage (AMD). JS said the project won't contribute		
	to AMD as AMD is present in areas that are not operational.		
	This mine is still operational and water is still being		
	pumped to the Cooke Plant and treated.		
	2.41. ER mentioned that the backfill will provide stability,		
	ensure less space for interaction of water with exposed		
	rock surfaces.		
	2.42. RP further mentioned that the binder will aid in		
	combating AMD due to its binding properties.		
	2.43. JS said the only water expected underground will be the		
	water used to flush the pipelines with. That water then		
	reports back to the current mine water circulation of		
	underground water. The water should also be relatively		
	clean.		
3.	Timeframes		
	3.1. ER explained the timeframes.		
	3.2. Draft Scoping report will be updated with issues and		
	concerns from the public and the Final Scoping report will		

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	be submitted to the authorities end of March. Main		
	Authority being Gauteng Department of Agriculture and		
	Rural Development (GDARD). Issues raised by Authorities		
	will be put into the Draft EIA and EMP, available for Public		
	Review in May (specific dates will be communicated to		
	I&AP's). Site Notices will be put up to notify the Public of		
	the EIA phase Public Meeting. Adverts will also be placed in		
	the local newspaper.		
3	.3. ER also mentioned that feedback with regards to the WUL,		
	EMP and EIA will be given as the project progresses.		
4. S	uggestions		
- 4	.1. LM suggested that site notices be place in high density		
	public places to inform more members of the public. Places		
	such as Taxi ranks and churches should be considered.		
4	.2. People don't often use the libraries and the site notice will		
	then go unnoticed.		
4	.3. RP showed the site notice locations and explained the		
	reasoning for the placement of some of the notices.		
4	.4. JS suggested using members of the local union to get		
	members of the public involved. If need be discussions can		
	be arranged with the unions in Bekkersdal.		
4	.5. ER said that site notices within Bekkersdal will be		
	considered.		
5. C	lose out		
5	.1. ER invited LM to comment on any aspect of the project at		
	any time during the process. ER also handed him a copy of		
	the presentation and RP gave LM a CD containing the Draft		
	Scoping Report.		
5	.2. The meeting was adjourned at 15:45.		

### Annexure A: Attendance Register

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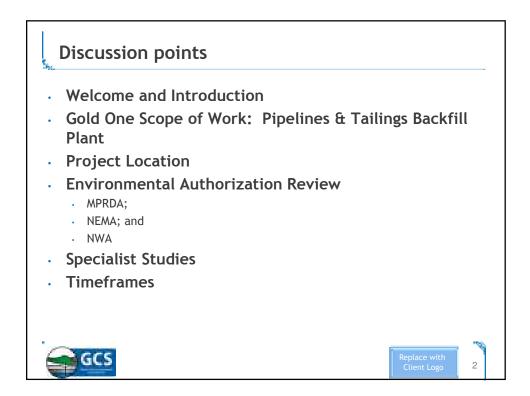
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#### Annexure B: Presentation Slides





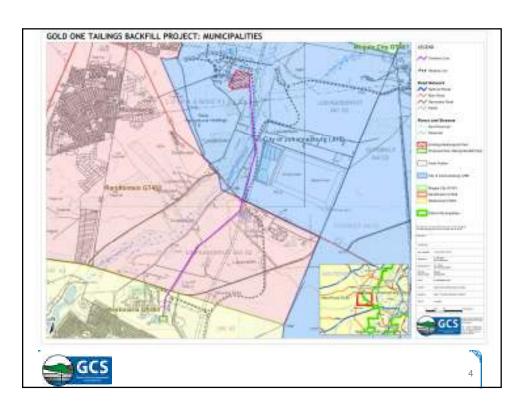




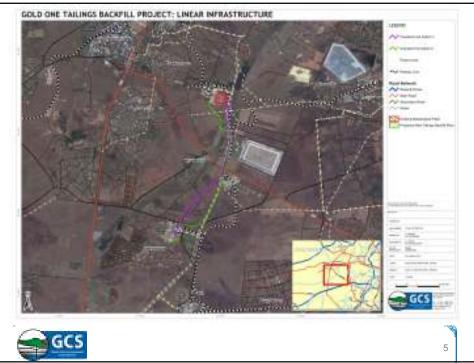
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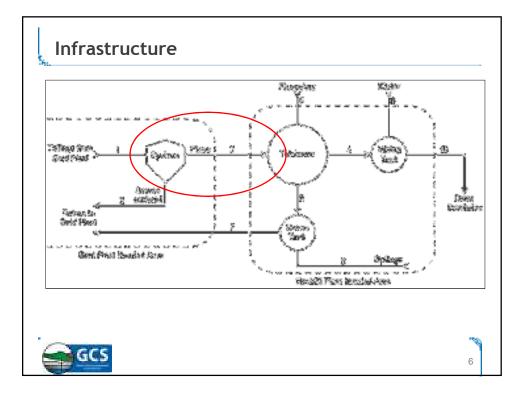
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- Gold One International Ltd (Gold One) proposes to establish a Full Plant Tailings (FPT) Backfill Plant and associated pipeline infrastructure.
- The project area is situated next to Bekkersdal, near Westonaria in the Gauteng Province of South Africa.
- The proposed development will fall within a brownfields area, and numerous environmental studies have been conducted for the Cooke Operations.







