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## 1 INTRODUCTION

Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd's (Kangra) Maquasa mining operation is located approximately 45km west of Piet Retief and just off the N12 national road on a secondary road leading to the Heyshope Dam, within the Mpumalanga Province. Kangra intends to construct a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) for the treatment of effluent, and a new Co-disposal Facility (CDF), including supporting and associated infrastructure, at their Maquasa East (MQE) Operations.

Kangra requires the environmental authorisation prior to the commencement of the proposed development:

- An Integrated Environmental Authorisation and Waste Management Licence through a Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting process, along with the preparation of an Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), the National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008), and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (published under GN R982 in Government Gazette 38282 of 4 December 2014, as amended by GN R326 in Government Gazette 40772 of 7 April 2017); and
- An Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL), in terms of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).

Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations published in Government Notice R 982 in Government Gazette No. 38282 of 4 December 2014 (as amended), sets out the requirements for the Public Participation Process (PPP). This report provides a summary of the issues, concerns and responses raised during the PPP thus far, as well as evidence of the public participation undertaken this far.

## 2 SUMMARY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION CONSULTATION PROCESS

### 2.1 Stakeholder Database

A stakeholder database or list of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) was compiled during the PPP (refer to Appendix A for the database which excludes contact details). The database was compiled using lists of contact details of I&APs from previous environmental applications for MQE; using information provided by the applicant's community liaison officers; and including responses from I&APs during the current public participation.

The stakeholder database includes landowners of the properties over which the development is proposed; surrounding landowners and occupants; local and provincial government, commenting authorities; relevant residents' associations, agricultural unions, community-based organisations, water user associations, and any catchment management authority and Non-Governmental Organisation; environmental organisations, forums, groups and associations; and private sector

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organisations (businesses, industries) in the vicinity.

## 2.2 Pre-application Consultation

During pre-application, all I&APs were provided the opportunity to register for the proposed project.

The integrated application process was announced to I&APs using the following:

- An advertisement was placed in the Excelsior News on the 27th of January 2023 (Refer to Appendix B-1); and
- Site Notices were placed all around the project area (Refer to Appendix C-1).

## 2.3 Scoping Phase Public Participation

The continuation of the integrated application process, the commencement of the Scoping Phase, and the availability of the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) was announced to I&APs by means of the following:

- An advertisement was placed in the Excelsior News on the 24th of November 2023 (Refer to Appendix B-2);
- A Background Information Document (BID) was compiled and distributed to all I&APs on the stakeholder database. A Registration and Comment Sheet was distributed with every BID, inviting stakeholders to register as I&APs and to provide their comments on the proposed development (Refer to Appendix D);
- Site Notices were placed all around the project area (Refer to Appendix C-2); and
- Placement of copies of the notification documentation and the BIDs on the GCS website (<https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>). (Refer to Appendix E). The GCS website is used to make documents electronically available to stakeholders. The website address was published in the advertisement, BIDs, site notices and all other communication.

The DSR was available for public comment for 30 days, with the comment period ending on 16 January 2024. The DSR was available for review at the following public venues:

- Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street
- Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine
- Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community

The Report was also available electronically via the GCS Website (Refer to the proof under Appendix E).

The Final Scoping Report was submitted to the Competent Authority on 30 January 2024 and stakeholders were notified of the submission. An electronic copy was made available on the GCS website for review.

## 2.4 Impact Assessment Phase Public Participation

The Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) and the Draft Integrated Water Use License Application Report, with its appendices in support of the IWUL Application was available from 18 September 2024 for 30 and 60 days respectively. The availability of these reports was announced as follows:

- An English and isiZulu advertisement were published in the Excelsior News on 13 September 2024.
- A Non-Technical Summary of the DEIR was made available in English and isiZulu. These documents were distributed via email to the I&APs on the database.
- Notification via email of the availability of the reports for public review and the direct link to the GCS website were sent to all I&APs.
- Site Notices (8) were placed in English and isiZulu around the proposed developments as well as at the municipal offices and at the public places where the reports were made available from 18 September 2024.
- Hard copies of the reports were available at the following locations:
  - Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief.
  - Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein.
  - Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community.
  - Mkhondo Local Municipality in Driefontein.

The reports were made available electronically on the GCS website. The direct link to the report was emailed to all I&APs on the stakeholder database.

- A pamphlet was distributed via the municipality to make stakeholders aware of the open day which was held on 1 October 2024.
- An announcement of the availability of the draft documents and the open day was made available to Mkhondo FM Radio Station for broadcasting.
- An open day was held at the Kangra SkilsCentre in Driefontein on 1 October 2024 to assist I&APs with the content of the reports available on public review and to obtain their comments and concerns. A presentation of a summary of the reports was compiled and available as well as a series of posters and copies of the Non-technical Summaries.



The Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) was submitted to the Competent Authority and notification of the submission was sent to I&APs.

The FEIR was made available on the GCS website and stakeholders were invited to review the submission.

Notification of the decision to be taken on the application by the Competent Authority will be distributed to I&APs. They will also be informed of the appeals procedure.

### 3 COMMENTS AND RESPONSE SUMMARY

The issues, concerns and comments received have been recorded and responded to within the table overleaf.

Please note that all responses in *italics* and/or **bold** are from the PM / EAP and responses from the Applicant are in **orange bold italics**.

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<p>Dear Sir/Madam</p> <p>DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the project mentioned on the subject line. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Mrs P Makitla and Ms Tebego Kgaphola (Copied on this email).</p> <p>In addition, kindly share the shapefiles of the development footprints/application site with the Case Officers. Please provide us with a google drive link as we are failing to access Dropbox and WeTransfer links.</p> <p>Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za for the attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.</p>	<p>Mr. Seoka Lekota Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation</p> <p>Department of Forestry, Fisheries &amp; the Environment</p>	<p>04 December 2023 - Email Correspondence</p>	<p><b><u>PM Response via Email on 15 January 2023:</u></b></p> <p><i>Good day,</i></p> <p><i>Thank you kindly for your email. Please find below the Google Drive link as requested. We have included the draft report and its appendices as well as the shapefiles requested.</i></p> <p><i><a href="https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/19XarBJ8c_dyaRJH51MqNWmnTtqb1FadL?usp=sharing">https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/19XarBJ8c_dyaRJH51MqNWmnTtqb1FadL?usp=sharing</a></i></p> <p><i>Please kindly confirm whether the shared link is working correctly and that access to the content is working.</i></p> <p><i>Kind regards,</i> <i>Gerda Bothma</i></p>
<p>The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation has reviewed and evaluated the reports.</p> <p>The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation has reviewed and evaluated the reports and does not have any objection to the draft Scoping Report and the Plan of Study for EIA.</p> <p>To ensure the continued persistence of ecosystems and that national conservation targets are achieved, it is essential that impacts on sensitive and highly localised habitats are minimised or avoided altogether.</p> <p>The EIA report must comply with the procedures for the assessment and minimum criteria for reporting on identified environmental themes in terms of sections 24(5) (A) and (H) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998. Additionally, the</p>	<p>Mr. Seoka Lekota Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation</p> <p>Department of Forestry, Fisheries &amp; the Environment</p>	<p>16 January 2024 - Letter sent via email</p>	<p><b><u>PM Response via Email on 17 January 2023:</u></b></p> <p><i>Dear Tebego,</i></p> <p><i>Thank you kindly, well received.</i></p> <p><i>Kind regards,</i> <i>Gerda Bothma</i></p>

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<p>National List of Threatened Ecosystems was revised therefore the draft EIA report must refer to the Revised National List of Threatened Terrestrial Ecosystems, 2022.</p> <p>In conclusion, the Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA for review and queries should be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email; <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@dfpe.gov.za">BCAdmin@dfpe.gov.za</a> for the attention of Mr. Seoka Lekota.</p>			
<p>The sensitivity of the area in which proposed development is likely to occur will be assessed in accordance with the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan (MBSP, 2014 as updated 2022) land use guidelines. This sensitivity is assessed in terms of both terrestrial and freshwater assessments.</p> <p>In the MBSP, sensitive areas are identified in terms of Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBAs) and Ecological Support Areas (ESAs). CBAs and ESAs are deemed to be necessary to ensure the protection of biodiversity, environmental sustainability, and human well-being. CBAs are required to meet both national and provincial biodiversity targets and should remain natural.</p> <p>Recommendation: Please consult the MBSP online public portal when planning. The Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA) takes note of the content of the draft scoping report and looks forward to receiving the final scoping report once it is ready for comment.</p>	<p>Mr M.H. Vilikazi Chief Executive Officer</p>	<p>7 December 2023- Letter sent via email</p>	<p><b><u>PM Response in CRR:</u></b> <i>These comments will be incorporated in the EIA Phase.</i></p> <p><i>Refer to the response below regarding the submission of the DEIR to the MTPA.</i></p>
<p>Kindly send us, the MTPA, a hard copy of the Draft EIA report for our scientists to comment on, to the following physical address:</p> <p>To: Cecilia de Waal (EIA Data Capturer) MTPA Offices (Lydenburg) End of Morgan Street</p>	<p>Cecilia de Waal (EIA Data Capturer), MTPA</p>	<p>17 September 2024</p>	<p>Hard copy of the Report was delivered to the MTPA on 18 September 2024.</p> <p>The MTPA acknowledged the receipt of your Draft EIA report for the application for the Integrated EA Wastewater Treatment Plant and Co-disposal Facility for Maquasa East Operations.</p>

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<p>Lydenburg 1120</p>			<p>The DMR reference number is: MP 30/5/1/23/2/1/133 EM.</p> <p>The MTPA EIA registration/reference number is LUA 24/2596(3).</p> <p>The commenting scientist is Mrs. Khumbelo Malele.</p>
<p>Subject: FARM Roodekraal HT 21 Portion 10 Importance: High</p> <p>Our attorney (who i have CC'd in this email) first made contact with Van der Merwe en Van den Berg Attorneys on the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024 after receiving their contact information from Menar's financial accountant Priyash, your attorneys assured us that they would speak to you as the client. We heard no response so our attorneys subsequently sent a follow up email on the 15th July 2024 and that too was met with no response. Our attorneys continued to try make further with the responsible parties listed in the Application for Integrated Environmental Authorisation:</p> <p>Wastewater Treatment Plant and Co-Disposal Facility for Maquasa East Operations report compiled by GCS Environmental Consultants and once again our attempts to make contact have been met with no response.</p> <p>On the advice of the Department of Water and Sanitation and our attorneys, we have formally launched a process with the Inkomati-Usuthu Catchment Management Area objecting to the continuation of this project on the grounds that none of the beneficiaries (please see Farm Roodekraal HT 21 deed search) were consulted and you refuse to make contact.</p>	<p>Thozamile Gama</p>	<p>26 August 2024, Email to Sarah Wanless (Kangra Coal)</p>	<p><b><u>PM Response:</u></b></p> <p><i>Good day,</i></p> <p><i>I trust this email finds you well.</i></p> <p><i>Please note that you have been added to our stakeholder database.</i></p> <p><i>Please find a link to the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) which has recently been approved by the Competent Authority, for your information.</i></p> <p><i><a href="https://we.tl/t-fvAOsSJ4lP">https://we.tl/t-fvAOsSJ4lP</a></i></p> <p><i>Your attention is drawn to Section 7 in the DSR where the Scoping PPP undertaken has been highlighted.</i></p> <p><i>We are now in the EIA Phase consultation and the following draft reports are available for review:</i></p> <p><i>a. Draft Environmental Impact Report, with appendices (incl. the EMPr and specialist investigations in support of the IEA Application - up to and including 18 Oct 2024.</i></p> <p><i>b. Draft Integrated Water Use Licence Application Report, with its appendices in support of the IWUL</i></p>

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<p>I have attached all the respective documentation in an attempt to resolve this matter amicably and reach a mutual resolve.</p> <p>Please respond directly to attorneys.</p> <p>Kind regards Thozamile Gama</p>			<p><i>Application - up to and including 18 November 2024.</i></p> <p><i>A copy of the documents may be accessed at: <a href="https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/">https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/</a></i></p> <p><i>Hard copies of the document can be reviewed at:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief</i></li> <li>• <i>Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein</i></li> <li>• <i>Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community.</i></li> <li>• <i>Mkhondo Local Municipality in Driefontein</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Stakeholders are invited to participate by providing comments and raising issues of concern regarding the proposed project. Please kindly send your comments in writing to GCS.</i></p> <p><i>Note that an open day will be held on 1 October 2024 at the Kangra Skills Centre.</i></p> <p><i>Should you wish to attend, please register your attendance by contacting GCS.</i></p> <p><i>For more information regarding the environmental processes, please contact: GCS Pty Ltd - Contact Persons: Gerda Bothma / Anelle Lötter Tel: 011 803 5726 Email: <a href="mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz">gerdab@gcs-sa.biz</a> / <a href="mailto:anelle@gcs-sa.biz">anelle@gcs-sa.biz</a></i></p>
<p>Thank you for the notification. Please note that this office requires a hardcopy report to be submitted to the Department for comments. For the attention of Ms S.</p>	<p>Sindisiwe Mbuyane, MDARDLEA, Gert</p>	<p>18 September 2024</p>	<p>Hard copy of the Report was delivered to the MTPA on 18 September 2024.</p>

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Please send me a KMZ file of the proposed development. Please find attached Eskom requirements for work at or near Eskom infrastructure and servitudes.	John Geeringh Senior Consultant Environmental Management Grid Planning: Land and Rights National Transmission Company South Africa	18 September 2024	The KMZ files were sent to Mr Geeringh on 20 September 2024.
Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <a href="http://sahra.org.za/sahris/">http://sahra.org.za/sahris/</a> . We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.  Please create an application on SAHRIS for each EA application and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA. If a case already exists on SAHRIS regarding the development, please upload the documents to that case using the "Make an additional submission to an existing case" in the application selector wizard <a href="https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector">https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector</a> . Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.	Nokusho Ngobeni, SAHRA	18 September 2024	The Case Number is 23621.

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<p>Kindly note that the department verified applicability of the affected properties, and it has been noted that they are still under the provisions of the Subdivision of Agricultural Land Act, Act 70 of 1970. Therefore, you are requested to lodge a formal application regarding the proposed activities in order to receive comments from the Department.</p> <p>The application can be forwarded to:            LUAHelpdesk@dalrrd.gov.za Contacts no: 012 319 7571/7634</p>	<p>Serah Muobeleni, Dalrrd</p>	<p>18 September 2024</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response:</u></b>  <i>The department has been provided with the opportunity to comment. The comments and responses are captured in this table (communication dated 18 October 2024).</i></p>
<p>DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation to review and comment on the project mentioned on the subject line. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Mrs P Makitla and Ms Tebego Kgaphola (Copied on this email). In addition, kindly share the shapefiles of the development footprints/application site with the Case Officers.</p> <p>Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za">BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za</a> for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota.</p>	<p>Lindiwe Victoria Dlamini</p> <p>Directorate: Biodiversity Mainstreaming and EIA</p> <p>Branch: Biodiversity and Conservation, DFFE</p>	<p>27 September 2024</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response</u></b>  <i>The department has been provided with the opportunity to comment. The comments and responses are captured in this table (communication dated 16 October 2024).</i></p>
<p>Re: Concerns Regarding the Proposed Water Treatment Plant and Co-Disposal Facility Near Our Land</p> <p>We hope this letter finds you well. As concerned landowners, we are writing to express our collective concerns regarding Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd's proposed water treatment plant (WTP) and co-disposal facility near our property. While we acknowledge the efforts being made to manage environmental concerns related to mining activities in the area, we believe that the introduction of this facility could have far-reaching negative consequences for our land</p>	<p>KBN Gama, Heirs to the Thulani Shiki Gama Estate</p>	<p>03 October 2024</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response:</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- The impacts of the proposed development on the environment have been assessed in the EIR and specialist studies. Management measures to address the potential negative impacts are provided in the EMPR.</li> <li>2- The proposed activities will be located with the Maquasa East mining right area, on property that is owned by the applicant.</li> <li>3- All stakeholders were informed of the availability of the FEIR for public comment and the public open day held on 1 October</li> </ol>

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<p>and its future value.</p> <p>Our primary concern pertains to the potential impact on our ability to sell the land in the future. The ongoing mining activities, coupled with the construction of additional infrastructure such as a water treatment plant and co-disposal facility, could make our property significantly less desirable to potential buyers. As outlined in South African law, particularly under the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) and the National Water Act (NWA), the duty to prevent environmental degradation and promote sustainable development must be at the forefront of projects such as this.</p> <p>We understand that authorisation is being sought under various regulations, including NEMA’s EIA Regulations, the Waste Management Act, and the NWA. However, our concern is that the project may result in adverse environmental impacts, such as water contamination, air pollution, and general degradation of the surrounding environment, all of which could lead to a reduction in our land’s marketability. This could further infringe on our property rights under Section 25 of the Constitution of South Africa, which protects against arbitrary deprivation of property.</p> <p>We would like to highlight the following specific concerns:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Environmental Impact:</b> While we understand that the project aims to treat decant and surplus contaminated water, we are concerned about the potential contamination of local water sources, as well as the long-term effects of coal discard and brine management. How will this project ensure that the local ecosystem, including water and air quality, is preserved in accordance with Section 24 of the Constitution, which guarantees the right to an environment that is not harmful to our health and well-being?</li> </ol>			<p>2024 via written notice and announced on the local radio station, as discussed in Section 2.4 of this report.</p>

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<p><b>2. Property Value and Socio-Economic Impact:</b> Has an assessment been conducted regarding the socio-economic impacts on landowners in the area? It is vital that these considerations be factored into the Environmental Impact Report (EIR) and that mitigation measures are proposed to minimise any adverse effects on surrounding property value.</p> <p><b>3. Public Participation and Consultation:</b> South African law, specifically NEMA, requires meaningful public participation in environmental decision-making processes. While we appreciate the opportunity to review the draft reports, we would like to request additional engagement opportunities where landowners can discuss concerns directly with Kangra and the project’s environmental consultants.</p> <p>Furthermore, we would appreciate clarity on how our concerns will be addressed and reflected in the final reports.</p> <p>Given these concerns, we wish to formally register our interest as Interested and Affected Parties (I&amp;APs) and provide our comments in accordance with South African environmental law. We also confirm our intention to attend any public review sessions virtually thus we request both GCS and Kangra Mine to provide the necessary platforms to ensure inclusivity, transparency and objectivity in your processes.</p> <p>We kindly request that you provide us with updates on the progress of the project and the steps taken to address these concerns. Please feel free to contact us for further information or clarification on any of the matters raised.</p> <p>We trust that this project will adhere to the principles of sustainable development and environmental justice as outlined in the relevant South African laws. We look</p>			

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forward to your response and to further engagement on this matter.			
Please can you confirm the locations and Google Earth file that we can overlap with our network?	Shirley Hlabisa Coordinator - Way-Leave Coordinator - MTN	4 October 2024	The KMZ files were sent to the I&AP on 4 October 2024.
<p>COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND CO-DISPOSAL FACILITY FOR MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE</p> <p>The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation has reviewed and evaluated the reports.</p> <p>The proposed project is for the construction of a wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) for the treatment of contaminated water, and a new co-disposal facility (CDF), including supporting and associated infrastructure, at their Maquasa East (MQE) operations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The proposed development is located within the Eastern Highveld Grassland (GM12) vegetation unit which is listed as Endangered (National List of Ecosystem Threatened and in need of Protection, 2022). Furthermore, the proposed area for mine expansion is situated within the proposed Grassland Biosphere Reserve which is undoubtedly one of the most important biodiversity areas.</li> <li>Terrestrial CBA of the site is mixed between transformed areas and ecological support areas (ESA).</li> <li>Blue Cranes were physically observed within the wetland area of HGM 9. Nesting sites and vulnerable areas must be avoided.</li> <li>Suitable vegetation and habitat for the species were observed and the possibility of the Wakkerstroom Widow which is listed on the IUCN</li> </ul>	Mr Seoka Lekota Control Biodiversity Officer: Biodiversity Conservation Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment	16 October 2024	<p><b><u>EAP Response:</u></b></p> <p><i>The blue cranes observed were within HGM9, however this area will not be impacted by the proposed development. Based on the specialist studies undertaken, the potential negative impacts can be reduced to medium-low significance with the implementation of the recommended mitigation measures as discussed in the EIR and EMPr.</i></p>

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<p>red list as Near Threatened occurring on site cannot be ruled out.</p> <p>Please clarify the above mentioned in the final report by ensuring that the proposed development will not result with high-moderate impacts significant ratings after mitigation and ensure that the layout map excludes all highly sensitive areas i.e. CBA, IBA, NFEPA etc.</p> <p>The Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA for review and queries should be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email; BCAdmin@dffe.gov.za for the attention of Mr. Seoka Lekota.</p> <p>The Directorate reserves the right to revise the initial comments presented here if additional information becomes available.</p>			
<p>COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT IN RESPECT OF THE PROPOSED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT (WWTP), AND NEW CO-DISPOSAL FACILITY (CDF) INCLUDING SUPPORTING AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURES ON THE REMAINING EXTENTS OF THE FARMS ROODEKRAAL 21 HT, ROOIKOP 18 HR AND MAQUASA 19 HT AT THE MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS (MQE), MKHONDO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY AND PIXLEY KA SEME LOCAL MUNICIPALITY</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. According to the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan (MSBP), all the associated infrastructures of the proposed development falls within Grassland Important Bird Area (IBA), and NAPAEW, Priority Focus Areas. The co-disposal facility (CDF) is situated on CBA: Irreplaceable, EAS: Wetlands and Intact Grassland Patches. The Brine Treatment Plant and wastewater treatment plant are situated in CBA: Optimal. The Brine pollution control dam,</li> </ol>	<p>Mr C.M Chunda Head: Agriculture, Rural Development, Land and Environmental Affairs.</p>	<p>18 October 2024</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response</u></b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The MTPA was provided with a hard copy of the DEIR and has submitted comments.</li> <li>2. The Public Participation was undertaken in accordance with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).</li> <li>3. The follow up survey will assist with identifying species of conservation concern, which will assist with relocation where possible. Most of the proposed activities will be located within existing disturbed areas. The CDF location is a mix of disturbed land with medium sensitivity grassland.</li> <li>4. The Wetland and Aquatic Assessment has proposed 40m buffers around all aquatic systems, including wetlands. The MPTA has recommended a 100m buffer. The proposed EA conditions make provision for the</li> </ol>

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<p>its pipeline, effluent discharge pipeline, slurry pipeline, all traverse a CBA: Irreplaceable. All these outcomes of the MSBP suggest high ecological sensitivity. Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency (MTPA), as the conservation agency within the province, therefore, must be consulted in the decision-making process for this application. MPTA must be provided with a written notice of at least 30 days to submit their comments.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. This Department was provided an opportunity to comment on the draft scoping report (SR). The public participation processes must be conducted on accordance with Regulation 39 -44 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).</li> <li>3. According to the ecological impact assessment report no floral species of conservation concern was observed on site during the site survey. The report further mentions that this could be attributed to the season in which the survey was conducted, as the site does comprise potential habitat for six (6) red data species. The Procedures for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes in terms of Sections 24 (5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, when applying for Environmental Authorisation, which were promulgated in Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020 (i.e. "the Protocols"), and in Government Notice No, 1150 of 30 October 2020 i.e. protocols for terrestrial plant and animal species), must be complied with. Specialist assessments have to be undertaken in accordance with these protocols, which stipulate seasons for assessment and have to be made available in the draft basic assessment report to be afforded to all I&amp;APs and organs of state for comment.</li> <li>4. Suitable habitat and vegetation for several faunal SCC were observed during the ecological survey</li> </ol>			<p><i>application of these buffers to the final CDF design and for the approval thereof by the ECO prior to construction (Refer to Section 12.4 of the EIR).</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. <i>This recommendation is included in the EMPR mitigation measures.</i></li> <li>6. <i>This recommendation is included in the EMPR mitigation measures.</i></li> <li>7. <i>This recommendation is included in the EMPR mitigation measures.</i></li> <li>8. <i>As discussed, and shown in the figures in Section 2 of the EIR, the pipelines will be located along existing infrastructures such as other pipelines, overland conveyors and roads. The BTP and WTP will be located within the fenced area next to the existing PCDs. The brine pollution dam will be located outside of a wetland buffer and the decant dam is an existing dam which will be upgraded.</i></li> <li>9. <i>According to the Terrestrial Biodiversity Assessment, the impact low sensitivity terrestrial biota, however, it is recommended that an avifaunal specialist confirms the adequacy of the proposed buffers during the follow up assessment.</i></li> <li>10. <i>As discussed under point 8 above the majority of structures are located within existing disturbed and fenced off areas. The entire project will be located within the Maquasa East mining right area; therefore, any alternate land uses are limited while activities are still underway at Maquasa East and the nearby Kangra mines.</i></li> <li>11. <i>Liners and stormwater management measures are proposed in section 2 of EIR. A WULA process has been undertaken parallel to the EIA. All required liner and stormwater specifications per the WUL and final</i></li> </ol>

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<p>including Swamp Must Shrew, Swimmy Horseshoe Bat, Black-footed cat, Wakkerstroom widow and Mygalomorph spiders, Blue Cranes were recorded in one of the wetlands, and Secretary bird, Southern Ibis, Grey Crowned Crane and Denham's Bustard threatened avifaunal species identified to occur within the site and its vicinity. The disturbance of roosts, nests and breeding activities of birds, reptiles or any other wildlife is strictly prohibited, and appropriate buffers must be determined by relevant specialists to be applied on site.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5. All vertebrates, including slow moving reptiles and smaller mammals, must be allowed to move unharmed or be assisted and relocated in consultation with the Environmental Control Officer, to areas that will not be transformed.</li> <li>6. Prior to commencement, plant species of conservation importance (endemic, protected, Red Data) must be identified and marked, and may not be disturbed, or where required, the relevant permits for their relocation or removal must be obtained from the relevant authority.</li> <li>7. Plant species of conservation concern that are identified for relocation must be relocated to areas of similar habitat that will not be transformed unless otherwise stipulated by the relevant permitting authority. Such species must be monitored and managed until such time that they have determined to be successfully re-established.</li> <li>8. The Wetland and Aquatic Assessment identified a total of seven (7) wetland systems with a 500m radius from the development site. Recommended buffer zones are 40m and 20m from the delineated edge of any wetland during construction and operational phases, respectively. From Figures 11-6 and 11-7 of the Wetland and Aquatic Specialist report, there are infrastructures associated with</li> </ol>			<p><i>stormwater management plan will be enforced by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12. <i>Mitigation measures to prevent impacts on the water resources are provided in the EMPR. As mentioned in point 11 above, all measures to mitigate impacts on the watercourses will also be enforced by the DWS.</i></li> <li>13. <i>As mentioned in point 8 above, many of the activities will be located within existing disturbed and fenced areas, within the Maquasa East MRA.</i></li> </ol>

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<p>the development approaching into the recommended buffer zones, which is not acceptable.</p> <p>9. An avifaunal specialist must confirm that the aquatic buffers are sufficient to prevent a disturbance to the avifaunal SCC roosting and nesting sites.</p> <p>10. The Department is concerned about the locality of the CDF and other associated infrastructures within the CBAs and Intact Grassland Patches. These developments are compatible with the desired land uses in accordance with MSBP.</p> <p>11. Adequate liner systems and stormwater management measures must be in place to prevent groundwater contamination through leachate and discharge of dirty runoff into the natural environment.</p> <p>12. The loss of habitat and the alteration of natural flow regimes water quality contamination and increased sedimentation is prohibited.</p> <p>13. The applicant must ensure that all activities related to the proposed activity are prioritised in habitats of decreased sensitivity to ensure that sensitive habitats are avoided.</p>			
<p>SUBJECT: THE MTPA'S COMMENTS REGARDING INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION FOR WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND CO-DISPOSAL FACILITY FOR MAQUASA EAST (MQE) OPERATIONS, ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF THE FARMS ROODEKRAAL 21 HT, ROOIKOP 18 HT, AND MAQUASA 19 HT, WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE MKHONDO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, GERT SIBANDE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY IN MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.</p> <p>Comments The sensitivity of the project area was assessed according to the Mpumalanga Biodiversity Sector Plan (MBSP; MTPA,</p>	<p>Ms. Nomcebo Kunene Executive Manager Biodiversity Conservation</p>	<p>20 October 2024</p>	<p><b><u>EAP Response</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The CDF location is a mix of disturbed land with medium sensitivity grassland. The remainder of the activities will be located within existing disturbed areas.</li> <li>• Pipelines will be located within the mining footprint, along disturbed areas such as roads and next to the conveyor.</li> <li>• The river indicated on the comments letter is more than 1km from the activities.</li> <li>• The 100m buffer has been reflected on the composite environmental sensitivity map and the EMPR and recommendations in respect of this buffer have been updated in the EIR and</li> </ul>

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<p>2014). This sensitivity is assessed in terms of terrestrial and freshwater assessments. In the MBSP, sensitive areas are identified in terms of Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBAs) and Ecological Support Areas (ESAs). CBAs and ESAs are deemed to be necessary to ensure the protection of biodiversity, environmental sustainability, and human well-being. CBAs are required to meet both national and provincial biodiversity targets. These areas should remain natural.</p> <p>According to the MBSP terrestrial assessment, (Figure 1), the proposed activity will occur in farms with CBA Irreplaceable, CBA Optimal, Other natural areas, Moderately and Heavily modified areas.</p> <p>According to the MBSP freshwater assessment, (Figure 2), the WWTP will occur in farms with ESA Strategic water source areas, ESA Wetlands, CBA Aquatic Rivers, ESA important sub-catchments, and Heavily modified areas.</p> <p>Figure 3 indicates that the activity occurs within farms with intact grasslands and Important Bird Area (IBA).</p> <p>Recommendations</p> <p>The MTPA have no objection to this application and would like to recommend the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No activity or infrastructure should occur within the CBA Irreplaceable and CBA Optimal areas, if possible. The moderately to heavily modified areas should be first preference for the placement of infrastructure.</li> <li>• The new underground pipelines should also be placed along transformed areas or along roadsides.</li> <li>• A buffer of 1km must be applied on the CBA river, with no activity occurring in the area.</li> <li>• ESA wetlands must be delineated with a 100-metre buffer and avoided.</li> <li>• Important birds such as Grey Crowned Crane, Blue Korhaan, Denham’s Bustard, and White-bellied</li> </ul>			<p><i>EMPR.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>The mitigation measures allow for the limitation of the disturbance/footprint of the CDF. The WWTP and BTP are located next to the PCDs, within a fenced area, the decant dam is within an existing fenced area and pipelines are located within the mining footprint, along disturbed areas such as roads and next to the conveyor.</i></li> <li>• <i>The mitigation measures allow for the limitation of the disturbance/footprint.</i></li> <li>• <i>The mitigation measures allow for the limitation of the disturbance/footprint.</i></li> <li>• <i>The mitigation measures for vegetation removal in the EMPR comply with this comment.</i></li> <li>• <i>Waste management measures are included in the EMPR.</i></li> <li>• <i>Noted. This will be enforced through the EA.</i></li> <li>• <i>Rehabilitation measures are included in the EMPR.</i></li> <li>• <i>Noted. EMPR has been compiled.</i></li> </ul>

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<p>Korhaan are recorded in the proposed site. Adequate buffers, either radial or shaped buffers, must be implemented for all important birds.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Intact grasslands must be avoided as they are important for large birds observed on site. Intact grasslands are important for movement corridors, breeding and roosting areas.</li> <li>• Flora species of conservation concern on site must be avoided.</li> <li>• Where vegetation will be removed, it is recommended that the removal is restricted to areas where the construction of the proposed development will occur or where infrastructure will be placed. The indigenous vegetation present on site must be preserved as much as possible.</li> <li>• Stringent measures must be implemented in order to contain all the waste from the construction phase so that it does not contaminate any soils or water bodies within the area.</li> <li>• The applicant should be responsible for compliance with the provisions for Duty of Care and Remediation of Environmental Damage contained in Section 28 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1988 (Act 107 of 1998).</li> <li>• All disturbed areas must be fully rehabilitated and protected from erosion. Rehabilitation measures must be aimed at the prevention of soil erosion and the re-establishment of indigenous vegetation.</li> <li>• All negative environmental impacts should be mitigated as per the Environmental Management Programme.</li> </ul>			

## 4 CONCLUSION

This report forms part of the Scoping and Environmental Impact Reporting process for the Integrated Environmental Authorisation Application for the proposed wastewater treatment plant and CDF for Maquasa East Operations. The aim of the report was to summarize the issues, concerns and responses raised during the application process undertaken thus far, in line with the legislated requirements. This report will be updated and will be presented to the authorities and other I&APs together with the consultation and final reports as a full record of issues raised, including responses on how the issues were considered during the application process.

