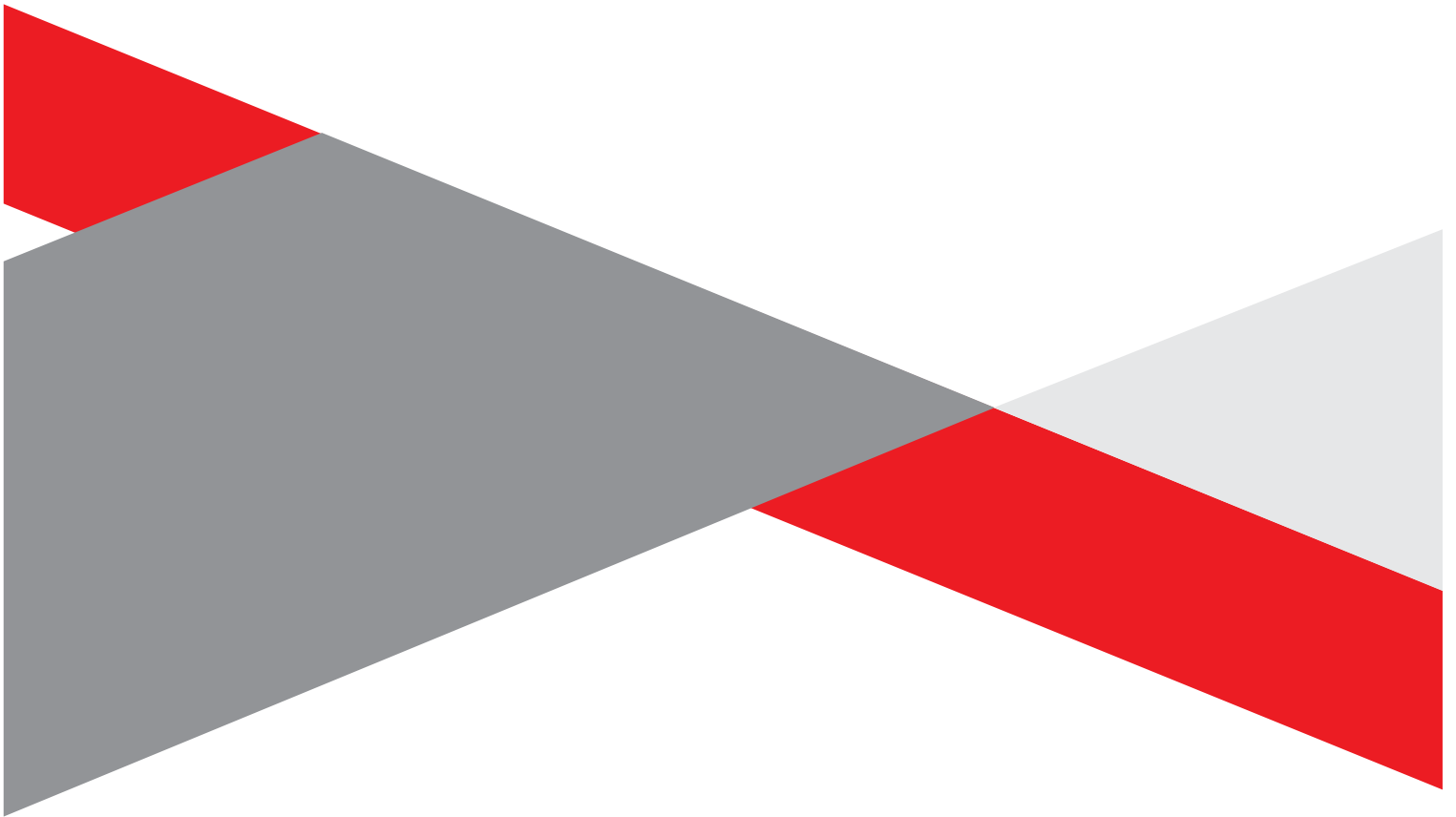


APPENDIX E7
MEETING NOTES



**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC
PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE
HARMONY MOAB KHOTSONG SOLAR PV, VIERFONTEIN,
FREE STATE PROVINCE**

