APPENDIX A

CV'S -SHARON MEYER, STEPHANIE STRAUSS AND LLOYD MCFARLANE



CORE SKILLS

- Project management
- Strategic assessment
- Resource management and allocation
- Technical review
- Business development
- Impact assessment
- Client engagement
- Management and integration
- Sustainability reporting and auditing
- Presentation and facilitation
- Environmental Management and mitigation

DETAILS

Qualifications

- BSc Zoology and Geography (University of Witwatersrand) 1999
- BSc Honours Environmental Management (University of Witwatersrand) 2000
- MSc Zoology and Environmental Education (University of Witwatersrand) 2007

Memberships

SACNASP - Pr. Sci. Nat.

International Association for Impact Assessment

Languages:

English (Excellent)

Afrikaans (Good)

Countries worked in:

South Africa Mozambique Namibia

Senior Environmental Scientist

PROFILE

Sharon joined GCS as an Environmental Marketing Manager and has over 18 years' experience as a Principal Environmental Assessment Practitioner within the consulting field. The work experience that she has ranges from small urban development projects to large projects with multi-national team input. She has worked on various projects and her focus has been on coal and diamond mining, industrial waste management and power generation projects. Sharon has focused on innovation in industrial waste management in the mining and electricity generation sectors. She has worked in power generation on coal fired power stations, combined cycle gas plants, wind and hydroelectric scheme projects. Sharon has worked on site and linear projects, managing biophysical and socio-economic impact assessments.

Sharon has skills and experience in the following areas:

- Project management
- Strategic environmental assessment
- Resource management and allocation
- Technical review
- Business development
- Impact assessment
- Conservation planning
- Sustainability reporting and auditing
- Environmental management and mitigation

Sharon has managed multi-disciplinary teams on projects of national and strategic importance, to comply with international funding requirements. She works closely with the client and authorities to identify practical and sustainable solutions to address business challenges.

Recent Key project experience includes Project Manager and Principal Environmental Assessment Practitioner on the following projects:

- Chitima Integrated Coal Power Project ESIA and RAP in Tete Province of Mozambique.
- Medupi Power Station Flue Gas Desulphurisation Retrofit ESIA, Waste Management License and WULA.
- Kendal Power Station Continuous Ash Disposal Facility ESIA, Waste Management License and WULA.
- Richards Bay Combined Cycle Power Project EIA.
- Koffiefontein Diamond Mine New Tailings Facility EIA.

Year	Employer	Project description	Roles and responsibilities
November 2017- June 2018	2018 Savannah Environmental (Pty) Principal Environmental		Technical Report Writing
	Ltd	Consultant	Impact Assessment
			Project Management
			Technical Review
			Auditing and Monitoring
			Client Liaison
			Stakeholder Engagement
			Management and Coordination
			of Multi-Disciplinary Teams
September 2013 - October	Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd	Divisional Lead and Senior	Resource Allocation and
2017		Environmental Scientist	Management Project
			Management
			Marketing
			Technical Review
			Technical Report Writing
			Impact Assessment Client
			Liaison Stakeholder
			Engagement
			Management and Co-ordination
			of Multi-Disciplinary Teams

September 2009 - August 2013	Envirokey Management	Director and Senior Scientist	Resource Allocation and
	Services CC		Management Project
			Management Client
			Liaison Marketing
			Technical Review
			Impact Assessment
			Project Management
			Technical Report Writing
			Stakeholder Engagement
July 2007 - August 2009	Holgate, Meyer and Associates	Partner and Senior	Resource Allocation and
	сс	Environmental Scientist	Management Project
			Management Impact
			Assessment
			Marketing
			Technical Review
			Client Liaison
			Technical Report Writing
			Stakeholder Engagement

May 2005 - June 2007	Cymbian Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd	Environmental Consultant	Technical Report Writing Impact Assessment Project Management Stakeholder
			Engagement Client Liaison
May 2003 - April 2005	Oryx Environmental Consulting	Junior Environmental	Technical Report Writing
	CC	Consultant	Impact Assessment
			Environmental Management
			Planning
			Biodiversity Action Plans
			Strategic Environmental
			Management Plans
January 2001 - April 2003	Eskom Enterprises - TSI	Environmental Officer	Environmental Management
			Plans
			Animal Interaction Investigations
			Waste Management Committee
			Impact Assessment
			Technical Writing



CORE SKILLS

- Project management
- Impact assessment
- Environmental Management and mitigation
- Environmental Monitoring
- Client engagement
- Public participation and stakeholder engagement
- Geographic Information Systems

DETAILS

Qualifications

- BA Honours Geography and Environmental Studies -University of Namibia 2013
- PGD Environmental Management University of Stellenbosch 2018 (Cum Laude)
- Mphil Environmental Management University of Stellenbosch 2019

Memberships

EAPAN Environmental Practitioners Association of Namibia

Languages:

English (Excellent)

Afrikaans

(Excellent)

Countries worked in:

Namibia

Environmental Practitioner

PROFILE

Stephanie is an Environmental Assessment Practitioner with experience in Environmental projects in various sectors. The work experience that she has ranges from environmental assessments for urban development projects, waste, infrastructure development to quarrying. She has conducted various public participation and stakeholder engagement relevant to the projects. Stephanie has also conducted environmental monitoring and compliance.

Stephanie has skills and experiences in the following areas:

- Environmental Impact assessment
- Environmental management and mitigation
- Environmental monitoring and reporting

Recent key projects project experience includes Environmental Assessment Practitioner on the following:

- Arandis Logistics Park EIA- 2016
- Township Establishment of Omatando Extensions Proper to Extension 7, Ongwediva EIA 2017
- Rundu Waste Disposal Site EIA -2017
- Sand Mining and Brick Manufacturing Nkurenkuru EIA -2017
- Emirates Hotel, Ondangwa EIA 2017
- Establishment of Kranzfontein Nature Estate Grootfontein EIA - 2017
- Brickmaking Factory, Outapi EIA 2018
- Osona Village Master Plan EIA, Okahandja 2018
- Township Establishment of Various Townships in Helao Nafidi EIA- 2018
- Construction and Operation of Service Stations in Karibib, Grootfontein and Ruacana EIA- 2018
- Osona Village Development Environmental monitoring and Compliance - 2019

Year	Employer	Project description	Roles and responsibilities
Present	GCS Namibia Environmental Consultant		Project co-ordination
			Environmental Assessment
			Client Liaison
			Stakeholder Engagement
			Authority Liaison
			Environmental auditing and
			monitoring.
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July 2016 to present	Africa Planning Forum	Junior Environmental	Technical Report Writing
		Consultant	Impact Assessment
			Environmental Management
			Planning
			Environmental
			Compliance and
			Monitoring
			Stakeholder Engagement

June 2013 to July 2016	Stubenrauch Planning Consultants	Town Planning Officer	Statutory Planning
			Structure Plan Baseline research and Report Writing
			Environmental Assessment
			GIS Base Mapping



CORE SKILLS

- Project Management
- EMP and EIA's
- Integrated Water and Environmental Investigations
- Environmental and Social Due Diligence Investigations
- Environmental and Social Monitoring
- Integrated Sustainability Reporting
- Socio-economic Impact Assessments,
- · Resettlement Action Plans
- Social and Labour Plans
- Social aspects of Mine Closure investigations

DETAILS

Qualifications

- MSc (Environmental Science, Sustainable Development)
 University of the Witwatersrand (Global Change and Sustainability Research Institute),
 Johannesburg, South Africa
- BSocSci (Hons) (Development Studies): University of Pretoria, South Africa
- BSocSci: (Environmental Science Political Science, Anthropology) Rhodes University, Grahamstown, South Africa

Memberships

Registered Trainee Environmental Assessment Practitioner (Ref. No. BEAPA/2018/0085

Languages:

- English excellent (speak, read, write
- Zulu basic (speak, read, write)
- seTswana basic (speak only)
- French elementary (speak, read, write)
- Mandarin elementary (speak, read, write)

Lloyd McFarlane

Social and Environmental Consultant

PROFILE

Lloyd is a social scientist and environmental consultant at GCS Botswana (Pty) Ltd. He has over 7 years' experience in Social and Environmental Consulting, providing specialist advice to clients, project management and other related services.

Lloyd has extensive experience in: ecology, ethno-ecology, community-based natural resource management, land tenure, land management, conservation, preservation of water resources, food security, African politics, conflict management, African culture and heritage, demographics, sustainable local economies, sustainable livelihoods, community health as well as community assets and infrastructure.

He has worked extensively in African countries such as South Africa, Botswana, Namibia, Burkina Faso, Democratic Republic of Congo, Mozambique, and Liberia.

Lloyd has specialist skills in the following areas:

- Project Management
- EMP and EIA's
- Integrated Water and Environmental Investigations
- Wildlife Management Area Utilization Plans
- Environmental and Social Due Diligence Investigations
- Environmental and Social Monitoring
- Integrated Sustainability Reporting
- Socio-economic Impact Assessments,
- Resettlement Action Plans
- Social and Labour Plans
- Social aspects of Mine Closure investigations.



Year	Client & Project Name	Location	Job description	Roles & Responsibilities
2019	Mababe Camp Sites Environmental and Social Due Diligence Assessment Input for Project Operational Plan	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG40, Botswana	Social and Environmental Consultant	Project management, social due diligence environmental due diligence, site inspection desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2019	Saguni Safari Camp Environmental and Social Due Diligence Assessment Input for Project Operational Plan	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG19, Botswana	Social and Environmental Consultant	Project management, social due diligence environmental due diligence, site inspection desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Kadizora Camp Environmental and Social Due Diligence Assessment input for Project Operational Plan.	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG12, Botswana	Social and Environmental Consultant	Project management, social due diligence environmental due diligence, site inspection desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Wilderness Safaris (Pty) Ltd Vumbura Plains Environmental Management Plan 2018	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG22, Botswana	Trainee Environment Assessment Practitioner	Desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Kadizora Camp Environmental and Social Audit.	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG12, Botswana	Social and Environmental Consultant	Project management, desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Airventures Okavango Balloon Safaris (Pty) Ltd Airventure Okavango Balloon Safaris, NG12 Operations Environmental and Social Audit	Controlled Wildlife Management Area NG12, Botswana	Social and Environmental Consultant	Project management, desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Airventures Okavango Balloon Safaris (Pty) Ltd Airventure Okavango Balloon Safaris, CH5 Operations EMP	Controlled Wildlife Management Area CH5, Botswana	Trainee Environment Assessment Practitioner	Desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2018	Elephants without Borders Kasane Elephant Institute EMP	Kasane, Botswana	Trainee Environment Assessment Practitioner	Desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.