**APPENDIX A: STAKEHOLDER DATABASE**

REF. NO.	SECTOR	TITLE	FIRST NAME	SURNAME	Position	ORGANISATION
1	Provincial Authority	Mr	A	Tshivhandekano		Department of Mineral Resources
2	Provincial Authority	Ms	M. J.	Musekene		Department of Water Affairs
3	Provincial Authority	Ms	T	Mahlaku		Mpumalanga Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism
4	Provincial Authority	Mr	L	Shabane		Department of Agriculture
5		Mr	Jan	Venter		Department of Agriculture: Natural Resource Investigation Unit- Ermelo
6	Provincial Authority	Mrs	Nkosazana	Machete		South African Heritage Resource Agency
7	Provincial Authority	Mr	Simon	Shoba		Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency
8	Provincial Authority	Mr	Frans	Krige		Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency
9	Provincial Authority	Mrs	Celia	De Waal	EIA Data Capturer LUA, Biodiversity Conservation: Scientific Services	Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency
10	Provincial Authority	Mr.	R.P.	Leeba		Department of Education
11	Provincial Authority		Matshilele	Ramovha		Department of Mineral Resources
12	Provincial Authority	Mr	Sam	Nkosi		Land Claims Commissioner- Mpumalanga
13	Local Authority (Municipality)	Cllr	A. T.	Thwala		Mkhondo Local Municipality Ward Councillor (1 Driefontein)
14	Local Authority (Municipality)	Cllr	B. J.	Vilakazi		Mkhondo Local Municipality PR Councillor (1 Driefontein)
15	Local Authority (Municipality)	Cllr	J. L. T.	Brussow		Mkhondo Local Municipality Ward Councillor (7 Piet Retief)
16	Local Authority (Municipality)	Cllr	V. D.	Nkosi		Mkhondo Local Municipality PR Councillor (7 Piet Retief)
17	Local Authority (Municipality)	Ms.	B.	Myeni		Mkhondo Local Municipality MMC: Planning & Economic Development
18	Local Authority (Municipality)	Mr.	P.	Hlatshwayo		Mkhondo Local Municipality MMC: Infrastructure & Technical Services
19	Local Authority (Municipality)	Mr.	S.	Myeni		Mkhondo Local Municipality Ward Committee (1 Driefontein)
20	Ward Councillor	Ms	F.	Nyembe		Gert Sibande District Municipality
21	Ward Councillor	Mr	P .	Magagula		Gert Sibande District Municipality
22	Provincial Authority		Lloyd	Bokoba		DWA: CME
23	Provincial Authority		Tornado	Kunene		DWA
24	Provincial Authority		S.E	Shange		DWA: East Ops
25	Provincial Authority		M.P	Ngcobo		DWA: Revenue
26	Provincial Authority		Glenda	Asaram		DWA
27	Provincial Authority		Bhabha	Mkhungo		DWA
28	Provincial Authority		Elias	Mamanyoha		DWA
29	Provincial Authority		Frans	Isaacs		DWA.CME
30	Provincial Authority	Mr	Tebogo	Kgaphola	Directorate: Biodiversity Mainstreaming and EIA Branch: Biodiversity and Conservation	Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment
31	Provincial Authority	Mr	Seoka	Lekota	Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation	Department of Forestry Fisheries and the Environment
32	Parastatal/Service Provider		Tony	Sibiya		Inkomati CMA
33	Parastatal/Service Provider		Cholo	Derrick		Usutu River
34	Parastatal/Service Provider		W. L	Weber		Auyspruit F/A
35	Parastatal/Service Provider		Joseph	Mabunda		ICMA
36	Businesses		Dannie	Naude		NTE
37	Businesses		Raj	Moodley		NTE
38	Businesses		Graham	Shand		private
39	Businesses		Mike	Trebble		TWK Agriculture Ltd
40	Businesses	Mr	Simeon Foreman	Motha		Intuthuko Business Development Centre (Pty) Ltd & Digital Business College
41	Businesses	Mr	Mangoba	Nhlapho		
42	Businesses	Mr	Dumisani	Simelane		Intuthuko Business Development cc.
43	Businesses	Mr	Sanele	Mwali		Vukuzenzele Civils Holdings (Pty) Ltd
44	Interested and Affected Parties		G.F	Loubser		Community NEPA
45	Provincial Authority	Mr.	Kerry	Taljar		Tourism
46	Local Authority (Municipality)	Ms	Gcinile	Mbatha		Mkhondo Municipality
47	District Municipality	Ms	Tebogo	Mogakabe		Gert Sibande Municipality
48	Parastatal/Service Provider	Mr	Modisa	Phakedi	Project Manager	ESKOM
49	Parastatal/Service Provider	Ms.	Zarina	Vali		Mkhondo Library
50	Businesses	Mr	Sieghard	Knöcklein		KZK Urban Planning Studios
51	Businesses	Mr	David	Lindley	Project Executant	Mondi
52	Businesses					Mondi
53	Businesses	Mr	F J	van den Berg	Private	NZ Woodhill
54	Schools	Mr.		Bouwer	Principal	Hoer skool Piet Retief
55	Adjacent Landowner	Mr	B.R	Trebble	Farmer	Trebble Farms
56	Adjacent Landowner	Mr	J.F	Weber	Farmer	Bodenstadt Boerdery
57	Non Governmental Organisation					WWF
58	Non Governmental Organisation				Manager	GroundWork
59	Non Governmental Organisation	Mr	Jeremy	Carr	Private	Forestry Co-operative Limited

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60	Interested and Affected Parties	Mrs	Gudrun	Loubser	Private	Community MEPA
61	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Bheki	Nkosi	Emerging Farmer	Mkhondo Farmer's Association, CMF and monitoring committee member
62	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mduduzi	Nkala		Mkhondo Farmer's Association
63	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Vincent	Ncube		Community Member
64	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Johan	Linda		Driefontein
65	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Jeremia	Nkosi		Driefontein
66	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mandla	Nxumelo		Driefontein
67	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Thulani	Thulani Mkwanzazi		Driefontein
68	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Dumsane	Buthelezi		Driefontein
69	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Jabulani	Sanguni		Driefontein
70	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	A	Mkhwanazi		Driefontein
71	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Nompumelelo Yvonne	Gama		Driefontein
72	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Lethiwe Octevia	Nkosi		Driefontein
73	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mandla	Nkwanyana		Driefontein
74	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Richmen	Vilekezi		Driefontein
75	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Nlelusi	Nladonsela		Driefontein
76	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sabatha	Hlatshwayo		Driefontein
77	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Siphiwe	Phungwaya		Driefontein
78	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Zakhele	Nkosi		Driefontein
79	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Vusi	Hlatshwayo		Driefontein
80	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Zwelithini	Khoza		Driefontein
81	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Lucky	Thela		Driefontein
82	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mduduzi	Phakathi		Driefontein
83	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Thembi	Nkosi		Driefontein
84	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Florence	Mthethwa		Driefontein
85	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sbusiso	Maseko		Driefontein
86	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Precious	Hlatshway		Driefontein
87	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Milo	Sibiya		Driefontein
88	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Nonto	Sibisi		Driefontein
89	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Lucky	Msibi		Driefontein
90	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Themba	Methula		Driefontein
91	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mike	Madonsela		Driefontein
92	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Junia	Vilakazi		Driefontein
93	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mandla	Yende		Driefontein
94	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Wendy	Gama		
95	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Thembi	Nkosi		
96	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	N.T	Nkosi		Medical Center
97	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Conny	Zungu		
98	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Enock	Mduli		Community Member
99	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr.	J	Mntambo		Driefontein
100	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr.	J	Zondo		Driefontein
101	Interested and Affected Parties		M.S	Sangweni		Driefontein
102	Interested and Affected Parties		T.N	Sibande		Driefontein
103	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms.	Thembi	Vilakazi		Driefontein
104	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms.	Nkosingiphile	Mambane		Driefontein
105	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr.	Sipho	Lunga		Driefontein
106	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr.	James	Mpanza		Driefontein
107	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Johan	Weber		Anysspruit Farmers Association
108	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sipho	Dlamini		Siphssihle Investments
109	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	J	Loubser		
110	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Njabalo	Dlamini		African sun bussiness solutions
111	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Soza	Nkua		Shanduka
112	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Howard	Vilakazi		DCF
113	Interested and Affected Parties	Miss	Khabonina	Nkosi		
114	Interested and Affected Parties	Miss	Nomsa	Shabanga		
115	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Thulani	Mkhwanazi		Driefontein
116	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sibongile	Mandonsela		Driefontein
117	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mzwakhile	Simelane		Driefontein
118	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Job	Mkudnasi		
119	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Skumbuzo	Nhlabotu		Driefontein Rap
120	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Anderson	Lefende		
121	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Thembisile	Nkosi		

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122	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mucube	Nusuthu		Driefontein Forum
123	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mxolisi	Ngwenya		Driefontein
124	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Rhee	Hlatshwayo		C. D.W
125	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Mpume	Nkosi		Driefontein
126	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Lindiwe	Hlophe		Driefontein
127	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Thandi	Mampu		Driefontein
128	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Fikile	Madonzela		Driefontein
129	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Skumbuzo	Nkosi		Driefontein
130	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	William	Njangase		Driefontein
131	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sibusiso	Nkosi		Driefontein
132	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Thabo	Mkwanazi		Driefontein
133	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sifiso	Mthimkulu		Driefontein
134	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sizwe	Mbhokazi		Driefontein
135	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Lungelo	Nkumane		Driefontein
136	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Bonginkosi	Mahlaba		Driefontein
137	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Muzi	Buthelezi		Driefontein
138	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Nkosinathi	Ndlosi		Driefontein
139	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Eric	Hlatshwayo		Driefontein
140	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Thokozile	Mabuza		Driefontein
141	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Peace	Simelane	Chaiperson	Driefontein Community Forum
142	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Ntswaki	Mabanne		Driefontein
143	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Fikile	Tshabalala		
144	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	David	Shabangu		
145	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	John	Ngwenya		
146	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Sarah	Ndlamlenze		
147	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Innocent	Xulu		
148	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Mthunzi	Ngwenya		
149	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Lindiwe	Tshabalala		
150	Interested and Affected Parties	Mr	Sitha	Gama		
151	Interested and Affected Parties	Ms	Zodwa	Gumede		Department of Health, Gauteng (I&AP on behalf on Driefontein community)
152	Non Governmental Organisation					Endangered Wildlife Trust
153	Non Governmental Organisation	Mr	Bradley	Gibbons	Senior Field Officer, African Crane Conservation Programme	Endangered Wildlife Trust
154	Non Governmental Organisation				EIA	Endangered Wildlife Trust
155	Non Governmental Organisation					WESSA
156	Non Governmental Organisation	Mr	Malcolm	Suttill		WESSA
157	Non Governmental Organisation	Mr	Simon	Gear	Plicy and Advocacy Manager	Bird Life South Africa
158	Non Governmental Organisation					Earthlife Africa
159	Non Governmental Organisation	Ms	Heidi	Nieuwoudt	Project Manager	Working for Wetlands
160	Non Governmental Organisation					Wakkerstroom Tourism Association
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## Update on court appearances - fifth suspect nabbed



The suspects, Blessing Nhlakani-pho Ntombela (30 years) and Blessing Bongani Dlamini (38 years) appeared briefly before the Piet Retief Magistrate's Court on the charges of murder and attempted murder.

The case has been postponed to 30 January 2023 for a formal bail application. They were both remanded in custody. They were arrested on Sunday 22 January at Mkhondo in relation to the murder of a ward Councillor, Mr

Sbonelo (Mthembu) Ntshangase (36), and his friends, Mr Sandile Khumalo (51) and Mr Sizwe Mbingo (40). The Provincial Commissioner of Mpumalanga, Lieutenant General Semakaleng Daphney Manamela, has

vowed that nothing will stop her to arrest any person committing a crime in Mpumalanga.

This comes after a fifth suspect Andile Mondli Gamede (32) was arrested at Mkhondo on Monday 23 January.

He appeared before the Piet Retief Magistrate's Court on Wednesday 25 January 2023 on charges of three counts of murder, attempted murder and the theft of a firearm. The case has been postponed to 30 January and he has been remanded in custody.

According to the report, the victims were allegedly shot by armed suspects in Mkhondo, also known as Piet Retief. It is further alleged that the suspects reportedly fired multiple shots at Mr Ntshangase who was in the yard, and also shot Mr Mbingo inside a bakkie who sadly died at the scene whilst Mr Khumalo was also shot in the yard. Thereafter the suspects fled in an unknown direction.

## Minister Cele attended funeral

David Mkhonta

On Saturday 21 January the Minister of Police joined thousands of mourners who came to pay their last respects to the councillor, Sibone-

lo Mthembu, Mr Sandile Khumalo and Mr Sizwe Mbingo who died on Friday the 13th of January 2023.

Minister Bheki Cele took to the

podium and announced to the bereaved families and members of the public at the Magudulela Stadium, where the funeral service of the community members was held,

that they have established an investigative team that will be based in Mkhondo from a national level to investigate all political related cases reported since 2009.

He explained how they dealt with such cases in KwaZulu-Natal and said the same strategy would be implemented in Mkhondo. "No one must die because he is a councillor, we can't afford or make it a norm that councillors must live to die," vowed Mr Cele.



## HPR nuus

Kate-Merie Ferreira

Die eerste week van skool was 'n besige een vir die leerlinge van Hoërskool Piet Retief, maar hulle is bly vir elke geleentheid wat hulle gegun word.

aan die Mpumalanga padfietskampioenskap deelgeneem. Sy het in die tydtoetswedren en in die padfietswedren meegeding en beide afdelings gewen. Welgedaan, Kylie!

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Garden of Life

# Consolidated Training Report Skills Programme

**Overview:**  
The Proprietor of Heyshoop Farm in support of skills development funded the skills programme "Garden of Life" for unemployed individuals residing on his farms and in and around the Piet Retief area.

The programme targeted 40 individuals, all of which formed part of a group referred to as Historically Disadvantaged Individuals. They consisted of both male and females of various age groups. The aim was to develop ag-

ricultural skills and to empower them through agriculture to create sustainable micro farms.

#### Demographics:

The ratio being: 18 females to 15 males of various ages. The youth was well represented. None of the attending candidates indicated or displayed any disability.

#### Scope of Work:

The scope of work indicates the following:

- Skills Programmes must be relevant to learner needs.
- Must demonstrate initiatives around areas of empowerment.

#### Group Dynamics:

The group dynamics at first was strained but this was expected as these individuals all come from different environments. They however developed a bond as the day progressed and viewed themselves as a team. They further quickly settled and began working together for the benefit of the group.

#### Venue:

The venue to a certain extent complied with an Optimal Learning Environment as it had seating suitable for adult learning. The area was well lit and the training area was well ventilated. All support teaching aids were present and easily accessible. All Covid-19 protocols could be observed.

It must however be guarded that when choosing a venue that it must be learner friendly and accessible to the learner. Traveling long distances could impact on learner attendance and affect learner concentration.

#### Overview of training:

Training commenced at 09:00 and ended at 14:00 (15 January 2023).

Learners' needs and aspirations were identified. One of these needs was that a large percentage of the learners'

mother-tongue (isi-Zulu) speakers and displayed little or no command of the English language. This was further amplified by them being semi-literate or illiterate.

This challenge was negated with the use of a Zulu speaking facilitator. To further assist the learning process the facilitator scaled down the presentation to meet the level of comprehension of these learners. This was done by using practical examples to reinforce and embed knowledge.

Myths and expectations around employment and financial reward were addressed and dispelled.

Learners at first were not enthusiastic and showed distress. This however is not uncommon with learners with low literacy levels. They however grasped concepts that were foreign to them on commencement of training. The constant asking of questions and lively debates was an indication that learning was taking place.

The following was provided during the training sessions:

- Writing materials & stationery
- White board & pens
- Flip chart paper
- Coke bottles
- Attendance registers
- Feedback forms
- Seeds
- Seedlings
- Planting calendars
- Bibles

#### Practical:

To supplement the theoretical component of the learners, they were further presented with one irrigation system (Hydroponics) (Garden of Life) as the practical component of their training.

Learners enjoyed the practical component of the training intervention as it involved activities they enjoyed.

They further demonstrated understanding of the concept of Hydroponics and its value. Environmental matters such as waste management were understood and they showed an interest in maintaining the environment and the impact it has on farming.

#### Exit Strategy:

Garden of Life and its team subscribe to a principle of Holistic Development and have designed a strategic exit plan for these learners. The process includes the replication of the gardens at home. It was recommended that they source at least 10 tyres per household within the area they reside in, to commence the establishing of the said gardens.

Garden of Life has further taken into consideration that although all the candidates have signed up for the training, not all will proceed in becoming micro farmers and would grow vegetables for their family's needs only.

In order to monitor and mentor these candidates a WhatsApp group (Buddy Group) will be established where the said learners could share challenges and milestones. This not only allows for monitoring participation but, also acts as a catalyst in motivating learners to continue. The

Garden of Life team will further assist with challenges and will highlight milestones achieved.

They are to develop their gardens and produce evidence of a productive garden. Learners have also indicated that they will acquire land from known sources and start growing vegetables suitable for the environment.

#### Way Forward:

It is recommended that during the monitoring phase candidates who show an interest in agriculture should be afforded the opportunity in obtaining qualifications in Plant Production. This would give the candidate a greater understanding of agriculture as it provides the learner with the skills in producing a better crop.

#### Conclusion:

The training went smoothly and apart from small logistical hiccups, the programme was concluded successfully. This however is consistent with projects of this size and nature.

Commendation must further be given to Mr Tommy Ferreira who ensured that all logistics were in place and that learners arrived to the training at no cost to them. His efforts and organisational skills are greatly appreciated.

## Our deepest sympathy

After the untimely deaths of another councillor and two more men who were most probably in the way, arrests have been made and court procedures followed.

The Excelsior News would like to express our condolences to the families who lost their loved ones and

wishes them all of the best.

The Excelsior News will only publish reports from the SAPS in this matter and will not jeopardise any investigation through speculation.

May justice prevail. Injustice will automatically fall under its own weight and meet with its end.

## KANGRA NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES FOR KANGRA'S MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS:

- Application for Integrated Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Water Treatment Plant & Co-Disposal Facility
- Application for Integrated Water Use Licence for the proposed Water Treatment Plant & Co-Disposal Facility

GCS Ref. No: 22-0161

DMRE Ref. No.: MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR(10200MR)

DWS REF. NO.: 11/W51B/CGI/4938

Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) has an existing coal mine located in Driefontein, near Piet Retief in the Mpumalanga Province. The mine is located in the Mkhondo Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The Maquasa East (MQE) operations include the historical opencast and underground operations under Mining Right (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR). Kangra is proposing to construct a new water treatment plant (WTP) for the treatment of decant and surplus contaminated water and a new co-disposal facility which will accommodate discard produced from the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the WTP.

Authorisation is being sought for the following:

- Integrated Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations for listed activities:
  - o Listing Notice 1 (GNR327): Activity 25 & 27
  - o Listing Notice 2 (GNR325): Activity 5 & 15
  - o Listing Notice 3 (GNR324): Activity 12 & 14
  - o Waste Management Activity (GNR921): Category B - Activity 7, 10 & 15
- Integrated Water Use Licence in terms of Section 21 of the NWA
  - o Section 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- SAHRA Authorisation in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA

The proposed projects are located on Ptn of Rem of Farm Maquasa 19 IT, Ptn of Mineral Area 1 on the Rem extent of Farm Rooikop 18 HT, Ptns 1&2 of Farm Kransbank 15 HT, Rem extent of Farm Maquasa 19 HT, and Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

GCS Water and Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the necessary environmental processes for the above-mentioned projects in support of the application to the relevant Competent Authorities; the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) and the Mpumalanga Department of Heritage Resources.

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering your interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed projects. You have until the 10th of February 2023 to register as an I&AP in the first round of stakeholder engagement and to raise initial issues about the proposed project. Please include this reference number - 22-0161 - in all correspondence.

This notification forms part of the initial public consultation process as required by the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA). Further notifications pertaining to this project will be issued in due course.

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# LPR Interhuis

Kate-Merie Ferreira

**Laerskool Piet Retief se personeel en leerlinge het op Saterdag 21 Januarie vroegoggend by die skool se atletiekveld aangemeld om die jaar se eerste sportbyeenkoms af te skop.**

Die interhuis was die perfekte geleentheid vir leerlinge om met hulle talente te spog en vir 'n plek in hierdie jaar se atletiekspan te veg.

Dit was 'n baie warm dag, die hoogspringmatte was veral warm nadat dit vir 'n ruk in die son gebak het en die langafstandatlete se oë het naderhand gebrand soos die sweet daarin geloop het, maar die jong atlete het volhard en steeds hulle beste gelewer.

Die leerders is in vier spanne verdeel - Duikers, Suni's, Oribi's en Steenbokke. Die Suni-span wat heldergeel klere gedra het, het die meeste punte deur die loop van die dag aangtken en is daarom as die wenspan gekroon. Baie geluk! Hendrik Verwey het die trofee namens die span ontvang.

'n Hoogtepunt van die dag was toe Lerato Masango die O/12 meisies gewigstootrekord gebreek het. Sy het die swaar bal 'n volle 8.77m ver gegooi, die vorige rekord was 8.72m. Welgedaan Lerato!

Lerato Masango (U/12), broke the school's shot-put record. She threw the heavy ball a staggering 8.77m! The previous record was 8.72m. Well done Lerato! If you keep this up, maybe you might break the U/13 record at the next interhouse.

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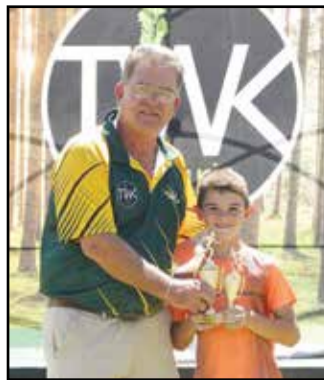
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Baie geluk aan elke atleet wat erkenning ontvang het. Aan die leerlinge wat nie 'n trofee ontvang het nie - oefen hard en probeer volgende jaar weer! Solank jy net jou beste gegee het, is dit al wat saak maak!

Die graad R-spannetjie wat aan 'n 60 meter wedloop deelgeneem het, het baie gelukkig gevoel dat hulle ook ingesluit was by die dag se verrigtinge. Hulle trotse ouers het vir hulle by die eindpunt gewag. Hierdie resies is jaarliks goeie oefening vir die groep om hulle voor te berei vir dit wat vir hulle wag as hulle eendag na die laerskool toe gaan.

Baie dankie aan elke besigheid en ouer wat iets vir die dag geborg het, asook aan die ouers wat hulle tyd opgeoffer het en kos voorberei het of as beampte gedien het. 'n Spesiale dankie aan die onderwysers wat hard gewerk het om alles vir die dag voor te berei en seker gemaak het dat reëlings glad verloop.



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Berig deur HPR

# HPR Interhuis 21 Januarie



## Nie eers die "hittegolf" kon Saterdag ons geesdrif demp nie.

Al was dit die eerste byeenkoms van die seisoen, was daar reeds pragtige prestasies en niks minder as twaalf rekords is op die dag gebreek nie!

Dit was duidelik dat atlete wat ingeskakel het by die voorseisoenoefenprogram, nou die vrugte pluk van hulle harde werk. Ons wil graag vir Rochelle Taljaard wat selfs gedurende die Desember-vakansie met hier-

die atlete gewerk het, baie dankie sê vir die reusebydrae en impak wat sy maak om HPR-atletiek te bevorder.

Dankie ook aan die HPR-Ondersteunersklub vir hulle bydrae in hierdie verband. Ons sien uit na van-

jaar se Interhoër wat op 18 Februarie by Generaal Hertzog in Witbank gaan plaasvind.

Baie dankie ook aan Superspar vir die besondere medaljes, dit was verseker 'n reuse-motivering vir ons atlete!

**TROFEEWENNERS:**

	ATLEET	Ouderdom	ITEM	PRESTASIE (ASA PUNT)
1.	Beste Baanatleet	Khaya Dube	100m	10.30 (892) (Rekord)
2.	Beste Veldatleet	Corrie Kotzé	Gewigstoot	9.84m (763)
3.	Beste Hekkieatleet	Fisokuhle Shabalala	100mH	14.50 (789)
4.	Beste Dogters Middel- en Langafstandatleet	Kyla Oosthuizen	800m	2:42.70 (648)
5.	Beste Seuns Middel- en Langafstandatleet	Jayden Ehlers	3000m	10:55.80 (621)
8.	Victrix Ludorum Junior – Baan	Fatimah Hasani		2007
9.	Victrix Ludorum Junior - Veld	Gizelle van den Berg		1695
10.	Victor Ludorum Junior - Baan	Fisokuhle Shabalala		2132
11.	Victor Ludorum Junior - Veld	Carlo Niebuhr		1663
12.	Victrix Ludorum Senior -Baan	Megan Filter		2093
13.	Victrix Ludorum Senior - Veld	Ankia Uys		1789
14.	Victor Ludorum Senior - Baan	Khaya Dube		2417
15.	Victor Ludorum Senior - Veld	Renco Venter		1734
16.	Beste Atleet: Seuns	Khaya Dube		3689
17.	Beste Atleet: Dogters	Megan Filter		3353
WENSPAN			BLOU	1215.5 punte
TWEDE PLEK			GROEN	1198.0 punte
DERDE PLEK			ROOI	1130.5 punte
GEESBEKER			GROEN	

**NEW RECORDS:**

ATHLETE	ITEM	AGE	PERFORMANCE	ASA POINT
Carl-Hein Creydt	100mH	U/14	15.50	709
Fisokuhle Shabalala	100mH	U/14	14.50	789
	300mH		0:43.50	619
	200m		24.70	671
Kamogelo Mohlala	High jump	U/14	1.63	620
Khaya Dube	Triple jump	U/19	13.78	704
	100m		10.30	892
	200m		22.00	794
Mpilo Nkosi	100m	U/16	11.40	728
Wandile Gumede	100m	U/19	10.50	847
Corrie Kotzé	Shot-put	U/14	9.84	763
	Relay	U/19	0:44.90	756

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# Learners shine at Interhouse



Senior Victrix Ludorum- Nthando Vilakazi

David Mkhonta

On Saturday 21 January, Maranatha School held its Interhouse athletics competition for the year 2023.

