

2021 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Process: S&EIR
Detailed Project Plan as per NEMA Scoping and EIA Regulations 2014 (as amended):
STYR-KRAAL AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT

No.	Action	Timeline
1	Clarification meeting with client and appointment of environmental assessment practitioner (EAP) for EIA and environmental authorisation (EA) application	August 2020
2	Appointment of specialists for EIR assessments	August 2020 – September 2020
	Botanical Specialist	
	Freshwater Specialist	
	Archaeological Specialist	
3	Draft Scoping Report compilation	September 2021 – October 2021
4	EAP site visit	20 November 2020
5	Public participation (PP): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Letter drops (Adjacent Landowner Notification); - Poster placement - Advertisement publication (<i>published on 13th November 2020 - Gemsbok</i>) - Notified ward councillor. PP comment period must be a minimum of 30 days ¹	November 2020
6	Specialist site visits	Botanical Assessment (Mr Peet Botes)
		Freshwater Assessment (Dr Dirk Van Driel)
		Heritage Impact Assessment (Mr Jan Engelbrecht)
Application and Scoping Phase		
8	Application Form Compilation and Submission (Competent Authority have 10 days to respond)	7 days
9	EAP to compile the draft Scoping Report (SR) (incl. the Plan of Study for EIA) and submit with Application Form	10 days
10	If in order, the Department to acknowledge the application.	7 days
11	EAP to notify I&APs (incl. the State departments) EAP to notify the registered I&APs (incl. the State departments) of the availability of the draft SR.	30 days
12	Commenting period of 30 days for I&APs and State departments to comment.	3 days
13	EAP to consider the comments received and complete the final SR.	7 days
14	Following the commenting period, the EAP to submit the Final SR together with any comments received on the final SR to the Department (within 44 days of submission of the Application Form)	10 days
15	Department to acknowledge SR & Plan of Study for EIA.	43 days
16	If in order, the Department to accept the SR & Plan of Study for EIA (within 43 of receipt of Final SR)	
Application and Scoping Phase		
17	EAP to undertake the EIA and compile the draft EIA Report ("EIAR") (including the draft EMP)	7 days
18	EAP to notify registered I&APs (incl. the State departments) of the availability of the draft EIAR for comment.	30 days
19	Commenting period of 30 days for I&APs and State departments.	7 days
20	EAP to consider the comments received and complete the Final EIAR.	7 days
21	Following the commenting period the EAP to submit the final EIR together with any comments received on the final EIR to the Department.	10 days
22	Department to acknowledge EIR.	107 days
23	After having received the EIR, the Department to decide whether or not to grant or refuse Environmental Authorisation (within 107 days)	20 days
24	Applicant/EAP to notify I&APs of outcome and if authorised may only commence 20 days after the date of the authorisation.	

¹As per section 4 of the 'Directions Regarding Measures to Address, Prevent and Combat the Spread of COVID-19 Relating to National Environmental Management Permits and Licenses', published on the 5th June 2020 by the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF). **Please note:** the dates above may be subject to change should the Department of Environmental Affairs, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) and the Department of Environment and Nature Conservation (DENC) issue any new directives and legislated timeframes.