

FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

PROPOSED ARIES- HELIOS 765KV TRANSMISSION POWERLINE AND SUBSTATIONS UPGRADE (PART OF THE CAPE CORRIDOR PHASE 5) NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

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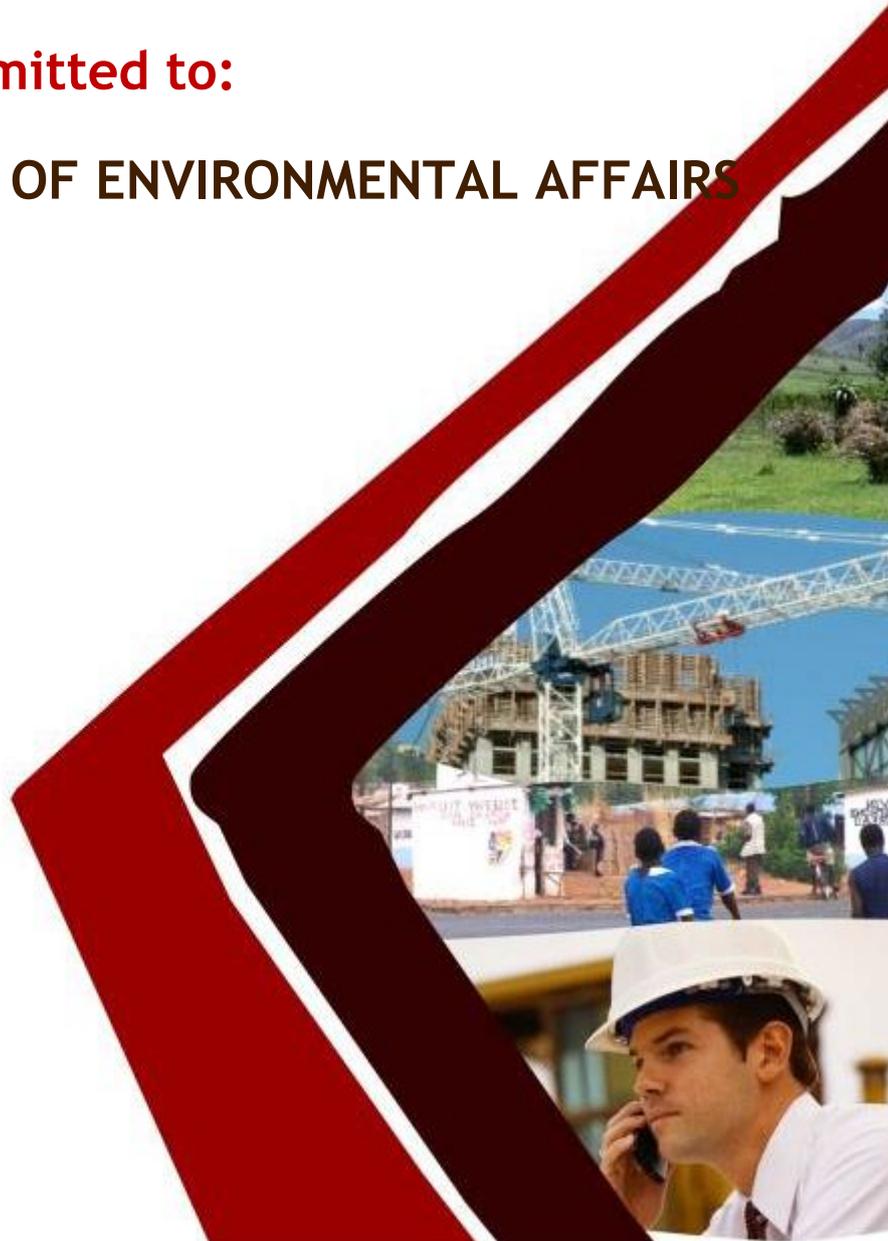


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1. OVERVIEW OF THE PROJECT

1.1 NEED AND DESIRABILITY

Eskom Holdings SOC Ltd (hereafter to be referred as Eskom), has to supply reliable power to meet the increasing needs of electricity users. Therefore on a continuous basis, Eskom needs to maintain, construct and upgrade its infrastructure of transmission power lines and substations. According to Eskom TDP 2013–2022, some of the objectives include transmission network strengthening plans and reliability projects, which would ensure that the transmission system reliability and adequacy are sustained as load demand increases on the network.

The Greater Cape network (comprising the Eastern Cape, Northern Cape and Western Cape Provinces) supplies a combined diversified load of over 6 000 MW. The load is supplied by a network of HVAC transmission lines, referred to as the Cape corridor, operating at 400kV and now at 765kV as part of Phase 3 and 4 of the Cape Corridor Strengthening (Figure 1).

The load forecast indicates that the load supplied by the Cape corridor will reach more than 8 000 MW by the year 2021. Forecasts indicate that the maximum power transfer through the Cape corridor may result in a power transfer deficit going forward. It is for this reason that Eskom Grid Planning initiated a Strategic EIA for the requirement of an additional 765kV line into the Cape network traversing the Northern Cape Province. The line will originate from Perseus Substation in the Free State and terminate at Sterrekus Substation in the Western Cape (via Kronos, Aries, Helios, Juno and Aurora Substations). This will be referred to as Cape Corridor Strengthening Phase 5.

