

FINAL BAR STAGE - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION COMMENTS AND RESPONSES REPORT RECEIVED: PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A 30M HIGH TELECOMMUNICATION MAST ON PORTION 28 OF FARM NO. 71, EENDEKUIL, PIKETBERG, WESTERN CAPE_ SEPTEMBER 2020

C. DRAFT BAR COMMENTS ON PORTION 28 OF FARM NO. 71, EENDEKUIL, PIKETBERG, WESTERN CAPE (DEA&DP Ref. No.: 16/3/3/1/F1/11/2015/20)

Date	Comment	I&AP	Project	Response	Respondent
Comments received on Pre-Application and Application Form					
26/03/2020	<p>1. The abovementioned document and cover letter dated 20 March 2020, received by this Department on 23 March 2020, refers.</p> <p>2. This letter serves as an acknowledgement of receipt of the aforementioned document by this Department.</p> <p>3. From the review of the information submitted, this Department notes that the proposed installation of an approximately 30m high lattice type telecommunication mast and associated infrastructure on Portion 28 of the Farm No. 71, Eendekuil, Piketberg entails the following: The proposed development entails the installation of an approximately 30m high lattice type telecommunication mast on Portion 28 of the Farm No. 71, Eendekuil, Piketberg with a development footprint of 64m². The telecommunication base station will include an equipment room to house the operator equipment and generator as well as equipment containers to accommodate other service providers. The mast will be constructed on a cement plinth and will be surrounded by a 2.4m high palisade fence.</p> <p>An existing access road will be utilised to gain access to the proposed site. Electricity will be sourced from the land owner.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Ayesha Humdulay,</p> <p>The Department's correspondence dated 26 March 2020, regarding the acknowledgement of receipt of the NEMA Application Form for the aforementioned proposal, refers.</p> <p>The aforementioned correspondence dated 26 March 2020 is duly noted.</p> <p>Please see responses to the points raised in the aforementioned correspondence below:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Noted. 2. Noted. 3. Noted. 	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>4. The following listed activity is indicated as applicable to the development proposal, in the Application Form for Environmental Authorisation: Item 3 of GN No. R. 983 (as amended): <i>"The development of masts or towers of any material or type used for telecommunication broadcasting or radio transmission purposes where the mast or tower-</i> <i>(a) is to be placed on a site not previously used for this purpose; and</i> <i>(b) will exceed 15 metres in height-</i></p> <p><i>but excluding attachments to existing buildings and masts on rooftops".</i></p> <p>i. Western Cape: <i>"i. All areas outside urban areas;</i> <i>ii. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority, or zoned for a conservation purpose, within urban areas; or</i> <i>iii. Areas zoned for use as public open space or equivalent zoning within urban areas".</i></p> <p>You are reminded that only the listed activities applied for will be considered for Environmental Authorisation. The onus is on the applicant to ensure that all the applicable listed activities are assessed as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") process.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	4. Noted. The listed activity was inserted into the NEMA App Form & draft BAR.	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>5. Specialist Input / Assessment Required Please ensure that specialist reports contain all the information specified in Appendix 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended). Note that the specialist report/ inputs must be appended to the Basic Assessment Report ("BAR").</p> <p>6. The following requirements must be met regarding all applications for Environmental Authorisation in terms of the NEMA and the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended):</p> <p>6.1. Exemptions This Department notes that you do not intend to apply for exemption in terms of the National Exemption Regulations, 2014 promulgated on 08 December 2014 from any of the requirements of the Public Participation Process ("PPP") as stipulated in Regulation 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and that you do not intend to apply for exemption from any other provisions contained in the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the NEMA or any other notice issued under the NEMA. Please note that should you fail to meet a requirement of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) or the NEMA and if no exemption from this provision was applied for and granted, your application for Environmental Authorisation may be refused by this Department.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>5. Noted. However, no specialists studies were undertaken for the proposal.</p> <p>6.1. Noted. The applicant did not apply for any exemptions.</p>	EnviroAfrica

