

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION SUMMARY

This serves as a summary of the Public Participation Process (PPP) followed for the construction of the proposed Whetstone Filling Station, eThekweni Municipality, KZN.

An initial PPP was undertaken on 24 June 2021. The Application has been lodged with the Department and a reference number has been obtained: DM/0018/2021, KZN/EIA/0001594/2021. An advert, Background Information Document (BID), site notices and notice of application to surrounding communities, I&APs and Stakeholders was completed on the above-mentioned date. The release of the Draft BAR will be undertaken on 9 July 2021 for a 30 day comment period. The comments received from the release of the BID will be taken into account for the structure of the FBAR.

The Notice of the Environmental Process was hand-delivered to the Jivannadi Mission and the Shortlands Riding Centre, both located within 100m of the site. The EAP also discussed the project with the landowners of these respective properties. Site Notices were displayed adjacent to the site on 24 June 2021, off the R102 (29°36'54.31"S; 31° 5'6.49"E) and off Old Main Road (29°36'53.25"S; 31° 4'59.94"E), notifying of the proposed development and inviting stakeholders and I&APs to register. Refer to Appendix E1&E2 for proof of placement of the site notice boards.

Distribution of the Background Information Document (BID) and publication of advert in the Coastal Weekly Newspaper was conducted on 24 June 2021 (Relevant proof is attached as Appendix E). With regards to authority communications, all relevant authorities will be notified of the application and was provided with copies of this DBAR on 9 July 2021.

The Draft Basic Assessment Report, inclusive of specialist reports and the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for both Stakeholders and I&AP's review and comments, is available for review and comment for a period of 30 days from 9 July 2021 - 10 August 2021. The Document was be made available at the following places:

- Canelands Library; and
- Triplo4 website (www.triplo4.com).

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AS PART OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

• Public Notices/Site Notices

Two site notices were placed adjacent to the proposed site on the 24 June 2021, notifying of the proposed development and inviting stakeholders and I&APs to register. Refer to Appendix E1&E2 for proof of placement of the site notice boards.

• Written Notices and Background Information Document (BID)

Distribution of the Background Information Document (BID), Notice of Application (NOA) and publication of advert in the Coastal Weekly Newspaper was conducted on 24 June 2021 (Relevant proof is attached as Appendix E. With regards to I&AP and Stakeholder communications, all relevant authorities have been notified of the application and have been provided with copies of this DBAR on 9 July 2021.

I&AP and Authority Correspondence has also been included in Appendix E.

- **Advertisements**

Advertisements regarding inter alia the proposed project scope of works, details of locations and date for Draft Basic Assessment Report review as well as details of EAP were placed in the Coastal Weekly Newspaper on 24 June 2021 (Refer to Appendix E).

- **I&AP Communication**

Refer to Issues Trail within PPP section (Appendix E) for further detail.

- **I&APs Comments**

As a result of the advertisement, BID's and site notices; correspondence was received from I&APs. Refer to attached comments: Appendix E – I&AP Correspondence and Issues Trail for comments and responses.

- **Draft Basic Assessment Report Review**

The Draft Basic Assessment Report, inclusive of specialist reports and the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for both Stakeholders and I&AP's review and comments, was made available for review and comment for a period of 30 days from 27 July 2020- 29 August 2020. The Document was made available at the following public places:

- Canelands Library; and
- Triplo4 website (www.triplo4.com).

Comments received were compiled into an Issues Trail.

- **Issues Trail**

An Issues Trail, summarizing the concerns and comments from the PPP has been provided in the PPP section (Appendix E) – Issues Trail.

- **Ongoing I&AP / Stakeholder communication**

The project team has ongoing communication with I&AP's to ensure the continued involvement of all stakeholders and I&APs throughout the BA process and beyond.