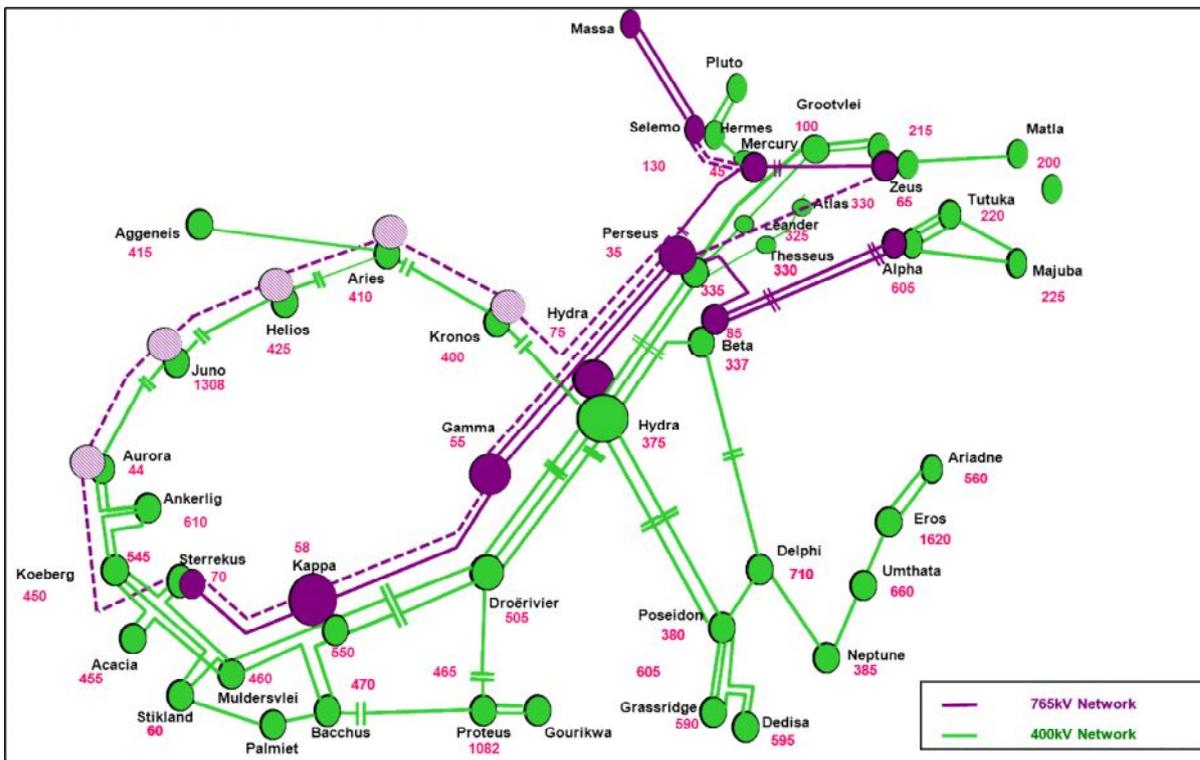


Figure 1: Cape network - 400kV and 765kV

The aim of the proposed transmission power line is to ensure that adequate and reliable electricity supply in the province is achieved.

The advantages of the proposed transmission power line would include:

- avoiding current and future possible voltage collapse;
- contributing to a more flexible electrical network;
- improvement in the overall reliability of the electrical systems, which would benefit electricity users in the regions; and
- to sustain economic growth in the country.

1.2 SCOPE OF THE PROJECT

The proposed 765kV overhead transmission power line would be constructed from Aries to Helios Substation for approximately 175km in length, depending on the final route alignment. Eskom would need to register 80m wide servitude over the final alignment, which would be required to accommodate the towers upon which the 765kV power line will be strung and control activities below the transmission cables.

In order to facilitate route determination, 2km wide possible corridors are identified for specialist assessment study surveys along the proposed power line, as well as to avoid any environmentally sensitive areas during servitude acquisition negotiations and during construction phases of the project.

Furthermore, the transmission power line would require support structures and towers which would be spaced at approximately 500m intervals along the power line route, as well as vehicular access along the route for construction and maintenance purposes. The project would also entail the upgrade of the existing Aries and Helios Substations to accommodate additional transmission capacity.

The construction on the transmission line process generally follows this sequence:

- Aerial survey of the route;
- Determine technically feasible alternative transmission line corridors;
- Investigate the environmental feasibility of alternative corridors and recommend a preferred;
- Corridor (part of this EIA process);
- Environmental Authorisation with regard to the preferred corridor (part of this EIA process);
- Negotiation of final route within the corridor with landowners;
- Selection of best-suited structures and foundations;
- Final design of line and placement of towers;
- Establishment of construction camps and construction of access roads;
- Vegetation clearance and gate erection;
- Construction of foundations;
- Assembly and erection of towers;
- Stringing of conductors;
- Rehabilitation of working areas and protection; and
- Testing and commissioning of the power line.

During the operation phase, ongoing maintenance would need to be in accordance with an approved Operational Environmental Management Plan, including: aerial

inspections, vehicle patrols, live-line maintenance using helicopters, periodic clearing and pruning of servitude vegetation, and periodic clearing of the centre line track.

1.2.1 Associated work at Substations

The upgrade of the Aries and Helios Substations would include the following:

- Construct a 765kV power line to connect to the substations;
- Include a 765kV yard;
- Include a 765kV busbar;
- Include a 2 x 765/400kV transformer;
- Extend the 400kV yard; and
- Extend the 400kV busbars.

1.3 LOCALITY OF THE PROPOSED PROJECT

The study area of the proposed Aries-Helios 765kV transmission power line would comprise three alternative routes and deviation 3D to be considered, each within a 2km corridor. This is to include affected landowners within the 2km corridor. The total length of the power line would be approximately 175km between Aries and Helios Substations.

Aries Substation is located in the Kai Garib Local Municipality within the jurisdiction of Siyanda District Municipality, in the Northern Cape Province. Helios Substation is located in the Hantam Local Municipality within the jurisdiction of Namakwa District Municipality in the Northern Cape Province. The power line traverses between Aries Substation, approximately 40km south west of Kenhardt, and Helios Substation, approximately 50km north of Loeriesfontein town.

