



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

LOMOND SAFARI 88KV POWERLINE - PORTION 0 OF THE FARM WELDABA 567 JQ

REFERENCE NUMBER: 2022-01-0005

Introduction

This Public Participation Plan serves to outline the proposed approach to be followed by MuTingati Environmental and Projects for all of the public participation processes required as part of the Environmental Authorisation Application and its basic Environmental Impact Assessment process for the construction of the Lomond Safari 88kV Powerline on Portion 0 of the Farm Weldaba 567 JQ.

Proposed Public Participation Process in accordance with regulation 41(2)(a) to (d) of the EIA Regulations

1. Identification of potential Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) for purposes of conducting public participation on the application and the compilation of a Stakeholder Database

MuTingati Environmental and Projects has identified potential I&APs applicable to the proposed project, in accordance with the requirements of Regulation 41(2)(b) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended in 2017 and 2021. The identified I&APs have been included in a Stakeholder Database, as provided in *Table 1*. Additional stakeholders may be added upon recommendation.

2. Site Notice Boards

A number of site notice boards will be placed on the boundary/fence of the NECSA (the site). The information on the notice boards will be in both English and Afrikaans. The site notice boards will be placed at the main entrance roads to NECSA, off the R104 road (on the corners of the entrance roads and the R104 road). The site notice boards will be conspicuous to and accessible by the public. The notice boards will comply with the requirements of Regulation 41(2)(a), 41(3) and 41(4) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended in 2017 and 2021, and will be sanitized.

3. Written Notices

A Background Information Document (BID) will be compiled and circulated to each identified Interested and Affected Party listed in *Table 1*. The BID will include an I&AP Registration Form and place for comments to be completed by the I&AP. The BID will be sent to each I&AP as per the methods of communication detailed in *Table 1*. The BID will be sent to the following I&APs, as listed in terms of Regulation 41(2)(b) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended in 2017 and 2021:

- a. Occupiers of the site
- b. Adjacent landowners (a map is provided to indicate the properties adjacent to the project site – refer to *Figure 1* on the last page of this document)The municipal councillor of the ward in which the site is situated
- c. The municipality which has jurisdiction in the area

- d. Any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity
- e. Any other party as required by the competent authority

All of the I&APs listed above have been included in the Stakeholder Database provided as *Table 1*. Identified I&APs, and any other parties wanting to register, will be given the opportunity to register as I&APs and submit comments on the initial Public Participation documents (Background Information Document).

4. Placement of an advertisement in one local newspaper

A newspaper advertisement, in both English and Afrikaans, will be placed in the Kormorant Newspaper. This newspaper has been identified as the most suitable newspaper for the area within which the project site is located and is a free community newspaper. According to www.newspaperadvertising.co.za, the Kormorant newspaper is one of the most popular newspapers in the Hartbeespoort area. The newspaper is distributed in Brits and the greater Hartbeespoort area including: Schoemansville, Ifafi, Skeerpoort, Damdoryn, De Wildt, Kosmos and Broederstroom. The Kormorant is published in English and it is a newspaper for advertising in the Hartbeespoort, Northern West area. The Kormorant Newspaper has confirmed that their readership includes both English and Afrikaans readers (the two main languages spoken in the area, according to Stats SA). The community newspaper has a readership of 30 000 people per edition and 10 000 copies of the newspaper are distributed per edition. The newspaper is distributed on a weekly basis, on a Thursday (www.newspaperadvertising.co.za). The project site is situated 6km from Hartbeespoort.

