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Your Ref: Temporary DFFE Reference Number: 2024-11-0018

Our Ref: 41106304

13 March 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

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DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) is available for public comment from **13 March 2026 to 15 April 2026**. The report will be available for download from the link and QR code below. Printed copies of the DSR will be available for review at the following venues:

- Ratanda Proper Library - Nkomo St, Ratanda, Heidelberg - GP, 1443

- Heidelburg Public Library - 7 Jacobs St, Heidelberg, Heidelberg - GP, 1441
- Ward 3 Public Library - Joubert street, Balfour, 2410
- Grootvlei Power Station Stores - Seventh Street, Grootvlei
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- Draft Scoping Report and associated appendices

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Yours Your faithfully

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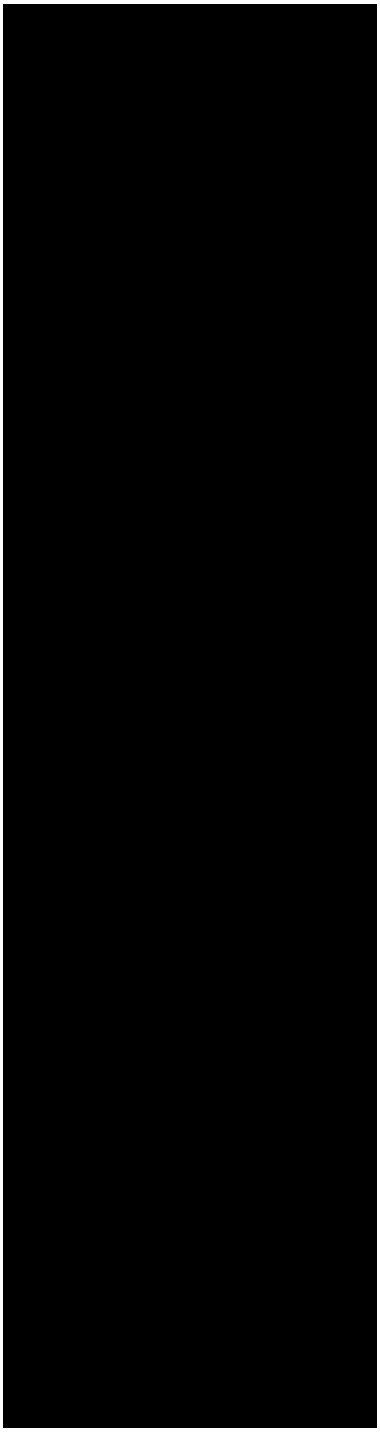
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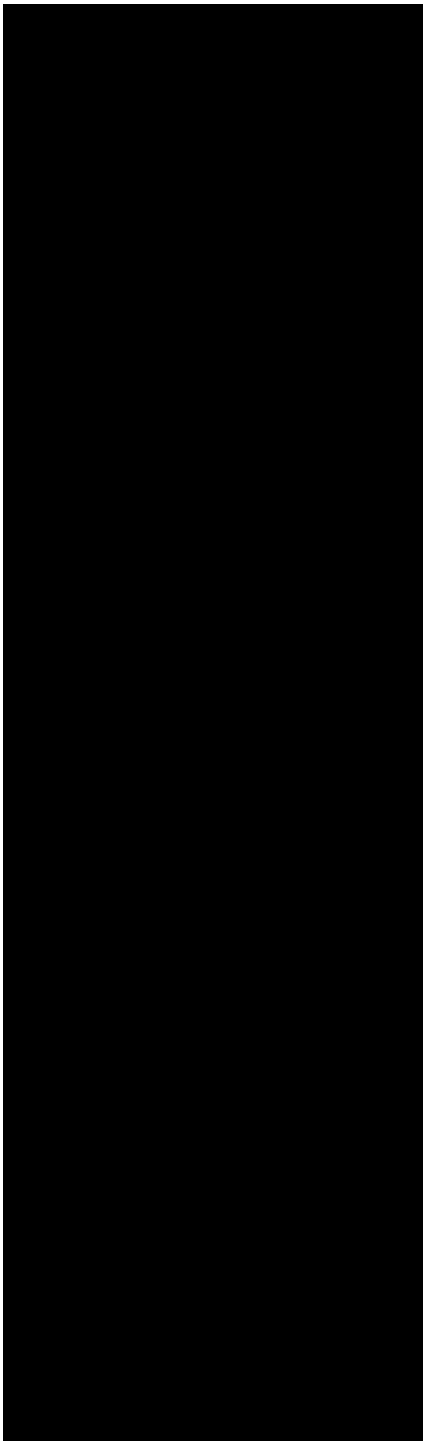
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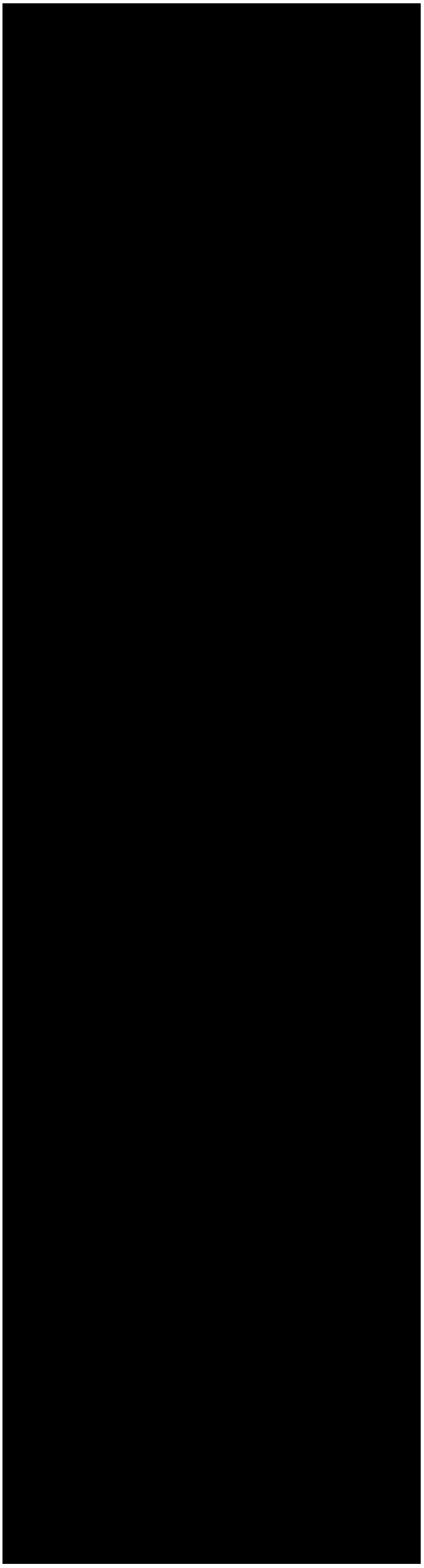
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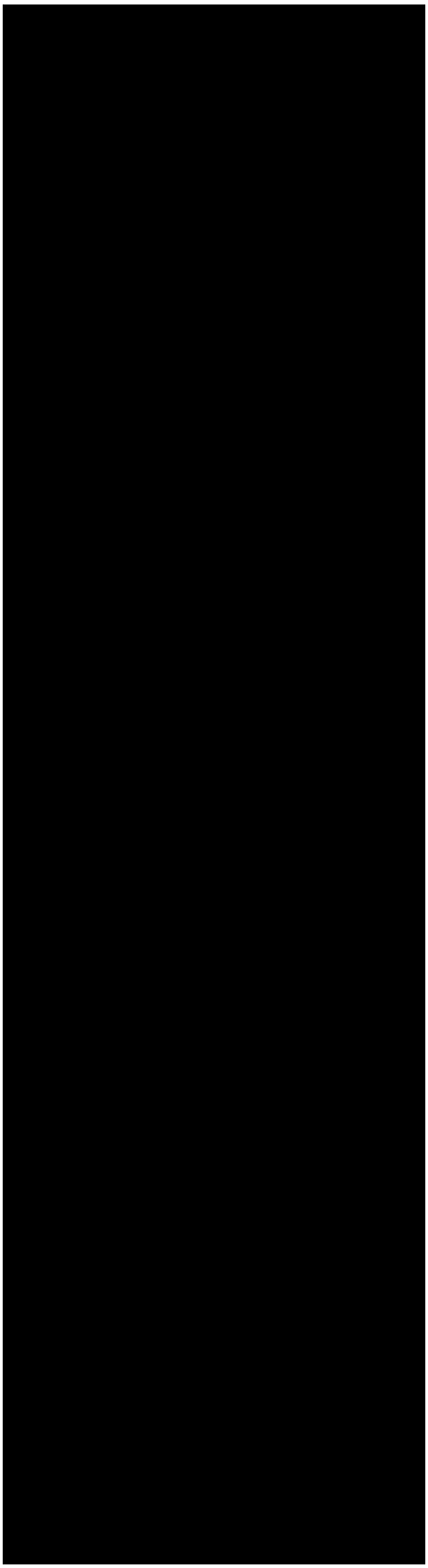
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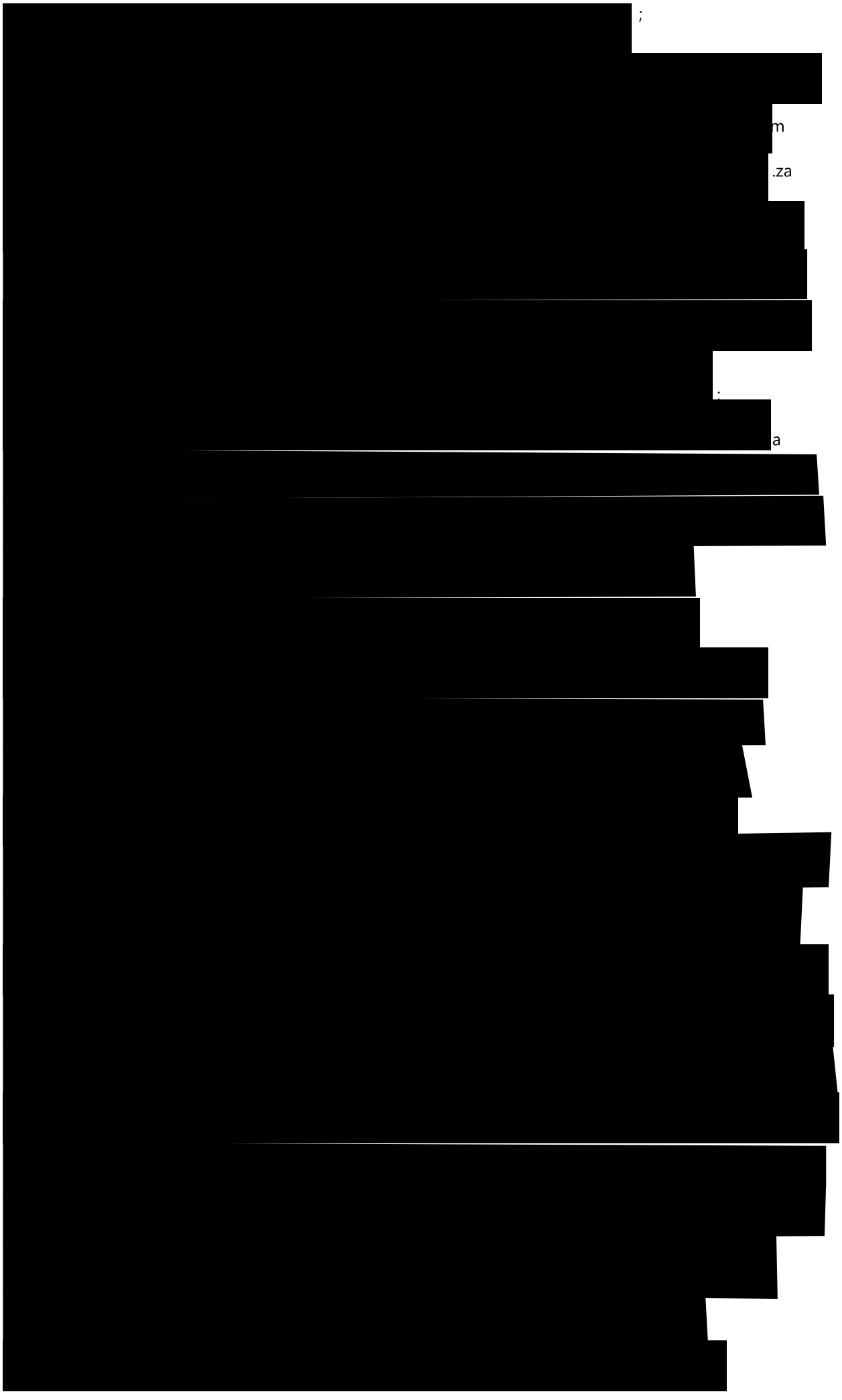
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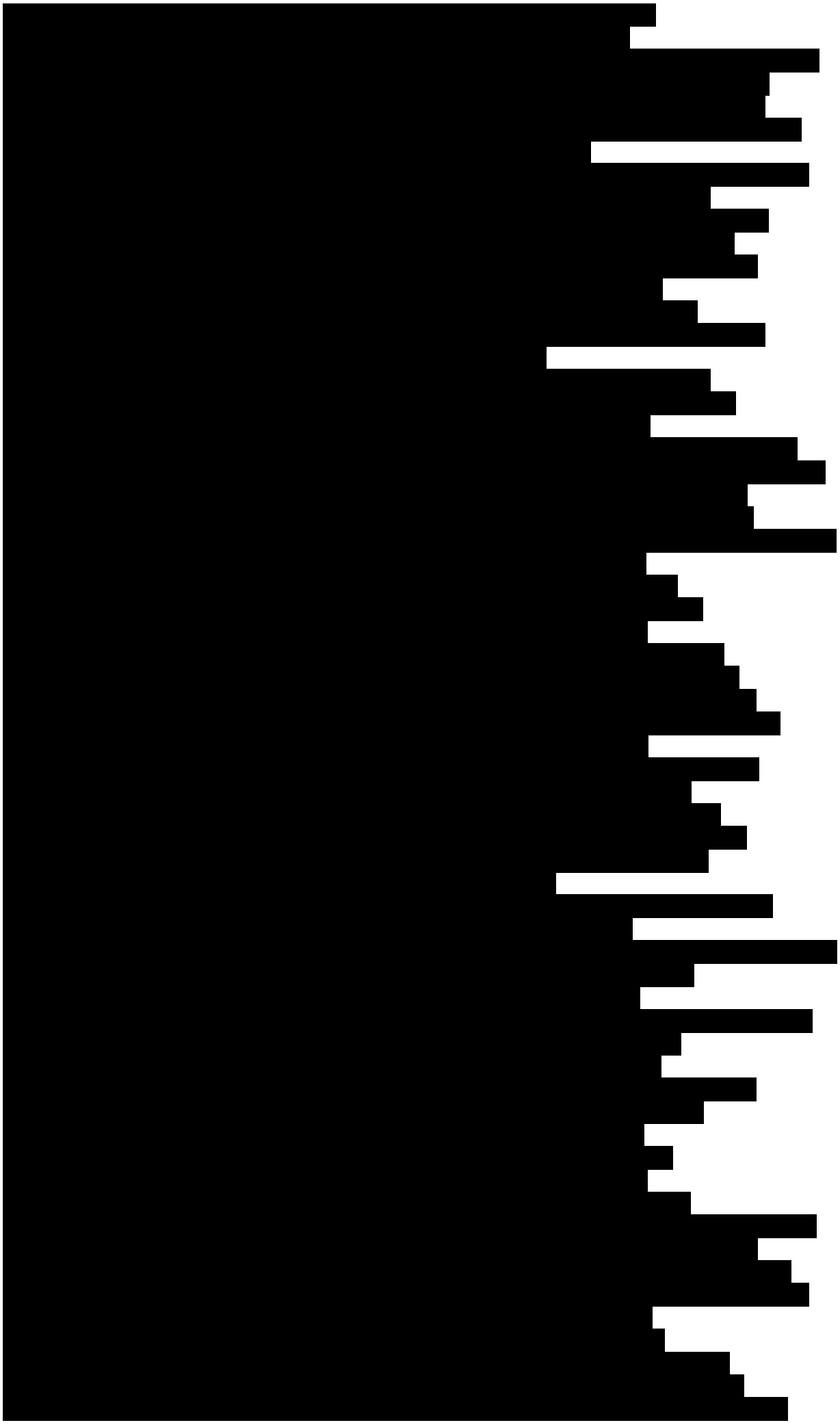
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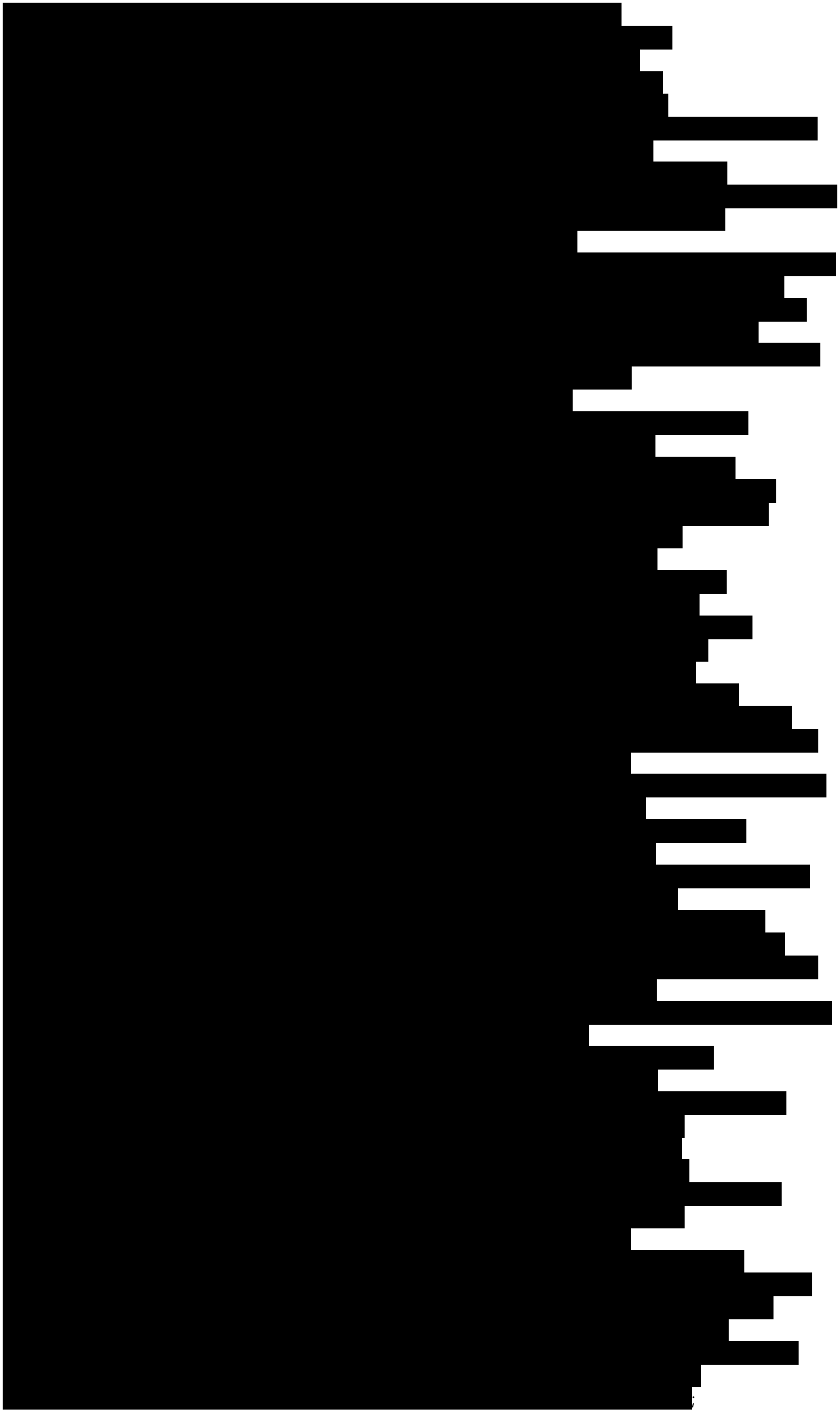
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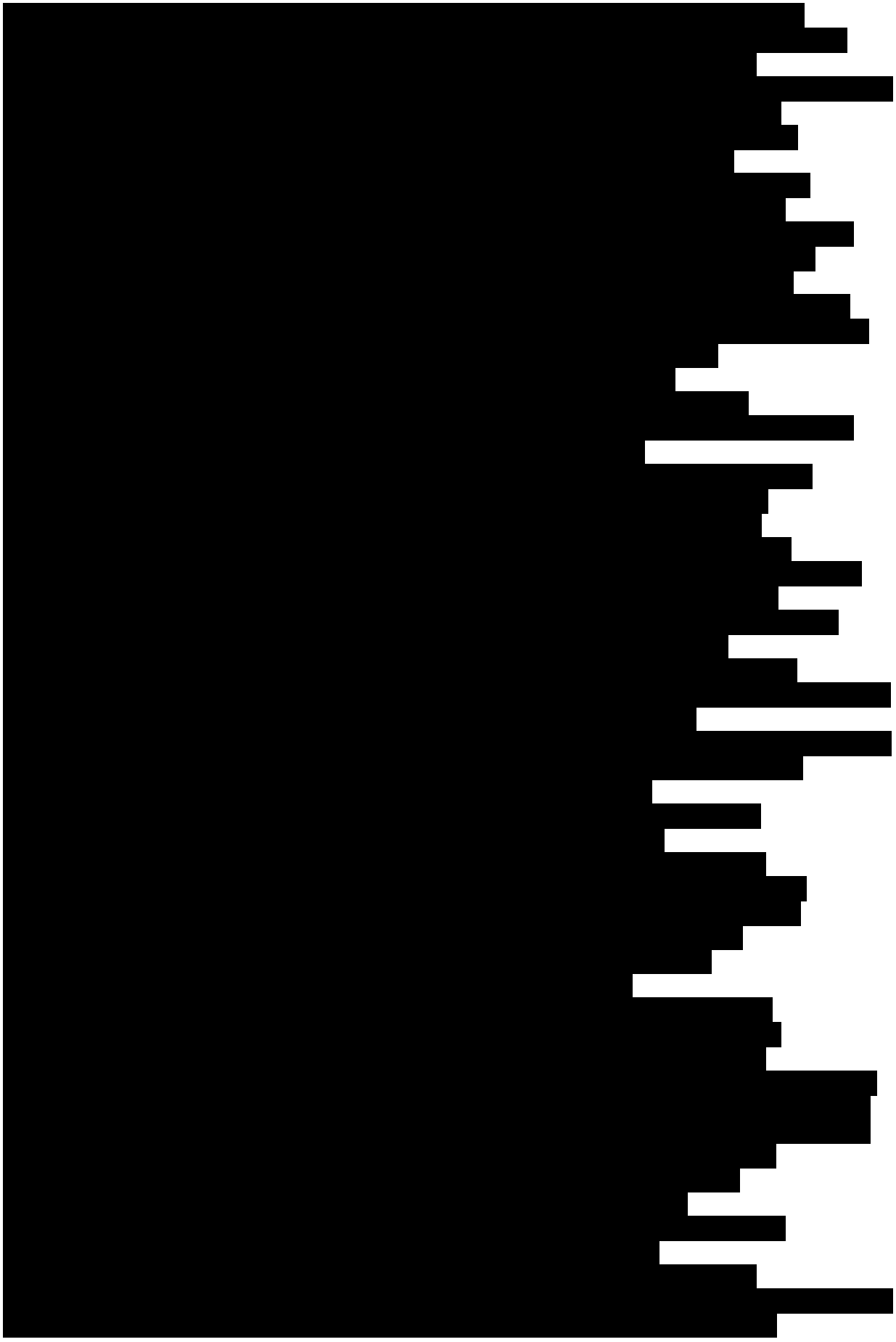
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ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The proposed project triggers several listed activities contained in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations Listing Notice 1 (GNR983), Listing Notice 2 (GNR984) and Listing Notice 3 (GNR985), as amended, and therefore, authorisation to undertake the listed activities must be sought via a S&EIR process. The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the proposed project are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Project Name	Listing Notice	Applicable Triggers							
Scoping EIA for: • ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	GNR 983	11 (i)	12(ii) (a)(c)	14	19	24 (ii)	28(ii)	48 (i) (a) (c)	56 (ii)
	GNR 984	1	15						
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MPRDA	Section 53	Surface use in terms of Section 53 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (no. 28 of 2002)							
NHRA	Section 38(8)	Review of an Impact Assessment related to an application for Environmental Authorisation							