The general topography within the study area is flat to undulating landscapes. The proposed routes would not cross any national roads but would cross an existing railway line mainly transporting iron ore from Sishen mine to Saldanha.

Table 1: The approximate coordinates between Aries and Helios substations

	Corridor 1	Corridor 2	Corridor 3
Start point at Aries	29°29'33.71"S 20°47'43.30"E	29°29'33.71"S 20°47'43.30"E	29°29'33.71"S 20°47'43.30"E
Mid-point	30°3'10.41"S 20°14'35.92"E	30°0'39.43"S 20°11'0.91"E	29°54'12.28"S 20°6'16.51"E
End point at Helios	30°29'54.95"S 19°33'37.40"E	30°29'54.95"S 19°33'37.40"E	30°29'54.95"S 19°33'37.40"E
	Deviation 3D		
Start point	20°47'28.32"E 29°29'23.92"S		
Mid-point	20°47'28.32"E 29°29'23.92"S		
End point	20°47'28.32"E 29°29'23.92"S		

The locality map of the proposed Aries-Helios 765kV Transmission Power Line is illustrated below.

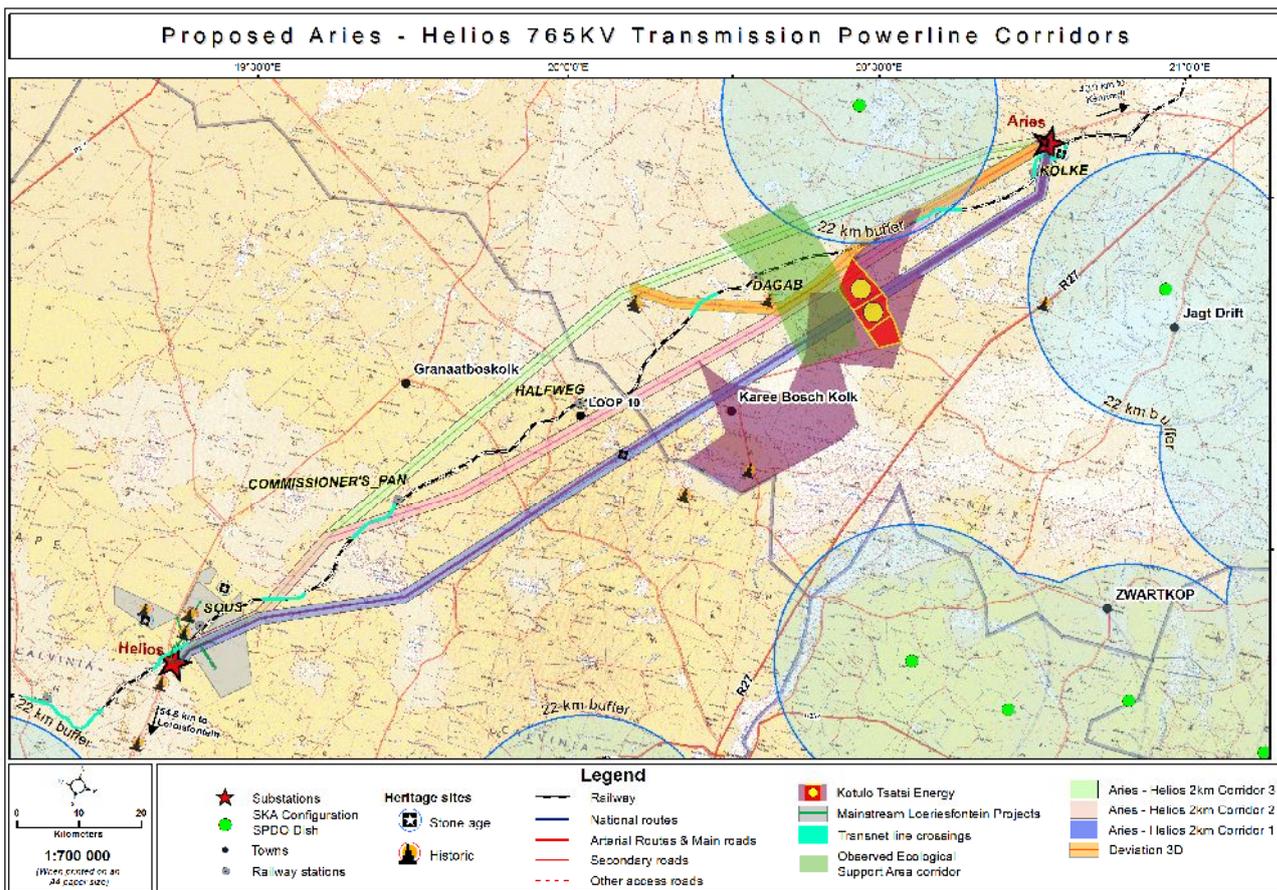


Figure 2: Locality map of the proposed power line
(Size A3 Map provided in **Annexure C**)

1.4 POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PROPOSED TRANSMISSION POWERLINE

Specialist findings were assessed and summarised in this report. Potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed transmission power line are expected to occur during the construction and operational phases. Some of the identified potential impacts and recommended mitigation measures in the specialist studies include the following:

- **Vegetation and Fauna impacts** are due to the disturbance of habitats within the power line servitude and the tower footprints. Mitigation measures should take the form of preventing construction of towers in / on ecologically sensitive areas.
- **Avifauna impacts** are as a result of collisions of birds with power lines and habitat destruction during construction phase. To minimise this impact would require marking the earth wires of the proposed power line with a suitable anti-collision marking device / bird diverters.
- **Wetland impacts** are as a result of changing the sediment amount entering water resources and the disposal of human sewage during the construction phase of the development. Recommended mitigation measures should take the form of maintaining buffer zones (50m from the watercourses) to trap

sediments with associated toxins. During construction phase, provision of adequate sanitation facilities should be located outside its associated buffer zone.

