

ENGIE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT,

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Public Participation Process Report

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TERMINOLOGY/DEFINITIONS

- Scoping** In accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, this scoping process aimed at identifying and evaluating potential issues associated with the proposed project and defining the extent of studies required within the EIA. The Scoping Phase includes the identification of potential issues associated with the proposed project through a desktop study (including limited field work) and consultation with affected parties and key stakeholders. Areas of sensitivity within the broader project site are identified and delineated in order to identify any environmental fatal flaws, and sensitive or no-go areas.
- Interested and Affected Parties** Means an interested and affected party contemplated in section 24(4)(d) of the Act, and which in terms of that section includes –
- any person, group of persons or organizations interested in or affected by an activity; and
 - any organ of state that may have jurisdiction over any aspect of the activity.
- Public Participation Process** Means a process in which the broader public, including interested and affected parties, are given an opportunity to be informed of a proposed application, invite them to comment on, or raise issues relevant to specific matters applicable to an application.
- Stakeholders** A sub-group of the public whose interests may be positively or negatively affected by a proposal or activity and/or who are concerned with a proposal or activity and its consequences within the project study area. "Key stakeholders" are a smaller sub-group of I&APs. They are people who stand to be directly affected, representatives acting as spokespersons for their sectors, people whose local knowledge is important, people who may want to derail the process for personal gain, and all those who think they are key stakeholders.

Definitions taken from National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Other Guideline Information Documents

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS AND ACRONYMS

BIL	Background Information Letter	FEIA	Final Environmental Impact Assessment
CA	Competent Authority	I&APs	Interested and Affected Parties
C&RR	Comments and Response Report	NEMA	National Environmental Management Act
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment	PP	Public Participation
EA	Environmental Authorisation	PPP	Public Participation Process
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment	S&EIA	Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment
FGM	Focus Group Meeting	SR	Scoping Report
FSR	Final Scoping Report	PPPR	Public Participation Process Report (PPPR)

CHAPTER 1 INTRODUCTION


Engie Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd requires an additional footprint for the construction and operation of a PV facility and grid connection. The project is known as the Engie Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd and is located on Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe, situated in the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality in the Free State Province.





A development footprint of 150 ha in extent is already authorised for the facility but in order to implement the project, an additional footprint of 50ha is required. Both the additional footprint and the authorized area are located within the boundary of 1808 of Besemkop and Farm 2962 of Lejwe. The additional footprint is immediately adjacent to the authorised area. Given this, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) is being undertaken to obtain EA for the additional footprint regarding the development.

The sharing of information forms the basis of the Public Participation Process (PPP) and offers the opportunity for Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to become actively involved in the scoping process from the outset. The PPP is designed to provide sufficient and accessible information to Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in an objective manner.

This report provides a synopsis of the PPP undertaken with the support of the following appendices as part of the proof of evidence for the project:

Table 1-1 included appendices as part of this proof of consultation.

Appendix	Relevance
C1 - I&AP Database	Regulation 42 where a database of the project affected parties is developed including directly affected and greater surrounding area for I&APs.
C2 - Public Media Report 	This appendix includes proof of all public media documents as part of this project including sites notices and newspaper advertisements. Regulation 40(1), Regulation 40(3) and Regulation 43 of NEMA requires all potential or registered I&APs, including Competent Authority (CA) have access to project related information.
C3 - Background Information Letter (BIL)	Regulation 40 (2) requires that all project information be provided and be accessible as part of consultation. The Background Information is a document that is provided to all I&APs providing the description of the proposed document; providing an overview of the environmental regulatory process to be undertaken, the Public Participation details in accordance with legislation and inviting all I&APs to register and provide comments. The BIL will be distributed on 04 February 2022 .
C4 - Organs of State Correspondence	Regulation 40(2) - Provide access to all project information that has the potential to influence any decision regarding the application, unless protected by law, and must include consultation with CA, Organs of State & registered

	<p>I&APs. This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah and any organ of state who may commented on the project.</p>
<p>C5 - I&AP Correspondence</p>	<p>Regulation 40(2) - Provide access to all project information that has the potential to influence any decision regarding the application, unless protected by law, and must include consultation with CA, Organs of State & registered I&APs. This appendix includes all correspondence between Savannah and any stakeholder including any I&P who may commented on the project.</p>
<p>C6 - Comments Received</p> 	<p>Regulation 44 – Comments need to be recorded. This appendix shows all proof of comments received in compliance with the Protection of Personal Information (POPI) Act where persons personal details has been omitted but their comment has been included as proof of evidence.</p>
<p>C7 - Meeting Notes</p>	<p>Regulation 44 – Comments need to be recorded. Notes of meeting which are notes take during the public involvement, they are a summary of the comments at the meeting. This appendix also includes proof of attendance and presentation.</p>
<p>C8 - Comments and Responses Report</p> 	<p>In terms of Regulation 44(1) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, comments need to be recoded and submitted to the CA to inform the decision on the project.</p>
<p>C9 - Approved Public Participation Plan</p> 	<p>The approved PP plan is a compliance with regulation GNR660 published on 05 June 2020 in terms of the Disaster Management Act (57/2002) and titled: Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of COVID-19 Relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licences. In compliance with Section 5.1 and Annexure 2 of these regulations, a public participation plan has been submitted to the CA (DFFE) and was approved on 30 November 2021 and currently being implemented, refer to Appendix C of the Scoping Report (SR).</p>

CHAPTER 2 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS OBJECTIVES

PP is an essential and regulatory requirement for an EA process and is guided by Regulations 41 to 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014 (GN R326) (as amended). The purpose of PP is clearly outlined in Regulation 40 of the EIA Regulations 2014 (GN R326), as amended, and is being followed for this proposed project.

The following objectives; for the environmental process is listed below:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the proposed projects is made available to potential stakeholders and I&APs;
- » participation by I&APs is facilitated in such a manner that all potential stakeholders and I&APs are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed projects; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

This Public Participation Process Report (PPPR) includes the following information:

Chapter 1: Public Participation Process

Chapter 2: Public Participation Process Objectives

Chapter 3: Public Participation Process

Chapter 4: Process Followed

Chapter 5: Key Issues Raised

Chapter 6: Decision Making Phase

As part of the support to this PPPR for the Public Participation Process (PPP) Appendix C as part of the proof of consultation.

As part of the PPP, the consultation during the environmental regulatory process has been detailed below.

CHAPTER 3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

During the PPP, the following core PP activities were undertaken:

- » Stakeholders and I&APs were identified, and a database was developed to capture their information;
- » Background Information Letter (BIL) and notification letters were distributed to all registered I&APs together with the placement of a newspaper advert and site notices;
- » The SR and associated documentation are presently made available for public comment for a period of 30 days;
- » Consultation with I&APs are planned (these including various meetings held during the Scoping public commenting period);
- » Provide I&APs opportunities to comment on specialist findings, impact assessments and recommendations;
- » Suggestions, comments, and concerns from I&APs were collated and recorded in the Comments and Response Report (C&RR); and
- » Inform and consider specialists and the proponent of I&APs comments.

CHAPTER 4 PROCESS FOLLOWED

The first step in the public participation process was to identify relevant stakeholders and I&APs. This process was undertaken through utilising Savannah Environmental's' existing contacts and databases, recording responses to site notices and newspaper advertisement, as well as liaison with potentially affected parties¹ in the greater surrounding area, furthermore a registration process involving the completion of a reply form distributed with the Background Information Letter (BIL) will be applied as of the release. The projects' databases are attached as **Appendix C1** and the BIL is attached as **Appendix C3** to the SR – PPP Report.

The legislative requirements indicates that specific media / materials be utilised as part of the PPP. Over and above the legislative requirements, the following media have been utilised for the PPP to inform stakeholders of the proposed project (refer to Table 1 for further details). The planned S&EIA and PPP including announcing the availability of the Scoping Report were placed in the local community newspaper, Express Newspaper on 19 January 2022, Page 07. The tearsheet (proof of placement) is included in **Appendix C2** of the SR – PPP Report.

¹ Liaison with potentially affected parties' forms part of Regulation 42 which requires a project database. The I&APs part of the greater surrounding areas were identified through a process of networking and referral, also obtaining information from Savannah Environmental existing database.