The weather was perfect and the learners were enthusiastic to get to the start line and compete.

Learners set off in a 100m sprint and others participated in various items that

included the long jump, high jump, turbo javelin just to mention a few.

"This is our first sports day and I believe that sport can help children grow in many ways, including working in a team and improving physical skills such as balance and co-ordination," the principal said.

Parents and teach-

ers cheered the athletes on from the side lines as they competed against each other.

The 100m sprint saw tons of both spectators and fellow scholars standing with great anticipation to see who would outrun the competitors and be crowned champion.

"Well done to everyone who participated. We are proud of your achievements and if you did not receive a medal, we are also proud of you for trying your best," the sports teacher said.

This was the first year that Maranatha hosted an Interhouse on their own premises and they are grateful for the support of teachers, staff and parents, all of whom contributed in making the day a huge success.

**Results:**

• Ntando Vilakazi G/11 smashed the



Senior Victor Ludorum- Zekhethelo Salie

1200m record with a time of 04:50.

• Andile Gumede broke the boys u/12 long jump record with a distance of 4.25m, he also broke the shot-put record and set a new record with a distance of 9.03m.

• Lulama Thabete broke the G/11 high jump record. The new record is 1.11m.

• Phumelela Mnyakeni B/11 set

a new high jump record with a height of 1.31m.

• Zekhethelo Salie B/13 jumped 1.40m for a new high jump record.

It was evident from the happy shouts and broad smiles that the day was truly enjoyed by all, despite the scorching heat!

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# A solution for unlawful parking

David Mkhonta

Concrete sleepers and poles were seen on the sidewalks around the Dutch Reformed Church in Smit and Du Toit Streets.

This is aimed to address unlawful parking in town mostly by trucks and vehicles, who during the day park in the shade of trees there and in the evenings to overnight. Truck drivers are once again taking over the streets of Piet Retief especially at night, with almost every major road in town being occupied by these giants.

The drivers use side streets to park their heavy vehicles, which causes more damage than the MLM could ever be able to fully repair. Sidewalks also suffer in the process. Truck drivers drive over storm-water drains which cause irreparable damage.



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# An upgraded activity?

Muller Street hands down wins the title of the broadest road in town.

One can only hope that when the rain starts, it doesn't turn into a river . . .



# Filled butternut roast

Vegan meals don't have to be overcomplicated and expensive.

- Ingredients:**
- 1 large butternut
  - 1 brinjal
  - 1 large marrow
  - 2 tbsp (30ml) olive oil
  - 1 red onion, chopped
  - 1 clove garlic, chopped
  - ¼ cup (60ml) sultanas
  - ½ packet (50g) raw almonds, chopped
  - 3 tbsp (45ml) pumpkin seeds
  - 3 tbsp (45ml) sherry or vegetable

- stock
- ½ cup (125ml) couscous, cooked
  - Handful parsley, chopped
  - Juice (60ml) and grated peel of 1 lemon
  - Salt and milled pepper
  - Fresh herbs, for serving
- Method:**
1. Halve butternut, remove seeds and score flesh.
  2. Steam or microwave butternut for 5-10 minutes.
  3. Halve brinjal and large marrow

- and steam for 3-5 minutes, or until tender. Scoop out a little flesh from each vegetable half to create a cavity and reserve shells.
4. Heat olive oil in a pan and sauté onion until soft.
  5. Add garlic and fry for another minute, or until fragrant.
  6. Stir in sultanas, almonds and pumpkin seeds and fry for another minute.
  7. Add sherry or vegetable stock, reduce for a minute and then remove


- from heat. Stir through couscous, parsley and lemon juice and peel.
8. Season and divide stuffing mixture into three portions.
  9. Preheat oven to 180°C. Fill each vegetable shell with stuffing.
  10. Place brinjal shells inside butternut shells, then place marrows inside brinjals.
  11. Sandwich butternut shells and secure with butcher's string. Drizzle with
  12. Slice and



oil. Place on a baking tray and bake for 45-50 minutes, or until cooked through.

serve with fresh herbs.

Source: <https://www.pnp.co.za/recipes>



## Vacancies

The TWK Group, with its head office in Piet Retief, Mpumalanga, requires the services of suitably qualified and highly motivated candidates to be appointed in the following vacant positions:

Division	Position	Location
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	Talent & Performance Clerk	Piet Retief
Grain	Clerk (Admin)	Piet Retief
	General Worker (Seasonal)	Piet Retief: Mkhondo Silo
	General Worker (Seasonal)	Piet Retief: Panbult Silo
	Supervisor	Piet Retief: Mkhondo Silo
	Supervisor	Piet Retief: Panbult Silo
Finance	Accountant	Piet Retief/ Pretoria
Financial Services	Broker (Life Insurance)	Mbombela
	Broker (Life Insurance)	Middelburg
	Broker (Short-Term Insurance)	Bethal
	Broker (Short-Term Insurance)	Mbombela
	Broker (Short-Term Insurance)	Secunda
	Broker (Short-Term Insurance)	Vanderbijlpark
	Clerk (Claims)	Bethal
Para-Planner	Mbombela	
Isuzu	Sales Consultant	Ermelo
	Sales Consultant (Used Vehicles)	Ermelo
Sunshine Seedling Services	Finance Clerk	Pietermaritzburg
Trade	Cashier	Empangeni
	Cleaner	Ermelo
	Depot Manager	Winterton
	Salesman (Parts)	Bethal
	Salesman (Parts)	Pietermaritzburg
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## PRHS 2022 Matric Results

# 100% Pass Rate

Information received by PRHS

**Piet Retief High School celebrates a 100% matric pass rate for the National School Certificate Examinations written at the end of**

**2022!** Piet Retief High School is also proud to announce that not only did they receive a 100% pass rate, but ten of the sub-

jects being taught at the school managed to obtain an average of 60% and above. Physical Sciences received an average of above 70% and German an average of 82%.

With hard work and grit put in by each learner, the collective achieved 106 distinctions.

The school's top performer was Ayesha Ebrahim who achieved an average of 92% and seven distinctions as well as a distinction in Alpha Maths. Other matriculants with top-averages were Alyssa Taman and Henno Delport with six distinctions each. Demi von Wissel, Husnaa Arbee, Husnaa Mansoor and Alex Ferreira received five distinctions each.

**Ayesha Ebrahim:**

- English Home Language - 86%
- Afrikaans First Additional Language - 90%
- Mathematics - 95%
- Life Orientation - 91%

- Engineering Graphics and Design - 90%
- Life Sciences - 93%
- Physical Sciences - 98%
- Alpha Mathematics - 85%

**Alyssa Taman:**

- English Home Language - 82%
- Afrikaans First Additional Language - 90%
- Life Orientation - 85%
- Geography - 86%
- Life Sciences - 80%
- Physical Sciences - 82%

**Henno Delport:**

- Afrikaans Huis-taal - 82%
- English First Additional Language - 80%
- Life Orientation - 84%
- Engineering Graphics and Design - 84%
- Life Sciences - 84%
- Physical Sciences - 85%

**Demi von Wissel:**

- English Home Language - 80%
- Afrikaans First Additional Language - 83%
- Life Orientation - 88%
- Geography - 87%
- Information Technology - 83%

- 95%
- Life Orientation - 84%
- Business Studies - 90%
- Life Sciences - 83%

**Husnaa Arbee:**

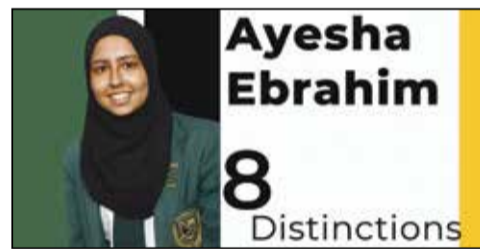
- Afrikaans First Additional Language - 86%
- Life Orientation - 89%
- Business Studies - 84%
- Life Sciences - 81%
- Physical Sciences - 85%

**Husnaa Mansoor:**

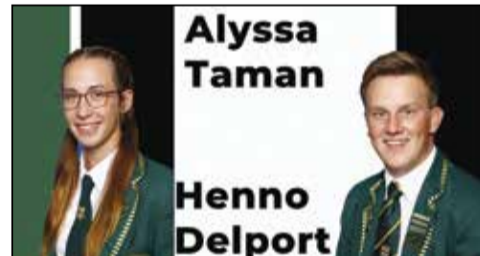
- Afrikaans First Additional Language - 86%
- Life Orientation - 81%
- Accounting - 91%
- Life Sciences - 82%
- Physical Sciences - 82%

**Alex Ferreira:**

- Afrikaans Huis-taal - 87%
- English First Additional Language - 84%
- Life Orientation - 88%
- Geography - 87%
- Information Technology - 83%



*Ayesha Ebrahim was the best performing matric learner in 2022 - we are very proud!*



*These learners received six distinctions each - congratulations!*



*The matrics of 2022 were nervous but excited to receive their results after a long time of waiting*

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## Update on N2 Pongola situation

**Kate-Merie Ferreira**  
Protests on the N2 Pongola road rendered it inaccessible to heavy motor vehicles, more specifically side tippers from Monday 16 January to Monday 23 January but, the authorities seem to have control of the situation now.

On Monday 23 January at approximately 12:25, Mr Anton Nortje of the Mkhondo Fire and Rescue Unit shared a voice message stating that the road was open to side tippers once again, as a task force from the National Department of Transport was deployed to Itshelejoba, where the road had been closed to side tippers by protesters for a week. Motorists were warned that the situation could change at any moment and to be vigilant when driving there.

Provincial traffic officers were placed at the Paulpietersburg intersection, where truckers turn off the N2 to take an alternative route, to inform them that the N2 road was open to them again. Some

transporters decided that it was not worth it to use the N2 and instructed their drivers to continue on the alternative route (Paulpietersburg, Vryheid, etc.). They did not want to be stuck at Itshelejoba if the situation turned volatile again.

Traffic officers also visited the local truck stop to inform the drivers of the situation, so that they can make an informed decision about which route to use.

The R33 Paulpietersburg road is taking strain under the weight of the hundreds of side tippers that are forced to drive there once again. The road has become almost untraversable for small vehicles and the damage on it is extensive yet, transporters feel they have no other choice but to use this route. They lose a lot of money if their trucks get stuck for a day between Piet Retief and Pongola. Hopefully the community, government and trucking companies can come to an agreement that will make the road safer for all who use it.

### ANNEXURE 2

**INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS IN APPLYING FOR A LIQUOR LICENCE IN TERMS OF SECTION 35(2)(a) OF THE MPU-MALANGA LIQUOR LICENSING ACT, 2006.** I, TANYA ELIZABETH GROBLER, ID Number: 970909 0098 085, an adult female hereby invite written public comments concerning my application for a liquor licence to the Mpumalanga Liquor Authority to trade under the name: **THE DINER ON WEST END**, I make this application for myself.

For the retail sale of liquor for consumption on the premises where the liquor is sold.

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**ADDRESSES TO WHICH COMMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED:**  
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**Municipality's Address:**  
Mkhondo Municipality Piet Retief:  
33 Mark & De Wet Streets, eMkhondo, 2380

**Applicant's Address:**  
PO Box 3556, Ladysmith, 3370  
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## Thank you to the Mkhondo Fire and Rescue

The Ndawonye principal, SMT and SGB would like to send words of gratitude to Anton Nortje and Mr Mkhabela from the Mkhondo Fire and Rescue Department for assisting the school with water.

"Always when we call, they respond as quickly as they can. Your continued support is always appreciated."

Ms MR Magagula  
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## Thank you

**Noluvo Minentle Godlimpi.**  
The Godlimpi family of eMagadeni Mkhondo wants to express its heartfelt appreciation for the love and support that the Methodist and Galilee Church in Christ showed us during the tragic and sad loss of their beloved daughter, Noluvo Minentle Godlimpi. We also thank the Godlimpi family, as well as the Xaba family and the entire Mkhondo family for their wonderful presence and support during the sad loss. May God richly bless you all and do continue to show your love to other families.

## Parkrun results



**Kate-Merie Ferreira**  
**61 people took part in the Piet Retief Parkrun on Saturday 21 January on the gravel road next to Piet Retief High School.**  
*The top 10 participants were:*

1. Andre Vorster - 24:35
2. Tebogo Junior Ntuli - 27:03
3. Unknown
4. Mbongeni Thabede - 27:10
5. Unknown
6. Unknown
7. Pushie Chetty - 29:06
8. Unknown
9. Unknown
10. Unknown

A gentle reminder to please register on the Parkrun website and take your barcode with you when you participate. That will ensure that the volunteers are able to capture your time and upload it to the website so that you can keep track of your fitness journey.

Thank you to the volunteers who made this event possible and to the loyal participants who keep this event going. Next time, feel free to invite a friend!

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    - o Umsebenzi Ongowokuphathwa Kodoti/Ukungcola (GNR921): Isigabana B - Umsebenzi 7, 10 no 15
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    - o Isigaba 21 (c), (f), (g) no (i)
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Amaprojecti ahlongozwayo asendaweni u Ptn ye Rem yePulazi iMaquasa 19 IT, engu Ptn yendawo iMineral Area 1 engeyengxenywe ye Rem yePulazi iRookop 18 HT, kumaPtn 1 no 2 ePulazi iKransbank 15 HT, kwingxenywe ye Rem engeyePulazi iMaquasa 19 HT, kanye nePulazi iRoodekraal 21 HT, elawulwa ngaphansi kweLungelo Lezimbiwa (MR) elivele likhona.

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Lesisaziso siyinxenywe yomgudu wokuqala wokuxhumana nomphakathi njengoba kudinga iMigomo ye EIA (ka 2014, njengoba ichitshiyelwe) yoMthetho kaZwelonke Wokuphathwa kweMvelo, ka 1998 (uMthetho 107 ka 1998) kanye noMthetho kaZwelonke Wamanzi, ka 1998 (uMthetho 36 ka 1998) (NWA). Ezinye izaziso ezimayelana naleprojecti zizokhishwa ngokuhamba kwesikhathi

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# Sasol reaches out to the community



SANRAL staff offered massages to customers of Sasol



Visitors could spin this wheel to win a prize

Kate-Merie Ferreira

The Sasol N2 team recently held an event on their premises, where they engaged with their customers and told them more about their amazing rewards programme.

The aim of the day was to motivate customers to sign up for the Sasol rewards programme. If you sign up, you receive 30 reward points for each litre of fuel that you buy at a Sasol filling station. These points can then be used to buy at any Sasol Quick Shop. They also gave their customers the opportunity to win merchandise, such as t-shirts, water bottles and hats, by spinning a wheel.

A SANRAL-team also had a stall, where they talked to visitors about the improvements that they are making to the N2 and to improve road safety by handing out pamphlets with information about the rules of the road. A highlight of the day was when they offered massages to the visitors. December and January can be stressful for a lot of people and it was nice to be able to relax for a few minutes.

Jumping castles were available for kids to enjoy while their parents were busy. All in all, it was a successful day.

# Alpha & Omega welcomes new staff



Back: Mr Dieter Lubbe (Pastoral care and Computers Senior Phase), Mr Mbongeni Siyaya (Maths Gr 8-10, Life Science (Gr 10) and LO (Gr 8-9), Mr Angelo Dames (Intern), Mrs Annalize Delport (Principal Primary School)  
Front: Mrs Erika Martens (Gr 2A), Ms Sinenhlanhla Ndala (Maths Gr 5-7, EMS Gr 7), Mrs Rochelle Brits (Gr 4 Maths, NS and Afrikaans and NS Gr 7)  
Absent: Mrs Sonja Otto and Mrs Carol Lubbe



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# Huis Immergroen woeker in hulle tuin

Kate-Merie Ferreira  
Daar is iets heilsaam aan die grond tussen jou vingers en die reuk van die natuur na die reën - dit doen iets aan jou siel.

Die inwoners van Huis Immergroen, veral die met groen vingers en 'n liefde vir tuinmaak, werk al vir die afgelope week daaraan om die tehuis se groentetuin in 'n "hothouse" te omskep, sodat hulle hul groente in vrede kan plant, sonder die las van muisvoëls. Baie dankie aan mnr. Remo Beneke wat sy kennis gedeel het en waardevolle insette tydens die proses gelewer het.

Die tehuis bedank

ook graag dié gemeenskapslede wat vir hulle groente geskenk het. Die inwoners het hand gegee om die boontjies te kerf en het sommer die geleentheid gebruik om saam om die kombuistafel te kuier. Net soos die goeie ou dae van samesyn in hulle eie

kombuise saam met hulle gesinne. Oom Gunter, wat by Huis Immergroen aansterk, is 'n talentvolle orrelis en die personeel en inwoners hoor gereeld hoe hy in die kapel speel. Dit is voorwaar 'n bederf om die pragtige liederde in die gange van die

tehuis te hoor. Baie sterkte aan tannie Alicia Paul met haar operasie in Nelspruit. Die inwoners en personeel wens ook spoedige beterskap aan tannie Martie Potgieter, wat tans aansterk na 'n siekbed.  
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# Burgers for Babies Charity Braai



*Baby Hailey is a real fighter*

**Kate-Merie Ferreira**  
**The Care Bear Charity Organisation in Ermelo is hosting a charity braai on Friday 27 January and Saturday 28 January to raise much needed funds for baby Ashley and baby Hailey.**

Baby Ashley came to the attention of the Care Bears after she was found abandoned in an empty erf in Mkhondo when she was only six days old. Baby Hailey was born prematurely

and weighed only 550g at her birth at seven months. Hailey and Ashley have a long road ahead of them.

Both of these babies need medical care, as well as diapers, wipes, milk and other necessities. The Care Bears are therefore selling burgers at Four Sisters Butchery in Ermelo, for R30 each. All of the proceeds will go towards assisting these two babies. The organisation has opened a separate bank account, specifically

for this purpose.

You can even support this initiative from Piet Retief, as they are selling "virtual burgers". What that means, is that you can order a burger and pay for it and it will then be delivered at the Ermelo CMR Child-care or the SAVF House.

If you have any enquiries or would like to make a donation, please contact

Juliet Basson on 060 905 7150 or Chantal Boonstra on 072 460 1654. Orders can also be placed with them.

*If you feel that you want to give to these two special babies, you can also make a payment into the following account:*

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We thank you in advance.

## Is this the new norm?

**David Mkhonta**

**On a busy Monday morning 16 January, two trucks were spotted in Kotze Street parked on the wrong side of the road. Why?**

Truly ridiculous! Even if there was no available parking space - can one then opt to be ignorant? Whose lives are being endangered, and

whose responsibility will it be should any accident occur? Not to even mention that this already busy road was truly congested with them parking there.

The traffic officers should be on the look out for drivers who are blatantly ignoring any form of the law. No one is above the law.



## A partnership that will transform us all

**David Mkhonta**

**On Thursday 19 January, the Piet Retief Miracle Centre joined hands with Christ for Mama Africa. Christ for Mama Africa handed over various books to the centre which will cater for many needs of the people in the community, both educational and social.**

The partnership was established for community development and aims to develop a culture of reading by offering a place for residents to go sit and read.

"This partnership will play a pivotal role in the development because a number of learners in Kwa-Ntomba-

zane, Phola Park have guardians who comprise of old people who cannot read nor write. So, this centre will also assist learners with their assignments. Not only will this service be offered at the centre, but they will also assist distance learners who cannot afford the transport fees to go to the town library. They are welcome to come and do their studies at the centre together with those that are making on-line applications for universities," said Mlamuli Khumalo. "We are looking forward to this partnership to pride us all with dignity as we will soon be transformed citizens," he concluded.



## Chicken shortages and price hikes looming

**Kate-Merie Ferreira**

**Ongoing load shedding is affecting chicken production and if it continues, consumers can expect steep price hikes, as well as a chicken shortage.**

According to Izaak Breitenbach, General Manager of the South African Poultry Association (SAPA), there are enough chickens to meet the demand but, due to ongoing power cuts, abattoirs can not keep up with their work and they simply don't have enough time in a day to complete orders.

Some fast-food outlets like KFC were forced to close

their doors or scale back their menus recently due to a shortage of chicken. Now there's a warning, the shortage caused by power cuts will possibly spill over into the retail and wholesale markets in South Africa as well.

Members of SAPA have had to take 10 million chickens out of production in the past six weeks due to the crisis. As it was announced earlier this week, South Africans can expect load shedding for the next two years, this crisis is likely to become worse with time.

Source: 702.co.za



*1-10 million chickens had to be removed from the production line*

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# Piet Retief VLU



*Nuwe bestuur vlnr: Janeen Herrington, Helena Joubert, Wilana Claassen, Santie du Toit, Sonja du Toit, Lydia Vermaak*

Ons nuwe voor-sitster, Wilana Claassen, open die eeste takvergadering van 2023 met 'n gedeelte uit Fil. 3.

In vers 13 staan "... maar een ding is seker: ek vergeet dit wat agter my lê, en strek my uit na dit wat voorlê." Die klem lê op die woordjie strek. Al die slegte dinge van die verlede moet ons doelbewus agterlaat en vergeet, en strek na die goeie wat

voor ons is. Dit verg moeite en energie om te strek en moet ons ons beywer om dit wat goed is na te jaag.

Ons kuier aan huis van Christa Strydom, wat 'n deeglike demonstrasie aanbied oor broodbak. Die agenda begin dus daarmee sodat dit betyds gebak kan word vir die verversings later. Wit- en bruinbrood asook rolletjies met verskillende saadjies versier, word

gedemonstreer. Gedurende die vergadering het die geur van brood wat bak, ons omgewe.

Nuwe lede word verwelkom uit Es-watini by name Vossie Snyman, Susan Prins en Roné Prins. 'n Gedugte span want dis ma, dogter en kleindogter. Elease is terug met haar pragtige seuntjie wat stroopsoet was. Die nuwe bestuur word voorgestel en die sekretaresse, Santie, lig ons



*Broodbakster van formaat - Christa Strydom*

teboek, "Botter en Liefde", word aan die lede, Suzette, Sonja, Janeen, Lydia en Helena geskenk wat vyf of meer artikels ingeskryf het vir die konferensie in Februarie. 'n Trooskombersie word deur Wilana aan Janeen Herrington oorhandig wat die tak se liefde

en gebede simboliseer met die siekte van haar dogter.

Ons vermoed die eggenotes van die dames moes maar self vir aandete sorg, want die dames het behoorlik gestrek en gesmul aan die heerlike warm brood, botter en konfynt wat Christa baie keurig voorgesit het.



## Gedagte van die week



*Hebreeërs 10: 24-25 "En laat ons kyk hoe ons mekaar kan aanspoor tot liefde en goeie dade, sonder om saam te vergader, soos sommige die gewoonte het om dit te doen, maar mekaar aan te moedig - en des te meer as u die dag nader kom."*

## PIET RETIEF WEATHER

FRIDAY 27 JANUARY 2023	SATURDAY 28 JANUARY 2023	SUNDAY 29 JANUARY 2023	MONDAY 30 JANUARY 2023	TUESDAY 31 JANUARY 2023	WEDNESDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2023	THURSDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2023
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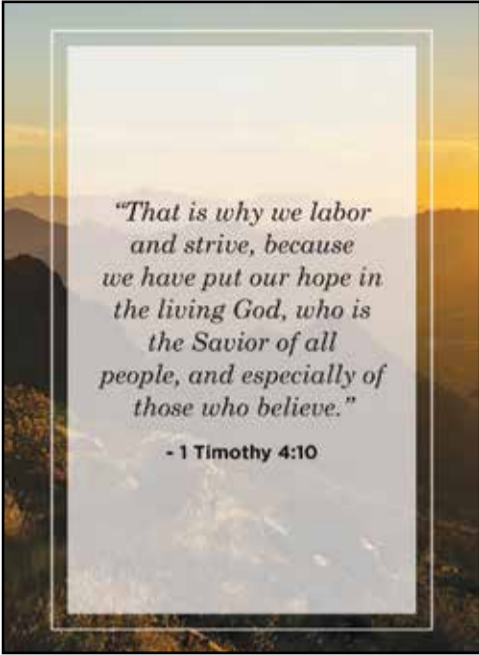
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**APPENDIX B-2: SCOPING**

# Thought of the week



# Community outreach programme



reside. He further mentioned that companies are utilising such platforms, like the service provided by the Department of Employment and Labour to recruit when hiring, whereby they verify the skills they need from the department's database and then contact those candidates for interviews. He encouraged the youth to send their CVs so that they are documented with the department of labour to assist with job opportunities.



Mr Mkhathswa from the Department of Home Affairs provided much

needed information on the importance of birth and marriage certificates.

People applauded his presentation when he mentioned that marriage certificates only cost R20-00 and they promise to visit his office for the service.

Mpho Makade from the Department of

David Mkhonta

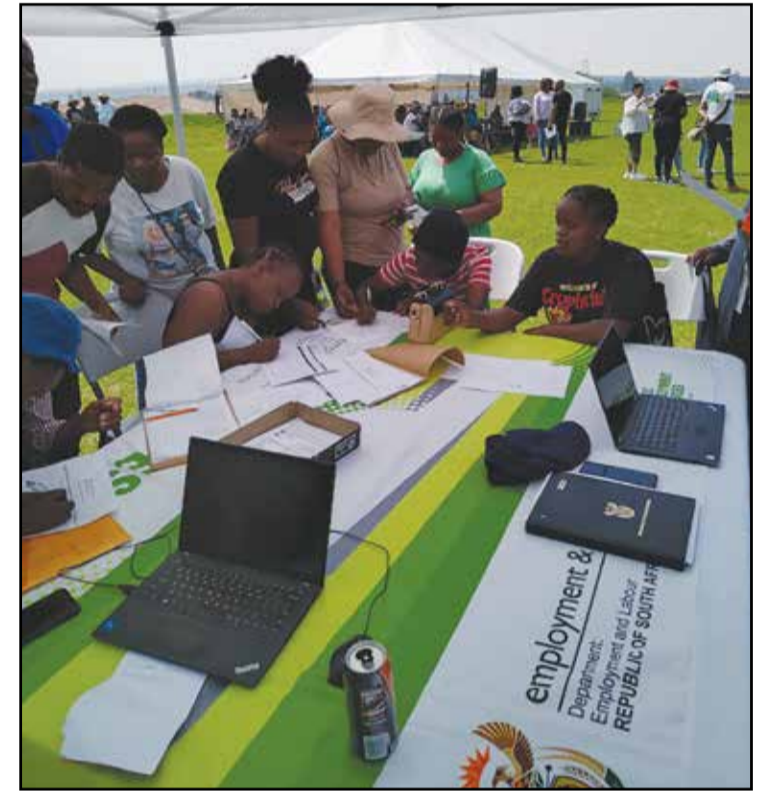
The Speaker of Council, Cllr Mduzuzi Ngwenya, hosted a community outreach programme at Ajax Sports Ground, Ward 8, on Friday 17 November.

The programme was implemented in partnership with local government departments such as the Department of Health, Department of Home Affairs, Department of Social Development, South Africa Social Security Agency, Department of Basic Education and the Department of Employment and Labour.

The purpose of the outreach programme was to provide communities with much needed information regarding services rendered by the different government departments.

Though the programme was launched and piloted at Ward 8, it is aimed to run across all wards within Mkhondo and it's further expected to be fully rolled out in 2024.

"The Office of the Speaker is responsible for public participation as a government wing of communication, aimed at bringing information to communities," the speaker said. He pleaded with members of the community to make use of such opportunities by taking advantage of government services brought closer to where they



## Deterioration of Brand Street

Fanie Vermaak More than a year ago the western part of Brand Street, Piet Retief was resurfaced at a cost of millions of rands.

and concrete road are visible everywhere.

Obviously the high volume of trucks is contributing to the dilapidation of the street as well as many other streets in Piet Retief.

But, it is also appropriate to highlight that the deterioration of Brand Street is due to human behaviour,

and obviously the responsible authority's lack of effectively maintaining it as well as their reluctance to stop the washing of vehicles in the street. The drainage systems are blocked and filthy. The current horrendous state of this street is an eyesore and doesn't portray a beautiful picture of our town.



