



REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA
MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTRY AND TOURISM

OFFICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER

ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

ISSUED

In accordance with Section 37(2) of the Environmental
Management Act (Act No. 7 of 2007)

TO

Lions in the Sun (Pty) Ltd
P. O. Box 30078, Windhoek

TO UNDERTAKE THE FOLLOWING LISTED ACTIVITY

**The Operations of Okahirongo Elephant Lodge, Purros Conservancy,
Kunene Region.**



Issued on the date: **2022-07-12**
Expires on this date: **2025-07-12**

(See conditions printed over leaf)



CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

1. This environmental clearance is valid for a period of 3 (three) years, from the date of issue unless withdrawn by this office
2. This certificate does not in any way hold the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism accountable for misleading information, nor any adverse effects that may arise from these activities. Instead, full accountability rests with the proponent and its consultants
3. This Ministry reserves the right to attach further legislative and regulatory conditions during the operational phase of the project
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5. All applicable and required permits are obtained and mitigation measures stipulated in the EMP are applied particularly with respect to management of ecological impacts.
6. Strict compliance with national heritage guidelines and regulations is expected throughout the life-span of the proposed activity, therefore any new archaeological finds must be reported to the National Heritage Council for appropriate handling of such.
7. A six monthly report on project progress and environmental management profile, starting from date of commencement of operations, must be submitted by the Proponent to Office of Environmental Commissioner.



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OFFICE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSIONER

NOTIFICATION OF DECISION

REF NUMBER: ECC 02220

DATE OF ISSUE: 12 JULY 2022

DETAILS OF PROPONENT:

Lions in the Sun (Pty) Ltd
P. O. Box 30078
Windhoek
Namibia

Dear Sir/ Madam

SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION ON APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE TO UNDERTAKE THE PROPOSED LISTED ACTIVITY: The Operations of Okahirongo Elephant Lodge, Purros Conservancy, Kunene Region.

Notice is herewith given in accordance with section 37(2) of the Environmental Management Act, Act 7 of 2007 and Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2012 (GG 4878): that a decision in respect to your application No. **APP 3528** Environmental Clearance Certificate to undertake a listed activity has been reached.

DECISION

An Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to undertake the listed activities specified in the environmental assessment report and draft management plan dated February 2022, is granted (**ECC 02220**). The applicant / proponent is therefore advised to comply with conditions of approval set out in **Section C** of this notification.

A. DETAILS OF THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY

A1: TITLE OF THE PROPOSED ACTIVITY

The Operations of Okahirongo Elephant Lodge, Purros Conservancy, Kunene Region.

“Stop the poaching of our rhinos”

All official correspondence must be addressed to the Executive Director



A2: DETAILS OF ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER

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A3: LOCATION OF PROPOSED ACTIVITY

(Annexure A – proposed site map)

B. RELEVANT LISTED ACTIVITIES

Legislation	Description of Listed Activity	Relevance to Proposed Activity
Regulation 29(sub-regulation 5) of Government Notice No. 29 of 2012	TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES - The construction of resorts, lodges, hotels or other tourism and hospitality facilities.	The Operations of Okahirongo Elephant Lodge, Purros Conservancy, Kunene Region.

C. CONDITIONS

C1: Conditions of Approval

1. This certificate does not in any way hold the Ministry of Environment and Tourism accountable for misleading information, nor any adverse effects that may arise from these activities. Instead, full accountability rests with the proponent and its consultants.
2. This Ministry reserves the right to attach further legislative and regulatory conditions during the operational phase of the project.
3. Regular environmental monitoring and evaluations on environmental performance should be conducted. Targets for improvements should be established and monitored throughout this process.
4. This environmental clearance is valid for a period of 3 (three) years, from the date of issue unless withdrawn by this office.

C2: Clearance Certificate Validity

1. On expiry of the ECC, the proponent is required to submit within a period not exceeding one month, and in the prescribed form and manner an application to the Office of the Environmental Commissioner for the renewal of the ECC.
2. Failure to renew an expired environmental clearance certificate shall result in permanent termination of the environmental clearance certificate.



3. In terms of Section 3 (2)C of the Environmental Impact Assessment, you are instructed to, within 14 days of this notice issuance date, ensure that all registered interested and affected parties (“ I&APs”) are notified that an environmental clearance certificate has been issued in respect to your application and of their right to appeal

C3: Compliance with authorization under other laws

4. All other applicable and required permits or authorization from relevant competent authorities must be obtained prior to commencing the proposed activities and accordingly adhered to.

C4: Implementation and Monitoring

5. The granting of the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) constitute, an approval for the implementation of mitigation measures proposed in your approved Environmental Management Plan (EMP), hence making the approved EMP legally binding document.
6. The proponent shall appoint a suitably experienced environmental control officer, or site agent where appropriate, before the commencement of any listed activities to ensure compliance with the conditions of approval and mitigation stipulated in the approved EMP
7. The proponent shall erect a signboard not smaller than 70 cm in height and 100cm in width, at the major entrance/s to project site / premises, specifying the title of their approved activity, the name of the ECC holder, and a contact details for enquiries.
8. A copy of the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC), EMP, Environmental Audit and monitoring reports must be kept at the site of the authorized activity and readily available for inspection by officials of the Ministry and registered Interested and affected Parties (I&APs) on request.
9. Entry and exit points to the Park as well as the driving routes to be followed in the Park shall be determined by this Ministry in its sole discretion and shall be communicated to the Holder in writing. The proponent shall strictly adhere to the designated entry points, exit points and driving routes. Only existing tracks or roads may be used unless prior approval is obtained from the Ministry.
10. All tracks or roads must be established, constructed and rehabilitated under the supervision of officials designated by the Ministry for this purpose.
11. Should any heritage remains be exposed during excavations or any other actions on the site, these must immediately be reported to the National Heritage Council of Namibia. Heritage remains uncovered or disturbed during earthworks must not be further disturbed until the necessary approval has been obtained from National Heritage Council.
12. Officials of the environmental commissioner’s office may from time-to-time conduct spot-inspection (non-auditing) without prior notice and or Auditing Inspection (dates to be agreed prior to arrival to the site), hence access to the site and the aforementioned documentation must be granted to any authorized official representing the Office of the Environmental Commissioner and Registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs)



