



# Public Participation

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## What is Public Participation?

- Public participation is a joint effort between:
  - Stakeholders
  - The proponent
  - Technical Specialists
  - Decision-makers
- Work together to produce better decisions
- Aim: To inform a wide range of I&APs
- Tool: Allows the public to exchange information and express their views and concerns
- Scoping: Facilitates the identification of issues and concerns early in the EIA process
- All contributions from I&APs will be fully documented, evaluated and responded to in the EIA





## Public Participation Process to Date

- Identification of Stakeholders or I&APs
- Notification and Advertisements
  - Project advertised in 2 newspapers
    - Highveld Tribune
    - Cosmos News
- Background Information Document
  - Distributed to all identified I&APs
  - Placed in local public libraries and municipalities
- Meetings:
  - Focus Group meetings, consultations, public meetings and one-on-one interactions
- **You can still get involved!! How?**



## Discussion

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## Way Forward

- Compilation and distribution of minutes
- Inclusion of I&AP comments in Final Environmental Scoping Report (FESR)
- Submission of FESR report to DEA and Provincial Environmental Authorities
- Release of FESR into the public domain
- Authority review
- DEA comments and decision on FESR and POS for EIA
- Proceed with EIA phase if FESR is Accepted



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