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	ACRONYMS
CARA	Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act (Act 43 of 1983)
CBA	Critical Biodiversity Areas
CEO	Contractor Environmental Officer
DAFF	Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
DEA	Department of Environmental Affairs
DWS	Department of Water and Sanitation
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EA	Environmental Authorisation
ECO	Environmental Control Officer
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMPr	Environmental Management Programme
HSA	Hazardous Substance Act (Act 15 OF 1973)
HIA	Heritage Impact Assessment
KM	Kilometres
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998)
NEMWA	National Environmental Management Waste Act (Act 36 of 2008)
NEMAQA	National Environmental Air Quality Act (Act 39 of 2004)
NEMBA	National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act (Act 10 of 2004)
NHRA	National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)
NWA	National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998)
OHSA	Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act of 85 of 1993)
SACNASP	South African Council of Natural Scientist Profession
SAHRA	South African Heritage Resources Agency
TLB	Tractor Loader Backhoe
Тх	Transmission
WULA	Water Use Licence Application

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

Nsovo Environmental Consulting (hereafter Nsovo) has been appointed by Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (hereafter Eskom) to compile an Environmental Management Programmed (EMPr) which will be a guideline for the mitigation and management measures to be implemented during the construction phase of the proposed project. This EMPr is a living document that guides the day to day activities throughout the lifecycle of the project; it may from time to time, require revisions as be dictated by the course of construction.

This EMPr has been compiled for the proposed development of an approximately 170km 400kV powerline within the jurisdiction of Sekhukhune and Capricorn District Municipalities in the Limpopo Province. The proposed development will have major impacts on the environment and surrounding communities. As such an Environmental Authorisation (EA) needs to be obtained prior to commencement of the activity/ies in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) [NEMA] and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2014 as amended. It is therefore imperative that precaution measures are taken to ensure that environmental degradation is minimised while the project is undertaken. This will take a concerted effort from the project team and proper planning is of the utmost importance

This EMPr is applicable to all the Eskom employees and contractors working on the development of a powerline. The document will be adhered to and updated as necessary and such changes to the EMPr must be undertaken in accordance with the requirements of the NEMA; EIA Regulations and any other legislation relevant at the time. This EMPr has been developed to ensure compliance with the requirements of the National legislative and other relevant regulatory requirements and it forms part environmental impact assessment report.

#### 2. DETAILS AND EXPERTISE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER

Nsovo has been appointed by Eskom as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the proposed project and meets the general requirements as stipulated in Regulations 13 (3) of the NEMA EIA 2014 Regulation as amended. Nsovo therefore is:

- Independent and objective;
- Has expertise in conducting EIA's;
- Takes into account all relevant factors relating to the application; and
- Provides full disclosure to the applicant and the relevant environmental authority.

**Table 1** below provides the details of the EAP and relevant experience. A detailed CV and qualifications of the EAP is attached as **Appendix E1**.

Table 1: Details of the Environmental A	Assessment Practitioner (EAP)
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Qualifications & Experience	B.Sc. Honours Environmental Management 10 years of experience	
Project Related Expertise	<ul> <li>In terms of project related expertise, the EAP has worked on the following projects:</li> <li>EIA for the proposed Shongweni substation and Hector - Shongweni 400kV powerline in KwaZulu Natal Province.</li> <li>EIA for the proposed Inyaninga substation and Inyaninga – Mbewu 400kV powerline in KwaZulu Natal Province.</li> <li>EIA for the proposed Tubatse strengthening Phase 1 – Senakangwedi B integration within the jurisdiction of Greater Tubatse Local Municipality in Limpopo Province.</li> <li>EMPr, WULA and EA amendment for the proposed Juno - Gromis 400kV power line.</li> <li>Basic Assessment for the proposed Decommissioning and Demolition of Verwoedberg Substation and 275kV power.</li> </ul>	

#### 3. PURPOSE AND SCOPE OF THE EMPR

The EMPr sets out general environmental specifications, which are applicable to the construction activities associated with the proposed project. This document serves as a guideline for the management of the site and provides specifications and regulations that must in all instances be adhered to. It is the responsibility of all parties, including contractors and subcontractors involved in the project to commit themselves to the implementation of the construction and operation EMPr in all phases of the project. The purpose of the EMPr is to give effect to precautionary measures, which are to be put in place for controlling the activities that will take place on site. It has been developed to ensure compliance with the national legislative and regulatory requirements as well as Eskom's guidelines associated with projects of a similar nature.

The objectives of the EMPr are to:

- Ensure that the activity is undertaken in compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements;
- Ensure that the most updated Eskom Transmission's Environmental Policy is underwritten at all times;
- All landowners special conditions are identified and taken into consideration;
- Ensure that all environmental conditions stipulated in the EA are implemented;
- Detail mitigation measures, time-frames and criteria for assessing the success or failure of each measure;
- Provide detailed monitoring programmes to ensure compliance;
- Provide input and strategies for environmental quality control and risk management;
- To preserve the natural environment by limiting destructive actions on site;
- Ensure appropriate restoration of areas affected by construction; and
- Prevent long term environmental degradation.

#### 4. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The forecasted high growth rate between 2013 and 2030 is expected to exceed the maximum transfer capability of the Eskom transmission network supplying the Tubatse area due to recent developments of platinum and ferrochrome mines. The existing 400kV powerline network will be unable to cater for these recent and other proposed developments in the area. The primary objective of the proposed project is to develop a network strengthening solution for the Tubatse area, which will result in a Grid Code compliant network in response to the forecasted high growth rate between 2013 and 2030 which is expected to exceed the maximum transfer capability of the transmission network supplying the area. Consequently, Eskom proposes to construct the new Maphutha-Witkop 400kV transmission powerline in order to mitigate the short-term network reliability constraints and also to create additional capacity for the forecasted load in the Tubatse area.

The objectives of the EMPr are to:

- Ensure that the activity is undertaken in compliance with all statutory and regulatory requirements;
- Ensure that the most updated Eskom Transmission's Environmental Policy is underwritten at all times;
- All landowners special conditions are identified and taken into consideration;
- Ensure that all environmental conditions stipulated in the EA are implemented;
- Detail mitigation measures, time-frames and criteria for assessing the success or failure of each measure;
- Provide detailed monitoring programmes to ensure compliance;
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- Prevent long term environmental degradation.

#### 4.1. DESCRIPTION OF LOCALITY OF THE PROJECT

Figure 1 below shows a locality map of the proposed study area at a scale of 1:50 000. The proposed study area is currently used for various purposes and this includes but not limited to: farming, residential, mining and other related activities. Refer to **Appendix A** for the locality and sensitivity maps.

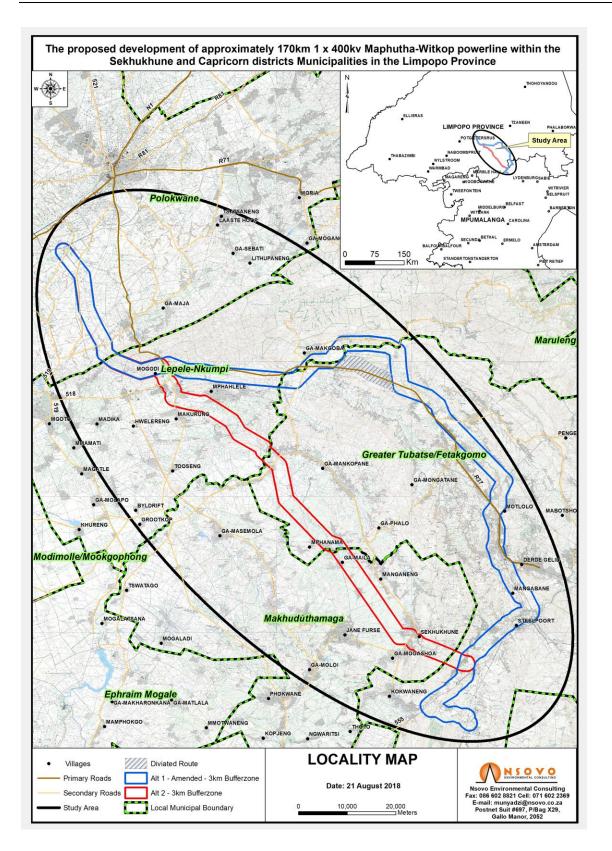


Figure 1: Locality map of the study area

The proposed project will traverse various villages and farm Table 2 below indicates the GPS coordinates of the start, middle and end points for the powerlines alternatives as follows:

Table 2: The GPS coordinates of the start, middle and end points for the powerlines corridor alternatives

Alternatives	Start	Middle	End
Alternative 1	24°02'52.13"S 29°21'24.71"E	24°18'16.61"S 29°59'57.28"E	24°53'15.23"S 30°01'53.68"E
Alternative 2	24°02'52.13"S 29°21'24.71"E	24°24'30.30"S 29°43'27.32"E	24°53'15.23"S 30°01'53.68"E

#### 5. APPLICABLE LEGISLATION

In accordance with the requirement of Appendix 2 Section 1(e) of the amended EIA Regulation of 2014) description of applicable legislations in the EMPr is provided herein. Table 3 below list and describe the acts and legislations applicable to the proposed project which are considered to be pertinent to the proposed development.

Municipal policies, plans and by-laws as well as Eskom policies and world best practices were considered during the compilation of the EMPr. The list of legislations applicable to the project is not an exhaustive analysis; however, it provides a guideline to the relevant aspects of each act.