# KANGRA

## NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES FOR KANGRA'S MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS:

- Application for Integrated Environmental Authorisation for the proposed Water Treatment Plant & Co-Disposal Facility
- Application for Integrated Water Use Licence for the proposed Water Treatment Plant & Co-Disposal Facility

GCS Ref. No.: 22-0161  
DMRE Ref. No.: MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR)  
DWS REF. NO.: 11/W51B/CGI/4938

Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) has an existing coal mine located in Driefontein, near Piet Retief in the Mpumalanga Province. The mine is located in the Mkhondo Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The Maquasa East (MQE) operations include the historical opencast and underground operations under Mining Right (MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR)). Kangra is proposing to construct a new waste water treatment plant (WWTP) for the treatment of decant and surplus contaminated water and a new co-disposal facility which will accommodate discard produced from the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the WWTP.

Authorisation is being sought for the following:

- **Integrated Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations for listed activities:**
  - Listing Notice 1 (GNR327): Activity 26 & 27
  - Listing Notice 2 (GNR325): Activity 5 & 15
  - Listing Notice 3 (GNR324): Activity 12 & 14
  - Waste Management Activity (GNR921): Category B – Activity 7, 10 & 11
- **Integrated Water Use Licence in terms of Section 21 of the NWA**
  - Section 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- **SAHRA Authorisation in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA**

The proposed projects are located on the Remaining Extent (RE) of Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, RE of Farm Rooikop 18 HT, RE of Farm Maquasa 19 HT, and Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

GCS Water and Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the necessary environmental processes for the above-mentioned projects in support of the application to the relevant Competent Authorities; the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) and the Mpumalanga Department of Heritage Resources.

**DRAFT SCOPING REPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FROM 24 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 16 JANUARY 2024**

The Draft Scoping Report is available as follows:

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For a copy of a Background Information Document or the Draft Scoping Report and to register as an Interested and Affected Party, please contact:

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Interested and Affected Parties are invited to participate by providing written comments and raising issues of concern.

# 'n Straatpartytjie

Fanie Vemaak

“Wie hou dan nou nie van 'n lekker straatpartytjie nie? Dit is ook 'n goeie verskoning om jou 'bure' beter te leer ken.

Op Vrydagaand

17 November het die inwoners van Van Dykstraat en omliggende strate, die straat toegemaak vir 'n heerlike straatbraai. Dit was gehou voor die huis van Elke Gevers en die straat is omskep

in 'n opelug braai-area. Gerhard Böhmmer het gesorg vir die ligte en lekker musiek.

Talle inwoners van die buurt het hul stoele, eetgoed en braaivleis gebring en die vure

het gesellig gebrand terwyl inwoners mekaar ontmoet en kuier. Die weer was perfek en ons was ook bevoorreg om saam te kon kuier met 'n familie vanaf Duitsland vir wie dit ook 'n 'eerste' was.



# Traffic sign replaced

Fanie Vermaak

**Excelsior News reported in last week's edition dated 17 November on the dangerous situation at the Smit/Pretorius Street intersection which was not equipped with a 'stop sign'.**

On Monday the 20th of November Excelsior News attended a meeting at PG Bison between the Mkhondo Local Municipality, The Business Chamber of Commerce and the Local Ratepayers Association as well as PG Bison.

The Executive Mayor, CLLR Ngelesi Ndhlovu, was also in attendance accompanied by other officials from the MLM. It was a very positive meeting held in good spirit and with one

common goal and that is to make Mkhondo a better place for everyone.

One of the issues that were brought to the attention of the Executive Mayor at this meeting by Excelsior News, was

the dangerous situation at the Smit/Pretorius Street intersection.

We are pleased to report that within one day a new 'stop sign' was installed at this intersection. Well done MLM!



# KANGRA

## ISAZISO SOKUQALWA KOMGUDU WOKUGUNYAZWA KWANGOKWEMVELO KWEMISEBENZI ENGASEMPUMALANGA ENGEKA KANGRA'S MAQUASA:

- Ukufaka Isicelo Sokugunyazwa Kwangokwemvelo Okudidiyele okungokweSizinda Sokuhlanya Amanzi kanye Nesizinda Sokulahla Udoti Ohlukene
- Ukufaka Isicelo Semvume Edidiyele Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi engeyeSizinda esihlongozwayo Sokuhlanya Amanzi kanye Nesokulahla Udoti Ohlukene

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U Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) unemayini yamalahlle evelo ikhona esendaweni yase Driefontein, eduze kwase Piet Retief esiFundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini ikuMasipala uMkhondo ongaphansi kukaMasipala weSifunda iGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yeMaquasa East (MQE) ixuba ukumbiwa okuvulekile phezulu kanye nemisebenzi yokumba kuguduzwe emathunjini omhlaba ngaphansi kweLungelo Lokumbiwa Kwezimbiwa elingu (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR). U Kangra uhlongoza ukwakha isizinda sokuhlanya amanzi angcolile (WWTP) ukuze kuhlanzwe amanzi akhishiwe anukubezekile kanye nokwakha isizinda sokuwahlala esizokwazi ukwamukela amanzi angcolile akhiqizeka esuka esizindeni sokuhlunga, udaka oselome lwaqina kanye nosawotana ongaqhamuka kwi WWTP.

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- Ukugunyazwa Kwangokwemvelo Okudidiyele okumayelana neMigomo ye EIA ka 2014 engeye NEMA yalemisebenzi esohlwini:
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  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 2 (GNR325): Umsebenzi 5 no 15
  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 3 (GNR324): Umsebenzi 12 no 14
  - Umsebenzi Ongowokuphathwa Kodoti/Ukungcola (GNR921): Isigabana B – Umsebenzi 7, 10 no 11
- Imvume Edidiyele Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi ngokweSigaba 21 se NWA
  - Isigaba 21 (c), (f), (g) no (i)
- Ukugunyazwa yi SAHRA ngokweSigaba 38 se NHRA

Amaprojecti ahlongozwayo atholakala endaweni esele yePulazi iRoodekraal 21 HT, yeRem yePulazi iRooskop 18 HT, yeRem yePulazi Maquasa 19 HT, kanye nePulazi Roodekraal 21 HT, elawulwa ngaphansi kweLungelo Lezimbiwa (MR) elivele likhona.

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# Graduation ceremony presents exceptional talent!

David Mkhonta

On Saturday 18 November, Bhekulwazi Pre-Primary School held its graduation ceremony.

According to the principal, Mrs Mhlanga, all learners can thrive and become individuals who are self-sufficient and knowledgeable. Their skills and development are guided and supported by educa-

tors who adhere to the educational policies.

Parents showed their appreciation with non-stop applause as the learners demonstrated their talent, confidence and expertise. This encapsulates the school's ethos that a child's success is built on a solid foundation.

She further mentioned that the school offers a ho-

listic education and fosters strong bonds between staff and learners where nurturing, support and empathy are essential character traits in the development of each learner.

“Enthusiasm and passion are essential for academic success and this school encourages these qualities. Academic excellence is heavily influenced by the school's policy and learners' exposure

to modern teaching methods that create excellent learning opportunities,” she added.

Mrs Mhlanga expressed her gratitude, appreciation and congratulated the staff and learners and she wished the class of 2023 and their families a prosperous New Year.

Parents were overjoyed to attend the graduation ceremony.



**APPENDIX B-3: IMPACT ASSESSMENT**

**KANGRA INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION PROCESS FOR KANGRA COAL:**

Application for Integrated Environmental Authorisation and an Integrated Water Use License for the proposed Water Treatment Plant and Co-Disposal Facility

- GCS Ref. No: 22-0161 • DMRE Ref. No.: MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR)
- DWS REF. NO.: 11/W51B/CGI/4938

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The proposed projects are located on Ptn of Rem of Farm Maquasa 19IT, Ptn of Mineral Area 1 on the Rem extent of Farm Rooikop 18 HT, Ptns 1&2 of Farm Kransbank 15HT, Rem extent of Farm Maquasa 19HT, and Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

**Draft reports available for public review from 18 September 2024**

The following reports are available for public review:

- Draft Environmental Impact Report, with its appendices (including the EMPr and specialist investigations in support of the IEA Application - from 18 September to 18 October 2024 (30 days).
- Draft Integrated Water Use Licence Application Report, with its appendices in support of the IWUL Application - from 18 September to 18 November 2024 (60 days).

A copy of the documents may be accessed at: <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>

- Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief
- Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein
- Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community
- Mkhondo Local Municipality in Driefontein

**Public comment encouraged**

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering their interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed project. Should you wish to attend a meeting, please register your attendance by contacting GCS in order to obtain details regarding the various opportunities for engagement.

To register as an I&AP and to receive more information please contact:

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**UHLELO LOKUFAKA ISICELO SOKUGUNYAZA INDAWO ESIGUNYAZIWE SE-KANGRA COAL:**

Ukufaka isicelo sokugunyaza seNdawo eDidiyelwe neLayisense yokuSebenzisa aManzi okuDidiyelwe kweNdawo yokuHlanza aManzi neSizinda sokulahlala

- Inkomba ye-GCS No: 22-0161 • Inkomba ye-DMRE No.: MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR)
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IKangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) inemayini yamalabhe eDriefontein, eduze nasePiet Retief eSifundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini isendaweni kaMasipala waseMkhondo kuMasipala weSifunda waseGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yaseMaquasa East (MQE) ifaka indawo evulekile ngokomlando nemisebenzi engaphansi komhlaba engaphansi kweLungelo lokuMba izimbiwa (MP) 30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR). IKangra iphakamisa ukwakha indawo entsha yokwelapha amanzi (i-WTP) ukuze kwelashwe idekhanti namanzi ongezwe anukubezikile nendawo entsha yokulahlala okuzofukamela okulahlwayo okukhizwe kusuka endaweni yokulungisa, okumincizelayo/okuyisisefi nobikiza lwebrayni esuka kwi-WTP.

Kufunwa isigunyazo salokhu okulandelayo:

- Ukugunyazwa kweNdawo okuDidiyelwe ngokwemigomo ye-NEMA 2014 iMitheshwana ye-EIA yemisebenzi efakwe ohlwini:
  - o ISaziso sokufaka ohlwini 1 (GNR327): Umsebenzi 25 & 27
  - o ISaziso sokufaka ohlwini 2 (GNR325): Umsebenzi 5 & 15
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  - o Umsebenzi wokuLawula iMfucuzo (GNR921): iSigaba B – Umsebenzi 7, 10 & 15
- ILayisense yokuSebenzisa aManzi okuDidiyelwe ngokwemigomo yeSigaba 21 se-NWA
- o ISigaba 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
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Amaphrojekthi ahlonzwayo atholakala kwi-Ptn of Rem yepulazi laseMaquasa 19IT, i-Ptn yendawo yeZimbiwa 1 kwi-Rem enwetshiwe yePulazi lase-Rooikop 18 HT, ama-Ptns 1&2 eyipulazi i-Kransbank 15HT, ukunwebeka kwe-Rem yepulazi lase-Maquasa 19HT, nepulazi i-Roodekraal 21 HT, elifakwe ngaphansi kweLungelo lokuMba izimbiwa elikhona (i-MR).

**Imibiko eyizinhlaka iyatholakala ukuba ibukezwe wumphakathi kusukela ziye-18 kuMandulo 2024**

Imibiko elandelayo iyatholakala ukuba ibukezwe wumphakathi:

- Umbiko owuHlaka woMthelele weNdawo, nezinamathiselo zawo (okufaka ne-EMPr nophenyo olunobuchule ukweseka ukufaka isicelo esifakiwe se-IEA – kusukela ziye-8 kuMandulo kuya mhla ziye-18 kuMfumfu 2024 (izinsuku ezingama-30).
- Umbiko owuHlaka weLayisense yokuSebenzisa aManzi okuDidiyelwe, nezinamathiselo zawo ezeseke isicelo esifakiwe se-IWUL – kusukela ziye-18 kuMandulo kuya mhla ziye-18 kuLwezi 2024 (izinsuku ezingama-60).

Ikhophi yamadokhumenti ingatholakala ku: <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>

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- eThusong Service Centre, emphakathini waseDriefontein
- eMkhondo Local Municipality eDriefontein

**Kugququzelwa ukuphawula komphakathi**

Abantu abaNentshisekelo naBathintekayo (ama-I&APs) bayamenywa ukuba babambe iqhaza ngokurejista nokuhlazisa ukuphawula nokuphakamisa izindaba ezikhathazayo ezimayelana nephrojekthi ehlonzwayo. Uma ufisa ukwethamela umhlangano, uyacelwa ukuba urejistele ukwethamela kwakho ngokuthintana ne-GCS ukuze uthole imininingwane emayelana namathuba ehlukeni okusebenzakuzinikela.

Ukuze urejiste njenge-I&AP nokuthi uthole ulwazi olongezwe uyacelwa ukuba uthintane ne:

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# Government signs major five-year wage deal for municipal workers

The South African Local Government Association (Salga) has signed a historic five-year wage agreement with labour unions representing municipal workers.

The body, which represents the country's 257 municipalities, said in a statement that the consumer price inflation (CPI)-linked agreement marked a "first in South Africa's public service history" and followed three rounds of "intense negotiations" throughout the past several months.

The deal will be effective 1 July 2024 and remain in force until 30 June 2029.

"This deal is expected to provide much-needed stability in the local government sector," said Salga.

The final breakthrough came on 15 August when the "facilitators issued a proposal that all parties accepted as a fair compromise".

Key provisions of

the agreement include: 2024/25 Financial Year: Employees will receive a 6% salary increase, structured as follows:

- 4.5% effective from 1 July 2024
- An additional 1.5% from 1 March 2025
- 2025/26 and 2026/27 Financial Years: Salary increases will be set at CPI plus 0.75%.
- 2027/28 and 2028/29 Financial Years: Salary increases will be pegged at CPI plus 1.25%.

The new salary and wage collective agreement follows the expiration of a three-year wage deal signed in 2021, which provided increases of 3.5% (2021/22), 4.9% (2022/23), and 5.4% (2023/24).

Consumer inflation eased to 4.6% in July 2024, the lowest rate since July 2021, from June's 5.1%

"Salga was mandated by municipalities to negotiate a bal-

anced salary and wage agreement that reflects current economic pressures, particularly in light of several municipalities facing financial distress.

"The agreement takes into account the challenging economic environment, characterised by high inflation and constrained fiscal resources," said Salga.

The South African Municipal Workers Union (Samwu), which represents around 300,000 municipal workers said that the agreement "represents stability, consistency, and long-term benefits for municipal workers across the country".

"The extended duration of this agreement will provide municipalities with the fiscal predictability necessary to improve planning, service delivery, and employee welfare," added the group.

However, municipalities have been

feeling the pinch with ballooning wage bills. A report by the Centre for Risk Analysis highlights that the country's public sector wage bill costs South Africa around R721 billion a year (2023/24 figures) - over 30% of the country's budget.

This is R313 billion more than in 2013/14.

Written by Tamara Dimant, Chris Hattingh and Nicholas Lorimer, the report highlighted that South Africa has the third-highest government wage bill as a share of GDP compared with 20 major global economies.

"Although South Africa has a much smaller economy, its wage bill as a share of GDP (about 10.5%) towers over economic powerhouses such as the United States, United Kingdom, Australia and Japan," it said.

South Africa has one of the highest-paid public sectors in the world, with a total wage bill 3.5% higher than the average in countries that are part of the Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development.

Hattingh said that "this places significant pressure on an already constrained fiscus,

and adding to that fiscal pressure are rising debt servicing costs along with public sector wage increases with further raises being pushed for by labour unions".

Samwu initially demanded a 15% wage increase as well as having their workers provided with stands to build houses.

However, the outcomes of the negotiations saw a middle ground emerge.

Imatu said that "the agreement was negotiated in very difficult economic circumstances, but our negotiators worked hard to ensure that we get the best deal for our members".

"We presented a comprehensive analysis of the consolidated financial statements of municipalities, and this allowed us to demonstrate how the wage increases can be implemented and funded."

"While the agreement has received overwhelming support, all parties now have the responsibility to ensure its implementation and defend its provisions," said Salga.

Source: <https://businessstech.co.za/news>

## Media Statement by Teboho Sekaledi: MPL - DA Spokesperson on Community Safety, Security and Liaison: Mpumalanga Province

# Over 300 people murdered in Mpumalanga between April and June 2024

The Democratic Alliance (DA) in Mpumalanga calls on this provincial government to devise a strategy to deal with serious crimes, like murder, as current statistics show that over 300 people have been murdered in the province in the first quarter of the 2024/2025 financial year.

The recently released First Quarter Crime Statistics from the South African Police Services (SAPS) revealed that 332 people were murdered in Mpumalanga between April and June 2024. This means that an average of three people are murdered every day in Mpumalanga. Firearms and knives have been identified as weapons used mostly in the murders.

According to the report, the ratio of murder in the province increased from three per 100 000 people in 2020 - to six per 100 000 people in 2024. The report also revealed that vigilantism, misunderstandings, arguments and road rage were the main reasons for the murders.

The increasing numbers are disappointing and worrying. This shows that law enforcement agencies in Mpumalanga need to double down and intensify all their efforts to effectively address violent crimes. The increase in murders is also proof that the current national policing model is failing residents, hence the DA is advocating for a decentralised police force.

At the moment the national government persists in advocating for a centralised national police force, whereas the DA advocates for a decentralised, locally accountable police force. This approach will bring law enforcement closer to communities, enabling tailored policing strategies to address their unique challenges.

The DA also calls for effective training for police officials and a better resourcing of police stations in Mpumalanga following the release of the current first quarter crime statistics report which paints a province that is ridden with crime.

## Media statement issued by the office of the Provincial Commissioner in Mpumalanga Family murderer sentenced to four life terms

Nelspruit: 3 September 2024 - The Acting Provincial Commissioner of the SAPS in Mpumalanga, Major General (Dr) Zeph Mkhwanazi, welcomed four life terms imposed on Siyabonga Richard Sangweni (32) by the Mpumalanga Division of the High Court which was sitting in Breyten.

Sangweni was found guilty of fatally shooting four of his family members and seriously injuring one in Piet Retief on 15 June 2023 at about 18:00.

Amongst the family members who died on that day was his 73-year-old grandmother, three children, aged between three and six years, and seriously injuring one 22-year-old sister.

Sangweni was arrested by the Police on the same day of the incident, immediately after the incident took place. He was cornered by the men and women in blue whilst

hiding at the premises where the incident took place.

During the time of his arrest, he was found in possession of his licenced firearm.

Investigations revealed that he purchased the firearm on the day of the incident.

Sangweni was found guilty on four counts of murder and one of attempted murder. He was sentenced to four counts of life imprisonment for the four murders plus 15 years imprisonment for attempted murder.

The Acting Provincial Commissioner, Major General (Dr) Zeph Mkhwanazi, further indicated that the sentence should send a strong message to those who are in possession of firearms, that the weapons should only be used for defence purposes, not to be used to commit crime in terms of the Firearms Control Act of South Africa.

Captain Khalishwayo and his team did an amazing job while investigating the case.

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**APPENDIX C: SITE NOTICES**

**APPENDIX C-1: PRE-APPLICATION**



**NOTIFICATION OF COMMENCEMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESSES FOR KANGRA'S MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS:**

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GCS Water and Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner to undertake the necessary environmental processes for the above-mentioned projects in support of the application to the relevant Competent Authorities; the Mpumalanga Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE), the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) and the Mpumalanga Department of Heritage Resources.



**ISAZISO SOKUQALWA KOMGUDU WOKUGUNYAZWA KWANGOKWEMVELO KWEMISEBENZI ENGEKA KANGRA'S MAQUASA EAST**

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- Ukufaka Isicelo Semvume Edidiyele Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi engeyeSizinda esihlongozwayo Sokuhlaza Amanzi kanye Nesokulahla Udoti Ohlukene

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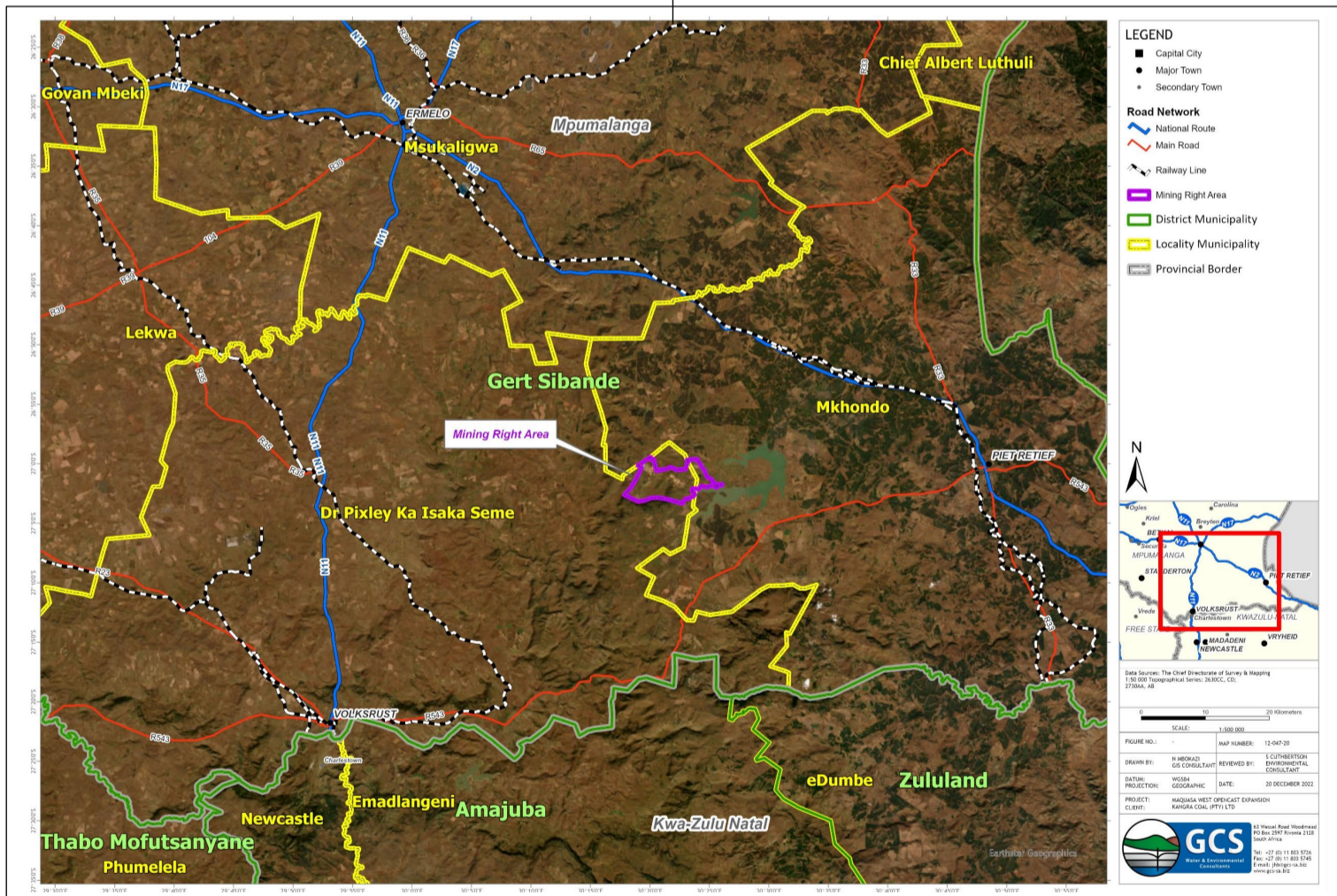
U Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) unemayini yamalahle evele ikhona esendaweni yase Driefontein, eduze kwase Piet Retief esiFundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini ikuMasipala uMkhondo ongaphansi kukaMasipala weSifunda iGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yeMaquasa East (MQE) ixuba ukumbiwa okuvulekile phezulu kanye nemisebenzi yokumba kuguduzwe emathunjini omhlaba ngaphansi kweLungelo Lokumbiwa Kwezimbiwa elingu (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR(10200MR). U Kangra uhlongoza ukwakha isizinda sokuhlaza amanzi (WTP) ukuze kuhlanzwe amanzi akhishiwe anukubezekile kanye nokwakha isizinda sokuwalahla esizokwazi ukwamukela amanzi angcolile akhiqizeka esuka esizindeni sokuhlunga, udaka oselome lwaqina kanye nosawotana ongaqhamuka kwi WTP.

Kudingeka ukugunyazwa kwalokhu okulandelayo:

- Ukugunyazwa Kwangokwemvelo Okudidiyele okumayelana neMigomo ye EIA ka 2014 engeye NEMA yalemisebenzi esohlwini:
  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 1 (GNR327): Umsebenzi 25 no 27
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  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 3 (GNR324: Umsebenzi 12 no 14
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Amaprojecti ahlongozwayo asendaweni u Ptn ye Rem yePulazi iMaquasa 19IT, engu Ptn yendawo iMineral Area 1 engeyengxenywe ye Rem yePulazi iRooikop 18 HT, kumaPtn 1 no 2 ePulazi iKransbank 15 HT, kwingxenywe ye Rem engeyePulazi iMaquasa 19 HT, kanye nePulazi iRoodekraal 21 HT, elawulwa ngaphansi kweLungelo Lezimbiwa (MR) elivele likhona. (Bheka ebalazweni elingezansi)

U GCS Water and Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd uqashiwe njengoNgoti abazimele Bocwaningo Lwemvelo ukuze bezobhekana nemigudu ebalulekile yocwaningo lwemvelo lwalamaprojecti abalulwe ngenhla ukuze kuxhaseke isicelo esiya kwiZiphathimandla Ezifanele; eMnyangweni Wezamandla Nezimbiwa waseMpumalanga (DMRE), uMnyango WezaManzi Nendle (DWS) kanye noMnyango WezamaGugu eMpumalanga.



**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT**

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering your interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed projects. You have until the 10<sup>th</sup> of February 2023 to register as an I&AP in the first round of stakeholder engagement and to raise initial issues about the proposed project. Please include this reference number – 22-0161 – in all correspondence.

This notification forms part of the initial public consultation process as required by the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) EIA Regulations (2014, as amended) and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA). Further notifications pertaining to this project will be issued in due course.

**To register as an I&AP and to receive more information please contact:**

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Amaqembu Abathintekayo Nabafisa Ukubambiqhaza (I&APs) ayamenywa ukuba abambe iqhaza ngokuthi abhalise iqhaza lawo nokuthi banikeze uvo lwabo futhi babeke izingqinamba ezibathintayo mayelana namaprojecti ahlongozwayo. Unesikhathi esingaye siyofika kumhlaka 10 February 2023 sokubhalisa ukuba yi I&AP emzukulwisaneni wokuqala wohlelo lokuxhumana nababambi beqhaza kanye nokuthi ubeke izingqinamba mayelana neprojecti ehlongozwayo. Uyacelwa ukuba ufake lenombolo engu – 22-0161 – kukhona konke ukuxhumana.

Lesisaziso siyinxenywe yomgudu wokuqala wokuxhumana nomphakathi njengoba kudinga iMigomo ye EIA (ka 2014, njengoba ichitshiyelwe) yoMthetho kaZwelonke Wokuphathwa kweMvelo, ka 1998 (uMthetho 107 ka 1998) kanye noMthetho kaZwelonke Wamanzi, ka 1998 (uMthetho 36 ka 1998) (NWA). Ezinye izaziso ezimayelana naleprojecti zizokhishwa ngokuhamba kwesikhathi.