The methodological flow for the public involvement followed:

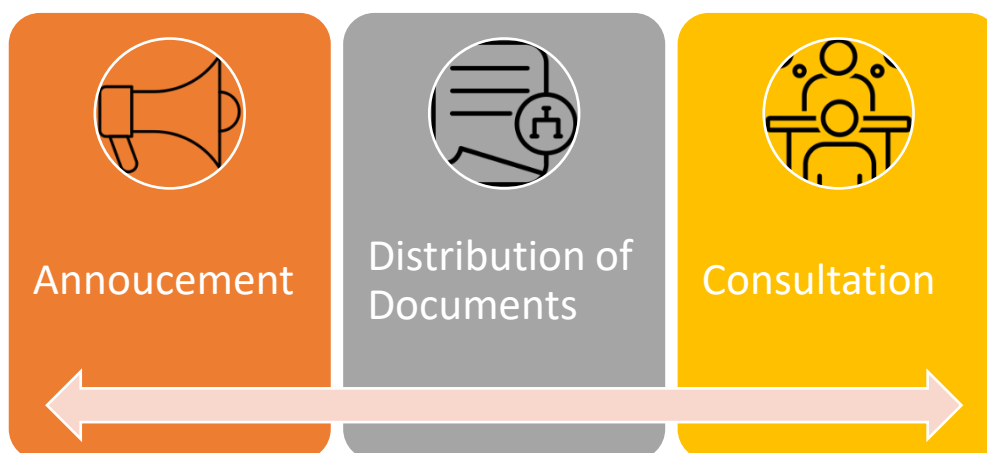


Figure 1: Methodological process flow for public involvement

The overview of the initial list of stakeholders is included in the project database for Engie Sannaspos Additional Footprint (Table 4-1). As per the PP plan all meetings will be conducted virtually via MS Teams and meeting notes will further be appended to the updated PPP Report; to be included into the Final Scoping Report (FSR).

Table 4-1 Key Stakeholders were identified Initial list of project database

Organs of State
National Government Departments
Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE)
Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE)
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DALRRD)
Department of Water and Sanitation
Government Bodies and State-Owned Companies
Eskom Holdings SOC Limited
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)
South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)
South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)
South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL)
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)
Telkom SA SOC Limited
Transnet SA SOC Limited
Provincial Government Departments
Free State Department of Economic Development Tourism & Environmental Affairs (DEDTEA)
Free State Department of Agriculture (DA)
Free State Department of Public Works & Infrastructure (DPWI)
Free State Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (DARD)
Free State Heritage Resources Authority (FSHRA)
Local Government Departments
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality - including the Ward Councillor, ward committee members, community representative or local community forum members

Commenting Stakeholders
BirdLife South Africa
Endangered Wildlife Trust (EWT)
SENTECH
Landowners
Affected landowners, tenants, and occupiers
Neighbouring landowners, tenants, and occupiers

Appendices C4 consists of correspondence with Organs of State & Key Stakeholders and **Appendix C5** includes the correspondence with I&APs and these Appendices will be included in the FSR.

CHAPTER 5 KEY ISSUES RAISED

Views, concerns, and objections provided by I&APs will be captured in the C&RR and included in the submission of the FSR. Refer to **Appendix C8** for the C&RR and raised comments to date.

CHAPTER 6 DECISION-MAKING PHASE

The DFFE as the CA, will issue a decision relating to the EA for the proposed project once the Final Environmental Impact Assessment (FEIA) has been reviewed. The decision will be communicated to all registered I&APs as prescribed by legislation.

APPENDIX C1:
I&AP Database

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS PROPOSED
DEVELOPMENT OF SANNASPOS SOLAR PV ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT**

APPENDIX C1: INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY DATABASE

Company	First Name	Last Name
African Farmers Association of South Africa	Vuyo	Mahlati
Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS)	Simphiwe	Masilela
Air Traffic Navigation Services	Johanna	Morobane
Aletta Trust	Lehlohonolo	Lenkoe
Aletta Trust	Moramang	Ntomane
Aletta Trust	Puseletso	Ntomane
Aletta Trust	Teballo	Ntomane
Aletta Trust	Tshidiso	Ntomane
Alletta Trust	Tshiliso	Tsoeunyane
Birdlife South Africa	Hanneline	Smit-Robinson
Birdlife South Africa	Melissa	Lewis
BirdLife South Africa	Samantha	Ralston-Paton
BirdLife South Africa	Simon	Gear
BirdLife South Africa	Simon	Gear
Citizen Journalist Training Program	Peter	Mojalefa
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development		Info
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development		Land Claims
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development		Queries
Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	Anneliza	Collett
Department of Energy	Enid	Babuseng
Department of Energy	Nomawethu	Qase
Department of Energy	Pheladi	Masipa
Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries	Muhammad	Essop
Department of Environmental Affairs	Nyiko	Nkosi
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment		EIA Admin
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Danie	Smit
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Ephron	Maradwa
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Fiona	Grimett
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Julliet Mahlangu	Mahlangu
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Matlodi	Mogorosi
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Pamela	Kershaw
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Seoka	Lekota
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Thoko	Buthelezi
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment	Zama	Langa
Department of Roads and Transport	T	Kgare
Department of Rural Development and Land Reform	Mangalane	Du Toit
Department of Science and Technology	Mere	Kgampe
Department of Water Affairs	A	Starkey
Department of Water and Sanitation	Shaun	Cloete
Department of Water and Sanitation	Sifiso	Mkhize
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Bradley	Gibbons
Endangered Wildlife Trust	Constant	Hoogstad
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Debbie	Harding
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	John	Geeringh
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Lianne	Muller
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Lungi	Motsis
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Nolan	Dominick
Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd	Nondwe	Khanye
Generous Trust	Ishmael	Masiu
Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA)	Praneel	Ruplal
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality		Communication Office
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Mxolisi	Siyonzana
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Ntombizanele	Manzi
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Thembisile	Phatho
Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality	Zolile	Mangcotywa

National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Andile	Gxasheka
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Charles	Hlebela
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Donald	Nkadimeng
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Mmoni	Suza
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Phindile	Nzimande
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Pieter	Buys
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Poppie	Mahlangu
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Siphiwe	Khumalo
National Energy Regulator of South Africa (NERSA)	Tamai	Hore
National Government: Dept of Water Affairs	Nobubele	Ngele
National Khoisan Council	Cecil	Le Fleur
SAHRA	Natasha	Higgitt
SAHRA	Sityhilelo	Ngcatscha
SANRAL	Fanie	van Aardt
SANRAL	Nicole	Abrahams
South African Astronomical Observatory	Patricia	Whitelock
South African Astronomical Observatory	Ramotholo	Sefako
South African Astronomical Observatory	Ted	Williams
South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	Kabelo	Ledwaba
South African Civil Aviation Authority	Lizelle	Stroh
South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	Pappie	Maja
South African Civil Aviation Authority (CAA)	Themba	Thabethe
South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) Head Office	Dumisani	Sibayi
South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA)	Phillip	Hine
South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL)		SANRAL
South African National Roads Agency Limited	Victoria	Botha
		South African Radio
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)		Astronomy Observatory
		(SARAO)
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Busang	Sithole
South African Radio Astronomy Observatory (SARAO)	Selaelo	Matlhane
South African Weather Services	Puseletso	Mofokeng
South African Weather Services	Rydall	Jardine
South African Weather Services	Webster	Ngoepe
South African Weather Services	Zamikhaya	Magogotya
Sustainable Futures ZA	Shawn	Johnston
Telkom SA SOC Limited		Telkom SA SOC Limited
Transnet SA SOC Limited		Transnet SA SOC Limited
WESSA	Lemson	Petha
WESSA	Suzanne	Erasmus
WESSA: National	Morgan	Griffiths

APPENDIX C2:
Site Notices and Newspaper Advertisements

Site and Process Notices

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

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Location: The proposed solar facility will be located in the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality of the Free State Province on the following farm portions:

- » Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop
- » Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe

Application for Environmental Authorisation: An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326) is being undertaken for the projects. The application is being supported by an Environmental Impact assessment (EIA) process.

Public Participation Process: Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd is the independent environmental consultant responsible for undertaking the EIA and Public Participation process in support of the application for EA. To obtain further information on the projects and to register on the project's database, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the projects, in writing, to Savannah Environmental.

