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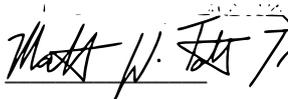
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## ABBREVIATIONS

ABBREVIATION	DESCRIPTION
EAP	environmental assessment practitioner
ECC	Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd
EMA	Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007
ESMP	Environmental and social management plan
EPL	exclusive prospecting licence
ESIA	environmental and social impact assessment
I&APs	interested and affected parties
Ltd.	limited
MEFT	Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism
ML	mining licence
MME	Ministry of Mines and Energy
NBC	Namibian Broadcasting Corporation
Pty	proprietary
Q4	quarter four
RoD	record of decision
ROM	run of mine
SME	small medium enterprises
UTM	Universal Transverse Mercator

# **1 SUMMARY OF PUBLIC MEETINGS AND COMMENTS FROM I&APS**

## **1.1 INTRODUCTION**

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd (ECC) has been engaged by Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd, the Proponent, to conduct an environmental and social impact assessment (ESIA) in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 and its regulations of 2012, for which an application for an environmental clearance certificate has been submitted for the construction and operation of the proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine on EPL 4818, within the Erongo Region, Namibia.

The proposed project (referred to as “the Project” herein) involves establishing a gold mine, with operations comprised of several open pits to be excavated using conventional blasting and drilling techniques. Ore and waste will be loaded with hydraulic excavators and hauled by diesel-powered trucks to the primary crusher, run of mine (ROM) pad stockpile, low-grade stockpile, or waste dump. At this stage, it is assumed that the whole mining operation, except for the mine technical services function, will be outsourced to a reputable mining contractor company.

Groups of communities and individuals directly affected and/ or interested were identified, engaged, and invited to attend the public meetings held in the rural settlements of Okombahe and Uis, respectively. Prior to the public meetings, focus group meetings were held with the relevant local governing bodies (i.e. Tsiseb Conservancy Management Committee, Daure Daman Traditional Authority and !Oe≠Gan Traditional Authority). This report comprises the public comments raised during the public engagement phase and the EAP/Proponent responses. This report will be submitted to the competent authority (i.e. Ministry of Mines and Energy and the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism) along with the project scoping study and the environmental impact assessment report for perusal to award a record of decision on the project.

## **1.2 PUBLIC MEETINGS SUMMARY**

The May 14 and 15, 2024 public engagement meetings were facilitated by Ms Monique Jarrett (Environmental Practitioner – Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd (ECC) – with technical support from Mr Samuel Shinyemba and Mr Matt Totten Jr. (ECC), as well as Mr Keith Webb – Wia Gold’s Country Manager – and Mr Thomas Mutilifa from Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd. The public meetings created a platform to introduce the Project and engage stakeholders, potentially interested and affected parties, capture and address public inputs and identify knowledge gaps that would expand the scope of the assessment process.

The welcoming and agenda of the meeting included an introduction to ECC as an independent environmental consulting company commissioned by Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd as the environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) to conduct the ESIA.

Mr Kieth Webb then gave a technical presentation on behalf of Damaran Exploration (Pty) Ltd. The technical aspects included an overview of the Project's location, proposed operations on EPL 4818, and project advancements.

To conclude the presentation, Ms Jarrett (ECC) then explained the environmental assessment process and the status of the proposed Project's ESIA. These included aspects related to impacts triggered by exploration activities, how mitigation and monitoring measures could potentially be enforced and how the attendees, as registered interested and affected parties (I&APs), could contribute to the ESIA study which also include the development of the proposed Project's environmental and social management plan (ESMP).

### 1.3 KEY FEEDBACK ON ISSUES OF CONCERN – PUBLIC MEETINGS

The summary of comments received from the public meetings presented useful and valuable inputs in setting out the scope of the environmental and social impact assessment through questions asked and points raised. From an overall review of the recorded statements, the key common themes of concern that were raised can be summarised in the following categories:

#### 1.3.1 EMPLOYMENT OF RESIDENTS

The I&APs raised questions on the project job numbers and the mine recruitment strategy. Additionally, the emphasis was on the recognition and consideration of local inexperienced youths for unskilled and semi-skilled job opportunities to address the high unemployment rate in Uis and Okombahe. The Proponent highlighted that the project job numbers are being investigated in the feasibility study and will be finalised in quarter four (Q4) of 2024. Additionally, The Proponent will adopt various recruitment strategies and policies to ensure locals are sourced and granted job opportunities. To enhance skills development, on job-training will also be integrated into day-to-day operations.

#### 1.3.2 CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

There were questions posed regarding the mine's commitments to corporate social responsibility such as financial aids in terms of scholarship programs to deserving students in the local area, development of healthcare facilities and other associated infrastructures (e.g. potential upgrades of the C36 gravel road that connects Uis and Omaruru). The Proponent highlighted that there are no capitals generated by the Project at this stage as money from investors is invested directly into the exploration program. The Proponent will commit to its corporate social commitments and resource or financial support during operations as there would be guaranteed revenue generations. Efforts will be made to support existing community projects and other innovative community uplifting programs.

#### 1.3.3 WATER CRISIS IN THE LOCAL AREA (OKOMBAHE AND UIS)

The I&APs expressed concerns regarding the water crisis in the local area and inquired whether the mine will drill more community boreholes. The Proponent addressed this concern by

emphasising that the project area is arid, and recurring droughts entails that groundwater resources are not frequently recharged. The boreholes drilled in the past have dried up and it will not be economically viable to drill new boreholes as there would be no guaranteed positive returns. The groundwater resource yields may not sustainably meet the community water requirements on the long run.

#### 1.3.4 RELOCATION OF AFFECTED FARMERS/COMMUNITY GROUPS

Farmers residing in the project area raised concerns that there will be a potential for directly affected farmers to be relocated from their ancestral lands where their ancestors are buried. The EAP explained that a heritage specialist study will be conducted to identify graves (and potential graves) or archaeological artifacts in the immediate project area. Should there be graves findings in the mine footprint that warrant protection under the National Heritage Act No.27 of 2004, efforts will be made to relocate the graves. This will be through consultations with the affected families, and with the directives and consent of the National Heritage Council. Provisions under the Burial Ordinance No.27 of 1966 will be followed to guide the graves relocation process. A chance find procedure will also be adopted through the various phases of the Project.

The Proponent highlighted that there will be on-going consultation with the affected farmers prior to commencement of any mine accessory works. The Proponent will facilitate the relocation process of affected farmers or community groups from within the mine blast buffer zone to safer grounds.

## 2 ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In closing the May 14 and 15, 2024 public meetings, ECC thanked all I&APs for their attendance and for providing valuable feedback during each stakeholder meeting. Through the stakeholder meeting process, the Proponent and ECC have endeavoured to give a platform to hear and address all relevant comments put forward by I&APs.

ECC further endorsed the fact that constructive feedback from I&APs results in a more robust and improved ESIA. This process results in a project that is understood by I&APs and the broader community. I&AP feedback will contribute to identifying the potential impacts to be assessed and concerns to be considered and addressed as the project progresses.

### 2.1 DETAILED COMMENTS AND RESPONSES RECEIVED DURING THE PUBLIC CONSULTATION PHASE

Comments from I&APs were received during the stakeholder meetings, via email submission, and via telephone. These records are provided in Table 1.

**The initial round of public engagement meetings took place in Uis and Okombahe. Focus group meetings were held with the Daure Daman Traditional Authority and Tsiseb Conservancy Management Committee on 14 and 15 of May 2024. The public and stakeholder meeting minutes are provided in**

Table 2 - Table 5.

A second round of the public engagement meetings that were requested by I&APs during the May 14 and 15, 2024 public engagement meetings, took place in and nearby Okombahe on 17 and 18 September 2024. A focus group meeting was held with the !Oe#Gan Traditional Authority on 17 September 2024 and a community meeting was held in Swartklip #n#s community on 18 September 2024. The meeting minutes from both engagement meetings are provided in Table 6 and

Table 7, respectively.

The public consultation period will remain open for I&APs until the final assessment report for the Project is ready for submission to the competent authorities (MME) and MEFT. The public consultation records are provided in Appendix A – Appendix H.

**Table 1 - Comments and responses from feedback received during the I&AP registration period**

Stakeholder Details	Question/Comment	Response/Clarification
<p>Gerson Gurirab Community Activist, A#Eseb Nature Conservancy &amp; Okombahe Restoration Project</p>	<p>1. Total committed corporate social responsibility.</p>	<p>The Proponent is committed to assist the community. However, there are no incomes generated from the current exploration activities. When the Project transitions into full mining operation, the Proponent will investigate on how best to assist the community projects, SMEs etc.</p>
	<p>2. Guaranteed employment of our rural youth and able-skilled community members.</p>	<p>The current exploration team includes 21 employees sourced from the local area.</p> <p>At this stage, job numbers required for the Project are not yet known. These figures will be determined by the feasibility study that will be finalised by the end of quarter four (Q4) of 2024. The majority of jobs will be skilled and semi-skilled; however, the Proponent will ensure unskilled job opportunities are filled by locals.</p>
	<p>3. Support our farmers with fodder, water problems and related necessities through consultation.</p>	<p>Unfortunately, there is not a great quantity of water in the area as most of the boreholes that have been drilled previously have dried up. The Proponent will assist where possible once mining commences and when more money for community projects becomes available.</p>
	<p>4. Rehabilitation of boreholes and road networks.</p>	<p>The exploration is on-going, and the Proponent will commit to uphold its code of conduct by ensuring that these sites are rehabilitated to the greatest extent feasible.</p>

Stakeholder Details	Question/Comment	Response/Clarification
	5. Support towards community capacity-building programs.	The Proponent is committed to assist the community through any development programs and other community uplifting initiatives. There are no incomes generated from the current exploration program, therefore support to the community will be rendered when the mine commences with full operation.
	6. Support towards schools and community institutions.	There are no incomes generated from the current exploration and drilling programs. The mine will generate income during operation where more funds will be made available to support the local community, schools, and institutions.
	7. Thorough community consultation before any operations.	To further ensure good project reception, the Proponent will ensure that a stakeholder liaison officer is hired during operations to continuously engage with the affected communities.
	8. Prioritize Okombahe as a growth point for development.	Okombahe and surrounding villages are closest to the EPL, thus corporate social support and benefits will be rendered to these communities.
	9. Formal housing establishment for Okombahe.	The Proponent is uncertain as to where the formal housing base camp will ultimately be located. This will be determined in the final planning stages of the project.
	10. Involve conservancy in all discussions to preserve fauna & flora and note that other members may add to these points.	Continuous engagements will be held with the conservancy and traditional authority leaders.

