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Definitions

| TERMS | DEFINITION |
|------------|--|
| BID | Background Information Document |
| EAP | Environmental Assessment Practitioner |
| ECC | Environmental Clearance Certificate |
| ECO | Environmental Control Officer |
| EIA | Environmental Impact Assessment |
| ESA | Environmental Scoping Assessment |
| ESIA | Environmental and Social Impact Assessment |
| EMP | Environmental Management Plan |
| FLTS | Flexible Land Tenure System |
| I&APs | Interested and Affected Parties |
| MAWLR | Ministry of Agriculture, Water and Land Reform |
| MEFT: DEAF | Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism's Department |
| | of Environmental Affairs and Forestry |
| NHC | National Heritage Council |
| N(EMA) | Namibia Environmental Management Act |
| PRO | Public Relation Officer |
| | |

1. CHAPTER ONE: BACKGROUND

1.1. INTRODUCTION

Rehoboth Town Council referred to as the Proponent intends to commence development of

housing units on a portion of land in Rehoboth and as such the subdivision of the Rehoboth Block

D Extension 1-302, into smaller erven has to be undertaken. The project is initiated in a bid to

contribute to effective and efficient use of land and to stimulate development of the area through

intensification and other urban mechanisms.

In this respect, Rehoboth Town Council has appointed Enviroplan Consulting to undertake an

Environmental Impact Assessment and development of an Environmental Management Plan for

the proposed subdivision, land servicing and residential housing development initiative and also

apply for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to the Ministry of Environment and Tourism

(MET): Directorate of Environmental Affairs (DEA).

In Namibia, town planning activities are one of the listed activities under the 2012 Environmental

Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of the Environmental Management Act (EMA) No. 7 of 2007

that cannot be undertaken without an EIA or Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) study done

and Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) issued by the Environmental Commissioner. The EIA

Study is aimed at assessing the proposed project potential, socio-economic aspects, infrastructure,

and services, environmental, and geohydrology (hydrogeology) aspects of the site.

The EIA and EMP is focused on No. 302, Rehoboth Extension 1 Block D which is to be subdivided

into 66 portions and the remainder reserved as street. As such, this document forms part of the

application to be made to the DEA's office for an Environmental Clearance certificate for the

proposed subdivision according to the guidelines and statutes of the Environmental Management

Act No.7 of 2007 and the environmental impacts regulations (Government Notice 30 in

Government Gazette 4878 of 6 February 2012).

1.2. **PROJECT LOCATION**

The land is situated along the B1 road on the western side as you drive into Rehoboth from

Windhoek. The area is located in Block D, Ext 1 just below the hill with the Rehoboth signage.

Located in Rehoboth, Extension 3 in close proximity of the easter collector road intersecting with

the erf is ±7 314m² in extent and zoned 'general residential'. Figure 1 shows the view of the site.

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The descriptions of the site to be subdivided are based on the site visit conducted on the 24th of February 2023.

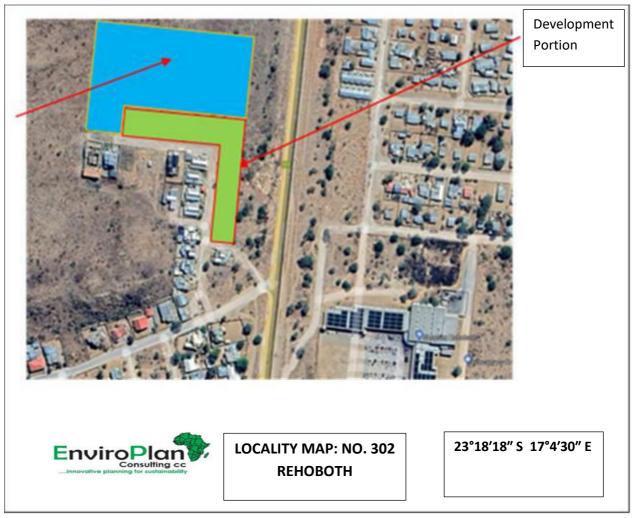


Figure 1: Project Locality in Rehoboth

1.3. PURPOSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP)

This EMP has been developed for the proposed subdivision and development of Block D Rehoboth Extention 2, Namibia. It forms the operational framework within which the proposed projects are to operate within. All anticipated environmental and social impacts identified in the environmental scoping report are addressed, with a mitigation action, monitoring requirements, key indicator and responsibilities.

This EMP is incessant, and it requires compliance monitoring, updating and or amendment if the scope of operations change (if any). All personnel working on the project will be legally required to comply with the standards set out in this EMP.