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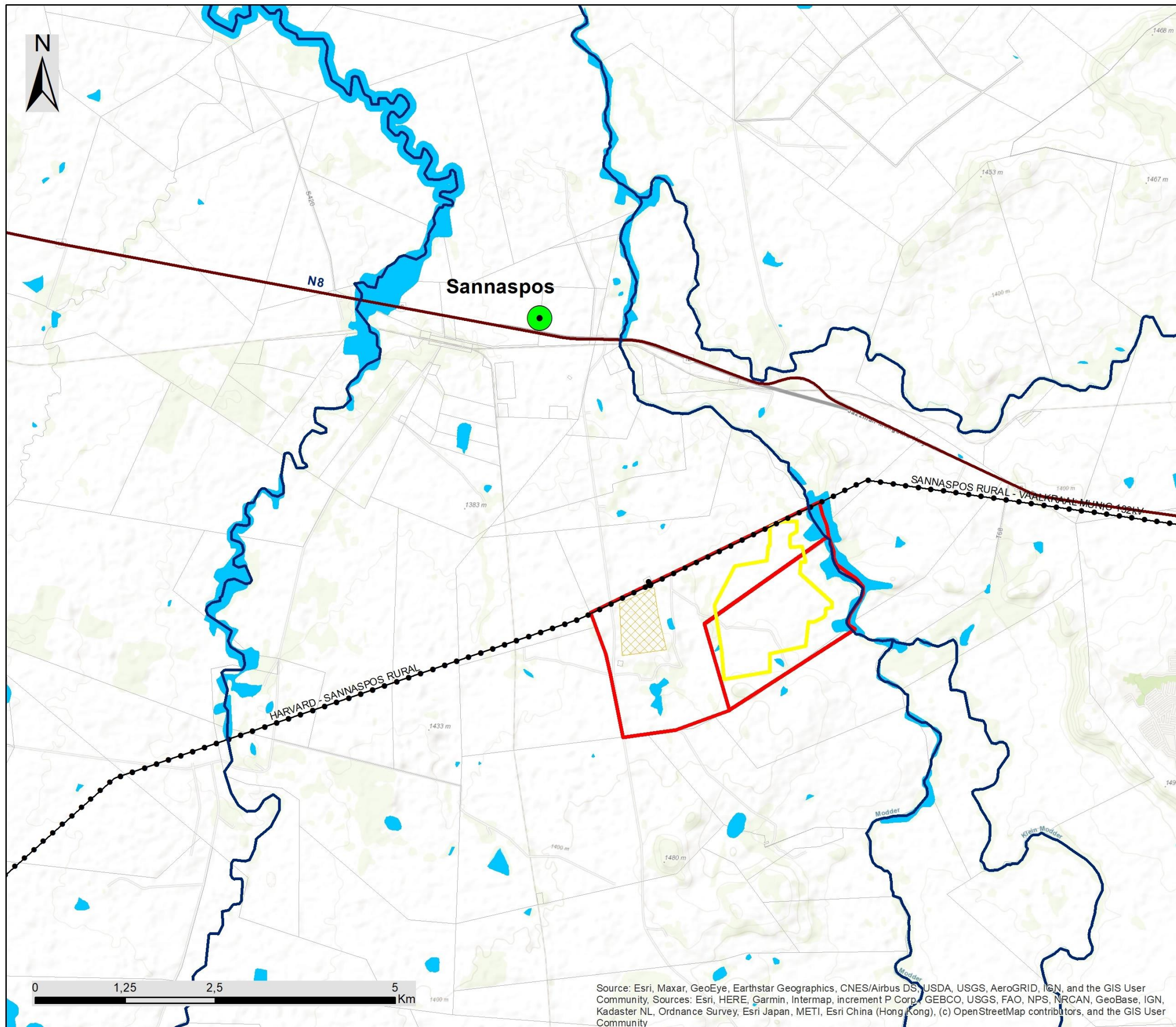
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Engie Sannaspos Solar Project, Freestate Province.

Locality Map

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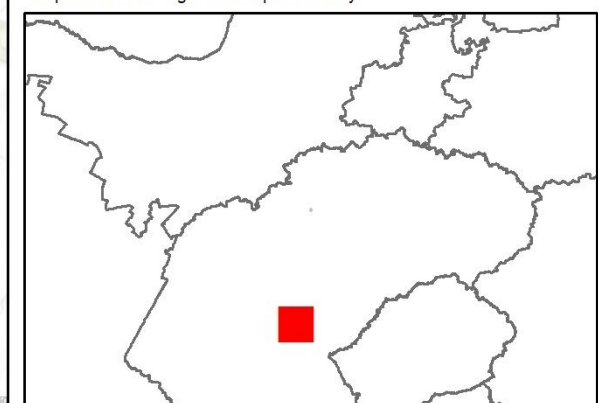
-  Town
-  Rivers
-  Railway
-  Railways
-  National Route
-  Regional Road
-  Existing Power Line
-  Sannaspos 10MW Proposed
-  Sannaspos Operating Area
-  Sannaspos Solar Park



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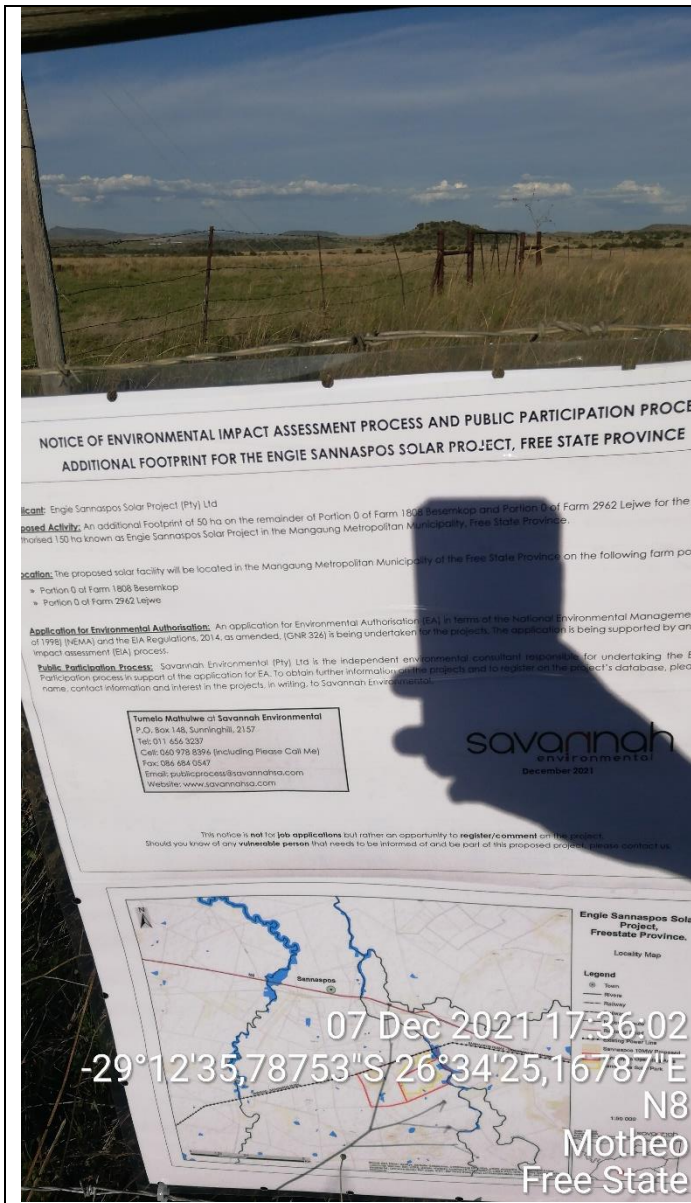
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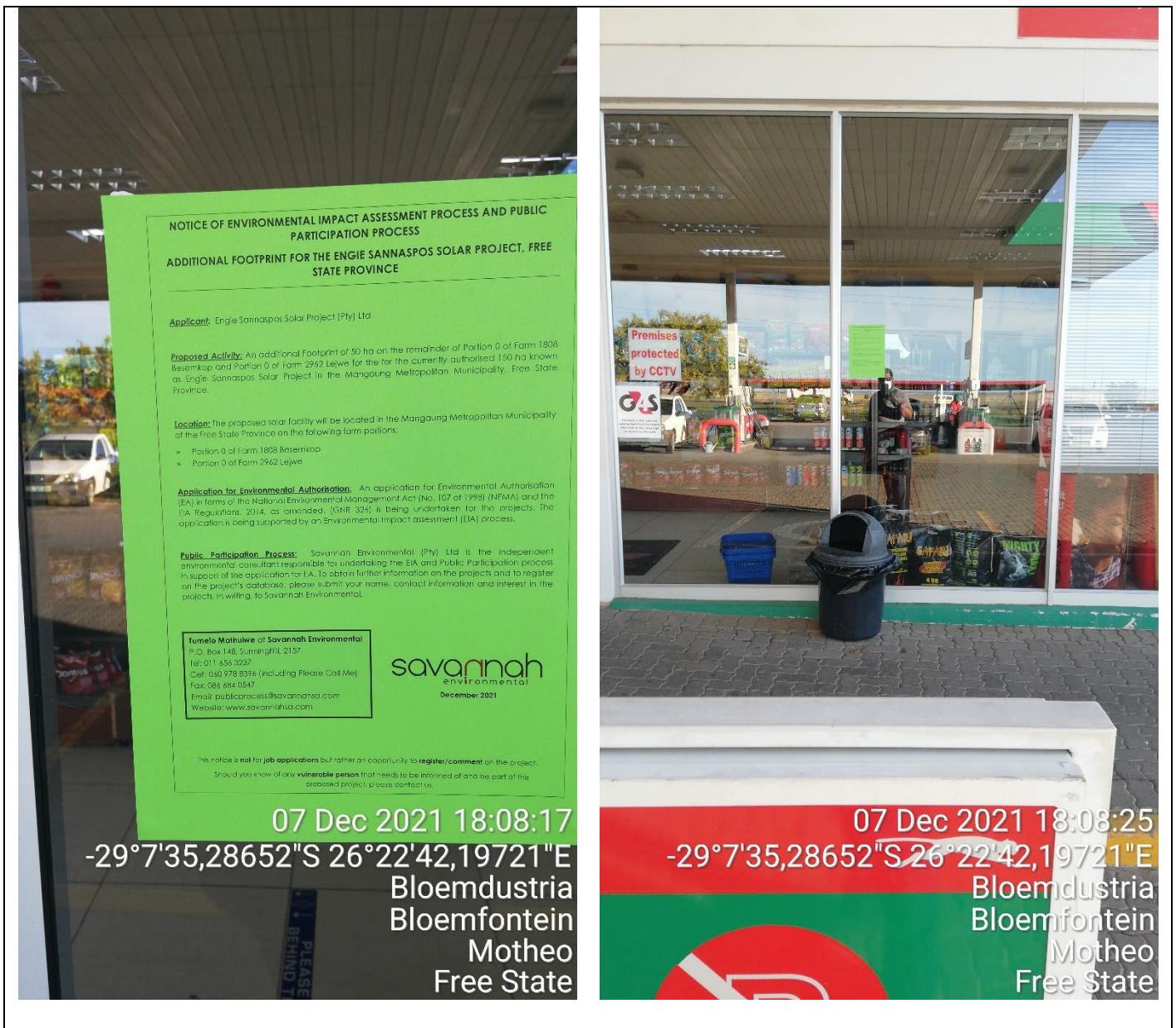
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Newspaper Advertisements