- **Agricultural impacts** are caused by the transmission power line constructed on agricultural potential land / arable cultivation land and overhead irrigation systems, where high value crops and valuable infrastructure will be affected. Mitigation measures should take the form of ensuring towers are sited away from any areas of intensive cultivation, such as areas of irrigation.
- **Visual impacts** are on quality of landscape due to the presence of a transmission power line in the operational phase and unsightly views caused by construction camp. Mitigations should take the form of avoiding transmission power lines to cross through ridges, rivers or any natural features that have visual value. The vegetation occurring in the area to be disturbed by construction camps must be salvaged and kept in a controlled environment such as a nursery, for future re-planting in the disturbed areas as a measure of rehabilitation.
- **Ecotourism impacts** that may be caused by this development include: visual impacts on ecotourism; impacts on existing tourism attractions; and impacts on future establishments and expansions on protected areas. Construction activities, camp and lay down areas may impact on the quality of the product which ecotourism destinations in the study area can provide to the market place. If practically possible, construction camps should be located in areas that are already disturbed.
- **Heritage site impacts** are caused by disturbance or destruction during construction phase. Mitigation measures should take the form of isolating known sites and declare them as no-go zones with sufficient associated buffer zones around them for protection. The SAHRA would have to be notified to this regard.
- **Social impacts** are as a result of influx of workers in the area and disturbance on land use and hence affecting adjacent landowners. As a mitigation measure; during the construction phase, the workers must be requested to respect the peacefulness and quiet of the area so as not to disturb the rural nature of the area. A positive impact would be the creation of unskilled employment opportunities for local communities during construction phase.

Overall, the specialist impact assessments conducted have not found any significantly detrimental issues that could be caused by the proposed Aries-Helios 765kV transmission power line. The impacts could be successfully mitigated through the implementation of the management measures in this EMPr.

2. PURPOSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

This Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) will deal with the environmental impacts associated with all aspects of this project and the mitigation measures required to prevent or minimize the potential impacts. The EMPr should be regarded as a guideline document to be strictly adhered to during all phases of the project including the construction and operational phase.

An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor and audit the various phases of the project. An acknowledgement form should be signed by the various parties and / or Eskom as well as the Contractors. The acknowledgement form will be part of the contractual agreement between the Eskom and the contractors to ensure that all the conditions and requirements of the EMPr are complied with.

A comparative assessment was carried out of published EMPr's, whilst site-specific conditions and new information that has come to light were also incorporated. The aim of this EMPr is to integrate environmental planning, design, construction, and operational activities for the proposed development.

Compliance with the EMPr will be monitored by an ECO, who will keep a record of the audits and any important information that can be produced on request.

The objectives of the EMPr are to:

- Provide a pro-active, feasible and practical working tool to enable the measurement and monitoring of environmental performance on site.
- Ensure that the construction and operational phases of the project continues within the principles of Integrated Environmental Management.
- Detail specific actions deemed necessary to assist in mitigating the environmental impact of the project.
- Ensure that the safety recommendations are complied with.

This EMPr, which forms an integral part of the contract documents, informs the land owner as to his duties in the fulfilment of the project objectives, with particular reference to the prevention and mitigation of environmental impacts caused by construction and operational activities associated with the project. This is to include any rehabilitation and landscape processes work which is needed post-construction and which would be carried out by the contractor who may be appointed to do such rehabilitation work. The provisions of the EMPr are binding on the Contractor during the contract period and Eskom in the operational phase.

Any environmental issues that are identified during or after construction will be addressed in consultation with the environmental consultant. As such it should be viewed as a dynamic document that may require updating or revision where necessary.

All activities and earthworks associated with construction and reticulation of services will be undertaken in accordance with SABS 1200 standards, which deal with guidelines for civil engineering and general construction works.

3. PARTIES INVOLVED

Project Manager (PM - Eskom)

The Project Manager is appointed by Eskom to oversee the work of all consultants, contractors, residents and visitors.

Contractor (C)

This refers to the main contractor(s) appointed by Eskom for the construction of the Project, or portion of the Project. The main contractor(s) are required to adhere to the EMPr and are responsible to ensure that all sub-contractors, suppliers and staff appointed by them also adhere to the EMPr.

Environmental Liaison Officer

The Environmental Liaison Officer (ELO) will be appointed by the contractor to monitor activities on site on a daily basis. The ELO will be the ECO's representative on the site and will report back on all audit trips. The ELO must report any major incidents immediately to the ECO

All Staff

All workers employed by the contractor or Eskom, persons involved with activities related to the project, or persons present or visiting the construction area, including permanent, contract, or casual labour and informal traders.

Environmental Control Officer (ECO)

An individual nominated by Eskom to act on behalf of a Contractor in matters concerning the day-to-day implementation of the EMPr, and for liaison with: Department of Environmental Affairs; Municipalities; Provincial departments; and other relevant stakeholders such as the public and owners or managers of properties affected by the powerline construction project.

An ECO must be appointed in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations No. R543 of 18 June 2010. The ECO will inspect this development on a regular basis during the construction and rehabilitation phases, and will advise DEA and anyone acting in accordance with the Environmental Authorisation (e.g. Eskom, contractors etc.). In addition, anyone acting in accordance with the Environmental Authorisation (e.g. Eskom, contractors etc.) would have to comply with the EMPr. Furthermore, anyone acting in accordance with the Environmental Authorisation (e.g. Eskom, contractors etc.) would need to sign an acknowledgement form, which will form part of the contractual agreements between individuals acting in accordance with the Environmental Authorisation (e.g. Eskom and the contractors) to ensure compliance with the conditions and requirements of the EMPr.

DEA

The Compliance Officer appointed by the National Department of Environmental Affairs to this project.

Local Community

People residing or present in the region and near the construction activities, including the owners and / or managers of land affected by construction, workers on the land, and people in nearby towns and other settlements.