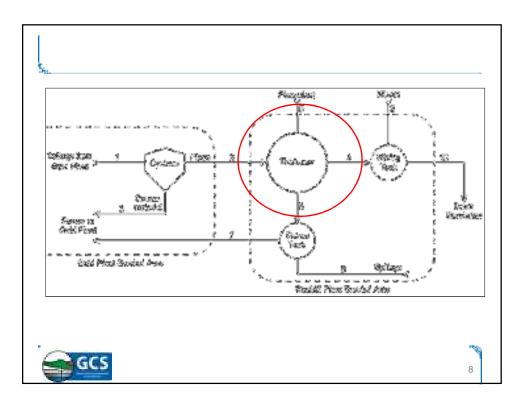




### Pipelines

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- Pumps will be installed to transport the overflow product from the cyclone at Cooke plant, via the proposed pipeline to the new backfill plant adjacent to Cooke 2 shaft.
  - The tailings pipelines will be 450mm in diameter and rubber lined for erosion and corrosion protection.
  - The return water pipeline, 300mm in diameter, will be coated internally and externally.
  - Both pipelines will be placed in a common servitude. The individual pipes will be placed above ground on concrete plinths

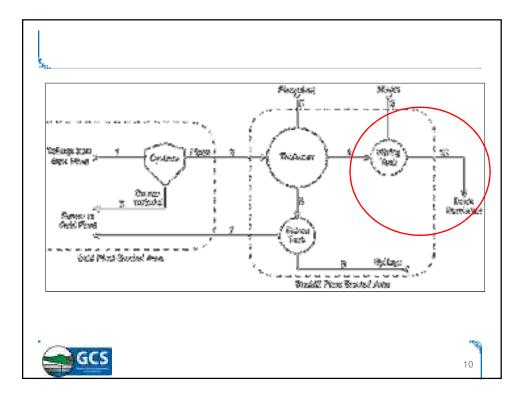




### Thickeners

- Tailings, from the Cyclone overflow tank at Cooke Plant will be pumped into the Tailings Receiving Tank, where tailings are then transferred to the thickener distribution box.
- The thickener distribution box can deliver tailings into any of the three thickeners.
- At the thickeners, flocculent is added to aid with the settlement of the material. The thickener overflow consists mainly of water but also contains a small quantity of ultra-fines that is pumped back to the gold plant for disposal on a tailings dam.
- Thickener underflow from the thickeners is delivered to the backfill transfer tanks before being delivered underground. The backfill transfer tank serve a function of holding backfill before being transferred to the binder mixing tank



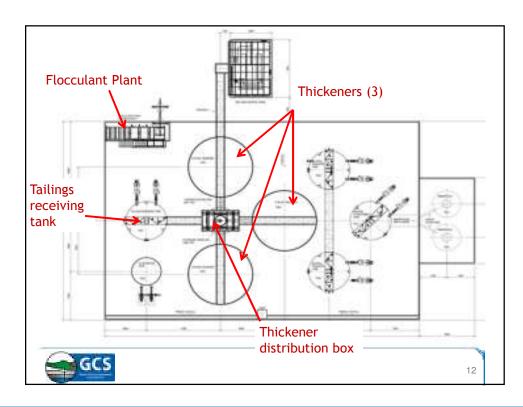




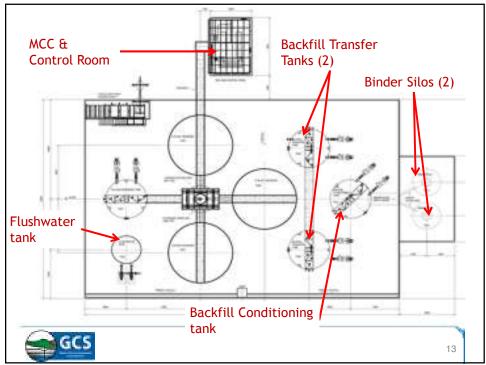
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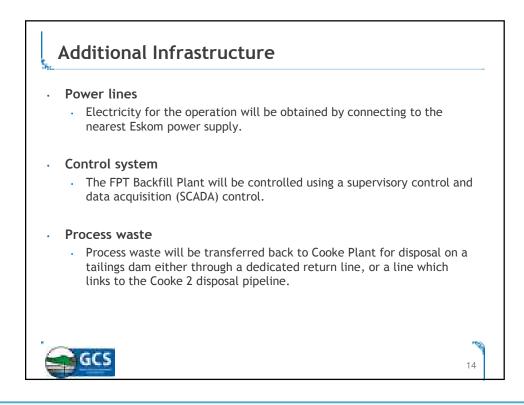
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- Binder will be transferred to a weigh hopper located above the mixer. Once the mixer has a load of slurry, the weigh hopper will discharge and the mixer will mix the product.
- The product will discharge into a transfer tank which will then be pumped within pipelines to the underground workings via four boreholes.











# Additional Infrastructure

- Process Water
  - Dilution water will be delivered from Cooke 2 Shaft.

#### Sewage Facilities

• Ablution facilities will be located on site and sewage from the ablutions will be handled via septic tank arrangement.

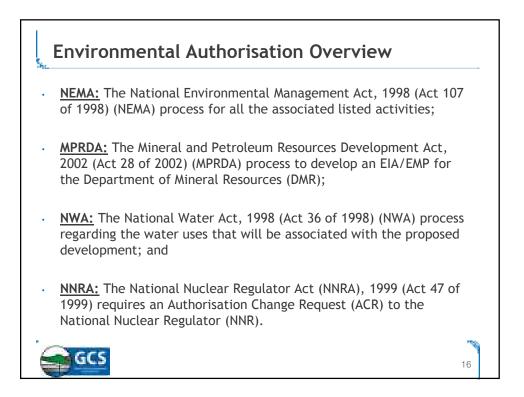
#### · Clean Water and Dirty Water Storage Facilities

 Potable water and dirty water will stay unmixed and will be stored in separate Braithwaite tanks

