

CURRICULUM VITAE

Nicolene Venter

Present Appointment	Principle Public Participation Manager
Date of Birth	21 April 1960
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Nationality	South African
Education	Matric
Professional Qualifications	National Secretarial Certificate
Field of Specialisation	Public Consultation, Facilitation, Strategic Review and Project Management
Languages	English, Afrikaans

Synopsis

Nicolene has over the past 15 years established herself as an experienced and well recognized public participation practitioner, facilitator and strategic reviewer. She has project managed several high profile public participation projects and excels in not only stakeholder engagements but with humility for street level consultation. Nicolene first formed her own consultancy business in 1997 and joined SiVEST in October 2007. She had lead the public participation unit of the Company with insightful strategic thinking to ensure the delivery of highly professional and a target orientated public participation process to their clients as the project dictates. She also has sound knowledge of the Equator Principles especially in terms of the Public Participation Process required for projects that are funded internationally. Nicolene's skills base also include the facilitation of workshops, public and focus group meetings. As the Principle Public Participation Practitioner, her proven leadership skills ensures the managing, development and motivation of the public participation team to achieve project objectives and to maintain high quality standards.

Nicolene has returned to her consultancy business in November 2011.

Professional History

Dec 2011 – current

Consultancy:

- **EIA: Hendrina Ash Dam Expansion (Client: Lidwala Environmental):
February 2011 – current (impact phase)**
Expansion of Hendrina Power Station's Ash Dam Facilities at Pullenshope, Mpumalanga Province
- **EIA: Aggeneis-Oranjemond 400kV Eskom Transmission Power Line (Client: Savannah Environmental)
February 2011 – current (impact phase)**
Proposed construction of a new 400kV Eskom Transmission Power Line between Aggeneys and Oranjemond, and the expansion of the Aggeneis and Oranjemond Transmission Substations, Northern Cape Province
- **Impact Phase: Invubu-Theta 400kV Eskom Transmission Power Line (Client: Bembani Sustainability Training)
March 2011 – current (EA phase)**
Proposed construction of a double circuit 400kV Eskom Transmission Power Line between Richards Bay and Empangeni, KwaZulu-Natal Province
- **Mookodi Integration Project 2 (Client: SiVEST Environmental)
December 2011 – current**
Proposed Distributions lines between Eskom Distribution's existing substations Ganyesa, Havelock & Vryburg, North West Province.

Oct 2007 – Nov 2011

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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS and BASIC ASSESSMENTS

- **EIA: Wind Farms and/or Solar Energy Facilities near Loeriesfontein, Noupoot and Prieska, Northern Cape Province (Client: Mainstream Renewable Energy)
September 2011 – current**
Proposed construction of wind farms and/or solar energy facilities, Northern Cape Province.
- **BA: Westrand Strengthening Project (Client: Eskom)
October 2011 - current**
Proposed construction of a 400kV Eskom Transmission Power Line between Eskom's existing Westrand and Hera Substations, Gauteng Province.
- **BA: Grootvlei Power Station
October 2011 - current**
Proposed installation of an additional 500M³ bulk storage fuel tank at Eskom's Grootvlei power Station, Mpumalanga Province

- **Mookodi Integration Project (Client: Eskom)**
June 2010 – current
Proposed improvement of the electricity supply network around the Vryburg and Stella, and to supply the proposed Kalplats Mine with electricity, North-West Province.
- **Thyspunt Transmission Lines Integration Project: July 2007 - current**
Proposed construction of 5 x 400kV Transmission power lines between Thyspunt (near Oyster Bay) to Port Elizabeth (Eskom's existing Grassridge & Dedisa Transmission Substations), Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape Province
- **Middelburg Water Treatment Plant (Client: Jones & Wagener Consulting Civil Engineers): June 2008 – November 2011**
Water reclamation scheme for BHP Billiton Energy Coal South Africa (BECSA) in the Witbank / Middelburg area, Mpumalanga Province
- **Transnet Coallink: March 2009 – current (project on hold)**
Transnet's coallink upgrade project from Ermelo to Richard's Bay - Class Application for a number of Basic Assessments and Environmental Impact Assessments (5 Applications), Mpumalanga and KwaZulu-Natal Provinces
- **Evander South – Goldmine (Client: Turgis Consulting) (only Scoping Phase): February 2008 – Current (project on hold)**
Proposed establishment of a gold mine in Evander south and pipelines between the proposed new mining area and Harmony's existing gold mine infrastructures at Shaft 7, Evander, Mpumalanga Province

PROJECTS COMPLETED

- **Solar Energy Facility (Droogfontein, Kimberley; Kaalplats, Loeriesfontein; Paarde Valley, De Aar): September 2010 – November 2011**
The proposed construction of Concentrating Solar Plants (CSP) and Concentrating/Photovoltaic (CPV/PV) Plants in the Northern Cape Province.
- **Delarey-Kopela-Phahameng Distribution power line and newly proposed Substations: August 2010**
Proposed construction of a Distribution power line between Delareyville past Kopela to Madibogo.
- **Madupe Borrow Pits (Arcus Gibb): December 2007**
Establishment of borrow pits in Lepalale, Limpopo Province
- **Malelane Substation and Turn-in Transmission Power Lines: November 2006 – January 2008**
Proposed Construction of a New Malelane Substation and the Proposed Construction of a New Komatipoort-Marathon 275kv Transmission Power Line Turn-In of approximately 1.5km, Malelane, Mpumalanga Province