Public

Any individual or group concerned with or affected by the Project and its consequences, including: the local community; local, regional, and national authorities; investors; workforce; customers; consumers; environmental interest groups; and the general public.

4. RECORD KEEPING

Copies of any Authorisation and EMPr's required for specific construction activities shall be kept on site and made available for inspection by visiting officials from the employer or relevant environmental departments.

The Project Manager will monitor the Contractor's adherence to the approved impact prevention procedures and shall issue the Contractor a notice of non-compliance whenever transgressions are observed. The Contractor must document the nature and magnitude of any non-compliance in a designated register, the action taken to correct the non-compliance, the actions taken to mitigate its effects and the results of those actions. Any non-compliance shall be documented and reported to the Project Manager in a monthly report.

The Contractor shall also record all complaints received regarding activities on the construction site pertaining to the environment, and the response noted with the date and the action taken. These records shall also be submitted to the Project Manager in the monthly report.

All monthly and quarterly reports produced by the ECO should be submitted to both the construction manager and Eskom project manager. These reports should be kept in a file on site at all times.

5. COMPLIANCE AND PENALTIES

The duration, over which the Contractor's controls shall be in place, cover the construction period of the project as well as the limited time after the contract completion in the General Conditions of Contract, and the project specifications, as the defects liability period.

The Applicant / Contractor are deemed not to have complied with the EMPr if:

- Within the boundaries of the site, site extensions and access roads there is evidence of contravention of clauses;
- Environmental damage occurs due to negligence;
- The contractor fails to comply with corrective or other instructions issued by the Project Manager or Engineer or Environmental Control Officer within a specified time frame; and
- The contractor fails to respond adequately to complaints from the public or local community.

The Contractor shall act immediately after a notice of non-compliance is received, and correct the cause for the issuing of the notice. Application of a penalty clause will apply for incidents of non-compliance. The imposition of such a penalty shall not preclude the relevant provincial authority from applying an additional penalty in accordance with statutory powers.

Failure to redress the cause shall be reported to the relevant authority for them to deal with the transgression, as deemed fit. The polluter-pays principle applies.

The "polluter-pays" principle provides that "the costs of remedying pollution, environmental degradation and consequent adverse health effects and of preventing,

controlling or minimizing further pollution, environmental damage or adverse health effects must be paid for by those responsible for harming the environment. NEMA imposes a duty of care on every person who causes, has caused or may cause significant pollution or degradation of the environment is authorised by law or cannot reasonably be avoided, NEMA requires that the pollution must be minimised and rectified.

Furthermore, NEMA makes provision for damages to be awarded by the courts where loss or damage has occurred as a result of a contravention of certain environmental statutes. For example, offences under the National Water Act No. 36 of 1965 and the Environmental Conservation Act No. 73 of 1989 may result in penalties being imposed in terms of NEMA. Importantly, NEMA provides for the liability on conviction of employees, managers, agents and directors for any offences resulting from the failure to take all the reasonable steps that were necessary under the circumstances to prevent the commission of an offence.

6. AMENDMENTS TO THE EMPr

Any major issues not covered in the EMPr as submitted, will be addressed as addend to this EMPr, and submitted for approval prior to completion.

The EMPr is a living document and is subject to change from time to time in consultation with DEA. Any amendments to the EMPr will require approval from DEA. A confirmation letter from DEA approving the amendments to the EMPr will be attached as addenda.

7. ENFORCING THE EMPr

The Applicant / Contractor have a responsibility to ensure that all those people involved in the project are aware of and familiar with the environmental requirements for the project (this includes sub-contractors, casual labour, amongst others.). The EMPr shall be part of the terms of reference for all contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers. All contractors, sub-contractors and suppliers have to give some assurance that they understand the EMPr and that they will undertake to comply with the conditions therein. All senior and supervisory staff members shall familiarise themselves with the full contents of the EMPr. They shall know and understand the specifications of the EMPr and shall be able to assist other staff members in matters relating to the EMPr. On completion of construction, the EMPr shall be part of the terms of reference for the applicant and shall be made available to all ongoing contractors entering the property.

8. SIGNING OF THE EMPr

The acknowledgement form provided in Annexure B is to be signed by the Applicant (Eskom) and all the Contractors. All the Contractor's employees, especially the machine and equipment operators, are to be made aware of the conditions as contained in the EMPr and the contractual conditions relating to the environment, as contained in the contract document.

9. CONCLUSION

It is the view of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner that the preferred alternative corridor for the proposed power line will not have any significant negative geophysical, biophysical or socio-economic environmental impacts provided the recommendations regarding the mitigation and rehabilitation measures presented in this EMPr are adhered to.

Please note: No construction work shall commence until the final EMPr is authorised by the National Department of Environmental Affairs.

10. PROCEDURE

10.1 PRE-CONSTRUCTION PHASE

The requirements of the EMPr will be discussed at professional team meetings in order to understand the environmental content of the document. The requirements of the EMPr must be incorporated into any tender / contract documents by way of specific clauses that convey the impact and mitigation required. These clauses are to be agreed between the responsible professional members of the team and the environmental consultant.

10.2 THE CONSTRUCTION PHASE: RESPONSIBILITIES AND GENERAL MATTERS

Miscellaneous environmental matters and the relationships between the Contractors, ECO and the other members of the professional team are outlined in the following sections.

10.2.1 The Contractor

The Contractors must comply at all times with the requirements of the EMPr and must acknowledge in writing by signing the acknowledgement form that they will abide by the contents of EMPr.

10.2.2 The Applicant

Eskom (owning registered servitude of the powerline) must be in overall charge of the contract, the contractor/s and the adjudication of the EMPr requirements. Eskom can delegate the daily controls on site to a project manager or similar responsible person, when necessary.