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- Ukufaka Isicelo Sokugunyazwa Kwangokwemvelo Okudidiyele okungokweSizinda Sokuhlaza Amanzi kanye Nesizinda Sokulahla Udoti Ohlukene
- Ukufaka Isicelo Semvume Edidiyele Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi engeyeSizinda esihlongozwayo Sokuhlaza Amanzi kanye Nesokulahla Udoti Ohlukene

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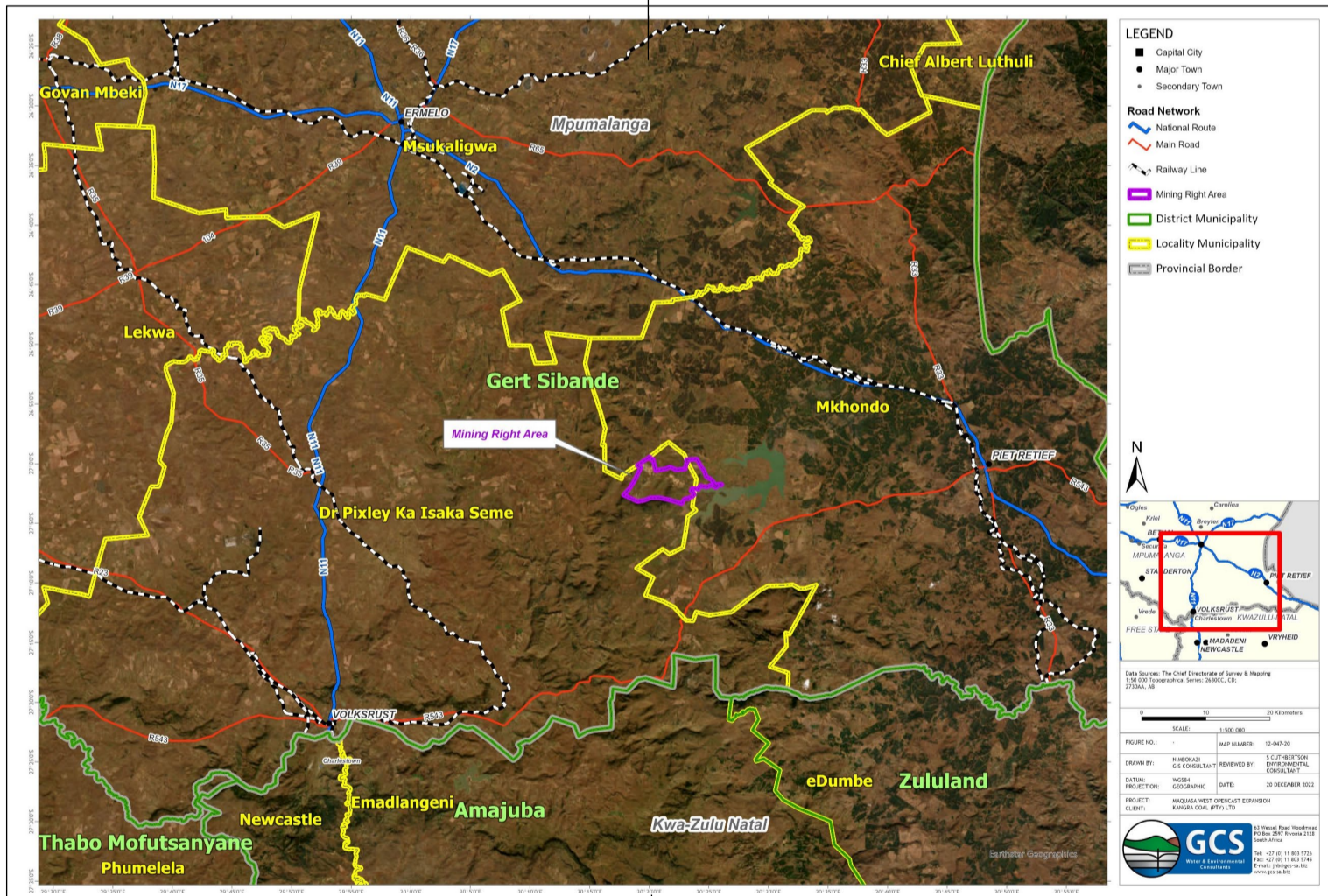
UKangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) unemayini yamalahlle evelo ikhona esendaweni yase Driefontein, eduze kwasePiet Retief esiFundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini ikuMasipala uMkhondo ongaphansi kukaMasipala weSifunda iGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yeMaquasa East (MQE) ixuba ukumbiwa okuvulekile phezulu kanye nemisebenzi yokumba kuguduzwe emathunjini omhlaba ngaphansi kweLungelo Lokumbiwa Kwezimbiwa elingu (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR(10200MR). UKangra uhlongoza ukwakha isizinda sokuhlaza amanzi angcolile (WWTP) ukuze kuhlazwe amanzi akhishiwe anukubezekile kanye nokwakha isizinda sokuwalahla esizokwazi ukwamukela amanzi angcolile akhiqizeka esuka esizindeni sokuhlunga, udaka oselome lwaqina kanye nosawotana ongaqhamuka kwiWWTP.

Kudingeka ukugunyazwa kwalokhu okulandelayo:

- Ukugunyazwa Kwangokwemvelo Okudidiyele okumayelana neMigomo yeEIA ka2014 engeyeNEMA yalemisebenzi esohlwini:
  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 1 (GNR327): Umsebenzi 25 no 27
  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 2 (GNR325): Umsebenzi 5 no 15
  - Isaziso Esisohlwini 3 (GNR324: Umsebenzi 12 no 14
  - Umsebenzi Ongowokuphathwa Kodoti/Ukungcola (GNR921): Isigabana B – Umsebenzi 7, 10 no 15
- Imvume Edidiyele Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi ngokweSigaba 21 se NWA
  - Isigaba 21 (a), (c), (f), (g) no (i)
- Ukugunyazwa yi SAHRA ngokweSigaba 38 se NHRA

Amaprojecti ahlongozwayo atholakala endaweni esele yePulazi iRoodekraal 21 HT, yeRem yePulazi iRooikop 18 HT, yeRem yePulazi Maquasa 19HT, kanye nePulazi Roodekraal 21 HT, elawulwa ngaphansi kweLungelo Lezimbiwa (MR) elivele likhona. (Bheka ebalazweni elingezansi)

IGCS Water and Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd uqashiwe njengoNgoti abazimele Bocwaningo Lwemvelo ukuze bezobhekana nemigudu ebalulekile yocwaningo lwemvelo lwalamaprojecti abalulwe ngenhla ukuze kuxhaseke isicelo esiya kwiZiphathimandla Ezifanele; eMnyangweni WezamaNdlu Nezimbiwa waseMpumalanga (DMRE), uMnyango WezaManzi Nendle (DWS) kanye noMnyango WezamaGugu eMpumalanga.



**YOUR PARTICIPATION IS IMPORTANT**

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering your interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed project.

**DRAFT SCOPING REPORT IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC COMMENT FROM 24 NOVEMBER 2023 TO 16 JANUARY 2024**

The Draft Scoping Report is available as follows:

**Printed Copies:** Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief  
Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein  
Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community

**Electronic Copy:** <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>

For a copy of a Background Information Document or the Draft Scoping Report and to register as an Interested and Affected Party, please contact:

GCS (Pty) Ltd: Gerda Bothma; Tel: 011 803 5726; Email: [gerdab@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz);  
Postal Address: PO Box 2597, Rivonia, Johannesburg, 2128

Publication Date: 23 November 2023

**UKUBAMBA IQHAZA KWAKHO KUBALULEKILE**

Amaqembu Abathintekayo Nabafisa Ukubambiqhaza (I&APs) ayamenywa ukuba abambe iqhaza ngokuthi abhalise iqhaza lawo nokuthi banikeze uvo lwabo futhi babeke izingqinamba ezibathintayo mayelana namaprojecti ahlongozwayo.

**UMBIKO WOKULUNGA KWESIKOPI UYATHOLAKALA UKUZE UPHAWULE UMPHAKATHI KUSUKA 24 NOVEMBER 2023 UKUYA KU-16 JANUARY 2024**

Umbiko weSikophu Osalungiswa utholakala kanjena:

**Amakhophi Aphrintiwe:** Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief  
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Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community

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Ukuze uthole ikhophi yoMqulu wolwazi lwesendle noma umbiko osalungiswa wesikophu nokuuthi ubhalise Njengomuntu Onentshisekelo Nothintekayo, sicela uthinte :

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Ikheli: PO Box 2597, Rivonia, Johannesburg, 2128

# Placement of Site Notices

Wednesday, 22 November 2023

LOCATION	GPS CO-ORDINATES	PROOF
Kangra Coal Maquasa East Mine Entrance	27° 1'22.77"S, 30° 24'48.60"E	
Thusong Service Centre - Driefontein	26° 59'37.72"S, 30° 24'52.46"E	

<p>Driefontein Community Hall</p>	<p>26° 59'34.23"S, 30° 24'52.30"E</p>		
<p>Mkhondo Public Library</p>	<p>27° 0'22.46"S, 30° 48'7.90"E</p>		
<p>Mkhondo Local Municipal Offices</p>	<p>27° 0'29.18"S, 30° 48'8.39"E</p>	  	

Piet Retief  
Post Office

27° 0'16.33"S,  
30° 48'6.36"E



**APPENDIX C-3: IMPACT ASSESSMENT**



# APPLICATION FOR INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND AN INTEGRATED WATER USE LICENSE FOR THE PROPOSED KANGRA COAL WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND CO-DISPOSAL FACILITY

## UKUFAKA ISICELO SOKUGUNYAZA SENDAWO EDIDIYELWE NELAYISENSE YOKUSEBENZISA AMANZI OKUDIDIYELWE KWENDAWO YOKUHLANZA AMANZI NESIZINDA SOKULAHLA

Inkomba ye-GCS. No: / GCS Reference Number 22-0161

Inkomba ye-DMRE: / DMRE Ref. No: MP30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR)

Inkomba ye-DWS No: / DWS Ref. No: 11/W51B/CGI/4938

IKangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) inemayini yamalahle eseDriefontein, eduze nasePiet Retief eSifundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini isendaweni kaMasipala wasekhaya waseMkhondo kuMasipala weSifunda waseGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yaseMaquasa East (MQE) ifaka indawo evulekile ngokomlando nemisebenzi engaphansi komhlaba engaphansi kweLungelo lokuMba izimbiwa (MP) 30/5/1/2/2/133MR (10200MR). IKangra iphakamisa ukwakha indawo entsha yokwelapha amanzi (i-WTP) ukuze kwelashwe idekhanti namanzi ongeziwe anukubezekile nendawo entsha yokulahlala okuzofukamela okulahlwayo okukhiqizwe kusuka endaweni yokulungisa, okumincizelayo/okuyisisefi nobikiza lwebrayni esuka kwi-WTP.

Kufunwa isigunyazo salokhu okulandelayo:

- Ukugunyazwa kweNdawo okuDidiyelwe ngokwemigomo ye-NEMA 2014 iMitheshwana ye-EIA yemisebenzi efakwe ohlwini:
  - ISaziso sokufaka ohlwini 1 (GNR327): Umsebenzi 25 & 27
  - ISaziso sokufaka ohlwini 2 (GNR325): Umsebenzi 5 & 15
  - ISaziso sokufaka ohlwini 3 (GNR324): Umsebenzi 12 & 14
  - Umsebenzi wokuLawula iMfucuzo (GNR921): iSigaba B – Umsebenzi 7, 10 & 15
- ILayisense yokuSebenzisa aManzi okuDidiyelwe ngokwemigomo yeSigaba 21 se-NWA
  - ISigaba 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- Ukugunyaza i-SAHRA ngokwemigomo yeSigaba 38 se-NHRA

Amaphrojekthi ahlongozwayo atholakala kwi-Ptn of Rem yepulazi laseMaquasa 19IT, i-Ptn yendawo yeZimbiwa 1 kwi-Rem enwetshiwe yePulazi lase-Rooikop 18 HT, ama-Ptns 1&2 eyipulazi i-Kransbank 15HT, ukunwebeka kwe-Rem yepulazi lase-Maquasa 19HT, nepulazi i-Rodekraal 21 HT, elifakwe ngaphansi kweLungelo lokuMba izimbiwa elikhona (i-MR).

### Imibiko eyizinhlaka iyatholakala ukuba ibukezwe wumphakathi kusukela ziye-18 kuMandulo 2024

Imibiko elandelayo iyatholakala ukuba ibukezwe wumphakathi:

- Umbiko owuHlaka woMthelela weNdawo, nezizamathiselo zawo (okufaka ne-EMPr nophenyo olunobuchule ukweseka ukufaka isicelo esifakiwe se-IEA – kusukela ziye-8 kuMandulo kuya mhla ziye-18 kuMfumu 2024 (izinsuku ezingama-30).
- Umbiko owuHlaka weLayisense yokuSebenzisa aManzi okuDidiyelwe, nezizamathiselo zawo ezeseka isicelo esifakiwe se-IWUL – kusukela ziye-18 kuMandulo kuya mhla ziye-18 kuLwezi 2024 (izinsuku ezingama-60).

Ikhophi yamadokhumenti ingatholakala ku: <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>.

Amakhophi agayiwe edokhumenti angabukezwa:

• ePiet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, ePiet Retief	• eMaquasa East Security Office, eMaquasa East Mine, eDriefontein
• eThusong Service Centre, emphakathini waseDriefontein	• eMkhondo Local Municipality eDriefontein

### Kugququzelwa ukuphawula komphakathi

Abantu abaNentshisekelo naBathintekayo (ama-I&APs) bayamenywa ukuba babambe iqhaza ngokurejista nokuhlazeka ukuphawula nokuphakamisa izindaba ezikhathazayo ezimayelana nephrojekthi ehlongozwayo. Uma ufisa ukwethamela umhlangano, uyacelwa ukuba urejistele ukwethamela kwakho ngokuthintana ne-GCS ukuze uthole imininingwane emayelana namathuba ehlukene okusebenzakuzinikela.

Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) has an existing coal mine located in Driefontein, near Piet Retief in the Mpumalanga Province. The mine is located in the Mkhondo Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The Maquasa East (MQE) operations include the historical opencast and underground operations under Mining Right (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR(10200MR). Kangra is proposing to construct a new water treatment plant (WTP) for the treatment of decant and surplus contaminated water and a new co-disposal facility which will accommodate discard produced from the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the WTP.

Authorisation is being sought for the following:

- Integrated Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations for listed activities:
  - Listing Notice 1 (GNR327): Activity 25 & 27, Listing Notice 2 (GNR325): Activity 5 & 15, Listing Notice 3 (GNR324): Activity 12 & 14
  - Waste Management Activity (GNR921): Category B – Activity 7, 10 & 15
  - Integrated Water Use License in terms of Section 21 of the NWA - Section 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- SAHRA Authorisation in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA

The proposed projects are located on Ptn of Rem of Farm Maquasa 19IT, Ptn of Mineral Area 1 on the Rem extent of Farm Rooikop 18 HT, Ptns 1&2 of Farm Kransbank 15HT, Rem extent of Farm Maquasa 19HT, and Farm Rodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

### Draft reports available for public review from 18 September 2024

The following reports are available for public review:

- Draft Environmental Impact Report, with appendices (incl the EMPr and specialist investigations in support of the IEA Application - from 18 Sept to 18 Oct 2024 (30 days).
- Draft Integrated Water Use Licence Application Report, with its appendices in support of the IWUL Application - from 18 September to 18 November 2024 (60 days).

A copy of the documents may be accessed at: <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>.

Hard copies of the document can be reviewed at:

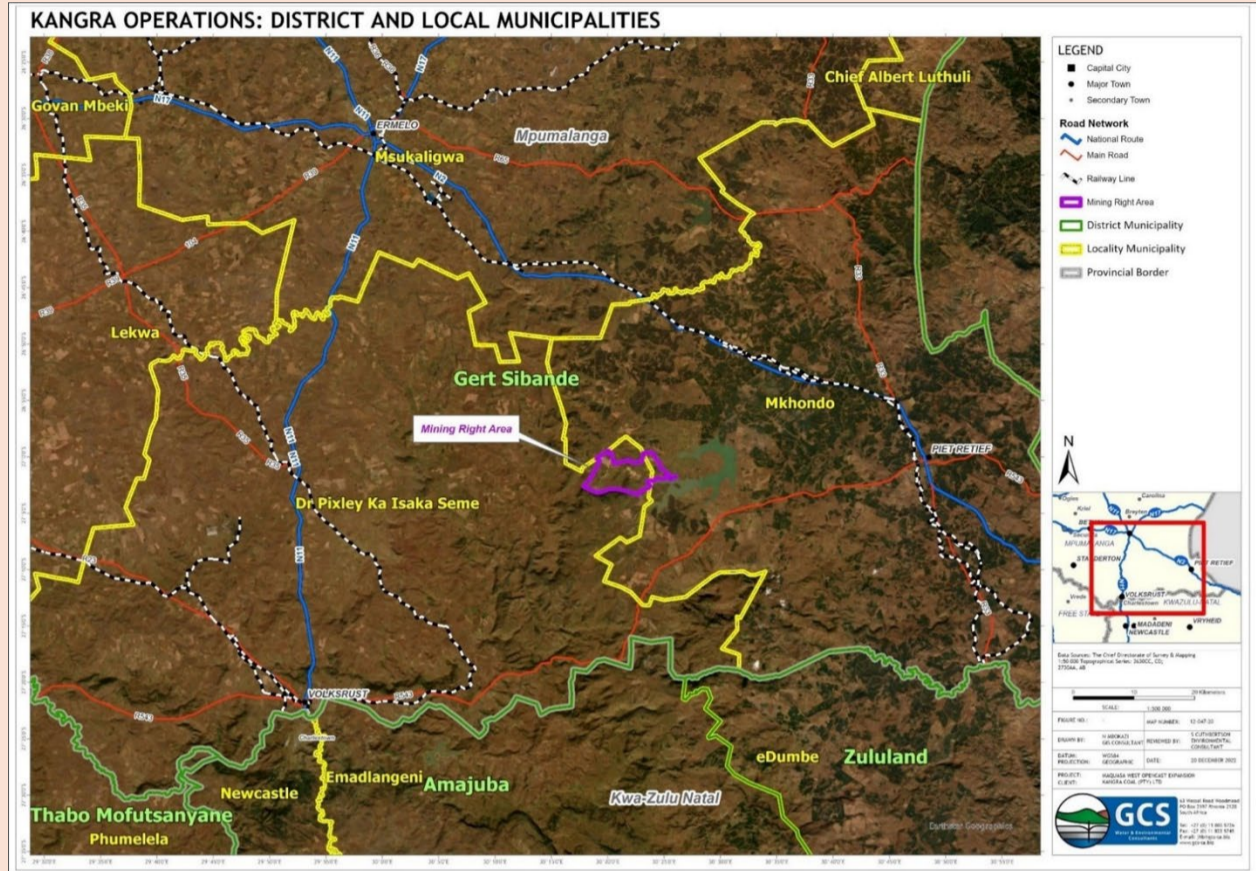
• Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief	• Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein
• Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community	• Mkhondo Local Municipality in Driefontein

### Public comment encouraged

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering their interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed project. Should you wish to attend a meeting, please register your attendance by contacting GCS in order to obtain details regarding the various opportunities for engagement.

Ukuze urejiste njenge-I&AP nokuthi uthole ulwazi olongeziwe uyacelwa ukuba uthintane ne: / To register as an I&AP and to receive more information please contact:

**GCS Pty Ltd - Contact Persons: Gerda Bothma / Anelle Lötter. Tel: 011 803 5726, Email [gerdab@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz) / [anelle@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:anelle@gcs-sa.biz)**




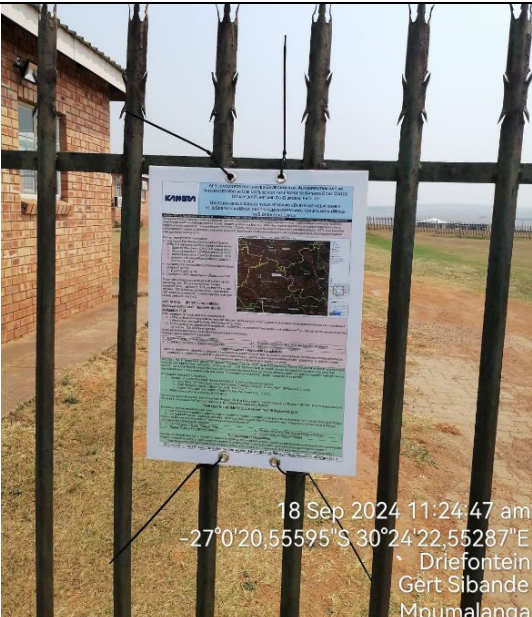


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**Placement of site notices**

18 September 2024

	Description	Photo
<p>1. Kangra Coal Maquasa East Mine Entrance, Driefontein, Mkhondo, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°1'22.57561"S 30°24'48.89746"E</p>  <p>18 Sep 2024 12:11:12 pm -27°1'22,09858"S 30°24'54,45878"E Driefontein Mkhondo</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 11:53:15 am -27°1'22,57561"S 30°24'48,89746"E Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>	
<p>2. Mkhondo Local Municipal Offices, Piet Retief Suburbs, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°0'29.60149"S 30°48'8.45817"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 9:51:56 am -27°0'29,60149"S 30°48'8,45817"E 33 Market Street Piet Retief Suburbs Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>	

	Description	Photo
3.	<p>Mkhondo Public Library, Piet Retief, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°0'22.36917"S 30°48'7.77971"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 9:33:39 am -27°0'22,36917"S 30°48'7,77971"E Piet Retief Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>
4.	<p>Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein, Mkhondo, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>26°59'37.46361"S 30°24'52.8421"E</p>  <p>18 Sep 2024 12:32:20 pm -26°59'37,46361"S 30°24'52,8421"E St Helena Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 12:34:52 pm -26°59'36,69703"S 30°24'52,42068"E Driefontein Mkhondo</p>
5.	<p>Kangra Mine Community Centre, Driefontein, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°0'20.55595"S 30°24'22.55287"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 11:24:47 am -27°0'20,55595"S 30°24'22,55287"E Driefontein Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>

	Description	Photo
6.	<p>Farm Portion: RE/19, Mkhondo, Gert Sibande, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°1'26.69932"S 30°22'59.62203"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 11:05:00 am -27°1'26,69932"S 30°22'59,62203"E Mkhondo Gert Sibande Mpumalanga</p>
7.	<p>Farm Portion: 18, Dr Pixely Ka Isaka Seme, Mpumalanga</p> <p>27°1'11.50371"S 30°23'49.11038"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 11:17:33 am -27°1'11,50371"S 30°23'49,11038"E Dr Pixely Ka Isaka Seme</p>
8.	<p>Farm Portion: RE/19, Dr Pixely Ka Isaka Seme</p> <p>27°1'32.95212"S 30°23,34.17699"E</p>	 <p>18 Sep 2024 10:55:06 am -27°1'32,95212"S 30°23'34,17699"E Dr Pixely Ka Isaka Seme</p>

**APPENDIX D: BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT**

# BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

## APPLICATION FOR INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND INTEGRATED WATER USE LICENCE

### PROPOSED WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT AND CO-DISPOSAL FACILITY FOR THE MAQUASA EAST OPERATIONS, MKHONDO LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, GERT SIBANDE DISTRICT, MPUMALANGA PROVINCE.

#### Purpose of this document

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The purpose of this document is to provide all Interested and Affected parties (I&APs) with information about the proposed project and to introduce and explain the Water Use License Application (WULA) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) processes. This Background Information Document (BID) also aims to explain the public participation process that is prescribed by the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and invites all I&AP's to comment on issues and concerns related to the project.

#### Introduction and Project Background

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Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) has an existing coal mine located in Driefontein, near Piet Retief in the Mpumalanga Province. The mine is located in the Mkhondo Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The Maquasa East (MQE) operations include the historical opencast and underground operations under Mining Right (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR. Kangra is proposing to construct a water treatment plant as well as a co-disposal facility at their Maquasa East operations. (Refer to Figure 1)

GCS Water and Environment (Pty) Ltd (GCS) has been appointed to undertake the integrated environmental authorisation (IEA) and water use license application (WULA) processes and associated Public Participation Processes (PPP) required for the proposed project in order for compliance with NEMA, the National Water Act

(NWA) (Act 36 of 1998, as amended), and/or Supporting Environmental Management Acts (SEMA's). This background information document (BID) provides the background details for the proposed development, associated exercises undertaken in order to comply with the required authorisation process, and acts as a baseline document for all I&APs.

#### Project Description

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The purpose of the proposed wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) is to treat decant water as well as surplus contaminated water within the mining operations. MQE is currently decanting clear groundwater from old underground workings at an average rate of 1 800m<sup>3</sup>/d. The WWTP will employ 'active' treatment of the wastewater as it was found that passive treatment is not feasible nor possible due to decant point's location, the high flow rates and the discharge quality required. Brine resulting from the WWTP will be piped and stored in a new proposed brine pollution control dam (PCD).

The proposed co-disposal facility falls within the exact footprint of the previously authorised (MDARDLE Ref: 17/2/3/GS-240) MQE Discard Dump. As a result of changing operational requirements, and the lapsing of the previous authorisation, there is now a need to license a new co-disposal facility at MQE.

The co-disposal facility will accommodate discard produced at the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the WWTP.

The co-disposal facility’s design will be similar to the authorised discard dump: a three-compartment side hill-type facility with a footprint of approximately 65ha. A phased development approach, over a period of 20 years, is envisaged: Phase 1 - 7 years; Phase 2 - 7 years and Phase 3 - 6 years capacity. (Refer to Figure 2)

### Project Location

Province:	Mpumalanga
District:	Gert Sibande District Municipality
Local Municipality:	Mkhondo Local Municipalities
Extent:	140 hectares
Zoning:	Mining
Ownership:	Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd
Current Use:	Mining
Nearest Towns:	Piet Retief
Farm Portions affected:	Remaining extent (RE) of Farm Roodekraal 21 HT. Farm Roodekraal 21 HT RE of Farm Rooikop 18 HT RE of Farm Maquasa 19HT

### Project Applicant

Applicant:	Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd
Representative:	Niketive Dlamini
Address:	Farm Driefontein, Saul Mkhizeville, Mkhondo P.O. Box 745, Piet Retief, 2380

### Regulatory Context

#### National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA)

Section 24 of NEMA requires that certain listed activities, which may have an impact on the environment, trigger the need for environmental authorisation from a relevant authority before commencing with the activities. Such activities are listed under Regulations Listing Notice 1 GNR 324,

Listing Notice 2 GNR 325 and Listing Notice 3 GNR 327 (2014 as amended) of NEMA (as amended).

Applicable Listed Activities for this application is:

#	Activity Description
<b>Listing Notice 1 (GN R327)</b>	
9	The construction of pipelines with a Ø of more than 0.36m and throughput of more than 120l/s, for the supply of water/stormwater reticulation for the co-disposal facility.
10	The construction of pipelines with a Ø of more than 0.36m and throughput of more than 120l/s, for the supply of process/waste/return water or effluent reticulation for the co-disposal facility and the discharge pipeline from the wastewater treatment plant to the Heyshope Dam.
19	The construction of both projects may result in the infilling/depositing and the removal/moving of more than 10m <sup>3</sup> of material from a watercourse.
24	Various new 16m wide haul roads is required for the proposed new CDF, and the total length of these roads will exceed 1km in length.
25	The construction of a wastewater treatment plant with a maximum throughput capacity of 4 500m <sup>3</sup> per day.
27	The proposed activity footprint is approximately 65ha in total extent, as such, the clearance of potentially indigenous vegetation for the construction of the proposed wastewater treatment plant, brine PCD and co-disposal facility will be approximately 68ha which is in excess of the 1ha threshold.
<b>Listing Notice 2 (GN R325)</b>	
6	The construction and operation of the wastewater treatment plant, brine PCD and co-disposal facility requires a Water Use License for the water uses triggered in terms of Section 21 of the NWA.
15	The proposed activity footprint is approximately 65ha in total extent, as such, the clearance of potentially indigenous vegetation for the construction of the proposed project will be approximately 68ha which is in excess of the 20ha threshold.
<b>Listing Notice 3 (GN R324)</b>	
12	The proposed project falls within a Critical Biodiversity Area, as such, the clearance of potentially indigenous vegetation for the construction of the project will potentially exceed the 300m <sup>2</sup> threshold.
14	The proposed project falls within a CBA and NPAES Focus area. The development footprint encroaches on various watercourses and as such the proposed structures to be constructed will exceed the 10m <sup>2</sup> threshold.

**National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act 59 of 2008) (NEMWA)**

Section 20 of NEMWA requires that certain listed waste management activities, need a waste management license from a relevant authority before commencing with the activities. Such waste management activities are listed under Regulations GNR 921 (as amended).

Applicable Waste Management Activities for this application is:

#	Activity Description
Category B	
7	The proposed co-disposal facility entails the “The disposal of any quantity of hazardous waste to land”.
10	The proposed project entails the construction of a facility for an activity governed by the regulations.
11	The proposed project entails the establishment of a “residue stockpile”.

Considering the above, a full Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (S&EIR) process is to be undertaken.

**National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA)**

A Water Use License Application is to be compiled and submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) to ensure the legality of the proposed project’s water uses. The Water Use License Application will be conducted for the project in parallel with the EIA and EMP process for any activity in terms of Section 21 of the NWA.

The water uses triggered as part of the project which require authorisation in terms of Section 21 of the NWA involves:

Section 21:	
(c)	Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
(f)	Discharging of wase or water containing waste
(g)	Disposing of water in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a watercourse
(i)	Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristic of a watercourse

**National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act 25 of 1999) (NHRA)**

The protection and management of South Africa’s heritage resources are controlled by the NHRA. Historically important features, such as graves, archaeology and culturally significant symbols, spaces and landscapes are protected by the NHRA. A permit from the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) is required in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA for certain categories of development, which the proposed activities trigger. An application in this regard will thus be lodged during the EIA process.

**Structure of the Environmental Impact Assessment Process**

The EIA is a legislative tool used to ensure that the potential environmental impacts that may occur due to the proposed development are avoided or mitigated, if authorisation is granted. The ‘environment’ includes social, economic and biophysical aspects which the EIA must assess equitably.

The EIA process is divided into two phases, the Scoping Phase and the Impact Assessment Phase.

**Scoping Phase:**

The Scoping Phase aims to:

- Investigate and gather information on the proposed site, to establish an understanding of the area.
- Establish how the proposed development activities will potentially impact on the environment.
- Identify IAPs and relevant authorities by conducting a Public Participation Process
- Identify potential environmental impacts through investigation and PPP.
- Describe the proposed project and potential Alternatives.