**MEETING NOTES OF THE IN-PERSON MEETINGS HELD WITH ADJACENT
LANDOWNERS**

**HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 21 SEPTEMBER 2022 AT:
08H30: HANSIE MULLER VOERKRAAL, VILJOENSKROON
10H00: BUFFELSFONTEIN 443**

Notes for the Record prepared by:

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*Please note that these notes are not verbatim, but a summary of the comments submitted at the meeting.
Please address any comments to Savannah Environmental at the above address*

Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV, Vierfontein, Free State Province

MEETING ATTENDEES

Name	Position / Directorate
Hansie Muller voerkraal Trust	
Edwin Williamson	Representative
Hannes Ollewagen	Representative
Buffelsontein 443	
Johan Kondos	Landowner
Savannah Environmental	
Nicolene Venter	Public Participation & Social Consultant
Chantelle Geyer	Environmental Consultant

INTRODUCTION

Nicolene Venter thanked Messrs Williamson and Ollewagen for meeting with Savannah Environmental to inform them of the proposed Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV project.

The project was presented to the landowners by using the Landowners' Map which includes the development site and the adjacent properties. She also referenced the applicable Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations which stipulates those adjacent landowners and occupier of properties adjacent to the proposed development site needed to be notified and consulted regarding the proposed development.

DISCUSSION SESSION

Question / Comment	Response
Hannes Ollewagen & Edwin Williamson	
Would excess electricity be sold to Eskom?	Nicolene Venter responded that the electricity generated is intended for own use by the mine, thereby reducing the Mine's reliance on Eskom supply.
Concern regarding the possible impact on the road surface and traffic passing the Wawiel Park Holiday Resort located north of Vermaasdrift Road.	Chantelle Geyer responded that the route to transport the infrastructures, such as the solar panels, has not yet been determined. The concern raised will be forwarded to the Mine.
It was commented that high potential agricultural land, especially those utilised for crops, to be avoided.	Nicolene Venter acknowledged the comment and confirmed that the Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV development will be developed on Mine's property.
In principle, no objection to the proposed development	Nicolene Venter acknowledged the comment.

Johan Kondos	
Commented that the Department of Agriculture classified the agricultural land to the east of the project site as high agricultural potential soil for growing crops.	Nicolene Venter acknowledged the comment and confirmed that the Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV development will be developed on mine's property.
In principle, no objection to the proposed development	Nicolene Venter acknowledged the comment.

WAY FORWARD AND CLOSURE

Nicolene Venter informed the landowners that, as soon as the Background Information Document (BID) is available for distribution, the BID will be sent to them.

She and Chantelle thanked the landowners for their comments raised at the in-person meeting.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR THE HARMONY GOLD PHASE 2 RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES, FREE STATE PROVINCE

**MEETING NOTES OF THE 2nd KEY STAKEHOLDER WORKSHOP
HELD ON THURSDAY, 20 OCTOBER 2022 AT 14H00
VENUE: MICROSOFT TEAMS, VIRTUAL MEETING**

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Harmony Gold Phase 2 Renewable Energy Facilities

MEETING ATTENDEES

Name	Position / Directorate
Air Traffic Navigation Services	
Johanna Morobane	Environmental and Sustainability Manager
Endangered Wildlife Trust	
Bradley Gibbons	Senior Field Officer
Harmony Gold	
Cassie Wesolowski	Project Manager
Ipeleng Sebetlele	Acting Environmental Officer: Joel Operations
Rendani Mikosi	Environmental Officer for Harmony Metallurgical Plants (Central, Saaiplaas and Harmony One Plants)
Melani Nieuwoudt	Environmental Officer for Tshepong, Phakisa, Nyala and Eland Operations in the Free State for Harmony Gold
Louis Botha	Electrical Engineer and Acting Renewable Energy Manager.
Henk Nel	Acting Environmental Manager
Monique du Plessis	Environmental Coordinator for the Moab Khotsong Operations
Energy Group	
Jason Fairhurst	Renewable Energy Consultant
Savannah Environmental	
Ansoné Esterhuizen	Environmental Consultant
Nicolene Venter	Public Participation & Social Consultant
Chantelle Geyer	Environmental Consultant

APOLOGIES

No apologies were provided.