10.2.3 The Environmental Control Officer (ECO)

Eskom must appoint an independent ECO for the purpose of ensuring that the environmental conditions as outlined in this EMPr are implemented by the Contractor.

Other environmental site-related issues will be monitored and reported on by the ECO as and when they may arise. The ECO is to have access to the site at all times, for the purpose of inspections to ensure that the environmental conditions of the EMPr are being implemented and adhered to.

10.2.4 Reporting Structure

Both the ECO and Contractor are obliged to report any incidents and non-compliance to the Eskom Project Manager at agreed intervals. The Environmental Liaison Officer (ELO) is responsible for advising and reporting to the Contractor during the construction process. Open communication between the ELO and ECO (Figure 3) should be encouraged so as to ensure that incidents identified are reported and rectified timeously.



Figure 3: Communication channel between ECO, ELO, C and Eskom PM

10.3 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT DURING PROJECT PHASES

The following tables (Pre-Construction Phase; Construction Phase; and Operational Phase) form the core of this EMPr for the construction and operational phases of the project. These tables should be used as checklists on site, especially during the construction phase. Compliance with this EMPr must be audited weekly or monthly depending on construction phase. After completion of construction, this must be followed up with annual audits for a period of two years during the operational phase.

Table 2: Table of abbreviations used below:

Abbreviation	Meaning
C	Contractor
ELO	Environmental Liaison Officer
E	Engineer
PM	Project Manager
ECO	Environmental Control Officer

11. PRE-CONSTRUCTION PHASE

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
Legislation, permits and agreements	Site Owner, Developer, Service Providers, Contractors and Project Managers must remain in compliance with relevant local and national legislation. The supreme law of the land is “The Constitution of the Republic of South Africa” which states: “Every person shall have the right to an environment which is not detrimental to his or her health or well-being”. Laws applicable to protection of the environment in terms of Environmental Management include but are not restricted to those discussed in Chapter 4 in the draft EIR.	All	Prior to moving onto site, during construction and during operation
	A copy of the EMPr must be kept on site during the construction period.	ECO, C & PM	At all times
Access to site	Routing		
	a. The Contractor will have to ascertain the existing condition of the access roads and repair accordingly should damage occur due to construction.	C & PM	Prior to moving onto site and during construction
	b. Access route must be clearly defined with white stakes / painted rocks and disturbance outside these areas is not permitted.		
	c. Choice of access routes must take into account minimum disturbance to residents and businesses neighbouring the site.		
	Haulage Roads		
a. All roads for construction access must be planned and approved by the Engineer and ECO ahead of construction activities. They must not be created on an ad-hoc basis.	E / PM / C / ECO	Prior to moving onto site and during construction	
b. Roads must follow natural contours to reduce storm water runoff.			

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
	<p>c. Roads must have as little cut and fill as possible.</p> <p>d. Road widths and radii of curves are to be reduced to minimum requirements.</p> <p>e. No trees / shrubs / groundcover may be removed or vegetation stripped without prior permission of the Engineer / Project Manager or ECO.</p> <p>Please note: Vegetation clearance must be minimal due to the characteristic low-growing plant species in the study area.</p> <p>f. Turning points will be marked out on the site for easy identification by contract workers. No turning manoeuvres other than at designated places shall be permitted.</p> <p>g. Contractors shall construct formal drainage on all temporary haulage roads in the form of side drains and mitre drains to prevent erosion and point source discharge runoff.</p> <p>h. Haulage roads must allow for the natural flow of water where required. Road surfaces must be permeable to allow infiltration of rainwater. A gravel surface is recommended on all slopes < 10%, grassblock on slopes > 10%. This must ameliorate edge effects and channelling of water and subsequent scouring along roadsides.</p> <p>i. Any natural veld along the proposed power line route must be stripped to a soil depth of 150mm, and immediately translocated to a conservation area identified for rehabilitation. Material stripped from roads must be translocated five days post tillage.</p> <p>j. Haulage roads must follow existing or proposed roads wherever possible. Routes must be clearly defined with white stake/painted rocks. Disturbance outside these areas</p>		

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
	is not permitted.		
	Survey Points		
	a. Marking of survey points must be done with the Engineer and Project Manager's approval.	E / PM	During surveys and preliminary investigations
b. Vegetation clearing and disturbance must be kept to a minimum during the survey operations, taking into account the high sensitivity areas (e.g Critical Biodiversity Areas) of the site.	PM / ECO		
Site Establishment (set up living quarters, site office, assembly area and workshops)	Layout & Location		
	a. Choice of site for the Contractor's camp requires the Project Manager's permission and must take into account the location of local residents and ecologically sensitive areas, including flood zones and slip / unstable zones. A site plan must be submitted to the Engineer for approval. The construction camp must preferably be positioned on previously disturbed area.	E / C / PM / ECO	During surveys and preliminary investigations and prior to moving onto site
	b. If the Contractor chooses to locate the camp site on private land, he must get prior permission from both the Project Manager and the landowner.		
	c. The size of the construction camp must be minimized (especially where natural vegetation or grassland has had to be cleared for its construction).		
	d. The construction camp must be properly fenced and secured. It must be kept in a clean and orderly state at all times. This will deter rodents and other fauna from entering the camp.	E / C / PM	During site establishment and ongoing weekly inspections
	e. The construction camp must be located on a level area at least 50m from any watercourse / riparian zones. The position of the camp must be ratified by the Engineer and Environmental Control Officer.	E / C / PM / ECO	During site establishment