Year	Client & Project Name	Location	Job description	Roles & Responsibilities
2018	Elephants without Borders	Kasane, Botswana	Trainee Environment	Desktop research, data analysis, report
	Kasane Elephant Reserve EMP	,	Assessment Practitioner	writing and reviewing.
				Desktop research, data analysis, report
	Eurasian Natural Resource Corporation PLC			writing and reviewing, data management,
2018	Chitima Coal Resettlement Action Plan	Tete Province, Mozambique	On-site Social Specialist	client liaison; public meeting attendance;
	chilina coat resettlement Action I tan			district, provincial and national government
				meeting attendance.
2018	Wilderness Safaris (Pty) LtdKalahari Plains	Central Kalahari Game	Trainee Environment	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2010	Environmental Management Plan	Reserve, Botswana	Assessment Practitioner	writing and reviewing.
2018	Wilderness Safaris (Pty) Ltd	NG14 Linyati Swamp,	Trainee Environment	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2010	Kings Pool Environmental Management Plan	Botswana	Assessment Practitioner	writing and reviewing.
2017	Okavango Horseback Safaris	NG26 West Okavango Delta,	Trainee Environment	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2017	Macatoo Camp Environmental Management Plan	Botswana	Assessment Practitioner	writing and reviewing.
	Africa Wild		Social and Environmental	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2016	Saguni Lodge: Social and Environmental Impact	East Moremi, Botswana	Officer	writing and reviewing.
	Assessment		Officer	writing and reviewing.
	Exxaro Resources	Steve Tshwete District	Junior Social Sciences	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2015	Arnot Schoonoord Social and Environmental	Municipality, Mpumalanga,	Consultant	writing and reviewing.
	Impact Assessment	South Africa	Consuccane	mining and remembers.
	De Groote Boom Minerals	Steelpoort, Limpopo, South	Junior Social Sciences	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2015	De Groote Boom Social and Environmental	Africa	Consultant	writing and reviewing.
	Impact Assessment	711164	Constitution	
2015	Exxaro Resources	Delmas, Mpumalanga, South	Junior Social Sciences	Desktop research, data analysis, report
2013	Leeuwpan Resettlement Action Plan	Africa	Consultant	writing and reviewing.



Year	Client & Project Name	Location	Job description	Roles & Responsibilities
2015	Exxaro Resources Arnot Schoonoord Social and Environmental Scoping Assessment	Steve Tshwete District Municipality, Mpumalanga, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research, data analysis, report writing and reviewing.
2014	Randgold Resources Kibali Gold Ambarau Hydro-Power Station Social Impact Assessment	Watsa Territory of Orientale Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and report writing.
2014	Randgold Resources Kibali Gold Project Expansion Resettlement Action Plan	Watsa Territory of Orientale Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research, field work and report writing.
2014	Cronimet Thaba Cronimet Chrome Mine Social Impact Assessment	Thabazimbi Local Municipality, North West Province, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and report writing.
2014	Atlatsa Resources Corporation / Rustenburg Platinum Mines Bokoni Platinum Social and Labour Plan	Fetakgoma Local Municipality, Limpopo, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and report writing.
2014	Worley Parsons Mooihook Chrome Social and Labour Plan	Greater Tubatsi Local Municipality, Limpopo, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and report writing.
2014	Exxaro Resources Belfast/Paardeplaats Social Impact Assessment and Resettlement Action Plan	Mpumalanga, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and field research.
2014	ERGO Mining Soweto Cluster Social Impact Assessment	Region D, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and field research.



Year	Client & Project Name	Location	Job description	Roles & Responsibilities
2014	ERGO Mining Soweto Cluster Scoping Report	Region D, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan, South Africa	Junior Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and compilation of scoping report.
2013	Anglo Coal Greenside Closure	Amalahleni Metropolitan, Mpumalanga, South Africa	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and compilation of baseline.
2013-2014	Atkins Global Putu Iron Ore Project	Grande Gedeh County, Liberia	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Baseline studies for environmental and social impact assessment.
2012-2013	Randgold Resources Kibali Hydropower Project	Kibali, Orientale Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Extensive desktop research.
2012-2013	Randgold Resources Kibali Gold Project	Kibali, Orientale Province, Democratic Republic of Congo	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Extensive desktop research.
2012	Platreef Resources Platreef Mokopane Project	Limpopo, South Africa	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research.
2012-2013	Worley Parsons Social and Labour Plan for Fumani Gold Mine	Limpopo, South Africa	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Desktop research and compilation of baseline information for the Social and Labour Plan.
2013-2013	Amara PLC Sequenega Gold Project (BF1)	Yatenga Province, Burkina Faso	Assistant Social Sciences Consultant	Data collection for Social Impact Assessment and Resettlement Action Plan.
2012	Trans-Caledon Tunnel Authority Acid Mine Drainage Emergency Treatment Measures	Gauteng, South Africa	Vacation student	Extension desktop research.
2012	Oliphants River Water Resources Development Project	Mpumalanga, South Africa	Vacation student	Site visit and data collection.

DECLARATION



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APPENDIX B

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP)



Environmental Management Plan (EMP for Exploration Drilling Activities on Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene Region

EMP

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1 OVERVIEW

1.1 Project Background

In line with the Environmental Management Act (Act 7 of 2007) an Environmental Assessment (EA) has been conducted for the proposed development of exploration drilling activities on Exclusive Prospecting Licences (EPL) 6669 to explore for precious stones. EPL 6669 is in the north western part of Namibia approximately 200 km north west of Opuwo and 18 km south west of Epupa Village (Figure 1-1). EPL 6669 measures approximately 18847 Hectares in extent. EPL 6669 is owned by Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC. The proponent wishes to invest in the exploration of the EPL for precious stones.



Figure 1-1: Location of the EPL 6669

1.2 Purpose of the EMP

Regulation 8 of the Environmental Management Act's (EMA) (7 of 2007) Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (2012) requires that a draft Environmental Management Plan (EMP) be included as part of the scoping Environmental Assessment (EA) process. A 'management plan' is defined as:

"...a plan that describes how activities that may have significant environments effects on the environment are to be mitigated, controlled and monitored." An EMP is one of the most important outputs of the EA process as it synthesises all the proposed mitigation and monitoring actions, set to a timeline and with specific assigned responsibilities. It provides a link between the impacts identified in the EIA Process and the required environmental management on the ground during project implementation and operation. It is important to note that an EMP is a legally binding document and a person who contravenes the provisions of this EMP may face imprisonment and/or a fine. This EMP is a living document and should be amended to adapt to project changes and/or environmental conditions and feedback from compliance monitoring.

The purpose of this document is therefore to guide environmental management throughout the following life-cycle stages of the proposed development, pre-operation (planning and design), operation and decommissioning.

The following phases are addressed in this EMP:

- Planning and design (Pre-operation) the period, prior to the exploration phase, during which preliminary legislative and administrative arrangements are carried out in preparation of exploration activities.
- Operation the period during which the exploration activities will be operational.
- **Decommissioning** Should the development be closed; this phase will be implemented.

1.3 Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP)

GCS Water Environmental Engineering Namibia (Pty) Ltd ("GCS Namibia" hereafter) have been appointed by Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC as independent environmental consultants to conduct the required Environmental Assessment (EA) which includes compiling an EMP for the proposed development. The EMP is to be submitted with the scoping EA report as supporting documents to the application for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to the Environmental Commissioner at the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) of the Ministry of Environment and Tourism. The EMP will also be used by Contractors as well as the Proponent in guiding them during the proposed drilling operations to ensure that impacts on the environment are limited or avoided altogether.

1.4 Legal Requirements

The contents of the EMP must meet the requirements Section 8 (j) of the EIA Regulations. The EMP must address the potential environmental impacts of the proposed activity on the environment throughout the project life cycle. It must also include a system for assessment of the effectiveness of monitoring and management arrangements after implementation. Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC therefore has the responsibility to ensure that the proposed activity as well as the EIA process conforms to the principles of EMA and must ensure that any contractors appointed by them also comply with such principles.

Table 1-1 below lists the requirements of an EMP as stipulated by Section 8 (j) of the EIA Regulations.

Table 1-1: Applicable and relevant Namibian legislations and guidelines for the EA process

Legislation	Permit/Approval/Requirement	Contact Details
Environmental Management Act 2007 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (EIAR) (GG No. 4878)	Amendments (required every 3 years) to this EMP will require an amendment of the ECC for these developments. Activities listed in Government Notice (GN) No. 29 of GG No. 4878 require an ECC.	Mr Damian Nchindo Department of Environmental Affairs, Ministry of Environment and Tourism Tel: 061 284 2701
Water Act 54 of 1956	Prohibits the pollution of underground and surface water bodies (S23 (1)). Liability of clean-up costs after closure/abandonment of an activity (S23 (2)).	Mr Witbooi (Department of Water Affairs): Tel: (061) 208 7226
Water Resources Management Act No.11 of 2013	The act provides for the management, protection, development, use and conservation of water resources; and provides for the regulation and monitoring of water services and to provide for incidental matters. The objects of this Act are to:	

Legislation	Permit/Approval/Requirement	Contact Details
Forestry Act 12 of 2001	Ensure that the water resources of Namibia are managed, developed, used, conserved and protected in a manner consistent with, or conducive to, the fundamental principles set out in Section 66 - protection of aquifers, Subsection 1 (d) (iii) provide for preventing the contamination of the aquifer and water pollution control (Section 68). The Act provides for the management and use of forests and related products / resources. It offers protection to any living tree, bush or shrub growing within 100 metres of a river, stream or watercourse on land that is not a surveyed erven of a local authority area. In such instances, a licence would be required to cut and remove any such vegetation. These provisions are only guidelines.	If there are trees within the proposed footprint of the project area that need to be removed, the proponent should notify the Forestry Department in Keetmanshoop of the number and/or type of trees to be removed to allow exploration activities and apply for permit to remove protected tree species.
Minerals (Prospecting and Mining) Act 33 of 1992	To provide for the reconnaissance, prospecting and mining for, and disposal of, and the exercise of control over, minerals in Namibia; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.	Mr Erasmus Shivolo Ministry of Mines and Energy Mining Commissioner Tel: 061 -284 8167

1.5 Assumptions and Limitations

This EMP has been drafted with the acknowledgment of the following assumptions and limitations:

- This EMP has been drafted based on the scoping-level Environmental Assessment (EA)
 conducted for the proposed development on EPL 669. No specialist studies were
 included as part of the assessment; and
- The mitigation measures recommended in this EMP document is based on the risks/impacts in the scoping report which were identified based on the provided project description and site investigation. Should the scope of the project change, the risks will have to be reassessed and mitigation measures provided accordingly.