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: BASIC ASSESSMENTS

- **Watershed-Mmabatho 88kV Power line (Client: Arcus Gibb): February – July 2009**
Required reapplication for an Environmental Authorisation of the distribution power lines between Mmabatho and Mafikent, North West Province, due to the lapse of time between the issuing of the ROD and start of construction.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS: IN TERMS OF THE EQUATOR PRINCIPLES

- **Zimbabwe Ethanol Plant – October 2010**
Consultation process undertaken for the proposed construction of a ethanol plant in Chisumbanje, Middle Sabie, Zimbabwe
- **Miwani Sugar Mill, Nyanza Province – April 2010**
Consultation process undertaken with the assistance of local specialists (Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute) for the proposed construction of a sugar mill in Miwani, Nyanza Province.
- **Proposed AK6 Diamond Mine, Boteti Sub-district, Botswana – July 2010**
SiVEST compiled an EIA Summary Report and updated the EMP to ensure compliance with the Equator Principles.

STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT / REVIEW OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Environmental Impact Assessments

- **Westlake mixed used development in Modderfontein, Gauteng Province (Scoping Phase): July 2008 – March 2009**
Mixed use development comprises of a range of business, residential and associated, commercial and light industrial uses, as well as open space.
- **Kalagadi Manganese: May 2009 - current**
Establishment of a railway line and water pipeline in Hotazel, Northern Cape Province
- **Mulilo Power Station (Client: Arcus Gibb): January 2009 - current**
Establishment of a coal fired power station near Musina, Limpopo Province
Responsibilities:
Strategic review of the Public Participation Process and facilitation of meetings
- **New Multi-Products Pipeline Project: February 2009**
Liaison between construction company and community representatives regarding employment during construction of the multi-products pipeline, Mamelodi, Gauteng Province.

Basic Assessments

- **Skukuza Conference Facilities: February – October 2008**
Establishment of conference facilities at the Skukuza Rest Camp, Kruger National Park, Mpumalanga Province: February – October 2008
- **Mercury-Zeus 765kV Transmission power lines**
Construction Environmental Management Plan: 1st 100km - February 2008-May2008; Remaining section – May 2009
- **Randwater G7 Pipeline: May – November 2008**
Construction of a water pipeline traversing the suburbs of Malvern East, Creston Hill, Primrose Hill and Primrose, Germiston, Gauteng Province
- **Randwater L5, K3 & K6 Pipelines: October 2008 – July 2009**
Replacement of the existing L5 waterpipeline traversing the suburbs of Brakpan on the East Rand of Johannesburg and the the K3 and K6 pipelines, Brakpan, Gauteng Province
- **Randwater Limeplant: May - December 2008**
Dismantling and removal of kilns at Randwater's Zuikerbosch pumping station, Vereeniging, Gauteng Province.

24G APPLICATIONS

- Unlawful construction of a manufacturing plant for the purpose of manufacturing pre-cast concrete barriers for temporary road construction works, Bridle Park, Midrand
Client: Asande Projects - December 2008
Proponent: Misha Projects and Engineering

FACILITATION

- EMP for Prospecting Right Application Process (Client: Oresund Environmental Solutions): August 2010 **and** September 2010
- Ariadne-Eros 400kV/132kV Multi-Circuit Transmission Power Line: July 2009 **and** March 2010 (Client: Acer Africa)
- Middelburg SmancorCR Chemical Plant (Client: Environmental Science Associates) – Public Meeting: October 2007
- Majuba-Venus 765kV Transmission Power Lines (Client: Acer Africa) – Public Meetings: July 2008 **and** March 2010

1997 – September 2007

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Savannah Environmental

- **Kyalami Strengthening Project: March 2008 – current**
Proposed construction of three 400kV Transmission power lines between the new substation and Eskom's existing Lulamisa Substation, Midrand, Gauteng
- **Steelpoort Integration Project (Client: Eskom): April 2007 – February 2009**
Construction of a new Transmission Substation and a 400kV Transmission power line between Eskom Transmission's existing Merensky Substation and the newly proposed Transmission substation. The project also included a 400kV turn-in Transmission power line between the newly proposed transmission substation and the Duva-Leseding transmission power line.

Bohlweki Environmental

- **New Multi-Products Pipeline Project (Client: Transnet Pipelines): October 2005 – February 2008**
Expansion of Transnet Pipeline's pipeline capacity: Kendal Pump Depot (Mpumalanga Province) to Waltloo Pump Depot (Gauteng Province); Jameson Park – Langlaagte Pump Depot Gauteng Province) and Coastal to Inland (Durban – Ladysmith – Vrede – Jameson Park).