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
	f. The Contractor's camp may not be situated in a flood plain or on slopes greater than 1:3.		
	g. The construction camp must be fenced with a 1.8m high bonnox (or similar type) fence.		
	h. The Contractor must attend to the drainage of the campsite to avoid sheet erosion and / or standing water.	E / C / PM / ECO	During site establishment
Ablutions			
	a. Where water borne sewage is not available, temporary chemical toilets must be provided by a company approved by the Project Manager. These toilets must be made available to all staff, and must be no closer than 50m from any watercourses. Such facilities, which shall comply with local authority regulations, shall be maintained in a clean and hygienic condition. Their use shall be strictly enforced. They shall be positioned in an appropriate place.	PM / C / ECO	During set-up
	b. The construction of a "long-drop" is forbidden.	PM / C	Ongoing
	c. There shall be a minimum of 1 toilet for every 20 workers and these must be situated no further than 100m from the work front.		
	d. Under no circumstances may open areas or the surrounding bush or degraded and built up area be used as a toilet facility.		
Provision for Camp Waste Disposal			
	a. Bins and / or skips shall be provided at convenient intervals for the disposal of waste within the camp. The bins must be covered to prevent wind-blown rubbish and scavenging by people and animals.	PM / C / ECO	During site set-up and ongoing
	b. Bins should have liner bags for efficient and safe disposal of waste.		Ongoing
	c. At least three rubbish bins must be located at the construction camp for the collection of waste.		During site set-up and ongoing

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	<p>d. Recycling and the provision of separate waste receptacles for different types of waste should be encouraged. Where possible, plastics, paper, glass and cans should be separated from other domestic waste for recycling. If waste is to be recycled, appropriately labelled waste receptacles must be made available.</p> <p>e. Any potentially hazardous containers must be punctured or disabled prior to disposal.</p>		Ongoing
<p>Establishing Equipment Lay-Down & Storage Areas</p> <p>Storage areas can be hazardous, unsightly and can cause environmental pollution if not designed and managed carefully. Hazardous substances are those that are potentially poisonous, flammable, carcinogenic, or toxic. Some examples are: diesel, petrol, oil, bitumen, cement, solvent based paints, lubricants, explosives, drilling fluids, pesticides, herbicides, LPG.</p>	<p>General Substances and Materials</p>	PM / E / C / ECO	During site set-up
	<p>a. Choice of location for equipment lay-down and storage areas must take into account prevailing winds, distances to water bodies, general on-site topography and water erosion potential of the soil. These areas must be located within previously disturbed areas as possible for this project. Impervious surfaces must be provided where necessary.</p>		
	<p>b. Fire prevention and fire fighting facilities must be present at all storage facilities.</p>		
	<p>c. Storage areas must be secure so as to minimise the risk of crime. They must be safe from access by animals.</p>		
	<p>d. Equipment lay-down and storage areas must be designated, demarcated and fenced.</p>		
	<p>Hazardous Substances and Materials</p>	PM / E / C / ELO / ECO	During site set-up
<p>a. It is very important that the proximity of other developments is taken into account when deciding on storage areas for hazardous substances or materials. The areas must be suitably signed, fenced and access controlled.</p> <p>b. Proper storage facilities for the storage of oils, paints, grease, fuels, bitumen, chemicals and any hazardous materials to be used must be provided to prevent the</p>	During site set-up and ongoing		

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	<p>migration of any spillages into the ground and groundwater regime around the temporary storage areas.</p> <p>c. Fuel tanks must meet relevant specifications and be bunded to 110% of their capacity and elevated so that leaks are easily detected.</p> <p>d. Residents living adjacent to the construction site must be notified of the existence of the hazardous storage area.</p> <p>e. These storage facilities must be on an impermeable surface that is protected from the ingress of stormwater from surrounding areas to ensure that accidental spillage does not pollute local soil or water resources. The Contractor shall submit a method statement to the Engineer / Project Manager and ECO for approval.</p> <p>f. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) shall be readily available on site for all chemicals and hazardous substances to be used on site. Where possible and available, MSDSs must additionally include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimize negative environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes.</p> <p>g. Staff dealing with these materials / substances must be aware of their potential impacts and follow the appropriate safety measures. The Contractor must ensure that its staff is made aware of the health risks associated with any hazardous substances used and has been provided with the appropriate protective clothing / equipment in case of spillages or accidents and have received the necessary training.</p> <p>h. Absorbent materials must be available at the construction site to clean any chemical, fuel or lubricant spills during construction. Empty packaging associated</p>		<p>Ongoing</p>

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	with the storage of hazardous chemicals, paints, solvents, lubricants (such as tins, 210 litre drums) is to be returned to the supplier where possible or alternatively be recycled (e.g. to a drum recycling company). If neither of these options is feasible then the packaging should be disposed of in a suitable landfill.		
<p>Education of site staff on general and environmental conduct</p> <p>These points need to be made clear to all staff on site before the project begins</p>	<p>Education</p>	C / ELO / ECO	During staff induction and ongoing
	<p>a. Ensure that all site personnel have a basic level of environmental awareness training. The Contractor must submit a proposal for this training to the ECO for approval. Topics to be covered must include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is meant by “environment”; • Why the environment needs to be protected and conserved; • How construction activities can impact the environment; • What can be done to mitigate against such impacts; • Awareness of emergency and spills response provisions; • Social responsibility during construction e.g. being considerate to local residents. <p>It is the contractor’s responsibility with the help of the Environmental Liaison Officer to provide the site foreman with no less than 1 hour’s environmental training and to ensure that the foreman has sufficient understanding to pass this information onto the construction staff.</p>		
	<p>b. Staff that will be operating equipment shall be adequately trained and sensitised to any potential hazards associated with their tasks.</p>		
<p>c. Translators are to be used where necessary.</p>			