13. Officials representing the Office of the Environmental Commissioner must be, in possession and or by request and for the purpose of inspection referred to in C4(12) present their staff identification card in order to gain entry to the premises
14. The proponent is required, from the date of commencing implementation of project activities, to compile and submit environmental monitoring reports (on project progress and the environmental management profile) on a bi-annual basis to Office of Environmental Commissioner
15. Any changes to, or deviations from the scope of project activities approved in respect to the assessment received and reviewed for the purpose or granting this ECC Number (**ECC 02220**) are subject to an amendment application and approval by the Environmental Commissioner prior to adopting / implementing any such changes / deviations.
16. For the purpose of amending and or transferring the ECC, the proponent submit in the prescribed form and manner an application to the Office of the Environmental Commissioner, clearly indicating the need for amendment and or transfer of the ECC
17. Non-compliance with a condition of this Environmental Clearance Certificate or EMP may render the Proponent liable to criminal prosecution.

D. DISCLAIMER

1. The decision taken by the Office of Environmental Commission is based mainly on information provided by the proponent or their representative, therefore, it must be noted here that the proponent is accountable for any wrong and misleading information that may have been presented in the environmental assessment documents.

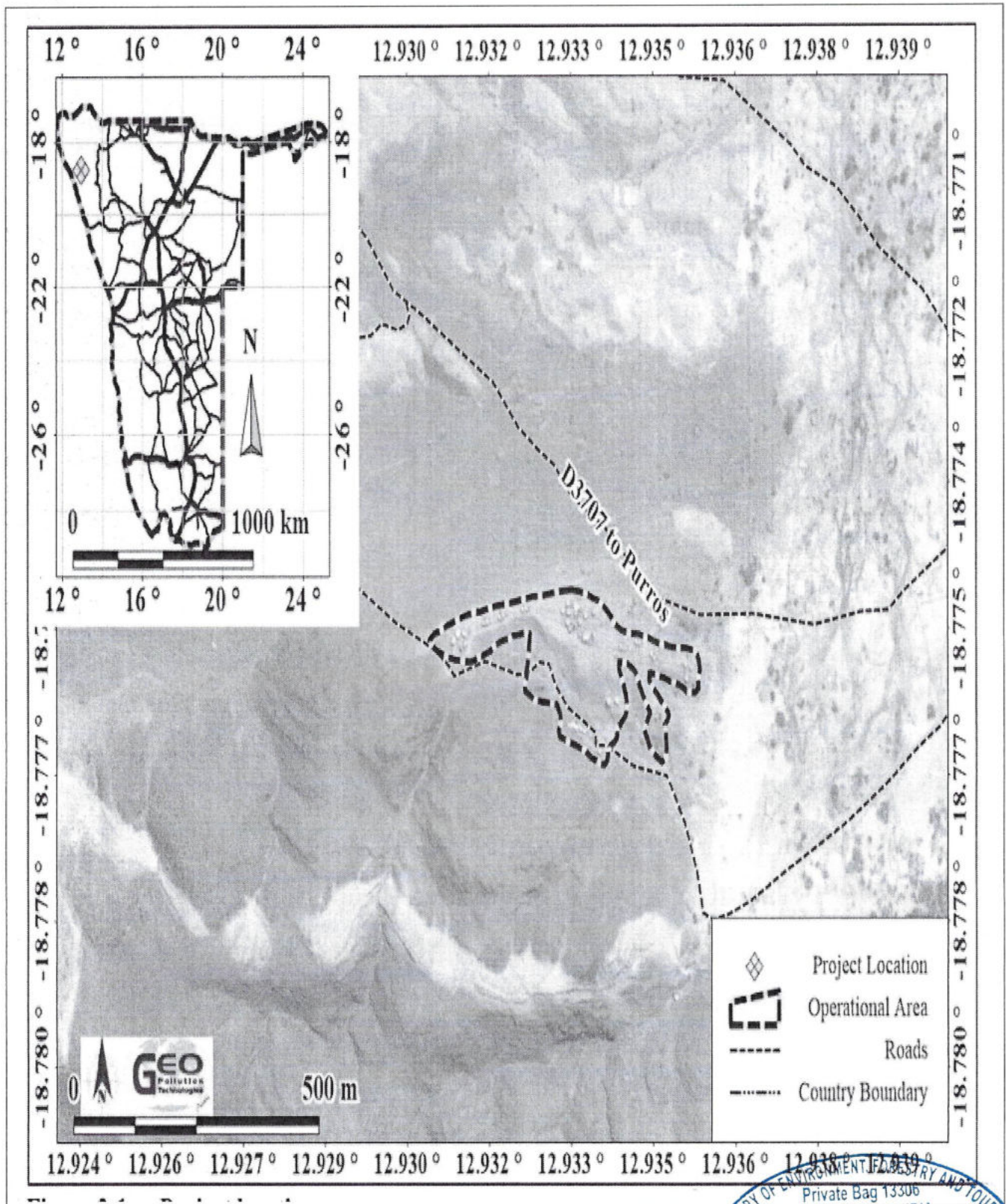
Yours sincerely



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19 JUL 2022

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ANNEXURE A: SITEMAP / SITE LAYOUT



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