"	<p>6.2. Alternatives</p> <p>Please be advised that in terms of the NEMA and the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), the investigation of alternatives is mandatory. All alternatives identified must be determined to be feasible and reasonable. In this regard it must be noted that this Department may grant Environmental Authorisation for an alternative as if the alternative had been applied for or may grant Environmental Authorisation for the proposed project in respect of all or part of the activities applied for in the application as specified in Regulation 20 of GN No. R.982 (as amended). Alternatives are not limited to activity alternatives, but include layout alternatives, design, operational and technology alternatives.</p> <p>You are hereby reminded that it is mandatory to investigate and assess the option of not proceeding with the proposed activity (i.e., the "No-Go" option) in addition to other alternatives identified. Every EIA process must therefore identify and investigate alternatives, with feasible and reasonable alternatives to be comparatively assessed. If, however, after identified alternatives have been investigated, no feasible or reasonable were found, no comparative assessment of alternatives, beyond the comparative assessment of the preferred alternative and the option of not proceeding, is required during the assessment. What would, however, be required in this instance is proof of the investigation undertaken, and motivation for there being no feasible or reasonable alternatives other than the preferred option and the "No-Go" option. Refer to this Department's Guideline on Alternatives available on this Department's website: (http://www.westerncape.gov.za/eadp).</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	6.2. Noted. Alternatives will be investigated in the draft BAR.	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>6.3. Public Participation</p> <p>The BAR must be subjected to a PPP that meets the requirements of Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and must take into account any applicable Guidelines published in terms of Section 24J of the NEMA, this Department's Circular EADP 0028/2014 on the "One Environmental Management System") and the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), as well as any other guidelines developed by this Department.</p> <p>In addition to the above, the Environmental Assessment Practitioner ("EAP") must submit one printed copy and one CD copy of the BAR to this Department for a minimum of 30 days. The BAR must be made available to all relevant State Departments / Organs of State that administer laws relating to a matter affecting the environment, for a minimum commenting period of 30 days. The EAP must notify this Department in writing of the date the BAR was submitted to the relevant State Department/ Organs of State and clearly indicate whether or not such State Department/Organs of State were notified of the commenting period in terms of Section 24O of the NEMA. It is imperative that State Departments/Organs of State be in possession of the Reports when the EAP issues them with the notice in terms of Section 24O of the NEMA. Please note that the EAP is responsible for such consultation. Therefore, it is requested that the EAP include proof of such notification to the relevant State Departments/ Organs of State in terms of Section 24O(2) and (3) of the NEMA in the BAR, where appropriate.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast		EnviroAfrica
"	<p>In terms of good environmental practice you are encouraged to engage with State Departments and other Organs of State early in the EIA process to solicit their inputs on any of their requirements to be addressed in the EIA process. Please note that this does not replace the requirement of making the BAR available to State Departments/Organs of State as stipulated above. The following State Departments/Organs of State must be consulted during the EIA process as part of the PPP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * CapeNature; * Heritage Western Cape; * The Bergrivier Municipality; * West Coast District Municipality; * Western Cape Government: Health; * Western Cape Government: Agriculture; * Civil Aviation Authority of South Africa; and * The National Department of Water and Sanitation; <p>A register of Interested and Affected Parties ("I&APs") must be opened and maintained. The said register must be submitted to this Department. The EAP must record and respond to all comments received. The comments and responses must be captured in a Comments and Responses Report and must include a description of the PPP followed. This report must be included in the public participation information attached to the BAR to be submitted for a decision.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	6.3. Noted. Two printed copies and one CD copy of the draft BAR was submitted to the Department on 23 March 2020.	EnviroAfrica