Aspect	Relevant Legislation	Brief Description
Environment	National Environmental Management: Act 1998, (Act No. 107 of 1998)	The overarching principles of sound environmental responsibility are reflected in the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) apply to all listed projects. Construction and operation of activities have to be conducted in line with the generally accepted principles of sustainable development, integrating social, economic and environmental factors. This EMPr forms part of the Environmental EIA process which is in compliance with the NEMA and the EIA Regulations of December 2014 as amended. The proposed development involves "listed activities", as defined by NEMA. Listed activities

Table 3: Legislation pertaining to the proposed project

Aspect	Relevant Legislation	Brief Description
		are activities which may potentially have detrimental impacts on the environment and therefore require EA from the relevant Competent Authority, in this case the DEA.
Biodiversity	National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004)	The purpose of the National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004) (NEMBA) is to provide for the management and conservation of South Africa's biodiversity within the framework of the NEMA and the protection of species and ecosystems that warrant national protection. As part of its implementation strategy, the National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment was developed.
Protected Areas	NationalEnvironmentalManagement:ProtectedAreasAct, 2003 (Act No.57 of 2003)	The purpose of this Act is to provide for the protection, conservation and management of ecologically viable areas representative of South Africa's biological diversity and its natural landscapes.
Heritage Resources	National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999)	The National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999) legislates the need for cultural and heritage impact assessment in areas earmarked for development, which exceed 0.5 ha. The Act makes provision for the potential destruction to existing sites, pending the archaeologist's recommendations through permitting procedures. Permits are administered by the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA).
Air quality management and control	National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act 39 of 2004)	The objective of the Act is to protect the environment by providing reasonable measures for the protection and enhancement of air quality and to prevent air pollution. The Act makes provision for measures to control dust, noise and offensive odours. Section 32 of The National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 2004 (Act 39 of 2004) deals with dust control measures in respect of dust control. Whilst none are promulgated at present, it provides that the Minister or MEC may prescribe measures for the control of dust in specified places or areas, either in general or by specified machinery or in specified instances, the steps to be taken to prevent nuisance or other

Aspect	Relevant Legislation	Brief Description
		measures aimed at the control of dust
Noise Management and Control	Noise Control RegulationsintermsoftheEnvironmentalConservation, 1989 (Act73 of 1989)	The assessment of impacts relating to noise pollution management and control, where appropriate, must form part of the EMPr. Applicable laws regarding noise management and control refer to the National Noise Control Regulations issued in terms of the Environment Conservation, 1989 (Act 73 of 1989).
Water	National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998)	This Act provides for fundamental reform of law relating to water resources and use. The preamble to the Act recognises that the ultimate aim of water resource management is to achieve sustainable use of water for the benefit of all users and that the protection of the quality of water resources is necessary to ensure sustainability of the nation's water resources in the interests of all water users. There is watercourses located proximity to the proposed Corridors. It is highly likely that proposed project will traverse or encroach on water resources; Therefore, the necessary licence will be obtained in due course.
Agricultural Resources	Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act, 1983 (Act No. 43 of 1983)	The Act aims to provide for control over the utilization of natural agricultural resources in order to promote the conservation of the soil, water resources and vegetation and to combat weeds and invader plants. Section 6 of the Act makes provision for control measures to be applied in order to achieve the objectives of the Act.
Human	The Constitution of South Africa, 1996 (Act No. 108 of 1996	The Constitution of South Africa, 1996 (Act No. 108 of 1996) provides for an environmental right (contained in the Bill of Rights, Chapter 2). The state is obliged "to respect, protect, promote and fulfil the social, economic and environmental rights of everyone" The environmental right states that: "Everyone has the right - a) To an environment that is not harmful to their health or well- being; and

Aspect	Relevant Legislation	Brief Description
		<ul> <li>b) To have the environment protected, for the benefit of present and future generations, through reasonable legislative and other measures that -</li> <li>Prevent pollution and ecological degradation;</li> <li>Promote conservation; and</li> <li>Secure ecologically sustainable development and use of</li> </ul>
		natural resources while promoting justifiable economic and social development."
Waste	National Environmental Management: Waste Act 59 of 2008	This act provides fundamental reform of the law regulating waste management in order to protect health and the environment by providing reasonable measures for the prevention of pollution and ecological degradation and for securing ecologically sustainable development. This act also ensures the provision of national norms and standards for regulating the management of waste by all spheres of government. The National Environmental Management: Waste Act provides for specific waste management measures; licensing and control of waste management activities; remediation of contaminated land; compliance and enforcement; and for matters connected therewith.

#### 6. STANDARD ESKOM POLICIES TO BE COMPLIED WITH

In addition to the approved EMPr, the EA and other permits and licenses, the construction activities must also comply with the standard Eskom documents listed below. It is the responsibility of all parties involved in the implementation of the EMPr to ensure that the most recently updated Eskom policies/documents are used.

- Standard for bush clearance and the maintenance of overhead power lines (ESKASABG3);
- Eskom Procedure for Vegetation Clearance and Maintenance within overhead power line servitude and on Eskom owned Land (EPC 32-247);
- Oil spill clean-up and rehabilitation (ESKAGAAD7);
- Eskom Environmental Waste Management Procedure (EPC 32 245);
- Eskom Environmental Liaison Committee (ELC) Performance Indicator Reporting Procedure (EPC 32 -249);
- Transmission Environmental Management System Manual (TMN 41 417);

- Transmission Emergency Preparedness and response procedure. In accordance with ISO 14001:2004 clause 4.4.7 (TPC 41 – 460);
- Transmission Environmental Aspects and Management Programmes / Plans requirements procedure (TPC 41 213);
- Transmission Environmental Legal, other requirements and evaluation of compliance procedure (TPC 41 -505);
- The Standard for the construction of overhead power lines (TRMSCAAC5);
- Transmission Environmental monitoring and measurement procedure (TPC 41 118); and
- Transmission Vegetation Management Guideline (TGL 41 334).

#### 7. METHOD STATEMENTS FOR THE ACTIVITIES TO BE CARRIED OUT

The following Method Statements (MS) related to site activities must be prepared and signed by Eskom's construction team, ECO and the Contractor prior to commencement of activities on site:

- Vegetation clearing;
- Fauna and flora management;
- Excavations for installation of pylons;
- Chemical/hazardous substance storage;
- Cement/concrete use;
- Logistics of the environmental awareness training;
- Fire management;
- Emergency response;
- Storm water and soil erosion management;
- Waste management;
- Access road(s);
- Contaminated water management;
- Site establishment and site layout plan;
- Temporary site closure;
- Site Rehabilitation;
- Blasting;
- Alien plants removal and use of herbicides and pesticides; and
- Dust suppression.

This list has not exhausted all the activities/aspects that may require MS prior to commencement of the work. The ECO may require more MSs to be submitted as the project progresses.

#### 8. PROJECT TEAM

#### 8.1. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PROJECT TEAM

#### 8.1.1. Environmental Control Officer

An independent ECO must be appointed throughout the construction and rehabilitation phases to provide an on-site environmental management service to Eskom. The ECO's primary role is to ensure effective implementation of EA, EMPr, applicable permits and licences, landowner conditions. The ECO will also be responsible for the planning and management of all environmental activities, but more specifically for the following:

#### **Communication Services**

- To liaise closely with the Eskom and Contractor's Environmental Officer (CEO).
- To ensure that the landowner agreed General and Special Conditions are implemented.
- To agree with landowner on the bush clearing method.
- To assist in conflict resolution.
- To ensure that the Contractor rehabilitates any damage caused during construction.
- To indicate where bird guards, bird diverters, bird lights and aviation warning spheres are to be installed as specified in the EMPr, EA conditions and or the line profile.
- After the final rehabilitation has been completed on a property, to obtain the immediate release from the landowner.

#### **Environmental Management**

- Monitoring of site environmental progress in respect of time, deliverables and quality.
- Liaison between Project Manager, SHEQ/SHE/Environmental Manage, Senior Environmental Advisor, Site Supervisor, CEO, affected and interested parties, authorities and stakeholders on environmental matters.
- Recommending EMPr modifications to the Project/SHEQ/SHE/Environmental Manager as and when the particular site conditions warrant it.
- Communicating changes of the EMPr to all relevant parties.
- Maintaining climatic data on an ECO register using Eskom/Contractor EO readings.
- Issuing Contractors Communications and Site Instructions via the Site Supervisor or delegated person as delegated by the Project Manager.
- Monitoring performance of Contractor and sub-contractors to ensure compliance with environmental and statutory requirements.
- Validating the regular site inspection reports prepared by the CEO.

- Checking the CEO's record of environmental incidents (spills, impacts, legal transgressions, etc.) as well as corrective and preventive actions taken.
- Checking the CEO's complaints register in which all complaints are recorded, as well as actions taken.
- Assisting in the resolution of environmental related conflicts.
- Compiling and completing the environmental management related component of the handing-over documentation and any other related documents.
- Timorously identifying any sensitive site issues which may affect environmental aspects and the reporting of this to the Project/SHEQ/SHE/Environmental Manager.
- Monitoring that good housekeeping practices are followed and maintained by the Contractor.
- Monitoring that the ground rehabilitation is initiated on time, complying with the EA, EMPr and to the satisfaction of the landowner.
- Assisting the Contractor and Eskom EO with the environmental awareness training course to all site staff, targeted at the level of the workers so that they have a basic understanding of the environment that they are working in. The Contractor will provide an interpreter if needed.
- Monitoring that sensitive areas are demarcated within or alongside the construction areas i.e. sites identified in the EMPr, EA. All personnel are to be informed of such sites and the reason the site is demarcated.

#### Monitoring

- Validating the site environmental monitoring plan.
- Validating the "Punch List/daily pre-warning" and reporting all defects and non-conformances as per the Control of Nonconformity Procedure.
- Carrying out environmental surveillances.
- Validating and recording of certificates proving the legal disposal of waste streams.

#### Reporting

- To complete a daily diary and monthly reporting to Land and Rights and the Project/SHEQ/SHE/Environmental.
- To prepare monthly monitoring reports for submission to the DEA, Environmental Compliance Section as and when required.
- Manage the compliance of the Contractor according to the Environmental Authorization, EMPr and landowner conditions. The reports are to include photographic images of special occurrences taking place during the reporting period.
- To attend site meetings as required.
- To inform Land Development and Management and the Project/SHEQ/SHE/Environmental Manager of any activity that is not in accordance with the EA and respective Conditions, the EMPr and Landowner' agreed general and special conditions or detrimental to the environment.

#### Administration

- To assure a proper site ECO administration function to cater for all environmental site related correspondence.
- To execute environmental responsibilities as per Eskom's Risk Management System.
- To promote and maintain sound relationships with the landowner, community, Contractors and suppliers.

