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REPUBLIC OF NAMIBIA

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (No. 7 of 2007)

(Section 32)

APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE (ECC APP NO. 007411)

PART A: DETAILS OF APPLICATION

PROPONENT/APPLICANT'S INFORMATION:	ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANT'S INFORMATION:
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PART B: SCOPE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE

1. THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE IS FOR:

The 'listed activities' that are relevant or related to the proposed activities are listed below:

LISTED ACTIVITY 6. TOURISM DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

- Listed activity 6: the construction of resorts, lodges, hotels, or other tourism and hospitality facilities

Associated listed activity

LISTED ACTIVITY 8. WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT

- Listed activity 8.1: the abstraction of ground or surface water for industrial or commercial purposes.

2. DETAILS OF THE ACTIVITY(S) COVERED BY THE ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE CERTIFICATE:

2.1 Title of Activity

Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) for the Existing Operational Activities of the Okomutati Base Camp in Ehirovipuka Conservancy, Kunene Region, Namibia

2.2 Location of Activity

The Okomutati base camp is located about 70km northeast of Warmquelle Settlement and 15km south of Otjetjekua Village (at the GPS coordinates: -18.867463 14.344908) in the Opuwo Rural Conservancy of the Kunene Region. The base camp leasehold covers an area of 96.71 hectares, with the actual camp footprint covering only 4.4 hectares (ha) of the land within the Ehirovipuka Conservancy. The locality map is provided in the accompanying Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

2.3 Nature of Activity

The Existing Operational Activities of the Okomutati Base Camp in Ehirovipuka Conservancy, Kunene Region, Namibia

2.4 Scale and Scope of the Activity

The project is of a small to medium scale of operations. Okomutati camp has been serving as an operational base (site) for Kunene Conservation's personnel while carrying out their project operations in the Kunene Region. Added to that, a small exclusive campsite will be developed for the Ehirovupuka Conservancy. The base camp and associated activities will have the following benefits:

- The development of an exclusive campsite for the Ehirovipuka Conservancy to manage and benefit from.

- The camp will provide timely essential services such as food, water, accommodation for personnel, and storage for equipment, thus facilitating smooth operations.
- Strategic positioning close to key areas of operations, allowing quicker response times.
- A centralized location fosters better communication and coordination among the project personnel and units, which improves overall operational performance and effectiveness.
- The camp offers rest areas and other amenities that boost the morale and mental well-being of personnel.
- Establishing a presence in the area/Region can allow for better relationships with local communities (Conservancy management), which can be crucial for operational support.

Project Activities

Apart from the Okomutati camp serving as an operational base for the Kunene Conservation personnel in the Region, the project activities will entail the addition and operation of four tents of 12,100m x 4,200m, each one will have an ensuite bathroom and a small kitchen. Moreover, Kunene Conservation intends to develop an exclusive one-party-only (1-8 pax) campsite for the Ehrovipuka Conservancy, to manage and benefit from. The exclusive campsite will consist of an ablution, a basic washup area, and a fireplace.

Key project services and infrastructure

The basecamp is associated with the following resources, services, structures, and infrastructures:

- **Accommodation**: For the site personnel, there are three small houses built from the local rock materials, and each house now has a small veranda installed to it, where each person has their own washup and cooking area
- **Human resources (project personnel)**: There are currently two permanent people (caretakers) on-site, who are also accommodated on-site. Furthermore, the full project staff will consist of the Community Programme Manager, Rangeland Coordinator, Conservation Manager, and Ecological Monitoring Coordinator. The staff will be on-site about 75% of the time.
- **Power supply**: the project will use a solar system with a gas stove for cooking.
- **Water supply**: water is sourced from one borehole near the camp and stored in 5 x 500-litre tanks. The water is piped within the camp, and each of the above houses has piped water. The borehole has a yield of 9.27m³/hour, i.e., 9,270 liters/hour. The estimated water requirement per person per day (on an average of 6 people in a camp) will be 90 litres; therefore, 540 litres per day (540 litres/day/person). Therefore, the monthly water use will be 16,740 litres or cubic meters (16.74m³).
- **Supporting structures**: the site has supporting structures such as the workshop and storeroom, office, and boardroom container, as well as a shade structure.
- **Sewage management**: the camp has toilets and showers with septic tanks and soakways. The two-stage chambered septic tank systems are designed according to recognized standards (e.g., South African National Standards).

- Solid waste management: The waste is currently contained onsite and transported to Windhoek for recycling. However, should the volume of waste increase, it will be transported for disposal at Opuwo Town's dumpsite.
- Site accessibility (road): The campsite is accessed from the C35 on the eastern side and then connected to the C35 by local, well-maintained gravel access roads.
- Vehicle parking: operations (project) vehicles are currently parked in open spaces at the camp, as there are no designated parking areas. The Proponent will construct a parking area as a covered parking bay. The site currently has 4 vehicles on site, with one more to be procured. No fence around the camp, as this is usually not allowed in conservancies.
- Occupational Health and Safety: all project personnel are supplied with appropriate and adequate personal protective equipment (PPE) while carrying out project activities onsite.
- First aid kit: the site has a fully furnished first aid kit, for which the site staff will be trained on how to administer first aid. It is important to note that since the base camp already exists, first aid training has taken place previously, and refresher courses will be conducted for existing staff, and new personnel will also have the required training.
- Accidental fire outbreaks: the site will be equipped with at least 2 fire extinguishers, in case of accidental fire outbreaks. Basic firefighting training to be offered to site staff.

The detailed project description and activities are presented in the Comprehensive EMP accompanying this ECC application.

PART C: DECLARATION BY APPLICANT

I hereby certify that the particulars given above are correct and true to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand the environmental clearance certificate may be suspended, amended, or cancelled if any information given above is false, misleading, wrong, or incomplete.



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Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Signature of Applicant Full Name in Block letters

Position

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On behalf of the **Kunene Conservation**

30 April 2026

Date