"	<p>6.4. Environmental Management Programme ("EMPr") In accordance with Section 24N of the NEMA and Regulation 19 of GN. No. R. 982 (as amended), this Department hereby requires the submission of an Environmental Management Programme ("EMPr"). The contents of such an EMPr must meet the requirements outlined in Section 24N (2) and (3) of the NEMA (as amended) and Appendix 4 of GN. No. R. 982 (as amended). The EMPr must address the potential environmental impacts of the activity throughout the project life cycle, including an assessment of the effectiveness of monitoring and management arrangements after implementation (auditing). The EMPr must be submitted together with the BAR. When compiling the EMPr, this Department's Guideline for Environmental Management Plans (June 2005), available on the Department's website must be taken into account as well as Appendix 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	6.4. Noted. The EMPr was submitted as Appendix H to the draft BAR that was submitted to the Department on 23 March 2020.	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>6.5. Guidelines You are referred to Appendix 1 of GN. No. R. 982 (as amended) for the requirements with respect to the 'Content of basic assessment report'. You are advised that when undertaking the Basic Assessment process you must take into account the Department's Circular 0028/2014 on the "One Environmental Management System" and the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) as well as any other guidelines developed by this Department. This Department's guidelines can be downloaded from this Department's website. In particular, the guidelines that may be applicable to the proposed project, inter alia, the following: 6.5.1. Circular 0028/2014: One Environmental Management System; 6.5.2. Guideline for Determining the Scope of Specialists Involvement in the EIA Process (June 2005); 6.5.3. Guideline for Environmental Management Plans (June 2005); 6.5.4. Guideline on Exemption Applications (March 2013); 6.5.5. Guideline on Public Participation (March 2013); 6.5.6. Guideline on Alternatives (March 2013); and 6.5.7. Guideline on Need and Desirability (March 2013).</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	6.5. Noted. The applicable guidelines were consulted while compiling the draft BAR.	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>6.6. Need and Desirability In terms of the NEMA and the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), when considering an application, this Department must take into account a number of specific considerations including, inter alia, the need and desirability of any proposed project. As such, the need for and desirability of the proposed activity must be considered and reported on in the BAR. The BAR must reflect how the strategic context of the site in relation to the broader surrounding area, has been considered in addressing need and desirability. Refer to this Department's Guideline on Need and Desirability (March 2013).</p> <p>6.7. NEMA Principles In addition to the above, you must clearly show how the proposed project complies with the principles contained in Section 2 of the NEMA and must show how the proposed project meets the requirements of sustainable development.</p> <p>6.8. Water Crises Your attention is drawn to the fact that the Western Cape has recently experienced a severe drought. In light of the above, water must be used wisely during all phases of any development. No potable water must be used for as far as possible and alternative methods to save water must be implemented.</p> <p>6.9. Social and Gender Considerations You are reminded that the social context of the proposed development must always be considered. This includes the impact that the development proposal may have on the prevalence of HIV/AIDS, sexually transmitted infections (STI) and Tuberculosis (TB), as well as equity and gender related concerns.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>6.6. Noted. Need & Desirability will be considered in the draft BAR.</p> <p>6.7. Noted.</p> <p>6.8. Noted. Water will be used wisely during construction. The activity does not use water during its operational phase.</p> <p>6.9. Noted. Social issues will be considered in the draft BAR.</p>	EnviroAfrica

"	<p>6.10. BAR Requirements</p> <p>The BAR must contain all the information outlined in Appendix 1 of GN No. R. 981 (as amended) and must include the information as requested in this letter. Failure to submit any information prescribed in Appendix 1 of GN No. R. 982 (as amended) may result in the Environmental Authorisation being refused.</p> <p>This Department awaits the submission of the BAR as prescribed Regulation 19 of the EIA Regulations, GN R. No. 982 (as amended). In accordance with Regulation 19 of GN No. R. 982 (as amended), this department hereby stipulates that the BAR must be submitted to this Department for decision-making within 90 days from the date of receipt of the application by this Department., calculated from 23 March 2020.</p> <p>If, however, significant changes have been made or significant new information has been added to the BAR, the applicant/EAP must notify this Department that an additional 50 days (i.e., 140 days from receipt of the application) will be required for the submission of the BAR. The additional 50 days must include a minimum commenting period of 30 days to allow registered I&APs to comment on the revised reports/additional information.