Stakeholder Details	Question/Comment	Response/Clarification
		<p>The public consultation phase will remain open throughout the ESIA process. The EAP will incorporate comments received during the public consultation phase into the impacts assessment phase. Should the EAP receive further comments on the Project after final submission of all project deliverables, an addendum report will be prepared to address these comments and submitted to the competent authority as part of the application for an environmental clearance certificate for the project.</p>
<p>Roswitha Brendell Grato Investment (Pty) Ltd and Goaob Agri and Aqua Place (NGO)</p>	<p>I am interested to hear about the rehabilitation plan after mining as well as the community benefits in terms of job attachments, training, infrastructure developments and social welfare of the community members.</p>	<p>The rehabilitation or mine closure plan documents have not been drafted. These documents will be prepared progressively as the project develops. A mine closure plan and rehabilitation plan will be drafted to meet the standards requirements of the draft Namibian Mine Closure Framework and international best practices.</p>
<p>Jean Guriras</p>	<p>My concern is that the opportunities (jobs) should be given first to the people who are from Okombahe and then the Erongo Region at large.</p>	<p>The Proponent will have a strategic employment plan in place. Priority will be given to residents who meet the job requirements. However, should it be difficult to source skilled people locally, efforts will be made to source such people from the broader region.</p>
<p>Abednego Nanub</p>	<p>The environmental projects must not damage the environment and must not challenge the health and safety of the locals. The locals must be taken into</p>	<p>The purpose of the environmental and social impact assessment is to assess the environmental and social impacts likely to be triggered by the proposed project. The EAP will prepare the environmental and social</p>

Stakeholder Details	Question/Comment	Response/Clarification
	consideration for any benefits from the environmental projects.	management plan (ESMP) to address the impacts and recommend best management and mitigation measures. Corporate social obligations will also be detailed in this report to ensure communities best benefit from the project.
<p>Mr Gruzi Isaac #Goseb Senior Traditional Councillor !Oe- #Gân Traditional Authority</p>	<p>(Refer to attached Letter in Appendix B):</p> <p>First, I am writing to address the critical issue of water scarcity that will if it is not discussed and planned carefully affect both our community and the proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine operations that we cherish passionately because of economic reasons.</p> <p>It is our experience that the underground water sources are depleting rapidly, and boreholes are during up in our communal land. This has created a very worrying situation for human consumption and farming. This also holds threat to potential mining operations.</p> <p>To ensure a sustainable water supply for the mine and the community, I propose</p>	<p>Comment noted, thank you. The Proponent is aware of the water crisis in the Okombahe area. Drilled boreholes in the local area have shown similar results. A desalination plant to the Kokoseb Mine and !Oe- #Gân Traditional Authority area would require collaborated efforts of various corporate bodies and stakeholders within the region to accomplish.</p>

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	<p>extension of the current seawater desalination plant, located about seventy plus kilometers away from the targeted site. This solution will offer:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Sustainable Mining Operations: Providing the mine with a reliable water source and reducing pressure on local depleting aquifers.</li> <li>2) Community and Agricultural Benefits: Supplying essential water to households, medical clinics, schools, and farmers will enhance living conditions and productivity.</li> <li>3) Long Term Development: A sustainable water resource management will benefit the region for years to come.</li> </ol>	
	<p>(Refer to attached Letter in Appendix B):</p> <p>In Addition, I wish to request that the mine reserve an employment quota for the members of the !Që#Gân. This would</p>	<p>Currently, the Damaran Exploration team is comprised of 35 workers, with 7 being professionals, and 28 being semi-skilled and unskilled workers. 21 workers were sourced from the surrounding communities. Feasibility studies will be conducted to assess the required job</p>

Stakeholder Details	Question/Comment	Response/Clarification
	<p>involve a direct recruitment process through the !Që#Gân traditional authority database. Prioritizing local employment will not only uplift the community but also foster goodwill and a stronger partnership between the mine and local economy.</p> <p>(Refer to attached Letter in Appendix B):</p> <p>Finally, I request that local businesses within our traditional communities be given priority to supply goods and services to the mining exploration and operational activities. Such local business engagement will stimulate local economy.</p>	<p>numbers for the proposed mine. Recruitment strategies and policies will be developed as the Project progresses to ensure locals are granted a fair opportunity to apply for and receive work contracts or employment.</p> <p>The project is currently in the exploration stage; efforts are made to contract local businesses where possible for required services. Should the proposed Project move to mining operations, every effort will be made to acquire the various services required, during both construction and operation of the proposed Project, first from local businesses before seeking service providers further afield.</p>

**Table 2 - Comments and feedback from the meeting held with the Tsiseb Conservancy Committee on 14 May 2024**

<b>Tsiseb Conservancy Committee: Uis Tuesday 14 May 2024</b>		
<b>Name of Stakeholder</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Immanuel Tunde Tsiseb Conservancy Council Member	How deep are the drill holes?	The drill holes are up to 500 m deep, drilled at an angle of up to 60-degrees.
	How deep are you getting good results?	It is variable, there has been mineralization down to 300 m.
	Where will the public meeting be held in Uis?	The public meeting will be held at the Uis Community Hall.
	Meetings should be held with directly affected farmers since they are residing within the EPL or closer. Directly affected people are not from Uis.	Point noted, thank you. The Proponent is constantly in communication with the farmers whose portions are within the EPL boundary.
	The EAP must find a central farm to consult directly affected farmers. Members of the conservancy management chamber should be present during this meeting.  The meeting must be held at one of the closest farms such as /Haruka Ams, !Khomxadere or farms closest to the Katora.	Thank you. This will be organised.
	Why was there no public consultation done before the exploration?	The environmental clearance certificate application for the exploration phase was conducted by another

<b>Tsiseb Conservancy Committee: Uis</b> <b>Tuesday 14 May 2024</b>		
Name of Stakeholder	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
		EAP (consultant). ECC cannot speak on behalf of the previous EAP as to why public meetings may not have been held with the directly affected parties.

**Table 3 - Comments and feedback from the public meeting held in Okombahe on 14 May 2024**

<b>!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority Hall: Okombahe Tuesday 14 May 2024</b>		
<b>Name of Stakeholder</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Joko Kurinavi Okombahe community member	From inception, the project was referred to as Damaran Exploration, lately it is referred to as Kokoseb Exploration. What is the difference between the two names?	Damaran Exploration is the name of the Namibian exploration company undertaking the exploration activities, where Kokoseb is the name of the discovered mineral deposit and proposed Project.
	Where will the open pit be located?	The open pit will be in the Katora area and bisect the D3714 district road. The district road will likely be diverted if the Project progresses to mining operations.
	How will the community benefit from boreholes?	Boreholes have been drilled in the area; however, the boreholes are dry. Considering the water crisis in the local area, it is challenging at this stage to justify that there is potential for communities to benefit from drilled boreholes.
	What employment strategies are in place?	Currently, 35 Namibians are employed, of which 21 are from Okombahe. The current drilling team will carry on and no expansion of the labour force is foreseen. Expansion of the labour force will likely be during mining operations where semi-skilled and unskilled employees will be recruited.
	What does the "WIA" in WIA Gold stand for?	WIA Gold Limited is an Australian company with exploration licences in Namibia and Côte d'Ivoire (Ivory

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		Coast). Wia means 'Sun' in Baoulé, which is one of the major languages in Côte d'Ivoire.
Edward Kariseb Okombahe community member	Were the community members given handouts for them to write down notes and questions for this meeting?	Yes, ECC has provided notebooks and pens for participants to take notes.
	We request that we are provided with public meeting minutes for review and commentary before they are submitted to the government.	The request has been noted. All meeting minutes will be shared with all I&APs for review before final submission to the government.
	The presentation did not include anything on indigenous knowledge.	The EAP is committed to uphold all customs, knowledge and values of the Damara people. The EAP is learning all this through consultation with the traditional leaders and community members to ensure that distinguished customs, values and norms are respected to the greatest extent feasible. Aspects related to culture and heritage will be covered further in the heritage specialist report that will be compiled by the appointed Heritage Specialist.
	No objection to the mine opening. What are the alternatives considered and mitigation measures?	Once the assessment has been undertaken, various alternatives will be assessed and any recommendations from the specialist studies will be considered. Mitigation measures will then be developed for implementation to ensure impacts to

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		the environment and local communities are reduced to the greatest extent feasible.
	What are the trade-offs of the mine opening? To my understanding, elders will lose their ancestral land as they will be displaced, and the youth will not be considered for unskilled labour.	A full assessment still needs to be conducted to understand the impacts on the socio-economic environment in the study area. Thereon, trade-offs will be known, and mitigation measures will be proposed. The Proponent will ensure best management measures are implemented prior to any displacement of affected farmers in the project area.
	We want the Proponent to invest in Okombahe for residents to fully benefit from resources that are extracted from their area.	Once the mine commences, incomes will be generated. The mine will be in a better position to develop or render support to community projects.
August Namises Okombahe community member	What radio station were the public meetings advertised?	The public meetings were advertised on the NBC Damara Nama radio (locally known as "NBC Kaisames").
	Engage the directly affected people in Katora.	The EAP held a similar meeting with the Tiseb Conservancy Council, and arrangements will be made to engage the directly affected people in Katora and nearby villages. The Proponent is continuously in contact with farmers in the Katora area.
	Will the meeting minutes be shared with the attendees?	Yes, the meeting minutes will be available on the ECC website. The meeting minutes will be shared with all registered I&APs for review before they are submitted to the competent authority and MEFT.

