

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE GOURIKWA POWER STATION CONVERSION AND
 TRANSMISSION INTEGRATION PROJECT**

CONTROL SHEET – SCOPING PROCESS

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
Submit application	✓		Application submitted to DEAT & DEA&DP on 5 March 2008.
Conduct a public participation process (in terms of Regulation 56)	✓		
Give notice, in writing, of the proposed application to any organ of state which has jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity	✓		
Open and maintain a register of all interested and affected parties in respect of the application (in accordance with Regulation 57)	✓		
Consider all objections & representations received from I&APs following the public participation process	✓		
Subject the application to scoping by identifying (i) issues that will be relevant for consideration of the application; (ii) the potential environmental impacts of the proposed activity; and (iii) alternatives to the proposed activity that are feasible and reasonable	✓		
Prepare a scoping report (in accordance with Regulation 29)	✓		
Give all registered interested and affected parties an opportunity to comment on the scoping report (in accordance with Regulation 58)	✓		The report was made available for public review for a 30-day period from 30 May 2008 to 30 June 2008

CHECKLIST – SCOPING REPORT

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
Details of	✓		
(i) the EAP who prepared the report; and			
(ii) the expertise of the EAP to carry out scoping procedures	✓		
A description of the proposed activity & of any feasible & reasonable alternatives identified	✓		
A description of the property on which the activity is to be undertaken, & the location of the activity on the property; A description of the route of the activity (for the power line)	✓		
A description of the environment that may be affected by the activity, & the manner in which the physical, biological, social, economic & cultural aspects of the environment may be affected by the proposed activity	✓		
An identification of all legislation and guidelines that have been considered in the preparation of the scoping report	✓		
A description of environmental issues & potential impacts, including cumulative impacts, that have been identified	✓		
Information on the methodology that will be adopted in assessing the potential impacts that have been identified, including any specialist studies or specialised processes that will be undertaken	✓		
Details of the public participation process conducted (in terms of Regulation 28(a)), including:			
(i) the steps that were taken to notify potential I&APs of the application;	✓		
(ii) proof that notice boards, advertisements & notices notifying potential I&APs of the application have been displayed, placed or given;	✓		
(iii) a list of all persons or organisations that were identified & registered as I&APs in relation to the application;	✓		
(iv) a summary of the issues raised by I&APs, the date of receipt of and the response of the EAP to those issues	✓		

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
A plan of study for environmental impact assessment which sets out the proposed approach to the EIA (see separate checklist)	✓		
Other relevant information, including:			
• Copies of any representations, objections and comments received in connection with the application or the scoping report from interested and affected parties	✓		
• Copies of the minutes of any meetings held by the EAP with I&APs and other role players which record the views of the participants	✓		
• Any responses by the EAP to those representations, objections, comments and views	✓		

CHECKLIST – PLAN OF STUDY FOR EIA

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
A description of the tasks that will be undertaken as part of the EIA process, including any specialist reports or specialised processes, and the manner in which such tasks will be undertaken	✓		
An indication of the stages at which the competent authority will be consulted	✓		
A description of the proposed method of assessing the environmental issues and alternatives, including the option of not proceeding with the activity	✓		
Particulars of the public participation process that will be conducted during the EIA process	✓		

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Specialist studies must conform to the requirements of Section 33 of the EIA Regulations in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA; Act No 107 of 1998) published in Government Notice R385. The items/activities detailed below are included/considered in the compilation of the specialist report/s.

CONTROL SHEET – VISUAL IMPACT SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (iii) the person who prepared the report; and (iv) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment	✓		
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority		✓	Will be addressed during the EIA phase of the project
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary.

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

CONTROL SHEET – SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (v) the person who prepared the report; and (vi) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment	✓		
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority		✓	To be addressed as part of the detailed SIA.
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study	✓		Refer to Section 2.2. Consultation
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

CONTROL SHEET – AIR QUALITY SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (vii) the person who prepared the report; and	✓		
(viii) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment		✓	To be included within the detailed EIA.
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority		✓	To be included within the detailed EIA.
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary.
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

CONTROL SHEET – NOISE SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (ix) the person who prepared the report; and	✓		
(x) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment		✓	To be included within the detailed EIA.
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority		✓	To be included within the detailed EIA.
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary.
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

CONTROL SHEET – HERITAGE SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (xi) the person who prepared the report; and (xii) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		Report identifies specialist consultants as being part of the University of Cape Town.
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment	✓		
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority	✓		
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary.
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		Report covers heritage as defined by National Heritage Resources Act and is guided by provincial DEAT guidelines on heritage assessment.