</p> <p>If the BAR is not submitted within the prescribed timeframe, the application will lapse in terms of Regulation 45 of GN No. R. 982 (as amended) and your case file will be closed for administrative purposes. Should you wish to pursue the application again, a new application process would have to be initiated. A new Application Form for Environmental Authorisation would have to be submitted with proof of having paid the prescribed application fee.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	6.10. Noted. The BAR for decision-making will be submitted before the lapsing of the 90 days.	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>7. General</p> <p>7.1. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.</p> <p>7.2. Please note that the activity must not be commenced with prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by this Department. It is prohibited in terms of Section 24F of the NEMA for a person to commence with a listed activity unless the Competent Authority has granted an Environmental Authorisation for the undertaking of the activity. Failure to comply in terms of this prohibition will result in the matter being referred to the Environmental Law Enforcement Directorate of this Department for possible prosecution. A person convicted of an offence in terms of the above is liable to a fine not exceeding R5 000 000 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 10 years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.</p> <p>7.3. This Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw comments and request further information from you based on any information received.</p> <p>Yours faithfully Head of Component</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>7.1. Noted. The aforementioned reference number will be used in all future correspondence regarding this application.</p> <p>7.2. Noted. No activity will commence unless an Environmental Authorisation has been granted by the Competent Authority.</p> <p>7.3. Noted.</p> <p>Thank you for providing guidance and comment on the aforementioned proposal.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	EnviroAfrica
26/03/2020	<p>Dear Sir</p> <p>COMMENT ON THE CONSULTATION BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT ("BAR") IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) ("NEMA") AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014 (AS AMENDED): THE PROPOSED INSTALLATION OF AN APPROXIMATELY 30M HIGH LATTICE TYPE TELECOMMUNICATION MAST AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE ON PORTION 28 OF THE FARM NO. 71, EENDEKUIL, PIKETBERG</p> <p>1. The abovementioned document with cover letter dated 20 March 2020, received by this Department on 23 March 2020, refers.</p> <p>2. Following a review of the information submitted to this Department, the following is notes:</p> <p>2.1. The proposed development entails the installation of an approximately 30m high lattice type telecommunication mast on Portion 28 of the Farm No. 71, Eendekuil, Piketberg with a development footprint of 64m². The telecommunication base station will include an equipment room to house the operator equipment and generator as well as equipment containers to accommodate other service providers. The mast will be constructed on a cement plinth and will be surrounded by a 2.4m high palisade fence.</p> <p>2.2. An existing access road will be utilised to gain access to the proposed site.</p> <p>2.3. Electricity will be sourced from the land owner.</p> <p>2.4. The development proposal does not require water, solid waste removal, storm water or sewerage services from the Bergrivier Municipality.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Ayesha Humdulay,</p> <p>The Department's comment dated 26 March 2020, regarding the draft BAR, refers.</p> <p>The aforementioned comment dated 26 March 2020 is duly noted.</p> <p>Please see responses to the points raised in the aforementioned correspondence below:</p> <p>1. Noted.</p> <p>2.1. Noted.</p> <p>2.2. Noted.</p> <p>2.3. Noted.</p> <p>2.4. Noted. However, the site is located within the jurisdiction of the Bergrivier Municipality.</p>	EnviroAfrica

"	<p>3. Listed Activity(ies) 3.1. The following listed activity is indicated as applicable to the development proposal, in the Application Form for Environmental Authorisation: Item 3 of GN No. R. 983 (as amended): "The development of masts or towers of any material or type used for telecommunication broadcasting or radio transmission purposes where the mast or tower- (a) is to be placed on a site not previously used for this purpose; and (b) will exceed 15 metres in height- but excluding attachments to existing buildings and masts on rooftops".</p> <p>i. Western Cape: "i. All areas outside urban areas; ii. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority, or zoned for a conservation purpose, within urban areas; or iii. Areas zoned for use as public open space or equivalent zoning within urban areas".</p> <p>4. EIA Requirements 4.1. Please ensure that the minimum requirements of the EIA process stipulated in the Appendices of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), i.e., Appendices 1 and 4, are met.</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>3.1. Noted. The applicable listed activity was included in the NEMA App Form the draft BAR.</p> <p>4.1. Noted. The minimum requirements of the EIA process were met.</p>	EnviroAfrica