#### 8.1.2. Contractor

- To provide all necessary supervision during the execution of the project and be available on site at all times;
- To appoint a competent Contractor Environmental Officer (CEO);
- To implement the projects as per the approved project plan;
- To ensure that implementation is conducted in an environmentally acceptable manner;
- To fulfil all obligations as per the agreed contract;
- To comply with special conditions as stipulated by Landowners during the negotiation process;
- To inform and educate all employees about the environmental risks associated with the different construction activities and lessen significant impacts to the environment;
- Eskom Environmental Representative to implement and integrate environmental management systems by ensuring compliance to ISO 14001 & monitoring performance;
- Report environmental incidents;
- Provides environmental training; and
- Ensures compliance with pertinent environmental legislations and other legally binding documents.

#### 8.1.3. Authorising Department

The role of the Authority is to enforce compliance with the EA and the EMPr.

#### 9. DESCRIPTION OF MITIGATION MEASURES

This section serves to prescribe mitigation measures to prevent, reduce, eliminate or compensate for impacts, to acceptable/insignificant levels.

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#### 9.1. PRE-CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

The pre-construction management programme is to be used as a guideline during the planning, design and detailing of the development components. This part of the programme is to be referenced by all involved in decision making during the planning and design phases.

#### 9.1.1. Negotiations with affected landowners

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
• To ensure that landowners are aware of activities taking place within their properties.	with prior to construction.	<ul> <li>Signed landowner consent forms.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eskom.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prior commencement of construction activities.</li> </ul>

#### 9.1.2.Commissioning of tender

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Ensure that proper environmental conditions are established prior to commencing with construction activities by informing all parties of appropriate environmental protection measures.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The successful tendering Contractors will be made aware of the contents of this EMPr and any penalties arising from non-compliance prior to the commencement of the work.</li> <li>All tendering Contractors will be made aware of the audit and monitoring requirements as stipulated in this EMPr.</li> <li>Appoint a suitably qualified independent Environmental Control Officer (ECO) who will be responsible to monitor compliance to the EMPr.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Signed Declaration by contractor.</li> <li>Appointment Letter.</li> <li>Proof of submission to DEA.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Eskom.</li> <li>Contractor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Prior commencement of construction activities.</li> </ul>

#### 9.2. CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

#### 9.2.1.Site establishment

Ob	jective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
•	To ensure minimal	Prior to establishment of construction and associated	Observation.	• ECO	Prior to site
	disturbance of the	infrastructure, the following items are to be undertaken by	Site Plan.	Contractor	establishment
	environment during the site	Project Manager and ECO:	Landowner	• CEO	
	establishment.		agreements.		
		Identification of suitable areas for the establishment			
		of site office and construction camp on least			
		sensitive locations preferably within already			
		disturbed areas.			
		Once these items have been addressed, site establishment shall take place in an orderly manner and all amenities shall be installed before the main workforce moves onto site. Construction camps on the site must be established Post construction of the development rehabilitation must be done in accordance with the rehabilitation plan and/or approved Method Statement.			
		<b>9.2.1.1. Site Plan:</b> Documentation for the proposed camp site must be prepared by the Contractor prior to the commencement of construction activities and must be submitted to Eskom for approval. This documentation must include, but not limited to the following:			

Site access (including entry and exit points);
All material and equipment storage areas including
storage areas for hazardous substances;
Construction of offices and other associated
infrastructure;
Security requirements including temporary and
permanent fencing and lighting;
Solid waste management facilities;
Storm water control measures; and
Provision of potable water and mobile chemical
ablution facilities.
Throughout the period of construction, the Contractor shall
restrict all activities within the designated areas as per the
construction layout plan. Any modification of the construction
layout plan is to be approved by the ECO.
9.2.1.2. Site Camps:
The following restrictions must be placed on the site camp
for the construction staff in general:
The use of water courses for domestic purposes
such washing clothes, drinking and bathing;
The use of welding equipment, oxy-acetylene
torches and other bare flames where veld fires can
be a hazard;
Collection of firewood;
Poaching of any form; and

 Use of surrounding veld as toilets.	
<ul> <li>9.2.1.3. Vegetation clearing:</li> <li>The natural vegetation encountered on site is to be conserved and left intact as much as possible.</li> <li>Only vegetation within the approved construction footprint must be cleared. Clearance must be as per the approved Method Statement in line with Eskom policies.</li> <li>Search and rescue must be done by a Specialist in consultation with the ECO.</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>9.2.1.4. Water for human consumption:</li> <li>Water for human consumption must be available at all times.</li> <li>9.2.1.5. Sewage Treatment:</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>Chemical toilets must be supplied (1 per 15 persons) and must be regularly cleaned and maintained by the Contractor.</li> <li>The Contractor must arrange for regular emptying of toilets and must be entirely responsible for enforcing</li> </ul>	
<ul> <li>their use and maintenance.</li> <li>The ablution facilities must be at least 100m distance from the watercourses and associated buffers.</li> <li>All ablution facilities must be anchored to prevent them from being toppled by the wind.</li> </ul>	

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#### 9.2.2.Sensitive ecology

Objective/s	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
• To ensure that the sensitive	Sensitivity assessment was conducted by the ecologist within	Observation.	Eskom.	Prior to
areas are not disturbed.	the proposed corridors and large tracts of the corridors have	ECO to monitor	Contractor.	construction
• To ensure minimal or no	either been transformed for crop production or heavily	ECO to monitor		
disturbance to the vegetation	degraded as a result of overgrazing which has reduced the	• Site plan.		
on and around the site.	potential sensitivity of these areas. Therefore, the following			
• To prevent negative impact	general conditions must be adhered to:			
on both flora and fauna.				
	• The powerline profile must be designed so as to avoid			
	areas of high sensitivity and CBAs.			
	• Demarcate the authorised construction footprint to avoid			
	unnecessary vegetation clearing. Ensure that 'No-Go'			
	areas are clearly demarcated and/or fenced before			
	construction activities commence. Barriers must be			
	maintained in good order throughout the course of the			
	construction.			
	• The natural vegetation encountered on the site must be			
	conserved and left intact as much as possible.			
	• Only vegetation directly affected by the works may be			
	felled or cleared.			
	• No open fires are permitted within naturally vegetated			
	areas.			
	Formalise access roads and make use existing roads and			
	tracks where feasible, rather than creating new routes			
	through naturally vegetated areas.			
	Retain vegetation and soil in position for as long as			

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Objective/s	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
	possible in that area (DWAF, 2005).		Agent	
	No bush clearing is to be undertaken without the			
	knowledge of the property owner. It is recommended that			
	the owner is informed of the basic construction process			
	during initial interaction so that they are aware of the			
	vegetation clearing that will occur.			
	<ul> <li>Only manual removal of weed will be permitted on site.</li> </ul>			
	Chemical and mechanical (TLB, bulldozer) control is not			
	allowed on site.			
	<ul> <li>Implement an alien invasive plant monitoring and</li> </ul>			
	management plan whereby the spread of alien and			
	invasive plant species are regularly removed and re-			
	infestation monitored on site.			
	Any fauna threatened by construction activities must be			
	removed to safety by the ECO or other suitably qualified			
	person.			
	During construction all vehicles must adhere to			
	demarcated tracks or roads and the speed limit must not			
	exceed 40km/h on larger roads and should be 20-30km/h			
	on smaller access tracks.			
	Where necessary, dust suppression must be implemented			
	to reduce dust impacts on surrounding areas.			
	All construction staff must undergo environmental			
	induction before construction commences in order to raise			
	awareness and reduce potential faunal impacts.			
	To avoid impacts on amphibians, all spills of hazardous			
	• To avoid impacts on amphibians, all spills of hazardous			

Objective/s	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring Frequency
			Agent	
	material should be cleared in the appropriate manner			
	according to the nature and identity of the spill and all			
	contaminated soil removed from the site.			
	• Avoid sensitive faunal habitats such as drainage lines and			
	wetlands.			

#### 9.2.3. Materials handling, use and storage

Ob	jective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
•	To ensure safe handling, storage use and disposal of hazardous substances. To ensure full compliance with the requirements of the applicable legislation.	<ul> <li>The Contractor's management and maintenance of plant and machinery will be strictly monitored according to the criteria given below:</li> <li>9.2.3.1. Safety: <ul> <li>All the necessary handling and safety equipment required for the safe use of hydrocarbons shall be provided by the Contractor to be used and/or worn by the staff.</li> <li>The Contractor must comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act 85 of 1993) and Construction Regulations, 2003 as this governs what the Contractor must do and provide for his staff.</li> </ul> </li> <li>9.2.3.2. Hazardous Material Storage: <ul> <li>Hydrocarbons and hazardous substances will only be stared</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation</li> <li>Incident Report</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	Continuous     throughout the     construction phase
		<ul> <li>Hydrocarbons and hazardous substances will only be stored in a secured, designated area with restricted entry.</li> <li>Storage of hazardous products will only be in suitable</li> </ul>			

Objective	Μ	itigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring Frequency
				Agent	
		containers. The containers must indicate the nature of the			
		stored materials and Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS).			
	•	All hydrocarbons, irrespective of the volumes shall be stored			
		on a smooth impermeable surface (concrete) with a			
		permanent bund. The impermeable lining shall extend to the			
		crest of the bund and the volume inside the bund shall be			
		110% of the total capacity of all the storage tanks.			
	•	Gas welding cylinders and LPG cylinders must be stored in a			
		secure, well-ventilated area. The Contractor must supply			
		sufficient fire fighting equipment in the event of an accident			
		and strictly no smoking will be allowed where fuel is stored			
		and used.			

#### 9.2.4.EMPr training

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
To ensure that all site personnel have basic level of environmental awareness training.	<ul> <li>The CEO shall arrange for Environmental Awareness Training programs for all personnel on site.</li> <li>The training must include the content of the EMPr and the CEO must sensitise the team on the importance of compliance.</li> <li>Weekly toolbox talks must be undertaken by the CEO.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Signed training attendance Register</li> <li>Declaration of good conduct signed by all site personnel</li> </ul>	• CEO.	<ul> <li>Prior construction and to continue throughout construction through toolbox talks.</li> </ul>

#### 9.2.5.Water supply

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring Frequency
			Agent	
• To ensure availability of	• The Contractor must ensure that all water sources are	Water	• ECO	Ongoing during the
water for various uses as	authorised and proof of such must be presented to the	consumption	Contractor	construction phase
and when required.	ECO.	record		
• To ensure that water	• Contractor must ensure absolute conservation of water			
usage is minimized.	throughout construction.			
• To conserve water	• If possible grey water must be used for dust			
resources at all times.	suppression.			
• To encourage a 3R	• Contractor must supply portable water for human			
(Reduce, Reuse,	consumption at all times.			
Recycle).				