This section describes the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for impacts associated with the proposed development. The EMP stipulates the management of environmental programs in a systematic, planned and documented manner.

The EMP below includes the organizational structure, planning and monitoring for environmental protection at the proposed farm area development and other areas of its influence. The aim is to ensure that the Proponent maintains adequate control over the project operations to:

- To prevent negative impacts where possible,
- Reduce or minimise the extent of impact during project life cycle,
- Prevent long-term environmental degradation, and
- Ensure public safety and health is protected.

1.4. LEGAL AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS COMPLIANCE

This EMP has been developed in accordance with the requirements of the Environmental Management Act (EMA), No. 7 of 2007 and the EIA Regulations of 2012. As such, key requirements in accordance with this Act, classifies the proposed project as listed and invokes the need for an environmental management plan to sustainably implement the projects. However, legal compliance is not only limited to the EMA, but also applies to all applying legal requirements identified in the Environmental Scoping Report (ESR). When licenses are required such as wastewater discharge, the Proponent should ensure that all licenses and permits are obtained and fulfilled as per conditions.

1.5. THE EMP ADMINISTRATION

There is a strong need to clearly outline the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders to ensure that the EMP is fully implemented. There is also a need for the Proponent to appoint an overall responsible person (Site Manager) to ensure the successful implementation of the EMP.

It solely remains the responsibility of the proponent (Rehoboth Town Council) to ensure that:

- All members of the project team, including contractors, comply with the procedures set out in this EMP,
- All personnel are provided with sufficient training, supervision, and instruction to fulfil this requirement, and
- Any persons allocated specific environmental responsibilities are notified of their appointment and confirm that their responsibilities are clearly understood.

2. CHAPTER TWO: ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP)

2.1. INTRODUCTION

The proposed subdivision and development (project) implementation will have environmental impacts as indicated in the Environmental Scoping Report. This section is aimed at describing the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) for impacts associated with the proposed developments. The EMP stipulates the management of environmental programs in a systematic, planned and documented manner. The EMP below includes the organizational structure, planning and monitoring for environmental protection at the proposed development area and other areas of its influence. The aim is to ensure that the Proponent maintains adequate control over the project operations to:

- To prevent negative impacts where possible;
- Reduce or minimise the extent of impact during project life cycle;
- Prevent long term environmental degradation.

2.2. EMP ADMINISTRATION AND IMPLEMENTATION

There is a strong need to clearly outline the roles and responsibilities of all stakeholders to ensure that the EMP is fully implemented. There is also a need for the Proponent to appoint an overall responsible person (Project Manager) to ensure the successful implementation of the EMP as highlighted in Table 1.

Table 1:Roles and Responsibilities in EMP Implementation

| ROLE | ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES |
|---|--|
| Rehoboth Town Council (The Proponent) | -Responsible to enforce EMP implementation to contractors |
| Environmental Control Officer | -Implement, review and update the EMP. |
| | -Ensure all reporting and monitoring required under EMP is undertaken, documented and distributed as needed |
| | -Conduct environmental site training (toolbox talks) and inductions with the support of an environmental consultant. |
| | -Conducts environmental audit at work site with the support of environmental consultant. |
| | -Close out all non-conformances. |
| | -Ensure materials being used on site are environmentally friendly and safe. |
| Public Relations Officer (PRO) | -Liaising between the affected property or landowners and the Proponent. |
| | -Ensure effective communication with stakeholders, media (if necessary) and the public. |
| | -Organising and overseeing public relations activities, Managing public relations issues. |
| | -Collaborating with personnel and maintaining project-related open communication among project personnel, Proponent |
| | and property owners. |
| The Department of Environmental Affairs and | -Approve the EMP and any amendments to the EMP. |
| Forestry | -Approve reports of environmental issues and non-conformances as issued. |
| | -Review and approve environmental reports submitted as part of EMP implementation |
| Site Engineers and Project Managers | -Control and monitor actions required by the EMP. |
| | -Report all environmental issues to the ECO. |
| | -Ensure documented procedures are followed and records kept on site. |

| ROLE | ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSIBILITIES |
|----------------------------------|---|
| | -Ensure any complaints are passed onto the management within 24 hours of receiving the complaint. |
| Sites Workers/Employees/Visitors | -Follow requirements as directed by site engineers. -Report any potential environmental issues to site engineer/project manager, indicating spilt oil, excess waste, excessive dust generation, dirty water running off the site and other possible non-conformances |

The short description, effects, and class of potential impacts as well as timeframe, responsibility of implementation of management measures (actions) during the construction phase of the subdivision are presented in Table 2 below.