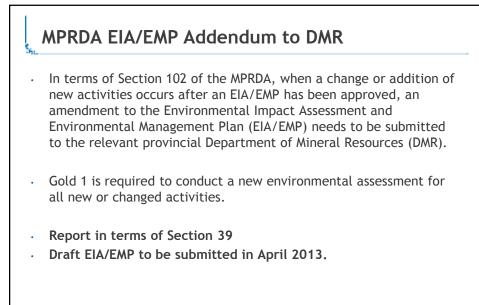
#### Potable Water

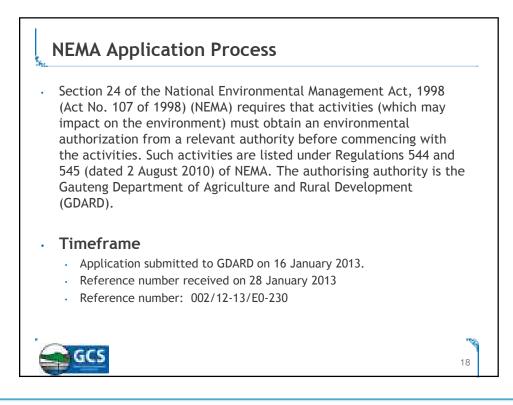
· Potable water will be obtained from existing sources









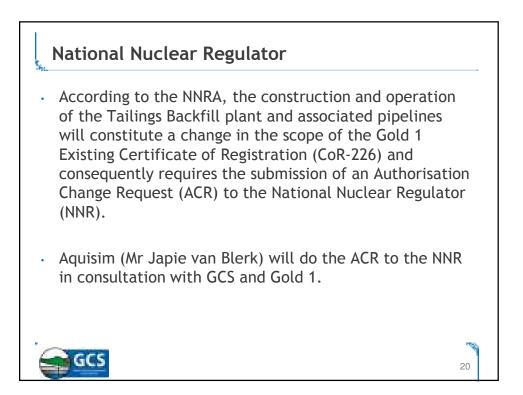




# NWA IWULA Process - To be confirmed

- According to NWA, water may not be used without prior authorisation from the leading authority, in this case the Department of Water Affairs (DWA). Due to the requirements of the NWA, an Integrated Water Use License Application needs to be compiled and handed in at the Department of Water Affairs (DWA) to ensure the legality of the water uses.
- Section 21 of the NWA identifies eleven (11) consumptive and nonconsumptive water uses of which the applicable uses must be authorized in terms of Section 40 of the NWA:
  - 21 (c): Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse;
  - 21 (g): Disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource;
  - 21 (i): Altering the beds, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse;

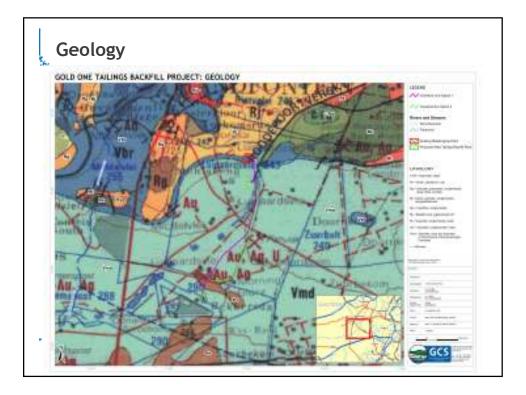




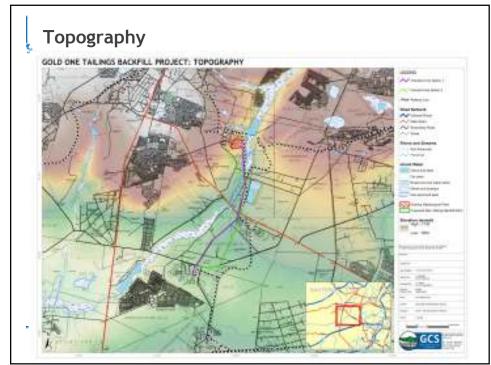


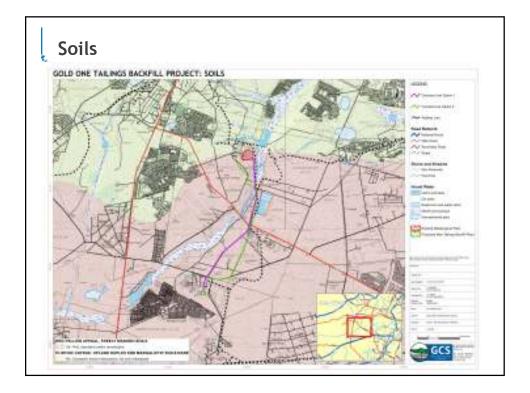
# Specialist Assessments Previously Conducted

Specialist Study	Conducted by	Period conducted
Biodiversity (fauna and flora)	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Geohydrology (groundwater)	Golder Associates	2009
Hydrology (surface water)	Golder Associates	2009
Soils, Land Use and Land Capability	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Heritage Impact Assessment	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Wetland and Riparian Area Delineation and Assessment	Golder Associates	2009
Aquatics Study	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Social Impact Assessment	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Visual assessment	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Noise assessment	Digby Wells Environmental	2012
Radiological Assessment	Japie van Blerk	Underway