"	<p>5. Genral 5.1. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.</p> <p>5.2. Please note that the activity must not be commenced with prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by this Department. It is prohibited in terms of Section 24F of the NEMA for a person to commence with a listed activity unless the Competent Authority has granted an Environmental Authorisation for the undertaking of the activity. Failure to comply in terms of this prohibition will result in the matter being referred to the Environmental Law Enforcement Directorate of this Department for possible prosecution. A person convicted of an offence in terms of the above is liable to a fine not exceeding R5 000 000 or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 10 years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.</p> <p>5.3. This Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw comments and request further information from you based on any information received.</p> <p>Yours faithfully Head of Component</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>5.1. Noted. The aforementioned reference number will be used in all future correspondence regarding this application.</p> <p>5.2. Noted. No activity will commence unless an Environmental Authorisation has been granted by the Competent Authority.</p> <p>5.3. Noted.</p> <p>Thank you for providing comment on the aforementioned proposal.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	EnviroAfrica
11/05/2020	<p>Ref: 13/2/12/5/1</p> <p>Sir</p> <p>The West Coast District Municipality does not wish to offer any additional comments on this application and stands by the comments provided in the letter dated 7 January 2020 – see attached.</p> <p>Regards Doretha Kotze</p>	EnviroAfrica	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Doretha,</p> <p>Your email correspondence of earlier today with the attached comment dated 07 January 2020, refers.</p> <p>Thank you for confirming that the District Municipality has no further comment other than the comment dated 07 January 2020.</p> <p>Kindly find attached copy of the Consent Use Approval from Bergrivier Municipality dated 27 July 2018.</p> <p>Please note that all concerns raised in your comment dated 07 January 2020 has been addressed in the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr).</p> <p>I would like to thank you for providing comment on the aforementioned proposal.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	EnviroAfrica

29/06/2020	<p>1. The above-mentioned electronic correspondence that was received by this Department from EnviroAfrica cc on 12 June 2020, refers.</p> <p>2. This Department hereby approves the measures highlighted in your PPP Plan dated 12 June 2020, submitted in terms of the Circular of this Department (CIRCULAR: DEA&DP No. 0012/2020). All of the measures highlighted in the PPP Plan must be implemented to meet the requirements of Regulation 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) as well as the Directions regarding measures to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 relating to National Environmental Permits and Licenses of 05 June 2020 (as amended). However, the dated of 19 June 2020 on which you proposed to commencement with the PPP Plan has passed and so the measures contained in the PPP Plan can only be commenced with on the date of issue of this letter thereafter. In light of this, please notify this Department in writing of a new date on which you will commence with measures contained in the PPP Plan and adjust all the other dates in the PPP Plan accordingly.</p> <p>3. Please note that the applicant must comply with any other statutory requirements that may be applicable to the undertaking of the activity.</p> <p>4. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence concerning the proposed development.</p> <p>5. This Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw its comments and request further information based on any information received.</p> <p>Yours faithfully Head of Component</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Maboe,</p> <p>I hereby acknowledge receipt of the attached correspondence from the Department dated 29 June 2020. Please find attached updated public participation plan for the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR).</p> <p>I would like to send out the Draft BAR to registered I&APs by latest 10 July 2020.</p> <p>The commenting period on the Draft BAR will end on 11 September 2020.</p> <p>Your urgent response would be highly appreciated.</p> <p>Kind regards, Emile Esquire</p>	EnviroAfrica