A copy of the Attendance Record is attached as **Appendix A**.

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION

Nicolene Venter welcomed the attendees at the Key Stakeholder Workshop for the Harmony Gold Phase 2 Renewable Energy Facilities consisting of:

- 30MW Harmony One Plant Solar PV Facility near Welkom – Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process;
- 18MW Harmony Joel Solar PV Facility near Theunissen –EIA process;
- 30MW Harmony Target Solar PV Facility near Allanridge –EIA process;
- 14MW Harmony Central Plant Solar PV Facility near Virginia – Basic Assessment (BA) process; and
- 100MW Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV Facility located near Vierfontein – BA process.

She requested the project team members to introduce themselves and thereafter the attendees introduce themselves to the project team. She presented the draft Agenda and purpose of the meeting.

Ansoné Esterhuizen presented an overview of the projects and summaries of the key environmental findings as were documented in the Scoping Reports for the Harmony One Plant Solar PV, Harmony Joel Solar PV and Harmony Target Solar PV and the Basic Assessment (BA) Reports for the Harmony Central Solar PV and Harmony Moab Khotsong PV that are currently available for a 30-day review and comment period.

A copy of the slides presented during the 2nd Key Stakeholder Workshop (KSW) is attached as **Appendix B**.

DISCUSSION SESSION

Question / Comment	Response
<p>Bradley Gibbons</p> <p>Stated that he had not yet had an opportunity to read the report to determine whether Sungazer Lizards are present on the site. He confirmed that he is not against renewable energy projects.</p>	<p>Nicolene Venter noted the comment and responded that confirmation would also be obtained from the specialist and feedback provided as post-meeting note in the workshop notes.</p> <p><u>Post-meeting notes:</u> Response by Ecologist</p> <p>The endangered Sungazer Lizard is known to occur in the sandy grassland habitats of this region. The Harmony One Plant Solar PV and Harmony Central Plant Solar PV sites are situated within the distribution range of the species, with colonies known to occur in the area. The field survey specifically targeted this species, but it was found to be absent from the project sites surveyed. The current PV layouts for both these project sites also indicate that only secondary grassland would be utilised and suitable habitat is therefore largely absent from the development area. It is considered highly unlikely that the Sungazer Lizards would still occur on these sites.</p> <p>The Harmony Moab Khotsong Solar PV and Harmony Joel Solar PV sites both fall outside the known distribution range of this species and it is therefore unlikely for this species to occur on these project sites.</p>

Johanna Morobane	
Asked whether an application been lodged with the CAA. She stated that the requirements are that no projects can be developed within 3km from an airfield and 8km from a landing strip and informed the project team that her question relates to the "glint and glare" impact of solar panels.	Jason Fairhurst responded that the required application has been submitted to the ATNS, and that they are waiting for the invoice to make the necessary payment and the environmental studies to be completed. He also responded that once payment has been made, that timelines can be provided.
Requested that Jason Fairhurst forward her the details of the application and that she will discuss the matter with her colleague to expedite the process.	Jason Fairhurst responded that David Williams will be in touch with Ms Morobane in order to provide the requested details.
Requested a copy of the presentation.	The presentation was e-mailed on 21 October 2022.

WAY FORWARD AND CLOSURE

Nicolene Venter asked whether there were any other project related questions or comments from the attendees. It was noted that no further comments needed to be raised at this time.

Henk Nel thanked the participants in his closing statement for making time available to attend the KSW and for their valuable inputs into the process.

The meeting was closed at 15h00.

ABBREVIATIONS

ATNS	Air Traffic Navigation Services	CAA	Civil Aviation Authority
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