Table 2: Construction Phase and management actions (measures)

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action | |
|-------------------|---|--------------------------------------|--------|------------|------------------|--------------------------------------|--|
| | | | | frame | | | |
| | Servicing and Construction Phase-Negative Impacts | | | | | | |
| Social Grievance | -The re-alignment and relocation of | -Unresolved tension, poor | Social | Prior to | -Proponent | -The Proponent should in time notify | |
| over property | existing properties into surveyed erven | consultations, and | | and during | (Town Planning | the potentially affected landowners | |
| relocation or re- | may lead to loss of properties and | misunderstandings between the | | Constructi | Department and | (or neighbours) of the intention to | |
| alignment | possible conflicts between the | current residents (staying on or | | on Phase | Public Relations | establish and or upgrade the | |
| | Proponent and the landowner(s). | neighbouring the Portions) and | | | Officer) | townships. | |
| | | Town Council may lead to | | | | -Thorough consultation and | |
| | | unpleasant conflicts, especially the | | | | engagement with landowners should | |
| | | issue of relocation and re-alignment | | | | be conducted and amicable solutions | |
| | | of properties to be incorporated | | | | found and agreed on. | |
| | | into the FLTS scheme. | | | | -Where compensation is the case, the | |
| | | | | | | Proponent should amicably | |
| | | | | | | compensate the affected landowner | |
| | | | | | | according to the National | |
| | | | | | | Compensation Policy. | |

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
|--|--|---|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|---|
| Physical Disturbance of the site soils | -The stockpiling of topsoil and Proliferation of tracks -Excavation and associated works | -Compaction of soils by moving heavy vehicles and equipment and soil erosion | Environmental | frame Constructi on Phase | -Environmental Control Officer (ECO) | -Construction activities should be restricted on defined areasProper management of stockpiles. Excavated material must be covered in stockpiles until reuse and backfillingRestrict movement of heavy vehicles and equipment to defined areas. Use existing roads until access require limited new roads. |
| | | | | | | -Use surface anchored foundations with very limited rock breaking. |
| Noise pollution | Noise will be generated through: -Access roads upgrading -Construction of Streets -Construction of drainage services and water reticulation systemsConstruction of buildings -Moving vehicles. | -The health of working personnel could be disturbedPassers-by could be disturbed by the noiseGeneral annoyance -Driving away of local animals' species near the project site -Residents nearby will be affected | Environmental | Constructi on phase | -ECO -Site Manager | -A construction interval should be established, used and adhered toWorkers will be issued ear plugs to protect them from excessive noisePublic should be notified through printed timetable stating planned operational activitiesConstruction activities should be conducted during daytimeSite notices should be erected on and around the site notifying visitors and nearby residents of different hazards on site. |
| Dust Generation | If construction is done during dry seasons of the year, dust will accumulate because of the land preparation, onsite movements of vehicles and machines, wind blowing | -Can lead to respiratory illnesses especially to those working in the areaGeneral air pollutionNuisance to nearby residents | -Environmental -Social | Constructi on Phase | -ECO -Project Manager | -Dust suppression should be done through watering dust sources surfacesWatering down dusty surfaces, |

| Impact | | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
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| | | | | | frame | | |
| | | on loose material during construction | | | | | -Ensure that protective equipment |
| | | and tipping. | | | | | such as respirators are distributed to |
| | | | | | | | employees and ensure their use. |
| | | | | | | | -Site notices to be erected on and |
| | | | | | | | around the site to inform visitors and |
| | | | | | | | surrounding residents. |
| Loss | of | -Vegetation on site will be removed to | -The clearing of vegetation will | Environmental | Constructi | -Environmental | -The proposed project area had |
| Biodiversity | | allow site development. | result in the breaking of the | | on phase | Control Officer | development before the area was |
| | | -Habitat destruction for both ground | ecosystem processes in the area. | | | -Site Manager | proclaimed and there are massive |
| | | dwelling species and tree dwelling | -Loss of aesthetic value of the | | | | urban area disturbances already, |
| | | species. | project site areas. | | | | hence there is little vegetation to be |
| | | -Soil disturbance on and around the | -The few small animals still habiting | | | | affected by the development. |
| | | site. | the place such as small rodents and | | | | -All the major trees and protected |
| | | | birds will be forced away. | | | | species such baobab trees (Adansonia |
| | | | -The ecosystem food chain on and | | | | digitata) should be preserved, and the |
| | | | around the area will be broken. | | | | layout plan should fit into the |
| | | | | | | | environment without affecting the |
| | | | | | | | trees. |
| | | | | | | | -Ground disturbance should only be |
| | | | | | | | limited to boundary area to avoid |
| | | | | | | | affecting a large area. |
| | | | | | | | -Upon completion of construction |
| | | | | | | | activities more trees and lawn should |
| | | | | | | | be planted on and around the site to |
| | | | | | | | restore the site into a status that is |
| | | | | | | | environmentally friendly. |