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Scoping Report available for public review and comment:

A Scoping Report has been compiled for the project and is available for public review and comment from **Friday, 04 February 2022** to **Monday, 07 March 2022**. The Scoping Report can be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website (<https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/>).

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UGU FC player Masabata Moncho (green), tussles for an aerial ball with opposition players of Inter Madrid FC, Matshepiso Matsotso (left) and Kaleboha Setona during the promotion play-offs at the Bronville Stadium in Welkom on Saturday (29/01). Photo: Teboho Setena

Teams climb promotion ladder

Teboho Setena

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Three non-professional women's football teams in the Free State are buoyant after achieving promotion to the second-tier Sasol Women's League.

Clubs guaranteed participation in the upper division are UGU FC from Virginia, Inter

Madrid FC from Bloemfontein and Clever Girls FC from Qwaqwa.

The clubs' promotion came after these teams won their matches at the provincial promotion play-offs held at the Bronville Stadium in Welkom on Saturday (29/01).

These clubs campaigned and were victorious in the lower ranked Promotion

Women's League, which is also played under the auspices of Safa.

This league operates at regional level. Madrid and Napoli represented the Mangaung Metro and UGU represented Lejweleputswa, while Clever Girls represented the Thabo Mofutsanyana region.

UGU claimed first position,

receiving a gold medal and a floating trophy, Madrid got a silver medal and Clever Girls received a bronze medal.

UGU had beat Madrid by 6 - 2 and Clever Girls by 1 - 0. Madrid's only win was over Clever Girls, by 1 - 0.

Fourth-placed Napoli FC from Botshabelo, the one other Free State team with a shot at moving to a higher

tiered league, will only be promoted if Ixias FC from Welkom gets promoted to the Safa National Women's League.

The national promotion play-offs for this league will take place in Durban this month, and will culminate in the promotion of only two teams: the overall winner and the runner-up.

Tennis hosted

Two junior International Tennis Federation (ITF) tournaments will be staged in Bloemfontein soon.

The University of the Free State (UFS) is the main sponsor.

The first UFS Cepha Tennis Junior ITF series will be presented from Saturday (05/02) to 11 February, with the second taking place from 12 to 18 February.

Participating countries include South Africa, Namibia, Zimbabwe, Botswana, Great Britain, Belgium, Hungary, Egypt, Lesotho, Romania and Germany.

All matches will be played at the Free State Tennis Stadium. Entry is free. Covid-19 regulations apply.

NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE ENGIE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV FACILITY, FREE STATE PROVINCE

Applicant: Engie Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd.

Proposed Activity: An additional Footprint of 50 ha on the remainder of Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe for the currently authorised 150 ha known as Engie Sannaspos Solar Project in the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, Free State Province.

Project Location: The authorised solar facility and proposed additional footprint will be located in the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality of the Free State Province, within Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe.

Application for Environmental Authorisation: An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326) is being undertaken for the projects. The application is being supported by an Environmental Impact assessment (EIA) process.

Scoping Report available for public review and comment: A Scoping Report has been compiled for the project and is available for public review and comment from **Friday, 04 February 2022 to Monday, 07 March 2022**. The Scoping Report can be downloaded from Savannah Environmental's website (<https://savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/>).

To obtain further information, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the project, in writing, to Savannah Environmental:

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MANGAUNG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY: NOTICE OF APPLICATION IN TERMS OF MANGAUNG MUNICIPAL LAND USE PLANNING BY-LAWS, 2015

Notice is hereby given in terms of Artikel 47(3) of the Mangaung Municipal Land Use Planning By-Laws (2015) that the following application have been received:

APPLICATION FOR THE REZONING OF ERF 37103 WILLOWS FROM "PUBLIC BUILDING" TO "SPECIAL USE CCXXVI" FOR BUSINESS PURPOSES

Owner:	Ferres Trust (TPM 1747)
Description of property:	Erf 37103, Bloemfontein
Physical Address:	Co Markgraaf and St Georges Streets, Bloemfontein
Description of the application:	Application is made for the rezoning from "Public Building" to "Special Use CCXXVI" for Business Purposes, with a restriction on the gross leasable area of 5000m ² .

The application, relevant plans, documents and information will be available for inspection during office hours (08:30 - 15:00) at the office of the Town and Regional Planning Sub-directorate of the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, 10th Floor, Bram Fischer Building, Corner of Nelson Mandela Drive and Markgraaf Street, Bloemfontein, for a period of 30 days from the date of publication hereof, 4 February 2022.

Any person who has an interest in the matter and who wishes to object to the granting of the application or who desires to be heard, or wants to make representations concerning the matter, must communicate in writing with the Town and Regional Planning Sub-directorate of the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality at the above-mentioned address, or email: patricia.maasdorp@mangaung.co.za, or post to P.O. Box 3704, Bloemfontein, within a period of 30 days from the date of publication hereof to 4 March 2022, quoting your name, address, contact details, interest in the application and reasons for your comments. The Municipality may refuse to accept comment received after the closing date. Any person who cannot write will be assisted by a Municipal official by transcribing their comments.

Contact information of applicant: Hamer Town Planners, Office G09, Regus Business Centre, Uni Park Building, 5 Nobel Street, Bloemfontein. Tel 051 101 2331.

APPENDIX C3:
Background Information Letter

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESSES FOR THE ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE ENGIE SANNASPOS SOLAR PROJECT, FREE STATE PROVINCE

BACKGROUND INFORMATION LETTER

February 2022

Engie Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd requires an additional footprint for the construction and operation of a PV facility and grid connection. The project is known as the Engie Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) and is located on Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe, situated in the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality in the Free State Province. The project has been selected as a Preferred Bidder project under Round 5 of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers Procurement Programme (REIPPPP). A development footprint of 150 ha in extent is already authorised for the facility but in order to implement the project, an additional footprint of 50ha is required. Both the additional footprint and the authorized area are located within the boundary of 1808 of Besemkop and Farm 2962 of Lejwe. The additional footprint is immediately adjacent to the authorised area.

The nature and extent of the Solar PV development and the additional footprint are explored in more detail in this Background Information Letter (BIL). An Environmental Impact Assessment process is being undertaken in order to obtain Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the additional footprint. The public participation processes for the additional footprint will be undertaken concurrently, providing the public with an opportunity to comment on the project simultaneously. The project details for the additional footprint are as follows:

Applicant:	Project Name:
Engie Sannaspos Solar (Pty) Ltd	Engie Sannaspos Solar Facility

AIM OF THIS BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

This document aims to provide you, as an interested and/or affected party (I&AP), with:

- » An overview of the proposed solar PV facility and associated infrastructure.
- » An overview of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes and specialist studies being undertaken to assess the additional footprint.
- » Details of how you can become involved in the EIA processes, receive information, or raise comments that may concern and/or interest you.

OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT

In response to the electricity demand and need for supply within South Africa, the need to promote renewable energy and sustainability in the Free State Province, as well as the country's targets for renewable energy, the development of a 90MW solar PV facility is proposed. The development of the solar PV facility will add additional capacity and new grid connection infrastructure to the national electricity grid network.

The proposed facility will have a contracted capacity of 75MW (90MW installed capacity) and will include the following infrastructure:

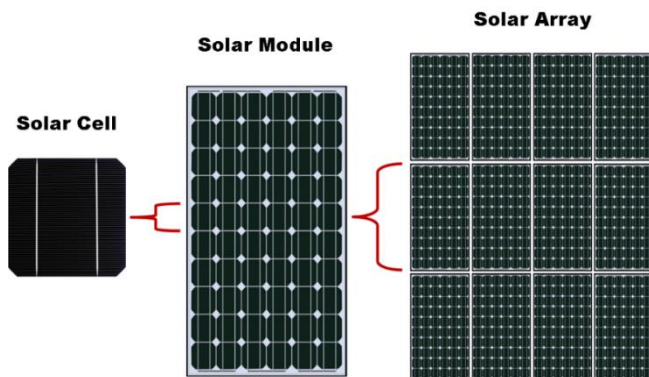
- » PV arrays and inverters
- » Cabling between project components, laid underground as far as possible
- » An on-site 132kV Independent Power Producer (IPP) substation to facilitate the grid connection
- » Internal access roads.
- » Guard house
- » Laydown, Campsite, and assembly area.
- » Office and Control centre.