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<b>Name of Stakeholder</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Wynadd kasabur Councillor	The local people should be the priority for outsourcing services.	<b>Proponent:</b> We are currently at the exploration stage; efforts will be made to contract local based third parties (companies) to render various services required during both construction and operation of the proposed Project.
	Public health facilities should be developed in Okombahe when the mine opens.	Comment noted, thank you.
Apias Auchab Member of Parliament	Have you consulted the relevant traditional authorities and the Regional Councillor’s office?	A meeting is arranged with the Daure Daman Traditional Authority. Relevant regional stakeholders have been engaged via email and the Proponent is continuously engaging the !Oe#gan Traditional Authority.
	Social responsibility is important. Social responsibility should be a priority from the project onset.	<b>Proponent:</b> Comment noted, thank you. The Project is at its initial phase of development and no incomes are generated from the exploration program. There are currently limited funds to support local community project/programmes. This will be investigated addressed further should the Project progress to mining operations.
Kristofina Member of the Ovijamberero Conservancy	Mining is for future generations; can it be arranged to drill more boreholes for the community?	There is no capital generated from exploration. The exploration program is funded by investors which made no provision or commitments to drill more community boreholes. On another note, the area is arid and dry, therefore drilling new boreholes may not

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		necessarily guarantee the potential to have water that will sustainably meet the water requirements of the communities.
	Please take into consideration that the trucks will destroy our roads.	Comment noted, thank you. A traffic study will be conducted to assess the quality of the road, and any upgrade or maintenance requirements needed to mitigate potential Project impacts. The impacts of traffic on the roads will be assessed at the impact assessment phase.
Martin Ngairo Okombahe community member	How many of the 35 employed people are from the Katora area?	Currently, 21 of the 35 employed people were sourced from the Katora area. There is a strategy in place to also consider people from areas that were not considered during the initial recruitment process.
	Will there be any assistance from the mine in terms of fodder for our animals as grasslands will be depleted and our animals hardly make it throughout the drought periods?	Currently, the exploration sites are relatively small and little grassland is disturbed. Post-drilling, these areas are rehabilitated and promote the re-growth of grass.

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Marilyn Eibes Katora community member	People in rural areas do not read newspapers in the local area. Directly affected people at Katora should be consulted.	Reference is made to the Namibian legislations. As per the regulations of the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 and Regulations of 2012, EAPs are required to publish the notice of ESIA in three newspapers for two consecutive weeks. However, the EAP understands the hardship in rural areas and the lack of access to local newspapers and therefore has broadcasted public meeting adverts on the Damara Nama Radio from the 06 -13 May 2024.  The Proponent is continuously engaging communities in and around Katora.
Colin Denis Okombahe community member	Could the Proponent engage the Road Authority and collaborate to improve the road conditions in the area?	Comment noted. This can be looked at further as the Project develops.
Gerson Gurirab Community Activist and member of an emerging conservancy	A database of skilled labourers and SMEs in the area should be developed and pulled from the traditional authority office.	Comment noted, thank you. This will be investigated as the Project develops.
	All due procedures must be complied with by engaging the traditional authority.	Comment noted, thank you. Due procedures will be followed to ensure traditional leaders are continuously engaged.
Mbaku Ndemufajo Member of the Ovijamberero community	No objections to the mine opening as it will benefit our community.	Comment noted, thank you.

<b>!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority Hall: Okombahe            Tuesday 14 May 2024</b>		
Name of Stakeholder	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Michael Jimmy Office of the Erongo Regional Council	It is equally important to engage the traditional leaders and Regional Council office to ensure a good public project reception.	Comment noted, thank you.
Katji Okombahe community member	Our animals currently graze in the proposed mine area. What plans are in place when mining commences?	<b>Proponent:</b> The affected people will be consulted and relocated if necessary. No affected member of the community will be neglected as the Proponent will facilitate the relocation process prior to any mine construction and operation works.

**Table 4 - Comments and responses of the focus meeting held with the Daure Daman Traditional Authority on Wednesday 15 May 2024**

<b>Daure Daman Traditional Authority Office: Uis Wednesday 15 of May 2024</b>		
<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Herman Naruseb Senior Councillor	Since exploration and drilling activities are underway, was there an EIA study conducted for the exploration phase?	An environmental impact assessment was conducted for the exploration activities by another environmental consultant and a valid environmental clearance certificate is in place.
	Was the traditional authority office and the relevant stakeholders in the region engaged during the pre-exploration EIA?	ECC did not conduct the EIA for exploration activities. ECC has no records on whether the relevant authorities and stakeholders were consulted.
	What methodologies were used during exploration? Could we be provided with the previous EIA report?	These reports can be provided by the Proponent.
	There are certain aspects that the traditional authority looks into and thereon an agreement will be signed with the Proponent for the Proponent to be held accountable to the signed contractual agreements and commitments.	Comment noted, thank you.

Daure Daman Traditional Authority Office: Uis Wednesday 15 of May 2024		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
	We support the project and desire to be considered as the Project progresses. The Project will bring good changes to our communities.	Comment noted, thank you. This is the initial stage of both the ESIA scoping phase and mining scoping phase, hence public and stakeholder engagement meetings are arranged to involve the key stakeholders and community members at large.
	Please share your current employment statistics for us to understand how many people were employed from the community.	<b>Proponent:</b> This can be arranged. The names of people recruited, and their respective villages can be provided, however we may not disclose workers' personal information such as pay slips, hourly remunerations, etc.
Adelma Uises Secretary	Why does the size of the EPL differ in the presentation differ from the one on the cadastre portal?	The cadastre portal has not been updated yet to reflect the current approved area by MME.
	The traditional authority boundaries on the map are not accurate and therefore it would be best if a site visit to the EPL can be arranged with the council members.	Comment noted, thank you. A site visit to the EPL can be arranged.
	We iterate our interest in the proposed Project and would request that the traditional authority office is involved and engaged with as the Project develops. Engaging with us would assist us in decentralising Project information to the Uis community.	The EAP and the Proponent are committed to engage the traditional authority. Any Project updates may also be communicated with the traditional authority office through various communication platforms as the Project develops.

**Table 5 - Comments and responses from the public meeting held in Uis on Wednesday, 15 May 2024**

<b>Uis Community Hall Wednesday 15 May 2024</b>		
<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Gerhardt Amingo Control Officer – Erongo Regional Council - Uis Settlement Office	Do the results from the previous exploration programs indicate a long mine lifespan?	<b>Proponent:</b> The ore resource discovery has shown that there is great potential for the Project to transition into an operational mine. However, exploration is still ongoing.  Detailed feasibility (scoping) studies are being undertaken and will be completed in quarter four (Q4) of 2024. These studies will guide or determine the design of various aspects of the Project such as job numbers, the profitability of the mine, etc.
	Is there a guarantee that the youths in Uis will be offered jobs when mining operations commence?	Currently, the exploration team is comprised of 35 workers, with 7 being professionals, and 28 being semi-skilled and unskilled workers. 21 workers were sourced from the surrounding communities. Feasibility studies will be conducted to assess the required job numbers. Recruitment strategies and policies will be developed as the Project progresses to ensure locals are granted a fair opportunity to apply for and receive work contracts or employment.
	Will there be bursary scheme opportunities offered to deserving scholars in the local area?	<b>Proponent:</b> At this stage, decisions pertaining to bursaries and sponsorship offers have not been made. This will be

<b>Uis Community Hall Wednesday 15 May 2024</b>		
<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
		investigated once the Project has generated incomes (i.e. during mining operations).
	When will the mine commence with operations?	Feasibility (scoping) studies will be finalised in Q4 of 2024. The Proponent will apply for a mining licence with the competent authority (MME); therefore, it is anticipated that mining operations will likely begin in 3 to 4 years.
Franciska Uis community member	There is a water crisis in Uis and there is potential that mining operations may displace wildlife in the local area. What are some of the alternative solutions that the mine will take into consideration?	The mine will be approximately 40 km away from Uis; therefore, it is unlikely that mining operations will impact water availability in Uis.  A baseline biodiversity study will be conducted in the immediate project area. Impacts related to the displacement of wildlife populations will then be assessed at the impact assessment phase of the Project and best management and impact mitigation measures will be provided in the ESMP.
	The resources are extracted from our local area. We request to benefit at least 40%.	Currently, the Project is not generating any income as money from investors is exclusively spent on the exploration program. The Proponent understands the local needs and will be in a better position to support the local communities through Projects and programs in the mining phase of the proposed Project as there will be revenues and income being generated.