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
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| | | | | frame | | |
| | Disturbance, killing and snaring of | The project site, especially | Environmental | Constructi | -ECO | -The Proponent should inform the |
| | domestic animals | Greenfield is currently a grazing | | on phase | | communities through the |
| | | area to some livestock during the | | | | constituency office of the intention to |
| | | rainy season. Therefore, the | | | | close off the open land. |
| | | development of the land will push | | | | -The livestock should not be killed but |
| | | the animals away. | | | | instead inform the locals / owner to |
| | | | | | | look after the animals and keep them |
| | | | | | | away from the town. |
| | | | | | | -No beating or snaring of people's |
| | | | | | | animals. |
| | | | | | | |
| Greenhouse gas | Green House Gasses (GHGs) emissions | -Global climate change | Environmental | Constructi | -Environmental | -Adopt the use of ethanol blended |
| emissions | will be produced from the following | -Air pollution | | on phase | Control Officer | fuels wherever necessary. |
| | activities: | | | | -Project | -Design an operation system that cuts |
| | -Fuels combustion for transport | | | | Manager | on fuel consumption. |
| | (construction vehicles and equipment) | | | | -Department of | -Use of solar energy system during |
| | -Ground excavation releases | | | | Environmental | construction for lighting and other |
| | phosphorus found underground and | | | | Affairs and | minor energy needs. |
| | releases particulate matter into the | | | | Forestry. | |
| D. II: | atmosphere. | | | 6 1 1 | | All to the second |
| Pollution from | Construction is associated with a lot of | -Chemical pollution from oil spills | Environmental | Constructi | -Environmental Control Officer | -All waste from construction activities |
| construction | raw material and activities that results | resulting from the handling of various machineries used during | | on phase | | should be stored and contained in designated containers and |
| activities | in pollution | the construction phase | | | -Project Manager | designated containers and transported to the Rehoboth waste |
| | | -Construction rubble, empty | | | ivialiagei | disposal site. |
| | | packaging containers/bags and | | | | -Bulk waste such as building rubbles |
| | | materials remnants. | | | | must be collected and disposed of at |
| | | -Construction workers can also | | | | any of the various municipal satellite |
| | | pollute the surrounding environs if | | | | sites or for landfilling. |
| | | they are not provided with | | | | sites of for fariaming. |
| | | adequate toilet facilities and a | | | | |
| | | adequate tollet lacilities allu a | | | | |

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| | | waste management system for | | | | -Adequate mobile toilets must be |
| | | domestic waste. | | | | provided at the construction camp for |
| | | | | | | the use of the workers. |
| | | | | | | -A skip container should be put on site |
| | | | | | | and regularly emptied to handle |
| | | | | | | domestic waste. |
| Hydrocarbons | There will be no storage of oils and fuel | -Washing away of contaminated | Environmental | Constructi | -Environmental | -Implement a maintenance |
| release into the | on site, however there is risk of spillage | soils by rains into nearby rivers | | on Phase | Control Officer | programme to ensure all vehicles, |
| environment | of hydrocarbons from vehicles and | -Pollution of soil and affecting small | | | -Project | machinery and equipment are |
| | machinery operations, maintenance | living organisms habituating the soil | | | Manager | maintained and remain in proper |
| | through leakages and spillages which | -Result in possible groundwater | | | -Department of | working order |
| | may result in environmental | pollution. | | | Environmental | -Vehicle maintenance should be |
| | contamination | -Possible fire risk on and around the | | | Affairs. | Conducted in designated areas only, |
| | | site | | | | preferably off-site. |
| | | | | | | - Spillages are to be removed from site |
| | | | | | | by a specialist waste removal |
| | | | | | | contractor such a rent a drum. |
| | | | | | | -Waste oil, fuels and other chemicals |
| | | | | | | from drip trays on stationery vehicles |
| | | | | | | and machinery should be disposed of |
| | | | | | | as hazardous waste at a licensed |
| | | | | | | facility by a specialist hazardous |
| | | | | | | waste handler. |
| | | | | | | -Oil residue should be treated with oil |
| | | | | | | absorbent material such as Drizit or |
| | | | | | | bioremediation and removed to an |
| | | | | | | approved waste disposal site |
| | | | | | | -Spill kits should be easily accessible, |
| | | | | | | and workers should be trained in the |
| | | | | | | use thereof. |