MORE ABOUT SOLAR PV TECHNOLOGY

Solar energy facilities use energy from the sun to generate electricity through a process known as the **Photovoltaic Effect**. This effect refers to photons of light colliding with electrons, and therefore placing the electrons into a higher state of energy to create electricity. The solar fields of the PV facilities will comprise the following components:

Photovoltaic Cells:

A photovoltaic (PV) cell is made of silicone that acts as a semiconductor used to produce the photovoltaic effect. PV cells are arranged in multiples/arrays and placed behind a protective glass sheet to form a PV panel. Each PV cell is positively charged on one side and negatively charged on the opposite side, with electrical conductors attached to either side to form a circuit. This circuit captures the released electrons in the form of an electric current (i.e., Direct Current (DC)).



Overview of a PV cell, module, and array/panel (Source: pveducation.com)

A solar PV module is made up of individual solar PV cells connected together, whereas a solar PV array is a system made up of a group of individual solar PV modules electrically wired together to form a much larger PV installation. The PV panels will be fixed to support structures to maximise exposure to the sun.

PV panels are designed to operate continuously for more than 20 years, mostly unattended and with low maintenance.

Inverters:

Inverters are used to convert electricity produced by the PV cells from Direct Current (DC) into Alternating Current (AC) to enable the facility to be connected to the national electricity grid. Numerous inverters will be arranged in several arrays to collect and convert power produced by the facilities.

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

In accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the applicant requires an EA from the National Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment (DFFE) in consultation with the Free State Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform.

The proposed project and additional footprint is located outside of the Renewable Energy Development Zones (REDZ) and Strategic Transmission Corridors formally gazetted in South Africa for the purpose of developing solar and wind energy generation facilities. In line with the gazetted process for projects located outside of the REDZ and transmission corridors, and in line with the main relevant activity triggered by the additional footprint (Activity 15 of GNR 325 of Listing Notice 2 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended the clearance of an area of 20 hectares or more of indigenous vegetation), the proposed additional footprint is subject to a full Scoping & EIA Process and a decision-making period of 107 days, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998, as amended) (NEMA) and the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations (as amended) promulgated in GN R982, R983, R984 and R985 on 8 December 2014. An EIA Process in terms of Appendix 1 of the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations (as amended) is therefore being undertaken for the additional footprint.

Each application is required to be supported by comprehensive, independent environmental specialist studies undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

An Environmental Impact Assessment is an effective planning and decision-making tool. It allows for potential environmental consequences resulting from a proposed activity to be identified and appropriately managed during the construction, operation, and decommissioning phases of development. It also provides an opportunity for the project applicant to be forewarned of potential environmental issues, allows for the resolution of issue(s) identified and reported on as part of the EIA processes, and provides opportunity for dialogue with key stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs).

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the applications for EA and undertaking the supporting EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the additional footprint, as well as propose appropriate

mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programmes (EMPrs). I&APs will be actively involved in the EIA processes through the public participation process.

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT?

The study area will be assessed by independent environmental specialists to identify the potential for environmental impacts. Specialist studies that are proposed as part of the EIA processes include the following:

- » Biodiversity – includes ecology & freshwater, fauna and flora and assess the potential impact and the associated disturbance of vegetation on the biodiversity (including critical biodiversity areas and broad-scale processes).
- » Avifauna – includes an assessment of impacts on avifaunal habitats and sensitive features.
- » Soils, Land Use, and Agricultural Potential – includes land types and assesses the significance of loss of agricultural land and soil degradation and/or erosion.
- » Heritage (Archaeology and Palaeontology) – which includes archaeology and palaeontology and assesses the potential of disturbance to or destruction of heritage sites and fossils during the construction phase through excavation activities.
- » Visual – which includes the visual quality of the area and assesses the impact of the solar PV facilities and the grid connection solution on the aesthetics within the area.
- » Social – which assesses the positive and negative social impacts.

The independent specialist studies will be undertaken wherein the potentially significant impacts will be identified, assessed and ground-truthed. Practical and achievable mitigation measures will be recommended in order to minimise the significance of the potential impacts identified. These recommendations will be included within an EMPr compiled for the additional footprint.

Specialist studies will be informed by existing information, previous experience in the area, field observations and input from the public participation process. As an I&AP, your input is considered as an important part of the process, and we urge you to become involved.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

The sharing of information forms the basis of the public participation process and offers I&APs the opportunity to become actively involved in the EIA processes. Comments and inputs from I&APs are encouraged to ensure that potential impacts are considered throughout the EIA process. The public participation process aims to ensure that:

- » Information containing all relevant facts in respect of the applications are made available to I&APs for review.
- » I&AP participation is facilitated in such a manner that they are provided with reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed project.
- » Adequate review periods are provided for I&APs to comment on the findings of the EIA Report.

An integrated public participation process will be conducted for the additional footprint. To ensure effective participation, the public participation processes include the following:

- » Identifying I&APs, including affected and adjacent landowners and occupiers of land, and relevant Organs of State, and recording details within a database.
- » Notifying registered I&APs of the commencement of the EIA process and distributing the BIL.
- » Providing access to registered parties to Savannah Environmental' s website, which centralises project information and stakeholder input in a single digital platform.
- » Providing an opportunity for I&APs to engage with the EIA project team.
- » Placing site notices at the affected property/ies.
- » Placing an advertisement in a local newspaper.
- » Notifying I&APs of the release of the Reports for a 30-day review and comment period.

YOUR RESPONSIBILITIES AS AN I&AP

In terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and the Public Participation Guidelines, 2014 your attention is drawn to your responsibilities as an I&AP:

- » To participate in the EIA processes, you must register yourself on the I&AP database.
- » You must ensure that any comments regarding the proposed additional footprint are submitted within the stipulated timeframes.
- » You are required to disclose any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest that you may have in the approval or refusal of the applications.

HOW TO BECOME INVOLVED

1. By responding by phone, fax, or e-mail, to the invitation for your involvement.
2. By returning the reply form to the relevant contact person.
3. By contacting the environmental consultant with queries or comments.
4. By reviewing and commenting on the Report within the stipulated 30-day review and comment period. Registered I&APs will automatically be notified of the release of the EIA Report for comment, and the closing dates by which comments must be received.

If you consider yourself an I&AP for the proposed project, we urge you to make use of the opportunities created by the public participation process to provide comment, raise issues and concerns which affect and / or interest you, or request further information. Your input forms a key element of the EIA processes.

By completing and submitting the accompanying reply form, you automatically register yourself as an I&AP for the proposed additional footprint, and are ensured that your comments, concerns, or queries raised regarding the additional footprint will be noted. Please note that all comments received will be included in the project documentation. This may include personal information.

COMMENTS AND QUERIES

Direct all comments, queries, or responses to:

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Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd

Post: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, Johannesburg, 2157

Tel: 011 656 3237

Mobile: 060 978 8396 (also includes *please call me*)

Fax: 086 684 0547

E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

To view project documentation, visit www.savannahsa.com/public-documents/energy-generation/

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APPENDIX C4:
Organs of State Correspondence

Tamryn Lee Goddard

From: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Thursday, 18 November 2021 18:29
To: Tamryn Lee Goddard
Cc: Jo-Anne Thomas
Subject: RE: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting
Attachments: april2021application_meetingrequest.docx

Dear Tamryn.

Please note that we cannot process your application for Pre-Application Meeting as you have used the incorrect form. The form used is dated November 2021 and we have not created or issued a November 2021 form. Kindly advise us where you obtained this form. Please use the correct form (attached) and we will gladly process your request and allocate your application.

Regards

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Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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From: Tamryn Lee Goddard <tamryn@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Tuesday, 16 November 2021 15:26
To: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Cc: Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>
Subject: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting

Good day,

Please find attached pre-application meeting request for the proposed additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding the project or the application.

Please note and as stated in the application form, we do not require a meeting but do need approval of the PP Plan. Please advise if you require a meeting and a suitable date.

Thank you and kind regards,

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Tamryn Lee Goddard

From: Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 November 2021 09:59
To: Tamryn Lee Goddard; Jo-Anne Thomas
Cc: Dr. Danie Smit; Julliet Mahlangu; Ephron Maradwa
Subject: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - PPP Plan Approval 2021-11-0021

Dear Tamryn

The Public Participation Process (PPP) Plan for the abovementioned project received by this department on 18 November 2021, refer.