5. Register of Interested and Affected Parties

A Register of Interested and Affected Parties will be opened and maintained by MuTingati Environmental and Projects. The Register will be managed according to the requirements of Regulation 42 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended in 2017 and 2021. The I&AP Register management will include the following:

- The I&AP Register will record the names and contact details of the registered Interested and Affected Parties.
- All persons who submit I&AP Registration Forms or in writing request MuTingati or Eskom to be added to the I&AP Register will be added to the I&AP Register.
- All persons who attend meetings with the EAP or Eskom will be added to the I&AP Register.
- All persons who submit comments on the proposed project, during any stage of the project, will be added to the I&AP Register. This can be comments submitted on the BID, Newspaper Advertisement, Site Notice and/or the Basic Assessment Report and EMPr for the project.
- Should a public meeting be required, all persons who attend the meeting will be added to the I&AP Register.
- All Organs of State who have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed powerline project will be added to the I&AP Register.
- The information in the I&AP Register will be managed as per the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013, as explained under Section 8 below.

6. Circulation of the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft Environmental Management Programme to I&APs

The draft Basic Assessment Report and draft Environmental Management Programme will be provided to all I&APs listed in *Table 1*, as well as those that have registered as Interested and Affected Parties, via the methods that have been detailed in *Table 1*. I&APs will be given at least 30 days to comment on the reports.

7. Public Meeting

At this stage, no need for a Public Meeting is foreseen. Should such a meeting be requested, it will be considered accordingly. Should a Public Meeting be necessary, it will be conducted as follows:

1. A Virtual Public Meeting will be scheduled via the Microsoft Teams or Zoom platforms for all persons able to attend a virtual meeting. This is considered the safest option in terms of the COVID-19 pandemic. The meeting and comments will be recorded and the meeting minutes, comments and responses will be incorporated into the Basic Assessment Report for the project. An electronic list of attendees will be compiled from the Microsoft Teams or Zoom platform.
2. An in-person public meeting will be scheduled for all persons not able to attend the virtual public meeting. Details are provided below for this meeting.

In-person public meeting

- A suitable venue will be arranged for the in-person public meeting. It will be ensured that the venue is of adequate size to accommodate the anticipated number of attendees. No more than 1 000 people will be allowed within the venue (indoors) or, if the venue is not able to accommodate 1 000 people, then 50% of the capacity of the venue will be used.
- The public meeting invitation will request that attendees bring their own pens and will indicate that mask wearing is mandatory.
- All persons organising the public meeting (EAP, Applicant etc.) will sanitise their hands regularly and after any contact with objects handled by other people.
- A notice board will be placed at the entrance to the meeting venue requiring that every person wear a mask at all times whilst inside of the venue and that each person sanitises their hands prior to entry into the venue.
- Sanitiser will be placed at the entrance to the meeting venue and also inside of the venue at strategic places. It will be ensured that each person entering the venue sanitises their hands prior to entry.
- The seating within the venue will be arranged so that at least one and a half metres space is open between each person attending the meeting.
- A Google Forms link will be provided for people to fill in the attendance register, where people have this cell phone capability. For those not able to complete the Google Form on their cell phones, individual attendance register forms (pieces of paper) will be provided for completion. Pens will be sanitised prior to being provided to the attendees for use. The pens will be sanitised after each use and before being provided to a subsequent person for use.
- The meeting minutes will be recorded and the meeting minutes, comments and responses will be incorporated into the Basic Assessment Report for the project.

8. Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 14 of 2013) (POPIA)

The requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013, as applicable to the EIA process, will be adhered to and a section explaining the applicability of the POPIA to the I&APs has been included in the Background Information Document. This section has also been included below in order to explain how the requirements of the POPIA will be implemented:

Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013 (Act No. 14 of 2013) (POPIA)

The purpose of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013, is to give effect to the constitutional right to privacy, by safeguarding personal information when processed by a responsible party, subject to justifiable limitations that are aimed at balancing the right to privacy against other rights, particularly the right of access to information, and protecting important interests, including the free flow of information within the Republic and across international borders (POPIA, 2013). This EIA and its Public Participation Process must be conducted in line with the requirements of the POPIA, 2013. Section 11(1)(a) of the POPIA provides that personal information may only be processed if the data subject (the registered I&AP in this case) consents to the processing thereof. Information collected by the EAP as part of the EIA process will ultimately be used by the Competent Authority to decide on this application for an Environmental Authorisation.