1.6 Report Structure

This EMP lays out the management actions for the proposed exploration activities on EPL 6669. The EMP addresses the following phases:

- Pre-Operational (Planning and design) phase the period, prior to exploration, during which preliminary legislative and administrative arrangements are carried out in preparation for the proposed exploration activities.
- Operation phase the period during which exploration activities will be operational and conducted by the proponent and/or their contractors; and
- Decommissioning phase: the period during which the Proponent may decide to discontinue the operations of exploration and its associated activities.

2 ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC (the Proponent) is ultimately responsible for the implementation of the EMP. The Proponent may delegate this responsibility at any time, as they deem necessary, from planning and design to operation and maintenance phase and decommissioning phase (if considered). The delegated responsibility for the effective implementation of this EMP will rest on the following key individuals which may be fulfilled by the same person:

- Proponent's Representative;
- Environmental Control Officer.

2.1 Proponent's Representative

If the Proponent does not personally manage all aspects of the planning and design, construction and operation and maintenance phase activities and decommissioning, referred to in this EMP, they should assign this responsibility to a suitably qualified individual referred to in this plan as the Proponent's Representative (PR). The Proponent may decide to assign the role of a PR to one person for both phases. Alternatively, the Proponent may decide to assign a separate PR for each component i.e. planning and design, construction, operation and maintenance and decommissioning phase. The PR's responsibilities are included in **Table 2-1** below.

Table 2-1: Responsibilities assigned to the Proponent's Representative for planning and design, construction, operation and maintenance and decommissioning phases

Responsibility	Project Phase
Managing the implementation of this EMP and updating and	Throughout the lifetime of
maintaining it when necessary	the project
Management and monitoring of individuals and/or equipment on-	Throughout the lifetime of
site in terms of compliance with this EMP	the project
Issuing fines for contravening EMP provisions	Throughout the lifetime of
	the project

2.2 Environmental Control Officer

The Proponent should assign the responsibility of overseeing the implementation of the whole EMP on the ground from the planning and design phase to operation and maintenance and decommissioning phase to a designated person, referred to in this EMP as the Environmental Control Officer (ECO). The Proponent may decide to assign this role to one person for both phases or may assign separate individual ECOs to oversee EMP implementation during each phase. The ECOs will have the following responsibilities:

- Management and facilitation of communication between the Proponent, PR and Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) with regard to this EMP;
- Conducting site inspections (recommended minimum frequency is monthly during exploration and bi-annually during decommissioning) of all areas with respect to the implementation of this EMP (monitor and audit the implementation of the EMP);
- Advising the PR on the removal of person(s) and/or equipment not complying with the provisions of this EMP;

- Making recommendations to the PR with respect to the issuing of fines for contraventions of the EMP; and
- Undertaking an annual review of the EMP and recommending additions and/or changes to this document.

3 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN ACTIONS

3.1 Key Potential environmental impacts to be managed

From the EA, the following key potential impacts have been identified per project phase and are summarised in **Table 3-1** below. The full impact description is presented in the tables under subchapter 3.2 to 3.5 as well as in the Scoping Report.

Table 3-1: Summary of key potential environmental impacts per project phase

	Project Phase	Potential impacts identified in the EA
1	Planning and Design	Design and planning failures
2	Pre-Operation	Biodiversity
3	Operation and maintenance	Health and safety, soil, surface and groundwater contamination, wildlife disturbance, dust, noise, environmental degradation and social impacts.
4	Decommissioning	Loss of employment and soil, surface and groundwater contamination and loss of employment.

The aim of the management actions of the EMP is to avoid potential impacts where possible. Where impacts cannot be avoided, measures are provided to reduce the significance of these impacts.

Management actions recommended to manage the potential impacts rated in the EA carried out for the proposed exploration development are presented in the following tables. The management actions were compiled based on the three project phases:

- Planning and design phase (pre-exploration) (Table 3-2);
- Operation and maintenance phase management actions (during exploration activities) (Table 3-3);
- Decommissioning phase (Table 3-4).

The responsible persons at Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC should assess these commitments in detail and should acknowledge their commitment to the specific management actions detailed in the table of the next subchapters.

3.2 Phase 1: Planning and Design Management Actions

The management requirements detailed in **Table 3-2** need to be carried out before any tenders are drafted for the construction of services infrastructure while necessary preliminary legislative and administrative arrangements are made in preparation for the proposed exploration activities.

Table 3-2: Planning and design management actions

Table 3-2: Planni	ng and design management actions	
Aspect	Management Requirement	
Labour Recruitment	 Provisions designed to maximise the use of local labour should be included within tenders concerning the: Provision stating that all unskilled labour should be sourced from local communities should be included within tenders concerning the exploration operations. Specific recruitment procedures ensuring local firms enjoy preference during tender adjudication should be included within tenders concerning the exploration operations. Provisions promoting gender equality pertaining to recruitment should be included within tenders concerning the exploration operations. 	
Biodiversity	All trees (a "tree" is defined here as an indigenous woody perennial play with a trunk diameter ≥150 mm) that occur within the development is should be surveyed and not removed from site. • Trees that have not been registered and surveyed and will removed, the Proponent should apply for the licence to remove these trees from the Forestry department (Ministry Agriculture, water and Forestry) in Opuwo. • Large indigenous trees and protected tree species within the should be surveyed and marked with red paint.	
EMP Implementation	 The proponent should appoint a Proponent's Representative (PR) that will act as their on-site implementing agent. This person should be responsible to ensure that the Proponent's responsibilities are executed in compliance with relevant legislation and this EMP. 	

Aspect	Management Requirement	
Agreements with community affected by the activity	 An access agreement needs to be made with those community members most likely to be affected by the exploration activities in the area. This agreement should be communicated in a format which is understandable by the local community in the area. The agreement should include but is not limited to: Compensation agreements (if necessary). Agreed upon operating hours. A commitment by the exploration company for the rehabilitation of the site when exploration activities are decommissioned. Agreed upon access to the site. Commitment to the adherence and implementation of the EMP. The Scoping Report and EMP for reference. 	
Archaeology	 The archaeological significance of the area is to be established prior to commencing with drilling activities on site. This must be carried out as a desktop analysis and on-site investigation by a qualified Cultural Heritage Specialist. As such an archaeological reconnaissance survey of the EPL should be conducted prior to commencing with the assistance of a qualified Archaeological Specialist. This should be done in conjunction with the affected community particularly with reference to the potential graves present on site. A cultural heritage specialist should be appointed to attend the site during the exploration phase to ensure that activities do not impact on significant cultural heritage sites / artefacts/ graves. Once the exact locations of the drilling sites are determined, and should a heritage or archaeological site be uncovered, a chance find procedure should be applied in the following order: Stop work if operating machinery or vehicles; Demarcate the site with danger tape; Determine GPS position if possible; Bring the cultural heritage specialist to the site to advise on minimisation of further impact; Report site location, findings and actions to site manager; 	

Aspect	Management Requirement
	 Visit site to determine whether works may proceed without damage to the finding;
	 Site to be added to the projects Geographical Information Systems (GIS) for field confirmation by the archaeologist; Advise the National Heritage Council of Namibia (NHCN) and request permission to remove findings from site and; Requirements for recovery, packaging and labelling of findings for transfer to National Museum.

3.3 Phase 2: Operational Phase Management Actions

The management actions for the operational phase during which the exploration activities will take place are listed in **Table 3-3**.

Table 3-3: Operation phase management actions

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
EMP training	Lack of EMP awareness and the implications thereof	 Employees appointed for exploration work must ensure that all personnel are aware of necessary health, safety and environmental considerations applicable to their respective work.
Monitoring	EMP non-compliance	 The ECO or the Proponent/Proponents Representative should monitor the implementation of this EMP. The Proponents Representative should inspect the site throughout the exploration at least on a weekly basis. Monthly audits should be conducted of site activities by an external ECO.
Waste Management	Visual impact and soil contamination	 The exploration site should always be kept tidy. All domestic and general waste produced daily should be cleaned and contained daily. No waste may be buried or burned. Waste containers (bins) should be emptied regularly and removed from site to the nearest municipal waste disposal site.