The Department has evaluated the Public Participation Plan which is submitted as per Minister Directive dated 05 June 2020 in response to Covid-19 pandemic and the minutes of the pre application meeting hereby approves the plan and minutes for the abovementioned project.

You may proceed with the public participation process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the PPP plan. Should you wish to deviate from the submitted PPP Plan, the amended PPP Plan must be submitted to the Department for approval prior commencement.

Please ensure that the PPP plan forms part of the report that will be submitted to the department. Kindly ensure that all I&APs are consulted as per requirement of EIA Regulations 2014 as amended.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorization being granted by the Department.

Regards,
Zamalanga

From: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Thursday, 25 November 2021 14:30
To: Julliet Mahlangu <JMMahlangu@dffe.gov.za>
Cc: Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>; Dr. Danie Smit <DSMIT@dffe.gov.za>; Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>; reggie.niemand@engie.com
Subject: 2021-11-0021

Dear Julliet.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

Type of Application: Pre-Application Meeting Request;
Reference Number: 2021-11-0021;
Date Received: 18/11/2021;
Action Required: Decide on meeting request.

Kindly let Ephron know which date the meeting is to be held, if it will be set.

*EAP/Applicant: please use this reference number when submitting the application for EA/amendment application (page 1 of the application form), as well as attach the approved PP Plan if the application requires a PP process.

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Cc: Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>
Subject: FW: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting

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To: Tamryn Lee Goddard
Cc: Zama Langa; Jo-Anne Thomas; reggie.niemand@engie.com
Subject: FW: 2021-11-0021
Attachments: Request for Pre-Application for the Engie Sannaspos additional footprint.pdf; 2021-11-0021.pdf

Good Morning

The department acknowledges the receipt of the Pre Application request and have noted that you do not require a meeting.

Please send the public Participation Plan to the department for approval before submitting the application.

Regards
Julliet

From: EIA Applications [mailto:EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za]
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To: Mangalane.DuToit@drdlr.gov.za
Cc: queries@drdlr.gov.za; Nondumiso Bulunga
Subject: Sannaspos PV Land Claim Enquiry
Attachments: SE3213- Sannaspos Land Claims Letter final.pdf

Dear Mangalane,

I trust this email finds you well.

Please kindly find attached land claims enquiry for two farm portions in question. We (Savannah Environmental) are currently conducting a full Scoping and EIA process for the development on an additional footprint on these two properties and require confirmation of whether there are land claims against them. This will assist our project team to consult with the relevant claimants as required by the regulatory environmental legislation.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Kind regards,



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Sent: Thursday, 13 January 2022 12:13
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Cc: 'info@DALRRD.gov.za'; 'landclaims@drdlr.gov.za'; Nondumiso Bulunga
Subject: Sannaspos PV Land Claim Enquiry
Attachments: SE3213- Sannaspos Land Claims Letter final.pdf

To whom it may concern.

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12 January 2022

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Attention: Mrs Mangalane Du Toit
Email: Mangalane.DuToit@drdlr.gov.za

**BASIC ASSESSMENT RPROCESS REQUIRED FOR THE PROPOSED ENVIRONEMNTAL AUTHORISATION OF
THE ENGIE SANNASPOS PV ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT, FREE STATE PROVINCE**

ENGIE Sannaspos Solar Project (Pty) Ltd obtained an Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Sannaspos PV Plant Phase 1 and associated infrastructure, located on Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop and Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe, within the Mangaung Metropolitan Municipality, Free State Province in May 2013 (DFFE Reference No.: 14/12/16/3/3/2/360). The project has been selected as a Preferred Bidder project under Round 5 of the Renewable Energy Independent Power Producers Procurement Programme (REIPPPP).

The proposed facility will have a contracted capacity of 75MW (90MW installed capacity) and will include the following infrastructure:

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- » Internal access roads.
- » Guard house
- » Laydown, Campsite, and assembly area.
- » Office and Control centre.

A developmental footprint of 150 ha in extent is authorised for the facility and associated infrastructure. In order to implement the project, an additional 50ha is required. This additional area is located within the properties assessed for the project.

An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of Sections 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No 107 of 1998), as read with the environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, GNR 982-985 of 4 December 2014, as amended, a Scoping and EIA is required to be undertaken for the proposed additional footprint and its associated infrastructure.

Savannah Environmental has been appointed as the independent environmental consultant responsible for managing the application for EA and undertaking the supporting Scoping and EIA process required to identify and assess potential environmental impacts associated with the project, as well as propose appropriate mitigation and management measures to be contained within the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).

Savannah Environmental would like to enquire if there are any land claims against the following farms:

- » Portion 0 of Farm 1808 Besemkop
- » Portion 0 of Farm 2962 Lejwe

Confirmation of whether there are land claims against the mentioned property will assist our project team to consult with the relevant claimants as required by the regulatory environmental legislation. You may direct any queries to Lehlogonolo Mashego (Reference number SE3212) at:

Lehlogonolo Mashego

Savannah Environmental

P.O. Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157

Tel: 011 656 3237

Mobile: 060 978 8396 (*also include please call me*)

Fax: 086 684 0547

Email: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

Yours sincerely,

Lehlogonolo Mashego

Public Participation and Environmental Consultant

APPENDIX C5:
Stakeholder Correspondence

Lehlogonolo Mashego

From: Savannah Public Process
Sent: Wednesday, 05 January 2022 09:31
To: Citizen Journalist Training Program
Cc: Nondumiso Bulunga
Subject: SE3212: Sannaspos Environmental Impact Study
Attachments: Locality Map Sannaspos.png; Farm portions map sannaspos.png

Tracking:	Recipient	Delivery
	Citizen Journalist Training Program	
	Nondumiso Bulunga	Delivered: 2022/01/05 09:31

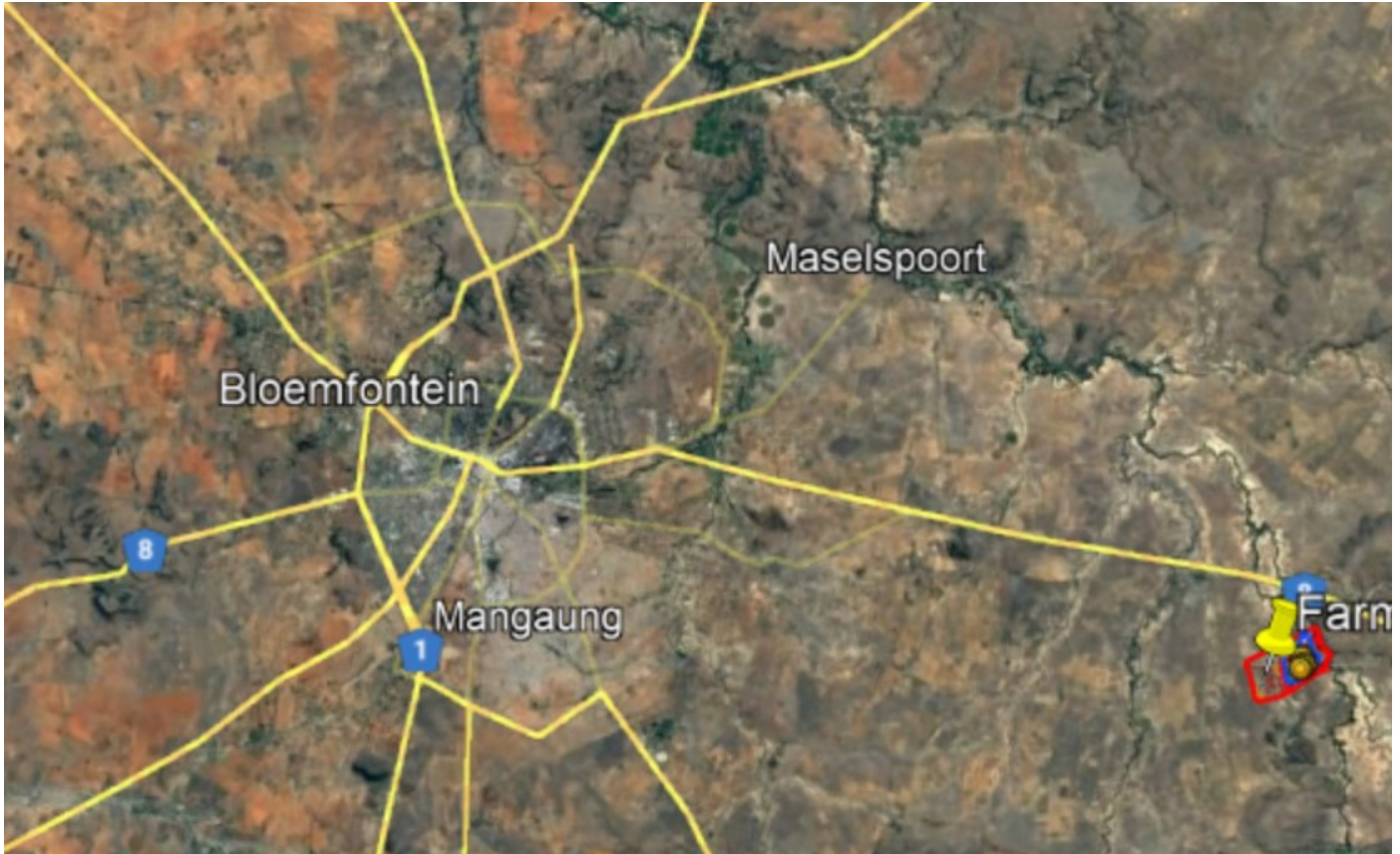
Dear Peter,

Thank you for your enquiry below.