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd, on behalf of ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, to manage the S&EIR process. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Project are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT EIA REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

Due to an unforeseen delay, the Draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (DEIAr) will be available for public comment from **25 August 2026 to 28 September 2026**. The report will be available for download from the links below. Printed copies of the DEIAr will be available for review at the following venues:

- Ratanda Proper Library - Nkomo St, Ratanda, Heidelberg - GP, 1443
- Heidelburg Public Library - 7 Jacobs St, Heidelberg, Heidelberg - GP, 1441
- Ward 3 Public Library - Joubert street, Balfour, 2410
- Grootvlei Power Station Stores - Seventh Street, Grootvlei
- WSP Website - https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents
- Datafree Website - https://wsp-engage.com/

The following documents are available for public review and comment:

- DEIAr and associated appendices

Kindly ensure that all comments on the proposed project or requests to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party are submitted to the contact details provided herewith, by **28 September 2026**.

Should you have any queries/comments, or to register as a stakeholder and to receive further information, please do not hesitate to contact the WSP Public Participation Office:

Public Participation Office; WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd
Tel: 011 361 1300;
E-mail: pp@wsp.com

All comments received will be recorded and responded to in the Final Stakeholder Engagement Report that will be submitted to the DFFE for decision-making.

Yours Your faithfully

Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Environmental Consultant

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cc:Ashlea Strong (Principal Associate - EAP)

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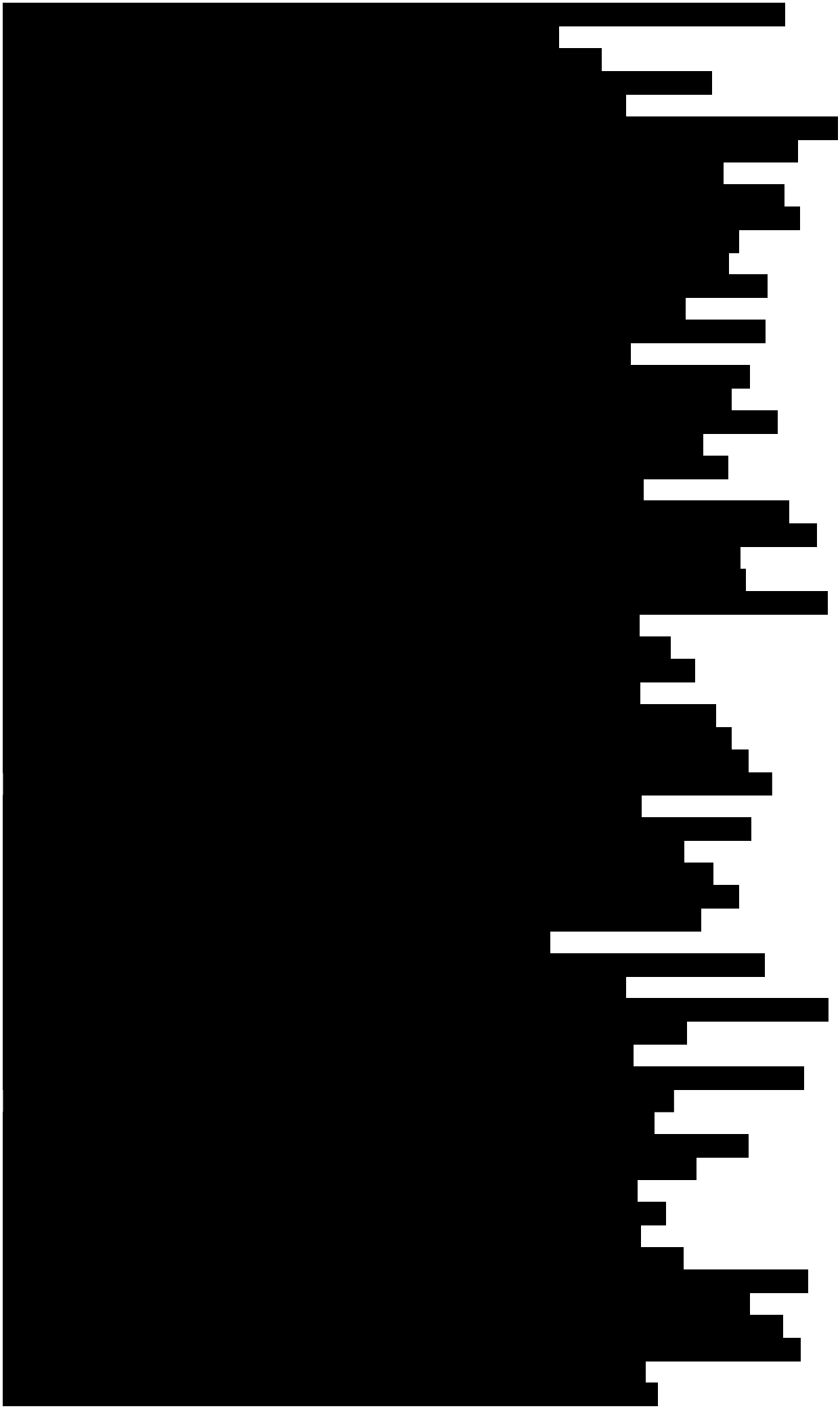
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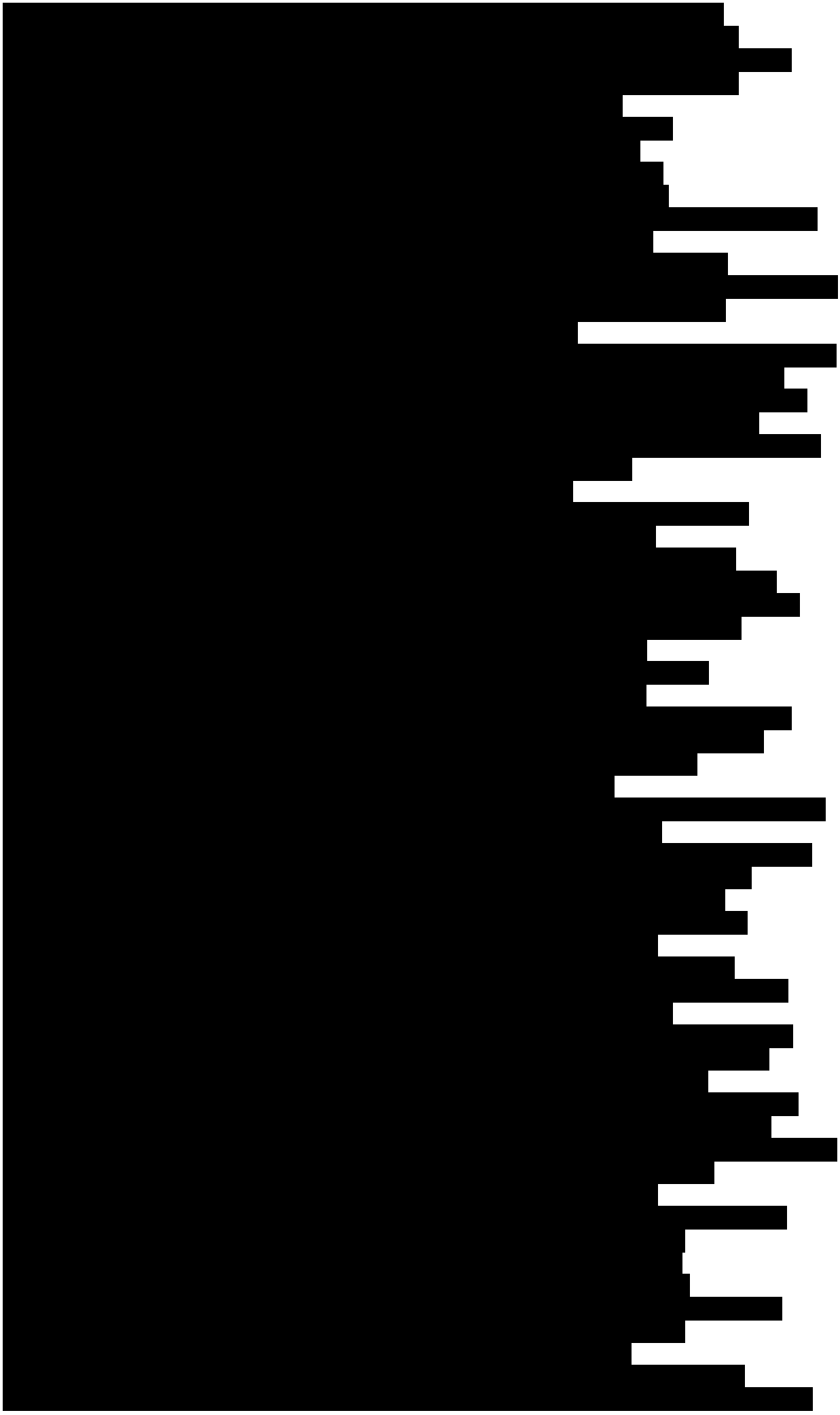
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41106304 - Notice of the Re-submission of the Application for Environmental Authorisation for the Proposed Establishment of ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1, Mpumalanga and Gauteng Provinces (DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803)