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<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
	The priority should be to empower local people through on-the-job training and various projects aimed at enhancing skills at the community level.	The Proponent is committed to reach its mission objectives by creating a collaborative learning environment which will help build trust between employees and help develop valuable teamwork skills.  Currently, on-the-job training is offered to the exploration team members, and more trainings will be offered as the Project develops.
	It is renowned that mining companies make empty promises.	Comment noted, thank you.
	It is a concern for us should the mine opt to recruit local people through the Daure Daman Traditional Authority office.	Comment noted, thank you. The Proponent will make efforts to uplift and enhance skills where possible as currently, 21 locals have been employed as part of the exploration operations workforce. A strategic recruitment plan will be developed to ensure competent locals are sourced and employed.
	Will there be scholarship programmes offered?	Currently, there are no incomes generated by the Project to fully sponsor any scholars.
Saggen Riaan Boois	Will the mine area be secured with a security fence?	Yes, the mine area will be fenced off.

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<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
Farmer in the proposed mine area	Where will the workers' camp be?	This has not been determined at this preliminary stage of the Project. This and all other mine accessories will be planned during the final planning stage of the Project.
	What is the lifespan of the mine?	With inferred mineral resources of 66 million tonnes, it is projected that the mine lifespan will be approximately 15 years.
	What rehabilitation plans are in place?	The rehabilitation or mine closure plan is not yet developed for the Project. However, as the Project develops a mine closure and rehabilitation plan will be developed based on the draft Namibian Mine Closure Framework and international best practices.
	Where will the Project source its power from?	The Proponent plans to connect to the NamPower grid in the local area. Supplementary solar power will also be considered.
Pineas Uis community member	There are people and graves in the proposed mine area. How will these people be compensated? Will it be through the traditional authority?	A heritage specialist study will be conducted in the immediate Project area to identify graves and other significant heritage artifacts in the area. Exclusive buffer zones will be set for each identified sensitive heritage site. Alternatively, should there be graves reported within the immediate mine footprint, efforts will be made to relocate the graves through consultations with the affected families, consent granted by the National Heritage Council

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		<p>and following procedural requirements and provisions under the Burial Ordinance Act No.27 of 1966.</p> <p>A chance find procedure will be adopted through the different phases of the Project.</p> <p>The affected community members living in the immediate mining licence area may be vulnerable to mine impacts such as blasting. These affected communities will be consulted, and the Proponent will facilitate the relocation process to ensure they are relocated to safer grounds.</p>
	What is the recruitment strategy? Will people be employed through the recommendations of the traditional authority or the Uis Settlement Office?	The Proponent is yet to draft a recruitment strategy plan for the Project.
Gregory Angelo Harupa Trading Investment	What measures will be implemented to enhance the skills of employees that will be sourced from Uis?	Currently, only one employee from Uis is employed as part of the exploration team. The initial plan was to source workers from Katora and Okombahe as they are closest to the EPL. In-house (on-the-job) training is conducted, particularly with the exploration team, and will be conducted throughout the various phases of the Project.

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	Will there be potential that local trained people will be considered for high ranked positions within their work departments?	Thank you for the question. The goal is to encourage and uplift the workforce to give their utmost within their work departments. Where potential exists, such individuals shall be rewarded. This will be investigated once mining operations commence.
McDonald Farmer in the proposed mine area	There are ancestral graves in the proposed mine area.	Thank you for the comment. This will be reported on in the heritage specialist report, and procedural measures will be followed to relocate these graves. Procedural measures will be followed should it be deemed required that the graves need to be relocated.  A chance-find procedure will be in place throughout the different phases of the Project.
	Will we be deprived and forced to leave our ancestral lands?	Thank you for your question. The Proponent will ensure that affected people are engaged, relocated and be compensated adequately.
	What are the criteria in place to ensure small miners are not exclusively zoned off.	Unfortunately, the mine site will be fenced off. Small miners concentrate their operations on the pegmatites that are not found within the proposed mining area.
	We request that the locals employed are trained regularly to uplift their skills and knowledge on different aspects in the mining industry.	The Proponent is committed to enhance skills and build capacity of its exploration team. Training of the exploration team is on-going and is conducted on an ad hoc schedule.

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<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
	Will gold be the only mineral mined?	At this stage, gold will be the primary mineral extracted. However, the Proponent has a licence to mine any base and rare metals, industrial minerals and precious metals. Should the exploration program discover other groups of minerals in commercial quantities, the relevant permits and licences will be sought to mine such minerals.
Alex Tense Youth Activist in Uis	The district road between Uis and Omaruru is in a dilapidated state. Can the mine upgrade it to a tarred road?	It is anticipated that there will be an increase in traffic on the district road. A traffic study will be undertaken to assess the quality of the road and make any recommendations regarding the need to upgrade the road to an appropriate standard to meet the increase in traffic during the life of mine.
John Farmer in the proposed mine area	Unrehabilitated lands have been left with us and it has angered us a lot. Will this be the case with this proposed Project?	A rehabilitation or mine closure plan for the Project will be developed based on the draft Namibian Mine Closure Framework and international best practice.
Karl Naibab Gorocon Investment CC	There is only one hazardous waste disposal site in the Erongo Region. Can the EAP or Proponent, through the EMP, commit to develop a waste site in the Daures Constituency?	Your comment and question have been noted, thank you. Waste management and waste impact mitigation measures will be set forth by the EMP, which the Proponent will be legally obligated to comply with should the Project progress to mining operations.
	Can the Proponent collaborate with other stakeholders in the region to bring a	Comment noted, thank you. The Proponent is aware of the water crisis in the overall Daures Constituency. Drilled boreholes in the local area have shown similar

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	desalination plant to the Daures area since there is a water crisis?	results. A desalination plant to the Daures Constituency would require collaborated efforts of various corporate bodies and stakeholders within the region.

**Table 6 - Comments and feedback from the focus group meeting held with !Oe#Gan Traditional Authority on 17 September 2024**

!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority Office: Okombahe Tuesday 17 September 2024		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
David Goreseb Headman	The communities surrounding the mine area will be directly impacted. Will they be forced to leave their ancestral lands to make way for the mine?	<p><b>ECC:</b> Specialists will be contracted to undertake various specialist studies in the Project area. The vulnerable farmers and community groups likely to be impacted by the mine operations will be identified. Recommendations pertaining to the relocation of these community groups will be incorporated in the ESIA and ESMP for the Project. The Proponent is expected to comply with these management measures.</p> <p><b>Proponent:</b> There will be ongoing consultation with the affected communities. Prior to the commencement of any accessory works, the</p>

!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority Office: Okombahe Tuesday 17 September 2024		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
		Proponent will facilitate the relocation process to ensure farmers and community groups are relocated outside the mine blast buffer zone.
	Will the mine be secured with a security fence?	<b>Proponent:</b> Yes, the mine will be fenced off.
	The EAP should coordinate community meetings through the traditional authority office. Pamphlets can be delivered to the secretary's office for distribution within the Okombahe community.	<b>ECC:</b> Comment noted, thank you. The I&APs will be engaged during the ESIA study as it is an ongoing process. Arrangements will be made through the council's office as advised.  Due to the area's remoteness, we made public engagement invitations through radio broadcasts during the initial public engagement phase. Other avenues that we are exploring include social media platforms and community WhatsApp groups.
	The traditional authority office is interested in seeing some corporate social responsibility initiatives implemented in the Okombahe community.	<b>Proponent:</b> Currently, we are not in the position to make any corporate social responsibility commitments. Exploration is on-going and feasibility studies will be conducted to evaluate the economic viability of the Project. Corporate social commitments will be determined as the Project advances.

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<b>Tuesday 17 September 2024</b>		
<b>Name and Stakeholder Details</b>	<b>Comment/Question Received</b>	<b>Response/Clarification</b>
	The traditional authority office supports for the Project and anticipate positive working relations with the Okombahe community.	Comment noted, thank you.
Walter Khuwiseb Headman	The region is facing a water crisis, drought periods and sporadic rainfall patterns. This could potentially impact the mine operations. To ensure water security, the Proponent should consider a desalination plant from the coast to the Project area. This would also benefit the Okombahe community.	<b>ECC:</b> Comment noted, thank you. The Proponent is aware of the water crisis in the region. Various water supply options for the Project are being investigated based on fieldwork and available data.
	Where will the workforce be accommodated during the mine operations?	<b>Proponent:</b> This aspect is being investigated to determine the best option (i.e. whether on-site accommodation or use Okombahe as the base town and traffic employees to site daily.
	The traditional authority is the representative body of the Okombahe community, including the directly affected communities. Issues and concerns raised are those of the community and should be considered by the Proponent and the EAP.	Comment noted, thank you.
	There should be on-going engagements with the traditional authority. We request detailed	<b>ECC:</b> Comment noted, thank you. A future engagement meeting will be scheduled through

<b>!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority Office: Okombahe</b> <b>Tuesday 17 September 2024</b>		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
	feedback on critical aspects as the Project progresses.	the secretary of the !Oe#Gan Traditional Authority office.
Aletha P Geies Headwoman	The Swartklip village headman will attend the community meeting scheduled for 18 September 2024 to observe the turnout of participants and depending on the turnout, advise the council whether the meeting will have to be rescheduled.	Comment noted, thank you.