- **Mercury- Garona 400kV Transmission power line (Client: Eskom Holdings): March 2006 – November 2007**
Construction of a 400kV Transmission power line between Eskom's Mercury Substation (Free State Province) to Garona Substation (Northern Cape Province) – crossing the North West Province
- **Concentrating Solar Plant (Client: Eskom Holdings): March 2006 – September 2007**
Establishment of the proposed Concentrated Solar Thermal Plant (CSP) and related infrastructure (Northern Cape Province)
- **Hydra-Gamma 2 (Client: Eskom Holdings): November 2006 – December 2007**
EIA for the proposed construction of a second 765kV Transmission power line between Eskom's existing Hydra- and Gamma Transmission substations
- **Komati Power Station (Client: Eskom Holdings): March – December 2005**
Exemption from EIA for the Return-to-Service of the Komati Power Station, Witbank, Mpumalanga Province.
- **Luthuli Substation and 132kV Distribution power line (Client: Eskom Holdings): July 2005 – October 2006**
Construction of a 132kV distribution power line between Eskom's existing Witkloof substation and the proposed new Luthuli substation in Carolina.
- **Matimba & Witkop Transmission Substations (Client: Eskom Holdings): December 2003**
Construction of a 400kV Transmission powerline between Eskom's Matimba Substation (near Ellisras) and Witkop Substation (near Pietersburg), Limpopo Province
- **Ikaros Transmission substation and Associated 400kV Transmission power line (Client: Eskom Holdings): January – April 2002**
New Ikaros Substation and Associated 400kV Transmission Line Infrastructure, Rustenburg, North West Province.
- **Gauging Weirs (Client: Department of Water Affairs and Forestry): September 2006 – March 2007**
Construction of two gauging weirs in the lower Vaal (near Douglas) and upper Orange River (near Groblersshoop), Northern Cape Province
- **Gautrain Rapid Rail Link (Client: Gauteng Department of Transport): April – September 2002**
Alleviation of traffic congestion on the Ben Schoeman between Johannesburg and Pretoria and Johannesburg and OR Tambo International.
- **Platinum Highway Project (Client: South African National Roads Agency) January – July 2000**

2nd Phase of the Platinum Highway Project (refer to Golder Associates for 1st phase). EIA for the proposed construction of the Platinum Highway between Pretoria (from the N4) and Botswana.

Naledzi Environmental

- **Soweto Quattro Substation and Amended EIR Project (Client: Eskom Holdings): November 2009 - current**
Alternative Transmission substation sites needed to be investigated and an Amended EIR consultation process to be followed. This project followed on the Soweto Integration Project (see below)
- **Soweto Integration Project (Client: Eskom Holdings): August 2007 – May 2009**
New Eskom Transmission substation near Orlando (Quattro Substation) and associated 2 x 400kV Transmission power lines between the newly proposed Orlando Transmission Substation and Glockner Substation (near Ennerdale, south of Lenasia), Gauteng Province.
- **Etna-Glockner Integration Project (Client: Eskom Holdings): January 2007 – November 2008**
New double circuit 400kV Transmission power line between Etna Substation (near Rothdene, south of Meyerton) and Glockner Substation (near Ennerdale, south of Lenasia), Gauteng Province

Golder Associates (Previously – Greyling Liaison & Manyaka Greyling Meiring)

- **Eskom Holdings (Pty) Ltd – Long-term Coal Supply Study - Mpumalanga**
EIA for the Long-term coal supply to Eskom's Tutuka and Majuba Power Stations
- **The South African National Roads Agency (Client: Corporate Image) – Platinum Toll Highway – Gauteng & North West Provinces**
1st Phase of the Platinum Highway Project (refer to Golder Associates for 1st phase). EIA for the proposed construction of the Platinum Highway between Pretoria (from the N4) and Botswana
- **L&W Environmental (Client: Kynoch) – Mpumalanga Province**
IA for the establishment of a liquid fertilizing blending plant
- **Department of Water Affairs and Forestry (DWAf) – Mpumalanga Province**
Workshop Co-ordination: Technical and Advisory Committee. Purpose of workshop was to get key stakeholders involved in the establishing of a committee whereby water usage measurements can be discussed and guidelines drawn up.
- **Corporate Image (Client: Afrisun – Sun International) – Gauteng Province**

Proposed construction of the “Carnival City” Casino and Entertainment Centre, Brakpan

Mark Wood Consultants

- **Sasol Gas - Sasol/Arco Gas Pipeline Project – Mpumalanga Province**
Identification of stakeholders and affected landowners for the Scoping Phase of the EIA

Industrial Development Corporation

- **Maputo Iron and Steel Project – Mozambique and Mpumalanga Province**
Identifying and communicating with possibly affected landowners and various key stakeholder groupings in project area.

Landscape Dynamics

- **Eskom Holdings (Pty) Ltd – Anglo Platinum Western Limb Tailings Treatment Plan**
Identifying affected landowners on the proposed route alignments