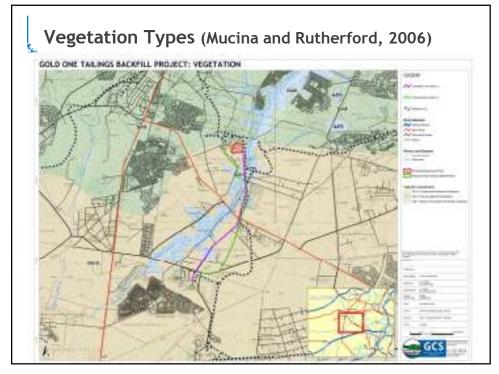


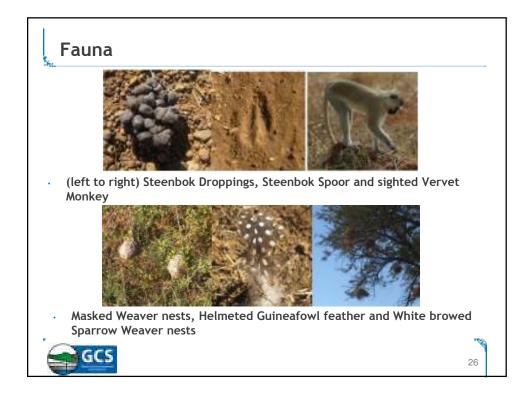




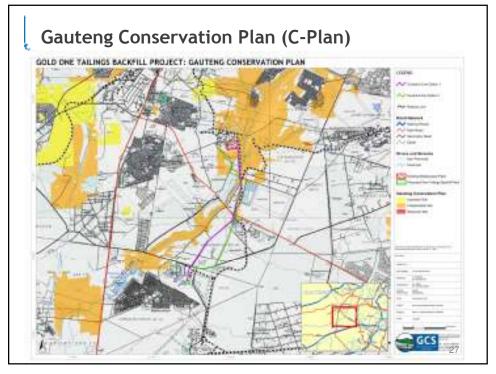


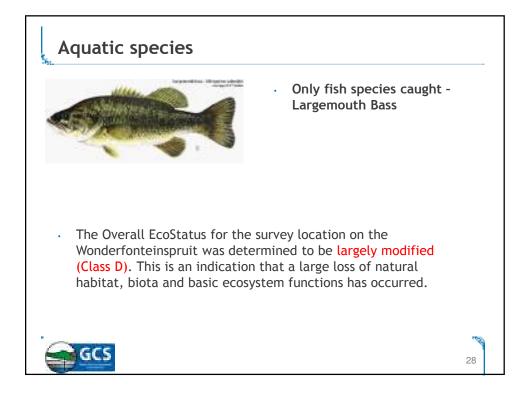




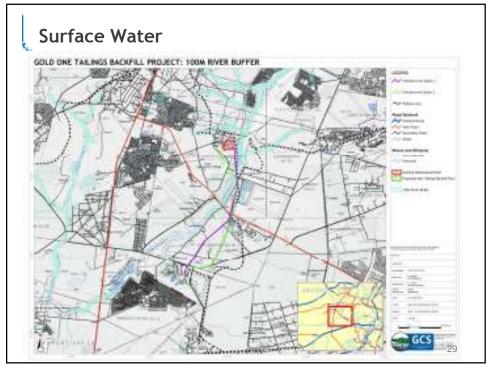


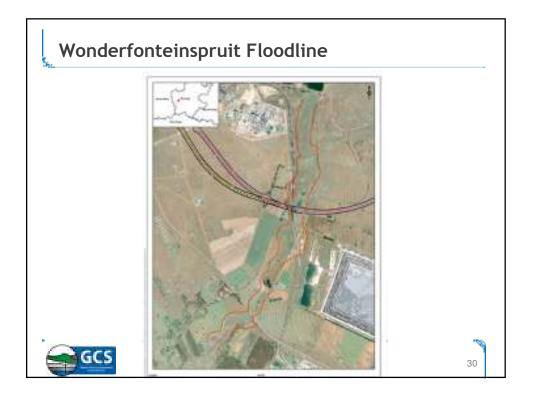






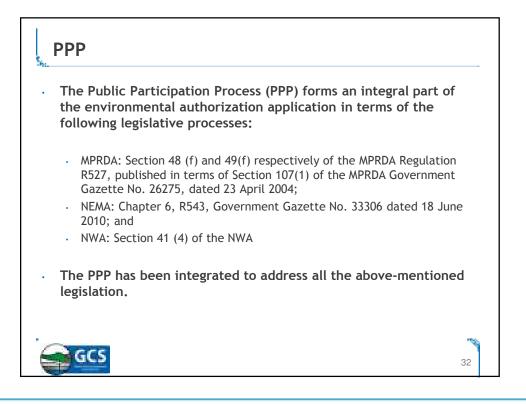




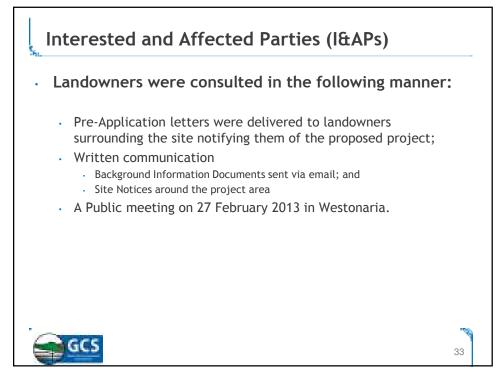


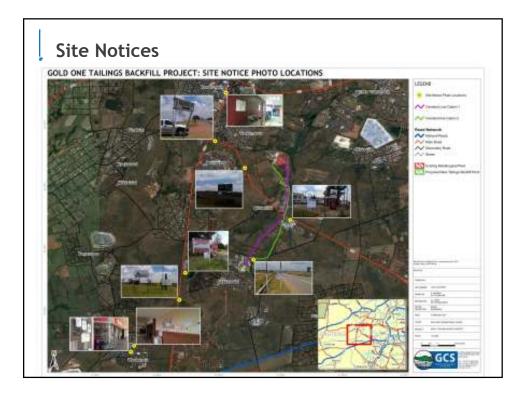


Specialist Study	Conducted by
Biodiversity (fauna and flora)	Bathusi Environmental Consulting
Wetland and Riparian Area Delineation and Assessmer	nt GCS
Aquatics Study	Sufficient information - no additional study proposed
Radiological Assessment	Japie van Blerk
<ul> <li>The abovementioned Specialist studi GDARD.</li> </ul>	ies were requested by the