#### 9.2.6. Vehicular access and movement of construction vehicles

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
		/Policy					
• Damage to	To prevent	CARA.	• A physical access Method Statement	Access plan	Photographic	• ECO;	Continuou
protected	ecological	<ul> <li>NEMBA</li> </ul>	along the servitude shall be compiled	approved by	record of	Contractor &	s during
/endangered	damage.	• NWA.	by the Contractor and approved by the	the ECO	private roads	CEO	the
vegetation.	• Minimise		ECO.	• No	prior to the		constructio
Damage to	damage		• Access roads will be maintained by the	complaints	Contractor		n phase.
sensitive	to the		Contractor. The Contractor will erect	from	using the		
areas.	identified		and maintain marker pegs along the	landowners.	roads. Site		
• Erosion and	watercour		boundaries of the working areas,	• No access	plan		
loss of	ses.		access roads, haul roads or paths	roads through	Regular		
topsoil.	Minimise		before commencing any other work. If	wetlands	monitoring of		

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Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation /Policy	Mitigation / Management Action		Performance ndicator		Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
	erosion of		proven insufficient for control, these will	•	No visible		access roads		
	embankm		be replaced by other suitable methods.		erosion scars		conditions		
	ents and		• Ensure that access roads to the site are		once	٠	Monitoring of		
	subseque		of a suitable quality to eliminate soil		construction is		impacts into		
	nt siltation		erosion and channel storm water.		completed		the		
	of		• No illegal use of private roads during	•	Erosion is not		surrounding		
	watercour		construction.		evident on		areas.		
	ses.		• The Contractor shall sign post the		slopes.				
			access roads, immediately after the	•	Use of				
			access has been negotiated.		designated				
			• No roads shall cut through water		access roads.				
			courses as this may lead to erosion	•	No				
			causing siltation of streams.		complaints				
			• All negotiated existing private access		from the				
			roads used for construction purposes		landowners.				
			shall be maintained at all times to	•	No				
			ensure that the land owners have free		destruction of				
			and easy access to and from their		or				
			properties.		damage to				
			• Where new roads are required, the		known				
			disturbed area must be kept minimal (A		archaeological				
			two track dirt road will be the most		sites.				
			preferred option).						
			• The Contractor must not construct a						
			road with a reserve wider than 13, 5						

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Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation /Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			metres, or where no reserve exists				
			where the road is wider than 8 metres				
			as this triggers a listed activity as per				
			2014 EIA Regulation.				
			• Upon completion of the project all roads				
			shall be repaired/rehabilitated to their				
			original state.				
			• All existing farm roads (private roads)				
			damaged during the construction				
			phase, must at the end of construction				
			be repaired/rehabilitated to the				
			satisfaction of the landowner, as per the				
			conditions of the written contractual				
			agreement between the landowner and				
			the Contractor.				

#### 9.2.7. Movement of construction personnel and equipment

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Impact on sensitive environs.</li> <li>Trespassing</li> <li>Safety and security.</li> </ul>	To ensure controlled and managea ble movement of personnel	TRMPV ACV2 REV1	<ul> <li>The Contractor must ensure that all construction personnel, labourers and equipment remain within the demarcated construction sites at all times.</li> <li>Where construction personnel move</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No trespassing of contractor's workforce.</li> <li>No complaints</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Security registers.</li> <li>Complaints register.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO; and</li> <li>Contractor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Continuou s throughou t the constructi on phase.</li> </ul>

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Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
	and		outside the boundaries of the site, the	from			
	equipment		Contractor/ labourers must obtain	landowners			
			permission from the CEO.				
			• All equipment moved onto site or off				
			site is subject to the legal requirements				
			as well as Eskom specifications for the				
			transport of such equipment. The				
			Contractor shall meet these safety				
			requirements under all circumstances.				
			• All equipment transported shall be				
			clearly labelled as to their potential				
			hazards according to specifications.				
			• All the required safety labelling on the				
			containers and trucks used shall be in				
			place.				
			• The Contractor shall ensure that all the				
			necessary precautions against damage				
			to the environment and injury to				
			persons are taken in the event of an				
			accident and shall provide a Method				
			statement to that effect.				
			• The Contractor is to ensure that no				
			machinery, personnel, material, or				
			equipment enters 'No-Go' areas during				
			the course of the project.				

#### 9.2.8. Protection of avifauna

Possible	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring
Impact		Legislation/		Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency
		Policy					
Displaceme	• To avoid or	NEMBA	The broader area within which the	No reported	Observation	• ECO; and	On-going
nt avifauna	prevent the		study area s located is home to an	faunal injuries	Complaints	• CEO.	during the
as a result	displacement		exceptionally broad diversity of bird	• No	register that		constructio
of habitat	of avifauna.		species. Therefore, the following	complaints	records		n phase.
loss or	• To prevent the		measures must be implemented:	from	complaints		
transformati	disturbance of			landowners	from		
on	avifaunal		Construction activity must be		landowners		
Displaceme	habitat.		restricted to the immediate		Daily		
nt of	• To conserve		footprint of the infrastructure.		inspection		
Avifauna as	animal life.		• Access to the remainder of the site				
a result of	• To ensure		must be strictly controlled to				
disturbance	that impact		prevent unnecessary disturbance				
• Damage to	on natural		of Red Data species.				
habitat	vegetation is		• Installation of effective line				
Negative	kept to the		marking devices to make the				
impact on	minimum in		cables more visible to birds must				
bird due to	order to		be in place.				
electrocution	conserve		• Installation of Bird Guards on high				
and faulting	suitable		risk towers to ensure that large				
Negative	habitats as		birds cannot perch directly above				
impact on	much as		the relevant live hardware.				
animal life.	possible.		• Any bird nests that are found must				

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Possible	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring
Impact		Legislation/ Policy		Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency
	To prevent		be left intact/undisturbed and must				
	degradation		be reported to the Environmental				
	of suitable		Control Officer (ECO).				
	sensitive		• The pylons must be located on the				
	fauna		least sensitive environment within				
	habitats.		the assessed corridor.				
	To prevent		• Care must be taken in the vicinity				
	contamination		of the drainage lines and existing				
	of water		roads must be for access during				
	within the		construction.				
	nearby		• Special care must be taken in				
	watercourse		sensitive avifaunal micro-habitats				
	thereby		such as drainage lines, pans and				
	preserving		natural Renosterveld.				
	several		Contractors and working staff must				
	amphibian		stay within the development				
	species.		footprint and movement outside				
	• To ensure		these areas including avian micro-				
	that impact		habitats must be restricted.				
	on sensitive		• Under no circumstances shall any				
	fauna species		animals (livestock or game) be				
	is kept to a		hunted, handled, killed or be				
	minimum		interfered with by the construction				
	• To prevent		team.				

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Possible	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring
Impact		Legislation/ Policy		Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency
	injury or death of fauna species as a result of falling into open excavations. • To prevent		<ul> <li>Domesticated animals are not allowed on site.</li> <li>The Contractor shall keep the site clean and tidy from waste material that can attract animals.</li> <li>Fauna rescue and relocation programme must be implemented.</li> <li>Any open excavations must be</li> </ul>				
	collision of birds with power lines • To prevent electrical faulting.		<ul> <li>regularly inspected to rescue any fauna that may have fallen in.</li> <li>Records of any injured or deaths of fauna within the construction servitude must be kept by the CEO and ECO.</li> <li>Construction must be restricted to daylight hours to prevent any disturbance such as floodlights.</li> <li>During construction, if any of the</li> </ul>				
			<ul> <li>During construction, if any of the Red Data species as indicated in the Avifauna report (Appendix D2) are noted to be roosting and/or breeding in the vicinity, the ECO must be notified.</li> <li>Anti-collision devices must be</li> </ul>				

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Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			installed as soon as the wires are strung.				

#### 9.2.9. Protection of flora and fauna

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Impacts on vegetation and listed or protected species;</li> <li>Direct faunal impacts;</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To conserve vegetation and listed or protected species.</li> <li>To avoid the direct</li> <li>To ensure the control of alien invasive species and to ensure that rehabilitation is as close as possible to the original</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NEMBA</li> <li>CARA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The proposed alignment may traverse and degrade sensitive vegetation, therefore, the following mitigation measures are recommended:</li> <li>There should be a preconstruction walk-through of the power line corridor to identify species of conservation concern that must be avoided.</li> <li>Ensure that lay-down and other temporary infrastructure is within low sensitivity areas, preferably previously transformed areas if possible.</li> <li>Minimise the development footprint as far as possible and rehabilitate disturbed areas that are no longer required by the operational phase of</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No alien species.</li> <li>No disturbance of protected flora.</li> <li>Minimal disturbance of vegetation including crops.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Complaints register.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the construction phase.

Possible Objective Impact	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
state.		<ul> <li>the development.</li> <li>Preconstruction environmental induction for all construction staff on site to ensure that basic environmental principles are adhered to. This includes topics such as no littering, appropriate handling of pollution and chemical spills, avoiding fire hazards, minimizing wildlife interactions, remaining within demarcated construction areas etc.</li> <li>Demarcate all areas to be cleared with construction tape or other appropriate and effective means. However caution should be exercised to avoid using material that might entangle fauna.</li> <li>During construction all vehicles must stay within the demarcated tracks or roads and the speed limit should not exceed 40km/h on larger roads and should be 20-30km/h on smaller access tracks.</li> <li>All construction commences in order to</li> </ul>				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			<ul> <li>potential faunal impacts.</li> <li>To avoid impacts on amphibians, all spills of hazardous material should be cleared according to the nature and identity of the spill and all contaminated soil removed from the site.</li> <li>Avoid sensitive faunal habitats such as drainage lines and wetlands.</li> </ul>				

# 9.2.10. Heritage /or archaeological sites

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Destruction of sites of archaeologic al and heritage significance.</li> <li>Loss of historic cultural landscape.</li> <li>Loss of intangible heritage value due to change in land use.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To preserve any heritage, cultural or archaeologic al sites that might be encountered during the construction phase.</li> <li>Protection of known sites against destruction, vandalism and theft.</li> </ul>	• NHRA.	<ul> <li>The heritage significance of each corridor alternatives has been assessed in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (No 25 of 1999). No sites of heritage significance were identified, however the following conditions must be adhered to:</li> <li>Should any unmarked burials exposed during construction, affected families must be consulted, relevant rescue</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>record of chance finds.</li> <li>No destruction of or damage to known archaeological sites</li> </ul>	Intermittent     observation.	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor;</li> <li>CEO; and</li> <li>Archaeologist.</li> </ul>	On-going during all excavations.