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
		 All recyclable waste needs to be taken to the nearest recycling depot. A sufficient number of separate waste containers (bins) for hazardous and domestic / general waste must be provided on site. Exploration workers should be sensitised to dispose of waste in a responsible manner and not to litter. No waste may remain on site after the completion of the project.
Hazardous Waste	Soil and groundwater contamination	 All heavy operation vehicles and equipment on site should be provided with a drip tray. All heavy operation vehicles should be maintained regularly to prevent oil leakages. Maintenance and washing of operation vehicles should take place only at a designated workshop area.
Wastewater	Groundwater	 Use of the toilets instead of the veld must be strictly adhered to. If grey water can be collected from ablution facilities at the contractors' camp it should be recycled and: Used for dust suppression Used to water vegetable gardens or to support a small nursery in local communities (as and when agreed upon by such communities) Used to clean equipment All run off materials such as hydrocarbons, wastewater and other potential contaminants should be contained on site and disposed of in accordance to municipal wastewater discharge standards, so that they do not reach to ground or surface water systems. Wastewater (excluding sewage) should be drained into lined / impermeable catch pits, big enough for daily / weekly usage without overflowing. Water from these catch pits should be removed from site to the nearest wastewater treatment

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
		 facility by an approved wastewater removal company. Groundwater impact awareness training should be provided to the employees involved in this project phase. An emergency plan should be available for major / minor spills and firefighting at the exploration site during exploration activities (with consideration of air, groundwater, soil and surface water).
Soil	Soil contamination	 Spill control preventative measures should be put in place to manage soil contamination. An impermeable liner should be laid down on the site area in order to prevent contaminants from reaching to surrounding soils and eventually groundwater systems. Potential contaminants such as hydrocarbons and wastewater should be contained on site and disposed of in accordance to municipal wastewater discharge standards so that they do not contaminate surrounding soils. Soil contamination should be monitored on site daily by PR and monthly by ECO. ECO(s) should ensure that a sufficient number of drip trays are available on-site and that these are utilised in the event of leakage from construction trucks or vehicles. Contaminated soils onsite that may have resulted from leakage/spillage construction vehicles or equipment should be removed to a depth dependent on the size of the spill and replaced with clean soil. The contaminated soil should be removed and disposed at a designated landfill site suitable to receive contaminated soil.

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
Biodiversity	Loss of Biodiversity	 Trees with a trunk size of 150 mm and bigger should be surveyed, marked with paint (readily visible) and protected. The Proponent should only remove trees within the actual footprint of the proposed facility' structures to be erected. Trees that are not within the footprint should be left to preserve biodiversity in the area.
Dust and noise	Nuisance impacts	The contractor(s) should supress dust associated with drilling by using a reasonable amount of water.
		 If feasible, wastewater should be treated to an acceptable water quality level, so that it can be used for exploration purposes (dust suppression).
		 Noise levels during drilling activities should be kept within the allowable standards for urban areas.
		 Noise levels should adhere to the SANS restrictions on noise.
		 Work hours should be restricted to between 08h00 and 17h00 due to the use of heavy equipment, power tools and the movement of heavy vehicles.
		 Noisy equipment should be shut down when not in use (when not needed) to avoid unnecessary noise on site.
		 Workers performing noisy tasks should be rotated regularly (work on shifts) to avoid exposing them to excessive noise for a long period of time in a day.
		 Workers should be equipped with personal protective equipment (PPE) such as earplugs to reduce noise exposure.
		Workers should ensure that they wear the PPE at all times on work sites.

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
Health and Safety	Health and safety impacts	 The contractor(s) should ensure that all personnel are provided with personal protective equipment (PPE), such as coveralls, gloves, safety boots, safety glasses and hard hats at all times. Workers should ensure that they wear the PPE at all times on work sites. No workers should be allowed to drink alcohol during working hours. No workers should be allowed on site if under the influence of alcohol. An appropriate location should be indicated on the site for the parking of operation vehicles. The proponent should put up a boundary wall around the drilling site to limit public access to the site during exploration activities.
Exploration labourers		 The Proponent should ensure that locals (from Okangwati and the local villages) are employed for any unskilled labour. Exploration labourers should not be recruited onsite. Exploration labourers will be transported, in a bus (or similar suitable passenger vehicle) to and from site daily. Portable toilets (i.e. easily transportable) should be available on site. Separate ablutions should be available for men and women and should clearly be indicated as such. Sewage waste needs to be removed on a regular basis to the nearest approved sewage disposal site. Workers responsible for cleaning the toilets should be provided with latex gloves and masks. No workers may reside on-site for the entire duration of the exploration period. Only a security guard will be allowed to sleep on-site (if there will be any). The Proponent or contractor should draft a Communication Plan, which should outline as a minimum the following:

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
		 How stakeholders, who require ongoing communication for the duration of the exploration period, will be identified and recorded and who will manage and update these records. How these stakeholders will be consulted on an ongoing basis.
		Make provision for a grievance mechanism - outlining how concerns will be lodged/recorded and how feedback will be delivered, inclusive of further steps of arbitration in the event that feedback is deemed unsatisfactory.
		Stakeholders need to be informed of the communication plan once drafted to ensure they are aware of the relevant communication channels.
Water	Groundwater contamination	 No wastewater / effluent should be allowed to leave the site premises without proper control. These should be disposed of in accordance with municipal wastewater discharge standards.
		 Regular maintenance and monitoring of exploration equipment and vehicles should be done to detect early spills or leakages.
		 An emergency plan should be available for major / minor spills at the exploration site during operation activities (with consideration of air, groundwater, soil and surface water).
		 Groundwater impact awareness training should be provided to the employees involved in this phase.
Wildlife and Stock animals	Disturbance of wildlife and stock theft	 Working hours should be limited to during the day, thus enabling the wildlife to roam freely at night. The contractor is to compile a Non-Theft Policy to which all workers are to comply. All exploration workers are to adhere to the Non-Theft Policy.

3.4 Phase 4: Rehabilitation and Decommissioning Management Actions

The table below (Table 3-4) presents the management action for decommissioning phase.

Table 3-4: Decommissioning phase management actions

Environmental Feature	Impact	Management Actions
Employment	Loss of employment	 The Proponent should inform the employees, of its intentions to cease the exploration activities, and the expected date of such. The Proponent should raise awareness of the possibilities for work in other industrial sectors.
Rehabilitation	Groundwater contamination	 During the initial prospecting phase, only limited surface rock and soil sampling will take place and it is unlikely that any scars be left by this activity. Remove all waste, defunct samples, and any other remains from the site Remove all sample bags, plastic waste, survey pegs, materials used for sump creation etc. from site at completion of sampling schedule Site should be rehabilitated to as close as possible to its original condition Re-contour and rip the drill site before the site is finally decommissioned Fill holes, rip up, rake track, and spread stockpiled topsoil back over the entire new tracks made, to allow re-vegetation Make sure that the ECO has a site inspection prior to and after rehabilitation to check rehabilitation efforts of each drill site

3.5 Recommendations for Monitoring

In order to prevent and minimize the above-mentioned environmental impacts, the following site monitoring measures need to be done:

- Monitor whether provisions as set out in the EMP has been complied with.
- Non-compliance is to be recorded and discussed at weekly site meetings and timeous remedial actions taken.

 Should dust and noise complaints be received, abatement measures should be implemented such as water spraying, and continued communication should be held with the aggrieved parties until the noise and dust matters are clarified.

4 CONCLUSIONS

Based on the recommendation given in this EMP, GCS is confident that the proposed exploration activities, as described in **Chapter 2** of the scoping report may be granted an Environmental Clearance Certificate, provided that the EMP is implemented and that all the legal requirements pertaining to this development are complied with.

APPENDIX C

LIST OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

Interested	and Affected Parties- EPL 6669	
Organisation / Land portion	Title	First Name -
		Contact Person
Ministry of Environment and		
Tourism (MET)	Executive Director	Theo Nghitila
MET - Deputy Environmental	Executive Director	Frederich
Comissioner	Deputy Environmental Comissioner	Sikabongo
Ministry of Mines and Energy	Deputy Environmental Comissioner	Sikaboligo
(MME)	Permanent Secretary	Simeon Negumbo
Ministry of Mines and Energy		Jillicon Negambo
(MME)	Mining Comissioner	Erasmus Shivolo
Ministry of Mines and Energy		
(MME)	Chief Geologist	Frieda Flaviana
Ministry of Information and		Mbeuta Ua-
Communication Technology	Executive Director	Ndjarakana
MAWF -Permanent Secretary	Executive Director	P Misika
MAWF - Director Water Resource		
Management	Director	M. Amakali
MAWF	Deputy Director of Geohydrology	B Swartz
MAWF	Deputy Director- Hydrology	P Mufeti
	Deputy Director Water	
MAWF	Environment	C Orthman
Ministry of Labour Industrial		
Relations and employement		
creation	Executive Director	B. Shinguadja
Ministry of Health and Social		
Services	Executive Director	B Namgombe
Min. of M&E	Mining Commissioner	E. Shivolo
MME	Inspector	Ndamona Elias
Ministry of Wroks and Transport	Executive Director	W Goeieman
MURD		C. Tubalike
NamWater	Senior Environmentalist	N. P Du Plessis
Namwater	Environmentalist In Training	Jolanda Murangi
Nampower	Environmentalist	C. Sisamu
Nampower	Engineering, Planning and Design	Gert Fourie
Earth life Namibia		B. Korhs
Namibian Environment and Wildlife		
Society	Media, website and newsletter	F Kreitz
National Botanical Research	Manager: Threatened Plants	
Institute	Programme,	Sonja Loots
Roads Authority	Chief Executive Officer	Conrad Lutombi
	Specialised road Legislation, Advise	L
Roads Authority	& Compliance	E de Paauw
National Botanical Research		
Institute (NBRI)	Chief Forrester	Esmerialda Strauss
	Environmental and Compliance	
NWR	Specialist	Fransiska Nghitila
Nangolo Trading Enterprise	Proponent	Francois Robinson
Nangolo Trading Enterprise	Proponent	M Nangolo
Kunene Regional Council	Governor	Marius Sheya
Kunene Regional Council	Chief Regional Officer (Acting)	Kisco Sinvula
Kunene Regional Council	PA to Governor	Titiro Shilongo
Epupa Constutuency	Councillor	Nguzu Muharukua

Interested	and Affected Parties- EPL 6669	
Organisation / Land portion	Title	First Name - Contact Person
Epupa Conservancy		
Kapika Traditional authority		
Thon Traditional authority		
Tjingee Traditional authority		
Okangwati settlement office		
	REGISTERED	
NUST	Professor	Theo Wassenaar
Epupa Falls Lodge and Campsite		Linus Helvi
Omarunaut Epupa Falls Camp		AJ Lesch
Kapika Waterfall Lodge		R Botha
Ерира Сатр		Adelheid Immanuel
Epupa Camp		Deane Spall
		Uakapurena
Tjingee Traditional Authority		Ngumbi
Epupa Conservancy	Administration Office	J Mutambo

APPENDIX D

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (BID):

Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Exploration Drilling Activities on Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene Region

21 October 2019

Proponent: Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC

GCS Project Number: 19-0759

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER: GCS (PTY) LTD

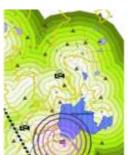
GCS Water Environmental Engineering (Pty) Ltd (GCS Namibia) is a fully integrated water, environmental, and earth science consulting services company based in the Republic of South Africa, with offices in Namibia, Botswana, Zambia and the Czech Republic. GCS provides a professional consulting service in the fields of environmental, water and earth sciences. GCS has a team of highly trained staff with considerable experience in the fields of environmental and water science.