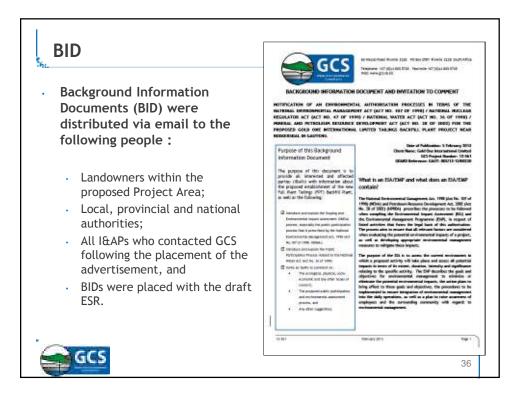












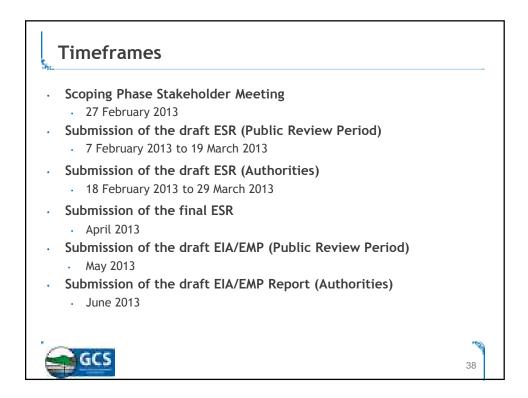


# **Authorities**

- Randfontein Local Municipality;
- Westonaria Local Municipality;
- West Rand District Municipality;
- City of Johannesburg Municipality;
- · Department of Environmental Affairs;
- Department of Transport;

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- Wildlife and Environment Society of SA (WESSA);
- Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD);
- · Department of Mineral Resources (DMR);
- · Provincial South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA);
- Department of Water Affairs (DWA); and
- National Nuclear Regulator (NNR).





# Documents Available for review

# • Draft ESR:

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- Randfontein Library
- Westonaria Library
- Gold 1 Security Office
- The GCS website (<u>www.gcs-sa.biz</u>)
- On CD which will be posted to the I&AP upon request.



### 5 Appendix B-5: Issues trail

Throughout the public consultation phase completed to date, issues have been raised. It should be noted that the stakeholder engagement process is an ongoing process and will therefore be updated as comments and responses from the authorities and public are received.

Issues and comments on the Gold One Backfill project received to date are listed in the table overleaf.

No	Comment Raised	By Whom	Designation	Where and Date	Method of Contact	Environmental Parameter Impacted	Response by EAP
1	The farm has been severely impacted by historic mining activities	NJE Coetzee	Owner Luipaardsvlei 243, Portion 90	14-Jan-13	Personal communication	Rehabilitation plan	This does not form part of the current scope of work, however Gold One will have a rehabilitation programme for mine closure
2	How and who will be employed for the proposed project	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	13-Feb-13	Personal communication	Social	Gold One will always try to appoint as many local people as possible, and they are now in a drive to get people back. Ronnie, the HR manager will do the best to serve the local community.
3	As a long-standing resident of Bekkersdal, I am interested in joining you to adding value into your project's Public Participation Process by acting as an interface/facilitator between your organisation and the local communities. I trust that you find this correspondence to be in order.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	14-Feb-13	Personal communication	Social	Comment noted, and Mr Moloto registered as I&AP
4	There is little work for him and he is looking for something new.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Social	Additional employment opportunities will be made available. The exact figures aren't finalised yet and will be more accurate as the process

No	Comment Raised	By Whom	Designation	Where and Date	Method of Contact	Environmental Parameter Impacted	Response by EAP
							progresses
5	With the influx of mines into the area from years ago there were noise and tremors that seems as if they are not being addressed.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Geology and Operations	The backfill into the underground workings will aid in stabilising the geology, reducing tremors.
6	GCS should elaborate on the social aspect of the project.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Social	Refer to Section 3 and 7 of the EIA report
7	Will the pipeline be above or below ground and will it be enclosed	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Engineering	Pipeline will be above ground and enclosed at the Wonderfonteinspruit crossing
8	What mechanisms will be put in place for maintenance and spills	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	EIA/EMP	The EMP will dictate what management measures should be followed, also the pipeline will not operate 24/7 which allows for time to do maintenance should it be required. The pipeline will be operated eighteen hours a day.
9	Who will be liable for spills should they happen, the mine or the government.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Social	The mine will be liable, and if there are spills the mine will clean it. After closure the mine must re-establish the pre-construction environment.

No	Comment Raised	By Whom	Designation	Where and Date	Method of Contact	Environmental Parameter Impacted	Response by EAP
10	How will this project relate to Acid Mine Drainage (AMD)	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Groundwater	The project won't contribute to AMD as AMD is present in areas that are not operational. This mine is still operational and water is still being pumped to the Cooke Plant and treated.
11	Site notices be place in high density public places to inform more members of the public. Places such as Taxi ranks and churches should be considered.	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	27-Feb-13	Public Meeting	Public Participation	Site notices within Bekkersdal will be considered.
12	The host community awareness around this project is still at a disappointingly low level. What steps were taken to alleviate this state of affairs?	Lucas Moloto	Resident in Bekkersdal	15-Apr-13	Email	Public Participation	Gold One will look into using members of the local union in Bekkersdal to get members of the public involved.

