
BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (BID)



EXISTING SAND MINING & BRICK MAKING FACILITY, OSHANA REGION

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One step @ a time

1. PURPOSE OF THIS DOCUMENT

The purpose of this Background Information Document (BID) is to provide a brief description of the proposed activity and to enable Interested and Affected Parties (I&AP's) to register and participate in the EIA process, as well as comment on the environmental, social and economic aspects relating to the project.

Hilka Bricks and Garden (HBG) (Herein referred to as HBG) has established a brick manufacturing Site at Onambango Village, Oshana Region. Tortoise Environmental Consultancy (TEC) has been appointed to develop an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) that will be used to guide activities being undertaken.

The brick making has been in existence since 2015 but with no Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC). The sand used in the processing of bricks is sourced from an existing sand stockpile that has been left from previous road construction activities in the area. No excavations are done as sand is harvested from a stockpile.

2. AUTHORIZATION PROCESS

The process of obtaining an ECC for sand mining related activities requires that a Sand Mining Questionnaire be completed by the proponent and consent in a form of signature by the local authorities. The proponent has obtained the requisite signatures and would like to submit the application for the ECC.

3. PROJECT LOCATION

HBG project is located in Onambango village, Okaku Constituency of Oshana region. It is situated approximately 25km along the main road from Ondangwa to Oshikango.



Figure 1: Locality Map of Hilka Bricks (green polygon demarcates the sand stockpile)