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30 January 2026

Identified stakeholder and potential interested or affected party for the following Project:

RE – NOTICE OF A SCOPING PLUS IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE PROPOSED IRRIGATION AND AGRICULTURE OPERATIONS ON FARM GAI KAISA NO.159, OTJOZONDJUPA REGION, AS PART OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE APPLICATION

Dear Sir or Madam,

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd (ECC) (herein referred to as the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP)), has been engaged by Retort Charcoal Producers (Pty) Ltd, (herein referred to as the Proponent) to conduct a scoping plus impact assessment and compile an environmental and social management plan (ESMP) for the proposed Irrigation and Agriculture Operations on Farm Gai Kaisa No. 159, Otjozondjupa Region, Namibia.

In line with the requirements of the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 and its 2012 associated Regulations, an environmental clearance certificate application is being compiled and will be submitted to the Department of Water Affairs (DWA) of the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries, Water and Land Reform (MAFWLR) (competent authority). The application will then be forwarded to the environmental commissioner (EC) at the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT) for review and to make a record of decision (RoD) regarding the proposed Project.

The Proponent proposes the operation of an irrigation project to support crop production. Irrigation is planned to be implemented in two (2) phases, each comprising ~135 ha of cultivated area consisting of maize and fodder. Phase 1 will require an estimated ~1 million m³ of water per annum. Phase 2 expands the total cultivated area to approximately 260 ha, resulting in a total groundwater requirement of ~2 million m³ per annum. Furthermore, 4 ha of high value fruit trials will be conducted.

The Project site is located approximately 30 km southeast (SE) of the Kombat settlement and approximately 42 km southwest (SW) of Grootfontein town and can be accessed via the D2804 district road that branches out from the B8 main road in the Otjozondjupa Region (Figure 1).

The scoping plus impact assessment and environmental and social management plan (ESMP) provides further details of the Project, which can be downloaded from the link provided below: <https://eccenvironmental.com/download/irrigation-system-on-farm-gai-kaisa-no-159-otjozondjupa-region-namibia/>

This letter serves to engage potential I&APs for the Project and to establish a communication channel with ECC for the scoping plus impact assessment process. You have been identified as a stakeholder and potential I&AP and ECC would therefore like to inform you of the opportunities available for your participation in the process.

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Should you require our assistance with the details contained within this letter, please do not hesitate to contact us and we will gladly assist.

Yours sincerely,

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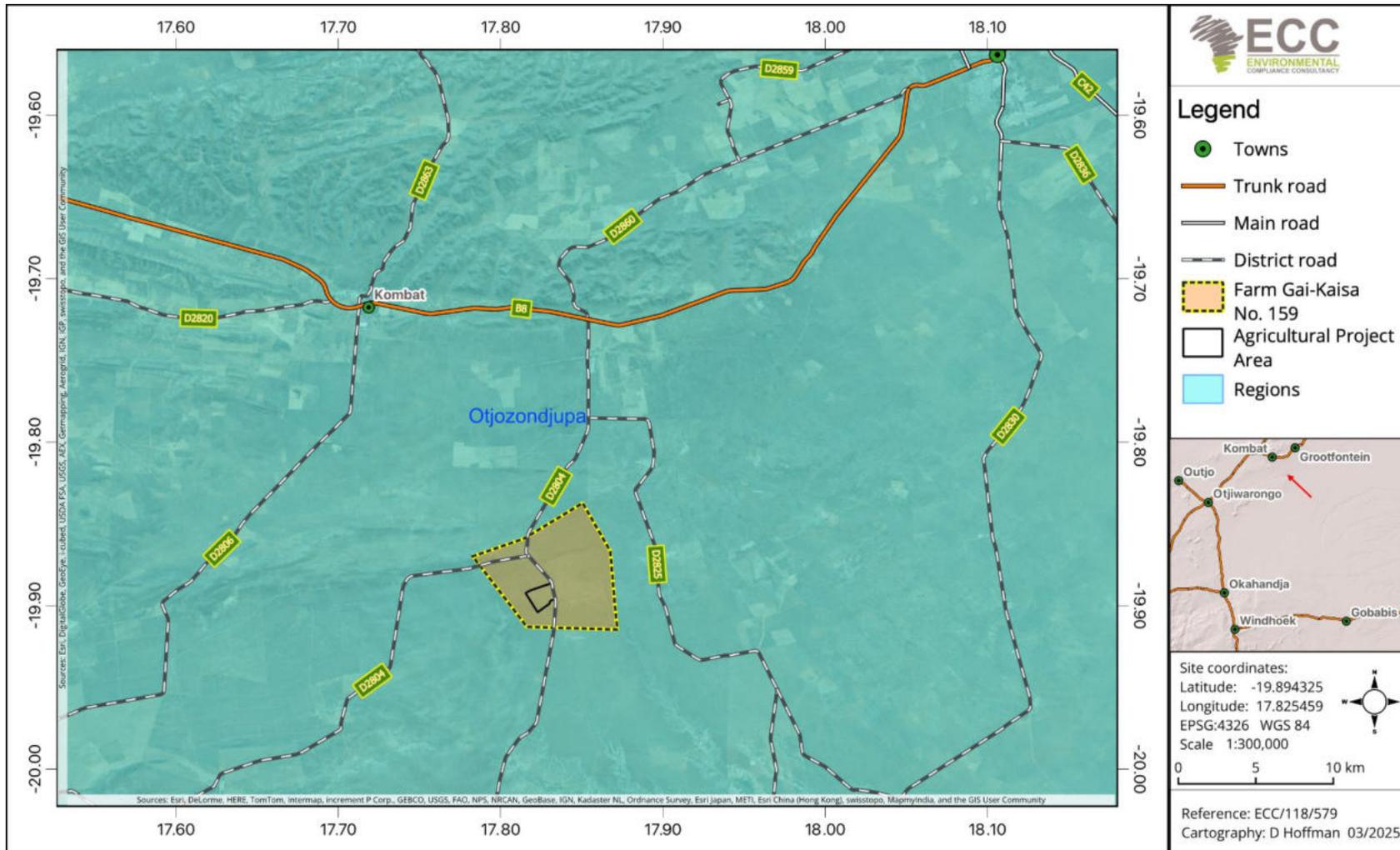


Figure 1 - Location map of the Agriculture Project on Farm Gai Kaisa No.159, Otjozondjupa Region



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Irrigation System for an Agriculture Project on Farm Gai Kaisa No. 159, Otjozondjupa Region, Namibia

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The letter attached serves to engage potential I&APs for the Project and to establish a communication channel with ECC for the scoping plus impact assessment process. You have been identified as a stakeholder and potential I&AP and ECC would therefore like to inform you that we would gladly respond to any comments, questions or concerns about the Project.

You can access the project scoping plus impact assessment report, ESMP and associated appendices using the link below:

<https://eccenvironmental.com/download/irrigation-system-on-farm-gai-kaisa-no-159-otjozondjupa-region-namibia/>

On behalf of our team, thank you and kind regards,

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Office hours: Please note that our office operates between 07:00 am to 5:00 pm Namibian time, Monday to Friday. Additionally, please feel free to contact our office on +264 81 669 7608 or you can leave a message and one of our ECC team members will be able to assist you.

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