The provision of personal information and the submission of comments on this Environmental Authorisation Application is voluntary. Choosing not to register as an I&AP and not submitting personal information and comments on this application will mean that your comments and/or concerns cannot be considered by the Competent Authority in their decision making process. Persons who submit I&AP Registration Forms for this EIA process acknowledge and consent to their personal information [names, surnames, institutions/company names (if applicable), addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses and/or fax numbers and/or postal addresses] being included in the I&AP Register for this project. The I&AP Register will be provided to the Competent Authority but will not be made available in the public domain. Should an appeal be lodged against the decision by the Competent Authority, the I&AP Register will, however, need to be provided to the appellant in terms of the National Appeal Regulations, 2014. Persons who submit I&AP Registration Forms for this EIA process further acknowledge and consent to their personal information [names, surnames, institutions/company names (if applicable) and comments] being included in the Comments and Responses Report and Basic Assessment Reports for this project. This personal information is included in the Comments and Responses Report and Basic Assessment Reports as a result of the requirements of the EIA Regulations and is necessary to enable informed decision making by the Competent Authority. Contact details will not be included in the Comments and Responses Report and Basic Assessment Reports. The Comments and Responses Report and Basic Assessment Reports will be provided to registered I&APs as well as the Competent Authority for review as part of the Public Participation processes of the EIA. The names, surnames and comments of I&APs will therefore be available in the public domain. You may opt to not have your name included in these documents in which case only your comments will be included.

The EAP makes use of Dropbox to store EIA project information, including personal information and comments of registered I&APs. Dropbox makes use of cloud storage, and the personal information and comments are therefore stored outside of the borders of SA. Dropbox is a secure, safe, and effective platform for individual users and businesses that meets global compliance standards and regulatory requirements on data, privacy, and protection (www.dropbox.com).

You have the right to object to the processing of your personal information as part of this EIA process. You are furthermore informed that the EAP and the Applicant are the Responsible Parties for the personal information processed as part of this EA application. The contact details of the Responsible Parties are provided below:

EAP: Lizette Kloppers – 1626 Barleria Crescent, Rietvlei Heights Country Estate, Doornkloof, Pretoria, 0157

Applicant: Eskom Holdings SOC Limited - 16 Kgwebo Street, Mabe Park, Waterfall East Rustenburg, 0321

Table 1: Stakeholder Database

<p>Preliminary Interested and Affected Party Details (this list is not exhaustive and only provides an indication of the Parties who have been identified at this stage of the EIA process. Additional Parties will be added to the I&AP Register, as people register and submit comments on the EIA documents). This list does not imply the exclusion or of other I&APs.</p>	<p>Actions to take to inform the relevant I&AP of the Environmental Authorisation Application</p>
<p>Madibeng Local Municipality Municipal Manager</p>	<p>The Background Information Document will be sent via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available).</p> <p>A Dropbox link to the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will be sent via email. If no email address is available, the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr can be sent via WhatsApp.</p> <p>A hard copy of the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will also be placed at the Brits and/or Hartbeespoort library for viewing. Comment sheets will be provided and collected at the end of the Public Participation phase for inclusion in the final Basic Assessment Report. Upon request, a CD or hard copy of the report will also be sent to I&APs via courier.</p> <p>Further Public Participation correspondence will be conducted via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp and/or SMS if an email address is not available).</p> <p>A notification letter to inform the registered I&APs of the Competent Authority's decision on the Environmental Authorisation will be circulated via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available).</p> <p>SMS, WhatsApp and call back options will be used throughout the various public participation processes, where necessary to accommodate I&APs with limited access to internet and computers. Email correspondence is anticipated for most I&APs.</p>
<p>Madibeng Local Municipality - Community Development Directorate</p>	
<p>Madibeng Local Municipality Ward 29 Councillor</p>	
<p>Bojanala Platinum District Municipality Municipal Manager</p>	
<p>Bojanala Platinum District Municipality - Health and Environmental Services</p>	
<p>North West Department of Agriculture and Rural Development HOD</p>	
<p>North West Department of Public Works and Roads MEC</p>	
<p>North West Department of Economic Development, Environment, Conservation and Tourism HOD</p>	
<p>North West Department of Mineral Resources Regional Manager</p>	
<p>Department of Water and Sanitation – A21H Official</p>	
<p>South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)</p>	<p>The Background Information Document will be loaded onto the SAHRIS Website. The draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will also be loaded onto the SAHRIS Website. Further Public Participation correspondence will be conducted via the SAHRIS Website. A notification letter to inform the SAHRA of the Competent Authority's decision on the Environmental Authorisation will be loaded onto the SAHRIS Website.</p>
<p>North West Provincial Heritage Resources Authority</p>	<p>The Background Information Document will be sent via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available).</p>
<p>North West Department of Economy & Enterprise Development</p>	