**Impact Assessment Phase:**

During this phase, all issues/impacts and proposed alternatives identified in the Scoping Phase are assessed and are rated in terms of their significance. Where necessary, recommendations are made for the mitigation of potential negative impacts, or enhancement of potential positive impacts.

An Environmental Management Programme will also be compiled that will prescribe environmental specifications for the construction, operational and decommissioning phases of the project. As with the Scoping phase, a PPP is an integral part of the Assessment Phase.

## Public Participation Process

The Public Participation Process (PPP) aims to inform a wide range of I&APs (*any person or organisation that has a direct, business, financial, personal or other interest in, or may be directly or indirectly affected by, the proposed project*) about the proposed development and the environmental process to be followed. It is a tool to allow the public to exchange information and to express their views and concerns on the proposed development for which the EIA is being conducted. The PPP assists in identifying potential issues and concerns that need to be addressed in the impact assessment by highlighting relevant information to be included in the assessment. PPP enables more accurate and descriptive analysis and helps to focus and enhance decision-making.

The EIA will be open and transparent to the public through this process with all registered IAPs continuously updated on events throughout the process. All contributions from IAPs must be fully documented, evaluated and responded to in the EIA.

### Activities of the PPP:

The public is invited to register as an I&AP and take part in the PPP through:

- Media Notices placed in newspapers
- Distribution of the BID
- Site notice boards
- Public Open Days/Focus Group Meetings (as appropriate)
- Submission of comments on the media notices, BID, Draft Scoping and Impact Assessment Reports

### How you can participate:

Interested and affected parties I&APs may forward their written comments along with their name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application by post or email to:

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - CONTACT DETAILS	
<b>Contact Person(s):</b>	Gerda Bothma 011 803 5726
<b>Email:</b>	<a href="mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz">gerdab@gcs-sa.biz</a>
<b>Postal Address:</b>	PO Box 2597 Rivonia Johannesburg 2128



### Next steps:

The Draft Scoping Report, which details the project, the baseline conditions of the affected area and the potential impacts identified, will be available for public review from 24 November 2023 until 16 January 2024.

This report will also describe how the EIR will address issued and concerns raised during the assessment process.

Copies of the Report is available for review as follows:

- **Printed Copies:**
  - Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief
  - Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa East Mine, Driefontein
  - Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community
- **Electronic Copy:**  
<https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>

We will inform you of the dates and venues of any meetings to be held during the public consultation process.

If you wish to raise any initial issues or concerns regarding the proposed project, or if you would like to register as an I&AP, please contact the public participation office as detailed above.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE
As per the requirement of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPI), Act No.14 of 2013 you are herewith notified that you may exercise your right to leave the Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) List. Should you elect to remain a part of the I&AP List for the project, it will be accepted that you have consented to being a part of the list and that your personal information will be noticeable to any GCS Water and Environment (Pty) Ltd employee engaged with the public participation process. All such employees agree not to make use of such personal information for whatsoever reason, without obtaining the consent of the relevant person(s). As such, by participating in this process, you consent to the use of your contact information and comments for the purposes of the authorisation and licensing processes as per the regulations.

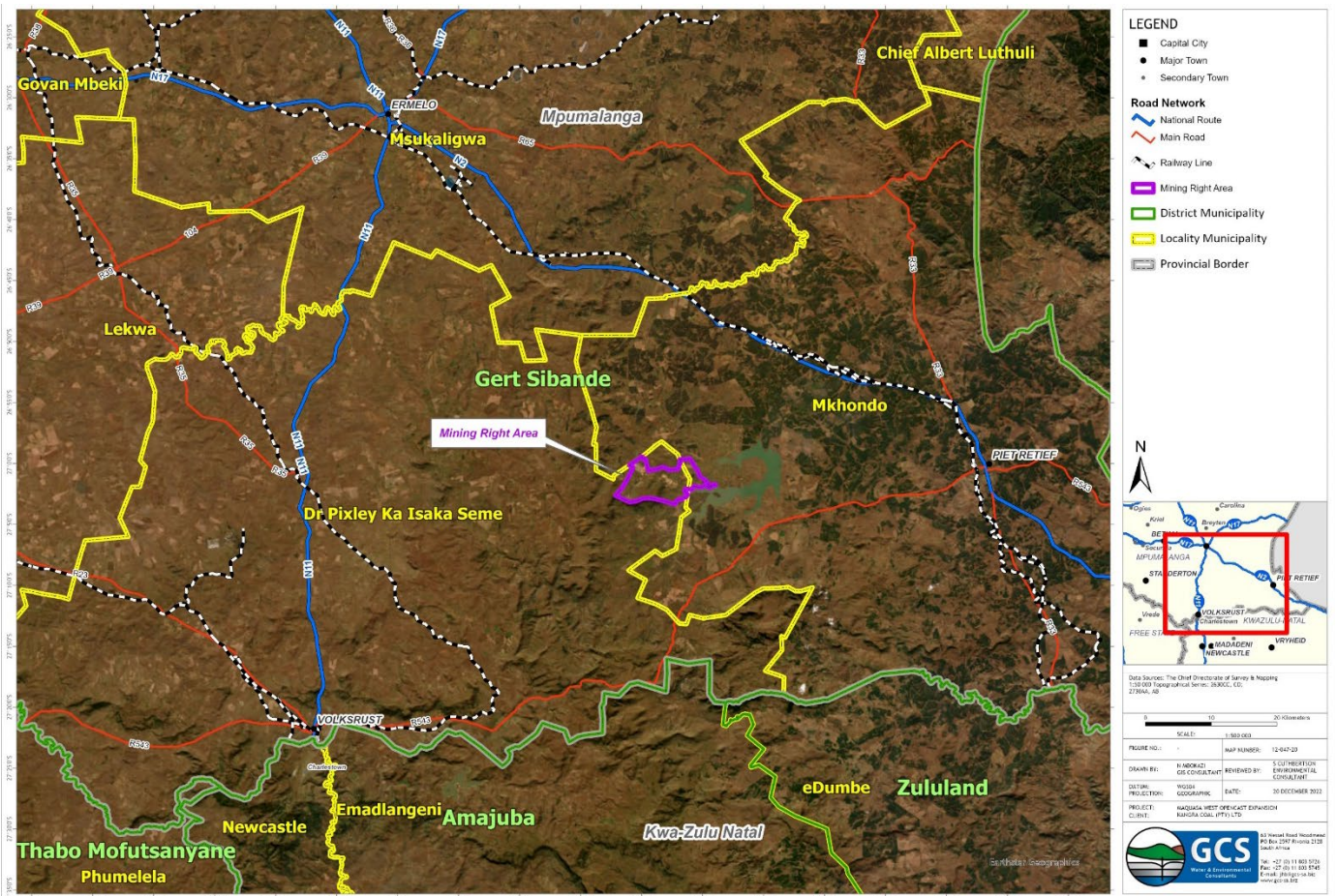


Figure 1: Site Locality Map and Regional Boundaries

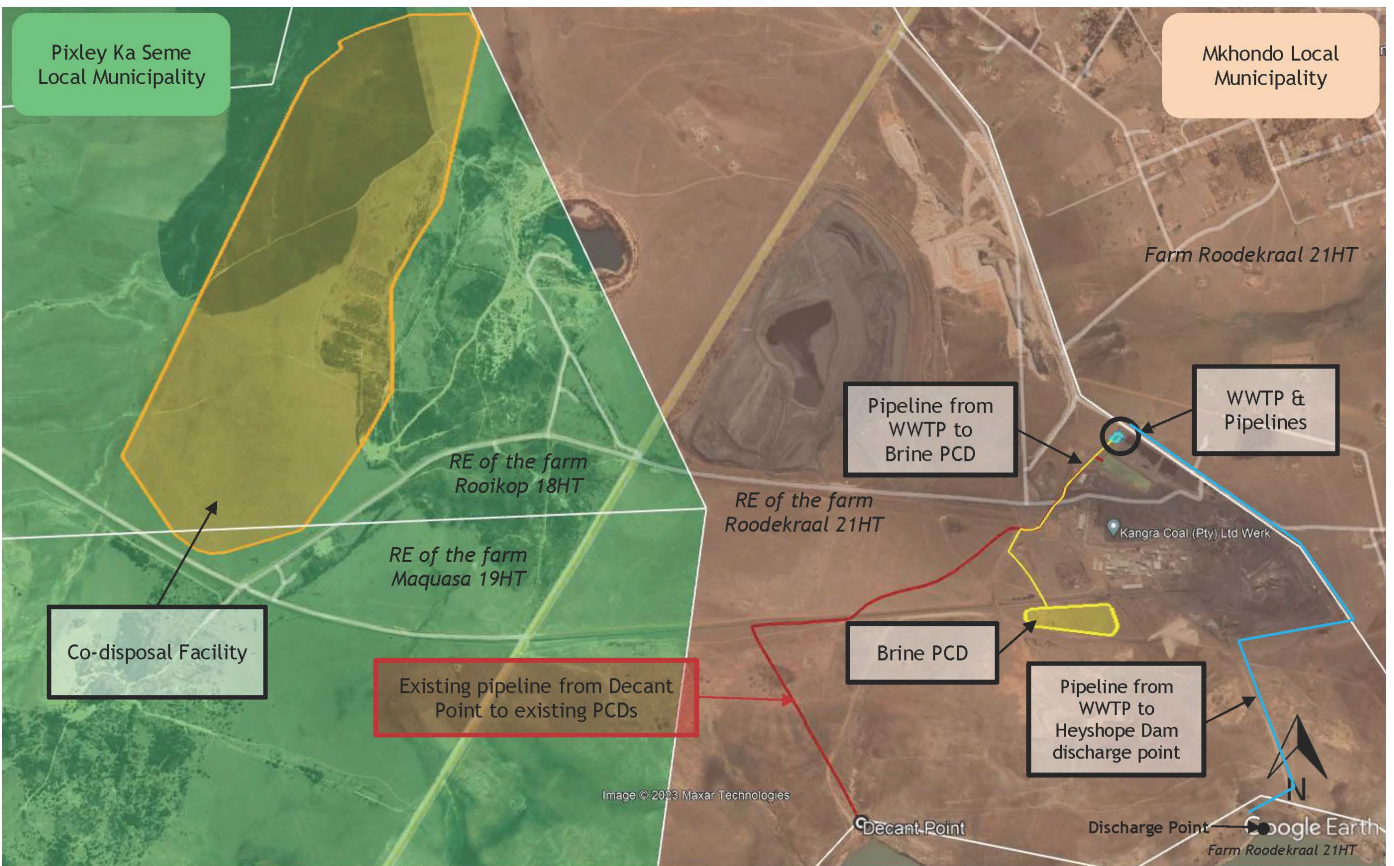



Figure 2: Site Layout of proposed project

		<b>Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd</b> <b>Piet Retief, Mpumalanga</b> <b>Background Information Document</b> I&AP Comment and Registration Form GCS Ref No: 22-0161				
		Name:		Surname:		
Organisation / interest:						
Postal / Residential address						
		Area:			Code:	
Contact details		Tel:	(    )			
		Fax:	(    )			
		Mobile:	(    )			
		Email:				
Please mark with an X to indicate whether you would like to participate in the process:						
Yes, I would like to participate in this process and receive periodic updates					<input type="checkbox"/>	
No, I am not interested in participating and do not wish to receive further information					<input type="checkbox"/>	
Preferred method of communication		Email		Fax	Post	
Date commented		(DD / MM / YYYY)				
Please indicate any issues, comments and concerns with regards to the proposed project						
Please indicate in which aspects you would require more information						
Please indicate the contact details of any other I&APs whom you think should be contacted						
Name:		Surname:				
Tel:		(    )		Fax: (    )		
Mobile:		(    )				
Email:						
In order to be registered as an I&AP for this project, fax, mail, or e-mail the completed registration form to Gerda Bothma at: Tel: (011) 803 5726 Email: <a href="mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz">gerdab@gcs-sa.biz</a> Post: PO Box 2597, Rivonia, 2128						



## UMQULU WOLWAZI OLUWUMGOGODLA ISICELO ESIDIDIYELE SOKUGUNYAZWA KWANGOKWEMVELO NESEMVUME YOKUSETSHENZISWA KWAMANZI

ISIZINDA SOKUHLANZA AMANZI ANGCOLILE KANYE NESIZINDA OKUL AHLWA KUSO  
ESINGESEMISEBENZI YEMAQUASA EAST (ENGASEMPUMALANGA), KUMASIPALA  
WENDAWO UMKHONDO, ESIFUNDENI IGERT SIBANDE, ESIFUNDAZWENI SASE  
MPUMALANGA.

### Ihloso yalomqulu

Ihloso yalomqulu ngukunikezela ngolwazi eMaqenjini Abathintekayo Nabafisa Ukubambiqhaza (I&APs) olumayelana neprojecti ehlongozwayo kanye nokwethulwa nokucacisa ngemigudu yesiCelo Sokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi (WULA) kanye nowoCwaningo Lokungenzeka Envelweni (EIA). LoMqulu Owumgogodla Wolwazi uhlose futhi ngochaza ngomgudu wokubambiqhaza komphakathi oshicilelwe nguMthetho Kazwelonke Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo, 1998 (uMthetho 107 ka1998) (NEMA) bese umema amal&APs ukuba aphawule ngezinqinamba nezimvo zawo ezimayelana naleprojecti.

### Isethulo kanye Nomgogodla weProjecti

I-Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) inemayini yamalahlle evele ikhona esendaweni yase Driefontein, eduze kwasePiet Retief esiFundazweni saseMpumalanga. Imayini ikuMasipala uMkhondo ongaphansi kukaMasipala weSifunda iGert Sibande. Imisebenzi yeMaquasa East (MQE) ixuba ukumbiwa okuvulekile phezulu kanye nemisebenzi yokumba kuguduzwe emathunjini omhlaba ngaphansi kweLungelo Lokumbiwa Kwezimbiwa elingu (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR. I-Kangra ihlongoza ukwakha isizinda sokuhlaza amanzi kanye nendawo okulahlwa kuyo udoti odidiyelwe endaweni yemisebenzi yeMaquasa East/Esempumalanga. (Bheka Umboniso 1)

I-GCS Water and Environment (Pty) Ltd iqashiwe ukuze bezobhekana nemigudu edidiyele

yokugunyazwa kwangokwemvelo (IEA) kanye nomgudu wesicelo semvume yokusebenzisa amanzi (WULA) kanye noMgudu Ohambisana Nokubambiqhaza Komphakathi (PPP) odingekayo kuleprojecti ehlongozwayo ukuze kuzohlangabezwana nezimfuno zeNEMA, ezoMthetho Kazwelonke Wezamanzi (NWA) (Umthetho 36 ka1998, njengoba uchitshiyelwe), kanye futhi noMthetho Oxhasa Ukuphathwa Kwemvelo (SEMA's).

Lomqulu owumgogodla wolwazi (BID) unikeza imininingwane ewumsuka mayelana nentuthuko ehlongozwayo, imisebenzi ehambisana nayo eyenziwayo ukuze kuzolandeleda imigudu yokugunyaza edingakalayo, futhi iba ngumqulu ongumsuka wawo wonke amal&APs.

### Incazelo Yeprojecti

Inhloso yalesisizinda esihlongozwayo sokuhlaza amanzi (WWTP) ukuba sihlanze amanzi akhishiwe kanye namanye anukubezekile/angcolile atholakala lapha kusetshenzwa khona. I-MQE ikhipha amanzi acwebile alapha kusetshenzwa khona ngaphansi komhlaba ngezanga elingu 1 800m<sup>3</sup>/ngosuku. Le WWTP izosebenzisa indlela yokuhlaza amanzi ngendlela eqondile njengalokhu kwatholakala ukuthi indlela yokuwahlaza ngokuzenzakalela ayenzeki ngenxa yendawo akuyona lamanzi adinga ukukhishwa, izinga lokugeleza eliphezulu kanye nobumtoti bamanzi adedelwayo. Okusasawotshana okuqhamuka kwiWWTP kuzodudulwa kuhambe ngepayipi kugcinwe endaweni entsha eyidamu lokulawula ukugcola okusasawotshana (PCD).

Isizinda esihlongozwayo sokulahla ngokuhlanganyela singaphansi kwendawo eyabe ivele igunyaziwe yokulahla lamanzi anukubezekile (MDARDLE Ref: 17/2/3/GS-240).

Ngenxa yalokhu kuguquka kwindlela okudingakala ukuba kusetshenzwe ngayo, kanye nokuphela kwesikhathi semvume yangaphambilini, sekunesingo sokuthi kutholakale imvume entsha yesizinda esididiyele okulahlwa kusona.

Isizinda esididiyele okulahlwa kuso sizobhekela udoti okhiqizeke esizindeni sokuhlunga, udaka olomile kanye nosawoti abangaqhamuka kwiWWTP.

Ukudwetshwa kwesizinda esididiyele okulahlwa kuso kuzofana nesizinda esasigunyaziwe sokulahla udoti: okuyizizinda ezihlukene kathathu ezakheka eceleni kwentaba obungako baso kungamahektha angu65. Indlela yokuthuthukisa ngezigaba, esikhathini esiyiminyaka engu20 iyona ecatsangwayo: Isigaba 1 umthamo weminyaka engu7; Isigaba 2 umthamo weminyaka engu7 bese Isigaba 3 kube oweminyaka engu6. (Bheke esiGatshaneni 2)

## Indawo Yeprojecti

Isifundazwe:	Mpumalanga
Masipala wesifunda:	Gert Sibande
Umasipala Wendawo:	uMkhondo
Ubungako:	68 wamahektha
Ukuklanywa:	Izimbiwa/mayini
Ubunikazi:	Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd
Ukusetshenziswa kwamanje:	Imayini
Idolobha eliseduze:	Piet Retief ye Rem yePulazi Rooikop 18 HT
Ingxenye Yepulazi ethintekayo:	Indawo ye Rem yePulazi i Maquasa 19HT iPulazi Roodekraal 21 HT.

## Umfaki Sicelo

Umfaki Sicelo:	Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd
Omumele:	Niketiwe Dlamini
Ikheli:	Farm Driefontein, Saul Mkhizeville, Mkhondo P.O. Box 745, Piet Retief, 2380

## Izimo Zokulawula

### UMthetho Kazwelonke Wokuphathwa Kwemvelo, 1998 (uMthetho 107 ka1998) (NEMA)

Isigaba 24 se NEMA sidinga ukuthi imisebenzi ethile esohlwini, engaba nemithelela emvelweni, ethinta ukudingakala kokugunyazwa kwangokwemvelo kutholakale kwiziphathimandla ezifanele ngaphambi kokuba kuqalwe nokwenza leyo misebenzi. Imisebenzi ekanjena ifakwe ohlwini ngaphansi kweMigomo Yesaziso Esisohlwini 1 GNR 324, Isaziso Sohlu 2 GNR 325 kanye Nesaziso Sohlu 3 GNR 327 (njengoba kwachitshiyelwa ngo2014) ye NEMA (njengoba ichiyelwe).

Uhla Lwemisebenzi Eqondene nalesisicelo yilena:

#	Incazelo Yomsebenzi
Uhla Lwesaziso 1 (GN R327)	
9	Ukwakhiwa kwamapayipi anobukhulu obungaphezu kuka-0.36m kanye nokuphuma kwamanzi angaphezu kuka-120l/s, ukuze kuhanjise amanzi/amanzi ezikhukhula endaweni yokulahla ndawonye.
10	Ukwakhiwa kwamapayipi aobukhulu obungaphezu kuka-0.36m kanye nokuphuma kwamanzi angaphezu kuka-120l/s, ukuze kuhlinzekwe amanzi enqubo/ukungcola/ukubuyisela amanzi noma ukuhlukaniswa kwendle endaweni yokulahla kanyekanye kanye nokukhipha ipayipi elisuka endaweni yokuhlaza amanzi angcolile ukuya. i-Heyshope Dam.
19	Ukwakhiwa kwawo womabili amaprojecti kungase kubangele ukugcwaliswa/ukufakwa kanye nokususwa/ukususwa kwempahla engaphezu kuka-10m <sup>3</sup> emseleni wamanzi.
24	Kudingeka imigwaqo emisha eyahlukene engu-16m ububanzi ku-CDF entsha ehlongozwayo, kanti ubude bale migwaqo buzodlula i-1km ubude.
25	Ukwakhiwa kwesikhungo sokuhlaza amanzi angcolile esinamandla okuphuma ku-4 500m <sup>3</sup> ngosuku.
27	Ubungako bomsebenzi ohlongozwayo bungalinganiselwa ku65ha indawo iyonke, ngakho-ke, kuzocatshwa izihlahla/izimili zendabuko ukuze kuzokwakhiwa isihlanzamanzi, okusasawotshana kanye nesizinda esididiyele okuzolahlwa kusona esilinganiselwa ku68 wamahektha, okungaphezulu ngehektha elilodwa kwalokho okubekiwe.

Uhla Lwesaziso 2 (GN R325)	
6	Ukwakhiwa nokusebenza kwesizinda sokuhlaza amanzi, osawotshana bePCD kanye nesizinda esididiyele okulahlwa kuso kudinga iMvume Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi ngenxa yokusetshenziswa kwamanzi okuthintekayo mayelana neSigaba 21 se NWA.
15	Ubungako bendawo yomsebenzi ohlongozwayo kulinganiselwa kumahektha angu68, ngakho-ke, ukususwa kwezihlahla zendabuko zisuselwa ukwakha iprojecti ehlongozwayo kungaba ngamahektha angu68 okuyinto engaphezulu kwamahektha abekiwe angu 20.
Uhla lwesaziso 3 (GN R324)	
12	Iprojecti ehlongozwayo ingena ngaphakathi kweNdawo Yemvelo Ebucayi, ngakho-ke, ukususwa okungabakhona kwezihlahla zendabuko ukuze kwakhiwe iprojecti kuyinto ezodlula ubungako obubekiwe obungu300m <sup>2</sup> .
14	Iprojecti ehlongozwayo iwela endaweni ye-CBA kanye ne-NPAES Focus. Intuthuko ingena emiseleni eyahlukene yamanzi futhi ngenxa yalokho izakhiwo ezihlongozwayo ezizokwakhiwa zizodlula umkhawulo ongu-10m <sup>2</sup> .

### Ukuphathwa Kwemvelo Kuzwelonke: uMthetho Wodoti, 2008 (uThemtho 59 ka 2008) NEMWA)

ISigaba 20 seNEMWA sidinga ukuthi imisebenzi ethile yokulawulwa kodoti, sidinga ilayisense/imvume kwiziphathimandla ezifanele ngaphambi kokuba kuqalwe nalemisebenzi. Lemisebenzi yokulawulwa kodoti ifakwe ngaphansi kweMigomo GNR 921 (njengoba ichtshiyelwe).

Imisebenzi eqondene noKuphathwa koDoti kulesisicelo yilena:

#	Incazelo Yomsebenzi
Category B	
7	Isizinda esihlongozwayo okulahlwa kuso siqukethe "ukulahlwa endawenu kwanoma ngongakanani udoti onobungozi".
10	Iprojecti ehlongozwayo iqukethe ukwakhiwa kwesizinda somsebenzi olawulwa yimigomo.
11	Iprojecti ehlongozwayo iqukethe "ukunqwabelwa kwalokho okuyizinsalela".

Ngokubheka kanzulu lokhu okungenhla, kumele kuthathwe imigudu yokuQoqwa Kwezimvo kanye nowoCwaningo Lokungenzeka Envelweni.

### UMthetho Kazwelonke Wezamanzi, 1998 (uMthetho 36 ka1998) (NWA)

Kumele kwenziwe futhi kuthunyelwe iSicelo Semvume Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi siye eMnyangweni WezaManzi kanye Nendle (DWS) ukuze kuzoqinisekiswa ukuba semthethweni kokusetshenziswa kwamanzi kwaleprojecti ehlongozwayo. ISicelo Semvume Yokusetshenziswa Kwamanzi izokwenziwa kanyekanye nemigudu ye EIA kanye neye EMP mayelana nanoma yimuphi umsebenzi ohambisana neSigaba 21 se NWA.

Ukusetshenziswa kwamanzi kuthintekile njengengxenywe yeprojecti edinga ukugunyazwa ngokulandela iSigaba 21 seNWA:

Isigaba 21:	
(c)	Ukuvimba noma ukuguqula ukugeleza kwamanzi emfuleni/endaweni yamanzi
(f)	Ukudedela udoti noma amanzi aqukethe udoti
(g)	Ukulahla amanzi ngendlela engaba nomthelela oyingozi emfuleni noma endaweni yamanzi
(i)	Ukuguqula umfula phakathi, osebeni, ukugeleza kwawo noma ubunjalo bawo

### Umthetho Wezinsiza Zamagugu Kazwelonke, 1999 (uMthetho wama-25 ka-1999) (NHRA)

Ukuvikelwa nokuphathwa kwemithombo yamagugu yaseNingizimu Afrika kulawulwa yi-NHRA. Izici ezibalulekile ngokomlando, njengamathuna, imivubukulo kanye nezimpawu ezibalulekile ngokwamasiko, izikhala kanye nezindawo zivikelwe yi-NHRA. Imvume evela ku-Ejensi Yezinsiza Zamagugu YaseNingizimu Afrika (i-SAHRA) iyadingeka ngokweSigaba 38 se-NHRA ezinhlotsheni ezithile zentuthuko, eziqalwa yimisebenzi ehlongozwayo. Isicelo mayelana nalokhu sizofakwa ngesikhathi senqubo ye-EIA.

## Uhlaka Lomgudu woCwango Lokungenzeka Emvelweni

I-EIA iyithuluzi oluwumthetho elisetshenziswa ukuqikelela ukuthi imithelela engaba semvelweni engahle yenzeke ngenxa yentuthuko ehlongozwayo iyagwemeka noma iyancishiswa, uma kwenzeka igunyazwa intuthuko. Imvelo ixuba uhlaka lwabantu, lomnotho nolwemvelo yendalo okumele iEIA ilucubungule ngendlela elinganayo.

Umgudu weEIA uhlukeno izigaba ezimbili, iSigaba Sokuqoqa Izimvo kanye neSigaba Socwango Lwemithelela.

### Isigaba Sokuqoqa Izimvo:

Isigaba Sokuqoqa Izimvo sihlose uku:

- Phenya nokuqoqa ulwazi mayelana nesiza esihlongozwayo, ukusungula ukuqonda ngendawo
- Ukusungula ukuthi ngabe imisebenzi yentuthuko ehlongozwayo ingahle ibe namiphi imithelela emvelweni
- Ukuqagula amalAPs kanye neziphathimandla ezifanele ngokuthi kwenziwe uMgudu Wokubambiqhaza Komphakathi
- Ukuqagula imithelela yemvelo engahle ibe khona ngokuthi kuphenywe kanye ne PPP
- Ukuchaza iprojecti ehlongozwayo kanye neminye Imigudu Engandelwa

### Isigaba Socwango Lwemithelela:

Kulesisigaba, zonke izingqinamba kanye nemithelela kanjalo neminye imigudu ehlongozwayo eqagulwe eSigabeni Sokuqoqa Ulwazi ziyacwangingwa bese zibekwa ngokwezinga lokubaluleka kwazo. Lapho kunesidingo khona, kuyaye kwenziwe izincomo ezinciphisa noma zixazulule imithelela emibi engaba khona, noma kwenziwe ngcono imithelela emihle engaba khona.

Kuyohlangukiswa Uhlelo Lokuphathwa Kwemvelo oluyobe selugagula izimo ezifanele zemvelo zamayelana nezigaba zokwakhiwa, zokusebenza kanye nezokubhidliza kweprojecti. Kanti ngasohlangothini lwesigaba Sokuqoqa Ulwazi, iPPP iyinxenye eqavile yeSigaba Socwango.

## Umgudu Wokubambiqhaza Komphakathi

Umgudu Wokubambiqhaza Komphakathi (PPP) uhlose ukwazisa inqwaba yama I&APs (*nanoma yimuphi umuntu noma inhlango enothando oluqondile, lwebhizinisi, lwezimali, lwalowomuntu kanye nolunye uthando, noma lowo othinteka ngqo noma ngandlelana thizeni, ngenxa yeprojecti ehlongozwayo*) ngentuthuko ehlongozwayo kanye nomgudu wemvelo ozolandelwa. Uyithuluzi elivumela umphakathi ukuba unikezelane ngolwazi nokuthi ubeke izimvo zawo nalokho okubathintayo ngentuthuko ehlongozwayo eyenziwela iEIA. I-PPP isiza ekuqaguleni izingqinamba ezingaba khona nalokho okubathintayo okudinga ukuba kubhekanwe nakho ekucutshungulweni kwemithelela ngokuthi kuqhakambise ulwazi olufanele okumele lufakwe ocwangingweni. I-PPP ivumela ukucubunguleka okunzulu nokucacisayo bese isiza ekugxiliseni nokwenza ngcono ukuthathwa kwesinqumo.

Ngenxa yalomgudu, iEIA izobe ivulelekile futhi isobala emphakathini kuthi wonke amal&APs abhalisile aziswe njalonzalo ngendlela ngokwenzakalayo emgudwini wonke. Konke okubalulwe ngamal&APs kumele kubhalwe phansi ngokuphelele, kucutshungulwe futhi kuphenduleke kwiEIA.