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Dear Stakeholder:

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This notification is specific to the following Application:

- ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 – DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

An application for Environmental Authorisation (EA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended, was submitted on 23 March 2026 to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) and was allocated the reference number 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803. The Final Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAr) was submitted to the DFFE on 12 October 2026. Email correspondence received from the DFFE on 13 October 2026 informed the EAP and Applicant that the according to the DFFE records the application had lapsed in terms of Regulation 23(1) of GNR 326, as amended, as the Final EIAr was due in fact due on or before Friday, 09 October 2026.

This notification is to inform you that WSP will be re-submitting the application for EA for the proposed project in terms of Regulation 21(2) of GNR 326, as amended. This regulation affords the Applicant the option to re-apply and re-submit the Final EIAr (subject to additional public participation in terms of Regulation 21(2)(d)) to the DFFE within 2 years of acceptance of the Scoping Report (dated 22 June 2026).

We thank you for your continued participation in the project to date.

Kind regards,
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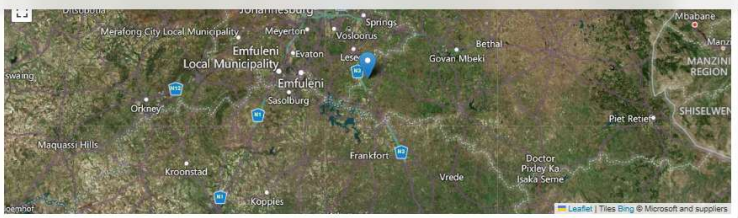
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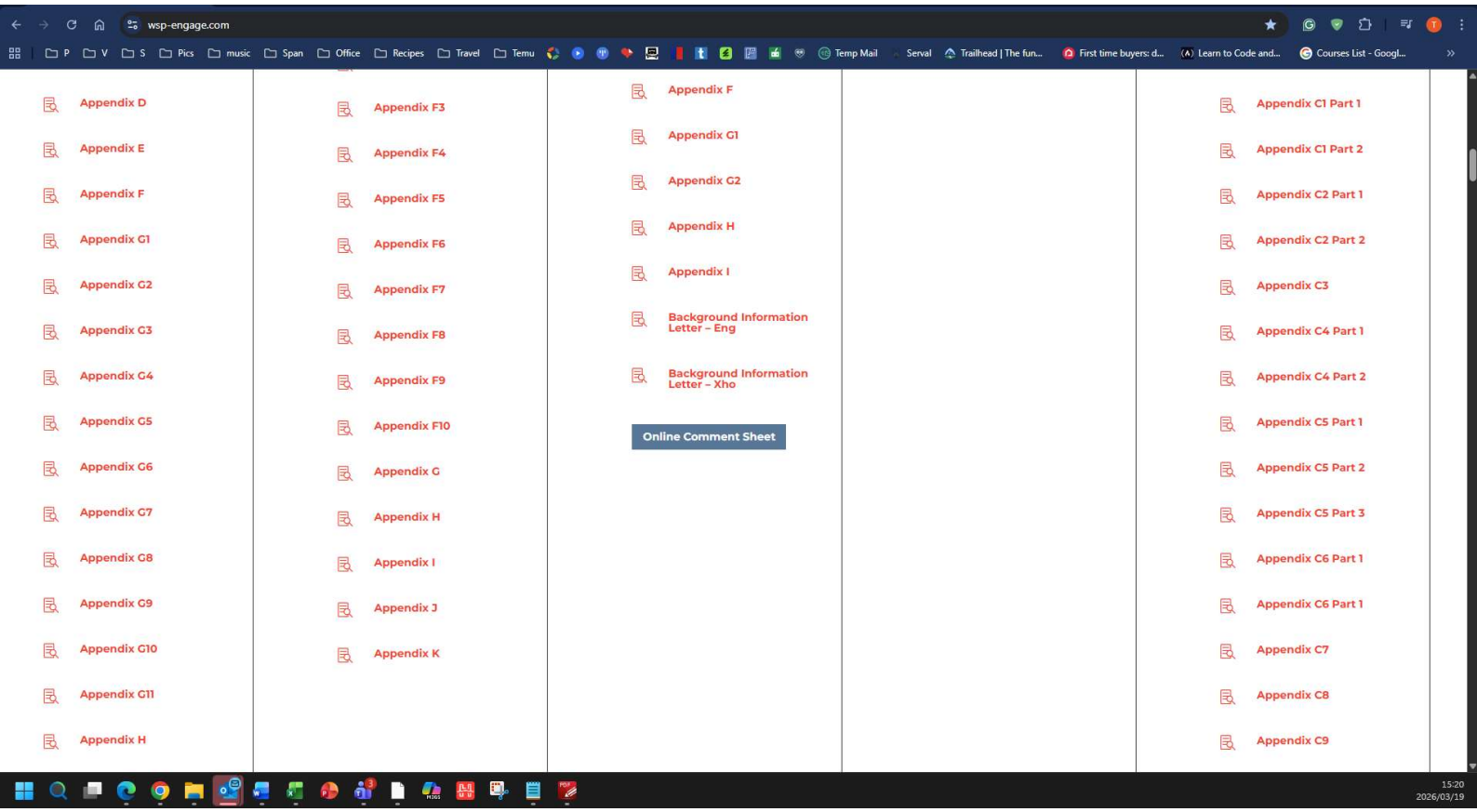
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ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 (up to 170MWac), located in the Mpumalanga and Gauteng Province

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Proposal Description

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed by ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility (Pty) Ltd, to undertake an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) to meet the requirements under the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), for the proposed development of the ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1, near Heidelberg and Balfour in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces respectively. The proposed development is subject to a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) Process in terms of NEMA (as amended) and Appendix 2 and 3 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 and GNR 983 (as amended), GNR 984 (as amended) and GNR 985 (as amended). The competent authority for this S&EIR Process is the national Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE).
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The proposed Project is located approximately 9km west of the town of Balfour in the Mpumalanga Province in the Dipaleseng Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality and approximately 14km south-east of the town Heidelberg in the Gauteng Province in the Lesedi Local Municipality within the Sedibeng District Municipality. It is anticipated that the proposed WEF would have a total (permanent) development footprint of up to 110 ha, which is approximately 1.43% of the total site (i.e., affected properties) area .
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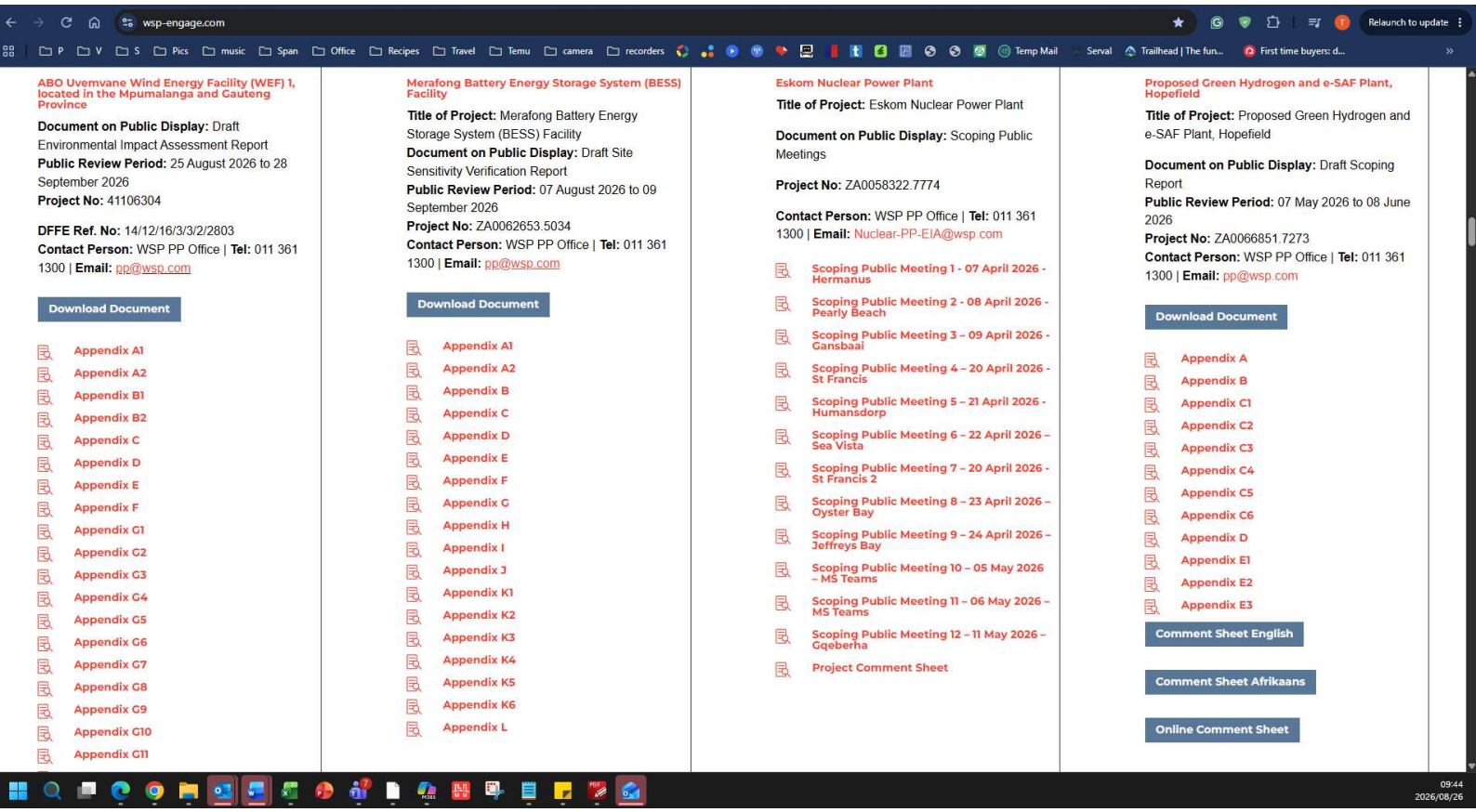
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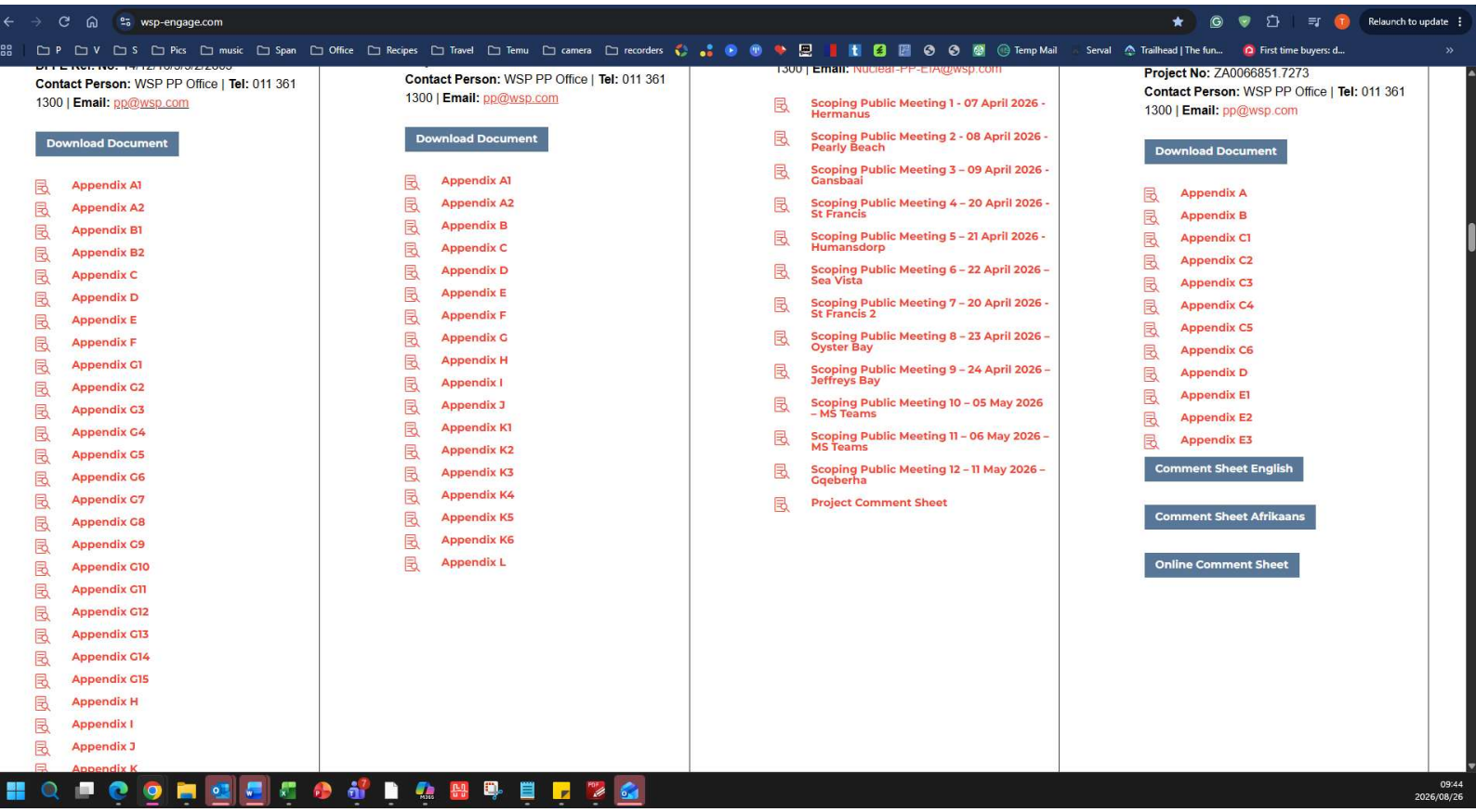
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DFFE PRE-APPLICATION MEETING MINUTES

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Maharaj, Jashmika

From: Thulisile Nyalunga <[redacted]
Sent: Friday, 20 March 2026 09:15
To: Maharaj, Jashmika
Cc: Kelli Ross; Strong, Ashlea
Subject: RE: 2024-11-0018_Pre-Application Meeting Minutes for Approval_ABO_Uvemvane WEFs
Attachments: 2024-11-0018_20241212_ABO_Uvemvane WEF_Pre-App Minutes_FINAL_.pdf

Dear Maharaj

The minutes of the meeting has been reviewed and approved.