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South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) Environmental Evaluator	<p>A Dropbox link to the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will be sent via email. If no email address is available, the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr can be sent via WhatsApp. A hard copy of the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will also be placed at the Brits and/or Hartbeespoort library for viewing. Comment sheets will be provided and collected at the end of the Public Participation phase for inclusion in the final Basic Assessment Report. Upon request, a CD or hard copy of the report will also be sent to I&APs via courier.</p> <p>Further Public Participation correspondence will be conducted via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp and/or SMS if an email address is not available).</p> <p>A notification letter to inform the registered I&APs of the Competent Authority's decision on the Environmental Authorisation will be circulated via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available).</p> <p>SMS, WhatsApp and call back options will be used throughout the various public participation processes, where necessary to accommodate I&APs with limited access to internet and computers. Email correspondence is anticipated for most I&APs.</p>
South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) Aerodromes and Facilities	
South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) Air Navigation Services	
South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) Obstacle Applications, Management & Control Obstacle Evaluator	
The South African Nuclear Energy Corporation SOC Ltd (NECSA)	
BirdLife South Africa	
Magaliesberg Protected Natural Environment	
Magaliesberg Biosphere Reserve	
Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site (COHWHS)	
Crocodile River Reserve Central Nature Reserve Cluster	
Crocodile River Reserve Protected Environment	
Hartbeespoort Dam Nature Reserve	
Adjacent Landowners	
Portion 49 of the Farm Welgegund 491 JQ	<p>The Background Information Document will be sent via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available). If no contact details are available for the adjacent land owner, hand delivery of the Background Information Document will be undertaken to the physical location of the adjacent land owner.</p> <p>A Dropbox link to the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will be sent via email. If no email address is available, the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr can be sent via WhatsApp. A hard copy of the draft Basic Assessment Report and draft EMPr will also be placed at the Brits</p>
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Portion 21 of the Farm Welgegund 491 JQ	<p>and/or Hartbeespoort library for viewing. Comment sheets will be provided and collected at the end of the Public Participation phase for inclusion in the final Basic Assessment Report. Upon request, a CD or hard copy of the report will also be sent to I&APs via courier.</p> <p>Further Public Participation correspondence will be conducted via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp and/or SMS if an email address is not available).</p> <p>A notification letter to inform the registered I&APs of the Competent Authority's decision on the Environmental Authorisation will be circulated via email (or fax and/or courier and/or WhatsApp if an email address is not available).</p> <p>SMS, WhatsApp and call back options will be used throughout the various public participation processes, where necessary to accommodate I&APs with limited access to internet and computers. Email correspondence is anticipated for most I&APs.</p>
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Portion 82 of the Farm Welgegund 491 JQ	
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Portion 120 of the Farm Hennopsrivier 489 JQ	

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Portion 144 of the Farm Kalkheuvél 493 JQ	
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Portion 58 of the Farm Schurveberg 488 JQ	