### 6 Appendix B-6: Document Review

### 6.1 Scoping Phase - 7 February 2013 to 12 April 2013

The Draft Environmental Scoping Report (ESR) was made available for a 40 day review period by I&APs on 7 February 2013. All registered I&APs were informed of the report's availability, when I&APs required a copy on CD it was provided. The document was also available on the of GCS website at (http://www.gcs-sa.biz/documents) for download.

The Final Environmental Scoping Report (ESR) was made available for a 7 day review period by I&APs on 5 April 2013. All registered I&APs were informed of the report's availability, when I&APs required a copy on CD it was provided. The document was also available on the of GCS website at (http://www.gcs-sa.biz/documents) for download.

After comments from the public were received, the document was updated to include comment in the Issues and Responses table.

Delivery Receipts from the locations where the documents were placed for review are shown hereafter.



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Your Reference Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant Project

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, on behalf of the Randfontein Public Library, hereby acknowledge receipt of the following documentation:

1 x Hard Copy: Draft Scoping Report - Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant

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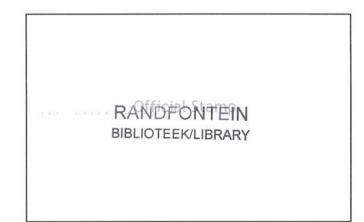


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#### 6.2 EIA Phase - 24 June 2013 to 2 August 2013

The Draft Environmental Impact Assessment and Management Plan Report was made available for a review period by I&APs on 15 July 2013. All registered I&AP's were informed of the report's availability, when I&AP's required a copy on CD it was provided. The document was also available on the of GCS website at (http://www.gcs-sa.biz/documents) for download.

After comments from the public are received, the document will be updated to include comment in the Issues and Responses table.

Delivery Receipts from the locations where the documents were placed for review will be included in the final EIA document. The documents were placed at the same locations as for the Scoping documents.

# 7 Appendix B-7: Timeframes

Preliminary timeframes for the process to be followed and time for review are given below:

The draft ESR was made available for review by I&APs from 7 February 2013 until 19 March 2013. The final ESR was made available for review by I&APs from 5 April 2013 until 12 April 2013. The availability of the draft report was advertised via site notices, advertisement and a BID which was sent to all registered I&APs via email and registered mail. Registered I&AP's were notified of the availability of the final report via email and sms notification. If I&APs required a copy on CD, that was provided. The document was available at the following venues.

VENUE	ADDRESS	TEL NUMBER
Westonaria Public Library	Corner Neptune and Saturn Streets, Westonaria	011 278 3000
Randfontein Public Library	ndfontein Public Library Corner Stubb and Sutherland Street, Randfontein	
Cooke offices	R559 (Main Road) road	011 411 6419 / 011 278 0000
GCS website	www.gcs-sa.biz	011 803 5726

After comments from the public were received the ESR was updated and submitted to the GDARD for review.

The issues and comments received will be used in the impact assessment process (as part of the specialist studies and the overall assessment). This will be incorporated into the EIA/EMP report.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TIMEFRAME/DATE
Submission of draft ESR for stakeholder review and comment	The draft ESR will be placed in the public domain at the locations listed in Table 5.2 for a forty (40) day period. All registered I&APs will be informed in writing via email and fax.	7 February 2013 - 19 March 2013
Scoping Phase Public Open Day	A public meeting will be held at the Westonaria Banquet hall The date, time and venue for the open day were included in the notification email	27 February 2013
Submission of final ESR for stakeholder review and comment	The final ESR will be placed in the public domain at the locations listed in Table 5.2 for a seven (7) day period. All registered I&APs will be informed in writing via email, sms and fax.	5 April 2013 - 12 April 2013

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	TIMEFRAME/DATE	
Submission of draft EIA/EMP Report for stakeholder review and comment.	The draft EIA/EMP will be placed in the public domain at the locations listed in Table 5.2 for a forty (40) day period.	15 July 2013	
	All registered I&APs will be informed in writing via email, sms and fax.		
EIA/EMP Public Feedback Open Day		26 July 2013	
Submission of final EIA/EMP Report for stakeholder review and comment.	The final EIA/EMP will be placed in the public domain at the locations listed in Table 5.2 for a twenty-one (21) day period.	9 September 2013	
	All registered I&APs will be informed in writing via email, sms and fax.		
Notify I&APs of the decision reached by the GDARD.		January 2014	

# 8 Appendix B-8: Authority Consultation

### 8.1 Submission of NEMA Application to GDARD - 15 January 2013

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	onmental authorisation is required to allow for the construction of a proposed new rgs Backfill Plant situated within the approved Cooke Underground Operations area.
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	e do not hesitate to contact me on (011) 803 5726 or <u>estie®gos-sa.biz</u> , should you re any clarity.
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	onmental Project Manager g on behalf of GCS
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# 8.2 NEMA Application Proof of Delivery

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	63 Wessel Road Rivonia 2128 PO Box 2597 Rivonia 2128 South Africa
	Web: www.gcs-sa.biz
	Our Reference 12 - 561
	Your Reference Cooke Operations Tallings Backfill Plant Project
	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
	I, J Channell, on behalf of the Gauteng Department Agriculture and Rural Development, hereby acknowledge receipt of the following
	Agroutore and Rura, Development, nereby acknowledge receipt of the following documentation:
	3 x Hard Copies: NEMA Application - Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant
	GAUTENG DEPARTMENT OF
	AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENTP
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	PO. Box 8769
	JOHANNESEURG 2000
	Signature of Recipient
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# 8.3 NEMA Application Reference Number Received 8 March 2013