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
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| | | | | frame | | |
| | | | | | | -Staff and contractors should be trained in the handling and storage of oils, fuels, chemicals, and other hazardous substances -No bins containing organic solvents such as paint and thinners shall be cleaned on site unless containers for liquid waste disposal are provided on |
| | | | | : | D · · | site. |
| Safety and Health risks | Construction related Safety and Health hazards | -Injuries to workers such as Occupational dermatitis, slips and fall of humans and objects, musculoskeletal disorders, etc. | Health and safety | Constructi on phase | -Project Manager | -Equip workers with appropriate and adequate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), provide trainings on how to effectively use the PPEProvide platforms for briefings and meetings about possible safety and health hazards in the workplace -Provide site signs warning and informing about different hazards on site. |
| Population Influx | The project will bring in skilled and unskilled workforce into Rehoboth area from other places increasing population density in the area. | -There is potential for cultural systems conflict between locals and new people in the area -Potential for rife prostitution and spread of HIV/AIDS and other STDs -Potential for scaring away of local wild animals, poaching and removal of protected indigenous vegetative species | Socio-economic | Constructi on phase | -ECO -Project Manager | -Train and brief employees to respect local cultures and leaders, -Engage on massive sexual health training and awareness and providing contraceptives such as condoms, as well as provide means counselling for those that are affected by HIV/AIDS and other STDs, -Provide environmental trainings and continue a regular basis briefing the employees about nature conservation |

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| | | | | frame | | |
| | | | | | | (animal and plants) and discourage |
| | | | | | | indiscriminate vegetation clearance. |
| Employment | -The general servicing and all | -The unfair practices of giving jobs | Socio-economic | Constructi | -Project | -The Project Manager should make it |
| opportunities | construction activities create job | to outsiders overlooking locals | | on Phase | Manager | mandatory to contractors that all |
| during the | opportunities. | could create conflicts and tensions | | | -Proponent | unskilled and semi-skilled work |
| servicing and | | between the contractors, | | | | should be given to the locals. |
| construction | | Proponent, and the discriminated | | | | |
| phases of the | | locals. | | | | |
| development / | | | | | | |
| implementation | | | | | | |
| Extraction of | -Construction raw materials such as | -Sand abstractors may result in | -Ecological | Constructi | -ECO | -The Project Manager should make |
| consumption | sand and aggregate come from the | degradation from the source areas. | -Social | on | -Site Engineer | sure that suppliers of raw materials |
| resources | extractive industry, and it might have | -Unsustainable construction | | Phase | | from the extractive industry have an |
| | detrimental impacts on the | practices can cause damage to the | | | | Environmental Clearance Certificate |
| | environment. | ecological and social environment | | | | for their activities. |
| | | through noise, driving away animals | | | | |
| | | and destruction of forest resources. | | | | |
| Resources | The construction industry can be | -The project can result in a strain on | -Socio- | Constructi | -Environmental | -Water saving measures should be |
| consumption | resource intensive, i.e., electrical and | available water resources and | economic | on phase. | Control Officer | encouraged and implemented by the |
| | water resources. | electricity. | | | -Project | site manager and contractors. This |
| | | | | | Manager | include water re-use, recycling, |
| | | | | | | repairing leakages, opening taps only |
| | | | | | | when water is required and recycling |
| | | | | | | of water on site. |
| | | | | | | -Electricity supply should be |
| | | | | | | augmented by sustainable energy |
| | | | | | | such as solar to power things such as |
| | | | | | | boreholes and smaller appliances on |
| | | | | | | site. |

