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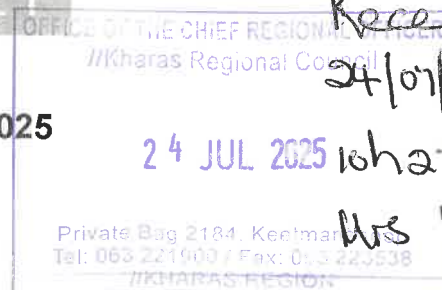


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- Step 5: Stakeholder and public consultation- Site visits and assessments, engagements, and consultation with relevant authorities and stakeholders. Communication will be made to all registered stakeholders and I&APs.
- Step 6: Compilation of the draft ESIA Scoping Report and Environmental & Social Management Plan (ESMP) and Review of Documents.
- Step 7: Final Reporting and Submission of the ESIA Report and ESMP to the Environmental Commissioner at MEFT for evaluation and consideration of the ECC.
- Stage 8: Follow-up with MEFT on the status of the evaluation of the submitted ESIA documents and decision on the ECC.

All the inputs, concerns, issues, and/or comments should be put **in writing** (email, short messages (SMS or WhatsApp), or handwritten letters) so that they may be considered in the ESIA Scoping Report as well as in the Draft ESMP.

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4.1 Details for the Consultation and Engagement

Consultations and engagement with immediate key stakeholders throughout June and July 2025.

4.2 Deadline for Registration as I&AP and Comments

The last date for registration as I&APs and or to submit comments, concerns, and issues is **before the end of the day on Thursday, 31 July 2025.**



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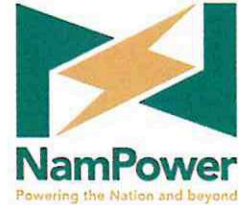
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Date: 10 April 2025

Dear Mr. Haihambo,

Authorization for SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Limited to Undertake Activities within Tsau //Khaeb National Park for the Provision of an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) for the NamPower Wind Project, Including the Transmission Line.

The letter from the Minister of Environment, Forestry and Tourism dated 07 May 2024 and titled "**APPLICATION FOR LAND IN THE TSAU //Khaeb NATIONAL PARK FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 300 MW WIND PARK**" bears reference.

NamPower hereby confirms that SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Limited has been appointed through a competitive procurement process to conduct an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA), including the Transmission Line, on our behalf under Contract No. SC/RP/NPWR-14/2024|NA-NAMPOWER-388248-CS-QCBS. This assignment forms part of the preparatory activities for the planned development of a 300 MW Wind Power Plant within the Tsau //Khaeb National Park.

We will require SRK Consulting (South Africa) (Pty) Limited to undertake fieldwork, including site access, environmental screening and scoping studies, and other non-intrusive technical assessments, as required for the execution of the Wind ESIA Project. NamPower kindly requests your permission to allow our representatives access to your land for the purposes of this study. All activities will be conducted with the utmost respect for the park and in line with any guidelines you may provide.

As per our Environmental and Social Impact Assessment's Terms of Reference, the scope of services will consist of:

- Conducting an Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) in the Tsau //Khaeb (Sperrgebiet) National Park area; which will contain specialist reports; and the compilation of the Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) to obtain the project Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT).

- conducting a scoping study for the installation of the Met Masts of the Wind Resource Assessment (WRA) campaign and assist in obtaining the required Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC).
- Assessing the impact of the associated project linear infrastructure including the potential Transmission Line and transportation routes.

Furthermore, we request that the authorization be granted for the duration of the contract, valid until its expected completion in February 2027, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

We trust this letter will support the application process with the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism for the relevant permits under the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007).

Should you require additional clarifications, please do not hesitate to contact our project manager of the assignment at Linda.lipinge@nampower.com.na or +264 61 205 2602 for any additional information.

Yours faithfully,


K.S. HAULOFU
MANAGING DIRECTOR





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07 May 2024

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Dear Mr. Haulofu,

RE: APPLICATION FOR LAND IN THE TSAU //KAEB NATIONAL PARK FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE 300 MW WIND PARK

We perused your project site selection report for the proposed development of the 300 MW wind park, in response to your letter dated 28 February 2024, on the above captioned subject matter.


In principle we have no objection to the proposed development but the proposed area is of medium biodiversity importance, zoned as a Wildlife Management Zone. We are also cognizant of the fact that you have identified two project sites that are enormous in size, the baseline (35 000 ha) and alternative (40 000 ha).

For now, we permit NamPower to commence with the studies as stipulated in your report and being part of standard procedure for a listed activity, in terms of the Environmental Management Act (Act 7 of 2012).

We finally have to negotiate and allocate a reduced project site for the practical development of the Wind Park.

We hope that the above meets your expectation and please accept the assurances of our highest regard.

Yours sincerely,


Pohamba Shifeta, (MP)
Minister



Cc: Hon. Tom Alweendo – Minister of Mines and Energy

“Stop the poaching of our rhinos”

All official correspondence must be addressed to the Executive Director