Regards
Thulisile

From: Maharaj, Jashmika <[redacted]
Sent: Thursday, 19 March 2026 21:26
To: Thulisile Nyalunga <[redacted]
Cc: Kelli Ross <[redacted]>; Strong, Ashlea [redacted]>
Subject: RE: 2024-11-0018_Pre-Application Meeting Minutes for Approval_ABO_Uvemvane WEFs
Importance: High

Dear Thulisile,

RE: 2024-11-0018_Pre-Application Meeting Minutes for Approval_ABO_Uvemvane WEFs

This is a kind follow up to my previous email regarding the review of the pre-application meeting minutes for the above-mentioned project.

I have also tried to reach you telephonically with no success.

Your response will be much appreciated.

Kind regards,
Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant

[redacted]

From: Maharaj, Jashmika
Sent: Tuesday, 17 March 2026 15:07
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]; Strong, Ashlea <[redacted]>
Subject: RE: 2024-11-0018_Pre-Application Meeting Minutes for Approval_ABO_Uvemvane WEFs
Importance: High

Dear Thulisile,

I hope you are well.

The email trail and attachments refer.

Please note that the above-mentioned project was submitted to the DFFE on Friday, 13 March 2026.

However, the application has since been removed from the DFFE submission folder due to the pre-application meeting minutes not being acknowledged or signed by the DFFE case officer.

We were informed that you were the assigned case officer during the pre-application meeting held on the 25 November 2024.

Please can you urgently sign/ acknowledge the attached meeting minutes so that the EAP can resubmit the application.

Thank you.

Kind regards,
Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant

[redacted]

From: Strong, Ashlea <[redacted]m>
Sent: Thursday, 12 December 2024 14:29
To: [redacted]
Cc: [redacted]; [redacted]
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Subject: 2024-11-0018_Pre-Application Meeting Minutes for Approval_ABO_Uvemvane WEFs
Importance: High

Good Afternoon

Please find attached the Final Minutes of the Pre-application Meeting that took place on 25 November 2024 for the ABO Uvemvane WEF Facilities for your approval and signature (on page 7)

Kind Regards,

Ashlea Strong
Principal Associate

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AGENDA & MEETING NOTES

PROJECT NUMBER	41106304	**MEETING DATE**	25 November 2024
PROJECT NAME	ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facilities 1 & 2	**VENUE**	MS Teams
CLIENT	ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd	**RECORDED BY**	Jashmika Maharaj
MEETING SUBJECT	Pre-application meeting for the proposed ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facilities 1 & 2(2024-11-0018)		
PRESENT	**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE)** T[redacted] T S T **Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD)** [redacted] **Mpumalanga Tourism & Parks Agency (MTPA)** [redacted] **Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs (MDARDLEA)** [redacted] **ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd (Applicant)** Kelli Ross (KR) – ABO Energy; Marielle Penwarden (MP) – ABO Energy; **WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (EAP)** Ashlea Strong (AS) – WSP; Jashmika Maharaj (JM) – WSP.		
APOLOGIES	None		

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MEETING NOTES

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ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION	DUE
	NOTE		
	These notes constitute a summary of the key discussion points and decisions made during the progress discussion. They are not intended to reflect the exact discussions held.		
1.	**WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION**		
	AS opened the meeting by welcoming everyone and allowed GDARD, MDARDLEA, DFFE, MTPA, ABO Energy and WSP to introduce themselves and state their role in the project. **AS** proceeded to present the meeting's agenda via a slide presentation. The presentation is included in **Appendix A**.	N/A	N/A
2.	**PROJECT BACKGROUND**		
	AS presented details and location for the proposed project and stated that the (Applicant) ABO Energy South Africa's plans to establish two wind energy facilities, ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facilities (WEF) 1 & 2 located between Heidelberg and Balfour. **AS** confirmed that the since the projects cover both the Gauteng and the Mpumalanga provinces, therefore both commenting authorities were invited to the meeting. **AS** further explained, that WEF 1 is planned to have a capacity of up to240 megawatts (MW), while the WEF 2 will have a capacity of up to 180MW, and that both projects trigger a full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIAs). While the grid connection for the projects will require a separate impact assessment since various components are still to be confirmed. **AS** then showed a map of the proposed wind energy facilities and mentioned, that the proposed WEF 1 and WEF 2 include various farm portions for which the landowner consent has already been received. **AS** further explained that the total project area for WEF 1 is approximately 4900 hectares (ha) and WEF 2 is approximately 3400ha The Applicant has developed preliminary layouts for the facilities indicating that up to 33 turbines are proposed for WEF 1 and up to 25 are proposed for WEF 2. **AS** confirmed that the projects do not fall within a renewable energy development zone or a strategic transmission corridor. **AS** mentioned, that mapped Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBAs) fall within the southern section of the proposed projects located in Mpumalanga, and the northern section of the project area within Gauteng. While the South and Southwestern portions of the project sites within Mpumalanga consist of Other Natural Areas and Ecological Support Areas (ESA). Whereas the Gauteng portions, mostly consist of ESAs		

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	and important areas, and a small portion of irreplaceable biodiversity in the north and northwestern sections. **AS** confirmed that in terms of the National Threatened Ecosystems, there are some small sections of least concerned ecosystems and vulnerable areas. **AS** mentioned, the release of Gauteng-C plan 4.0 and the need to request data from GDARD. **RL** raised concerns about the fact that the a Landscape-Scale Climate Change Corridor traverses the North / North Eastern portion of WEF 1 as well as that the site also comprises CBAs (1 and 2) and ESAs within Mpumalanga and mentioned that this must be considered. **RL** further noted that MDARDLEA will require the number of turbines that will fall inside Mpumalanga as they are tracking this information on a provincial scale. **AS** noted this point in response and mentioned that the cumulative information will be requested from **ML**. **ML** mentioned that when the Department develops their sector plan, they consult with GDARD to align with the climate change corridors, hence his request that WSP use the latest data. **TM** inquired requested clarity on the location of the facilities. **KR** clarified that WEF1 spans both Gauteng and Mpumalanga, while WEF2 is located entirely in Gauteng. **TM** prompted further discussion regarding the mapping of project boundaries and requested clarity on the rotor tip height to determine the measurement off the ground. **AS** responded that the tip height will 280 metres and will be 80 metres off the ground. **RL** requested for the locations of the turbines for WEF 1 and WEF 2 such that the turbine locations can be incorporated into their (Mpumalanga's) Renewable Energy map.. **ML** advised that the bioregional plan should be used as well as the C-Plans, since the bioregional plans are updates to the sector plans undertaken by GDARD. **MP** inquired about the implications of the National Climate Change Corridor for development. **ML** responded that National Climate Change Corridor is used to show connectivity between species and ecosystems with the changing climate. Therefore, this must be considered to determine the impact on species movement through any obstruction caused by the development. **ML** confirmed that the sector plan and the Departments handbook contain this information.	AS to request latest Gauteng C-Plan data from GDARD; AS to request cumulative information from ML	
3.	**TYPICAL INFRASTRUCTURE**		

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION	DUE
	AS then proceeded to discuss the ongoing scoping phase for the wind facilities, highlighting that specialists are currently verifying site sensitivities, with results expected by early December. **AS** advised that both wind facilities are anticipated to trigger full scoping and environmental impact assessment processes and that the facilities will be applied for under two Special Purpose Vehicles (SPV), allowing each to have its own Environmental Authorisation. **AS** mentioned, that a Water Use License is required but WSP has not been appointed to undertake this application process at this stage.	N/A	N/A
4. LISTED ACTIVITIES AND DFFE SCREENING TOOL			
	AS proceeded to present on the potential listed activities triggered in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014) (GN R. 983, as amended by GNR 327); and explained that the projects potentially trigger Listing Notice 1, Listing Notice 2 and Listing Notice 3; indicating that a full Scoping and EIA process will be followed for both facilities. **AS** then presented the outcome of the DFFE Screening Tool and highlighted that the results showed significant variations in sensitivity for archaeology and palaeontology for each WEF. **AS** continued to present the results from the DFFE screening tool which indicated that very high and high sensitivities requiring various specialist assessments, ranging from agriculture, visual, heritage, palaeontology, terrestrial biodiversity including plant and animal species, aquatic biodiversity and avifauna, which will need to be commissioned for both facilities. **AS** proceeded to discuss the progress of various specialist studies, including pre-construction monitoring for birds and bats. **ML** expressed the need for appointing a SACNASP registered invertebrate specialist due to the presence of the Heidelberg Copper, and **AS** confirmed that a registered specialist has been appointed. [1] **SD** sought clarification on the timing of specialist studies in relation to site sensitivity verification and requested that the scoping report must include the findings of the site sensitivity verification which will then inform what specialist studies will form part of the EIA. **AS** confirmed the specialists' studies have been commissioned but not yet completed and acknowledged that the site verification will determine which studies will be further assessed as full assessments or compliance statements. **EM** requested clarity on whether WEF 2 falls within protected areas.	N/A	N/A

[1] Refer to post meeting note for further detail.

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION	DUE
	AS confirmed that the site falls mostly within ESA and important areas, with a very small portion in the north that falls within irreplaceable species and falls within the National Protected Area Expansion Strategy. **AS** confirmed that there are no gazetted protected areas within the sites. **GC** inquired confirmation on the appointed bat and avifauna specialists, and **AS** and **KR** confirmed that the appointed bat specialist is Low de Vries of Volant Environmental, and the avifauna specialist is Anja Albertyn of Holland & Associates Environmental Consultants.		
5. COMPETENT AUTHORITY			
	AS sought confirmation that the DFFE will be the CA for the project. **SD** provided confirmation that the DFFE will be the CA for the project. **SD** inquired whether any grid connections will form part of this project and **AS** responded that the grid connection or overhead powerline will be a separate application and only the internal powerlines will be included in the current application. **SD** suggested acquiring confirmation during the meeting on whether the DFFE should also be the CA for the grid connection in order to simplify the decision-making process and to avoid different CA having to assess the WEF and the grid connection. **RL** expressed support for DFFE being the CA for the application processes, which is also dependent on whether the grid connection is cross-boundary, then DFFE would automatically be the CA. **TM** agreed with the approach advised by MDARDLEA and is in support of the DFFE being the CA. The group agreed on the importance of a unified approach to streamline the application process. **MP** inquired about the timeframe for the drafting and approval of the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement. **AS** advised that previously the Applicant or the EAP had written a letter to the provincial department to provide the necessary motivation for the request, thereafter the provincial department requested the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement from DFFE. **AS** further advised that the timeframe for approval of the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement is approximately two months and **RL** agreed and advised that the timeframe for approval can vary dependent on the Department's internal administrative processes. **TM** further advised that GDARD or DFFE could initiate the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement, and **TN** agreed with this. **AS** requested, confirmation on the application requirements for the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement. **TN** advised that the Applicant could submit the application and thereafter the process can be initiated.	N/A	N/A

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION	DUE
	SD advised that at this stage it is pre-mature to confirm this since the grid connections layout is not yet confirmed and advised that the grid connection must be first be finalised prior to the initiation of the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement process. **MP** stated that the Applicant would prefer to initiate the Section 24C(a) of NEMA agreement process prior to the submission of the application for the project.		
6. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION			
	AS proceeded to discuss the public participation plan, and advised site notices and advertisements will be drafted in English, Afrikaans, and another local language. **AS** further explained that site notices will be placed in areas surrounding the project site, between Heidelberg and Balfour, and the newspaper advertisement will be placed in local and provincial newspapers to due to the project's cross boundary location. **AS** advised that the project database has been initiated and the relevant stakeholders, neighbouring landowners and ward councillors and state department are being included. **AS** also advised, that draft scoping reports, and the draft and final EIA will each be made available for a 30-day public review period and will be distributed to local libraries and other venues accessible to the public, and other platforms including the WSP website and the WSP Datafree website. **AS** mentioned, that public meeting will be made available upon request, however, key stakeholder engagement will be held with the CA and other key Department involved in the project. **SD** emphasised the need to also present the summary of the reports in English, Afrikaans and the other local language so that the key stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties can understand the details of the project. **RL** advised that the Department would require the reports be submitted as a hard copy, to the Ermelo office. Additionally, that the links to the projects be shared with **RL**, **GC** and **ML**. **AS** also mentioned, that a hard copy of the draft reports will be shared as a hard copy with MTPA, and the final will be shared using a memory stick.	N/A	N/A
7. TIMEFRAMES			
	AS proceeded to discuss the project timeframes and expressed awareness that the project does not fall within a Strategic Transmission Corridor (GN113) or with a REDZ (GN114). **AS** requested, clarity from the DFFE on decision making timeframes and the applicability of Minister Creecy's statement regarding the 57-day turn-around time for authority review for Renewable Energy Projects. **SD** confirmed that the 57-day turnaround period for Renewable Energy Project, is still in effect.		