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
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| | | | | frame | | |
| Change in | -Use of caterpillars for servicing (roads | The trenches and stockpiled | Environmental | Constructi | -ECO | -All the excavated pits and trenches |
| topography / | construction and paving of the site) | materials would result in landscape | | on Phase | -Site Manager / | should be backfilled to ensure that |
| landscape | | change | | | Project Manager | there are no pits left open on site and |
| character | | | | | | creating a new paved landscape (use |
| | | | | | | of cement interlocks). |
| Archaeological | -The Rehoboth Town is home to some | The excavation works may lead to | Social | Constructi | -ECO | -The project contractors and workers |
| Landscape | of the cultural and heritage sites, | inadvertent damaging or opening of | | on Phase | -Project / Site | should be familiarised with the |
| | therefore, this area should not be | buried heritage and archaeological | | | Manager | Chance Find Procedure (CFP) – |
| | disturbed. | resources such as old graves or | | | | Appendix 1. |
| | | wartime artefacts. | | | | -Demarcate, protect, and avoid |
| | | | | | | development near heritage sites. |
| | | | | | | -If removal is inevitable, a Consent |
| | | | | | | Letter should be applied for from the |
| | | | | | | Heritage Council via an Archaeologist. |
| | | | | | | -All heritage and cultural resources |
| | | | | | | should be avoided and not to be |
| | | | | | | disturbed. |
| | | Construction Phase-Po | ositive Impacts | | | |
| Employment | The construction exercise provides an | -Improves disposable income to the | Socio-economic | Project | -Project | -Work hand in hand with the local |
| creation | opportunity of outsourcing work | unemployed and their immediate | | lifetime | Manager | leadership (constituency councillor) |
| | | families. | | | | on acquiring non-skilled labour from |
| | | | | | | the residents. |
| Business linkages | -Raw materials acquiring and | -Local suppliers will be presented | -Socio- | Constructi | -Project | -The Proponent should outsource |
| | contracting companies provide an | with an opportunity to empower | economic | on phase | Manager | most of its materials and services |
| | opportunity for local businesses. | their businesses. | | | | from Rehoboth. |
| | | -Construction workers can be | | | | |
| | | provided with accommodation, | | | | |
| | | food and services from the local | | | | |
| | | community increasing business | | | | |
| | | activities. | | | | |

| Impact | Description | Effects | Class | Time | Responsibility | Action |
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| | | | | frame | | |
| Infrastructure | The development presents a unique | -Existing roads will be upgraded | -Socio- | Constructi | -Project | -Development such as road upgrading |
| development | opportunity for infrastructure | which will benefit the local | economic | on phase | manager | should not only be limited up until the |
| | development in Rehoboth Town. | community. | | | | project site, but it should be extended |
| | | -Development of the facilities will | | | | to service other residents as well. |
| | | also pave way for future developers | | | | |
| | | / investors to grow interests in the | | | | |
| | | area and result in ripple effects and | | | | |
| | | quick growing of the Town. | | | | |

2.3. OPERATIONAL PHASE

The operational phase is the most critical component of project implementation since it is more on a long term, however and it is normally associated with less impacts as compared to construction phase. This phase will comprise of the actual day to day running of the development (Subdivision and construction of No. 302 Rehoboth Block D Extention 2). This phase is expected to last permanently, but with upgrading activities occasionally. There will be several impacts that will occur daily or other sequential routine. The phase forms the basis of an EMP that is detailed in Chapter 2 and will be followed by the decommissioning phase. The major impacts identified by this study for the operational phase are as detailed in the previous chapter. The impacts and management actions for the operation phase is presented in Table 3.

Table 3: Impacts associated with the Operation Phase and management actions (measures)

| Aspect | Description | Effects | Class | Time Frame | Responsibility | Action | | | |
|--------------|---|--|---------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | Operation Phase-Negative Impacts | | | | | | | | |
| Water usage | -Water is an important resource that will be used by the residents for domestic purposes, the proposed project will be serviced with water by responsible department in the Rehoboth Town council's water reticulation system. | -Straining local water supply from the council water reticulation system | Environmental | Permanent | Building/Site manager | -A supply and demand model should be applied and determined by seasonal variations in water availabilityWater saving connections should be put in placeRegular maintenance of water pipes to avoid leakages and | | | |
| Energy usage | -Human settlements consume a lot of electrical energy daily, such | -Energy supply through the main grid will be strained | -Socio-economic | Permanent | -Building/Site manager | wasteful use of water resources. -The Proponent is recommended to use energy | | | |
| Solid Waste | that energy requirements will need checking. -Domestic and industrial solid waste will be generated by the residents who will settle in this area. It is therefore very important to construct appropriate infrastructure to management thus waste types, etc. | - Eyesore to the environment -Unwanted nutrient disposal into the soils, - Detrimental to livestock health | Environmental Socio-economic | Permanent | -Site manager | saving equipment and gadgets with green rating. -Visual inspections monitoring -All waste should be managed by the Rehoboth Town Council and ensure that domestic waste handling facilities such as dust bins and skip containers are available for all erven. -Waste separation should be provided for to allow for recycling of recyclable materials. | | | |