**Table 7 - Comments and feedback from the community engagement held in Swartklip #nūs community on 18 September 2024**

Swartklip #nūs community engagement: Wednesday 18 September 2024		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Monica Guidao-oab Swartklip #nūs community member	Will the work be specific to the pit area or the entire EPL area?	<b>Proponent:</b> We will continue to explore the entire EPL area, but if no further discoveries are made, operations will be limited to the currently planned pit site area.
	Please provide a rough estimate of when mining will begin.	<b>Proponent:</b> Currently, no definitive timeframe can be provided because more studies and analysis need to be done. But it is possible that it will take 3-5 years before mine operations will begin.
Aletha P Geies Swartklip #nūs community member	If the mineralization cuts across someone's property, will there be forced removal or will there be some form of compensation?	<b>Proponent:</b> There will be no forced removal. The company will negotiate with the affected residents as to what the compensation will be, likely based on previous such compensations by similar projects.
	What is an EPL? What are the boundaries of the EPL? We would like to know this information so the affected communities can inform the company about the locations of affected ancestral lands, graves, etc.	<b>Proponent:</b> We will get one of the company employees to show the community the EPL boundaries. The EPL boundaries include the road between Uis and Okombahe (the C36) to the south, 1-2 km west of Katora Community to the west, and 5-7 km north of the D3714 road to the north.
	Is the Black Mountain in the EPL? If so, then there are ancestral graveyards and heritage sites within the EPL.	<b>Proponent:</b> Most of the Black Mountain is outside of the EPL. Just the northern part of the Black Mountain is in the southwestern part of the EPL.

<b>Swartklip #n#s community engagement:            Wednesday 18 September 2024</b>		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Josef Gaoseb Headman Swartklip #n#s Community	We acknowledge the significance of the meeting, but many community members are not in attendance. Is it possible to have another community meeting to include and inform the !Hamas, Katjio and Aniswept communities? Would it be possible to hold such a community meeting on a weekend because people are working in town during the weekdays.	<b>ECC:</b> We note and thank you for your comment. Your request will be considered as to if, when and where another community engagement will be held. We will coordinate with the community elders and !Oe#Gan Traditional Authority leaders if another community meeting is decided to be held.
Community member	We know there are people who dig for gemstones. Is it okay if they continue to do so within the EPL boundaries? Also, as for grazing animals, what type of compensation will be given for farmers of grazing animals?	<b>Proponent:</b> The company has nothing to do with small gem miners. If they have legal permits from the MME, it is not an issue. However, if the mine moves into operation, small miners won't have access to mine within the proposed Project's mining licence boundaries. As for grazing, your comment is noted, and the impact specialists will determine what the best way to mitigate those impacts will be.
Aletha P Geies Swartklip #n#s Community	Two (2) years ago, Damaran Exploration came looking for a camp near the mine area. What's the hold up for moving the camp from Okombahe to the proposed mine area?	<b>Proponent:</b> Damaran Exploration has received permission from the !Oe#gan Traditional Authority and the community, however permission is still needed from the Land Board. Unfortunately, everything is still stuck at the Land Board as they

<b>Swartklip #nūs community engagement:            Wednesday 18 September 2024</b>		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
		haven't issued the company with the necessary permit yet.
	Is the application to the Land Board for temporary or permanent structures?	<b>Proponent:</b> It is for temporary structures.
	Does Damaran Exploration pay rent for their camp in Okombahe?	<b>Proponent:</b> The company paid rent in the beginning, which wasn't easily traceable at the time as the traditional authority didn't have a bank account. The bank account was opened recently (about two (2) months ago), so the rent is deposited into the account monthly.
	If the company's camp is moved to site, will the company help the community with water and so forth?	<b>Proponent:</b> Part of the agreement is that if water is found, the company will share with the community. Only one (1) borehole with water has been discovered to date, and it is located far from the proposed camp site. Because the borehole is also on an angle, it is not ideal for extracting water as the borehole could collapse at any time.
	Does Damaran Exploration have a council/committee that can reach out to update the community about the Project's activities?	<b>Proponent:</b> A committee composed of local community members was formed in 2021. Damaran Exploration meets with this committee once or twice a year to inform the committee about project updates.

<b>Swartklip #nūs community engagement:            Wednesday 18 September 2024</b>		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
Community member	If the committee is in place, is it still functional and working? Did the committee collapse? Did you have discussions with the committee to attend this meeting?	<b>Proponent:</b> It is our understanding that a message was sent to this committee to attend today's community engagement meeting.
	With regards to transparency, if a committee exists to communicate project news, it is best to communicate through the community headman and traditional authority. It is not a good sign if such leaders are not on the committee. The head man should be included on the committee.	<b>Proponent:</b> The company can work with the head man to create a new, more inclusive committee that can share Project information with the affected communities together.
	What procedure is followed when hiring? Does inclusivity from each farm taken into consideration? The company must also take people from behind the mountain.  Will there be more employment opportunities?	<b>Proponent:</b> In 2022, the company started hiring to dig trenches. Most of the people who showed up were not directly from the affected communities. Since then, the company has focused on hiring from the directly affected villages and communities, hiring at least one (1) person from each local village.
	Is it possible to inform the community head man when a community member is not rehired or let go due to tardiness, absence or unsatisfactory performance? This will help to keep the employment process more transparent.	As the Project continues to progress, there will likely be additional employment opportunities.  Yes, the company can help to inform the community head man and leaders when individuals were not

Swartklip #nūs community engagement: Wednesday 18 September 2024		
Name and Stakeholder Details	Comment/Question Received	Response/Clarification
		rehired or dismissed due to unsatisfactory performance.
Community member	The ECC email that was provided, can it be shared with other community members and then further concerns be sent?	<b>ECC:</b> Yes, please do. The email is: info@eccenvironmental.com
Josef Gaoseb Headman Swartklip #nūs Community	Is it a problem to have an after month-end Saturday community meeting?	<b>ECC:</b> We note and thank you for your comment. Your request will be considered as to if, when and where another community engagement will be held. We will coordinate with the community elders and !Oe#gan Traditional Authority leaders if another community meeting is decided to be held.
Magda Hases Okatjio community member	The only people benefiting directly from the Project directly are the employees. How does a community member such as a pensioner indirectly benefit?	<b>Proponent:</b> Direct employment brings indirect benefits to the community as the earnings made by directly contracted or employed community members are shared and spent within the affected towns, villages and communities.
Aletha P Geies Swartklip #nūs Community	80% belongs to Wia Gold, 20% belongs to Epangelo. How do Namibians benefit?	<b>Proponent:</b> Damaran Exploration feels that the 80/20% ownership is likely one of the most beneficial ownership splits in Namibia for Namibians. Not only is Epangelo owned by the Namibian State, but the Project revenue will provide royalties and tax revenue for Namibia. By comparison, B2Gold (a

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		<p>Canadian company) owns 90% of the Otjikoto Mine where an individual or individuals own the remaining 10%. The proposed Twin Hills Gold Mine is now 100% foreign owned by a Chinese company. The Navachab mine is now 90% to 100% foreign owned by a Qatari company.</p>
Community member	<p>Some of the local employees or contractors who started with the company were let go. They went to the company office to ask why they were dismissed or not rehired, but there was no record as to why. How could someone else local be hired after such a previous local person was let go?</p>	<p><b>Proponent:</b> If the person works and is not satisfactory, they will be let go at the end of their contract. Records of misconduct only apply to permanent employees, not short-term contract hires.</p>
	<p>It was said the company could help with education in the local communities previously. What is the update regarding that?</p>	<p><b>Proponent:</b> At this stage, the company doesn't have the resources to help with studies. But if mining starts, this kind of educational help will likely begin.</p> <p>The company is currently funding a community project to build a new kitchen at the local primary school. This community project proposal was chosen as a school with good, nutritious food is more likely to encourage better school attendance, support</p>

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		better learning, and ultimately benefit the community by supporting the education and skills development of the community's children.
	If a short-term job post is open, and a number of people apply, can you take a number of applicants for the first employment period, then rotate to a second group of applicants for the 2 <sup>nd</sup> employment period.	<b>Proponent:</b> This suggestion is something that can be considered, but the company is looking for continuity of employment so contractors can ultimately become employees to grow their skills should their performance merit it.
Community member	Is it possible for Damaran Exploration to assist small scale gemstone miners with gem identification and deposit analysis.	<b>Proponent:</b> Likely not because gemstone and gold exploration are very different operations and Damaran Exploration does not specialize in gemstone mining.
	How can our kids become trained and get a job like Carlos? [Carlos is a Damaran Exploration geologist who acted as the community engagement interpreter translating questions and answers between English and Damaran]	<b>Proponent:</b> A highly specialized university education is required for such a role with the company.
	Can Damaran Exploration help the local community with transportation within and around the area, especially with regard to the company trucks traveling back and forth to the exploration sites.	<b>Proponent:</b> It is a company safety policy that individuals are not allowed to travel in the back of trucks. Individuals must ride in a seat with a seat belt.

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	Can Damaran Exploration help local gemstone miners by providing a rock crushing machine or jackhammer?	<b>Proponent:</b> It can only be considered if a formal proposal is submitted to the company complete with how it will benefit the greater community. This request is unlikely to be chosen as the company does not want to support unpermitted activities and all forms of mining in Namibia are highly regulated.