GCS Namibia will act as the Independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), as well as the Public Participation Practitioner for this environmental authorisation **process**.











ABBREVIAT	ions
BID	Background Information Document
CRR	Comments and Response Register
ЕАР	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMA	Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007)
ЕМР	Environmental Management Plan
IAP	Interested and Affected Party
MET: DEA	Ministry of Environment and Tourism:
	Department of Environmental Affairs
РРР	Public Participation Process

1 INTRODUCTION

Nangolo Trading Enterprise CC (The Proponent) proposes to undertake exploration drilling activities on Exclusive Prospecting License (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene Region. EPL 6669 is located in the north western part of Namibia approximately 200 km north west of Opuwo and 18 km south west of Epupa Village (Figure 1-2 and 1-2). EPL 6669 measures approximately 18847 Hectares in extent.

Under the Environmental Management Act (2007) and its Regulations (2012), an Environmental Assessment (EA) is required for:

- **3.1** The construction of facilities for any process or activities which requires a licence, right or other form of authorisation, and the renewal of a licence, right or other form of authorisation, in terms of the Minerals (Prospecting and Mining Act), 1992.
- **3.2** Other forms of mining or extraction of any natural resources whether regulated by law or not.
- **3.3** Resource extraction, manipulation, conservation and related activities.
- **8.1** The abstraction of ground or surface water for industrial or commercial purposes.
- **9.1** The manufacturing, storage, handling or processing of a hazardous substance defined in the Hazardous Substances Ordinance, 1974.

9.2 Any process or activity which requires a permit, licence or other form of authorisation, or the modification of or changes to existing facilities for any process or activity which requires an amendment of an existing permit, licence or authorisation or which requires a new permit, licence or authorisation in terms of a law governing the generation or release of emissions, pollution, effluent or waste.

This Background Information Document (BID) has been compiled by GCS with the following aims:

- To introduce the proposed project and related activities to potential Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs);
- To provide information on the Environmental Assessment and related processes;
- To inform IAPs on how to be involved in the Environmental Assessment process;
- To invite all parties to register as IAPs on the Environmental Assessment database; and
- To provide all IAPs with opportunity to comment on the proposed project and associated process, including biophysical and socio-economic aspects, as well as any other issues of concern.

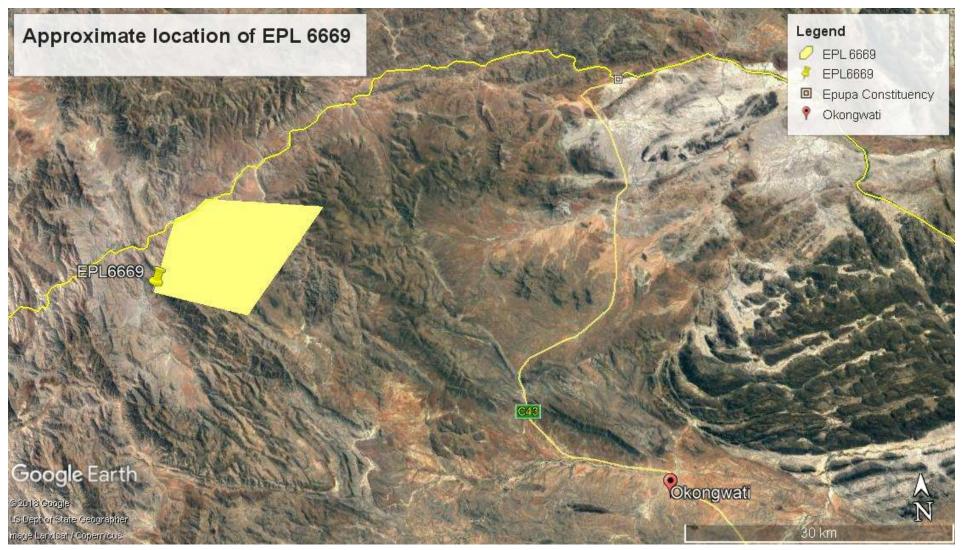


Figure 1-1: Approximate location of EPL 6669 in the Kunene Region.

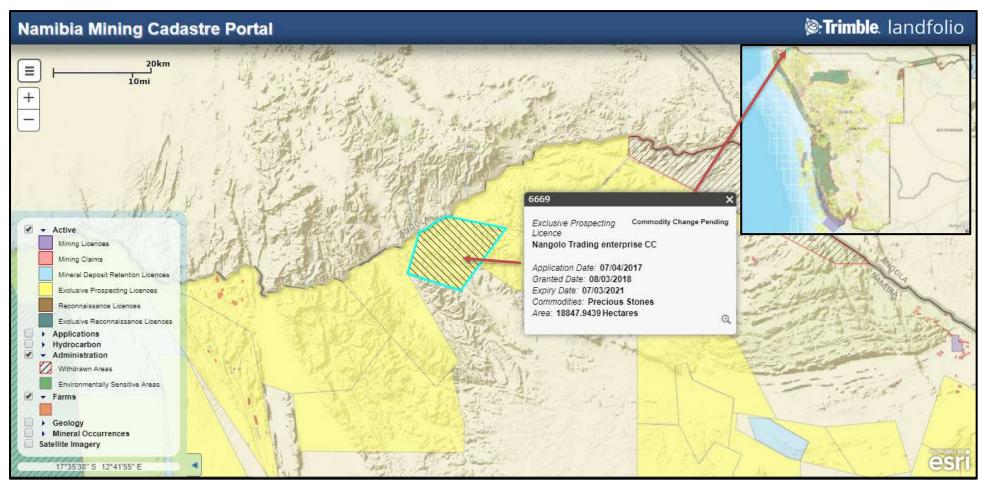


Figure 1-2: Location of EPL 6669 (Namibia Mining Cadastral Portal http://portals.flexicadastre.com/Namibia/)

2 PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The proposed activity on the EPL will entail drilling activities for the exploration of precious stones such as diamonds.

2.1 Project History

Based on desktop studies and previous exploration activities in the surroundings of the subject area it was ascertained that EPL 6669 has the potential for the occurrence of precious stones such as diamonds, alexandrite, amazonite and emerald (Nangolo, n.d.).

The proponent thus wishes to undertake drilling exploration activities for precious stones with a particular focus on diamonds.

2.2 Need and Desirability

Namibia's Vision 2030, National Development Plan 4 (NDP4) and Harambee Prosperity Plan (HPP) both recognize a need for and place significant value on economic growth and employment creation.

Mining is one of the main contributing sectors to Namibia's Gross Domestic Product (GPD), accounting to 25%. Diamonds are well known for their scarcity and exquisiteness and is thus consumed by people across Namibia and the world at large.

In order to mine/extract these minerals from the earth, a proper reconnaissance, prospecting, exploration and resource/reserve determination need to be done. These processes are followed to ensure that the mineral ores are worth mining, for economic gains (commercially viable).

The proposed exploration activities, and potential mining activities will contribute to these priorities at a local, regional and national level. It is for these reason that the project is needed in the area.

2.3 Description of Activity

The proposed activity will involve detailed exploration and reconnaissance for precious stones. This will entail both the non-invasive and invasive exploration methods. Non-invasive exploration methods usually include geological field mapping, ground geophysical survey, surface sampling, etc. whereas invasive exploration methods include more destructive methods of exploration such as reverse circulation or diamond drilling. The proposed work programme for the intended exploration activity are as follows:

- Construction of an 8km gravel road 1km before Epupa turning left up to the Kunene River;
- Construction of a 1km pipeline from the river to the mining house;
- Detailed geological mapping and sampling;
- SkyTEM electromagnetic and magnetic airborne survey;
- Geophysical interpretations and ground truthing; and
- · Exploration drilling.

2.3.1 Site Location and Jurisdiction

As mentioned earlier, EPL 6669 is located in the north western part of Namibia approximately 200 km north west of Opuwo and 18 km south west of Epupa Village. EPL 6669 measures approximately 18847 Hectares in extent. **Table 2-1** below provides a summary of the site location details.

Table 2-1: Site location details

Location	200 km north west of Opuwo and 18 km south west of
	Epupa Village
Area size	18847 Hectares
Constituency	Epupa Constituency
Regional Administration:	Kunene Regional Council

Nearest Town	Opuwo (200 km southeast)
Geographic	-17.21897°
Coordinates	12.7218°

2.4 Infrastructure and Services

It is anticipated that power supply required for drilling will be supplied by generators and/or electric drives. Water required for drilling works will potentially be sourced from the Kunene River (an abstraction permit will need to be obtained from the Ministry of Agriculture Water and Forestry). If there will be no sufficient water supply in the project area, water for drilling will need to be trucked or piped from elsewhere, outside the exploration site.

2.5 Resources and Working Team

The drilling will be done by an appointed drilling contractor, and it is expected that they will have their own workforce (drilling crew). However, some three to four people may be employed to carry out other exploration drilling related works. The nearest populated towns are Opuwo and Ruacana from which unskilled labour can be sourced. It is anticipated that the workforce will be housed in temporary site camps throughout the drilling period.

3 ENVIRONMENTAL BASELINE INFORMATION

The environmental and social setting of the proposed project area is briefly described in this section. The detailed description of these environmental features will be fully presented in the environmental scoping report.

3.1 Biophysical Environment

3.1.1 Soil and Geology

The Kunene Regions' geological formations date back to 250 million years (Kunene Regional Council, 2015). The local geology is underlain by basement rocks of the Okapuka Suite, Damaran rocks of the Nosib Group and Alluvium sediments (Nangolo, n.d.). The Okapuka Suite in this area predominantly consists of porphyritic and migmatitic gneisses, and amphibolite. "The Okapuka amphibolite is only exposed on the south western corner of the EPL. The Nosib Group mainly consists of feldspathic quartzite to arkose"(Nangolo, n.d.).