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION	DUE
	AS continued to present the key milestones for the project and highlighted that WSP will prepare the application forms and submit the draft scoping reports by June 2025, and submit the final reports by July 2025.		
4.0 CONCLUDING			
	SD emphasised the importance of good communication with provincial and conservation departments during the application process to ensure the seamless execution of the project, particularly regarding turbine placement. **HS** requested that information be shared early in the EIA process for effective commenting. No further comments from attendees. **AS** concluded the meeting at 11h06.	N/A	N/A
5.0 POST MEETING NOTE			
	▪ *WSP has received the updated C-Plan 4.0 from the GDARD.* ▪ *AS shared the project location (kml) with ML for GIS plotting.* ▪ *ML shared the cumulative information following the pre-application meeting.* ▪ *Bathusi Environmental Consulting has been appointed to undertake the invertebrate assessment and ecological consultant, Reinier Terblanche (SACNASP Reg. No. 400244/05), will be conducting the site surveys. In research Reinier specializes in threatened butterfly species, integrated conservation frameworks, quantitative estimates of butterfly assemblages and vegetation dynamics of butterfly habitats.*	-	-

Approved:

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DFFE

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ABO ENERGY

APPENDIX A – PRESENTATION

DFFE Pre-Application Meeting

ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facilities

25 November 2024



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Introductions

Developer	ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd Kelli Ross Marielle Penwarden	
EAP	WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd Ashlea Strong Jashmika Maharaj	
Authority	DFFE: Thulisile Nyalunga Thabile Sangweni Sindiswa Dlomo	MDARDLEA: Gavin Cowden Sindisiwe Mbuyane Robyn Luyt
	GDARD: Bongani Shabangu Erick Moletsane Nhlanhla Makhathini Steven Mukhola Wesi Moagi	MTPA: Frans Krige Mervyn Lotter

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Agenda

1. Overview of the Project
   - Background
   - Location
   - Technical Description
2. Overview & Confirmation of Permitting Processes
   - Listed Activities
   - Specialist Assessments as identified by DFFE Screening Tool
   - Specialist Studies commissioned
   - Competent Authority
3. Public Participation Process
4. Timeframes
5. Discussion
   - Clarification Questions
   - Way Forward

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Overview of the Project

Background

ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd (ABO) proposes to establish two renewable energy facilities near Heidelberg and Balfour, in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces, known as the ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facilities (WEF), which require various applications for environmental authorisation.

The proposed project consists of the following subprojects:

- ABO Uvemvane WEF 1 (up to 240MWac), located in the Dipaleseng Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality and the Lesedi Local Municipality within the Sedibeng District Municipality, in the Mpumalanga and Gauteng Provinces
- ABO Uvemvane WEF 2 (up to 180MWac), located in the Lesedi Local Municipality and Midvaal Local Municipality within the Sedibeng District Municipality, in the Gauteng Province

Note: the EGI component of the WEFs will be subject to separate environmental impact assessments, which will run slightly behind the current processes.

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Overview of the Project

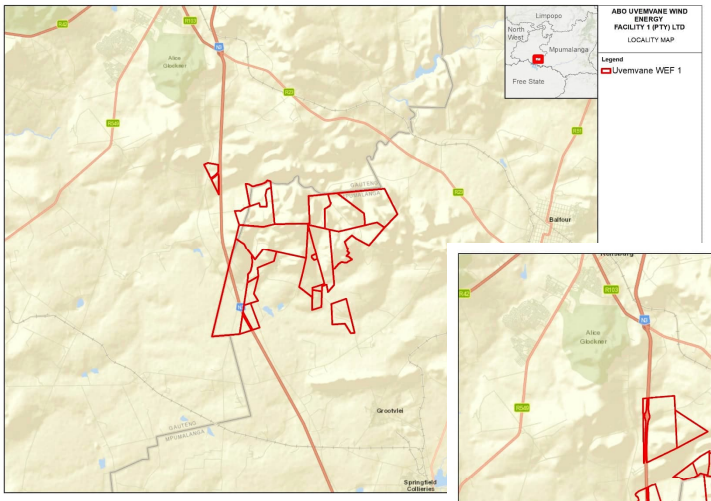
Location

	ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	ABO Uvemvane WEF 2
Province	• Mpumalanga Province • Gauteng Province	• Gauteng Province
District Municipalities	• Gert Sibande District Municipality • Sedibeng District Municipality	• Sedibeng District Municipality
Local Municipalities	• Dipaleseng Local Municipality • Lesedi Local Municipality	• Lesedi Local Municipality • Midvaal Local Municipality
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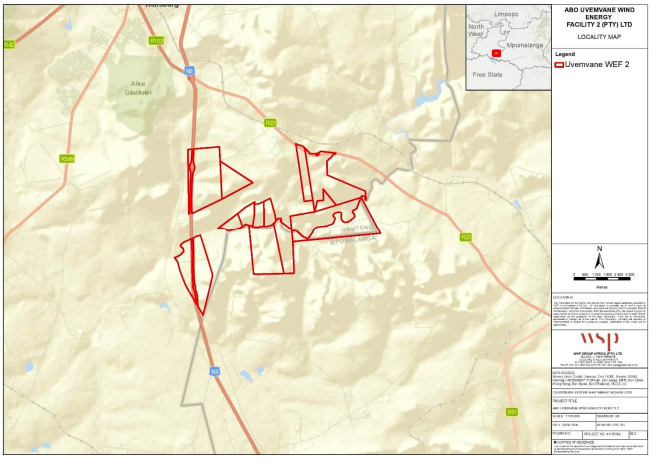
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Locality of the proposed WEFs



ABO Uvemvane WEF 1

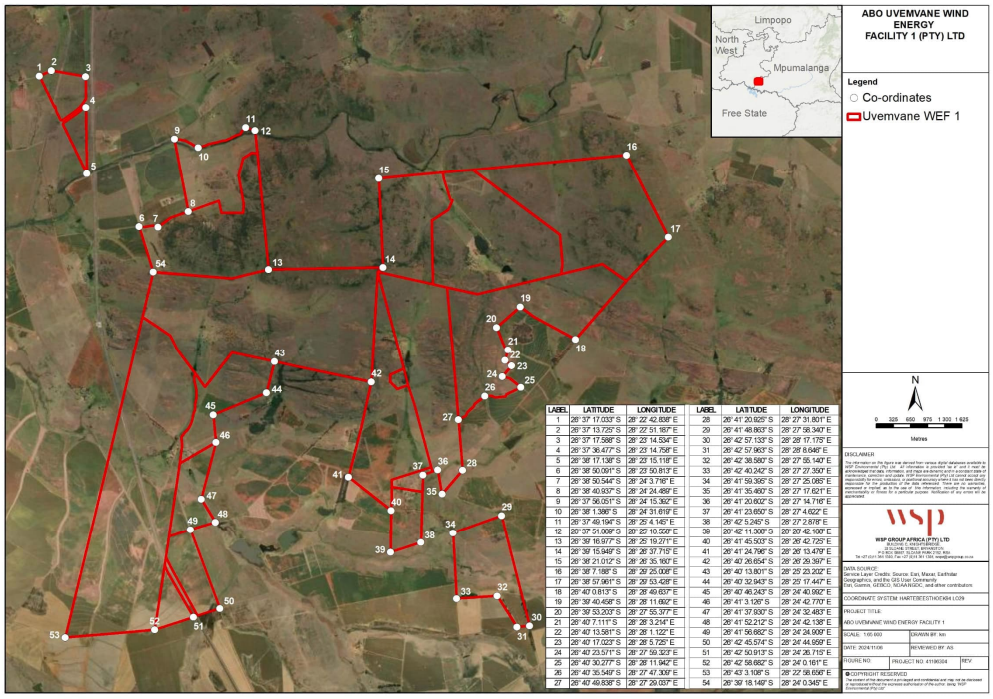


ABO Uvemvane WEF 2

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Boundary extent of proposed ABO Uvemvane WEF 1

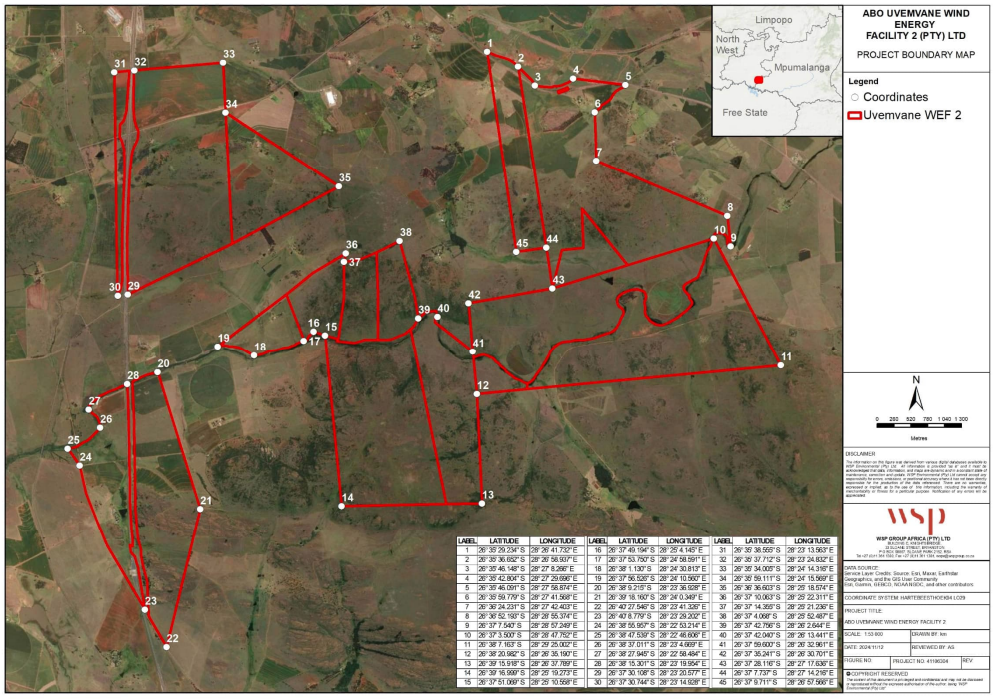


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5	26° 38' 17.136" S	28° 23' 15.118" E
6	26° 38' 50.091" S	28° 23' 50.813" E
7	26° 38' 50.544" S	28° 24' 3.778" E
8	26° 38' 40.937" S	28° 24' 24.489" E
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Boundary extent of proposed ABO Uvemvane WEF 2



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Overview of the Project

Typical Infrastructure

Specifications	ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	ABO Uvemvane WEF 2
Total Project Area	• Approx. 4900 ha	• Approx. 3400 ha
Buildable Area	• The layout will be informed by the outcome of the site sensitivity verification assessments	
Wind Turbines	• Up to 33	• Up to 25
WEF capacity	• Up to 240MWac	• Up to 180MWac
Hub Height	• Up to 180m	• Up to 180m
Rotor Diameter	• Up to 200m (Blade length – 100m)	• Up to 200m (Blade length – 100m)
Internal Powerline	• Up to 132kV	• Up to 132kV
Temporary laydown areas/ construction compounds (includes concrete batching)	• Up to 25 ha	• Up to 25 ha
On-site Substation footprint including BESS	• Up to 5ha	• Up to 5ha
BESS capacity	• To be confirmed	• To be confirmed

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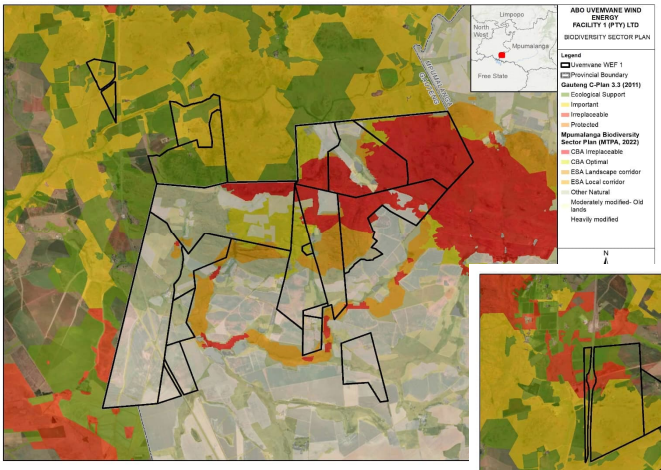
Key Considerations

- In Mpumalanga, the general project area falls within Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBA) (both irreplaceable and optimal) and Ecological Support Areas (ESA).
- In Gauteng, the general area falls within areas designated as either Ecological support, important and irreplaceable
- The project area also falls within the National Protected Area Expansion Strategy (NPAES) Focus Areas.
- The main ecosystems in the project area are listed as least concern with a few small patches of vulnerable ecosystems
- The Project Area does not fall within a Renewable Energy Development Zone or a Strategic Transmission Corridor .

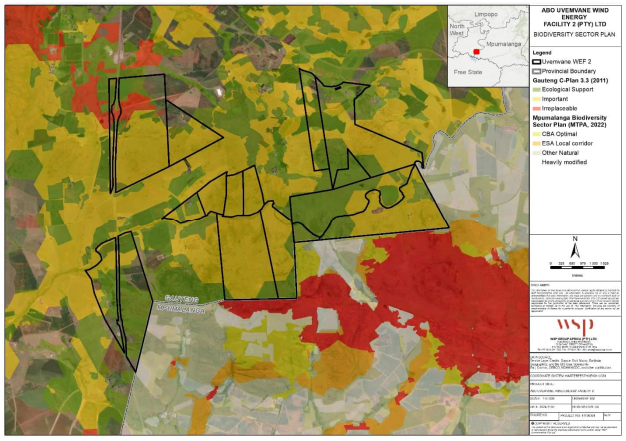
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Potential CBAs Identified



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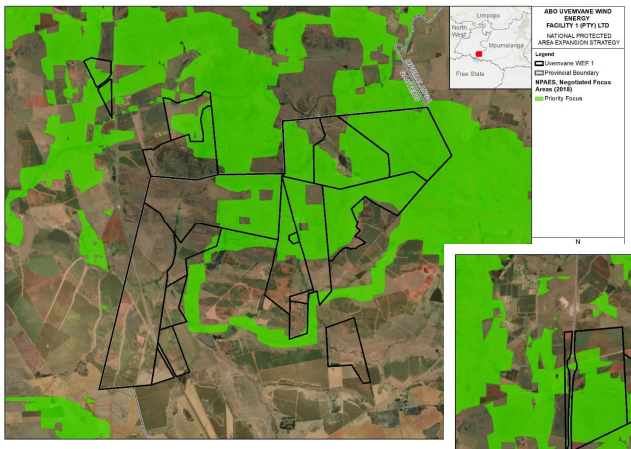


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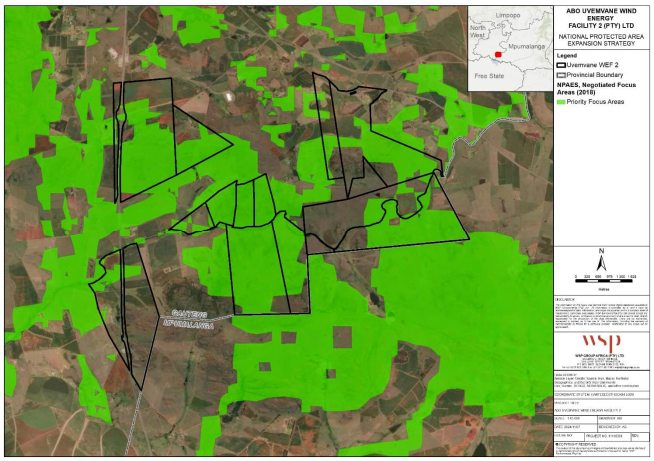
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NPAES within the proposed project footprints



ABO Uvemvane WEF 1



ABO Uvemvane WEF 2

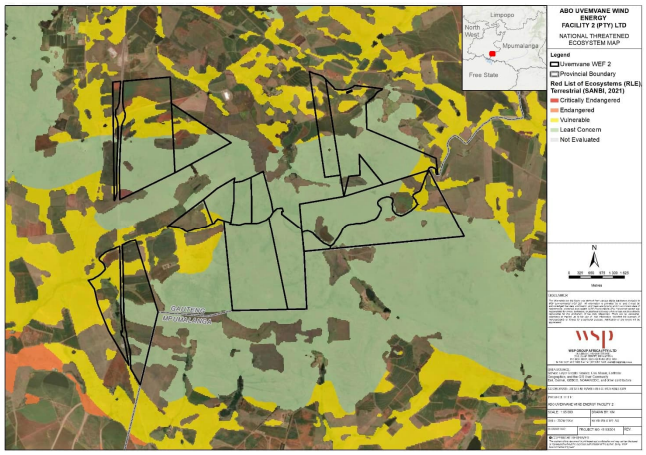
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National Threatened Ecosystems within the proposed project footprints



ABO Uvemvane WEF 1



ABO Uvemvane WEF 2

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Permitting Processes

Environmental Authorisation Process

The below will be applied for under two Special Purpose Vehicles (SPVs), allowing each its own Environmental Authorisation

Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIA) Processes:

- ABO Uvemvane WEF 1 (up to 240MWac):
  - ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd
- ABO Uvemvane WEF 2 (up to 180MWac):
  - ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 2 (Pty) Ltd

Water Use Licence:

- Water use Licences and/or General Authorisations will be applied for as required

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Permitting Processes

Listed Activities

Listing Notice 1	
Activity 11(i)-Overhead Powerlines (up to 132kV)	Activity 24(ii)-The Facility will require the development of internal roads and/or access roads around the site wider than 13m
Activity 12(ii)(a)(c)-The Facility will require the development of internal roads and/or access roads and electrical cabling (both above and underground) around the site.	Activity 28(ii)-The Facility is considered a commercial and/or industrial development, and is located on several farm portions zoned for agricultural use outside an urban area, used for agricultural purposes, buildable area to be greater than 1ha
Activity 14-The Facility will require storage and handling of dangerous goods.	Activity 48(i)(a)(c)-Transport of large infrastructure components related to the facility will require the expansion of existing access and/or internal roads.
Activity 19-Internal access roads and stormwater control infrastructure, will collectively require the excavation, infilling or removal of soil exceeding 10m³ from delineated watercourses on site	Activity 56(i)(ii)-Transport of large infrastructure components related to the facility will require the widening of existing access and/or internal roads where no reserve exists and where such road is wider than 8 metres.