# APPENDIX A - PUBLIC MEETING ADVERTS

Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2024

TUESDAY 23 APRIL 2024 Market Watch

### Economic indicators

Exchange Rates

Summary	Spot	Currency	Spot	Summary	3M	6M	12M
USD/NAD	15.22	NAD/USD	0.065	USD/CAD	0.702	0.706	0.702
EUR/USD	1.074	USD/EUR	0.930	EUR/GBP	0.851	0.851	0.851
GBP/USD	1.370	USD/GBP	0.730	GBP/USD	0.730	0.730	0.730
NAD/CHF	0.042	CHF/NAD	23.81	CHF/JPY	160.0	160.0	160.0

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## COMPANY NEWS IN BRIEF

**WELTIN TO STOP REPORTING QUARTERLY SALES GROWTH**  
Walmart Inc. (NYSE:WMT) will stop reporting quarterly sales growth figures as a sign of a company's return to a steady state, according to a statement from the company on Tuesday.

Shares of the e-commerce giant were down 1.1% after it reported a large batch of new orders in the first quarter but gave a revenue forecast that it expected to be in line with the market.

The stock was trading at \$135.54 after closing down 4.2% from its closing price.

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### APGAR Maternity Hospital (AMH)

APGAR Maternity Hospital is a newly established maternity facility, situated in the central part of Windhoek. The hospital will provide maternal health care.

Applications are invited in the following positions:

- Medical Practitioner (M.D.)**  
Requires: Postgraduate in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, 5 years' experience in obstetrics and gynaecology, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.
- Registered Nurse (RN)**  
Requires: 5 years' experience in obstetrics and gynaecology, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.
- Nurse Practitioner (NP)**  
Requires: 5 years' experience in obstetrics and gynaecology, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.
- Midwife (M.D.)**  
Requires: 5 years' experience in obstetrics and gynaecology, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.
- Medical Consultant of Paediatrics**  
Requires: 5 years' experience in paediatrics, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.
- Medical Consultant of Obstetrics and Gynaecology**  
Requires: 5 years' experience in obstetrics and gynaecology, and collaboration with multi-disciplinary team.

For more information, please contact: [hr@apgarhospital.com](mailto:hr@apgarhospital.com)

**AMBIASSON**  
Environmental Compliance Consultancy (Pty) Ltd provides the public with an opportunity for an environmental assessment consultation in accordance with the Environmental Management Act, No. 1 of 2007 with regard to the proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine Project on EPL 4818, Erongo Region, Namibia. Applications for the proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine Project on EPL 4818, Erongo Region, Namibia, are invited to attend a public meeting and provide input into the assessment process.

**Project location:**  
The proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine Project is situated on EPL 4818, Erongo Region, Namibia. The project area is located in the Erongo Region, Namibia, and is situated on EPL 4818, Erongo Region, Namibia.

**Public Meeting:**  
The public meeting will be held on Tuesday, 23 April 2024, at 10:00 AM, at the Erongo Regional Council, Erongo Region, Namibia.

**Registration:**  
Registration is required for the public meeting. Registration forms can be obtained from the Erongo Regional Council, Erongo Region, Namibia.

**For more information, please contact:**  
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## APPENDIX B - STAKEHOLDER LETTERS

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29 April 2024

**Identified stakeholder and potential interest or affected party for:**

The Proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine Project on EPL 4818, Erongo Region, Namibia.

**RE - NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT OF THE PROPOSED KOKOSEB MINE PROJECT ON EPL 4818, ERONGO REGION, NAMIBIA, AND AN INVITATION TO SCHEDULED PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS.**

Dear Sir or Madam,

Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) has been engaged by Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd as their independent environmental assessment practitioner. ECC is conducting an environmental and social impact assessment on the proposed Kokoseb Mine Project on EPL 4818, in the Erongo Region, Namibia. This is a requirement for their application for an environmental clearance certificate in terms of the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007. Mandarin Investment (Pty) Ltd who is the holder of the licence is a joint venture (JV) between Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd and Epangelo Mining Company (Pty) Ltd. WIA Gold Limited (Ltd) is the parent company of Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd.

Exclusive prospecting licence (EPL 4818) where a mining licence (ML) will be applied for once the resource has been defined. EPL 4818 is situated between approximately 35 km ENE of Uis and 25 km NW of Okombahe in the Erongo Region (-21.176832, 15.172355). The northwestern portion of the EPL falls within the Ohungu Conservancy, while a portion of the EPL to the southwest of the licence falls within the Tsiseb Conservancy. Additionally, the EPL is bordered by the C36 main road.

The WIA Gold Mine includes the following components:

- Construction of access tracks and roads, where existing tracks cannot be utilised for the mobile equipment fleet. The roads are essential due to regular vehicular movement;
- Vegetation clearing for the creation of tracks, open pit mine and survey access;
- Ongoing ground exploration activities may include soil sampling, geological mapping, geophysical surveys, drilling and drill-core sampling, and blast of the open-pit mine.
- Construction of the plant infrastructure, as well as the infrastructure for fuel and chemical storage.
- Crushing and screening of the ore; and
- Water recycling and dust suppression

It is envisaged that the mining operation at the WIA Gold Project will be similar to that of the B2Gold Otjikoto Mine and the QKR Navachab Gold Mine. Mining of the open pit will be conventional drill and blast, with ore and waste rock being shovelled and transported by a mobile equipment fleet. Waste rock will be trucked to a waste rock dump, and the ore will be sent to the plant for crushing, cyanide leaching, carbon-in-pulp (CIP) processing, electrowinning and then smelting in an induction furnace to produce gold bars. The proposed mining activities are generally high-impact and intrusive.

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The Background Information Document (BID) provides further project details and the scope of the assessment, which can be downloaded from the link is provided below: <https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-wia-gold-mine-project-erongo-region-namibia/>

This letter is intended to engage potentially interested and affected parties (IAPs) for the Project and provide a communication channel to ECC for the ESIA process. You have been identified as an interested or affected party and therefore ECC wishes to inform you of how you can be involved with the ESIA. As part of the assessment, Environmental Compliance Consultancy (ECC) herewith cordially invite you as an identified stakeholder, interested or affected party to the public engagement meetings scheduled for the following date:

**Public meetings:**

**Date:** 14 May 2024

**Venue:** Okombahe Traditional Authority Hall

**Time:** 16:00

**Date:** 15 May 2024

**Venue:** Uis Settlement Office

Uis Street, Next to Pupkawitz Hardware Store

**Time:** 18:30

Public participation is an important part of the ESIA process, as it allows the IAPs to obtain information about the proposed project and provide feedback. Communication with the IAPs occurs at various stages throughout the Project lifecycle. IAPs can interact with the ESIA process by:

Registering as IAPs for the project via the ECC website as per the link provided below:

<https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-wia-gold-mine-project-erongo-region-namibia/>

If you are unable to complete the registration form online, please contact us via email for assistance at info@eccenvironmental.com, or alternatively call our office at +264 81 669 7608.

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

We look forward to hearing from you at your earliest convenience.

Yours sincerely,

**Stephan Bezuidenhout**  
[stephan@eccenvironmental.com](mailto:stephan@eccenvironmental.com)

**Jessica Bezuidenhout Mooney**  
[jessica@eccenvironmental.com](mailto:jessica@eccenvironmental.com)

Letter received from Mr Isaac #Goseb: Senior Council of !Oe#Gan Traditional Authority



From: Isaac #Goseb  
Senior Traditional Councilor  
081 262 2778

To: Environmental Compliance Consultants Pty, Ltd.  
Post Office Box 91193  
Klein Windhoek  
[info@eccenvironmental.com](mailto:info@eccenvironmental.com)

CONTRIBUTION AND REQUESTS TOWARDS THE DAMARAN EXPLORATION  
NAMIBIA (PTY) LTD. AT THE FOCUS GROUP MEETING.

Dear Environmental Compliance Consultants and the Management of Damaran  
Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd, please accept my accept my written contribution.

It is unfortunate that I, and many other traditional leaders could not attend this  
very important engagement meeting. This is due to very short notification and  
lack of logistical arrangements. However, accept my warmhearted welcoming of  
your initiative.

I am a senior traditional councilor and the chairman of the !Oe#Gan traditional  
authority. I am writing along those capacities and also as a member of the  
affected community. I confine my writing to a view critical matters because it is  
the first time I am getting this opportunity.

First, I am writing to address the critical issue of water scarcity that will if it is  
not discussed and planned carefully affect both our community and the  
proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine operations that we cherish passionately because  
of economic reasons.

It is our experience that the underground water sources are depleting rapidly  
and boreholes are drying up in our communal land. This has created a very  
worrying situation for human consumption and farming. This also holds threat  
to potential mining operations.



To ensure a sustainable water supply for the mine and the community, I propose extension of the current seawater desalination plant, located about seventy plus kilometers away from the targeted site. This solution will offer,

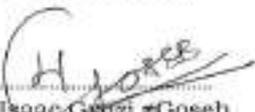
- 1) Sustainable Mining Operations: Providing the mine with a reliable water source and reducing pressure on local depleting aquifers.
- 2) Community and Agricultural Benefits: Supplying essential water to households, medical clinics, schools, and farmers will enhance living conditions and productivity.
- 3) Long Term Development: A sustainable water resource management will benefit the region for years to come.

In Addition, I wish to request that the mine reserve an employment quota for the members of the !Oë\*Gân. This would involve a direct recruitment process through the !Oë\*Gân traditional authority database. Prioritizing local employment will not only uplift the community but also foster goodwill and a stronger partnership between the mine and local community.

Finally, I request that local businesses within our traditional communities be given priority to supply goods and services to the mining exploration and operational activities. Such local business engagement will stimulate local economy.