| Aspect | Description | Effects | Class | Time Frame | Responsibility | Action |
|-----------------------------|---|--|-----------------------------------|------------|---|---|
| Sewerage and effluent waste | Domestic activities will result in ablution sewer water | -Health hazard | -Environmental -Health | Permanent | Site Manager | -All sewerage waste should be channelled into the Municipal sewer reticulation system. |
| Population increase | Influx of population into the area. | -Population increase may result in social evils such as prostitution and high crime ratePressure on available social servicesCultural integration may result in dilution of the local values and culturesPossibility for conflicts between new residents, visitors, and the residents. | -Socio-economic | Permanent | -Proponent -Police -Health services | -Ensuring that additional social amenities are put in place to serve the growing population. |
| Increased storm water flow | -The area is undeveloped hence most water quickly infiltrates as it reaches the ground, but due to the paving and hard surfaces storm water will increase | -Enhance the chances of flood occurrences -Chances of soil erosion and gully formation will be increased | Environmental | Permanent | -Site Engineer -Environmental Control Officer | -Standard storm water drainage will be part of the water reticulation designs indicating the storm water deposit areas. |
| Infrastructure hazards | -Infrastructure hazards are potential risks that building pose to its inhabitants, local environment, or surrounding residents. | -There is potential for building collapse. -Firebreaks potential | -Socio-economic -Environmental | Permanent | -Site Engineer -Contractor -Proponent -Buildings inspectorate -Ministry of Health & Social ServicesMinistry of Home Affairs, Immigration, Safety & security | -Sewerage infrastructure will be regularly monitored and inspected over timeStandard buildings will be constructed and building inspection will be done by Town Council officersFire emergency evacuation plan will be put in place to avoid fatalities and injuries in case of an emergency. |

| Aspect | Description | Effects | Class | Time Frame | Responsibility | Action | | | | |
|----------------|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|-----------|------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Operational Phase-Positive Impacts | | | | | | | | | |
| Development of | -The project will further develop | -Ripple effects will result in | -Economic | Permanent | -Rehoboth Town | -The subdivision and | | | | |
| the area | Rehoboth Town as a growing | construction of supporting | | | Council | construction should be | | | | |
| | town. | infrastructure such as schools, | | | | regulated in such a way that | | | | |
| | | hospitals, car services and | | | | the local people are | | | | |
| | | supermarkets. | | | | empowered and benefit from | | | | |
| | | | | | | the development activities. | | | | |
| Revenue | The development is bound by to | -The town council will benefit | National | Permanent | -Proponent | -The project will benefit the | | | | |
| generation | pay tax and rates to Rehoboth | from revenue generation | | | -Inland Revenue | locals, relevant authorities, | | | | |
| | Town Council and the | from the development | | | department (now the | and the government if all dues, | | | | |
| | government | -Business facilities will be | | | Namibia Revenue | rates and taxes are adhered to. | | | | |
| | | paying tax to the government | | | Agency (NamRa) | | | | | |
| | | benefiting the country at | | | | | | | | |
| | | large. | | | | | | | | |

2.4. ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING PLAN

Monitoring component is very important for identifying successfulness of mitigation measures

formulated for the significant impacts identified. The monitoring works will identify impacts that

have not been foreseen and give enough time to analyse the situation and formulate measures to

minimise impact. Survey records and results must be maintained for these monitoring and

inspections, highlighting any problems and the measures taken to address it.

Prior to site preparation and construction activities, the main contractor should present an EMP

(including, inter alia, location of construction camp and toilet facilities, location of material storage

areas, solid waste management plan, dust control measures, activity schedule, etc.) for review and

approval by the DEAF, the environmental monitor and the Project Manager. The Proponent should

present a landscape plan and the trees/vegetation earmarked for protection should be flagged and

adhered to by the contractor.

The entity selected to carry out environmental monitoring of the construction works should then

prepare an environmental monitoring programme based on the above, the requirements of the EIA,

and conditions of the development permit. The major elements of the environmental impact

monitoring programme to be implemented during the subdivision and construction phase of the

project are as follows:

• Site clearance to ensure that trees marked for protection are left untouched and that large

areas of soil are not left exposed and uncovered for extended periods of time.

