

'Heads of state will fly to Mthatha'

MTHATHA airport in the Eastern Cape will only be used for the landing of heads of state attending former president Nelson Mandela's funeral, the province said yesterday.

"VVIPs attending the funeral will be driven by luxury coaches to Qunu to avoid [a] stampede on the N2," premier Noxolo Kiviet said.

VIPs and members of the public could use Port Elizabeth

and East London airports as alternatives, she said.

Kiviet said public viewing mourning areas would be available for people to watch both the memorial service in Johannesburg and the funeral.

A provincial memorial service would be held at Nelson Mandela Stadium in Port Elizabeth tomorrow, Kiviet said.

"We are encouraging all people of the Eastern Cape from all

walks of life to join us on this solemn occasion."

Security was tightened outside Mandela's Qunu home on Saturday, with a heavy military presence.

At least 10 armoured vehicles were parked outside, and soldiers with firearms marched on the N2 past Mandela's house. Police on horseback patrolled the streets in the village. - Sapa



ADMIRED TO THE END: Flowers placed by mourners outside the Houghton home of former president Nelson Mandela yesterday
PHOTO: VATHISWA RUSELO

NOTICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT (EIA) PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED RUSTENBURG STRENGTHENING PROJECT: CONSTRUCTION AND OPERATION OF ±2 KM 400KV LOOP IN LOOP OUT POWERLINE AND 400/132KV MARANG B SUBSTATION WITHIN RUSTENBURG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY OF BOJANALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTH WEST PROVINCE

Notice is given in terms of the EIA Regulations published in Government Notice R543 Chapter 6, Section 54 sub-regulation 2(d) of 18 June 2010 under the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act 108 Of 1998), of intent by ESKOM Holdings SOC (Ltd) to strengthen the Rustenburg network by constructing and operating the following infrastructure:

- i. A new 3x 500MVA 400/132kV Main Transmission Substation (MTS), Marang B on approximately ±30 hectares;
- ii. ±2km 400kV loop-in-loop-out power line from the existing Bighorn-Marang/Medupi-Marang 400 kV power lines.

LOCATION

The proposed project will be in close proximity to the existing 400/88kV Marang Main Transmission substation on Farm Klipgat 281 JQ and Portion 2 of the Farm Elandsheuvel 282 JQ, located approximately 14 km North East of Rustenburg.

EIA PROCESS

The development is listed in terms of Government Notice R545 and Government Notice R546, Listing Notice 2 and 3 under Chapter 5 of the National Environment Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), and therefore requires a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment to be undertaken. The project will trigger listed activities No. 8 and 15 of Government Notice R545 and activity 4c i(ee) of Government R546 which state that:

GN R.545 Activity 8: The construction of infrastructure for the transmission and distribution of electricity with a capacity of 275 kilovolts or more, outside an urban area or industrial complex;

GN R545 Activity 15: Physical alteration of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land or residential, retail, commercial, recreational, industrial or institutional use where the total area to be transformed is 20 hectares or more; and

GN R546 Activity 4c i (ee): The construction of a road wider than 4 metres with a reserve less than 13.5metres in North West in critical biodiversity areas (Terrestrial Type 1 and 2 and Aquatic Type 1) as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans

An application to carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment Process has been lodged with the Department of Environmental Affairs and was assigned **DEA Reference No: 14/12/16/3/3/2/611.**

To be registered/identified as the interested/affected parties submit your comments/objections to the Environmental Assessment Practitioner mentioned below. Kindly register from the 9th of December 2013 to the 28th of January 2014.

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PUBLIC TO SAY GOODBYE

Nomaswazi Nkosi

THE official memorial service at the FNB Stadium in Johannesburg will begin at 11am tomorrow and gates will be open as early as 6am.

Minister Collins Chabane during a media briefing yesterday in Auckland Park, Johannesburg, announced details of the memorial service and funeral.

President Jacob Zuma is set to give a keynote address and other heads of state will also be present.

Chabane said Mandela's body will not be at the memorial service, but will lie in state at the Union Buildings in Pretoria from Wednesday to Friday for public viewing.

On Wednesday members of the public will view the body from noon to 5.30pm and on Thursday and Friday from 8am to 5.30pm.

Body to lie at Union Buildings

No private vehicles will be allowed in or around the FNB Stadium as public transport will be made available to mourners who would like to attend.

"Our advice is that people outside Gauteng come together in their own provinces to ensure that this is a truly nationwide event, and that people take advantage of the fact that all key events are being broadcast live," he said.

Lieutenant-General Themba Matanzima spoke on behalf of the Mandela family and said Graça Machel and Winnie Madikizela-Mandela thanked the public for their prayers and meditation.

A Mandela statue would be unveiled at the Union

Buildings on December 16. Matanzima said Mandela's body would leave 1 Military Hospital at 7am daily from Wednesday and will arrive at the Union Buildings by 8am.

"Members of the public will be shuttled to the Union Buildings."

Matanzima urged the public not to take photographs, but they were welcome to line the memorial route.

The following roads would be closed off for the memorial service: N1 and Rand Show Road, N1 and Soweto Highway, N1 and N17, N1 and Nasrec off-ramp, Greenwood Road and Booyens Reserve, and Nasrec and Main Reef Roads.

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SCREENING SITES FOR MOURNERS

Modingoane, deputy director of communications.

Live feeds from Mandela's official memorial service at FNB Stadium will be broadcast on large screens at Ellis Park Stadium, Orlando Stadium, Dobsonville Stadium

and other public viewing sites around the greater Johannesburg region at 3pm on Wednesday.

"This is an international event and will be attended by mourners from all over the world."

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