	Department / GAUTENG Diamond Come	Agriculture and Rural Development PROVINCE ar Building, 68 Eloff & Market Street, Johannesburg P O Box 8769, Johannesburg, 2000 Crelephone: (011) 355-1900 Fas: (011) 355-1000 Fas: (011) 355-1000
	Reference:	Gaut: 002/12-13/E0230
	Enquiries: Telephone:	Feith Mambo
	Email:	(011) 355-1974
		Faith, miarriço @gauteng.gov.gn
Estie Retief Fax no. 011 803 5745		
PER FACSIMILE		
Dear Sir / Madam		
Application for Environmental A	uthorisation:	Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant
The Department acknowledges has authorisation of the above-mentioned	aving receive ad project on 1	d the application form for environmental 6/01/2013.
The application has been assigned quote this reference number in any f	the reference	e number Gaut: 002/12-13/E0230. Kindly ondence in respect of the application.
Please circulate the draft report to matter affecting the environment to e	any state dep: comment.	artment that administers a law relating to a
You are required to submit two (2) or as well as proof of submission to stat	copies (full co c departments	lour CDs-PDF) of the Draft Scoping Report a referred to above.
studies are required, please send a sl of the application site (GDACE_BiodiversityInfo@gauteng	to our sov.za), the	ament is required and, if so, which specialist S84 datum; geographic co-ordinate system) biodiversity information service e e-mail clearly indicating the project ent is required; please ensure that it is

conducted consistent with the GDACE Requirements for Biodiversity Assessments. A copy of this document can be obtained by e-mailing GDACE\_BiodiversityInfo@gauteng.gov.za

In terms of Regulation 67(1) (2) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2010, this application will lapse should you fail to submit the requested information within 6 months of the date of signature of this letter, except in the case where the Department has received and accepted written explanation for failure to submit such information.

Please draw the applicant's attention to the fact that the activity may not commence prior to an environmental authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours faithfully

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Boniswa Belot Deputy Director: Strategic Administration Support Date: (8 01/2013)

CC: Gold One International Limited

Att: Jonathan Steinmann Tel: 011 278 0116 Fax: n/a

# 8.4 Submission of Draft ESR to GDARD - 14 February 2013

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Telephone: +27 (0)11 803 5726 Facsimile: +27 (0)11 803 5745
Water & Environmental Consultants Web: www.gcs-sa.biz
Our Reference GCS Ref - 12-361
Your Reference GAUT: 002/12-13/E0230
14 February 2013
Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Diamond Corner Building o/o 68 Eloff Street and Market Street JOHANNESBURG
NOTIFICATION OF THE VAILABILITY OF THE GOLD ONE TAILINGS BACKFILL PLANT DRAFT
ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING REPORT FOR REVIEW
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Please find herewith two (2) hard copies and two (2) electronic copies of the Gold One Tailings Backfill Plant Draft Environmental Scoping Report according to the National
Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) Regulations, 543, dated
18 June 2010.
The public review period for this report will end the 19th of March 2013. The review period
for authority review will be from the 18 <sup>th</sup> of February 2013 until the 29 <sup>th</sup> of March 2013.
After receiving comments from both the public and the state department the Final Scoping
Report will be submitted for approval to continue with the Environmental Impact Assessment Study.
For comments or queries please contact
Tel: (011) 803 5726 Fax: (011) 803 5745
Fax: (011) 803 5745 Email: <u>rianap@gos-sa.biz</u> / <u>estie@gos-sa.biz</u> / <u>megan@gos-sa.biz</u>
Postal Address: GCS (Pty) Ltd; PO Box 2597; Rivonia; 2128
Kind Resards.
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Estie Retief
Environmental Project Manager Acting on behalf of GCS
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6C5 (Pty) Ltd. Reg No: 2004/000765/07 Ext 1887
Johannesburg Durban Windhoek Octrava Pretoria Directoris ACJohnstone (Managing) PF Jabuschagne AWC Marais S Plane F Reterce
Non-executive: G De Swandt

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	Telephone: +27 (0)11 803 5726 Facsimile: +27 (0)11 803 5745 Web: www.gcs-sa.biz
	Gur Reference 12 - 561 Your Reference Cooke Operations Tallings Backfill Plant Project
	ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT
	1, Faith Mlanks, on behalf of the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development, hereby acknowledge receipt of the following documentation:
	2 x Electronic Copies: Draft Environmental Scoping Report (ESR)- Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant
	2 x Hard Copies Copies: Draft Environmental Scoping Report (ESR)- Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant
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# 8.5 Submission of Final ESR to GDARD - 19 April 2013

GCS	63 Wessel Road Rivania 2128 PO Box 2597 Rivonia 2128 South Afric Telephone: +27 (0)11 803 5726 Facsimile: +27 (0)11 803 5745 Web: www.gcs-sa.biz
Our Reference 12-561	
Your Reference Gold One ESR for Review	
ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT	
1. 20 mann	, on behalf of the
	and Rural Development hereby acknowledge receipt of
the Gold One Final SR document for	
3 x Hard Copies	
2 x Electronic Copies on CD	
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# 8.6 GDARD acknowledgement of receipt - 29 April 2013

	Agriculture and agriculture and partment: Agriculture and Rural Development GAUTENG PROVINCE Diamond Corner Building, 68 Eloff & Market Street, Johannesburg, 2000 P o Box 8769, Johannesburg, 2000 Ext: (011) 355-1900 Ext: (012) 355-1900 Ext: (012) 355-1900						
	Reference: Enquiries:	Gaut: 002/12-13/E0 Faith Mambo	230				
	Telephone:	(011) 355-1974					
	Email:	Faith_mlambo@lgau	long.gov.za				
Estie Retief	_	-					
Email. estic@gcs-sa.biz							
PER EMAIL							
Dear Sir / Madam	Dear Sir / Madam						
Final Scoping Report: / Cooke O	Final Scoping Report: / Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant						
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the abovementioned project on 19	/04/2013.						
Please draw the applicant's attent	ion to the fact	that the activity	may not commence prior to				
an environmental authorisation be	ing granted by	the Department.					
Yours faithfully	Yours faithfully						
Boniswa Belot Deputy Director: Strategic Admini Date: 29/04/2013	istration Suppo	at					
CC: Gold One International Li	imited	Att: Tel: Emai	Jonathan Steinmann 011 278 0116 I jonathan.steinmann@gol 1.co.za	d			