3.1.2 Landscape

The subject area is very mountainous as it forms part of the Kaokoveld. Prominent landmarks in the Kunene Region are the Baynes and Hartmann's Mountains in the north and the Etendeka table mountain landscape in the south-west. East of Khorixas are the Ugab terraces with the famous Fingerklip (Ministry of Agriculture Water and Rural Development, 2011).

3.1.3 Water Resources

The majority of the Kunene Region falls under the Northern Namib and Kaokoveld groundwater region. The region generally has low groundwater potential.

The Kunene River is one of the few permanent rivers in Namibia. All rivers in the region except for the Kunene are ephemeral. These include the tributaries of the Kunene such as Otjinjange, Omuhongo and Ondoto and the westward flowing ephemeral rivers (from north to south), Nadas, Sechomib, Khumib, Hoarisib, Hoanib, Uniab, Koigab, Huab and Ugab (Ministry of Agriculture Water and Rural Development, 2011).

3.1.4 Fauna and Flora

The subject area is characteristic of the Western Highlands biome and vegetation type. Open woodland Acacia and Mopane trees (*Acacia/Commiiphora* and *Colophospermum mopane*) occur dominantly within the region. The area boasts a plant diversity of between 150 - 299 species (Environmental Resource Management, 2009).

A rich fish diversity is experienced within the Kunene River with seven species which are endemic. There are at least 72 reptile species, 13 amphibian species and 379 bird species which have been found to occur along the Kunene River (Environmental Resource Management, 2009). The number of mammals in the area have been reported to decline with the mountain ground squirrel, the Kaokoveld dassie and the black-faced impala known to be endemic to the area (Environmental Resource Management, 2009).

3.2 Social Environment

3.2.1 Social Demographics

According to Namibia Statistics Agency (2011), the population of Kunene Region is 86 856 people with the population of the Epupa Constituency being 17 696 people. The population density in the region is 0.8 persons/km².

3.2.2 Economy

Wages and salaries are the main source of income in this region, while other income sources include farming, business etc. In the Epupa Constituency farming is the main source of income.

3.2.3 Land Use

Livestock production is one of the key sources of livelihood to many rural households in the Kunene Region. Thus similarly the main economic activity in the Epupa Constituency is agriculture comprising of communal and crop production (Kunene Regional Council, 2015).

3.2.4 Services Infrastructure

In terms of existing infrastructure, the following are in place:

- Roads There is an existing road (C43)
 travelling from Okangwati to Epupa Falls. An
 access road is thus proposed to be constructed
 to connect to this road.
- Water Water is sourced from the Kunene River.
- **Power supply** Powerlines supply electricity to the nearby town Okangwati.

3.3 Potential Impacts

The following potential impacts have been identified from the proposed activity so far:

- Temporary job creation through the hiring of workers to be involved during the drilling and associated exploration works.
- Impact on vegetation and fauna: some vegetation may need to be removed to create access roads to drilling sites. This may also lead to habitat destruction for some fauna.
- Traffic safety: slow drilling rigs and associated vehicles may compromise traffic safety in the area.
- Environmental degradation through different types of waste generated on the site.
- Soils and water contamination from chemicals and other substances used in drilling fluids.
- Over-abstraction of groundwater: drilling works require a lot of water. This may result in the over-abstraction of water which will potentially affect the river.
- Noise and dust generated by drilling vehicles and activities.

- Health and safety risks which may result to workers operating on site.
- Archaeological and Heritage Impacts if these sites are located close to the planned exploration area.

4 ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS

4.1 Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007

The Environmental Management Act (EMA) provides a list of activities, the development or execution of which require an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Ministry of Environment and Tourism: Department of Environmental Affairs (MET: DEA) prior to construction. Due to the nature of the proposed project, an ECC will be required prior to project commencement. Accordingly, an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process as per the requirements of EMA: Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (18 January 2012) must be conducted to inform the ECC decision.

4.2 Environmental Impact Assessment

The EMA defines EIA as a process of identifying, predicting and evaluating the significant effects of activities on the environment, the risks and consequences of activities, alternatives to these activities and options for mitigation of such activities. This is done with a view to minimising negative impacts, maximising benefits and promoting compliance with the principles of environmental management.

4.3 Competent Authority

The competent authority administering the EIA process and deciding on the issue of an ECC is the Ministry of Environment and Tourism's Department of Environmental Affairs. As such, application for an ECC and all reports and documentation associated with the EIA process will be submitted to the DEA.

Phases of EIA APPLICATION PHASE

Review of project against EMA listed activities to determine the need for an EIA Process

Compile and submit an ECC application to DEA
SCOPING PHASE WE ARE HERE

Identify and consult with Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) and conduct baseline studies to determine the sensitivity of the receiving environment and population to the proposed project

Identify potential environmental and social impacts based on the baseline studies and consultation with IAPs

Determine the Terms of Reference for further study during EIA/EMP (if required).

Compile Draft Scoping Report and Draft EMP detailing the above process and outcomes, and circulate to IAPs for review and comment.

Finalise Scoping Report and Draft EMP with IAP review outcomes and submit to DEA for adjudication.

PURPOSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PROCESS

The Environmental Management Act, 2007 (Act No. 7 of 2007), and supporting Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulation of 18 January 2012, prescribes the processes to be followed when conducting the Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) Application and associated Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process.

In broad terms, the purpose of the EIA process is to assess the current environment (including the socio-economic and cultural setting) in which a proposed activity will take place and assess all potential impacts.

The process aims to ensure that all relevant factors are considered when evaluating the potential impacts of a project, as well as developing appropriate environmental management measures (in the form of an Environmental Management Plan – EMP) to mitigate these impacts.

The EMP describes the goals and objectives for impact management to minimise or eliminate potential negative impacts; the action plans to bring effect to those goals and objectives; the procedures to be implemented to ensure integration of environmental management into the daily operations; as well as a plan to raise awareness of employees and the surrounding community with regards to environmental management.

5 REGISTRATION OF I&APS AND THEIR COMMENTS/CONCERNS

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Public involvement is an essential part of any Environmental Assessment process. Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) include any person or organisation that will be directly or indirectly involved and/or affected by the project.

You have been identified as a potential IAP who may want to receive information regarding the above-mentioned project and/or provide input into the Environmental Impact Assessment process. To be recognised as an IAP and to be kept informed of the proposed project and Environmental Assessment process going forward, one must register with GCS to be added to the Stakeholder Database for the project. You may communicate via fax, email or telephone to obtain further information or comment on the proposed project.

Registered IAPs will be kept informed of the Public Participation Process throughout the Environmental Assessment process, will be given the opportunity to review and comment on the EIA reports and documents, will receive feedback on how comments have been taken into account, and will be informed of the outcome of the assessment. All comments will be recorded and presented to the project team and competent authority by means of the Project Comments and Responses Register (CRR).

Attached to this BID is a comment form which you can complete and record any comments you may have with respect to the proposed activity. The contact details of the EAP to whom the comments can be addressed are outlined to the right.



PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - CONTACT DETAILS

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is quite a mistake

"Women are highly susceptible to infection with HIV marginalised groups and are and exploitation in the prison country HIV/AIDS and SRHR ted infections in prison as vulnerable to sexual abuse environment," states a UNOand other sexually transmit-DC baseline assessment released this August on regional they often come from socially

signed for prisons did not differ substantially from those needs of women and were largely designed to cater for gards to health rights, which As a result, the services detake into account the special male needs, especially in reof women.

in the sub-Saharan region to improve health conditions in been made in several counties that although progress has The UNODC study found

on populations, and the only country where overcrowding was not an issue.

Moreover, only Namibia and South Africa have sexual reproductive health prison policies in place, while Namibia, Angola and South Africa are the only countries in which health facilities are adequate to provide basic medical care, as well as HIV and SRH services.

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As part of this goal, programmes on these issues are

should be integrated into our being rolled out across the hence the importance of this "We must acknowledge that HIV and SRHR are issues that policies, plans and operations, country.

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The study concluded that while prison services across the region have laws man-

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for offenders.

ditions, sanitation, hygiene, vent the realisation of the right of people in prison to

supplies and healthcare pre-

the highest attainable standard of physical and mental

training."

Signe Rotberga, the regional UNODC HIV advisor, said

health.

some farmers, they complained about having to travel to Rundu to sort out problems with land When Namibian Sun talked

of land reform in Rundu, which "We travel more than 100 kilometres to talk to the ministry is too costly. We need our communal land board at Nkurenkuru," one farmer said on condition of anonymity. rights.

Chrispin Matongela said there were no funds for establishing When contacted for comment, ministry spokesperson offices in Kavango West.

Matongela said by law it was communal land board to serve the needs of people in Kavango acceptable for the Kavango East West, but politically it was not proper.

Matongela advised that in the meantime Kavango West could mobilise itself and create a secretariat to handle land matters.

"They can even use some staff tariat, because the secretariat is members of the Kavango West what is important," Matongela regional council and the ministry of lands and form a secre-

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and board.

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ND BOARD: The Kavango West Region does not have a communal land board. PHOTO: KENYA KAMBOWE

A communal land board is the

tration in a communal area by ensuring that the Land Reform

body tasked with land adminis-

The Communal Land Reform

Act is executed properly.

Act deals with access to rural

land in communal areas and it

regulates the allocation of land rights.

to the lands ministry to rectify Kavango West regional governor Sirkka Ausiku has appealed the matter without further deShe made the call shortly after informing the public that problems with illegal fencing

and common grazing were on the increase in the region.

i Traditional Authority was struggling with illegal fencing Namibian Sun recently reported that the Uukwangaand grazing in its area of juris-

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He said as former freedom fighters, he recalls the invaluable support they received from the Soviet Union, now Russia. "This is the country where we were housed, trained and supported, during our Russia and Africa share an enduring and ongstanding partnership, founded on the liberation struggle. It is for this reason that firm bonds of friendship and solidarity," Geingob said.