I look forward to a cordial discussion of this further.

Yours Sincerely,



Isaac Gruzzi \*Goseb  
Senior Traditional Councillor  
!Oë\*Gân Traditional Authority.  
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## APPENDIX C - SITE NOTICES

### Site Notice Board No.1: C36

UTM Coordinates: 524000.94 E and 7646579.26 S



**Site Notice Board No.2: Okombahe**

UTM Coordinates: 539094.61 E and 7638101.55 S



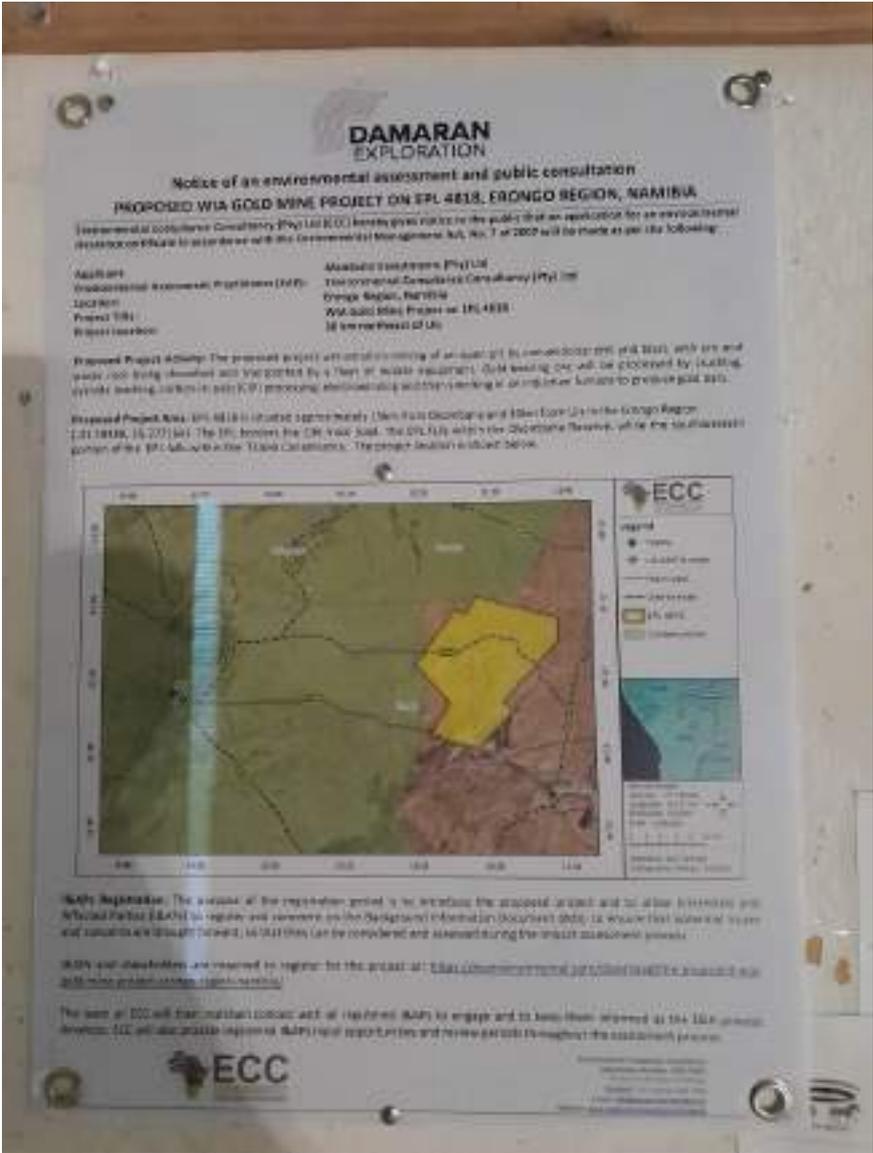
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**Site Notice Board No.4: Uis**

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## **APPENDIX D – BID**

## APPENDIX E – PUBLIC MEETINGS ATTENDANCE REGISTERS

Focus group meeting held with the Tseib Conservancy Management Committee, 14 May 2024



Meeting Attendance Register

Date: 14 May 2024

Meeting Subject: The proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine on EPL 4818, Erongo Region

Proprietor: Mandarin Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Venue: Tseib Conservancy Chamber, Uis

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Public meeting held in Okombahe , 14 May 2024



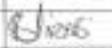
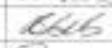
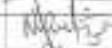
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Proprietor: Mandarin Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Venue: OKOMBAHE

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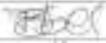
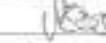
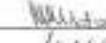
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Date: 14 MAY 2024

Meeting Subject: The proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine on EPL 4818, Erongo Region

Proposer: Mandarin Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Venue: OKOMBAHE

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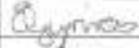
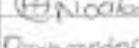
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Proponent: Mandarin Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

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Proponent: Damaran Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

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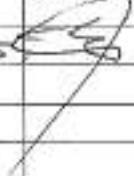
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Proposed by: Mandarin Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd

Venue: Okombake

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Focus meeting held with the Daure Daman Traditional Authority, 15 May 2024



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Venue: Daure Daman Traditional Authority Office

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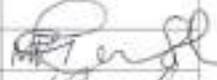
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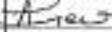
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Project: Kokoseb Gold Project on EPL 4818

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Project: Kokoseb Gold Project on EPL 4818

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## APPENDIX F – PHOTOS OF 14 -15 MAY 2024 PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Tsiseb Conservancy Committee meeting, 14 May 2024



**Okombahe Public engagement meeting, 14 May 2024**



**Daure Daman Traditional Authority meeting, 15 May 2024**



**Uis Public engagement meeting, 15 May 2024**



## APPENDIX G - PHOTOS OF 17 - 18 SEPTEMBER 2024 PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETINGS

!Oe#Gan Traditional Authority meeting, 17 September 2024



**Swartklip #nūs community meeting, 18 September 2024**



## APPENDIX H – PUBLIC MEETING PRESENTATION



### Public meeting objectives

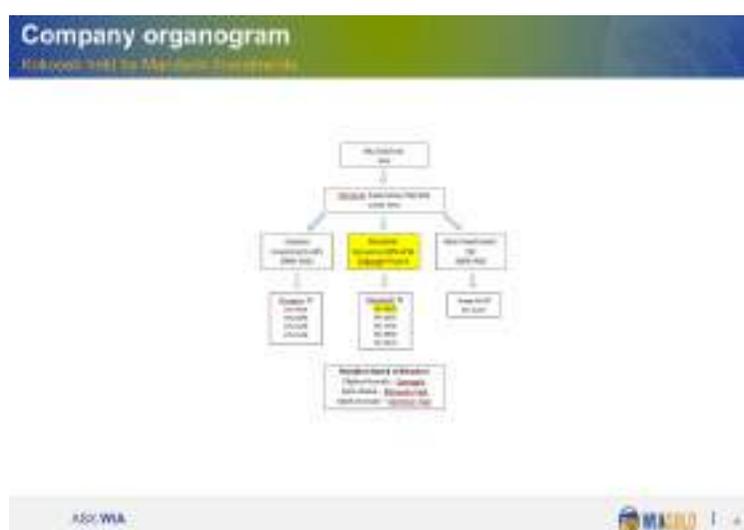
- Inform the public and provide information detailing the proposed Kokoseb Gold Mine on EPL 4818.
- Provide an overview of the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) process.
- Take into consideration all **public concerns, questions and comments** to *incorporate them into the environmental assessment process.*

### Welcome



### Agenda

- Meeting Objectives
- Project Presentation – *Presented by Demoscon Exploration Namibia(Pty) Ltd*
- Environmental & Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) Process – *Presented by ECC*
- Baseline/Specialist Studies – *Presented by ECC*
- Potential Biophysical & Socio-economic impacts – *Presented by ECC*
- Q&A



### Wia licence holding

Joint venture partners

**JV Terms**

<b>JV Parties</b>	Erongo Mining Company, Asahiwa Resources and Mining Management Group
<b>Stages 1 &amp; 2 satisfied</b>	Wia licence held on Erongo License WPL 21 issued on 14th May 2016
<b>Stage 3</b>	Wia licence held on 14th May 2016

ASX:WIA

### Kokoseb gold deposit (80% WIA)<sup>1</sup>

- Lies within EPL 4818 to the NW of Oshanahe and SW of Oshanahe
- Joint venture between Wia Gold and Erongo Mining and Exploration
- 80% WIA / 20% Erongo
- Known deposit classified as DIF 14
- Environmental Clearance Certificate in place for Exploration
- Currently employing 35 Namibians (7 professional), 28 contracted and 1 non Namibian at the exploration stage.

