

1 EPUPA CONSERVANCY

1.1 Location

Epupa conservancy (Otjiherero language a for "foam", referring to the foam created by the *falling water*) is located in Epupa Constituency north of the Kunene region at Angola and Namibia borders in a valley surrounded by rugged mountains towards the Kunene River (fig 1). It was gazzeted in October 2012 and covers an area of about 2912.34 km² representing about 3% of the 115615.7 km² Kunene regional land area.

The water abstraction is located at the area with existing pipeline (-17.001675°, 13.247645°) while the drilling of borehole has two proposed site i) next to the water abstraction site ii) outskirts of the settlement (-17.007711°, 13.251492°) (fig 1).



Figure 1. Location of Epupa Falls and i) direct water abstraction site and ii) proposed borehole site