The farm in question is farm Lejwe 2962 which lies directly adjacent to farm Basemkop 1808 on the South side of the N8 near Sannaspos.

Please see attached locality map, farm portion map and google earth image below for further clarity. The exact co-ordinates are: 29°11'55.94"S; 26°34'41.21"E.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further clarifications or have any additional questions regarding the project.



Kind regards,

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From: Citizen Journalist Training Program <citizenjtp@gmail.com>

Sent: Tuesday, 04 January 2022 07:42

To: Savannah Public Process <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>

Subject: Sannaspos Environmental Impact Study

Good day,

I would just like to find out what is the correct name of the mention farm, Lejwe, which as mentioned as being in, the Sannaspos area, as mention in on the map of the environmental impact study, that is on the farm gates going to Rusfontein dam. Where is Lejwe located? As non one in the Sannapos area is aware of a farm called Lejwe.

Kind Regards

Peter Mojalefa

APPENDIX C6:
Comments Received

Record of comments received will be incorporated into the Final Scoping Report as no comments have been received to date.

APPENDIX C7:
Minutes of Meetings

No meetings have taken place to date; however a record of any potential meetings will be incorporated accordingly.

APPENDIX C8:
Comments and Responses Report

ADDITIONAL FOOTPRINT FOR THE ENGIE SANNASPOS SOLAR PV FACILITY

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT

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ENGIE Sannaspos Solar Project was announced on **Wednesday, 02 February 2022**. A Background Information Letter (BIL) was distributed and served to invite Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to register their interest in the project and to submit any comments / queries regarding the proposed project. The notification of the availability of the Scoping Report for review and comment was included in the notification of the distribution of the BIL. All written comments received from the commencement of the Scoping phase to date have been included in the table below.

The Scoping Report is made available for a 30-day review and comment period from **Friday, 04 February 2022** until **Monday, 07 March 2022**. The Comments and Responses Report (C&RR) will be updated with comments received during the review and comment period of the Scoping Report and included in **Appendix C6** of the Final Scoping Report (FSR).

Notes for the record from meetings are included as part of **Appendix C** of the FSR and are not included as part of this C&RR.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS / ACRONYMS

BIL	Background Information Letter	FSR	Final Scoping Report
C&RR	Comments and Responses Report	I&APs	Interested and Affected Parties

1. COMMENTS RECEIVED AT THE INITIATION OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

1.1. Organs of State

No.	Raised by	Comment	Responded by	Response
1.	-			

1.2. Key Stakeholders and Interested & Affected Parties

No.	Raised by	Comment	Responded by	Response
1.	Mr Lenkoe Land occupier Telephonic call: 09 December 2021	I see there were site notices placed on a farm that we live on and there are issues we would like to raise.	Tumelo Mathulwe Public Participation Consultant Savannah Environmental	As discussed, during our phone call, you were informed of the site notices placed on the farm fences and wanted to raise comments that you have. There is a dispute between yourself and a party that is using your land for his own benefit and the matter has been taken to the relevant authorities however it is lost in the system. Please can you provide us with the Farm name, number, and the portion in order for us to determine whether the farm in question is one that is affected by the project. (an LPI code/surveyor general code would also be useful) Furthermore, please could you forward us the details of the parties mentioned for Savannah to consult with.
2.	Peter Mojalefa I&AP Email: 04 January 2022	I would just like to find out what is the correct name of the mention farm, Lejwe, which as mentioned as being in, the Sannaspos area, as mention in on the map of the environmental impact study, that is on the farm gates going to Rusfontein dam. Where	Nicolene Venter Public Participation & Social Consultant Savannah Environmental	The farm in question is farm Lejwe 2962 which lies directly adjacent to farm Basemkop 1808 on the South side of the N8 near Sannaspos. Please see attached locality map, farm portion map and google earth image below for further clarity. The exact co-ordinates are: 29°11'55.94"S; 26°34'41.21"E.

No.	Raised by	Comment	Responded by	Response
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APPENDIX C9:
Public Participation Plan and Approval

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

ADDITIONAL DEVELOPMENT AREA FOR THE AUTHORISED 75MW SANNASPOS PHOTOVOLTAIC (PV) SOLAR ENERGY FACILITY AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE, FREE STATE PROVINCE

Application be submitted

The restrictions enforced in terms of Government Gazette 43096 which placed the country in a national state of disaster limiting the movement of people to curb the spread of the COVID-19 virus has placed some limitations on the commencement and continuation of the public consultation as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process. Considering these limitations, the following consultation process has been designed and will be implemented, on approval by the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE), to cater for the conducting of the public participation process which includes Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs), the competent authority, directly impacted landowners/occupiers, adjacent landowners/occupiers, relevant Organs of State (OoS) departments, Municipalities, ward councillors and other key stakeholders.

PROJECT DETAILS

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN

The public participation (PP) process will be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of Regulations 39 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, (GNR 326). The aim of the public participation process is primarily to ensure that:

- » information containing all relevant facts in respect of the proposed project is made available to potential stakeholders and I&APs;
- » participation by I&APs is facilitated in such a manner that all potential stakeholders and I&APs are provided with a reasonable opportunity to comment on the proposed project; and
- » comments received from potential stakeholders and I&APs are recorded and incorporated into the EIA process.

The traditional means and opportunities available for the undertaking of public participation are still covered and implemented as part of this plan considering the current limitations in terms of the Regulations to limit risks associated with COVID-19. Alternative means of undertaking consultation have been designed and will be implemented by Savannah Environmental to ensure that I&APs are afforded sufficient opportunity to raise comments on the project through an interactive web-based platform readily available and accessible to any person illustrating interest in the project and enables the public participation process to be undertaken in line with Regulations 41 to 44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

The use of online tools enables stakeholders and I&APs to explore the project-specific content in their own time and allows them to participate in a meaningful way in the consultation process. The online platform allows for project information to be shared and made available. The online platform allows the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to visually present details regarding the project and our consultation documentation, including project maps and plans, presentations and reports available for review.

Access to the project documentation via the Savannah Environmental website will be unrestricted to all I&APs. I&APs wanting to access the project information via this portal will be required to register and will receive a unique code (via an automated system) to access the report of interest. This step and the online portal support the EAP in maintaining a complete and accurate record and database of all parties who have interest in the project (and who choose to access the report via the online portal), in line with the requirements of the Regulations.

The online platform considers the limitations applied by the Disaster Management Act Regulations prohibiting the gathering of people, as well as limitations which certain I&APs may have in terms of access to computers and internet as well as access to public spaces not open for operation or which have restricted access.

The benefits of the online platform include:

- Ability to create a dedicated project-specific online platform to enable easy access to project-related information.
- Ability to reach a wider audience, allowing more widespread consultation for major infrastructure projects.
- Allowing stakeholders and I&APs the opportunity to engage on a project without leaving their office or home.
- Enabling stakeholders and I&APs to register their interest in a project (for inclusion on the project database), and automatically gaining access to comprehensive project documentation.
- Enabling the EAP to maintain a complete database of I&APs through maintaining a record of persons accessing the online stakeholder consultation platform.
- Enabling the EAP and stakeholders/I&APs to meet virtually.

Where I&APs do not have the applicable facilities (i.e., access to internet, mobile phones, or computers), provision has been made to include these I&APs in the consultation process by consulting with the Ward Councillor, the ward committee members, community representatives and local community forum members. Hard copy documentation can be made available but will only be provided where appropriate sanitary conditions can be maintained.

The schematic illustration overleaf provides an overview of the tools that are available to I&APs and stakeholders to access project information and interact with the public participation team to obtain project information and resolve any queries that may arise, and to meet the requirements for public participation.



The PP plan, as set out in the table below, has been drafted for the above-mentioned project to ensure compliance with the requirements of the EIA Regulations and that reasonable opportunity is provided to

I&APs and that all administrative actions are reasonable. Proof of all notifications will be included in the public participation appendix included in the Scoping & EIA reports.

The PP plan is submitted to the DFFE for discussion and agreement before the PP process is undertaken for the proposed project.

Public Participation Plan: Discussion of approach and methodology to meet the requirements of the Regulations, applicable to all abovementioned applications for environmental authorisation (combined where possible).