ASX:WIA

### Wia licence holding

Highly prospective, where in better gold belt

**Wia licence holding for unconsolidated mineral rights**

- Namibia is a well-developed mining jurisdiction
- Established history as a significant producer of uranium, diamonds, gold and base metals
- Politically stable
- World class mining infrastructure
- Advantageously encircled with an active exploration and mining industry
- Other significant gold players already operate in the region:
  - Kudu on the Okavango river (COMCO)
  - Oshanahe Resources developing the Tati Hill deposit (EPL 4818)
  - Oshanahe on the Erongo river (EPL 4818)

ASX:WIA

### Kokoseb discovery history

- Regional soil sampling completed mid 2007
- Detailed soil sampling commenced June 2007 and returned 900 samples for most with potential mineralised strike of approximately 7km
- 18 reverse ring between Sept 2007 and May 2008 with best result of 400 g/t 1.65g Au
- Followed up by 12 diamond drill holes (1.87km from March to April 2008 which returned encouraging results
- Drill out of deposit commenced July 2008 with 30m PLC and diamond drilling and has continued to the present day
- Market Research estimate of 1.3 Mtpa @ 0.5g/t out of pit grade announced on 18<sup>th</sup> May 2008

ASX:WIA

### Kokoseb: A rapidly growing gold discovery

- Indicated Resource of 2.1 Moz at 1.6 g/t Au (8.5 g/t out-of) (April 2024)**
- Cost effective resource delineation (<US\$2,800) through rapid, systematic exploration**
- Pharmaceutical grade test results delivers +92% gold recoveries under conventional process!**
- Namibia a world-class mining jurisdiction and a significant producer of gold and base metals**
- Near-term Resource growth avenues identified and follow-up drilling in progress**
- Experienced team with proven track record of successful discoveries and project developments in Africa**

ASX:WIA



### Mineral Resource Estimate Update

Updated at 24 months from discovery hole

#### Indicated Mineral Resource Estimate of 2.12 Moz @:

- 68 million tonnes at 1.6 g/t Au at a cut-off grade of 0.9 g/t COG with a US\$1,800/t pit shell
- Includes a high-grade portion of 34 million tonnes at 5.4 g/t Au for 1.52 million ounces contained gold, at a cut-off grade of 0.9 g/t Au
- Multiple Indicated Open Pit (IOP) alternative methods, block support correction to reflect open pit mining flexibility
- Bulk densities of 2.04 t/m<sup>3</sup> (weathered mineralisation) and 2.17 t/m<sup>3</sup> (fresh mineralisation)

Cut off Au g/t	Tonnes (Mt)	Au g/t	Au Moz
0.20	136	0.99	2.88
0.25	115	0.78	2.77
0.30	100	0.80	2.87
0.40	87	0.91	2.43
0.50	88	1.0	2.12
0.60	53	1.2	2.84
0.80	34	1.4	1.63
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### Transformational Kokoseb gold discovery

Updated MRCE (Indicated + Inferred) Resource Estimate (April 2024)



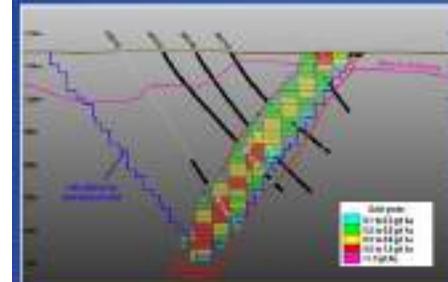
- Indicated Mineral Resource Estimate (IMRC) of 2.12 Moz at 1.6 g/t Au (out-of grade 0.9 g/t)
- Updated MRCE includes higher-grade 1.52 Moz at 5.4 g/t Au (at 0.9 g/t cut-off)
- MRCE informed by 22 diamond, 180 RC and 8 RC/ED holes, totaling 68,270m, (1.6 km) from 12 access for 1.35km
- Discovery capitalisation cost of only US\$1.8m

ASX:WIA



### Readily open-pittable gold mineralisation

Plus 90% gold recoveries under conventional process (coupled with acid leach MRCE)



- MRCE covers cumulative 4.5km strike and maximum depth of approx. 370m
- Subcropping mineralisation, with max. 30m cover
- Average width being depth of ~50m
- Mineralogical network, calculated gold recoveries of 90%
- Complete sample trace tracking, super grid of P80 Flapin followed by gravity recovery and direct operation track
- Leach leachings were rapid with 4 days of gold leaching at 2-4 hours

ASX:WIA



### Preliminary Project Site Layout



Acc: WIA



### Similar Namibian Gold Mines

The Kokoseb Gold Mine Project is envisioned as a conventional open-pit operation, employing well established techniques, including bulk crushing, crushing, grinding, and carbon-in-leach processing. This layout closely resembles the operations of other Namibian gold mines, **Sauria Park, Okavango and Dolobu** (see slide 48).

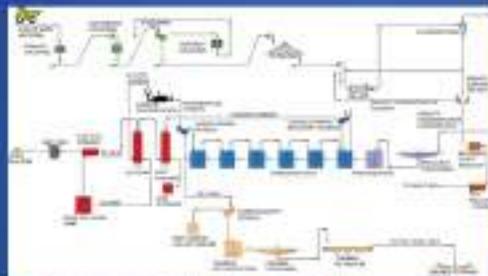


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### Metallurgical Process layout



The proposed arrangement includes:

- Three-stage crushing,
- Subsequent ball milling,
- Pre-oxidation, and CIL, along with electro-winning and
- Leaching.

Following dewatering, thickening, and filtration, the tailings are expected to be deposited in a dry stack, potentially alongside waste rock.

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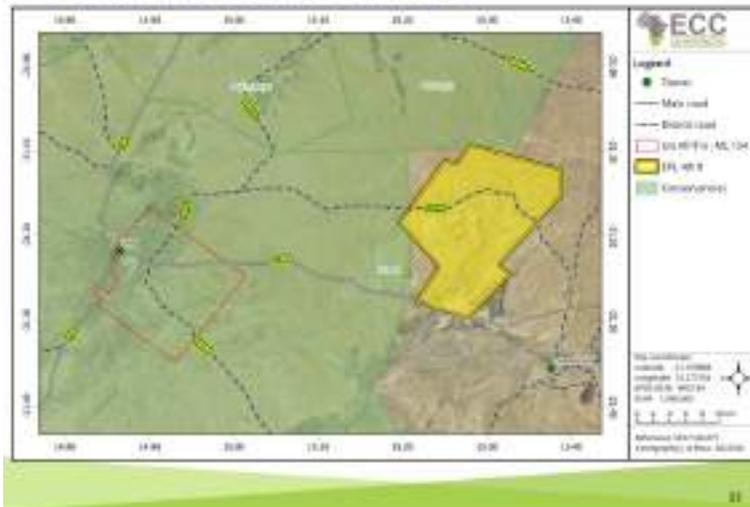
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### Locality and Stakeholder Map



### ESIA Process

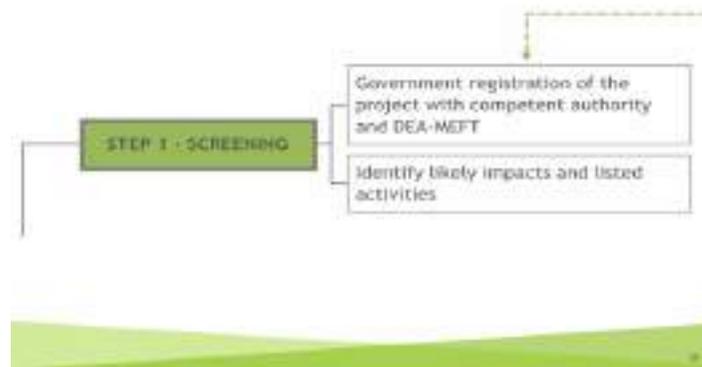
1. Screening: Complete
  - DEA Portal (APP – 002855)
2. Scoping: Current Phase
  - Public Participation
  - Develop Terms of Reference (ToR) for the full ESIA
  - Conduct Baseline and Specialist Studies
3. Assessment Phase: To come



### Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP)

- Environmental Compliance Consultancy Pty Ltd (ECC)
- Independent, objective and unbiased
- Evidence and risk-based approach
- Leverage Namibian public, local stakeholder and specialist knowledge and expertise to guide the ESIA process
- Request active public and stakeholder participation throughout the ESIA process

### Step 1 - Screening Phase





## Public Notification & Participation



- **Notification of the Project:** newspaper adverts, site notices and identified stakeholder letters sent.



## Site Notices



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## Public Consultation Meeting



- **Background Information Document (BID):** provides I&APs with information to take part in the public participation process.
  - BID available on ECC website.
- **Public & Stakeholder Consultation Meeting:**
  - Today's presentation highlights information from the BID.
  - Applicant can present the project to the public.
  - I&APs can ask questions directly to applicant.



## Assessment Phase



## Baseline & Specialist Studies



BASILINE STUDIES	SPECIALIST
A baseline fauna and flora	Peter Cunningham
Delimit groundwater and surface water	ECC
A water baseline study	ECC and Airshed
An air quality baseline study	Airshed
A heritage baseline study	Dr. Ansa Namala
A high-level socio-economic baseline study	ECC
Traffic and Transport study	Zidan
Visual baseline study	ECC
Risk and Viability study	Risk Management & Consulting

## ESIA & ESMP



### Integration of Stakeholder and Specialist Input:

- Consider and incorporate input from all stakeholders and specialists.

### Inclusion of Recommended Mitigations:

- Ensure that all the identified and recommended mitigations are included.

## Potential Impacts to be Assessed



Potential project impacts include (but are not limited to):

- Visual impacts
- Water resource impacts
- Noise impacts
- Air quality impacts
- Impacts to tourism
- Archaeological and cultural feature impacts
- Biodiversity impacts
- Increased traffic
- Economic growth & job creation potential (permanent and temporary employment)



## Please Remember to Register as an I&AP

### How to Register?

- Via the **ECC website**, under "Projects":  
<https://eccenvironmental.com/download/the-proposed-wia-gold-mine-project-erongo-region-namibia/>
- Via **telephone or WhatsApp**: +264 81 669 7608
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- Or *Speak to us after tonight's meeting concludes*

**Questions / Discussion ?**



**Thank You For Your Time!**



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