04/07/2020	<p>1. The above-mentioned electronic correspondence that was received by this Department from EnviroAfrica cc on 29 June 2020, refers.</p> <p>2. This Department hereby approves the measures highlighted in your PPP Plan dated 29 June 2020, submitted in terms of the Circular of this Department (CIRCULAR: DEA&DP No. 0012/2020). All of the measures highlighted in the PPP Plan must be implemented to meet the requirements of Regulation 41 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) as well as the Directions regarding measures to address, prevent and combat the spread of COVID-19 relating to National Environmental Permits and Licenses of 05 June 2020 (as amended).</p> <p>3. Please note that the applicant must comply with any other statutory requirements that may be applicable to the undertaking of the activity.</p> <p>4. Kindly quote the abovementioned reference number in any future correspondence concerning the proposed development.</p> <p>5. This Department reserves the right to revise or withdraw its comments and request further information based on any information received.</p> <p>Yours faithfully Head of Component</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Maboe,</p> <p>I hereby acknowledge receipt of the attached correspondence from the Department dated 04 July 2020.</p> <p>All the measures highlighted in the PPP Plan dated 29 June 2020 will be implemented.</p> <p>Please don't hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	EnviroAfrica

Comments received on Draft BAR					
29/07/2020	<p>Meneer,</p> <p>Die oprigting van die selfoontoring is absoluut noodsaaklik vir hierdie gebied omdat ons nou van selfone afhanklik is vir plaasveiligheid vir</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Skakel met die bure, plaaswerkers en polisie 2. Vir die oop en toemaak van sekuriteitshekke 3. In geval van n ongeluk/nood met dokters of ambulans <p>Kommunikasie sonder die toring is nou haas onmoontlik in die gebied.</p> <p>Verder is die ontvangs op die deel van die N7 vanuit Piekenierskloofpas tot amper by Pools ook baie swak.</p> <p>Ons het reeds saam met Vodacom die perseel besoek en dekking vanaf die voorgestelde area bleik voldoende te wees en omdat die toring tussen bome sal staan behoort dit geen negatiewe inpak op die terrein en omgewing te hê nie.</p> <p>Groete Anton Mouton Eendekuil Landbouvereniging</p>	Eendekuil Landbouvereniging	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>Dear Mr Anton Mouton,</p> <p>I hereby acknowledge receipt of your email comment dated 29 July 2020.</p> <p>Your support for the proposed 30m high telecommunication mast on Portion 28 of the Farm No. 71, Eendekuil, is duly noted.</p> <p>In the you comment you confirm that the proposal will enable the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the proposal will enable you to contact your neighbours, workers and Police; • That the proposal will enable for easy closure and open of security gates on farms; • That the proposal will enable residents of the area to contact the doctor or police during an emergency. <p>You also indicate that communication without the proposal is almost impossible within the Eendekuil area and that the signal strength of mobile networks is generally weak in the area.</p> <p>Please note that your comment is duly noted.</p> <p>I would like to thank you for providing comment on the aforementioned development proposal.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	EnviroAfrica
15/10/2020	<p>Having reviewed the information contained in the Draft BAR, this Department has noted the following:</p> <p>2.1. Listed activities- The listed activity identified in the Environmental Impact Assessment ("EIA") Regulations of 2014 (as amended) that is indicated as applicable to the development proposal is Item 3 of GN No. R. 985 of 2014, i.e., "The development of masts or towers of any material or type used for telecommunication broadcasting or radio transmission purposes where the mast or tower—</p> <p>(a) is to be placed on a site not previously used for this purpose; and</p> <p>(b) will exceed 15 metres in height—</p> <p>but excluding attachments to existing buildings and masts on rooftops.</p> <p>i. Western Cape</p> <p>i. All areas outside urban areas;</p> <p>ii. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority, or zoned for a conservation purpose, within urban areas; or</p> <p>iii. Areas zoned for use as public open space or equivalent zoning within urban areas."</p> <p>2.2. Public Participation- The Draft BAR has been made available for Interested and Affected Parties ("I&APs") to comment on for longer than the minimum legally required period of 30 days. In addition, comments have been obtained from various I&APs that include inter alia, Heritage Western Cape and CapeNature, None of the comments received were objections and in fact, some supportive comments have been received.</p> <p>2.3. Alternatives- The mast design alternatives considered are tree type mast, lattice mast and monopole mast. The 'no-go' alternative has also been considered. i</p>	DEA&DP: Region 1	Eendekuil Telecommunication Mast	<p>1-2. Noted.</p> <p>3. Noted, thank you. Comments received on the DBAR have been addressed accordingly.</p> <p>4. Noted with thanks.</p> <p>5. Noted.</p>	EnviroAfrica