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Permitting Processes

Listed Activities – Listing Notice 2:

Listing Notice 2
Activity 1-The proposed energy generation technology (i.e. Wind) will generate more than 20MW of electricity output from a renewable resource
Activity 15-Facilities will result in the clearance of at least 20 hectares or more of indigenous vegetation.

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Permitting Processes

Listed Activities – Listing Notice 3:

Listing Notice 3	
Activity 3 (f & c) - The proposed project includes the development of a telecommunications tower with a height of up to 32m.	Activity 14 (ii)(a)(c)(f & c) -The Facility will require the development of internal roads and/or access roads around the site.
Activity 4 (f & c) -Internal access roads required 12-13m wide roads with 12m radius turning circles, gravel surface.	Activity 18 (f & c) -Transport of large infrastructure components related to the facility will require the widening of existing access and/or internal roads by more than 4 metres or the lengthening of existing access and/or internal roads by more than 1km within the Mpumalanga Province.
Activity 10 (f & c) -The Facility will require storage and handling of dangerous goods, including fuel, cement, and chemical storage onsite, that will be greater than 30m^3 but not exceeding 80m^3 within the specified geological areas.	Activity 23 (ii)(a)(c)(f & c) -The Facility will require the expansion of existing internal roads and/or access roads around the site.
Activity 12 (f & c) -The clearance of indigenous vegetation will be required for the facility exceeding 300m^2	

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Permitting Processes

DEA Screening Tool Identified Sensitivities

WEF 1 = O WEF 2 = X

	Very High Sensitivity	High Sensitivity	Medium Sensitivity	Low Sensitivity
Agriculture Theme	X	O		
Animal Species Theme		O X		
Aquatic Biodiversity Theme	O X			
Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Theme	X			O
Avian (Wind) Theme				O X
Bats (Wind) Theme		O X		
Civil Aviation Theme			O X	
Defence Theme			O X	
Flicker Theme	O X			
Landscape (Wind) Theme	O X			
Palaeontology Theme	O		X	
Noise Theme	O X			
Plant Species Theme			O X	
RFI (Wind) Theme		O X		
Terrestrial Biodiversity Theme	O X			
Vulture Species Theme			O X	

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Permitting Processes

DEA Screening Tool Specialist Assessments

Specialist Study	ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	ABO Uvemvane WEF 1
Agricultural	X	X
Landscape / Visual	X	X
Archaeological and Cultural heritage	X	X
Palaeontological	X	X
Terrestrial Biodiversity	X	X
Aquatic Biodiversity	X	X
Avian Impact	X	X
Civil Aviation	X	X
Defence	X	X
RFI	X	X
Noise	X	X
Flicker (included in Landscape / visual Assessment)	X	X
Traffic	X	X
Geotechnical	X	X
Socio-Economic	X	X
Plant Species	X	X
Animal Species	X	X

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Permitting Processes

Specialist Studies Commissioned

SPECIALIST ASSESSMENT	COMMENT
Soils and Agricultural Potential Assessment	A soils and agricultural survey will be undertaken.
Archaeological and Cultural Heritage Impact Assessment	An Archaeological and Heritage Impact Assessment will be undertaken.
Palaeontology Impact Assessment	A Palaeontological Impact Assessment will be undertaken.
Visual Impact Assessment	The projects could potentially impact sensitive visual receptors. A Visual Impact Assessment will therefore be undertaken. The Visual impact Assessment will consider impacts related to flicker.
Terrestrial Biodiversity Impact Assessment	The projects could affect CBA and NPAES Focus Areas. A Terrestrial Biodiversity Assessment will be undertaken. This assessment will include both plant and animal species themes. In addition, a separate invertebrate assessment will also be undertaken.
Aquatic Biodiversity Impact Assessment	The projects could affect FEPA areas. An Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment will be undertaken.
Freshwater Impact Assessment	The projects could potentially impact water resources. A Freshwater Impact Assessment will therefore be undertaken as part of the Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment.
Avifauna Impact Assessment	Due to the potential impacts on birds as a result of the projects, an Avifauna Assessment will be undertaken.
Bat Impact Assessment	Due to the potential impacts on bats as a result of the projects, a Bat Assessment will be undertaken. This study will be specific to the WEFs.
Social Impact Assessment	A detailed social assessment will be prepared. The social statement will be based on a desktop review and telephonic interviews with key stakeholders.

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Permitting Processes

Specialist Studies Commissioned

SPECIALIST ASSESSMENT	COMMENT
Noise Impact Assessment	Due to potential impacts on sensitive receptors with regards to noise generated from the wind turbines, a Noise Assessment will be undertaken.
Geotechnical Assessment	A preliminary desktop Geotechnical Assessment will be undertaken as part of the S&EIA Process.
Traffic Assessment	A traffic assessment will be undertaken.
Qualitive Risk Assessment	A hazard and risk identification assessment for the BESS facility will be undertaken.
RFI	A compliance statement will be compiled. The South African Weather Service (SAWS) and relevant telecommunications stakeholders will be engaged with as part of the Public Participation Process.
Civil Aviation	A compliance statement will be compiled. The Civil Aviation Authority will be included on the project stakeholder database. They will be informed of the proposed Project, and comment will be sought. An Application for the Approval of Obstacles will also be submitted to SACAA in terms of the relevant legislation, outside of the NEMA process, at the appropriate time .
Defence	A compliance statement will be compiled. The Department of Defence will be included on the project stakeholder database. They will be informed of the proposed Project, and comment will be sought.

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Permitting Processes

Competent Authority

- Section 24C(2)(a) of NEMA
  - The Minister must be identified as the Competent Authority (CA) if the activity has implications for international environmental commitments or relations
- GN 779 of 01 July 2016
  - Identifies the Minister as the CA for the consideration and processing of environmental authorisations and amendments thereto for activities related the Integrated Resource Plan (IRP) 2010 – 2030

DFFE is therefore deemed to be the Competent Authority for both the WEF projects

DFFE to please confirm the above for minute purposes

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Public Participation Process

Public Participation Plan

- A consolidated approach to the Public Participation (PP) Process for both the S&EIA processes respectively
- Site notices:
  - English, Afrikaans and one other local language – to be confirmed
  - Onsite and in the surrounding areas
- Compilation and management of I&AP Database
- Written notification:
  - Owners and occupiers on or adjacent to the proposed project site
  - Municipality Ward Councillor
  - District Municipality
  - Relevant State Departments
- Advertisement (English, Afrikaans and one other local language in local and provincial newspapers)
- Draft Report Review for 30 days
  - WSP on request
  - Online on the WSP website
  - WSP will confirm with local Public Libraries as to whether they are open and able to accept documents for public review
- Public or focus group meetings will be held on request.

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Timeframes

Timeframes

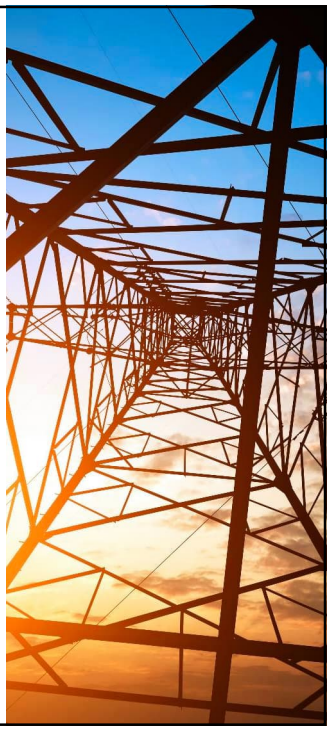
- Authority Timeframes
  - Does not fall within a Strategic Transmission Corridor (GN 113)
  - Does not fall within a REDZ (GN 114)
  - We require clarity regarding the Authority decision making timeframes as a result of Minister Creecy's statement in May 2023
    - 107 days vs 57 days
    - Is this statement still applicable?
- Key Milestones:
  - Submission of Application Forms – June 2025
  - Draft Scoping Report Public Review – June to July 2025
  - Submission of Final Scoping Reports – July 2025
  - Submission of Draft EIA Reports and Public Review – October to November 2025
  - Submission of Final EIA Reports - December 2025

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Discussion

- Questions:
- Way Forward



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Thank you

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Maharaj, Jashmika

From: Maharaj, Jashmika
Sent: Thursday, 15 October 2026 14:54
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Dear Thabile,

Thank you for your email and for confirming the Department's position regarding the resubmission process in terms of Regulation 21(2) of the EIA Regulations, 2014.

We acknowledge the Department's guidance and note the requirements for submitting a new application and proceeding directly to the EIA phase, including the submission of a new application form, payment of the prescribed application fee, notification of the registered I&APs who participated in the previous process, and submission of the draft EIAr in accordance with the applicable public participation requirements.

We also note and appreciate the confirmation that a new pre-application meeting is not required.

The Applicant will proceed accordingly and ensure that the requirements outlined below are addressed as part of the resubmission process.

Thank you for your assistance and clarification.

Kind regards,
Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant
[redacted]

From: Thabile Sangweni <[redacted]>
Sent: Thursday, 15 October 2026 11:00
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Dear Jashmika

Your query below refers.

Your intention to submit a new application and proceed directly to the EIA phase, following the acceptance of the FSR on 22 June 2026 is noted. Please be advised that Regulation 21(2) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, does make provision for the resubmission of an application without repeating the Scoping phase, provided that the findings of the previously accepted FSR remains valid, the environmental context has not changed, and the requirements of the said regulation are met.

You may submit a new application and proceed with the EIA phase provided that:

1. You complete and submit a new application form.

2. You pay the prescribed application fee again and proof of payment must accompany the new application.
3. You provide proof that registered I&APs who participated in the public participation process undertaken during the previous application have been notified of the intended resubmission prior to lodging the new application. A copy of the notification letter, together with proof of its distribution to the relevant I&APs, must accompany the application.
4. Together with the new application form, you submit the draft EIAr, subject to the applicable public participation requirements.

A new pre-application meeting is not required.

Hope you find this in order.

Regards,

Thabile Sangweni
Control Environmental Officer
Registered Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAPASA): 2023/6905
Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
[redacted]

From: Maharaj, Jashmika <[redacted]>
Sent: Thursday, 15 October 2026 10:25
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Dear Thabile,

Thank you for your email and for confirming the Department's position regarding the application.

We acknowledge the Department's view that in terms of Regulation 23, the application has lapsed and note that a new application for Environmental Authorisation would need to be lodged.

The applicant remains committed to the project and wishes to proceed with the environmental authorisation process. In this regard, we note the provisions of Regulation 21(2) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), which provide for circumstances where the requirement to submit a new Scoping Report need not be complied with following the lapsing of a previous application, subject to Regulation 46, provided that the findings of the accepted Scoping Report remain valid and the environmental context has not changed. Regulation 21(2) further provides for this approach where the new application is submitted by the same applicant for the same development, the registered I&APs who participated in the previous process are notified of the intended resubmission, and the EIAr and associated documents are submitted within two years of acceptance of the Scoping Report.

In the present case, the Scoping Report was accepted by the Department on 22 June 2026, and the proposed re-application will therefore be submitted well within the two-year period contemplated in Regulation 21(2).

As the findings of the accepted Scoping Report remain valid, the environmental context has not materially changed, and the re-application relates to the same applicant and development, Regulation 21(2) appears to

provide a basis for the new application to proceed without repeating the Scoping Phase, subject to confirmation by the Department that the requirements of Regulation 21(2) have been met.

Importantly, Regulation 23 expressly provides for the submission of the EIAr where Regulation 21(2) applies, with the applicable timeframe commencing from the competent authority's receipt of the new application.

We would appreciate confirmation as to whether a new pre-application meeting is required, or whether the meeting held on **24 November 2024** remains valid, given that the re-application relates to the same applicant and development and the environmental context has not changed.

We would further appreciate the Department's confirmation on the proposed way forward outlined above to enable the applicant to proceed with the resubmission process in accordance with the Department's requirements.

Kind regards,
Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant
[redacted]

From: Thabile Sangweni <[redacted]>
Sent: Wednesday, 14 October 2026 11:07
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Dear Jashmika

The Final Scoping Report was accepted by the Department on 22 June 2026, and the acceptance decision was communicated to the EAP and applicant on 23 June 2026.

In terms of the Regulations, the applicant is required to submit *an EIAr which must have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority* to the competent authority for comments ***within 106 days of the acceptance of the FSR*****.** The Regulations refer to the date of acceptance of the FSR as the event triggering the commencement of the prescribed timeframe, and not the date on which the acceptance decision is received by the EAP or applicant. Additionally, the Regulations provide the competent authority with a period of five (5) days within which to communicate decisions to EAPs and applicants. This communication period is a separate procedural requirement and does not in itself alter the date on which the FSR was accepted or extend the prescribed timeframe.

In light of the above, the Department maintains that the application has lapsed and that if you wish to continue with the proposed development, a new application for EA must be lodged to this Department, in accordance with its current rules and requirements.

Regards,

Thabile Sangweni
Control Environmental Officer
Registered Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAPASA): 2023/6905

Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
[redacted]

From: Maharaj, Jashmika <[redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 13 October 2026 20:20
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Good day,

We refer to the Department's notification that the application under reference number 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803 has lapsed.

The Applicant remains committed to proceeding with the proposed development. Please find attached a motivation requesting that the Department reconsider whether the Final EIAr submitted on 12 October 2026 may be accepted under the existing application.

The motivation addresses Regulation 23(1) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended, and explains the basis on which the prescribed period was calculated from 23 June 2026, being the date on which the Department's acceptance of the Scoping Report was communicated to and received by the Applicant and EAP.

We would appreciate the Department's written guidance on the appropriate mechanism to enable the proposed development to continue through the environmental authorisation process.

Kind regards
Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant

[redacted]

From: EIA Applications <EIAApplications@dffe.gov.za>
Sent: Tuesday, 13 October 2026 13:45
To: [redacted]
Subject: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

Good day.