<ul> <li>Preservation and appropriate management of any new archaeologic al sites should this be discovered during construction.</li> </ul>	relocation permits must be obtained from SAHRA/LHRA before any grave relocation can take place. Furthermore, a professional archaeologist must be retained to oversee the relocation process in accordance with the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (25) of 1999. • Should archaeological materials (e.g. fossils, bones, artefacts etc.) or human burials remains be exposed during construction, work must cease on the affected area and the discovery must be reported to the heritage authorities immediately. The Contractor shall not recommence working in that area until written permission has been received from the SAHRA. • Where burial sites are accidentally disturbed during construction, the affected area must be demarcated as no go areas. • No person may, without a permit,	
	as no go areas.	

	site or any meteorite.		

## 9.2.11. Servicing and re-fuelling of construction equipment

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Impact on soil and water resources due to accidental spillages.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To preserve soils, surface and ground water.</li> <li>To prevent spillages of hazardous substances.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NEMWA</li> <li>NWA</li> <li>OHSA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>During construction phase, the maintenance of construction materials and equipment may lead to environmental degradation and pollution. Therefore, the following mitigation measure must be adhered to:</li> <li>All maintenance and repair work will be carried out within an area designated for this purpose, equipped with necessary pollution containment measures.</li> <li>Refuelling, greasing or oiling of vehicle and construction machinery must be done on a drip tray or bunded surface.</li> <li>Drip trays must be placed under stationary vehicles and machinery at all times.</li> <li>Construction vehicles are to be maintained in an acceptable state of repair. No vehicles or equipment</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No evidence of hazardous substances polluting the site.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>On-going monitoring with regular inspections; and Service Records.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the constructi on phase.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			with leaks or causing spills will be				
			permitted on site.				
			• Fuel required during construction				
			must be stored at a central depot				
			that must be located on a slab and				
			be contained within a bund				
			capable of containing at least				
			110% of the total volume in the				
			containers.				
			• Temporary fuel storage tanks and				
			transfer areas also need to be				
			located on an adequately bunded				
			surface to contain accidental				
			spillages.				

## 9.2.12. Waste management

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Visual Impact</li> <li>Water resources</li> <li>Land pollution</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To ensure the efficient management of waste on site.</li> <li>To ensure minimal waste impacts on the surrounding environment.</li> <li>Minimise waste material being strewn in the environment.</li> </ul>	• NEMWA	<ul> <li>9.2.12.1. Solid Waste Management:</li> <li>Waste must be separated at source (e.g. containers for glass, paper, metals, plastic, organic waste and hazardous waste).</li> <li>An adequate number of scavenger proof refuse bins must be provided at the construction site and must be clearly labelled (general or hazardous) according to waste streams.</li> <li>All waste must be transported in an appropriate manner (e.g. plastic rubbish bags) and disposed of at a licensed waste disposal facility. Proof of safe disposal must be kept on site.</li> <li>The Contactor may not dispose any waste and / or construction debris by burning, or burying.</li> <li>Waste bins must be emptied regularly (minimum weekly) such that they do not overfill.</li> <li>The Contractor shall maintain</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Presence of proper storage facilities that are properly labelled.</li> <li>Post-construction work areas are clear of all waste materials.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Intermittent. Observation.</li> <li>Waste Disposal Records.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	• Daily

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			'good housekeeping' practices				
			and ensure that all work sites				
			and the construction camp is				
			kept tidy and litter free.				
			9.2.12.2. Liquid Waste Management:				
			• An adequate number of suitable				
			containers with lids must be				
			provided at the construction site.				
			• The Contractor will ensure that				
			waste water is discharged in the				
			drums provided.				
			• All waste must be transported in				
			an appropriate manner and				
			disposed of at a licensed waste				
			disposal site.				
			• All requirements of the NEMWA,				
			supporting policies and				
			guidelines must be adhered to				
			without fail.				

## 9.2.13. Surface and groundwater management

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/Polic y	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
Possible contamination of water resources.	<ul> <li>To conserve all natural water resources.</li> <li>To avoid illegal diversion and destruction of water resources.</li> <li>To ensure proper management of storm water run-off that causes erosion and .siltation/sedim entation.</li> <li>To ensure that the rivers and streams are protected and incur minimal</li> </ul>	• NWA	<ul> <li>In the proposed site, there are numerous minor and several major drainage systems which cross the corridors including the Olifants and Steelpoort Rivers. Therefore, the following mitigation measures must be implemented:</li> <li>The Contractor must take reasonable precautions to prevent the pollution of ground and surface water resources as a result of construction activities.</li> <li>No natural watercourse is to be used for the cleaning of tools. This includes for purposes of bathing, or washing of clothes etc.</li> <li>No spills may be hosed / disposed into the surrounding natural environment.</li> <li>All soil contaminated must be excavated to the depth of contaminant penetration, placed in suitable drums/containers and</li> </ul>	Unpolluted watercours e.	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Design Plans.</li> </ul>	Contractor;     ECO; and     CEO.	Continuo us through the constructi on phase.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/Polic y	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
	negative		removed to a hazardous waste				
	impact from		facility.				
	the		• No extraction of water from any				
	development.		natural resources without the				
	• To ensure		relevant authorisation.				
	compliance		• Erosion control measure must be				
	with the		put in place to control storm				
	requirements		water runoff.				
	of the Act.		• Storm water management				
			measures must be as per the				
			approved Method Statement				
			prepared by the Contractor.				
			• Erosion control on all access				
			roads must be undertaken.				
			• Any physical damage to any				
			aspect of a watercourse must be				
			prohibited.				
			• Minimize the extent of damage to				
			flood plains that is necessary to				
			complete the works, and will not				
			pollute any water course as a				
			result of construction.				

## 9.2.14. Sensitive areas (water courses and buffers)

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring
		Legislation/		Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency
		Policy					
• Changing the	• To preserve	• NWA	The site sensitivity assessment were	Undisturbed	Observation.	• CEO;	Throughout
quantity and	and		carried out in the proposed site and the	sensitive	• WUL.	ECO; and	the
fluctuation	conserve		extent of more sensitive features within	environment		Contractor.	construction
properties of the	the sensitive		each corridor includes drainage features,	s and/or			and post
watercourse.	environment		wetlands, rocky ridges and areas of good	properly			construction
Changing the			condition bushveld or grassland vegetation.	rehabilitated.			to ensure
amount of			The sections of the corridors towards	Compliance			proper
sediment			Witkop substation are all considered	with the			rehabilitatio
entering water			moderately sensitive on account of the	WUL			n.
resource and			intact nature of the Polokwane Plateau	conditions.			
associated			Bushveld vegetation. The following				
change in			mitigation measures must be considered				
turbidity			during different phases of the project:				
(increasing or							
decreasing the			• No stockpiling of any materials may				
amount)			take place adjacent to any of the water				
Alteration of			resources.				
water quality			Erosion control measures must be				
toxic			implemented in areas sensitive to				
contaminants			erosion, particularly in areas prone to				
(including toxic			erosion and where erosion has already				
metal ions (e.g.			occurred. These measures include but				
copper, lead,			are not limited to - the use of sand				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
zinc) and hydrocarbons. • Changing the physical structure within a water resource.			<ul> <li>bags, hessian sheets, silt fences, retention or replacement of vegetation and geotextiles such as soil cells which must be used in the protection of slopes.</li> <li>Do not allow surface water or storm water to be concentrated, or to flow down slopes without erosion protection measures being in place.</li> <li>All disturbed areas must be rehabilitated as soon as construction in an area is complete or near complete and not left until the end of the project to be rehabilitated.</li> <li>Make use of existing access roads as much as possible and plan additional access routes to avoid vegetation communities.</li> <li>Minimise the extent of the work footprint as far as possible.</li> <li>Do not locate the construction camp or any depot for any substance which</li> </ul>				
			causes or is likely to cause pollution within a distance of 100m of the				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring
		Legislation/ Policy		Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency
			<ul> <li>delineated water resources.</li> <li>All waste generated during construction is to be disposed of at an appropriate facility and no washing of paint brushes, containers, wheelbarrows, spades, picks or any other equipment adjacent to the watercourses is permitted.</li> <li>Proper management and disposal of construction waste must occur during the construction of the development.</li> <li>No release of any substance i.e. cement, oil, that could be toxic to fauna or faunal habitats within the watercourses.</li> <li>Spillages of fuels, oils and other potentially harmful chemicals must be cleaned up immediately and contaminants properly drained and disposed of using proper solid/hazardous waste facilities (not to be disposed of within the natural environment). Any contaminated soil must be removed and the affected</li> </ul>				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			<ul> <li>area rehabilitated immediately.</li> <li>A spill contingency plan must be drawn up for the construction phase.</li> <li>No construction must take place within the riparian zone of the watercourse.</li> <li>Vehicles must not be permitted to be cleaned or serviced in or near aquatic ecosystems. Vehicle servicing must take place offsite.</li> <li>Cordon-off areas that are under rehabilitation as no-go areas.</li> <li>Demarcate the watercourses and buffer zones to limit disturbance and clearly mark these areas as no-go areas.</li> <li>Recommendation from Department of Water and Sanitation as part of the licensing process must be taken into consideration throughout the construction phase.</li> </ul>				

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#### 9.2.15. Hazardous materials

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
Impact on	• To ensure	<ul> <li>HSA</li> </ul>	• The Contractor must comply with all	No incidents	Hazardous	• ECO;	Continuous
soils and	safe and		National, Regional and Local	reported	material	Contractor;	throughout
water	proper		legislations with regard to the storage,		data sheet	and	the
resources.	handling of		transport, use and disposal of		Incident	• CEO.	constructio
	hazardous		petroleum, chemical, harmful and		reports		n phase.
	material.		hazardous substances and materials.		Observation		
			• Equipped spill kits must be made		of spillages		
			available on site at all times.		and		
			• The CEO will furthermore be		leakages		
			responsible for the training and				
			education of all personnel on site who				
			will be handling the material about its				
			proper use, handling and disposal.				
			• Storage of all hazardous material is to				
			be safe, tamper proof and under strict				
			control.				
			• Exercise extreme care with the				
			handling of diesel and other toxic				
			solvents to ensure that spillage is				
			avoided.				
			Any accidental chemical / fuel spills				
			must be remediated immediately.				