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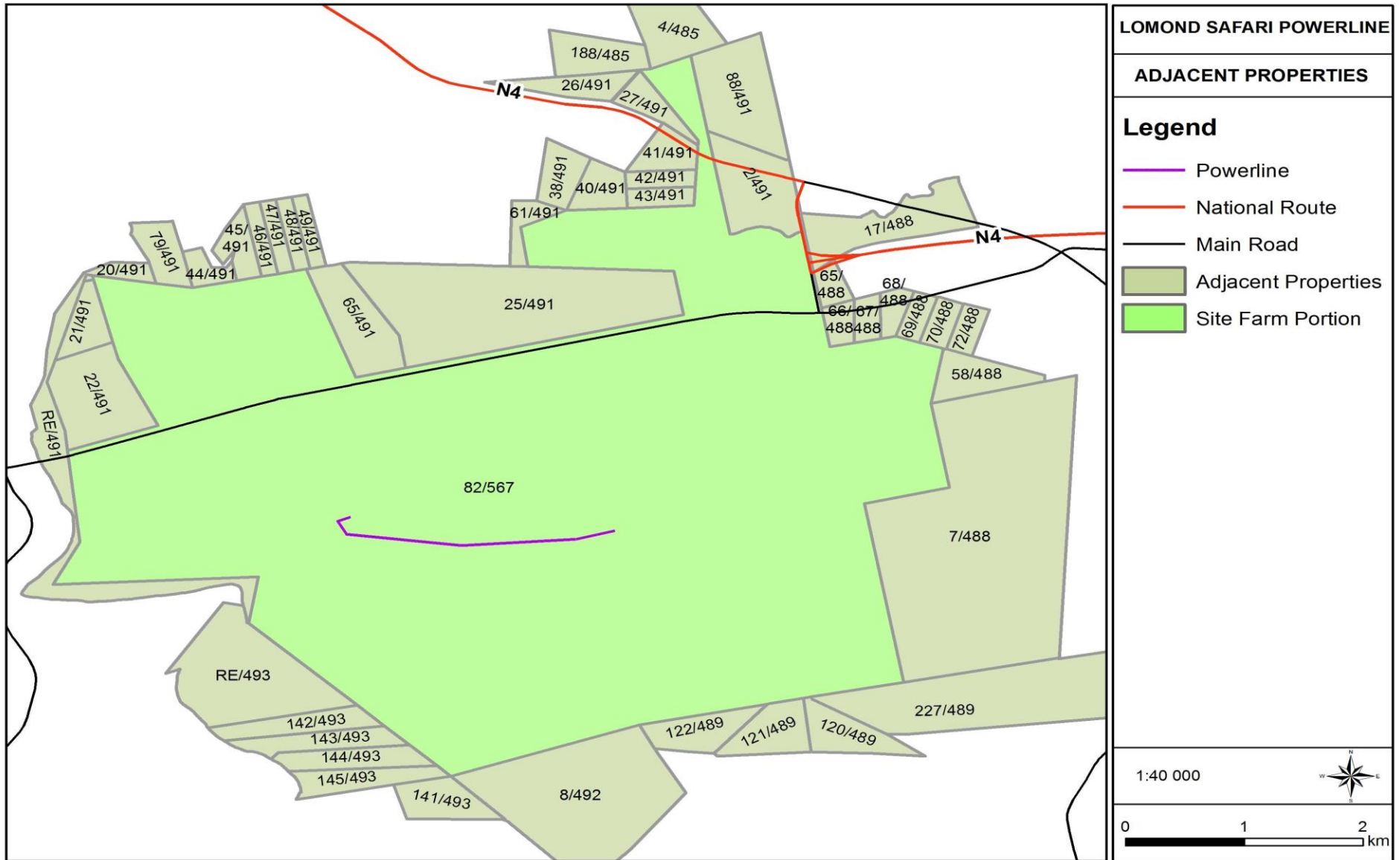


Figure 1: Map showing adjacent landowners of the project site