Please note that according to our records the applications with reference number 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803 has lapsed, the Final EIAr was due on or before Friday, 09 October 2026, As the Scoping was accepted on Monday, 22 June 2026. If you wish to continue with the proposed development, a new application for EA must be lodged to this Department, in accordance with its current rules and requirements.

The files have been removed from the system.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs. Nyalunga or Mrs. Sangweni who are copied in this email. Please do not copy this mailbox in your correspondences.

EIA Applications
Integrated Environmental Authorisations
Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment

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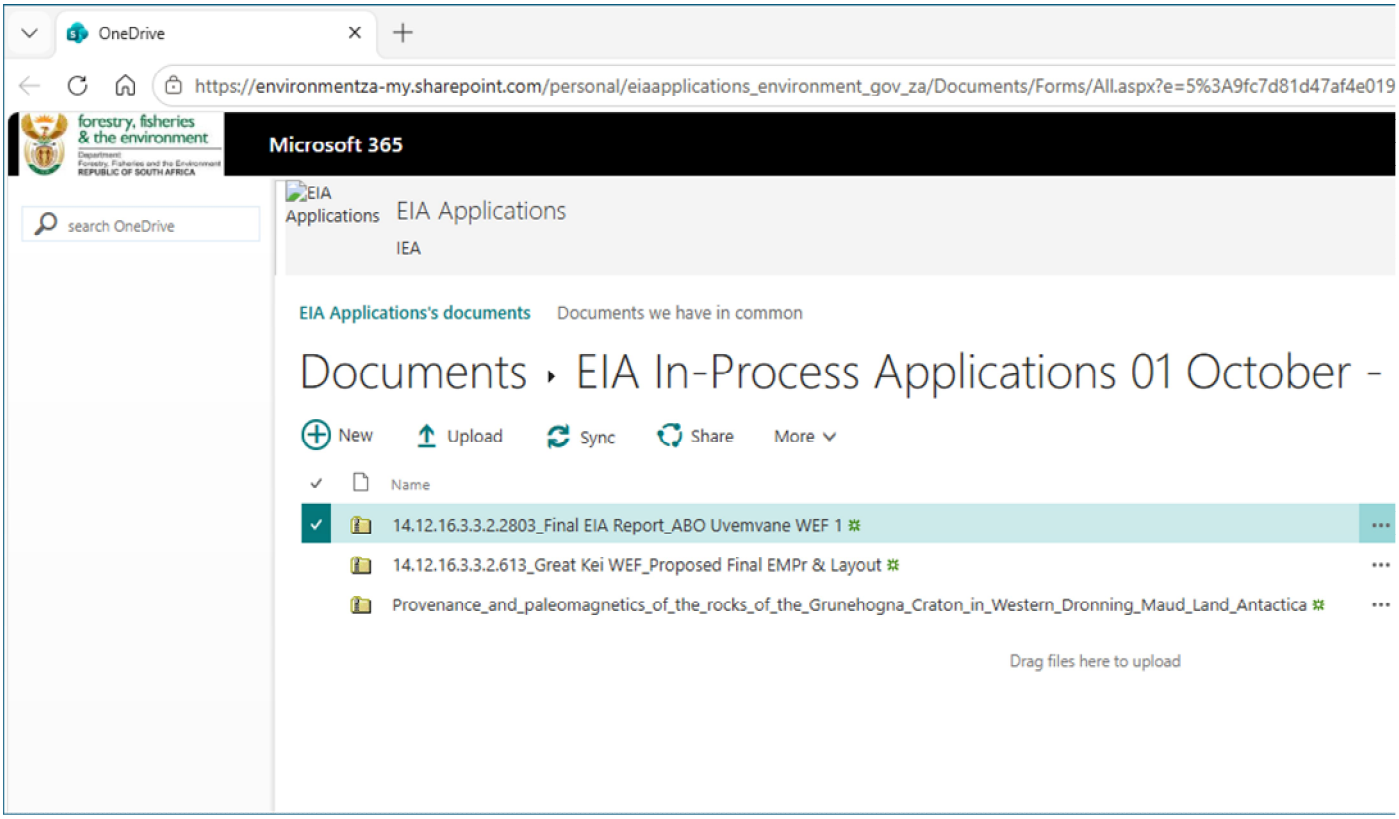
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From: Maharaj, Jashmika [redacted]
Sent: Monday, 12 October 2026 20:18
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: DFFE Ref: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803 |ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility1 (170MWac), located within the Mpumalanga and Gauteng Provinces

To whom it may concern,

Please find attached the required document control form and the screenshot below indicating proof of submission of the Final Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for the proposed ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility (WEF) 1 (up to 170MWac), located in the Dipaleseng Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality and the Midvaal and Lesedi Local Municipalities within the Sedibeng District Municipality, in the Mpumalanga and Gauteng Provinces, on Monday, 12 October 2026.



Kind regards,

Jashmika Maharaj
Senior Consultant

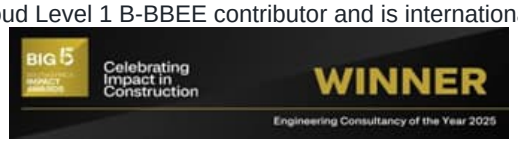
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Appendix D

ORIGINAL COMMENTS

Mathulwe, Tumelo

From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 10 March 2026 16:14
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Subject: EA process- ABO UVEMVANE Wind Energy Facility 1

Hi there

Can you please register me as an IA&P, and provide me with the Draft Scoping Report for comment

It would be much appreciated

Kind Regards



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From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 17:07
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: (Our ref: LUA 26-4471) 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Good day Celia,

Thank you for the update.

Kind regards,

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 17 March 2026 15:35
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Cc: [redacted]
Subject: (Our ref: LUA 26-4471) 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.



Good afternoon

The MTPA acknowledges the receipt of your hard copy (3 Volumes) of a Draft Environmental Scoping Report for the proposed ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 near Heidelberg & Balfour.

The Temporary **DFFE ref: 2024-11-0018**

Your ref: **41106304**

MTPA's ref: **LUA 26/4471** (Kindly refer to this number in any further correspondence/enquiries to us regarding this project)

Kind regards

[redacted]

Mpumalanga
TOURISM AND PARKS AGENCY
An Entity of the Department of Economic Development and Tourism

[redacted]

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Sent: Friday, 13 March 2026 15:55

Subject: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Dear Commenting Authority,

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Notice is given in terms of:

- **Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)**

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The proponent outlined in the table below proposes to establish a Wind Energy Facility (WEF), application for environmental authorisation, near Heidelberg and Balfour in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces. The proposed authorisation includes the following Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process:

Proponent	**Project**	**Technology**	**Process**
ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd	Up to 170MWac WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR
Farm Names			
• Remaining Extent of Portion 4 of the Farm De Hoek 411 • The Farm Orion No. 413 • Portion 7 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Portion 5 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 9 of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Malanskraal No.407 • Portion 12 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Driefontein No.405 • Remaining Extent of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remainder of Portion 6 (Kingsmead) of the Farm Malanskraal 407	• Portion 17 (a Portion of Portion 8) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Portion 16 (a Portion of Portion 4) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remainder of Portion 18 (a Portion of Portion 3) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 20 (a Portion of Portion 13) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 13 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 1 of the Farm Weltevreden No. 449 • Farm Bothas Spruit No. 404 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Steynskraal 399 • Portion 25 (a portion of Portion 11) of the Farm Steynskraal 399	• The Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 17 of the Farm Lagerspoort Number 406 • Portion 24 (a portion of Portion 23) of the Farm Steynskraal 399 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Modderfontein 410 • Portion 7 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 35 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 15 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 5 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 32 (a portion of Portion 5) of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 11 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Steynskraal 399	

ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The proposed project triggers several listed activities contained in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations Listing Notice 1 (GNR983), Listing Notice 2 (GNR984) and Listing Notice 3 (GNR985), as amended, and therefore, authorisation to undertake the listed activities must be sought via a S&EIR process. The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the proposed project are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Project Name	Listing Notice	Applicable Triggers							
Scoping EIA for:	GNR 983	11(i)	12(ii)(a)(c)	14	19	24(ii)	28(ii)	48(i)(a)(c)	56(ii)
• ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	10	12	14(ii)(a)(c)	18	23(ii)(a)(c)		
MPRDA	Section 53	Surface use in terms of Section 53 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (no. 28 of 2002)							
NHRA	Section 38(8)	Review of an Impact Assessment related to an application for Environmental Authorisation							

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd, on behalf of ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, to manage the S&EIR process. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Project are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) is available for public comment from **13 March 2026 to 15 April 2026**. The report will be available for download from the link and QR code below. Printed copies of the DSR will be available for review at the following venues:

- Ratanda Proper Library - Nkomo St, Ratanda, Heidelberg - GP, 1443
- Heidelburg Public Library - 7 Jacobs St, Heidelberg, Heidelberg - GP, 1441
- Ward 3 Public Library - Joubert street, Balfour, 2410
- Grootvlei Power Station Stores - Seventh Street, Grootvlei
- WSP Website - https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents
- Datafree Website - https://wsp-engage.com/
- OneDrive Link: ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1_Draft Scoping Report_Public Review

Kindly ensure that all comments on the proposed project or requests to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party are submitted to the contact details provided herewith, by **15 April 2026**. Should you have any queries/comments, please do not hesitate to contact the WSP Public Participation Office

Contact the WSP Public Participation Office to register as a stakeholder and to receive further information:

Public Participation Office; WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd
Tel: 011 254 4800; **E-mail:** pp@wsp.com

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Kind regards,

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Mathulwe, Tumelo

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Monday, 16 March 2026 16:59
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: Request for Background Information Document/Draft Scoping report for the proposed development of the Wind Energy Facility

Good day Phiki,

The project reports for the ABO Uvemvane WEF can be found at the websites below:

1. WSP Website - https://www.wsp.com/en-za/services/public-documents
2. WSP Datafree Website - https://wsp-engage.com/

Kind regards,

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Subject: Request for Background Information Document/Draft Scoping report for the proposed development of the Wind Energy Facility

Dear Public Participation Office

I hope this email finds you well.

The Lesedi Local Municipality (Agriculture & Mining Department) is kindly requesting for the Background Information Document (BID) /Draft Scoping report for the Proposed development of a Wind Energy Facility for review and comments. The Lesedi Local Municipality is requesting to be registered as Interested and Affected parties (I&AP) for the proposed development.

Thank you

Best regards



Mathulwe, Tumelo

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Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 17:34
To: [redacted] ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Subject: RE: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

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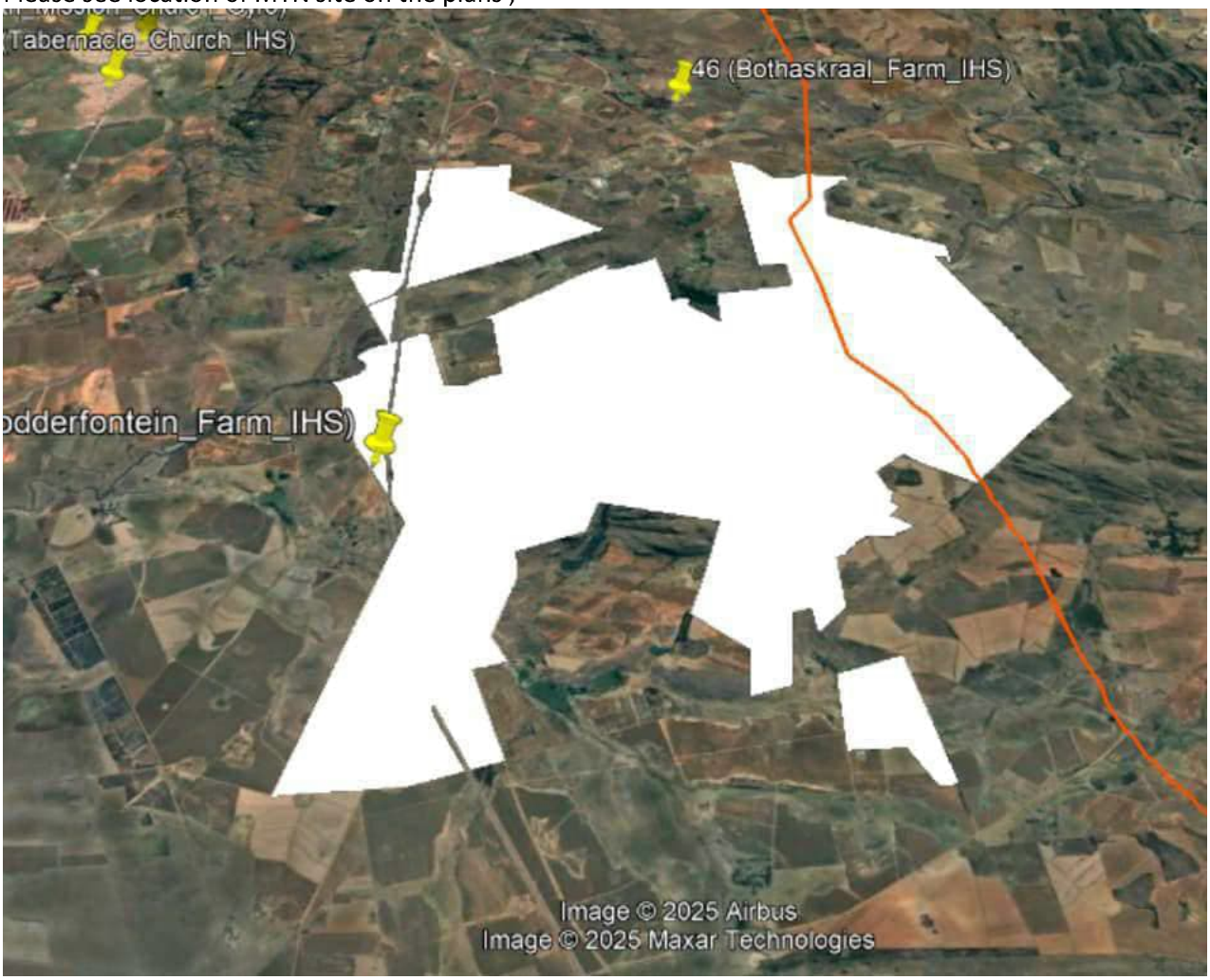
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Warm regards,
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Good day [redacted]

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Yours Sincerely

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Scoping EIA for: • ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	GNR 983	11(i)	12(ii)(a)(c)	14	19	24(ii)	28(ii)	48(i)(a)(c)	56(ii)
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	10	12	14(ii)(a)(c)	18	23(ii)(a)(c)		
MPRDA	Section 53	Surface use in terms of Section 53 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (no. 28 of 2002)							
NHRA	Section 38(8)	Review of an Impact Assessment related to an application for Environmental Authorisation							

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd, on behalf of ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, to manage the S&EIR process. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Project are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) is available for public comment from **13 March 2026 to 15 April 2026**. The report will be available for download from the link and QR code below. Printed copies of the DSR will be available for review at the following venues:

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Kindly ensure that all comments on the proposed project or requests to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party are submitted to the contact details provided herewith, by **15 April 2026**. Should you have any queries/comments, please do not hesitate to contact the WSP Public Participation Office

Contact the WSP Public Participation Office to register as a stakeholder and to receive further information:
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Thami Hadebe **Transnet Pipelines DBN**

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Dear Sir/Madam

Your wayleave application/BID with project reference number 41106304 dated 16 March 2026 has reference.