He said Africans are pleased that during this second phase of the struggle, they are to reignite their bonds of friendship with the Russian people, and set the stage for an effective mechanism for enhancing able to converge at this "historic summit", mutual beneficial cooperation between Africa and Russian.

"Africa is undergoing a period of rapid transformation, where we are in pursuit of achieving "an integrated, prosperous and peaceful Africa, driven by its own citizens and representing a dynamic force in the global arena" with a new focus in order to drive Africa's development and economic growth."

Underpinning this vision is Agenda 2063, he said, is a "manifestation of determination, freedom, progress and "Our world is at a crossroads. The forces the pan-African drive for unity, selfcollective prosperity pursued under Panof nationalism are growing; promoting placing multilateralism under threat. If Africanism and African Renaissance". unilateralism through protectionism and this trend is not countered, we could slide into an era of unipolarism," he added.

This, he said, will not be beneficial for anyone, in the long run. "Our world needs multilateralism and countervailing forces to keep each other in check," Geingob added.

Westernery unterproyunctions characterised by high levels of inequality. "This is aggravated by the fact that no specific tools and capacity have been cultivated to address this," he said.

"Much of a greater problem is that those who claim to care for the youth under the guise of youthfulness representation do dispensation dared to ask, 'what is the not have a slightest idea of what the youth want. Nobody in the current political youth want, how the youth want it done and when the youth want it done," stated Itula.

The independent candidate said he would only appoint 12 ministers to his cabinet.

"Our first priority is to rid us of the incompetence of an administration soaked in corruption and cronyism by a reduction in ministries and public organisations not

reside in the presidential State House if Itula announced that he would not elected into power.

"I am happy to remain with my comrades, neighbours and friends in Katutura," he remarked.

Itula said he would introduce a N\$1 housing scheme, designed specifically to 000 dual option direct government provide shelter and improve the standard of accommodation for the people in the so-called informal settlements.

"When you do that, you have two choices, you can choose to buy your materials and we will get our young plumbers to come and build, while the people from VTC, bricklayers, electricians, government pays them directly... No middleman," he shared.

iviy appear to ivanimisans, irrespective of your political persuasion, is to stop our slow sleepwalking into stagnation and bankruptcy by featherbedding the few. My mission is to redistribute our wealth more equitably and insert a new dynamism into our society, to involve us all process; to provide communities with the means of contributing to decisions in designing this new future by increasing the participation of us all in the political affecting their destiny," said Itula.

he would not resign from Swapo despite the ruling party's secretary-general Sophia Shaningwa indicating last week that he has Itula, who addressed a relatively wellattended rally in Walvis Bay yesterday, said excommunicated' himself from the party after being duly nominated as a presidential candidate.

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NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby served to inform all potentially application will be made to the Environmental Commissioner in terms of Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and the Environmental Assessment Regulations (2012) for the following intended activity: -Interested and/or Affected Parties (I&AP) that

EPL Areas: Kaoko Mining Namibia

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Environmental Consultant: Eco-Wise Environmental Proponent: Kaoko Mining Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Public Meeting Date: 2 November 2019 Venue: Otwani Clinic @ 10 am in Otwani and Sesfontein NWR Offices @ 2pm in Sesfontein Consulting cc

We invite all Interested & Affected Parties to register with hits study, submit your name and contact details with any issues, comments and/or opinions on or before 18 November 2019 to:

Ecowise Environmental Consulting CC Cell: 0813826460

ecowise@protonmail.com



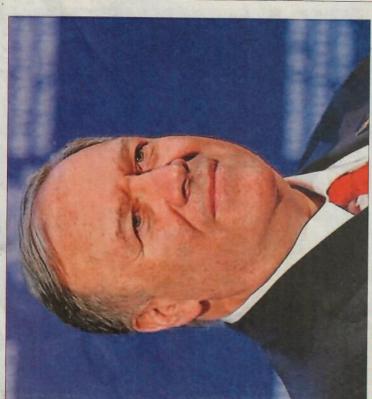
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Fewer people than expected comes to plummet.

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turned up to the main protest, with only 15-20,000 people in a stadium with a capacity of 60,000.



NEW PROHIBITIONS: US Secretary of State Mike Pompeo. PHOTO: BBC NEWS

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Some agronomic producers intend to apply for permission from the Biosafety Council of the National Commission on

Introduction of Genetically Modified Maize for

Agricultural Purposes in Namibia

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION NOTICE

Research, Science and Technology, for the introduction of genetically modified (GM) maize, Zea mays, for agricultural Ltd (GPT) was appointed by the Agronomic Producers

assessment. The detailed project location may be viewed at:

http://www.thenamib.com/projects/projects.html.

purposes in Namibia. Geo Pollution Technologies (Pty) Association (APA), to undertake an environmental impact The environmental assessment will be according to the Environmental Management Act of 2007 and its regulations

as published in 2012.

The application will be for three GM maize events, namely insect resistant MON810 and MON89034, and glyphosate

resistant NK603.

with the environmental consultant. By registering you are

environmental assessment. A public meeting is planned and details of the meeting will be communicated to all registered IAPs. Additional information can be requested from Geo

All interested and affected parties (IAPs) are invited to register provided with the opportunity to share any comments, issues or concerns related to the project, for consideration in the

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Register as IAP with Geo Pollution Technologies by

11 November 2019.

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She said the school feeding food-insecure households, as well as through the delivery of a diversified policy ensures that school feeding is an important safety net that addresses hunger particularly for the health and nutrition of learners nutritious diet that provides to their ability to focus in class.

"Today, we mark yet another Nghipondoka. The deputy minister said the school feeding programme intended to ensure that our children do not study on an empty stomach, one that ensures that our children concentrate better in class and their nsecure households," remarked has quadrupled under the education ministry, reaching over 370 000 learners in 1 400 schools in all 14 regions of Namibia from 78 000 in 1996. Nghipondoka said that in the long term, school feeding has the potential to contribute positively to strengthening the of the nation by improving the education level of the population, thereby increasing their chances of attaining rewarding employment milestone in the education sector, one nutrition is improved through the particularly for learners from foodhuman development capacity and significantly reducing socioconsumption of nutritious food economic disparities.

will coordinate the management and implementation of the Namibian school feeding programme while working in close collaboration with civil society, regional councils, UN Nghipondoka said the ministry sister ministries, the private sector,



The education ministry has launched its school feeding policy. Here learners are seen receiving their daily meal through the school feeding programme at Otjomuise Primary School. Photo: Sehna Ikela lealth boost ...

agencies, schools and communities. In addition, Nghipondoka said Namibia is among other countries that have adopted a school feeding

policy with an overarching goal of refining approaches and quality of education delivered by a decentralised

the United Nations World Food Programme (UNWFP) is advancing She said to accomplish this, the ministry of education together with

a goal that UNWFP, the ministry of the notion that no child should be in education and indeed stakeholders in school on an empty stomach is clearly the education sector are determined to achieve for the Namibian child.

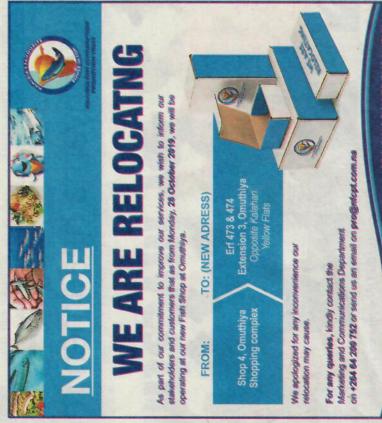
programme is one of the vehicles that contributes towards the achievement

Odeke said the school feeding

Odeke further congratulated the Namibian government for the outstanding achievements they have made in growing and strengthening their school feeding programme. of the vision of education for all.

"A programme that has evolved pre-primary and primary schools in to reach over 75% of learners in all Namibia," remarked Odeke.





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APPENDIX F

EMAIL CORRESPONDENCE

Stephanie Strauss

From: Stephanie Strauss

Sent: Monday, 21 October 2019 8:19 AM

Subject: 19-0759 Environmental Assessment for exploration drilling activities on Exclusive

Prospecting Licenses (EPLs) 6669 in the Kunene Region

Attachments: 19-0759 BID.pdf

Dear Potential Interested and Affected Party

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Kind regards, Stephanie

Stephanie Strauss

From: Stephanie Strauss

Sent: Wednesday, 05 February 2020 8:15 AM

Subject: FW: 19-0759 Environmental Assessment for exploration drilling activities on

Exclusive Prospecting Licenses (EPLs) 6669 in the Kunene Region

Dear Interested and Affected Party

GCS Water and Environmental Engineering (Pty) Ltd (GCS Namibia) hereby give notice to all Registered I&APs that the Draft Environmental Scoping Report (DESR) is now available for the above proposed project for public comment from the 5th February 2020 until 19th February 2020 at the following venues:

GCS Namibia Office

3rd Floor Maerua Mall Office Towers, Jan Jonker Road, Windhoek Tel: 061- 435 8228

Epupa Constituency office Okangwati

Tel: 065- 274522

The report is available for download at the following dropbox link for your perusal and comment: https://www.dropbox.com/s/ao20bg6yq5a4c95/19-

0759%20Scoping%20Report%20EPL%206669%20for%20public%20review.pdf?dl=0

Should you wish to comment on the proposed project, kindly do so in writing on or before 19th February 2020 by contacting us as follows:

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Should you require any additional information in this regard please feel free to contact our office.