### Imisebenzi ye PPP:

Umphakathi uyamenywa ukuba ubhalise njengama I&APs nokuthi ubambe iqhaza kwiPPP nge:

- Zaziso kwezokusakaza ulwazi ezifakwe emaphephandabeni
- Ukusabalaliswa kwe BID
- Amabhodi ezaziso asendaweni yeprojecti
- Izinsuku Ezivulekele Umphakathi/Imihlangano Yeqembu Eliqavile (njengoba kudingeka)
- Ukuthunyelwa kokuphawula mayelana nezaziso ezisezinkundleni zokuxhumana, kuma BID, emiQulwini eWumhlahlandlela Wokuqoqa Kwezimvo kanye Nokucwangingwa Kwemithelela

## Ungalibamba kanjani iqhaza:

Amaqembu Abathintekayo Nabafisa Ukubambiqhaza angathumela izimvo zawo ezibhalwe phansi ahambisane namagama awo, imininingwane yokuxhumana kanye nokubalula iqhaza eliqondile elingaba ngelebhizinisi, lwezimali, lwalowomuntu noma elinye iqhaza angaba nalo esicelweni, azithumele ngeposi noma nge-email ziye ku:

Sizokwazisa ngezinsuku kanye nezindawo zanoma yimiphi imihlangano ezobanjwa ngesikhathi sokuxoxisana nomphakathi.

Uma ufisa ukuphakamisa nanoma yiziphi zingqinamba nezimvo ezimayelana neprojecti ehlongozwayo, noma uma ungathanda ukubhalisa njenge I&AP, uyacelwa ukuba uthintane nehhovisi lokubambiqhaza komphakathi eminininingwaneni engenhla.

UKUBAMBIQHAZA KOMPHEKATHI - IMINININGWANE YOKUXHUMANA	
Abantu Okuxhunyanwa nabo:	Gerda Bothma 011 803 5726
I-email:	<a href="mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz">gerdab@gcs-sa.biz</a>
Ikheli Leposi:	PO Box 2597 Rivonia Johannesburg 2128
	

## Igxathu Elilandelayo:

Umbiko Osalungiswa We-Scoping Report, ochaza kabanzi ngeprojecti, izimo eziyisisekelo zendawo ethintekile kanye nemithelela engaba khona ehlonziwe, izotholakala ukuze ibuyekwezwe ngumphakathi kusukela zingu-24 kuLwezi 2023 kuze kube ziyi-16 kuMasingana 2024.

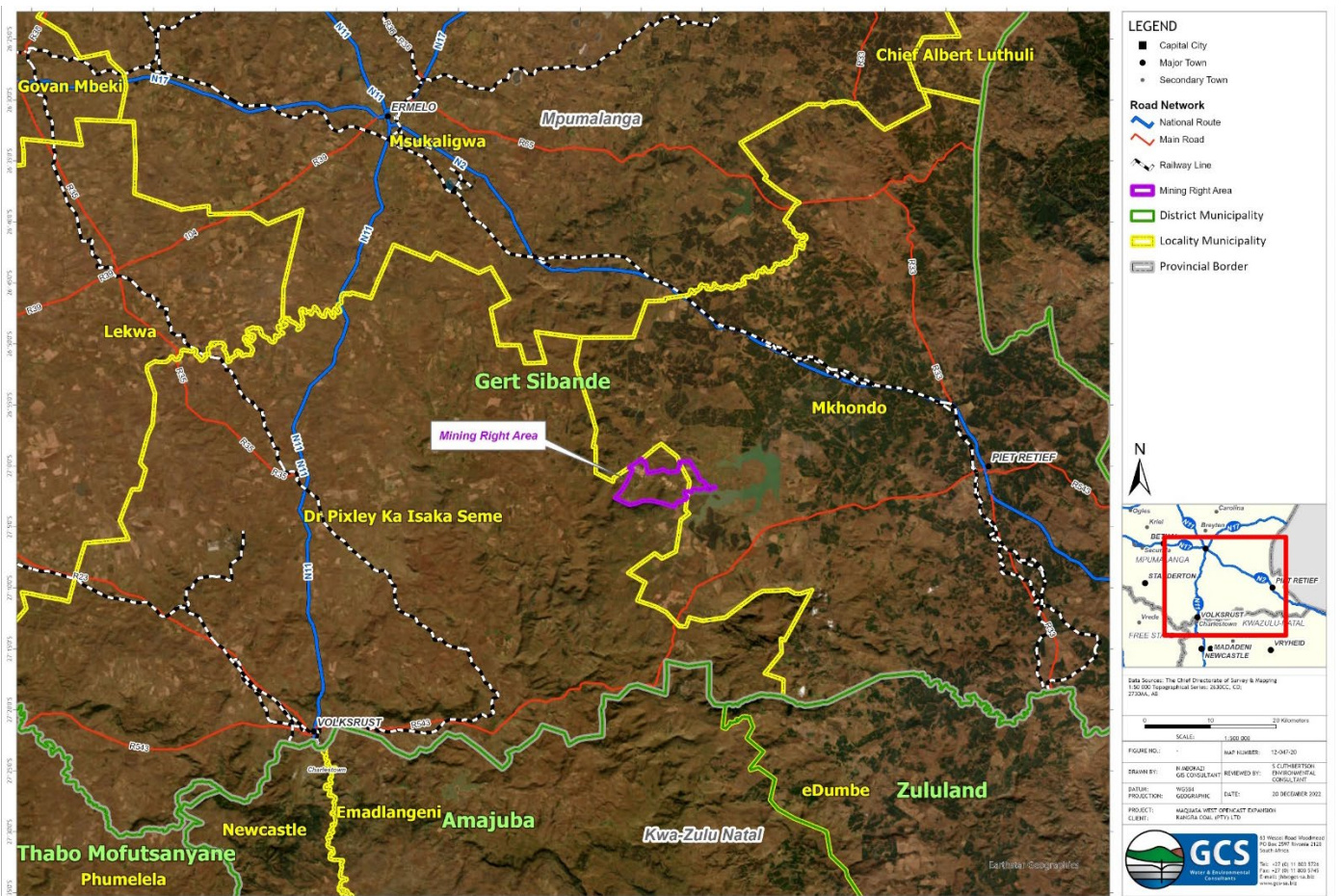
Lo mbiko uzophinde uchaze ukuthi i-EIR izobhekana kanjani nokukhishwa kanye nokukhathazeka okuvezwe phakathi nenqubo yokuhlola.

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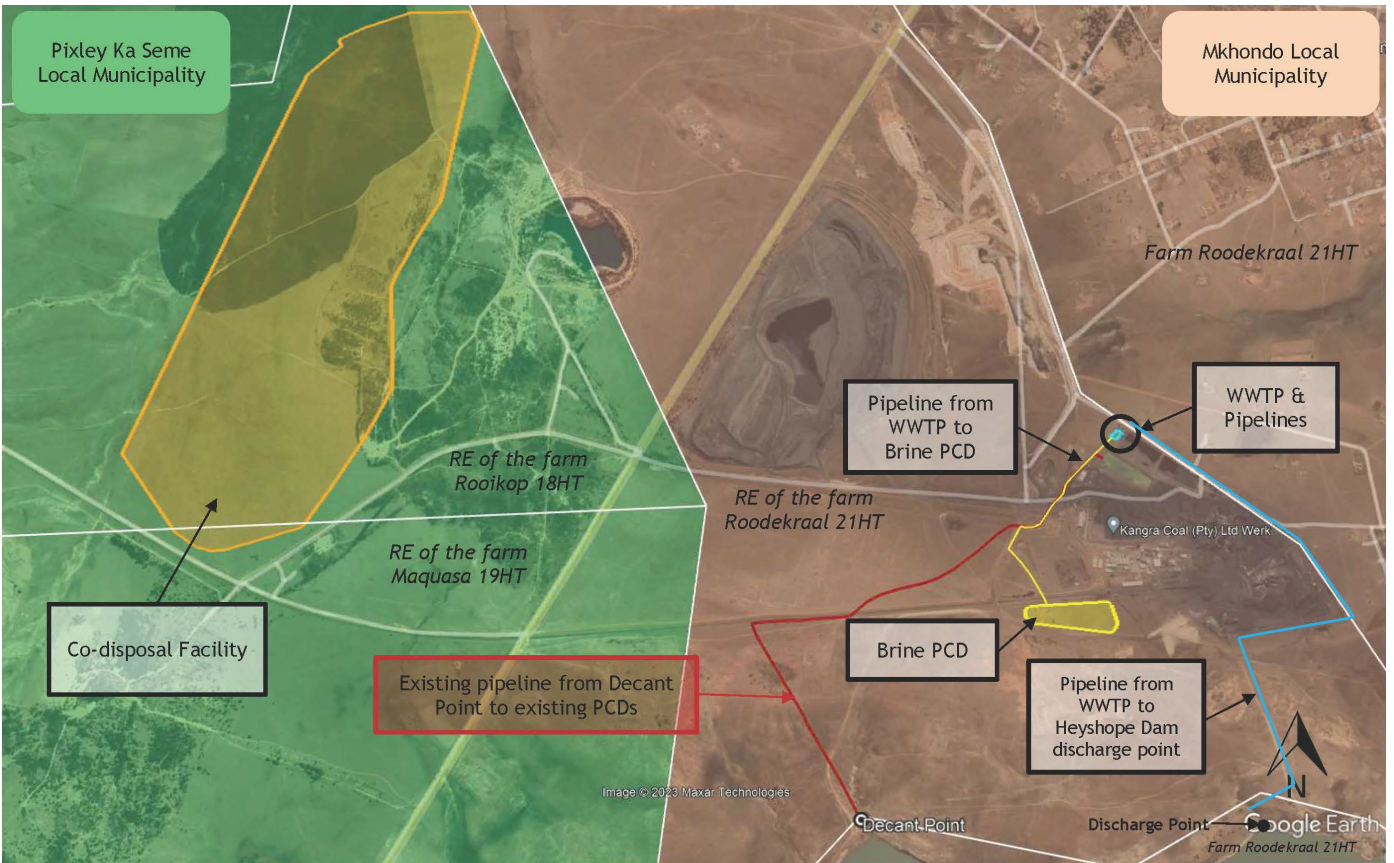
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  - Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community.
- **Ikhophi ye-elektronikhi:**
  - <https://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/>

## UYACELWA UKUBA UQAPHELE


Njengokwezimfuno zoMthetho Wokuvikelwa Kolwazi Lwabaniniyo (POP), uMthetho 14 ka2013, uyaziswa lapha ukuthi ungakwazi ukusebenzisa ilungelo lakho ngokuthi ulushiye noma uphume ohlwini Lwabathintekayo Nabafisa Ukubambiqhaza (I&AP). Uma ukhetha ukuqhubeka njengengxenywe yohlu lweI&AP yaleprojecti, lokho kuyothathwa ngokuthi uvumile ukuba yingxenywe yohlu nokuthi imininingwane yakho iyokwazi ukuthi ibonwe nanoma yimuphi umsebenzi weGCS osebenza emgudwini wokubambiqhaza komphakathi. Bonke lababazbenzi bayavuma ukuthi angeke basebenzise lolulwazi lomuntu kunoma yisiphi isizathu, ngaphandle kokuthola imvume kulowomuntu ofanele. Kanjalo-ke, ngokubambiqhaza kulomgudu, uyavuma ukuba kusetshenziswe imininingwane yokuxhumana nawe kanye nokuphawula kwakho kusetshenziselwe imigudu yokugunyazwa neyokuthola imvume/ilayisense njengoba kudinga imigomo.



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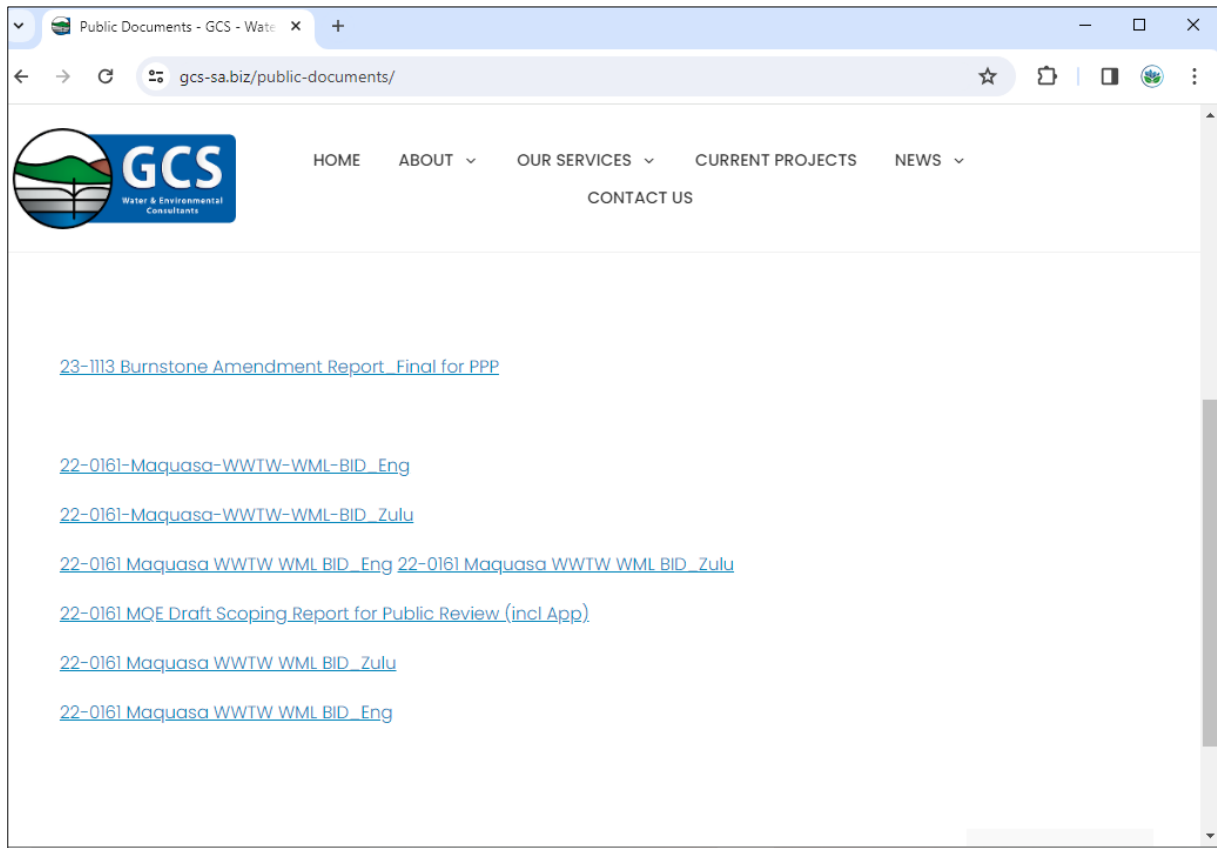
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		<b>Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd</b> <b>Piet Retief, Mpumalanga</b> <b>Umqulu Owumgodla Wolwazi</b> Ifomu Lama I&AP Lokuphawulela Nokubhalisa GCS Ref No: 22-0161			
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**APPENDIX E: DOCUMENTS FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**

**BID and Draft Scoping Report- GCS Website**



DSR submission to MPTA



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**Delivery Notice**

<b>Date:</b>	29 November 2023	
<b>Company:</b>	Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency	<b>From:</b> Gerda Bothma
<b>Attention:</b>	Celia de Waal (EIA Data Capturer)	
<b>RE:</b>	Copy of Draft Scoping Report as requested: Application for Integrated Environmental Authorisation for a new Wastewater Treatment Plant and Co-Disposal Facility for Kangra Maquasa East Operations.	

Quantity	Item
1 x hard copy	Draft Scoping Report

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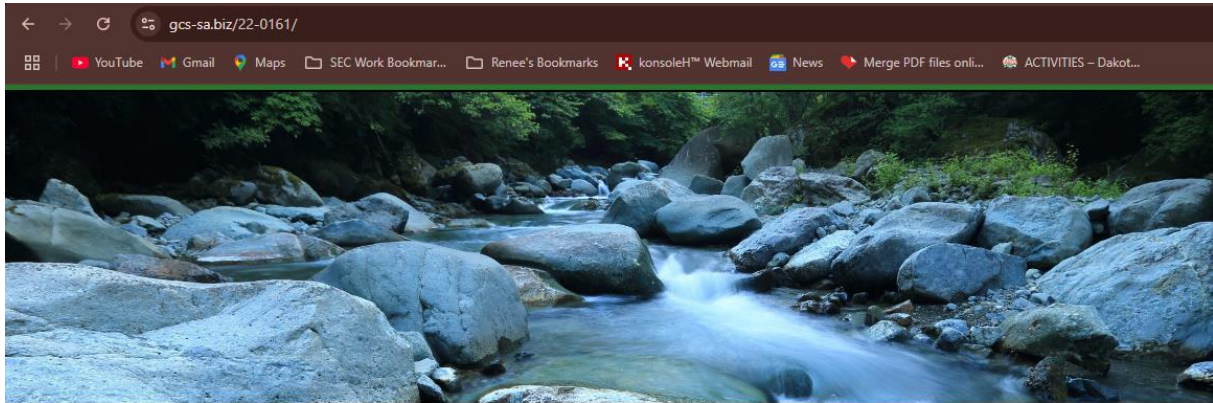
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**Delivery Notice**

Date:	17 September 2024	
Company / Organisation:	Piet Retief Library 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief	From: Gerda Bothma
Attention:	The Librarian	
RE:	<p><b>Application for an Integrated Environmental Authorisation and a Water Use License for the proposed Kangra Coal water treatment plant and co-disposal facility – Maquasa East Operations</b></p> <p><b>Availability of the Draft Reports for public review and comment</b></p>	

Review period	Document Description
18 September to 18 October (30 days)	1 x Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR)
18 September to 18 November (60 days)	1 x Draft Integrated Water Use Licence (IWUL) Application Report

Please acknowledge receipt of documentation:

Mxolisi Thwala  
 Print name

  
 Signature

Librarian (Mxolisi)  
 Position

18/09/2024  
 Date

Thwala Mxolisi@gmail.com  
 Email address

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Company / Organisation:	Mkhondo Local Municipality - Driefontein offices	From: Gerda Bothma
Attention:	The Librarian	
RE:	<p><b>Application for an Integrated Environmental Authorisation and a Water Use License for the proposed Kangra Coal water treatment plant and co-disposal facility – Maquasa East Operations</b></p> <p><b>Availability of the Draft Reports for public review and comment</b></p>	

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<u>ACTING MANAGER</u> Position	<u>18/09/24</u> Date	
<u>060 786 8933</u> Tel number	<u>mathelebel@mqe.co.za</u> Email address	

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Company / Organisation:	Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community	From: Gerda Bothma
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<u>Manager</u> Position	<u>18-09-2024</u> Date	
<u>077 747 6188</u> Tel number	 Email address	

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<b>Date:</b>	17 September 2024	
<b>Company / Organisation:</b>	MTPA	<b>From:</b> Gerda Bothma
<b>Attention:</b>	Celia de Waal Cell: 082 841 7163	
<b>RE:</b>	<p><b>Application for an Integrated Environmental Authorisation and a Water Use License for the proposed Kangra Coal water treatment plant and co-disposal facility – Maquasa East Operations</b></p> <p><b>Availability of the Draft Reports for public review and comment</b></p>	

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Date:	17 September 2024	
Company / Organisation:	Mpumalanga: DARDLEA	From: Gerda Bothma
Attention:	Sindiwe Mbuyane Deputy Director: EM Gert Sibande District Cell: 076 870 5543	
RE:	<p><b>Application for an Integrated Environmental Authorisation and a Water Use License for the proposed Kangra Coal water treatment plant and co-disposal facility – Maquasa East Operations</b></p> <p><b>Availability of the Draft Reports for public review and comment</b></p>	

Review period	Document Description
18 September to 18 October (30 days)	1 x Draft Environmental Impact Report (DER)

Please acknowledge receipt of documentation:

<u>Zandile (Received on behalf of Sindiwe Mbuyane)</u>	<u>[Signature]</u>	
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<u>Administration</u>	<u>18/09/24</u>	
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**APPENDIX F: RADIO ANNOUNCEMENT EMAIL**

## Renee Steele

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**From:** Anelle Lotter <anelle@gcs-sa.biz>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 25 September 2024 16:01  
**To:** Howard Vilakazi; Mpfuneni Mulaudzi; Gerda Bothma; Mahlatse Monareng  
**Subject:** Maquasa East: 1 Oct open day: Your assistance requested for the arrangements  
**Attachments:** 22-0161 MQE Open Day pamphlet.doc; Radio Announcements for 1 Oct Open Day.docx

Dear Mr Vilakazi and Mr Mulaudzi

The proposed open day for Kangra Coal's applications (as per information below) will go ahead on Tuesday, 1 October from 10:00 to 15:00 at the Kangra Coal Skills Centre, Maquasa Farm.

Attached is a pamphlet and a radio announcement to inform the stakeholders in the area.

Could you perhaps please assist with the following:

- a) A contact at Mkhondo FM that could assist to make the announcement as attached?
- b) Distribute the pamphlet via What's App and email to the forums and to other representatives that could spread the word about the open day.

Mr Vilakazi – I have made contact with Ms Thandeka with regards to a proposed meeting on 2 October with her in terms of your request for us to meet with her in connection with water related matters. I have cc'ed you in an email to her.

I will later today send a Non-technical Summary document in English and isiZulu to all on our database. You will be included. Please feel welcome to send the document also to stakeholders that you believe will be interested.

Mr Mulaudzi – I will again try to contact you tomorrow. I would just like to make some arrangements with you for the Kangra Coal Skills Centre. Are you the correct person to assist us in this regard? For example, we would like to know what facilities are available (e.g. – chairs, bathrooms, screen or wall for projection and placement of posters, etc).

You are welcome to contact me on 082 804 5890.

We appreciate your assistance in assisting with the open day.

Kind regards  
Anelle

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**From:** Anelle Lotter <anelle@gcs-sa.biz>  
**Sent:** Friday, 20 September 2024 12:12  
**Cc:** Anelle Lotter <anelle@gcs-sa.biz>; Gerda Bothma <gerdab@gcs-sa.biz>  
**Subject:** Direct Link: Maquasa East: Draft Reports available for review from 18 September 2024

Dear stakeholders

Please find below a direct link to download the reports for you review:

<https://gcs-sa.biz/22-0161/>

The following reports are available as follows:

- a. Draft Environmental Impact Report, with appendices (incl the EMPr and specialist investigations in support of the IEA Application - from 18 Sept to 18 Oct 2024 (30 days).

b. Draft Integrated Water Use Licence Application Report, with its appendices in support of the IWUL Application - from 18 September to 18 November 2024 (60 days).

Hard copies of the document can be reviewed at:

- Piet Retief Library, 10B Retief Street, Piet Retief East Mine, Driefontein
- Thusong Service Centre, Driefontein Community
- Maquasa East Security Office, Maquasa
- Mkhondo Local Municipality in Driefontein

### Public comment encouraged

Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to participate by registering their interest and to provide comments and raise issues of concern regarding the proposed project. Stakeholders are requested to send their comments in writing to GCS. An open day will be held on 1 October 2024 at the Kangra Skills Centre. Should you wish to attend, please register your attendance by contacting GCS.

For more information please contact:

GCS Pty Ltd - Contact Persons: Gerda Bothma / Anelle Lötter

Tel: 011 803 5726

Email [gerdab@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz) / [anellel@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:anellel@gcs-sa.biz)

Kind regards

Anelle Lotter

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**From:** Anelle Lotter

**Sent:** Tuesday, 17 September 2024 16:34

**Cc:** Gerda Bothma <[gerdab@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:gerdab@gcs-sa.biz)>; Anelle Lotter <[anellel@gcs-sa.biz](mailto:anellel@gcs-sa.biz)>

**Subject:** Maquasa East: Draft Reports available for review from 18 September 2024

Dear stakeholders

Kangra Coal (Pty) Ltd (Kangra) has an existing coal mine located in Driefontein, near Piet Retief in the Mpumalanga Province. The mine is located in the Mkhondo Local Municipality within the Gert Sibande District Municipality. The Maquasa East (MQE) operations include the historical opencast and underground operations under Mining Right (MP)30/5/1/2/2/133MR(10200MR). Kangra is proposing to construct a new water treatment plant (WTP) for the treatment of decant and surplus contaminated water and a new co-disposal facility which will accommodate discard produced from the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the WTP.

Authorisation is being sought for the following:

- Integrated Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations for listed activities:
  - Listing Notice 1 (GNR327): Activity 25 & 27, Listing Notice 2 (GNR325): Activity 5 & 15, Listing Notice 3 (GNR324: Activity 12 & 14
  - Waste Management Activity (GNR921): Category B – Activity 7, 10 & 15
  - Integrated Water Use License in terms of Section 21 of the NWA - Section 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- SAHRA Authorisation in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA

The proposed projects are located on:

- Ptn of Rem of Farm Maquasa 19IT,
- Ptn of Mineral Area 1 on the Rem extent of Farm Rooikop 18 HT,
- Ptns 1&2 of Farm Kransbank 15HT,
- Rem extent of Farm Maquasa 19HT, and
- Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

### **Draft reports available for public review from 18 September 2024**

The following reports are available for public review:

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### **Public comment encouraged**

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Stakeholders are requested to send their comments in writing to GCS.

An open day will be held on 1 October 2024 at the Kangra Skills Centre. Should you wish to attend, please register your attendance by contacting GCS.

For more information please contact:

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Kind regards

Anelle Lotter

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## Renee Steele

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**From:** Anelle Lotter <anelle@gcs-sa.biz>  
**Sent:** Friday, 27 September 2024 10:29  
**To:** popotshi@gmail.com  
**Cc:** Howard Vilakazi; Gerda Bothma  
**Subject:** Radio announcement

Good morning Ms Hlophe

Many thanks for sending your email address to me. As mentioned to you, Mr Vilakazi sent me your detail as as may perhaps be able to assist us to broadcast the following announcement.

We would like to request for the following radio announcement to be made before or on 1 October 2024 on Mkhondo FM, please:

Kangra Coal is undertaking Environmental Impact Assessment studies and an application for a Water Use Licence for developments at their Maquasa East Mining Operation.

Reports are now available for public review at:

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Or online at [www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/](http://www.gcs-sa.biz/public-documents/)

The reports will be discussed at an open day on Tuesday, 1 October 2024 from 10:00 to 15:00 at the Kangra Coal Skills Centre on Maquasa Farm.

Kangra is proposing to construct a new water treatment plant for the treatment of decant and surplus contaminated water and a new co-disposal facility which will accommodate discard produced from the beneficiation plant, slurry/filter cake and potentially brine from the water treatment plant.

Many thanks – we will appreciate your assistance with broadcasting the above.