# 9.2.16. Oil spill management

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
Impact on soils and water resources	<ul> <li>To avoid ground and surface water contaminatio n</li> <li>To ensure proper and safe handling of oil spillages.</li> </ul>	• HSA	<ul> <li>The Contractor must prevent potential hydrocarbon spills during construction.</li> <li>Hydrocarbon must be stored in properly contained areas so as to minimise accidental spillage.</li> <li>Use of drip trays under stationary vehicles. All spills must be reported to the ECO within 24 hours of the spill via a flash report.</li> <li>The Contractor must be in possession of a mobile oil spill kit at all times.</li> <li>The oil spill clean-up and rehabilitation standards need to be implemented.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No incident reported</li> <li>Proper use of drip trays</li> <li>Presence of oil spill kit</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation</li> <li>Incident report</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the constructi on phase.

## 9.2.17. Storm water management

Ρ	ossible	Ob	ject	tive	Арр	olicable	Mit	igation / Management Action	Pe	rformance	Mo	onitoring	Re	sponsible	Мо	onitoring	
Ir	Impact		Leg	islation/			Ind	licator	Cr	iteria	Ag	ent	Fre	equency			
					Poli	icy											
•	Possible	٠	Тс	o reduce	•	NWA	•	The Contractor must ensure that	٠	No evidence	•	Site Plan	٠	ECO;	•	Continuou	S
	negative		th	e				rainwater pollutants from construction		of erosion	•	Observation	•	Contractor;		during th	ne
	impact on		рс	otential				activities does not run-off into natural	•	No evidence				and		construction	С
	water		im	pact from				areas and thus result in a pollution		of increased			•	CEO.		n.	
	resources		ru	noff on				threat.		siltation							
			se	ensitive			•	Storm water shall be diverted from the	•	No evidence							

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
impact		Policy		Indicator	Gillena		Frequency
	areas.	Policy	<ul> <li>construction works.</li> <li>Storm water management measures must be as per the Storm water Management Method Statement prepared by the Contractor for ECO approval.</li> <li>Increased runoff due to vegetation clearance and/or soil compaction must be managed and steps must be taken to ensure that storm water does not lead to excessive levels of silt entering the watercourses.</li> <li>Necessary storm water control mechanisms shall be employed to</li> </ul>	of contaminated water courses.			
			<ul> <li>ensure the sustainability of all the structures.</li> <li>Effort shall be made to ensure that storm water leaving the construction site is not contaminated by any substance, whether solid, liquid or gas.</li> </ul>				

## 9.2.18. Fire

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Destruction of property</li> <li>Loss of life.</li> <li>Destruction of crops and livestock.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To prevent open fires.</li> <li>To ensure that the workforce is aware of emergency procedures should an incident occur.</li> </ul>	• NEMA	<ul> <li>A fire Management Method Statement must be put in place by the Contractor. Landowners must be consulted in order to incorporate their specific fire fighting measures. The Method Statement must be approved by the ECO.</li> <li>All the necessary precautions to ensure that fires are not started as a result of activities on site must be implemented.</li> <li>Fuels or chemicals must be stored at the designated storage area.</li> <li>Gas and liquid fuels must not be stored in the same storage area.</li> <li>All fire control mechanisms (fire fighting equipment) will be made available and accessible at all times and routinely inspected.</li> <li>No open fires for heating or cooking will be permitted on site, unless agreed and then only on designated areas.</li> <li>Designated smoking areas must be provided, with special bins for</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No reported fire incidents</li> <li>No loss of life</li> <li>No traces of cigarettes buts outside the designated smoking area.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fire Management Plan.</li> <li>Daily Checks.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contracto r; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the construction phase.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			discarding of cigarette stump.				
			• Fire must be reported immediately.				

## 9.2.19. Air pollution

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Dust nuisance from excavations, vegetation clearing and dirt roads.</li> <li>Exhaust fumes from construction vehicles.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To ensure proper mitigation of air pollution.</li> <li>To avoid dust nuisance from excavation activities and vehicles on dirt roads.</li> </ul>	• NEMAQA	<ul> <li>The potential air pollutants would be dust emanating from excavation activities and access roads; emissions or exhaust fumes from equipment. The following measures must be put in place:</li> <li>Appropriate dust suppression measures or temporary stabilising mechanisms (e.g. adherence to speed limit, chemical soil binders, straw, brush packs chipping) must be put in place throughout construction, particularly during prolonged periods of dry weather.</li> <li>Removal of vegetation must be avoided until such time as soil stripping is required.</li> <li>No burning of waste material is allowed.</li> <li>A maximum speed of 30km/hr on the access road must be adhered to in order</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No complaints from surrounding land owners recorded.</li> <li>No evidence of dust pollution plumes on site.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Complaints register.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going throughout the construction phase.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			<ul> <li>to minimise or avoid dust pollution.</li> <li>Construction vehicles and equipment must be in good working order and serviced regularly.</li> </ul>				

#### 9.2.20. Noise impact

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
Noise during excavation/ drilling of foundations and associated activities.	<ul> <li>To ensure minimal noise disturbance</li> <li>To ensure proper mitigation measures of noise.</li> <li>To avoid noise nuisance from operating construction equipment.</li> </ul>	• ECA	<ul> <li>Increased levels of noise during construction will be detrimental to fauna and human residents, therefore the following mitigation measures must be adhered to:</li> <li>Noise associated with the construction activities can be mitigated by limiting the construction operation to business hours.</li> <li>Machinery and vehicles are to be maintained in good working order.</li> <li>Offending machinery and vehicles will be banned from use on site until they have been repaired.</li> <li>The project team must endeavour to keep noise generating activities associated with construction to a</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No complaints from surrounding landowners recorded.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Noise monitoring.</li> <li>A register of complaints to be kept on site at all times and kept up to date.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contractor;</li> <li>ECO; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the construction phase

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			minimum and within working hours.				
			• Any complaints pertaining to noise				
			must be recorded and reported to the				
			ECO and addressed accordingly.				
			Labourers to be provided with hearing				
			protection as and when required.				

# 9.2.21. Visual impact

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
Loss of sense of place.	<ul> <li>To ensure proper mitigation measures of potential visual impacts.</li> <li>To maintain the site's aesthetics.</li> </ul>	• NEMA	<ul> <li>Storage facilities and other temporary structures on site must be located in such that they have as little visual impact on local residents as possible.</li> <li>Soil excavated (if any) must not be stockpiled above 2m.</li> <li>All temporary structures erected on site for the purposes of the project's construction phase will be removed from site upon completion of the project.</li> <li>The pylons should not be painted but be galvanised and allowed to oxidise naturally over time.</li> <li>Lighting will be sufficient to ensure security but will not constitute 'light</li> </ul>	complaints from the landowners and affected parties.	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Complaints register.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor ; and</li> <li>CEO</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>On-going during the construction phase.</li> </ul>

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			pollution' to the surrounding areas.				
			• The site must be clean and tidy at all				
			times.				

## 9.2.22. Traffic impact

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislatio n/Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Possible traffic increase.</li> <li>Car accident.</li> <li>Irregular traffic impact during construction.</li> <li>Impact on road safety, congestion, wear and tear of the road surface.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To maximise road safety, and minimise congestion.</li> <li>To ensure that traffic impacts as a result of the construction related activities are minimized.</li> </ul>	• NLTA	<ul> <li>Effective traffic control must take place throughout the construction phase.</li> <li>Access roads will be maintained by the Contractor and will ensure that access roads to the site are of a suitable quality to eliminate soil erosion and channel storm water.</li> <li>Strategic positioning of entry and exit points to ensure as little impact/ effect as possible on the traffic flow.</li> <li>Monitor adherence to traffic regulations.</li> <li>Monitor drivers for use of alcohol and other substances that could impair judgment and driving.</li> <li>Ensure that loads on trucks are properly secured during transport.</li> <li>Schedule arrival and departure of heavy vehicles to avoid morning and afternoon</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No increase in accident rate.</li> <li>No complaints from the landowners and affected parties.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Complaints report.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contractor.</li> <li>ECO.</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going during the construction phase.

peak hours.	