Transnet Pipelines, a division of Transnet SOC Limited, is not affected by the proposal.

Your awareness of the existence of Transnet's pipeline servitudes and concern for their integrity is highly appreciated.

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Principal Associate

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Date: Monday, 20 April, 2026

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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Mr Ashlea Strong
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WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd was appointed by ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd to undertake an Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Wind Energy Facility within the Dipaleseng Local Municipality, Mpumalanga Province and the Lesedi Local Municipality, Gauteng Province.

A draft Environmental Scoping Report was submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (EIAr), 2014 as amended.

The proposed development includes the installation of up to 27 ha of turbines, establishment of access roads, internal underground cabling, 33kV OHL/underground facility connection, a substation, BESS, transformer, auxiliary buildings, communication towers, fencing and laydown areas.

CTS Heritage was appointed to undertake the specialist Heritage Impact Assessment study in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act No. 25 of 1999 (NHRA) and section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA.

Wiltshire, N., 2025. Heritage Impact Assessment for the Proposed Development of the ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 near Balfour in Mpumalanga/ Gauteng Provinces.

A total of 110 heritage sites including burial grounds of very high heritage significance, built structures ranging from low to very high heritage significance, archaeological sites including Iron Age sites ranging from low to high heritage significance were identified and recorded.

Interim Comment

The SAHRA Development Applications Unit (DAU) is making the following comments in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act as contemplated by the EIA process in terms of section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA:

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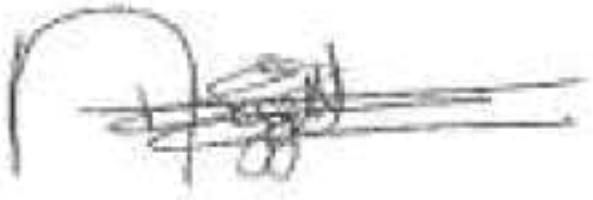
- THe submitted HIA report has been evaluated and considered. However, the appendices (AIA and PIA reports) referenced/refered to have not been submitted.
- The applicant is required to submit the referenced appendices and a .kml file mapping the entire project footprint for the evaluation of PalaeoSensitivity.
- An Environmental Impact Assessment report or a BAsic Assessment report is required for further consideration.
- Furter comments will be issued upon receipt of the requested documentation.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully



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Regards

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Is it possible if more details could be furnished on this development to enable meaningful participation henceforth.

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Dear Stakeholder,

NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Notice is given in terms of:

- **Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)**

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The proponent outlined in the table below proposes to establish a Wind Energy Facility (WEF), application for environmental authorisation, near Heidelberg and Balfour in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces. The proposed authorisation includes the following Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process:

Proponent	Project	Technology	Process
ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd	Up to 170MWac WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR
Farm Names			

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ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

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NETSTAR

[redacted]

Date:13/03/2026

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Waterfall City
Midrand
1685

Attention: The Director/s.

As requested, Netstar (Pty) Ltd, is a vehicle tracking and asset management company that utilizes a land-based radio network, has evaluated the proposed installation and documents.

After considering the information and location of the project, Netstar does not foresee any Electromagnetic interference, or any interference on their RF equipment in that specific area concerning your proposed project.

Therefore, Netstar (Pty) Ltd has no objection regarding the development and building of the installation. This letter of no objection will be valid for one year from the date.

Kind regards,
[redacted]

Reg No. 1992/001223/07
Directors: GW Fraser (Group Managing Director), M Grundlingh (Group CFO), WG Kapp* (Non-Executive Director), E Roets, J Suknunun
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Company Secretary: Altron Management Services Pty Ltd

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Mathulwe, Tumelo

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 17:42
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Cc: Mathulwe, Tumelo; Maharaj, Jashmika; Strong, Ashlea
Subject: RE: ABO Uvemvane WEF

Good day David,

Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP.

Kind regards,

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Friday, 13 March 2026 21:55
To: Strong, Ashlea <[redacted]
Subject: ABO Uvemvane WEF

Dear Ashlea,

Can you kindly register me as an I&AP for the above-mentioned project?

Thanks and regards,

[redacted]

Mathulwe, Tumelo

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 17:44
To: [redacted]
Subject: RE: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Good day[redacted]

The letter is well received.

Kind regards,

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From: J[redacted]
Sent: Friday, 13 March 2026 16:35
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Cc: F[redacted]
Subject: RE: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

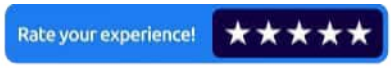
Good day,

Please see attached a letter of no objection.

Regards,

[redacted]
Netstar

[redacted]







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DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The proponent outlined in the table below proposes to establish a Wind Energy Facility (WEF), application for environmental authorisation, near Heidelberg and Balfour in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces. The proposed authorisation includes the following Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process:

Proponent	Project	Technology	Process
ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd	Up to 170MWac WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR
Farm Names			

• Remaining Extent of Portion 4 of the Farm De Hoek 411 • The Farm Orion No. 413 • Portion 7 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Portion 5 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 9 of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Malanskraal No.407 • Portion 12 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Driefontein No.405 • Remaining Extent of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remainder of Portion 6 (Kingsmead) of the Farm Malanskraal 407	• Portion 17 (a Portion of Portion 8) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Portion 16 (a Portion of Portion 4) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remainder of Portion 18 (a Portion of Portion 3) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 20 (a Portion of Portion 13) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 13 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 1 of the Farm Weltevreden No. 449 • Farm Bothas Spruit No. 404 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Steynskraal 399 • Portion 25 (a portion of Portion 11) of the Farm Steynskraal 399	• The Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 17 of the Farm Lagerspoort Number 406 • Portion 24 (a portion of Portion 23) of the Farm Steynskraal 399 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Modderfontein 410 • Portion 7 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 35 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 15 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 5 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 32 (a portion of Portion 5) of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 11 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Steynskraal 399

ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

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Mathulwe, Tumelo

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Wednesday, 18 March 2026 17:54
To: [redacted] ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Subject: RE: Proposed Development Of Abo Uvemvane Wind Engery

Good day [redacted],

Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP.

Please see the project reports at the links below:

1. https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents
2. https://wsp-engage.com/

Additionally, please see the responses requested below:

- Client Company Name: ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd

- EIA Company Name: WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd

- Developer Company Name: ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd

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From: [redacted]
Sent: Friday, 13 March 2026 11:13
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Subject: Proposed Development Of Abo Uvemvane Wind Engery

Hello WSP Team,

I hope you are well. I came across a town planning notice for "Proposed Development Of Abo Uvemvane Wind Engery"

I do not have any objections but would like to please be registered as an interested party.

I follow building and construction related projects from conceptual / feasibility up until completion.

Please can you email me a copy of the background information document or motivating memorandum or any other documents or reports for this project.

Please can you also provide me with the below.

- Client Company Name: ?

- EIA Company Name: ?

- Town Planning Company Name:

- Developer Company Name: ?

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Kind Regards
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Maharaj, Jashmika

From: [redacted]
Sent: Wednesday, 25 March 2026 09:33
To: Maharaj, Jashmika
Cc: Thulisile Nyalunga; EIAadmin; Salome Mambane; Strong, Ashlea; Kelli Ross
Subject: 14/12/16/3/3/2/2803

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Dear Sir/Madam

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE NEW APPLICATION FORM AND DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY (WEF) 1 (UP TO 170MWAC)), LOCATED IN THE DIPALESENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY WITHIN THE GERT SIBANDE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY AND THE LESEDI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, IN THE MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG PROVINCE.

The Department confirms having received the Application Form and Draft Scoping Report for Environmental Authorisation for the abovementioned project on 23 March 2026. You have submitted these documents to comply with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended.

Kindly note that your application for Environmental Authorisation falls within the ambit of an application applied for in terms of Part 3 of Chapter 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended. You are therefore referred to Regulation 21 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended.

Please take note of Regulation 40(3) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, which states that potential Interested & Affected Parties, including the Competent Authority, may be provided with an opportunity to comment on reports and plans contemplated in Regulation 40(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, prior to the submission of an application but **must** be provided an opportunity to comment on such reports once an application has been submitted to the Competent Authority.

Note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the time-frames prescribed in terms of these Regulations, unless an extension has been granted by the Department in terms of Regulation 3(7) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended.

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

Kind Regards,

[redacted]sations:
Coordination, Strategic Planning and Support
[redacted]

To God be the Glory!!!

Midvaal Local Municipality
PO Box 9, Meyerton, 1960
[redacted]

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DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING DEPARTMENT

Enquiries: [redacted]

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Dear Sir/Madam,

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Your email dated 13th March 2026 refers.

1. Project Location

   1.1 Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Modderfontein 410-IR.

2. Zoning of the property as per Midvaal Land Use Scheme, 2023.

2.1 The property is zoned "Agriculture" and the following uses are permitted as a primary right:

"Agricultural Building, Agricultural Uses, Commercial Farm, Conservation Areas, Cultivation Shed, Dwelling House, Farm Stall, Greenhouse, Government Purposes, Municipal Use, Nature Reserve, Prayer room, Street and Subsistence Farming."

3. Midvaal Spatial Development Framework 2025-2026.

   3.1 In terms of the above-mentioned policy, the subject property is located outside the demarcated Urban Development Boundary and are earmarked for "farming" purposes.

4. Provincial Roads

4.1 The property is affected by existing Gautrans and National routes. Comments from GAUTRANS and SANRAL as the custodian of such routes will be required.

5. Floodlines

5.1 The properties are affected by floodlines and therefore comments from Randwater and Department of Water and Sanitation as the custodian of rivers will be required.

6. Land Use Section

6.1 The subject property is zoned "Agriculture" as stated in point 2 above and they do not have land use rights to allow for the proposed Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd. A rezoning application from "Agriculture" to "Industrial 1" with an annexure for Generation of energy in terms of Section 38 of the Midvaal Spatial Planning and Land Use Management By-law must be submitted to council for evaluation.

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Considering the above-mentioned policy framework Midvaal Local Municipality would like to be registered as an interested and affected party for the reasons.

Kind Regards

[redacted]

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DATE: 27/03/2026.

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[redacted]:
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DATE:_____

Maharaj, Jashmika

From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice
Sent: Wednesday, 08 April 2026 10:00
To: Maharaj, Jashmika; Rowles, Rob
Subject: FW: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.
Attachments: 41106304_ABO Uvemvane_Stakeholder Notification Letter_Signed.pdf

FYI

Tumelo Mathulwe
Principal Consultant
[redacted]



From [redacted]
Sent: Tuesday, 07 April 2026 07:30
To: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Cc: [redacted]>; Khuliso KKP. Khomari [redacted]>; bcadmin <[redacted]
Subject: RE: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

Dear Sir/Madam

RE: Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation on the 13th of March 2026 for review and comment on the project mentioned in the subject line.

Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Ms M Rabothata and Ms Khuliso Khomari (Copied in this email).

Note, all Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation by email:[redacted] for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.

Regards,

[redacted]

Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation
Sub-Directorate: Policy Development Mainstreaming EIA
[redacted]
National Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
Environment House, 473 Steve Biko, Arcadia, Pretoria, 0083

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From: ZA - WSP - PPOffice <PP@wsp.com>
Sent: Friday, March 13, 2026 3:47 PM
Subject: 41106304 - NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE ABO UVEMVANE WIND ENERGY FACILITY 1, ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS, MPUMALANGA AND GAUTENG.

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- **Regulation 41(2) of GNR 982 (as amended) published under section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended) for submission of various applications for environmental authorisations (EAs) in respect of activities identified in terms of GNR 983, GNR 984 and GNR 985 (as amended)**

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

The proponent outlined in the table below proposes to establish a Wind Energy Facility (WEF), application for environmental authorisation, near Heidelberg and Balfour in the Gauteng and Mpumalanga Provinces. The proposed authorisation includes the following Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting (S&EIR) process:

Proponent	**Project**	**Technology**	**Process**
ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd	Up to 170MWac WEF including associated infrastructure	Wind	S&EIR
Farm Names			
• Remaining Extent of Portion 4 of the Farm De Hoek 411 • The Farm Orion No. 413 • Portion 7 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Portion 5 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remaining Extent of Portion 9 of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Malanskraal No.407 • Portion 12 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407	• Portion 17 (a Portion of Portion 8) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Portion 16 (a Portion of Portion 4) of the Farm Malanskraal No. 407 • Remainder of Portion 18 (a Portion of Portion 3) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 20 (a Portion of Portion 13) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Remaining Extent of Portion 13 (a Portion of Portion 2) of the Farm Malanskraal 407 • Portion 1 of the Farm Weltevreden No. 449 • Farm Bothas Spruit No. 404 • Remaining Extent of Portion 1 of the Farm Steynskraal 399	• The Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 17 of the Farm Lagerspoort Number 406 • Portion 24 (a portion of Portion 23) of the Farm Steynskraal 399 • Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Modderfontein 410 • Portion 7 of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Portion 35 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 15 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 5 of the Farm Lagerspoort 406 • Portion 32 (a portion of Portion 5) of the Farm Lagerspoort No. 406 • Remaining Extent of Portion 11 (a Portion of Portion 1) of the Farm Steynskraal 399	

• Remaining Extent of Portion 2 of the Farm Driefontein No.405 • Remaining Extent of the Farm Driefontein 405 • Remainder of Portion 6 (Kingsmead) of the Farm Malanskraal 407	• Portion 25 (a portion of Portion 11) of the Farm Steynskraal 399	

ENVIRONMENTAL APPLICATIONS

The proposed project triggers several listed activities contained in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations Listing Notice 1 (GNR983), Listing Notice 2 (GNR984) and Listing Notice 3 (GNR985), as amended, and therefore, authorisation to undertake the listed activities must be sought via a S&EIR process. The anticipated listed activity numbers associated with the proposed project are reflected in the table below. Should you wish to obtain a complete copy of these listed activities, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), details provided below.

Project Name	Listing Notice	Applicable Triggers							
Scoping EIA for: • ABO Uvemvane WEF 1	GNR 983	11(i)	12(ii)(a)(c)	14	19	24(ii)	28(ii)	48(i)(a)(c)	56(ii)
	GNR 984	1	15						
	GNR 985	4	10	12	14(ii)(a)(c)	18	23(ii)(a)(c)		
MPRDA	Section 53	Surface use in terms of Section 53 of the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (no. 28 of 2002)							
NHRA	Section 38(8)	Review of an Impact Assessment related to an application for Environmental Authorisation							

REGISTRATION

WSP Group Africa (Pty) Ltd (WSP) has been appointed as the EAP by ABO Energy South Africa (Pty) Ltd, on behalf of ABO Uvemvane Wind Energy Facility 1 (Pty) Ltd, to manage the S&EIR process. Parties wishing to formally register as stakeholders in order to offer their comment on the Proposed Project are requested to forward their full contact details to the EAP at the details provided below. Registered stakeholders will be forwarded all future correspondence and notified individually of additional opportunities to participate in the process.

DRAFT SCOPING REPORT REVIEW PERIOD

The Draft Scoping Report (DSR) is available for public comment from **13 March 2026 to 15 April 2026**. The report will be available for download from the link and QR code below. Printed copies of the DSR will be available for review at the following venues:

- Ratanda Proper Library - Nkomo St, Ratanda, Heidelberg - GP, 1443
- Heidelburg Public Library - 7 Jacobs St, Heidelberg, Heidelberg - GP, 1441
- Ward 3 Public Library - Joubert street, Balfour, 2410
- Grootvlei Power Station Stores - Seventh Street, Grootvlei
- WSP Website - https://www.wsp.com/en-ZA/services/public-documents