Regulation	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements
<p>Regulation 40(1), Regulation 40(3) & Regulation 43 – provide all potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, access to project related information, access to the Scoping & EIA reports which will be made available for a period of at least 30 days to submit comments on draft reports prior to submission of final reports for decision-making.</p>	<p><u>Notification of EIA processes to be distributed using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-mail • Dedicated project page on the online platform (i.e., Savannah Environmental website). • Post / fax (where email or other electronic means are not possible) • Site notices placed on site. • Advertisement in one local newspaper. <p><u>Notification of availability of reports and period for review using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Newspaper adverts, including details of the review period, where the Scoping & EIA reports can be accessed and details of the Savannah Environmental website. • Notification letter (to be sent via email, fax, or post) to identified and registered I&APs. • Notifications to communities via one of the following, where available: Ward Councillor, ward committee members, identified and confirmed community representatives, and local community forum members. • SMS and/ or WhatsApp notifications where no other multimedia means are available. <p><u>Availability of reports for review:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports available on the Savannah Environmental website for download. • Electronic copies can be made available to parties via a secure Dropbox link (or other means) that will be emailed upon request for the documentation. • CDs or USBs to be posted, if requested. • Hard copy project documentation and reports to be available only where appropriate sanitary conditions can be maintained. • Reports will be submitted to the DFFE using the DFFE online portal. • Reports will be submitted to OoS and commenting authorities via an agreed electronic platform (such as on CD, or via a secure Dropbox link or WeTransfer, etc.). <p><u>Submission of comments to PP team:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written comments can be submitted via email, post or fax.

Regulation	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Any comments provided telephonically, which has been confirmed via e-mail, or via instant message will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments and included in the Comments and Responses Report and the applicable appendix to the Scoping & EIA Reports. <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post and/or fax (where email or other means are not possible) • Placement of site notice on all affected properties. • Advertisements in printed media (local newspaper). • Consultation and communication through one of the following, where available: the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members. It has been assumed that these forums would be suitable for notifications to occupiers where access to these parties is not available through other means (such as direct consultation). However, landowners will also be contacted regarding the best way to notify and consult occupiers, where required. • SMS or WhatsApp notification (including <i>please call me</i>) – Savannah Environmental has a dedicated mobile phone • CDs / USBs to be posted, if requested (and where a computer is available). • Hard copy reports to be available only where sanitary conditions can be maintained.
<p>Regulation 40(2) - Provide access to all project information that has the potential to influence any decision regarding the application, unless protected by law, and must include consultation with Competent Authority, Organs of State & registered I&APs.</p> <p>Regulation 41(6) – Relevant information available and accessible</p>	<p>Provision of project information and consultation via various means including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephonic consultation. • Email correspondence. • Correspondence sent via post / fax (where email or other electronic means are not possible) • SMS and/or WhatsApp. • The Savannah Environmental online platform will include the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ A means to register on the project database and provide details of their interest in the project ○ Project maps (as applicable) • Virtual focus group meetings, where required, using an appropriate platform agreeable to all parties (such as Zoom, Skype or MS Teams). The meetings will be recorded, and the attendees' details captured in an attendance register. • Communities will be consulted via one of the following, where available: the relevant Ward Councillor, ward committee members, community representative or local community forum

Regulation	Approach & Methodology to meet requirements
	<p>members, as determined and confirmed during the consultation process. It has been assumed that these forums would be suitable for notifications to community members where access to these parties is not available through other means (such as direct consultation).</p> <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Telephonic consultation. • Post (where email or other means are not possible) • SMS and/or WhatsApp. • Consultation and communication through one of the following, where available: the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members.
Regulation 41(2)(a) – Site notice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Site notices will be placed at affected properties by the EAP, landowner or specialist, depending on specific travel restrictions applicable at the time. • Size and content will be in accordance with Regulation 41(3) & 41(4).
Regulation 41(2)(b) – Written notification to affected and neighbouring landowners and occupiers; municipality; ward councillors; Organs of State & other parties required by the CA	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notification letter to be sent via email, fax, or post. <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Post (where email or other means are not possible) • SMS or WhatsApp notification.
Regulation 41(2)(c) – (e) – Advertisements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adverts will be placed in a local newspaper announcing the EIA process and availability of the various reports.
Regulation 42 – Project database	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I&APs to be identified through a process of networking and referral, obtaining information from the existing stakeholder database for the PV facility, liaison with potentially affected parties in the greater surrounding area and a registration process involving the completion of a reply form or response to adverts. • OoS, key stakeholders and affected and surrounding landowners will be identified and registered on the project database. • Other stakeholders will be required to formally register their interest in the project through either directly contacting the Savannah Environmental Public Participation team via email or fax or use of the Savannah Environmental website. • To access the Savannah Environmental online platform for a specific project, I&APs will be required to provide their details such that they are automatically registered on the project database.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The register of I&APs will contain the names of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ all persons who requested to be registered on the database through the use of the Savannah Environmental website, or in writing and disclosed their interest in the project; ○ all OoS which hold jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and ○ all persons who submitted written comments or attended virtual meeting/s and viewed virtual presentations on the Savannah Environmental website during the public participation process. • The information captured on the project database will contain the names, organisation and contact details, as required. It must be noted that personal details will not be shared in public documentation in accordance with the requirements of the POPI Act.
Regulation 44 – Comments to be recorded	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Written comments can be submitted via email, post or fax. • Any comments provided telephonically or via instant message will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments. • All comments received throughout the EIA processes will be acknowledged and captured in the comments and responses report (C&RR) with a relevant response. • The C&RR and all comments received will be included in the final report submitted to the CA. <p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I&APs without the applicable electronic facilities to access the Savannah Environmental website will be provided with the opportunity to submit their comments and communicate with the public participation team via SMS, WhatsApp or by sending a Please-call-me notification. These comments will be transcribed and recorded as formal comments. • Written comments via post or fax (where email or other means are not possible). • Comment submission telephonically and instant messaging (SMS and/or WhatsApp). • Sending a Please-call-me notification to the Public Participation team so that contact can be made.
Regulation 4(2) – Notification of decision on application	<p><u>Notification of Environmental Authorisation (EA) using the following means:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notification letter with details as outlined in EA issued will be sent via email, fax, or post. • Notifications that the EA has been issued and where to download and/or obtain a copy to communities via one of the following, where available: Ward Councillor and his/her ward committee members and identified and confirmed community representatives. • SMS or WhatsApp notification.

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	<p><u>Opportunity and means of consultation where applicable facilities are not available to I&APs:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Post (where email or other means are not possible)• Communication via one of the following, where available: the ward councillor, ward committee members and confirmed community representatives and local community forum members.• SMS and/or WhatsApp.

Tamryn Lee Goddard

From: Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Tuesday, 30 November 2021 09:59
To: Tamryn Lee Goddard; Jo-Anne Thomas
Cc: Dr. Danie Smit; Julliet Mahlangu; Ephron Maradwa
Subject: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - PPP Plan Approval 2021-11-0021

Dear Tamryn

The Public Participation Process (PPP) Plan for the abovementioned project received by this department on 18 November 2021, refer.

The Department has evaluated the Public Participation Plan which is submitted as per Minister Directive dated 05 June 2020 in response to Covid-19 pandemic and the minutes of the pre application meeting hereby approves the plan and minutes for the abovementioned project.

You may proceed with the public participation process in accordance with the tasks contemplated in the PPP plan. Should you wish to deviate from the submitted PPP Plan, the amended PPP Plan must be submitted to the Department for approval prior commencement.

Please ensure that the PPP plan forms part of the report that will be submitted to the department. Kindly ensure that all I&APs are consulted as per requirement of EIA Regulations 2014 as amended.

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorization being granted by the Department.

Regards,
Zamalanga

From: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Thursday, 25 November 2021 14:30
To: Julliet Mahlangu <JMMahlangu@dffe.gov.za>
Cc: Zama Langa <ZLANGA@dffe.gov.za>; Dr. Danie Smit <DSMIT@dffe.gov.za>; Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>; reggie.niemand@engie.com
Subject: 2021-11-0021

Dear Julliet.

Please note that you have been allocated an application:

Type of Application: Pre-Application Meeting Request;
Reference Number: 2021-11-0021;
Date Received: 18/11/2021;
Action Required: Decide on meeting request.

Kindly let Ephron know which date the meeting is to be held, if it will be set.

*EAP/Applicant: please use this reference number when submitting the application for EA/amendment application (page 1 of the application form), as well as attach the approved PP Plan if the application requires a PP process.

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Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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From: Tamryn Lee Goddard <tamryn@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Friday, 19 November 2021 10:51
To: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Cc: Jo-Anne Thomas <joanne@savannahsa.com>
Subject: FW: Additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project - Request for Pre-Application Meeting

Good day,

Please find attached pre-application meeting request for the proposed additional footprint for the Engie Sannasport Solar Project. Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any queries regarding the project or the application.

Please note and as stated in the application form, we do not require a meeting but do need approval of the PP Plan. Please advise if you require a meeting and a suitable date.

Thank you and kind regards,

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