# 8.7 Approval to proceed with draft EIA / EMP

$\sim$	REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA	
	Reference: Gaut 002/12-13/E0230	
	Enquiries: Gerson Nethashani	
	Telephone (011) 355 1481	
	Email: Gorson Nethevhani@gauteng.gov.za	
	GCS Water and Environmental Consultants	
	P.O. Box 2597	
	RIVONIA	
	2128	
	Attention: Estie Retief	
	Fax no: (011) 803 5745	
	PER FACSIMILE / REGISTERED MAIL	
	Dear Estie Retief	
	APPLICATION FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION FOR TALL	
	BACKFILL PLANT AND PIPELINE, CITY OF JOHANNESBURG AND W	EST
	BAND DESTRICT MEMORY AND A DESTRICT AND ADDRESS	
	RAND DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY: GAUT 002/12-13/E0230	
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### 8.8 Proof of Authority Consultation is detailed in the table below

	Gold 1 Tailings Backfill Project: Authority Tracking Record						
Date	To/From	Contact person	Method	Contact number / Email	Discussion		
15-Jan-13	GDARD	Environmental Department reception	Call	(011) 355 1900	Inquired about the amount of application forms should be submitted. I was told to submit 3 copies.		
16-Jan-13	GDARD	J. Chan	Delivery		3 Copies of the Application form was submitted and J. Chan signed the Proof of Delivery.		
14-Feb-13	GDARD - Biodiversity	Phuti Matlamela	Email	Phuti.matlamela@gauteng.gov.za	With regard to the Gold One project, specialist biodiversity studies are required to investigate the following aspects: * Plants, with specific reference to Gnaphalium nelsonii. * Mammals, with specific reference to Lutra maculicollis (Spotted-necked otter). * Vegetation. * Wetland. * Rivers.		
15-Feb-13	Authorities		DSR delivery		Department of Transport requested a hard copy as well as Department Environmental Affairs (Jhb)		
22-Feb-13	Office of the speaker	Terrence Bogale	Call	terrencebogale@yahoo.com	Will not be able to attend the PP Meeting but would like to receive feedback from the meeting		
27-Feb-13	GDARD - Biodiversity	Phuti Matlamela	Email	Phuti.matlamela@gauteng.gov.za	GCS requested a site visit to confirm additional studies that need to be conducted.		
28-Feb-13	GDARD - Biodiversity	Phuti Matlamela	Call	Phuti.matlamela@gauteng.gov.za	Phuti Matlamela said that thinks no site visit is required taken the nature of the project and if all pipelines following existing servitudes. If no additional significant damage to the environment will be caused GCS can submit a motivation as to why additional studies were not conducted.		

04-Apr-13	GDARD	Environmental Department reception	Call	(011) 355 1900	Inquired about the amount of reports to be submitted. I was told to submit 3 hard copies and 2 CD's.
09-Apr-13	City of Johannesburg municipality	Modise Matavela	Call	0860 562 874	Asked which part of the project falls within their jurisdiction. GCS explained that a section of the pipeline crosses over their jurisdiction.
16-Apr-13	SAHRA	Andrew Salomon	Email	021 462 4502	If you feel there is no chance of heritage resources being disturbed by the proposed project I suggest you get an archaeologist to conduct a brief site visit and to write a letter motivating for exemption from a full HIA. GCS has contacted a Heritage specialist in this regard.
17-Apr-13	Randfontein Local Municipality: Ward 14	Terence Bogale	Call	078 711 2735	Stated that he supports the innitiative.
17-Apr-13	Randfontein Local Municipality: Ward 14	Terence Bogale	Call	078 711 2735	Asked how the community will benefit from the project and will there be job opportunity for the local community?
19-Jun-13	GDARD	Faith Mlambo	email	faith.mlambo@gauteng.gov.za	Email sent to Faith to follow up on the status of the review of the Cooke Operations Tailings Backfill Plant Final Scoping report, and to confirm whether we can go ahead with the EIA?
20-Jun-13	GDARD	Justine Chan	email	Thembelihle.Mlangeni@gauteng.gov.za	J. Chan responded to the email sent to Faith saying their Line Function officials have responded to 002/12-13/E0230 Tailings backfill plant and pipeline. It was sent for signature on 04/06/2013. It is thus awaiting signature. He also said to wait to receive their response on the Final Scoping report before submitting the EIR.
01-Jul-13	GDARD	Justine Chan	email	Thembelihle.Mlangeni@gauteng.gov.za	GCS inquired about the status of the decision on the Final Scoping report.
04-Jul-13	DWA	Zanele Maphumulo	call and email	Maphumuloz@dwa.gov.za	Zanele asked to be added to to the I&AP Database, and be invited to the meeting to be held with the DWA re the Wonderfonteinspruit pipeline crossing options.
08-Jul-13	GDARD	Justine Chan	email	Thembelihle.Mlangeni@gauteng.gov.za	GCS inquired about the status of the decision

					on the Final Scoping report.
09-Jul-13	GDARD	Zanele Mlangeni	email	Zanele.Mlangeni@gauteng.gov.za	Approval to proceed with EIA / EMP.
12-Jul-13	GDARD	Gerson Nethavhani	email	Gerson.Nethavani@gauteng.gov.za	GCS enquired about the amount of copies of the draft EIA dicument to be submitted. GDARD requested 3 hard copies and 3 soft copies of the Draft EIA.