

Meeting Record

EDTEA Ref Number	N/A	Meeting Date	23 November 2021
Project Name	Basic Assessment and Water Use License for Creighton Bulk Water Supply.	Recorded By	NS
Meeting / Subject	Basic Assessment and Water Use License for Creighton Bulk Water Supply.	Venue	Dr Nkosazana Dlamini Zuma Local Municipality

Present	Apology	Name	Organisation
X		Nonjabulo Dladla (ND)	At Gedezar Consulting
X		Nokubonga Shange (NS)	At Gedezar Consulting
X		FARMS ASSOCIATION (PLEASE SEE ATTACHED REGISTER)	
X		FATHER DAVID DLAMINI	Centocow Mission
X		MR NDAWONDE	ISD (Social Facilitator)

Item	Topic	Action By	Action Due
	<p>Mr. Ndawonde (ISD) Welcomed all present, he then outlined the proceedings of the meeting. He introduced the Environmental Consultant, to the Farms association and Centocow mission father and spoke briefly about the project, and then handed it over to the Environmental Consultant.</p>	N/A	N/A
	<p>ND Introduced herself and her team. She briefly explained the purpose of the meeting. She stated that the development is proposed by Harry Gwala District Municipality and At Gedezar Consulting has been appointed as an independent environmental practitioner.</p> <p>She explained that the proposed development is the construction of the bulk water supply scheme which will aid in the issue of water scarcity in the area of Creighton. Which will ensure sufficient long-term water supply for the town of Creighton.</p> <p>She briefly explained that the development will consist of abstraction works. This will be the abstraction of water at the uMzimkhulu river at the Centowcow Abstraction point. The water will be treated at the Centow Cow water treatment plant which will be upgraded. A new storage facility will be constructed closer to Creighton town.</p> <p>With the use of presentation slides, Miss Dladla explained the intended environmental process for the proposed development, which is the Basic Assessment Process. She discussed the legal requirements for the project which is the NEMA and how the environmental assessment will provide a rational approach to sustainable development. She explained that the Basic Assessment process will help to obtain the necessary permits and licenses before construction will commence.</p> <p>She stated that Basic Assessment Process will include the specialist assessment and the Public participation process. She explained meeting with the affected landowners is part of the Public Participation Process. This process ensures that all Interested and Affected Parties are part of the decision-making process.</p> <p>ND Furthermore requested permission from the landowners, to allow specialists to access the sites within their land in order to conduct the required assessments. The assessments to be conducted for the project are listed below in no particular order:</p> <p>Fresh Water Aquatic Assessment Ecological Assessment Heritage Impact Assessment Desktop Paleontological Impact Assessment</p>	N/A	N/A

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	<p>Response by Father David Dlamini</p> <p>Permitted the specialist to access the site when they are conducting the assessments.</p> <p>Additionally, he requested that once all assessments have been conducted and construction has been completed. The area/site should be left in its original state and clean.</p> <p>Response by Mr. Ndawonde</p> <p>Assured that as a social facilitator he will ensure that the site is left to its original state when construction has been completed.</p> <p>ND Also responded that as part of the Basic Assessment process/EIA process. An Environmental Management Plan is developed. This plan covers the design, construction, and operation phase of any proposed development. The plan ensures that once the construction phase is completed the area will be rehabilitated to its original state.</p>	N/A	N/A
	<p>Micheal Arnzod (Farm Association)</p> <p>Raised a question regarding the option to abstract the water from the Centocow abstraction point instead of the uMzimkhulu abstraction point. He stated that the abstraction point at uMzimkhulu is much closer as opposed to the Centocow abstraction point.</p> <p>Response by ND</p> <p>ND Responded that the uMzimkhulu abstraction was one of the options that were analyzed for the project.</p> <p>However, the uMzimkhulu abstraction point required a new water treatment plant with a new storage facility (reservoir), hence more area was going to be required for the facilities. The pressure was also not going to be sufficient to supply for the entire Creighton area.</p> <p>ND Assured to send the preliminary engineering design report to the landowners for their perusal. This will help to understand all options that were analyzed for the project and the reason why each option was not selected.</p>	N/A	N/A
	<p>Response by Farms Association</p> <p>ND Explained the Background Information Document (BID) to the landowners and how they as stakeholders can make comments relating to the project making use of the provided comment form. BID's were handed to all landowners at the meeting.</p> <p>In closing all landowners permitted the specialist to access the sites for their assessments however they requested that they be notified on the days they will be coming so that they are aware.</p>	N/A	N/A
	<p>Mr. Ndawonde Thank everyone for attending the meeting</p>		
	<p>MEETING ADJOURNED</p>	13H00	