## 9.2.23. Excavation, backfilling and trenching

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Possible erosion</li> <li>Injury of animal life</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To prevent erosion.</li> <li>To ensure safety for both human and animals.</li> </ul>	• OHSA	<ul> <li>While working at areas prone to erosion, the following must be adhered to:</li> <li>Excavations must not be left open for longer than 14 days.</li> <li>Excavations must be barricaded/ fenced off at all times.</li> </ul>	of animals	<ul><li>Observation</li><li>Incident report</li></ul>	<ul><li>Contractor /</li><li>ECO.</li><li>CEO.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>On-going excavations.</li> </ul>

# 9.2.24. Soil and agricultural potential

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring
		Legislation/P		Indicator		Agent	Frequency
		olicy					
Potential	• To avoid	CARA	During the construction, the removal or	• No	Observation	• ECO.	During and
loss of	loss of		disturbance of vegetation cover will affect the	encroachment	Complaints	• CEO.	after
agricultural	agricultur		soil and agricultural potential. Therefore, the	into agricultural	register	Contractor.	maintenance.
soil;	al soil.		following mitigation measures should	crops.			
• Disturbance	• To		implemented:	No negative			
of	reduce /		• Access roads should avoid steep slopes	feedback from			
agricultural	prevent		wherever possible;	landowners.			
soil during	the		• Where steep slopes are used, road				
construction;	disturban		stabilization measures (culverts, run-off				
Negative	ce of		trenches, banking of bends etc) should				
Impacts on	agricultur		be implemented;				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
agricultural	al soil.		• Restrict areas cleared of vegetation to				
activities.	• To limit		road surfaces and infrastructure				
	the		footprints only;				
	impact		• The rehabilitation of any bare soil areas				
	on		caused by the construction process				
	agricultur		(including any access roads or tracks);				
	al		• Special care should be given to areas				
	activities.		with steeper topography and areas				
	• To avoid		adjacent to water courses;				
	undue		Maintain good relations with				
	loss of		landowners.				
	livestock		• Consult farmers prior to any clearing				
	and		activities.				
	crops.		• Avoid unnecessary destruction of crops				
			by remaining within the servitude at all				
			times.				
			• No form of disturbance of agricultural				
			stock will be permitted for whatever				
			reason.				

#### 9.2.25. Erosion and control

Possible Impact Objective	Applicable Legislation /Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Construction phase disturbance may result in large and sediment ion.</li> <li>amounts of erosion and silt movement into drainage lines.</li> <li>Construction disturbance is likely to increase the vulnerability of the disturbed areas to erosion</li> <li>Impact on soils and habitats and sensitive environs.</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>To prevent any form of erosion the following must be adhered to:</li> <li>Disturbance within or near the drainage lines should be kept to a minimum.</li> <li>No pylons should be located within drainage lines or the adjacent floodplains.</li> <li>Any roads along slopes should have water diversion structures placed at regular intervals to ensure that they do not capture overland flow and become eroded.</li> <li>Any erosion problems observed along the power line servitude should be rectified as soon as possible using the appropriate re-vegetation and erosion control works.</li> <li>During construction, the Contractor will protect areas susceptible to erosion by installing necessary temporary and / or permanent drainage and by taking suitable measures to prevent surface water concentration into nearby roadways.</li> <li>Prior to construction, all topsoil must be</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No visible signs of erosion.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation.</li> <li>Complaints register.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Contractor.</li> <li>ECO.</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	On-going particularly during excavations.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation /Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			stripped and stockpiled separately from				
			subsoil and rocky material. Soil must be				
			stripped in a phased manner so as to				
			retain vegetation cover for as long as				
			possible.				
			Stockpiled topsoil must not be				
			compacted and must be reused as the				
			final soil layer.				
			• Stockpiled soil must be protected by				
			erosion-control berms if exposed for a				
			period of greater than 14 days during				
			the wet/windy season.				
			Topsoil stockpiles must not be				
			contaminated with oil, diesel, petrol,				
			waste or any other foreign matter, which				
			may inhibit the later growth of vegetation				
			and micro-organisms in the soil.				
			• Soil must not be stockpiled on drainage				
			lines or near watercourses.				
			• The timing of clearing and grubbing				
			must be co-ordinated as much as				
			possible to avoid prolonged exposure of				
			soils to wind and water erosion.				
			• If topsoil will be stockpiled for a longer				
			period, it must be either vegetated with				

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation /Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			indigenous grasses or covered with a				
			suitable material to prevent erosion and				
			invasion by weeds.				
			• To limit the introduction of alien species				
			into the area, no soil may be imported				
			onto site.				
			• Where required, cut-off trenches can be				
			installed to divert substantial run-off and				
			prevent erosion as and when necessary.				
			• Where new roads are constructed, water				
			diversion berms must be constructed to				
			prevent erosion.				
			• Sensitive areas such as watercourses				
			(wetlands, drainage lines, non-perennial				
			rivers and riparian areas) must be				
			cordoned off to control vehicles and				
			construction personnel access.				

## 9.2.26. Use of cement and concrete

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Soil, surface and ground water pollution.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To conserve soils, surface and</li> </ul>	<ul><li>NEMA.</li><li>NEMWA.</li><li>HSA.</li></ul>	Cement and concrete are regarded as highly hazardous to the natural environment due to their high pH (potential Hydrology) and the	construction are clear of	<ul><li>Observation.</li><li>Site Plan.</li></ul>	<ul><li>Contractor.</li><li>ECO.</li><li>CEO.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Throughout the construction phase.</li> </ul>

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/P olicy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
	groundwa ter. • To minimise waste concrete from polluting the environm ent.		<ul> <li>chemicals contained therein. To avoid ground pollution the following must be implemented:</li> <li>Pre-mix concrete shall be the preferred option where possible.</li> <li>If concrete mixing is undertaken on site, the following measures must be put in place:</li> <li>The batching / mixing area must be properly designated, indicated on the site plan and kept neat and tidy at all times.</li> <li>No batching / mixing activities will occur on a permeable surface.</li> <li>Unused cement bags will be stored and disposed of appropriately.</li> <li>The visible remains of the batch plant and concrete, either solid, or from washings shall be physically removed and disposed of appropriately at a licensed landfill site if not reused.</li> </ul>	following construction.			

## 9.2.27. Site clean-up and rehabilitation

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/Poli cy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
<ul> <li>Erosion</li> <li>Spread of alien invasive plant species.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Minimise damage to topsoil and environmen t at tower positions.</li> <li>Successful rehabilitatio n of all damaged areas.</li> <li>Prevention of erosion.</li> <li>To ensure that the site is fully rehabilitate d to its original state.</li> <li>To ensure that the site is clean and neat.</li> <li>Minimize claims and litigation from landowners</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NEMBA</li> <li>NEMA</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Contractor must ensure that all temporary structures, materials, waste and facilities used for construction activities are removed upon completion of the project.</li> <li>Fully rehabilitate (e.g. clear and clean area, rake, pack branches etc.) all disturbed areas and protect them from erosion.</li> <li>All replaced equipment and excess gravel, stone, concrete, bricks, temporary fencing and the like shall be removed from the site upon completion of the work.</li> <li>No discarded materials of any nature shall be buried on the site or on any other land within the site.</li> <li>Re-seeding shall be done on disturbed areas as per the rehabilitation Method Statement and as directed by the CEO and ECO.</li> <li>Slopes in excess of 2% must be contoured and slopes in excess of 12% must be terraced.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No loss of topsoil due to construction activities</li> <li>No loss of topsoil due to construction activities</li> <li>All disturbed areas successfully rehabilitated within three months of completion of the contract</li> <li>No visible erosion scars three months after completion of the contract.</li> <li>No open fires shall be</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rehabilitation Plan</li> <li>Observation</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO</li> <li>CEO</li> <li>Contractor</li> </ul>	On completion of construction Random surveys by landowner

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/Poli cy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
			<ul> <li>The Contractor shall dispose of all excess material from site at a registered disposal facility.</li> <li>Reusable material will be taken off site and reused elsewhere.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>allowed on site under any circumstance.</li> <li>No evidence of rubble or litter left on site.</li> <li>Successful completion of the contract with all landowners signing the release form six months after completion of the project.</li> </ul>			

## 9.2.28. Infrastructure

Po	ossible	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring
Im	pact		Legislation/Policy		Indicator		Agent	Frequency
•	Damage to fence, gates and other services. Loss of	<ul> <li>Minimise damage to infrastructu re such as fence, gates.</li> </ul>	• Fencing Act (Act 31 of 1963).	<ul> <li>The Contractor must ensure that all gates are left in the state as required by the landowner.</li> <li>The Contractor must not interfere with landowner's locks.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>No complaints from the landowners with regards</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Complaints register.</li> <li>Observation.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>CEO; and</li> <li>Contractor.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>During construction and completion of construction.</li> <li>Random</li> </ul>

Possible	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring
Impact		Legislation/Policy		Indicator		Agent	Frequency
livestock.	<ul> <li>Prevent loss of livestock</li> <li>Minimize claims and litigation from landowners .</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>No gates must be left open as this can lead to livestock loss.</li> <li>Damage to fences during stringing must be avoided.</li> <li>The climbing/crawling over/through fences without the permission of the landowner must be prohibited.</li> </ul>	to broken fences and gates. • All gates closed during the construction phase.			surveys landowner.

## 9.2.29. Monitoring of EMPr and compliance

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring
			Agent	Frequency
To implement an on-going monitoring and performance audit programme.	<ul> <li>The correct and successful implementation of impact mitigation measures in order to reduce adverse impacts on environmental aspects needs to be ensured by a proper monitoring program.</li> <li>Monitoring of the general implementation of/adherence to the EMPr shall be the responsibility of the ECO.</li> <li>Reporting on adherence/compliance to stipulations as communicated to Contractors, shall take place during scheduled site meetings.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Observation;</li> <li>Checklist;</li> <li>Daily Register;</li> <li>Attendance Registers;</li> <li>Photographic evidence; and</li> <li>Audit and Monitoring Reports.</li> </ul>	Agent <ul> <li>ECO;</li> <li>Contractor; and</li> <li>CEO.</li> </ul>	Frequency         On-going       post         rehabilitation.
	<ul><li>Regular site meetings by the project team.</li><li>Continuous induction of staff and visitors on</li></ul>			

the EMPr conditions and requirements.		
• Put in place non-conformance, prevention and		
corrective procedures.		

## 9.2.30. Document control

Objective	Mitigation / Management Action	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible	Monitoring
			Agent	Frequency
• To ensure compliance	• A copy of the EMPr and the EA will be made	• Availability of an EMPr	• ECO;	On-going
with the requirements of	available on site at all times.	copy on site.	<ul> <li>Contractor; and</li> </ul>	during the
the regulatory authority.	• The EMPr as well as the EA will be used for	Report submission Transmittal.	• CEO.	construction phase.
• To assign roles and	referral as the project progresses. The EA			
responsibilities to ensure	will also be presented on request to I &APs			
compliance.	and stakeholders who may visit the site.			
• To implement and comply	• Monitoring and Audit Reports must be			
with the requirements of	submitted to DEA and copies filed.			
the EMPr.				

