1. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

A Public Participation process was conducted for this project which are in guidance with the requirements of the Environmental Management Act no.7 of 2007 and associated Regulations.

The methodology followed during the public participation process was to make use of existing communications between Element Consulting Engineers and the relevant stakeholders and interested and affected parties, as well as personal interviews conducted by Enviro Management Consultants Namibia.

The proposed BP area is exclusively situated on land owned by the Divundu Village Council; therefore this Council was consulted. The proposed project was advertised twice in various newspapers (as indicated below).

The project was advertised in the Market Watch section of the Daily Sun, Republikein and Allgemeine Zeitung on two separate occasions:

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1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 and,
15<sup>th</sup> August 2023.
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Please find attached the Advertisement that was placed in the various newspapers, the list of I&AP's that were identified and consulted during the public consultation process as well as the Issues and concerns register.

A Background Information Document (BID) was compiled and was available to any persons that registered as an Interested and Affected Party before the closure of the registration period on the 25^{th of} August 2023.

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1.2 Press Notice

This is the press notice placed in the various newspapers:

NOTICE OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Enviro Management Consultants Namibia has been appointed by the Roads Authority to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment and develop an Environmental and Social Management Plan as required by the Environmental Management Act No 7 (2007) and the associated Environmental Regulations for the following project:

Resource extraction from a Borrow Pit at Divundu Town.
The material required for the light rehabilitation of TR8/4
between Rundu and Divundu — Kavango East Region

This environmental assessment process aims at applying for Environmental Clearance from the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism to obtain gravel material from a borrow pit located at Divundu, for the light rehabilitation of TR8/4 between Rundu and Divundu.

This is an existing borrow pit that will be extended, and material used for the road construction. The Divundu Village Council has been informed about this proposed activity. The exact location of the borrow pit is at Latitude: 18° 5′ 44.948'' S, Longitude: 21° 31′ 28.17'' E.

Take note that all Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP's) are hereby invited to register in terms of the environmental assessment process and to give input, comments, or opinions regarding the resource extraction.

Please forward your inputs before 25th August 2023 to the following:

Enviro Management Consultants Namibia

Contact: Rian du Toit Fax: 088 626968 Email: enviromc@iway.na



1.3 Table of registered and consulted I&AP's

List of Interested and Affected Parties Consulted					
Name & Surname	Organisation	Position	Tel.	E-mail	Means
Mr. A.N Maghumbo	Office of the Divundu Village Council	Council Member	0811451526	amaghumbo@divunduvc.com.na	Personal interview
Mr. N Ipinge	Namibian Environment and Wildlife Society	EIA Tracking and Monitoring in Namibia	0814138822	ndeliimonachox@gmail.com	Notice in the Sun newspaper
Mr. L Wakudumo	Roads Authority	Senior Engineer – Materials	081 294 4039	wakudumol@ra.org.na	Personal interview
Mr. K Chgumira	Roads Authority	Regional Engineer	081 169 4699	chigumirak@ra.org.na	Personal interview
Ms. S Thikusho	Divundu Village Council	Human Resource Practitioner	081 222 0042	mailto:sthikusho@divunduvc.com.na	Personal interview /email

The few comments raised by the I&AP's are incorporated into the environmental impact assessment.