



MINUTES

Consultative Meeting with The Management of the Municipality of Walvis Bay

Venue: Municipality of Walvis Bay

Date: 04th October 2022

Time: 09h00

AGENDA

Briefing on the Environmental Impact Assessment study for Aquaculture Development Activities in Walvis Bay:

- Proposed project site for the Municipality (between Aphrodite and Namport)

PRESENT

R. Nuujoma KPM Environmental Consulting
F. Kapembe KPM Environmental Consulting
J. Hamukwaya Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources (MFMR)
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H. Shikongo - Municipality of Walvis Bay
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INTRODUCTION

KPM Environmental Consulting was appointed by Benguela Current Commission to conduct the EIAs for Mariculture Development for Swakopmund, Walvis Bay and Lüderitz (sea-based and land-based).

The reason for the Environmental Impact Assessment is in line with the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (Government Notice No. 30 of 2012), which states that any intended activity or development



which may fall under the list of activities in accordance with the Environmental Assessment Regulations may not be undertaken without an Environmental Clearance Certificate.

1. Welcome and Adoption of Agenda

Ms. Asino welcomed everyone to the meeting and briefly explained the purpose of the meeting.

2. Purpose of the Meeting

The purpose of the meeting was to provide more information and obtain more insight on the EIA for the plots between Aphrodite and Namport site which belongs to the municipality.

Introduction by: Mr. Hamukwaya:

Thank you (Municipality) for according the environmental consultant an opportunity to brief the management of the municipality on the progress of the EIA mostly for the Walvis bay plots. This meeting is emanating from the previous meeting between MFMR and the Council that was held on 22nd September 2022, where the Council or Municipality was briefed about the EIA for Aquaculture Development activities.

Mr. Kapembe gave a presentation on the progress of the EIA with more emphasis on the plots or project site for the Municipality of Walvis Bay.

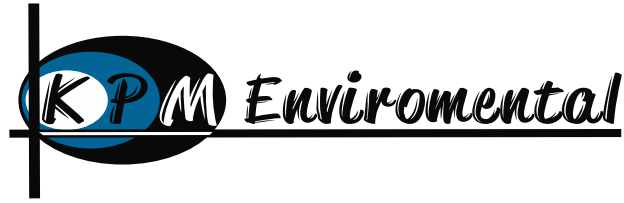
3. Issues and Concerns raised by the Public and explanations

The meeting was attended mostly by the management team of the municipality. Representatives from the municipality provided input on some of the aspects that may require consideration when drafting the environmental assessment reports. These aspects are outlined below.

The EIA study in particular for the project site for the Municipality of Walvis Bay should Aquaculture Act of Namibia.

Other Local Authorities and/stakeholders (Namport) should also be consulted with regards to the declaration of their sites as Aquaculture Zones accordingly.

The proposed future aquaculture farms for Namport do not align with the aquaculture site for the Municipality of Walvis Bay.



The current site for Namport (Walvis Bay) is directly facing and /or adjacent to the existing and future planned residential erven. Clarity should be sought between the two parties in relation to the project site locations.

The environmental consultant should liaise with Namport regarding the locality maps for the aquaculture site for Namport (Walvis Bay).

The environmental consultant to share any updated maps (if any) with the Municipality of Walvis Bay (Town Planning Department).

Further considerations pertaining to the size of the aquaculture plots should be exercised to ensure sufficient space for the aquaculture operations feasible or economically viable. This should speak to the socio-economic aspects of the project taking into consideration the needs and requirements for the operators to maximize their operations. The requirements of services in terms of sewer, electricity, water etc. should be considered.

For the land-based activities, emphasis should also be made on the potential impacts related to the uptake of seawater and discharge of wastewater back into the ocean (abstraction of seawater for the land-based activities).

The environmental consultant to consider consultations with the Head of the Aquarium to find out the problems they experience how they abstract seawater and treat the water.

Based on the consultations between the environmental consultant and other stakeholders, it is anticipated that it would be good if more land could be availed to have sufficient space given that operators may have different facilities and other associated infrastructure.