CONTROL SHEET – AVIFAUNA SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (xiii) the person who prepared the report; and	✓		
(xiv) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment	✓		
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority	✓		
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary.
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

CONTROL SHEET – BOTANICAL SPECIALIST STUDY

Item/Activity/Element to be included in the Report	Tick one		Comment/explanation
	Yes	No	
Report includes details of (xv) the person who prepared the report; and	✓		
(xvi) the expertise of that person to carry out the specialist study or specialised process	✓		
Report includes a declaration that the person is independent in a form as may be specified by the competent authority	✓		
Report includes an indication of the scope of, and the purpose for which, the report was prepared	✓		
Report includes a description of the methodology adopted in preparing the report or carrying out the specialised process	✓		
Report includes a description of any assumptions made and any uncertainties or gaps in knowledge	✓		
Report includes a description of the findings & potential implications of such findings on the impact of the proposed activity, including identified alternatives, on the environment	✓		
Report includes recommendations in respect of any mitigation measures that should be considered by the applicant & the competent authority	✓		
Report includes a description of any consultation process that was undertaken during the course of carrying out the study		✓	No additional consultation was necessary
Report in compliance with relevant Guidelines for undertaking specialist studies, or requirements of legislation.	✓		

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CHECKLIST – PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT PROCESS

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
Give notice to all potential I&APs of the application which is subjected to public participation by fixing a notice board at a place conspicuous to the public at the boundary or on the fence of (i) the site where the activity to which the application relates is or is to be undertaken; & (ii) any alternative site mentioned in the application	✓		Site notice board as per size specifications were placed on the fence line at the entrance to Gourikwa Power Station, middle entrance gate and the N2 entrance. Additional notices were placed at the Proteus Substation and on the fence near the transmission lines on the road to Herbetsdale. Notices were also placed at various community centres in and around the study area. See attached photographs of notices.
Give written notice to:			Completed to entire database and those who registered.
(i) the owners and occupiers of land adjacent to the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken or to any alternative site;	✓		Notified and informed by letter and the background information document.
(ii) the owners and occupiers of land within 100 metres of the boundary of the site or alternative site who are or may be directly affected by the activity;	✓		Notified and informed by letter and the background information document.
(iii) the municipal councillor of the ward in which the site or alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represents the community in the area;	✓		These groupings was notified through the Mossel Bay Municipality, Mossel Bay Environmental Partnership, SANCO Mossel Bay, Residence Association of Dana Bay Conservancy, Landowners and Farmers.

Activity	Yes	No	Comment
(iv) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area; and	✓		The Mossel Bay Municipality were briefed about the project, focus group meetings were held with the Mossel Bay Municipality.
(v) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity	✓		All relevant Western Cape Provincial Government Departments and National organs of state have been informed by letter and background information document.
Place an advertisement in one local newspaper	✓		Advertisements was placed in the following local newspapers: • Mossel Bay Advertiser
Place an advertisement in at least one provincial newspaper or national newspaper, if the activity has or may have an impact that extends beyond the boundaries of the metropolitan or local municipality in which it is or will be undertaken.	✓		Advertisements was placed in the following Provincial/Regional newspapers: • Die Burger
<p>A notice, notice board or advertisement must:</p> <p>(a) give details of the application which is subjected to public participation; and</p> <p>(b) state:</p> <p>(i) that the application has been or is to be submitted to the competent authority in terms of these Regulations, as the case may be;</p> <p>(ii) whether basic assessment or scoping procedures are being applied to the application, in the case of an application for environmental authorisation;</p> <p>(iii) the nature and location of the activity to which the application relates;</p> <p>(iv) where further information on the application or activity can be obtained; and</p> <p>(v) the manner in which and the person to whom representations in respect of the application may be made.</p>	<p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p> <p>✓</p>		All notices, notice boards, advertisements, letters and the project BID complied with all the relevant requirements in this regard. Notice boards were place at Marsh Street Library, D'Almeida Library, Kwanaqaba Library, Dana Bay Spar, Dana Bay Friendly Store.

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A notice board referred to must: (a) be of a size at least 60cm by 42cm; and (b) display the required information in lettering and in a format as may be determined by the competent authority	✓ ✓		All notice board specification have been met as predetermined by the local and provincial authorities.
Information containing all relevant facts in respect of the application made available to potential interested and affected parties	✓		This was made available through the series of focus group meetings, newspaper advertisements and the background information document.
Open and maintain a register which contains the names and addresses of: (a) all persons who, as a consequence of the public participation process conducted in respect of that application in terms of regulation 56, have submitted written comments or attended meetings with the applicant or EAP; (b) all persons who, after completion of the public participation process referred to in paragraph (a), have requested the applicant or the EAP managing the application, in writing, for their names to be placed on the register; and (c) all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates	✓ ✓ ✓		A stakeholder database of key interested and affected parties were compiled and is constantly updated with additional stakeholders. The current database consist of 120 I&AP's. This included individuals, farmers, business sector, Mossel Bay Municipality, Eden District Municipality and all the relevant line departments within the Western Cape Provincial Government (Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in Cape Town and George).
Comments of I&APs are recorded in reports submitted to the competent authority in terms of these Regulations	✓		All comments received in writing, fax, e-mail or by telephone, in one-on-one focus group meetings and public meetings are recorded and collated and put forward to the competent authorities in the form of a comments and response report.