

**Environmental Impact Assessment for the
proposed Ubuntu Wind Energy Project near
Jeffrey's Bay, Eastern Cape:
Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report**

APPENDIX H:

**Meeting notes from Public
Meetings and Registration
forms**

Registration forms from Meetings held

Registration forms from the Public Meeting held on the 23 September 2011

MEETING: Public Meeting
DATE: 23.09.2011

PROJECT: Ubuntu Wind Energy

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Registration form from the Focus Group Meeting held, 23 September 2011

MEETING: ANC Region
 DATE: 23.09.2011

PROJECT: Ubuntu Wind Energy.

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**Notes from the Public Meeting and Focus Group Meeting held
during the Review of the Draft EIA**

**Ubuntu Wind Energy
Draft EIA and EMP
Public Meeting, 23 September 2011
Newton Hall, Jeffrey's Bay**

Notes from Meeting Held

Charles Cook, Birdlife

- What is the minimum and maximum wind speed at which the turbines will operate?
- No mention is made of vibration as a result of the turbines in any of the studies, is this a factor to consider?

Abel Bezuidenhout, Private

- Has the exact layout for the site already been determined?
- The noise is estimated to be 45 decibels, what is it that you hear, is it the blades or the turbine mechanism?

Maggie Langlands, St Francis Kromme Trust

- Two of the turbines all within an area that appears to be designated as a wetland in the Bird Specialist assessment, on the southern boundary of the property. If this is the case, there will be avian movement between this wetland and the wetland to the west which will impact on bird mortalities.
- The equipment to be transported to the site is very large. Are the existing farm roads of a sufficient size and in a suitable condition for the transportation of the equipment or will you require upgrading of roads in order to deliver the equipment?
- Where are the power lines to connect to the Melkhout substation indicated on the layout?
- What form will the offset compensation for the loss of the bird habitat be? It is not within the power or authority of the developer to declare an area as special as part of an offset.
- There is a huge problem with cumulative impacts in this area. There are 10 wind farm applications, five of which have been approved. The greatest cumulative impact would be on the Denhams bustard, whose entire habitat in the area would be destroyed if all these projects proceeded.
- The potential impacts on birds and the mitigation of impacts needs to be looked at by SAWEA and the mitigation proposed should be regulated.

Cllr David Aldendorff, Councillor

- Will you access the site off the N2, if yes, where is the access point? If there is no access off the N2 how will you access the site?
- If you are to access the site off the R102, the heavy vehicles will impact on the condition of this road, who is responsible for maintaining the road and will it be maintained?

Shaun Geswindt, Kouga Black Chamber of Commerce

- What is the BEE component and participation in the project?
- Wind turbines are specialised equipment and therefore job creation as a result of the project is expected to be minimal. This area has a very large unemployment rate, the project must ensure that it employs locals and develops skills in the area.
- Kouga is known to be a heritage area, it does not appear that you will be moving much ground, however if you come across fossils what will you do?
- Have you earmarked a contractor and or supplier for the project?
- What plans do you have to involve black business in your project?

Willem Gertenbach, Ratepayers Association

- You need to emphasise the positive social impacts of the project.
- How susceptible are the wind turbines to fire, do you need to create fire breaks around the wind turbines to protect them from fire?

Jean Cook

- Who does the monitoring and maintenance work required on the turbines?

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ANC Kouga Sub Region

Mfundo Sobebe, ANC Kouga Sub Region

- What are the economic benefits in terms of jobs that will be created?
- We welcome and appreciate the development.
- Will this electricity be cheaper when compared to ESKOM?