In addition, the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism has advised that this EIA study be considered as a sectoral study which then focuses on the whole area/town. This is to make provision and ensure future aquaculture development activities (in terms of expansion and change of sites) for each town.

The draft environmental assessment report and Environmental Management Plan will be made available to the municipality for further input and review.

The Municipality of Walvis Bay to submit their application for the declaration of an area as an Aquaculture Zone to the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources.



The Municipality of Walvis Bay to share with the environmental consultant their expectations (facilities) of an aquaculture zoned area. This will make provision for the EIA study to include impacts that may arise from the facilities.

The EIA should also touch on the assessment of aesthetic values (landscaping) and/or impacts that may arise from the development of these sites given that the project site falls under the area that is viewed prominent from Swakopmund.

Impacts of aquaculture activities on the Guano Island (birds).

Impacts of aquaculture activities on the nearby residential properties Aphrodite beach (noise, odour) Waste Management.

4. Tentative Key Points (Require action):

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The Municipality of Walvis Bay to submit their application for the declaration of their site as an Aquaculture Zone to the Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources.

Other Local Authorities and/stakeholders (Namport, Luderitz and Swakopmund) to be consulted with regards to the declaration of their sites as Aquaculture Zones as per the Aquaculture Act.

The current site for Namport (Walvis Bay) is directly facing and /or adjacent to the existing and future planned residential erven. Clarity to be sought between the two parties in relation to the project site locations.

The environmental consultant to liaise with Namport regarding the locality maps for the aquaculture site for Namport (Walvis Bay).

The environmental consultant to share any updated maps (if any) with the Municipality of Walvis Bay (Town Planning Department).

5. WAY FORWARD

Further consultations regarding the declaration of project areas as aquaculture zones as per the Aquaculture Act will be done with local authorities of Swakopmund and Luderitz to seek for approval.



Draft Environmental Assessment Report for the proposed project will be made available at the Municipality of Walvis Bay and Namport respectfully. The report may not be removed from the Municipality`s premises
member of the public should be able to come in and view the document at any time

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R. Nuujoma



ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR MARINE AQUACULTURE DEVELOPMENT IN SWAKOPMUND, WALVIS BAY AND LÜDERITZ

PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS FOR WALVIS BAY MARICULTURE OPERATORS & STAKEHOLDERS

Date: Tuesday, 23rd August 2022

Time: 17h30 – 19h30

Venues: Walvis Bay Town Hall, Walvis Bay

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PUBLIC NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR MARINE AQUACULTURE (MARICULTURE) DEVELOPMENT IN WALVIS BAY, ERONGO REGION

KPM Environmental Consulting hereby give notice to all potentially Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) that an application will be made to Environmental Commissioner in terms of the Environmental Management Act (No 7 of 2007) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (GN 30 of 6 February 2012) for the following activity:

PROJECT NAME: Marine Aquaculture Development

PROJECT LOCATION: Walvis Bay, Erongo Region

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The project will comprise out of the following activities:

- The EIA is for the demarcated Aquaculture Park inclusive of areas earmarked for land-based mariculture and existing and emerging projects that would be located in Walvis Bay. The project aims to address the barriers for mariculture.

PROPONENT: The Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources (MFMR)

ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT: KPM Environmental Consulting

PUBLIC MEETING:

Swakopmund

Venue: Ministry of Fisheries and Marine Resources Auditorium, Swakopmund

Date: 08th August 2022

Time: 10h00

REGISTRATION OF I&APS AND SUBMISSION OF COMMENTS:

In line with Namibia's Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and EIA regulations (GN 30 of 6 February 2012), all I&APs are hereby invited to register and submit their comments, concerns, or questions. All I&APs will be provided with a Background Information Document (BID) consisting of descriptive information about the development activity. Should you wish to register as an I&AP, **kindly contact KPM Environmental Consulting on the contact details below:**

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CLOSING DATE FOR COMMENTS: 29th August 2022

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