Site drainage and surface runoff, especially during and shortly after major rainfall events, to

ensure there is no flooding, ponding and runoff of surface water Compliance of construction

works with site management and landscape plans.

Ensure transportation of earth materials is done by covered trucks and from approved sites.

The contractor must immediately and completely clean up spills of materials in public areas.

Solid waste disposal practices to ensure appropriate on-site management and final disposal

at approved dump.

Health and Safety should be prioritised at all times.

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3. CHAPTER THREE: CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1. CONCLUSION

Arising from the analysis by the Consultants, the proposed project will create permanent land

cover/use change on the proposed project site. The document has thus provided adequate

mitigation measures for the identified impacts for sustainable land development, because the land

must be developed and or upgraded, but with land development there should not be environmental

degradation, thus the EMP provides for the sustainable land development for the subdivision and

construction implementation.

3.2. RECOMMENDATIONS

To alleviate any negative impacts that may emanate from the construction and operation phases of

the subdivision implementation, and its affiliate development, relevant and cost-effective

management and mitigation measures will be put in place. The following recommendations are

proposed:

a) Waste Management Recommendations

Solid and liquid waste shall be generated during the project lifespan and must be managed in such

a way that it does not impact on the environment.

• The waste water reticulation system should be regularly monitored and maintained in good

working conditions and odours managed to make the facility environmentally friendly.

Provision of colour coded dust bins at all erven to ensure that recyclable material is

recovered.

b) Environment Management Plan Recommendations

To ensure a healthy and safe environment in the proposed site and its environs, a plan for

environmental management has to be instituted through monitoring. This involves the collection

and analysis of relevant environmental data of the site including:

Health & Security provision for workers

Firefighting equipment that is strategically placed for easy access

Devoted maintenance status of drainage facilities (drainage lines)

Energy production and use

- Ensuring that only efficient taps are installed to conserve water.
- Quantification on amount of waste generated and its management to obtain information for continued improvement in handling and disposal
- Observation on socio-economic & demographic characteristics of the project's life cycle and identification of unexpected environmental impact
- Formulation of countermeasures to mitigate against the observed unexpected negative impacts and comparing them with actual impacts.

Appendix 1: Archaeology's Chance Finds Procedure (CFP)

After Kinahan, 2020

Areas of proposed activities or developments are subject to heritage survey and assessment at the

planning stage. These surveys are based on surface indications alone, and it is therefore possible

that sites or items of heritage significance will be found during development work. The procedure

set out here covers the reporting and management of such finds.

Scope: The "chance finds" procedure covers the actions to be taken from the discovery of a heritage

site or item to its investigation and assessment by a trained archaeologist or other appropriately

qualified person.

Compliance: The "chance finds" procedure is intended to ensure compliance with relevant

provisions of the National Heritage Act (27 of 2004), especially Section 55 (4): "a person who

discovers any archaeological objectmust as soon as practicable report the discovery to the

Council". The procedure of reporting set out below must be observed so that heritage remains

reported to the NHC are correctly identified in the field.

Manager/Supervisor must report the finding to the following competent authorities:

National Heritage Council of Namibia (061 244 375)

• National Museum (061 276 800)

• National Forensic Laboratory (061 240 461).

Archaeological material (graves, artefacts, sites, etc) must NOT be touched. Tempering with the

materials is an offence under the Heritage act and punishable upon conviction by the law.

Responsibility:

Operator: To exercise due caution if archaeological remains are found

Foreman: To secure site and advise management timeously

Superintendent: To determine safe working boundary and request inspection

Archaeologist: To inspect, identify, advise management, and recover remains

Procedure:

Action by person identifying archaeological or heritage material:

- a) If operating machinery or equipment stop work
- b) Identify the site with flag tape
- c) Determine GPS position if possible
- d) Report findings to foreman

Action by foreman

- a) Report findings, site location and actions taken to superintendent
- b) Cease any works in immediate vicinity

Action by superintendent

- a) Visit site and determine whether work can proceed without damage to findings
- b) Determine and mark exclusion boundary
- c) Site location and details to be added to project GIS for field confirmation by archaeologist

Action by Archaeologist

- a) Inspect site and confirm addition to project GIS
- b) Advise NHC and request written permission to remove findings from work area
- c) Recovery, packaging and labelling of findings for transfer to National Museum

In the event of discovering human remains

- a) Actions as above
- b) Field inspection by archaeologist to confirm that remains are human
- c) Advise and liaise with NHC and Police
- d) Recovery of remains and removal to National Museum or National Forensic Laboratory, as directed.