

Comments and Responses 1476 Glencore PV EIA and WULA - Lydenburg

Ms Natasha Higgitt

Date 2023/11/23 Method Email

Comment

Good day, 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: <http://sahra.org.za/sahris/>. 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 <https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector>. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application. ****PLEASE NOTE**** An application fee is now required for all section 38 applications. Please ensure that the SAHRIS application contains a proof of payment as per the notice at the following link: <https://sahris.org.za/help>. A payment of R 2 000.00 for each application is required. Please make separate payments with the specific reference numbers. Applications that do not include a proof of payment will be considered incomplete and will not be processed until proof of payment is provided. Please make use of the SAHRIS Case ID in the payment reference. e.g. 12345/38.8. Please upload the PoP using the "Make an additional submission to an existing case" in the application selector wizard <https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector>. The case officer assigned to your case will approve the submission and begin to process the case. Please note that I will be on annual leave from 15 December 2023 and will return to work on the 8th January 2024.

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. We are currently in the initial call to register phase of the public participation process for this project. An application will be made on SAHRIS once the relevant environmental reports are made available for public review.

Robyn Luyt

Date 2023/11/23 Method Email

Comment

Good Morning Jolene, Please ensure that DARDLEA as well as MTPA are meaningfully consulted throughout the process (relevant parties copied herein). Kind Regards

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. The parties have been added to the I&AP database for this project for further notifications regarding the project. The DARDLEA are the competent authority and will receive a hard copy of the relevant environmental reports as well as the application once it is ready to be submitted.

Cecilia de Waal

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Cecilia de Waal

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Comment

Dear Jolene Kindly send us a hard copy of the document to the following physical address for our Scientists to comment on. I was also requested to kindly ask for a new commenting date in January. Address: *** Contact number : *** or ***

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. Your comments are received and will be recorded as part of the public participation process for this project. Please note that the relevant environmental scoping report will only be available in the new year. A hard copy will be sent to you as per your request once the report is made available for public review and comment. Please feel free to contact EIMS should you have any queries/comments.

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Thank you Jolene Regards

Response

EIMS noted the response.

Mr David Nunez

Date 2023/11/30 Method Email

Comment

Dear Jolene, I kindly request you add me as an I&AP for the above-mentioned project. My contact details are: *** Thanks! Best regards,

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email and interest in the project. We have registered you as an I&AP as requested. Please feel free to contact EIMS should you have any comments/queries.

Mr Exodus K Mabanna

Date 2024/01/08 Method Email

Comment

Dear. Jolene Please find attached our letter of request for participation. Yours sincerely,

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. We acknowledge receipt of your letter of request for participation on behalf of Thaba Chweu Social Labour Plan Forum. Kindly note that EIMS has been appointed as independent environmental consultants to undertake the necessary environmental authorisation process for the proposed Lydenurg solar PV project only. Your comments have been captured however please note that EIMS is not involved with the formulation or update of the SLP for Glencore. Part of the environmental authorisation process requires a public participation process where any interested and affected party (I&AP) is provided an opportunity to raise any queries, comments or concerns regarding the solar PV project. We have registered the Thaba Chweu Social Labour Plan Forum as an I&AP for this proposed project with the details you have provided. You will be notified when the relevant environmental reports are made available for public review and comment. All comments received

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Mr Exodus K Mabanna

are recorded and addressed in the environmental reports which are then considered by the competent authority to ensure that a well-informed decision is made. Should you have any further comments/queries, please do not hesitate to contact EIMS.

Ms Maureen Nkuna

Date 2023/11/27 Method Email

Comment

Good Morning The receipt of your email has been acknowledged. A response will be given as soon as possible regarding the above land claim status. NB: Please note Mr *** will be assisting you with a response to your enquiry

Response

EIMS noted the comment from DALRRD

Liandri Nel

Date 2023/12/13 Method Email

Comment

Good day Jolene We are interested in applying to be a part of the EIMS 1476 Project that will be done at Lydenburg Smelter as advertised in the Steelburger. We install solar and electrical systems on a daily basis and would like to be a part of this new project Hope to hear from you soon

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. Kindly note that EIMS has been appointed by Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd as an independent Environmental Consulting company to undertake the necessary environmental authorisation processes and Public Participation processes for the proposed project. Your email will be passed on to Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd.

Shonese Bloy

Date 2023/12/06 Method Email

Comment

Hello, I trust you are well. Could I please request that *** with email address *** be registered as an I&AP for Glencore Lydenberg Solar Energy Facility. Please could you also send through any relevant documents and reply with confirmation of registration. Thank you very much.

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email and interest in the proposed project. We have registered *** as an I&AP for this project as per your request. Kindly note that the Scoping Report is currently being drafted and there are no additional documents to provide at this time. As an I&AP, you will be notified when the relevant environmental reports are made available for public review and comment. Please feel free to contact EIMS should you have any queries/comments regarding the proposed project.

Ms Nqobile Mkhonza

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Ms Nqobile Mkhonza

Date 2024/01/16 Method Email

Comment

Good day, Attached kindly receive for your attention. Kind Regards

Response

Good day, Thank you for your email. We acknowledge receipt of the comments provided by the Department of Co-operative Governance & Traditional Affairs. Your comments will be recorded and included as part of the Public Participation Process for the proposed project. Kindly find the response to COGTA's comments below highlighted in blue: SUBJECT: AN APPLICATION FOR WATER USE RIGHTS FOR PROPOSED GLENCORE LYDENBURG SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC FACILITY ON PORTION 143 OF THE FARM 30 POTLOODSPRUIT, PORTIONS 114, 457 AND 471 OF THE FARM 31 TOWNLANDS, PORTION 1 OF THE FARM LYDENBURG SMELTER ERF 6099, LYDENBURG SMELTER ERF 2540 AND LYDENBURG SMELTER ERF 2541: THABA CHWEU MUNICIPALITY, EHLANZENI 1. The above-mentioned application has reference. 2. Please note that the Head: Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs has supported the application in terms of water use rights on various portions of a farm to be used to establish solar photovoltaic renewable energy, subject to. Thank you for your response which is duly noted and recorded. 2.1. The municipality has a newly approved Land Use Scheme, the rights if granted must after consultation with the applicant be aligned with the appropriate zoning in the new LUS. Kindly note that a town planner has been appointed by the applicant (Glencore Operations South Africa (Pty) Ltd) and is assisting with the SPLUMA Land Use application for this project. 2.2 The proposed farm portions should continue to also be used for "Agriculture" and may not be used for any other land use activity unless the local municipality has granted a land use change. As above – a SPLUMA application is in process. 2.3 The applicant must comply with the stipulations of the National Environmental Management Act 1998, (Act 107 of 1998). The applicant is required to comply with all applicable environmental legislation. This application has considered the relevant Acts applicable to this project, including the National Environmental Management Act 1998, (Act 107 of 1998). 2.4 Comments and approval from relevant Roads Authority must be obtained and the applicant must adhere to any conditions in this regard. The relevant Roads Authority will be included as part of the Public Participation Process and will be notified of their opportunity to comment on this project. 2.5 The whole development shall be to the satisfaction of the local municipality and the authorized roads authority. The Thaba Chweu Local Municipality have been included as part of the Public Participation Process for this project. 2.6 Eskom's rights and services must be acknowledged and respected at all times. Eskom has been included as part of the Public Participation Process for this project. Eskom's rights and services will be acknowledged and respected at all times.