## 9.3. OPERATION MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

P	ossible Impact	0	bjective	Le	plicable gislation/ licy		tigation / Management tion	Performance Indicator		onitoring iteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
9.	3.1.Access roads	;										
	Access roads	•	To prevent	•	NEMA.	•	Access roads are to be	No complaints from	•	Complaints.	Project	Yearly.
	used for		ecological	•	NWA.		maintained in an	the land owners.		register.	Manager.	
	maintenance		damage.	•	NEMBA.		acceptable manner.		•	Observation		
	purposes	•	Minimize			•	Appropriate erosion					
	might impact		damage to the				measures must be in					
	on vegetation		identified water				place to prevent any					

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
and water courses.	courses.		impact in surrounding habitat.				
9.3.2.Flora and faun	a						
<ul> <li>Increased erosion risk.</li> <li>Faunal impacts during construction.</li> <li>Impacts on Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBA).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>To prevent the risk of erosion.</li> <li>To prevent the faunal impacts;</li> <li>To minimize the impacts on CBDs.</li> <li>To ensure biodiversity stability.</li> <li>To prevent alien invasion.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>NEMBA.</li> <li>Eskom bush clearing policy.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>CBAs should be avoided by the final power line corridor as much as possible, especially where these related to sensitive habitats such as forest or wetlands.</li> <li>The development footprint should be kept to a minimum and natural vegetation should be encouraged to return to disturbed areas as far as possible. The taller woody vegetation should only be cleared where this is necessary for operational safety of the power line. Taller succulent species such</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Intact</li> <li>Vegetation with no alien species.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vegetation re-growth.</li> <li>Observation.</li> </ul>	• Eskom.	Infrequent/ only as and when deemed necessary.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
9.3.3.Avifauna			<ul> <li>as euphorbias should be left in place as they do not pose a fire risk as such species do not burn.</li> <li>Maintaining vegetation around the pylons and under the power line will also assist with erosion control.</li> <li>An alien clearing programmed must be drawn up and implemented during the operational phase.</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>The impact of collision of certain bird species with the overhead cables</li> <li>Possible bird electrocution</li> </ul>	deaths of birds caused by collision and electrocution.	NEMBA	<ul> <li>Installation of Bird Guards on high risk towers to ensure that large birds cannot perch directly above the relevant live hardware.</li> <li>Installing effective line marking devices to</li> </ul>	• No bird fatality caused by collision and electrocution.	Observation.	Project     Manager.	Yearly.

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable Legislation/ Policy	Mitigation / Management Action	Performance Indicator	Monitoring Criteria	Responsible Agent	Monitoring Frequency
S.			make the cables more				
<ul> <li>Nesting on</li> </ul>			visible to birds.				
powerline			Should electrocutions				
Electrical			become an issue, the				
faulting due			impact can be mitigated				
to birds			reactively using a range				
			of insulation devices				
			that exist and site-				
			specific				
			recommendations				
			should be sought from				
			the Eskom-Endangered				
			Wildlife Trust Strategic				
			Partnership.				
			High risk sections of				
			power line will need to				
			be marked with a				
			suitable, effective				
			Eskom approved line				
			marking device on the				
			earth wires as per				
			Eskom standards.				
			• These high-risk sections				
			of line need to be				

Possible Impact	Obje	ective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management			formance		Monitoring	Responsible	M	Monitoring		
			Legislation/	Ac	Action		Indicator		Criteria	Agent	Fr	Frequency		
			Policy											
					identified once the final									
					route is available and									
					tower positions have									
					been surveyed and									
					finalized.									
9.3.4.Waste generat	tion an	nd disposal	<u> </u>	1										
Waste	•	To prevent	NEMWA	•	Solid waste generated	٠	No complaints	s	Complaints	Project	•	Yearly.		
generation		littering on site			during operation phase		from the	е	register.	Manager.				
during the		by storing and			must be removed in a		landowners.		• Observation.					
operational		disposing of			continuous and efficient									
phase will have	,	waste			manner.									
a negative		appropriately.		•	A waste management									
impact on the					plan must be developed									
environment if					and maintained.									
not controlled				•	No solid waste should									
adequately.					be dumped on the site.									
				•	All domestic waste									
					generated on the site									
					should be disposed of in									
					a proper manner off site									
					i.e. no burial on site.									
				•	Burning of waste will not									
					be permitted.									

Possible Impact Objective		Le	plicable gislation/ licy		tigation / Management ction		rformance licator		onitoring iteria	Re: Ag	sponsible ent		nitoring quency	
9.3.5.Storm water M	anag	jement												
Soil erosion on	•	To prevent soil	•	NEMA.	•	It is recommended that	٠	Erosion scars.	٠	Observation.	٠	Project	•	Yearly.
site may occur		erosion and	•	NWA.		proper storm water						Manager.		
if storm water		water logging				drainage system be								
is not managed		on site.				ensured during								
properly.						operation phase.								
9.3.6.Site Clean up					<u> </u>									
Leakage of	•	To prevent	•	NEMWA	•	In the event of incident	٠	No evidence of	٠	Observation	٠	Project	•	Yearly
hazardous		contamination	•	NEMA		or leakage of hazardous		spillages.				Manager		
waste can		of soil.				waste from storage site,								
cause soil						a professional company								
contamination.						must be appointed to								
						remove and clean up								
						the waste as soon as								
						possible and waste								
						must be appropriately								
						disposed of at a								
						registered waste								
						disposal site suitable for								
						the type of waste.								
					•	ECO must carry out								
						monthly inspections for								
						the waste temporally								
						stored on site.								

Possible Impact	Objective	Applicable	Mitigation / Management	Performance	Monitoring	Responsible	Monitoring		
		Legislation/	Action	Indicator	Criteria	Agent	Frequency		
		Policy							
9.3.7.Safety						•			
• There is the	• Prevent loss of	NEMA	Safety and security						
potential risk of	life of people		issues should be						
electrocution	and livestock		addressed as a priority.						
(people and	due to		It is recommended that						
livestock) if	electrocution		the landowners and						
access to the			affected community						
site is not			members are contacted						
controlled.			in advance to ensure						
			that they are forewarned						
			of the construction and						
			maintenance activities						
			planned in the area.						
			• The local community						
			must be educated about						
			the dangers of high						
			voltage electricity.						
9.3.8.Environmental	complaint register				1		I		
Complaints	• To ensure that		• The environmental	Availability of	Complaints	Operator	Until		
from the	all complaints		complaint register must	complaint a	register.	• ECO	decommissioni		
affected parties	raised are		be maintained during the	register on site.			ng phase.		
not addressed.	recorded and		operation phase.						
	addressed.								

#### **10. SUMMARY OF LAND OWNER DETAILS AND CONDITIONS**

All contact with the Landowners shall be courteous at all times. The rights of the Landowners shall be respected at all times and all staff shall be sensitised to the effect on the works undertaken on private property. Eskom shall ensure that all agreements reached with the Landowner are fulfilled and that such areas be rehabilitated once construction is completed.

#### **11. GENERIC CONDITIONS**

In order to ensure compliance with Eskom's environmental policy as well as environmental legislation requirements, the following generic conditions are applicable:

#### 11.1. SITE DOCUMENTATION/MONITORING

The standard Eskom site documentation must be used to keep records on site. All documents must be kept on site and be available for monitoring and auditing purposes. Site inspections by an environmental audit team may require access to this documentation for auditing purposes. The documentation must be signed by all parties to ensure that such documents are legitimate. Regular monitoring of all site works by the Environmental Control Officer is imperative to ensure that all problems encountered are solved punctually and amicably. When the ECO is not available, the contract manager or supervisor shall keep abreast of all works to ensure no problems arise.

Monthly reports shall be forwarded to the appointed Land Development Environmental Advisor with all information relating to environmental matters. The following Key Performance Indicators must be reported on a two-weekly basis:

- Complaints received from Landowners and actions taken.
- Environmental incidents, such as oil spills, concrete spills, etc. and actions taken (litigation excluded).
- Incidents possibly leading to litigation and legal contraventions.
- Environmental damage that needs rehabilitation measures to be taken.

The following documentation shall be kept on site:

- Access negotiations and physical access plan;
- Complaints register;
- Site daily dairy;
- Records of all remediation / rehabilitation activities;
- Copies of monthly reports to the Environmental Advisor;
- Copy of the EMPr; and
- Copy of the EA.

#### 11.2. AUDITS

During the construction period at least monthly environmental audits must conducted by the ECO to determine compliance with the recommendations of the EMPr and conditions of the EA. Audits shall be undertaken in accordance with the requirement of Appendix 7 of the EIA Regulations of December 2014 as amended.

The appointed ECO, as well as the contractors on site, are responsible for ensuring compliance with the EMPr. It is recommended that periodic EMPr compliance reports (audits) are compiled by the ECO and submitted to CEO for correction of non-compliance issues. It is the responsibility of the ECO to report any non-compliance, which is not correctly rectified to the DEA.

#### 11.3. SOCIO-CULTURAL ISSUES

- A plan of action must be drawn up in the case of an emergency (veld fire, damaged power line, vegetation problems etc.);
- Property owners or occupiers must be treated with respect and courtesy at all times;
- The culture and lifestyles of the communities living in close proximity to the substation must be respected;
- Removal of agricultural products is prohibited. Receipts must be obtained for any merchandise purchased or received from landowners;
- Vehicles must be driven carefully in hazardous road conditions (sharp bends, narrow roads, bad weather, children playing on or near the road, domestic animals on or near the road etc.);
- Vehicle movement must be kept to a minimum during rain to avoid damage to the access road;
- Environmental clauses (as referred to in this Construction and Operation EMPr) must be included into contract documents for all contractors;
- Tribal graves, archaeological sites and sites of historical interest are to be treated with respect and protected;
- No firewood is to be collected except with the written consent of the landowner; and
- A register must be maintained of all complaints or queries received as well as action taken.

#### 12. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATIONS

The ECO will, acting reasonably, have the authority to order the Contractor to suspend part or all of the works if the he causes unacceptable damage to the environment by not adhering to the specifications set out below. The suspension will be enforced until such time as the offending parties' actions, procedures and/or equipment are corrected and adequate mitigation measures implemented.