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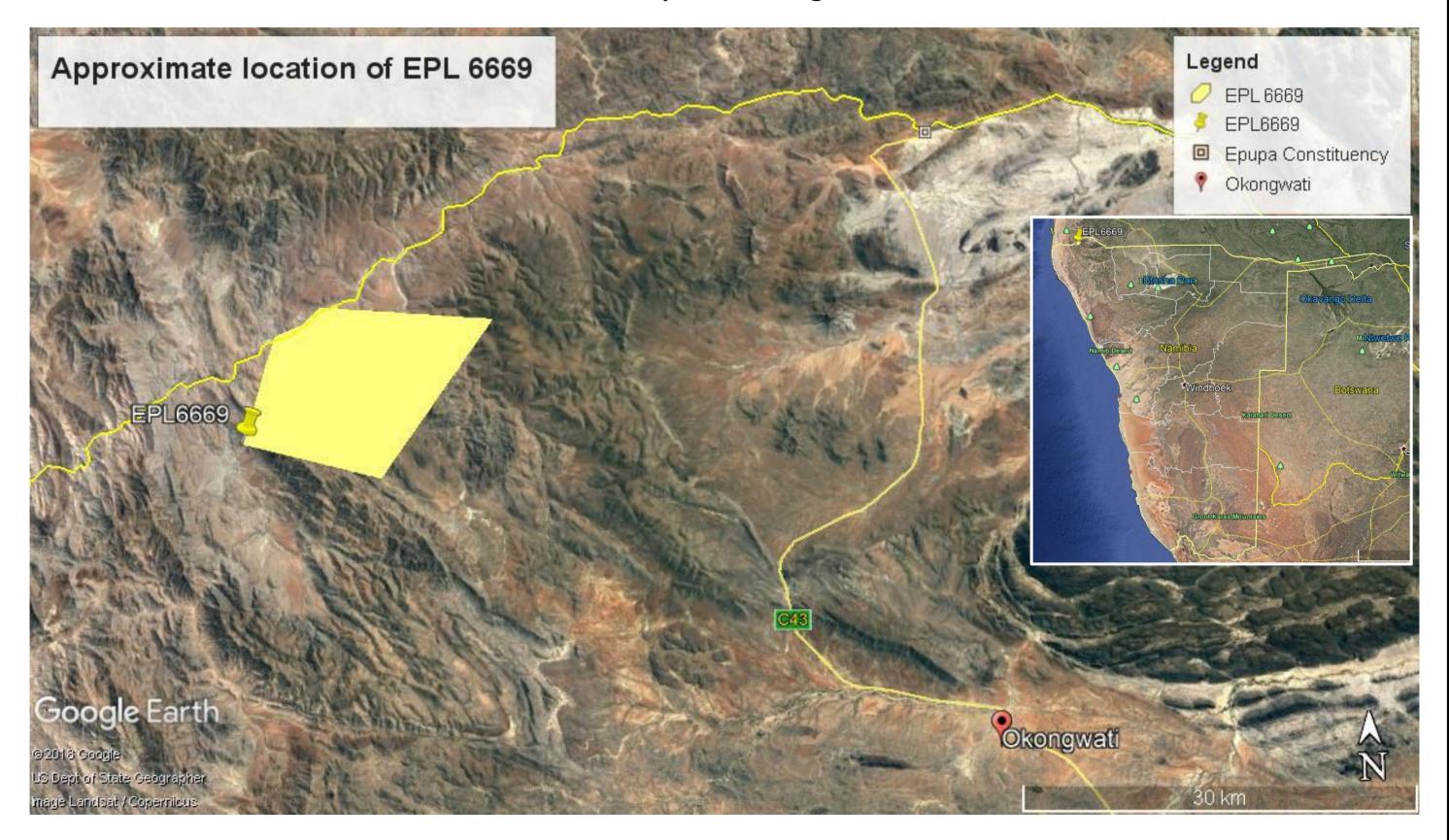
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APPENDIX H

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES PUBLIC MEETING ATTENDANCE REGISTERS



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GCS Ref- 19-0759 Our Reference

EPL 6669 - Community Meeting Minutes

Environmental Assessment for the Proposed Drilling Activities Subject:

on Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene

Region

Venue:

Omuhonga Village

Date:

2019/10/24

Time:

12h00

Attendance:

See attached attendance list (approximately 35 attendants)

1 INTRODUCTION AND WELCOMING

The meeting was opened by the Honourable Councillor of the Epupa Constituency. Lloyd McFarlane from GCS proceeded to introduce himself as part of the consulting team. Lloyd further proceeded with the background of the intended project.

2 OVERVIEW OF PROPOSED PROJECT

The meeting provided an introduction and background to the proposed Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene Region. An explanation for the environmental and the social elements of the project was provided. The EA process was described, and the purpose of the meeting identified which forms part of the public participation for the EA. The ways in which the Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) can become involved in the process was explained. Any comments, questions or concerns were invited from the attendants. After a discussion with regards to the project, the meeting was adjourned.

3 COMMUNITY MEETING: QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS REGARDING THE PROPOSED PROJECT

The following comments/questions were provided during the discussions:

Nangolo Trading Enterprise EPL 6669

Question/Comment by	Question/Comment	Respondent	Response
Community leader	Is it possible to have a contract between the developer and the community?	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	We will have to consult the project developer to find out if they are willing to have a contract with the communities.
Regional authority	There were two aspects I am concerned about:	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	We need to establish if there are graves and wildlife present in the area.
	 How will the gravesites be affected? How will the wildlife be affected? 		Should it be found that there are graves within the project footprint, specialists would need to be engaged in order to determine their impact. The specialists will then determine how the graves are to be respected and not encroached on. Specialists can additionally determine what animals
			there are and how they can reduce the impact on them as much as possible or at all.
Regional Authority	The explanation does not provide enough clarity. Additionally, how will the environment be affected by the various activities?	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	The environmental impacts are not all known at this stage, that is why we are undertaking an Environmental Assessment so that we can find the solutions. We are currently in the first phase of the assessment. A more detailed explanation of the impacts and their mitigation measures will be outlined in the scoping report. It is also possible that through our consultations that the solutions are suggested by the local
Community member	Is this meeting the first or second	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	communities. This is the first public meeting. Stakeholder
	consultation for the project?		engagement is a critical part of the project, if the community does not give consent to a project it can
	Is the community consultation just a stopover on the way to the project site? Or is this consultation aimed at engaging the		prevent the project form going ahead. GCS's intention is to establish a relationship with the community so we can ensure that all stakeholders can benefit from the project.

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	community before you begin with the explorations?		
Otjimborombonga community member	Thank you, I am satisfied with your answer. As a community representative I hope that my leadership will be considered in the stakeholder process and that our input will be considered.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	Thank you, we ensure that your input is important to the project.
Community representative	Stating that all meeting attendants are being respected. The people sitting here are taking in the points, but this is not a simple thing to understand. They may sit here and deliberate for some time.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	No big decisions need to be taken immediately, the consultation is an ongoing process and the community will have time to think about it and talk amongst themselves and future community engagement meetings can be set up at a later stage if needed.
Community representative	Is this a foreign company or a local company?	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	This is a local company with investment from outside Namibia.
Community member	We appreciate this and stress we need much deliberation with each other, community leader's family members, counsellors etc. Furthermore, please be aware that no graves may be damaged. Our tradition determines that graves must not be touched or stood on. These are to be respected and conserved.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	My experience is that we have this as a common occurrence in Africa and we know it is extremely sensitive and therefore we must make the correct arrangements to ensure that these are protected. Thank you for the information and this is precisely why we need to engage in this stakeholder engagement exercise.
Community member	One of the attendants know the developer but it is not clear why he has not engaged with them in the past.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	It is unfortunate that the client is not attending the meeting. We will ensure that the client is at any future community engagements so they can answer any questions you may have.

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Chairman of Epupa conservancy and 2 chiefs and councillor	We have no further issues, but we hope the client can be in attendance.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	Thank you he will be in attendance in future.
Epupa representative	Is GCS going straight to Epupa or back to Opuwo?	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	I am travelling to Epupa. The meeting today is for consultation with the affected communities in the area. Another meeting is arranged for tomorrow morning with the Epupa community and then we are visiting the site. It should be noted that the Epupa Community attended the meeting on the 24 th of October and thus the meeting scheduled for the 25 th was cancelled.
Epupa representative	It should be noted that the client is to inform the community representative that he knows prior to visiting the site. The client should particularly arrange this in advance if other consultants will be accompanying to the site.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	It should be noted that there is no exploration happening at this stage, the site visit aims to visually assess the site and take some photographs. We are in the first process for screening, we are just going to look at the area in order to get a better understanding. This forms the first step in the project.
All Community representatives	After much deliberation it was concluded that GCS should not be allowed access to the site because they have not been consulted and informed that the consultants are traveling to the site. They are concerned by the presence of sacred sites in and around the project area and are worried that if an outsider travels there unaccompanied, they will disturb the graves and sacred sites.	Lloyd McFarlane (GCS)	GCS agreed to honour this request and therefore did not travel to the project site as originally planned.

4 WAY FORWARD

The documented questions and comments from the meeting will be incorporated and fully addressed in the Environmental Scoping Report. This report will be circulated to all registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) for review before it can be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) for evaluation. The Final Scoping Report would be submitted to DEA and if approval is granted the DEA would issue an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for the proposed project to commence.



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Meeting: Environmental Assessment (EA) for the Proposed Exploration Drilling Activities on Exclusive Prospecting Licence (EPL) 6669 in the Kunene Region

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Meeting: Epupa Constituency Councillor

Date: 23 October 2019

Time: 09h00

Venue: Epupa Constituency office in Okangwati

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Meeting: Community

Date: 24 October 2019

Time: 10h00

Venue: Epupa Village

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Theo Wassenaar Namibia	Kindly register me as an I&AP for the abovementioned project, as advertised. I would like to receive further information, if possible.	•	Please find attached the Background Information Document for the intended development. The scoping report is not available yet but will be made available for public comment once ready. You will be kept updated and receive further information
			throughout the process. Please feel free to contact our office should you need any additional information.

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APPENDIX J

COMMENTS RECEIVED

Stephanie Strauss

From: Wassenaar,Theo (NRA) <twassenaar@nust.na>

Sent: Sunday, 03 November 2019 7:49 PM

To: Stephanie Strauss

Subject: Register me as I&AP for Nangolo EPL

Dear Stephanie

Kindly register me as an I&AP for the abovementioned project, as advertised. I wouldlike to receive further information, if possible

Best wishes

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From: Stephanie Strauss

Sent: Friday, 08 November 2019 3:25 PM

To: Wassenaar, Theo (NRA)

Subject: RE: Register me as I&AP for Nangolo EPL

Attachments: 19-0759 BID.pdf

Good day Theo

Apologies for the delayed response.

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Kind regards Stephanie

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