Kind regards  
Anelle Lotter

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**From:** Anelle Lotter <anelle@gcs-sa.biz>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 26 September 2024 10:30  
**To:** admin@mkhondofm986.co.za  
**Cc:** Gerda Bothma  
**Subject:** Radio announcement

Good morning

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Kind regards  
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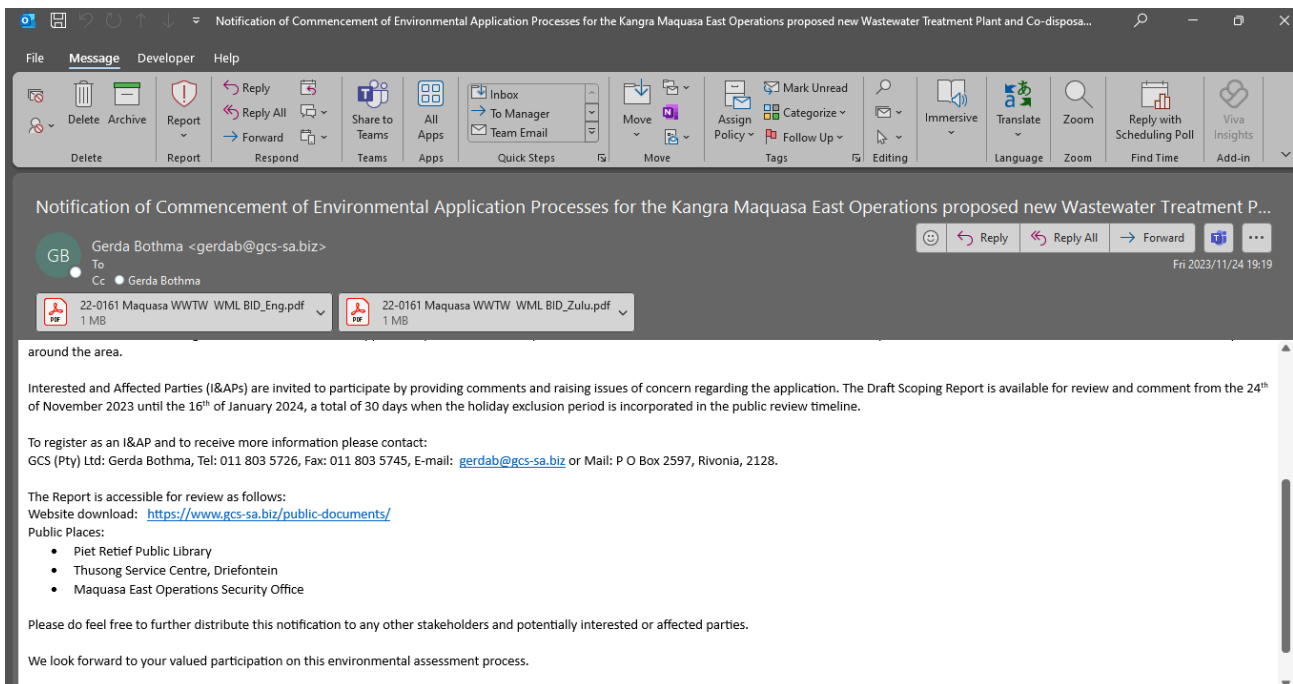
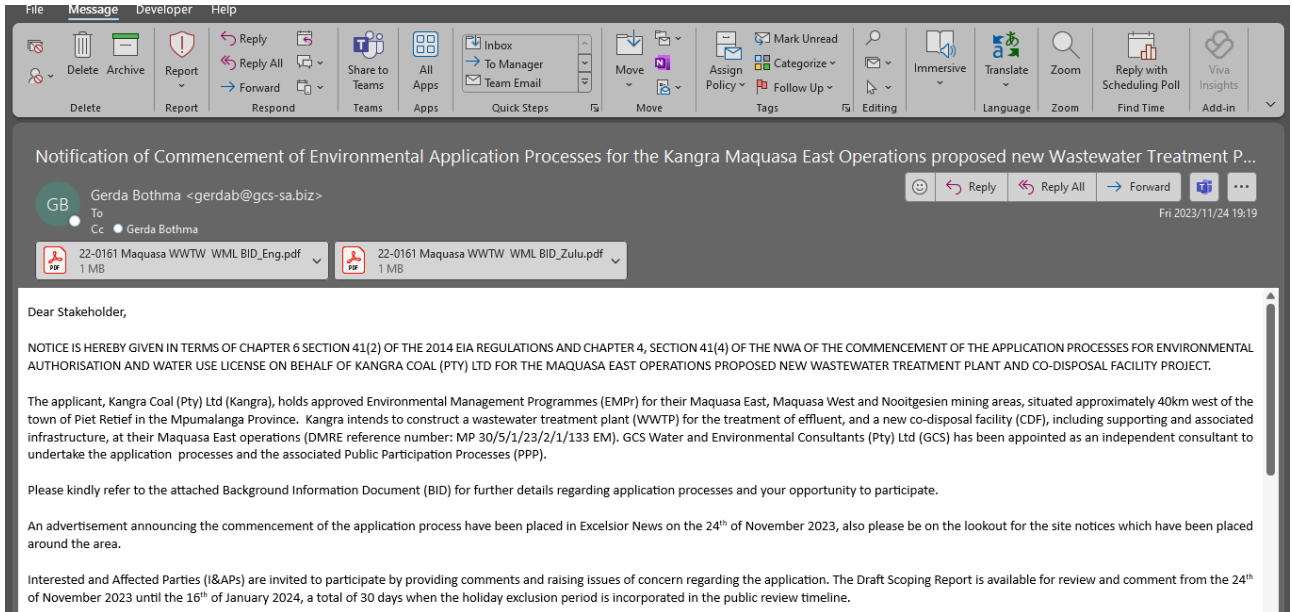
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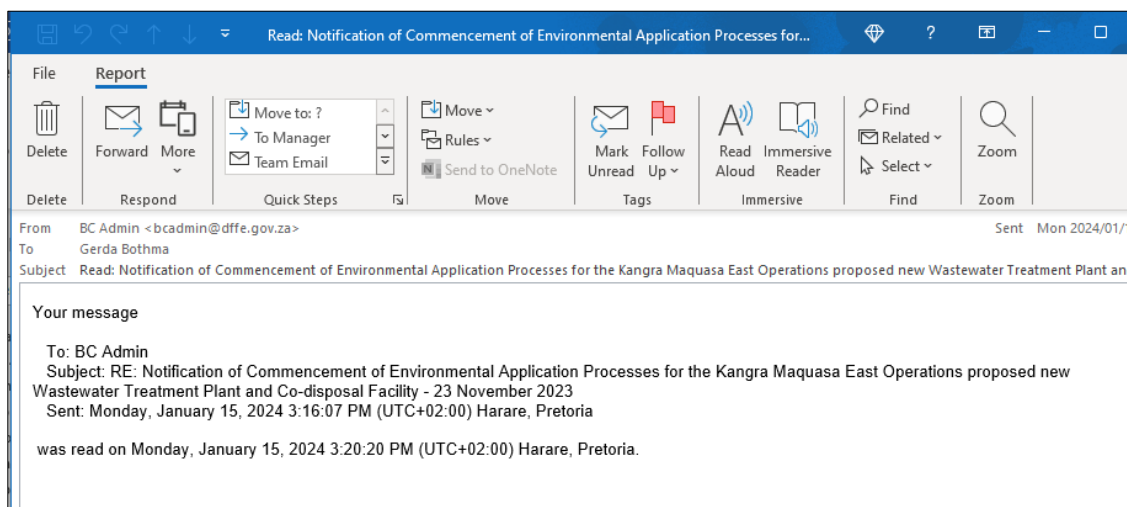
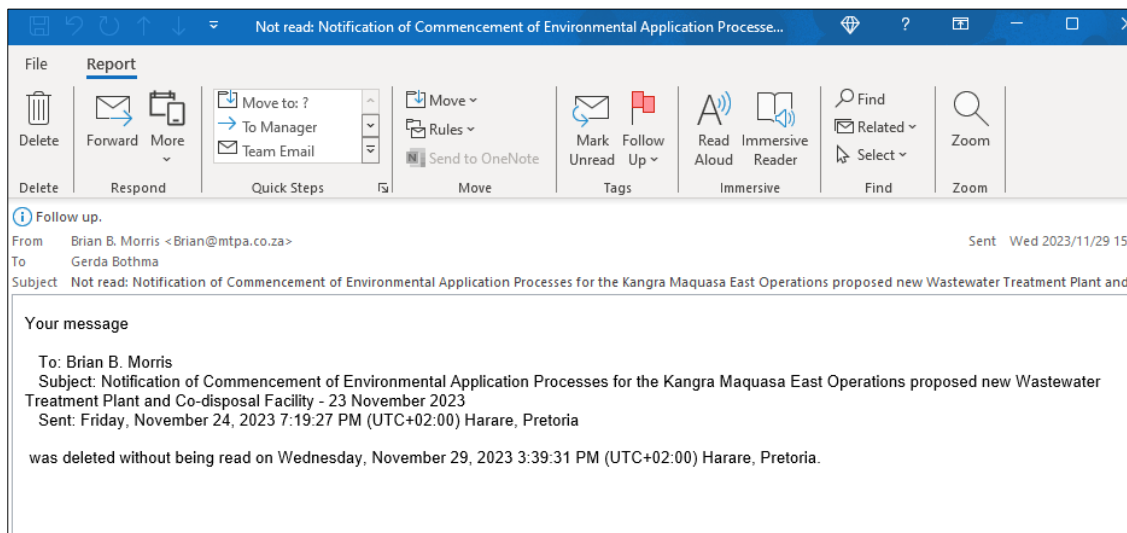
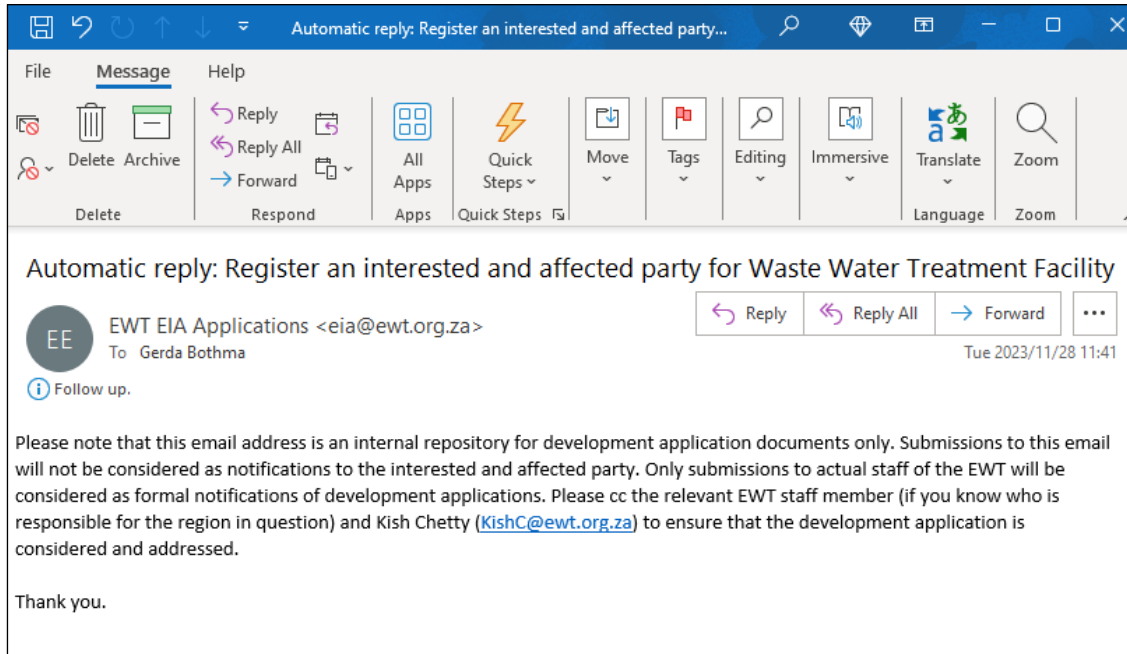
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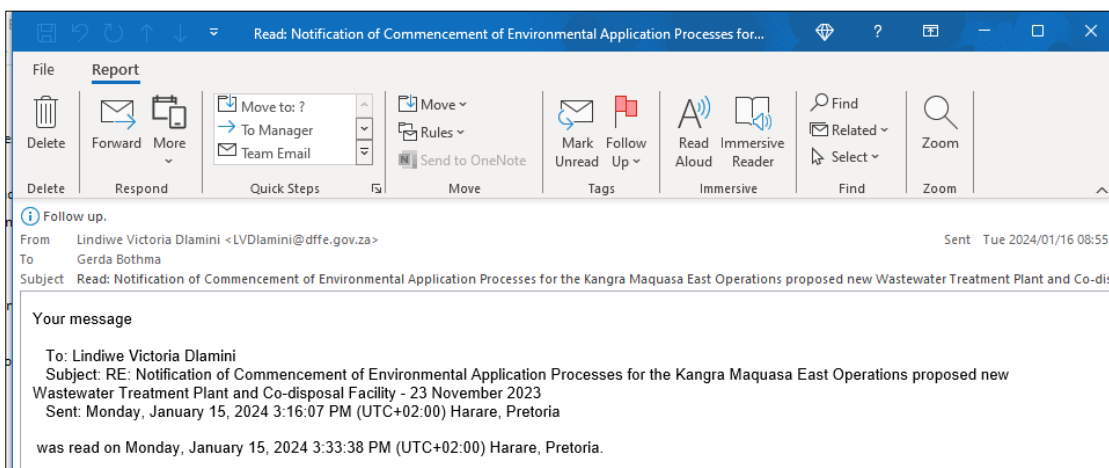
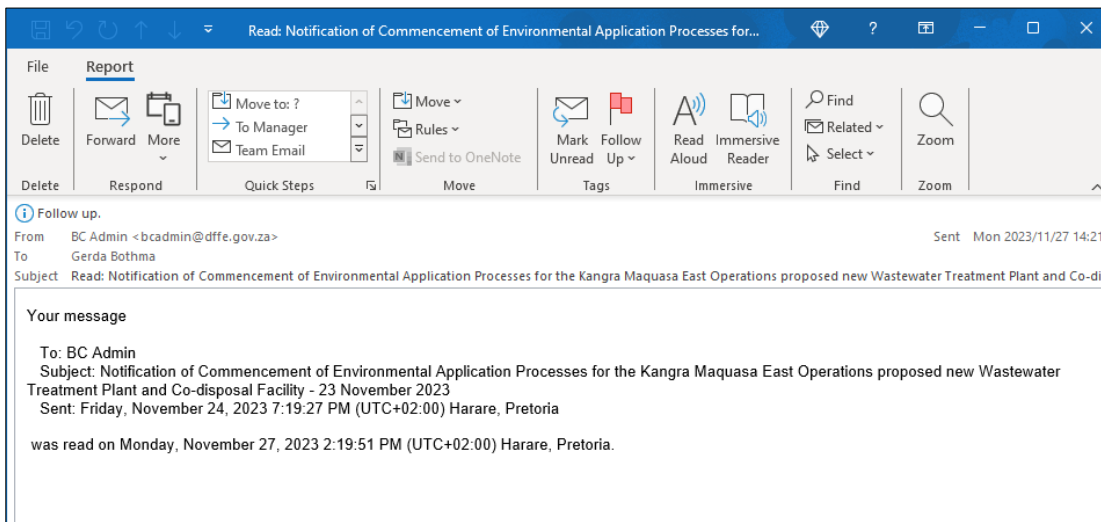
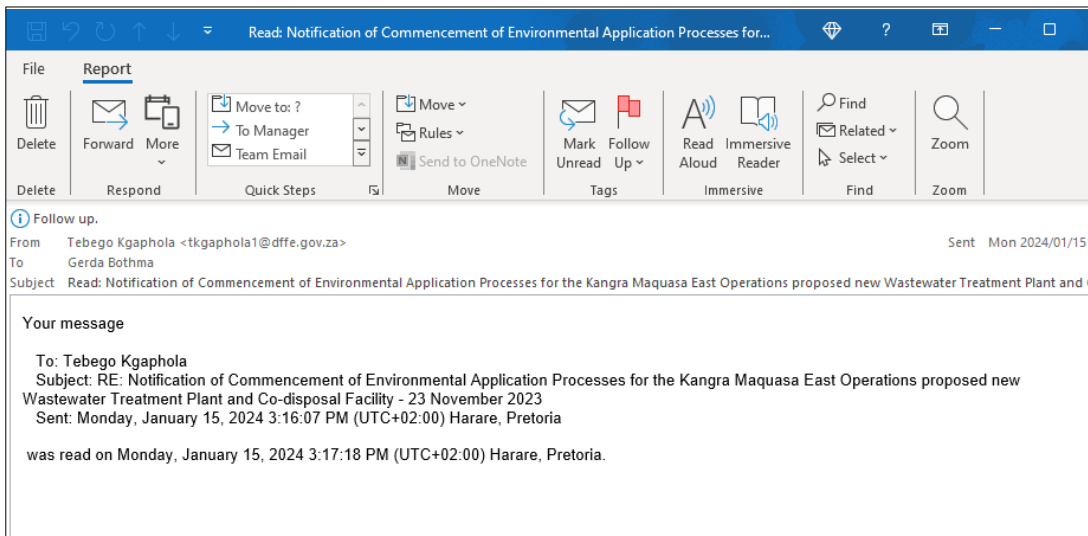
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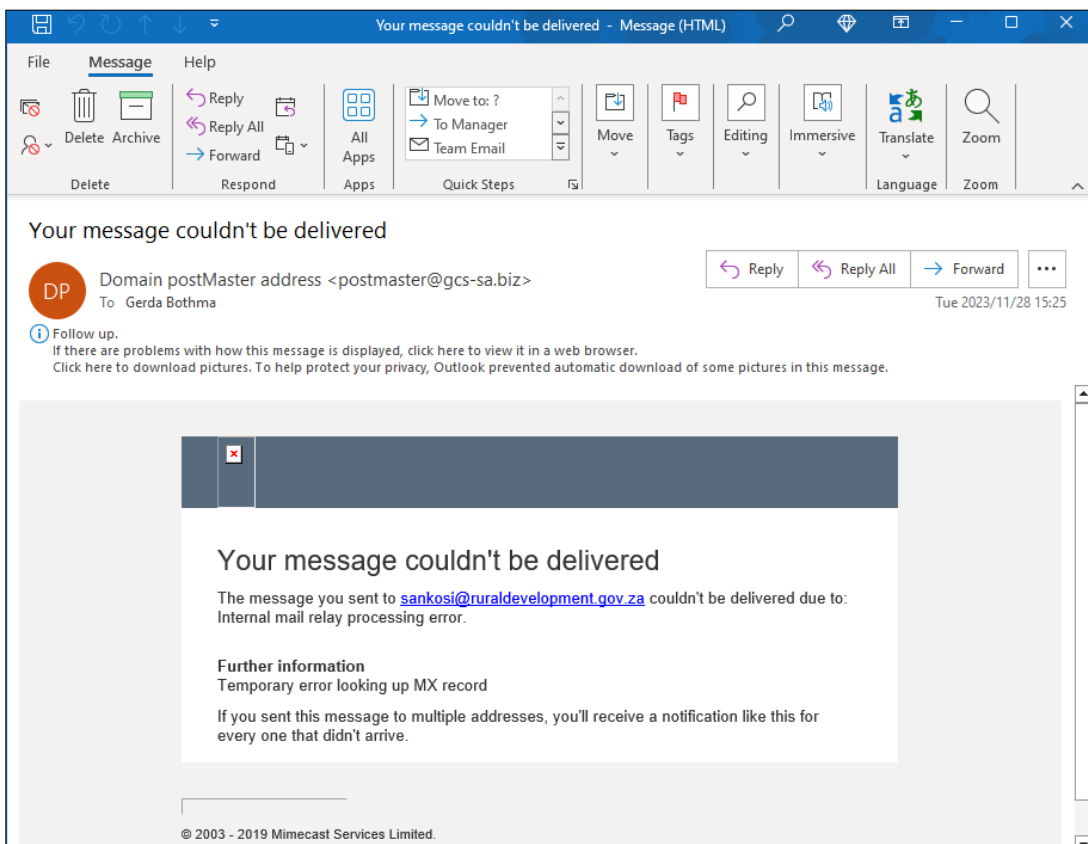
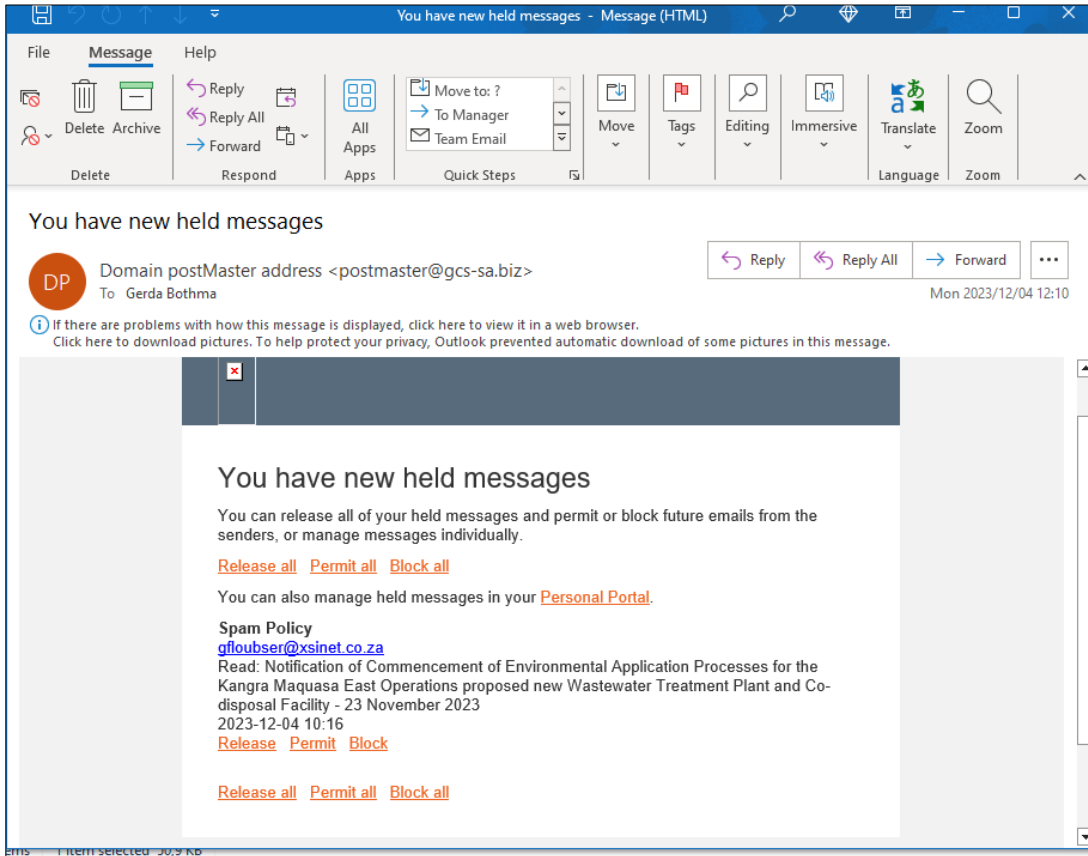
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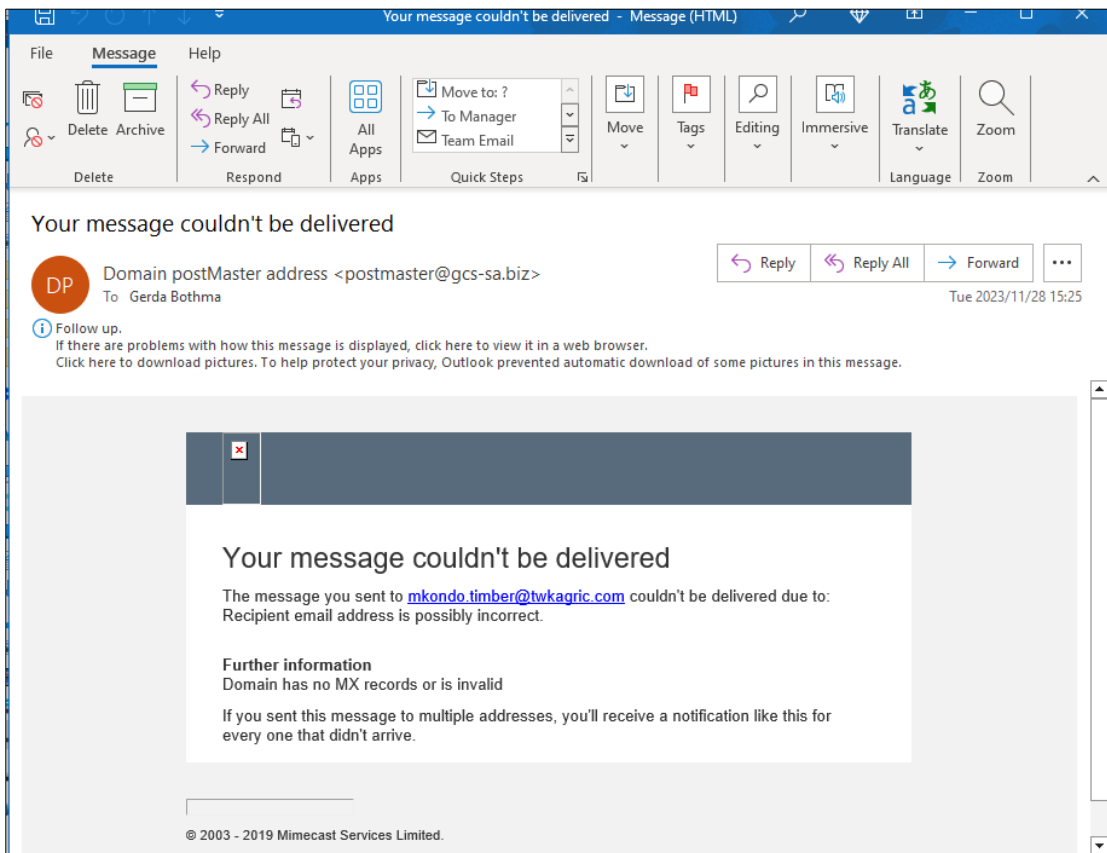
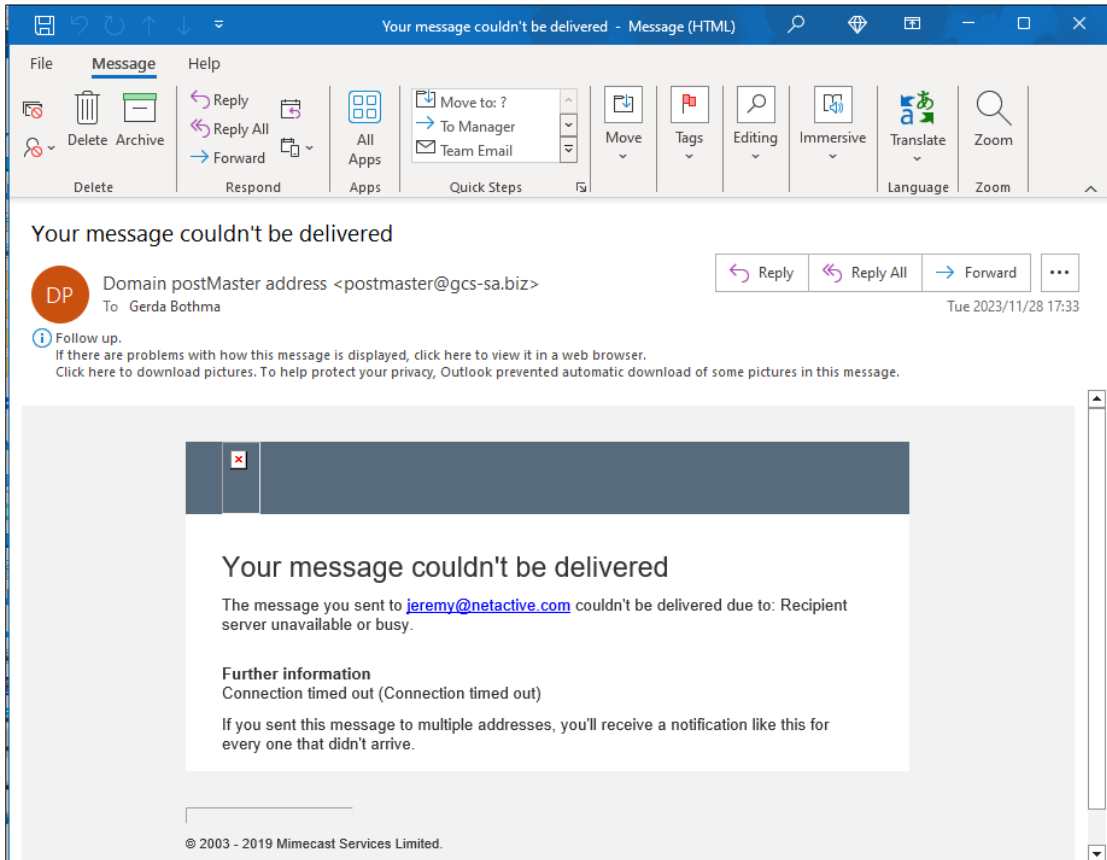
**APPENDIX G-1: PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT & DSR FOR PUBLIC COMMENT**











**APPENDIX G-2: DEIR AVAILABILITY NOTIFICATION**

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Dear stakeholders

Please find attached an English and isiZulu Non-Technical Summary of the reports currently available on public review.

Please refer to the emails below for more information of where you can access the Draft Environmental Impact Report as well as the Draft Integrated Water Use Licence Application Report.

Also, please note that you are welcome to attend the open day which will be held on Tuesday, 1 October 2024 from 10:00 to 15:00 at the Kangra Coal Skills Centre at the Maquasa Farm.

Kind regards  
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**Subject:** Direct Link: Maquasa East: Draft Reports available for review from 18 September 2024

Dear stakeholders

Please find below a direct link to download the reports for you review:

<https://gcs-sa.biz/22-0161/>

The following reports are available as follows:

- a. Draft Environmental Impact Report, with appendices (incl the EMPr and specialist investigations in support of the IEA Application - from 18 Sept to 18 Oct 2024 (30 days).
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Hard copies of the document can be reviewed at:

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- Mkhondo Local

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Dear stakeholders

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Authorisation is being sought for the following:

- Integrated Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations for listed activities:
  - Listing Notice 1 (GNR327): Activity 25 & 27, Listing Notice 2 (GNR325): Activity 5 & 15, Listing Notice 3 (GNR324): Activity 12 & 14
  - Waste Management Activity (GNR921): Category B – Activity 7, 10 & 15
  - Integrated Water Use License in terms of Section 21 of the NWA - Section 21 (c), (f), (g) & (i)
- SAHRA Authorisation in terms of Section 38 of the NHRA

The proposed projects are located on:

- Ptn of Rem of Farm Maquasa 19IT,
- Ptn of Mineral Area 1 on the Rem extent of Farm Rooikop 18 HT,
- Ptns 1&2 of Farm Kransbank 15HT,
- Rem extent of Farm Maquasa 19HT, and
- Farm Roodekraal 21 HT, held under the existing Mining Right (MR).

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