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	<p>d. The Engineer / Project Manager / Environmental Control Officer must be on hand to explain more difficult / technical issues and to answer questions which may be raised.</p> <p>e. Construction workers must be made aware that they are not to make excessive noise e.g. shouting and hooting.</p> <p>f. The use of pictures and real-life examples is encouraged as these tend to be more easily remembered.</p> <p>g. Use should be made of environmental awareness posters on site.</p> <p>h. No operator shall be permitted to operate critical items of mechanical equipment without having been trained by the Contractor and certified competent by the Project Management.</p> <p>i. All employees must undergo the necessary safety training and wear the necessary protective clothing at all times.</p> <p>j. The need for a “clean site” policy also needs to be explained to the construction workers.</p>	E / PM / ECO	monitoring
	<p>Worker conduct on site</p> <p>a. A general regard for the social and ecological well-being of the site and adjacent areas is expected of the site staff. Workers need to be made aware of the following rules:</p> <p>b. No alcohol / drugs to be present on site; no vehicles or machinery are to be operated whilst under the influence of alcohol or drugs.</p> <p>c. Prevent excessive noise to minimise disturbances to adjacent landowners.</p> <p>d. No firearms allowed on site or in vehicles transporting staff to / from the site (unless used by security personnel).</p> <p>e. No unsocial behaviour will be permitted.</p> <p>f. Bringing pets onto site is forbidden.</p>	PM / C / ELO	During staff induction, followed by ongoing monitoring

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	<p>g. Construction staff are to make use of facilities provided for them, as opposed to ad-hoc alternatives (e.g. fires for cooking, the use of surrounding bush as a toilet facility is strictly forbidden)</p> <p>h. No fires to be permitted on site. Encourage the use of gas operated cookers for preparation of food on site</p> <p>i. Trespassing on private / commercial properties adjoining the site is forbidden.</p> <p>j. Only pre-approved security staff and workers shall be permitted to live on the construction site.</p> <p>k. No worker may be forced to do work that is potentially dangerous or for what he / she is not trained to do.</p> <p>l. The staff conduct rules are described in a separate table of Rules (Annexure A of this EMP). This is aimed at providing staff with the basic information regarding worker conduct on site.</p>		<p>Prior to moving onto the site and ongoing</p>
<p>Social Impacts</p> <p>It is important to take notice of the needs and wishes of those living or working adjacent to the site. Failure to do so can cause disruption to work and increase cost in the form of delays</p>	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>a. All Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) must be contacted in order to inform them of the starting date of construction and the proposed duration. I&APs must be notified of the construction process and the manner to which it will be implemented via public notices.</p> <p>b. Open liaison channels must be established between the site owner, the developer, operator, the contractors and I&APs such that any queries, complaints or suggestions can be dealt with quickly and by the appropriate person(s). These people would usually have been identified by the environmental consultant that was assigned to the project (during Scoping and EIA Phase). If this was not the case, the I&APs can be identified as those that live close by the site, work close to the site, will have their services /</p>	<p>PM / C / ELO</p> <p>PM / C / ELO</p>	<p>Prior to moving onto the site and ongoing</p>

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	infrastructure affected by the project, have a general interest in the project, and / or the ward Councillor in which the construction is taking place.		
	c. Should the construction staff be approached by members of the public or other stakeholders, they must assist them in locating the Project Manager / Contractor, or provide them with a number on which they may contact the Project Manager / Contractor.	C / PM / ELO	Ongoing
	d. The conduct of the construction staff when dealing with the public or other stakeholders shall be in a manner that is polite and courteous at all times. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in the removal of staff from the site by the Engineer.		Ongoing monitoring
	e. Adequate designated parking must be provided for site staff and visitors.	C / PM	Prior to moving onto site
	f. A complaints register must be kept on site. I&APs need to be made aware of the existence of the complaints book and the method of communication available to them. Details of complaints must be incorporated into the audits as part of the monitoring process.	C / ECO	Ongoing
Visual Impacts			
	a. Storage facilities, elevated tanks and other temporary structures on site must be located such that they have as little visual impact on local residents, tourists and motorists as possible.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing – more frequently during dry and windy conditions
	b. Lighting on the construction site must be pointed downwards and away from oncoming traffic and adjacent landowners.	PM / C / ECO	During set up and ongoing
	c. Special attention must be given to the screening of highly reflective materials on site.	PM / E / C / ECO	During site set up.

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<p>Dust / Air / Light Pollution</p> <p>Establishment of the camp site, and related temporary works can reduce air quality</p>	<p>a. Vehicles travelling along access roads must adhere to speed limits to avoid creating excessive dust.</p>	PM / C	Throughout the duration of the project
	<p>b. Camp construction / haulage road construction – areas that have been stripped of vegetation must be dampened periodically to avoid excessive dust.</p>	ECO / C / E	During site set up
	<p>c. The Contractor must make alternative arrangements (other than fires) for cooking and / or heating requirements. LPG gas cookers may be used provided that all safety regulations are followed.</p>	PM / C	Throughout the duration of the project
<p>Soil Erosion</p> <p>The stripping of vegetation during preliminary activities on site greatly increases the risk of soil erosion.</p>	Conservation of Valuable Soil Resources		
	<p>a. Wind screening and stormwater control must be undertaken to prevent soil loss from the site. It is recommended that gabion mattresses are placed at culvert inlets and outlets as erosion control measures.</p>	E / PM / C / ECO	Throughout the duration of the project
	<p>b. Procedures that are in place to conserve topsoil during the construction phase of the project are to be applied to the set up phase, i.e. topsoil is to be conserved while providing access to the site and setting up the camp.</p>		
	<p>c. Topsoil stripped from the construction camp and other construction areas must be stockpiled away from any potential disturbances.</p>		
	<p>d. Stockpiled topsoil must be either vegetated or with indigenous grasses or covered with suitable fabric to prevent erosion and invasion by weeds.</p>		
Stormwater Damage Prevention			
<p>Stormwater</p> <p>Serious financial and environmental impacts can be caused by unmanaged stormwater.</p>	<p>a. To prevent stormwater damage, the increase in stormwater runoff resulting from the construction activities must be estimated and the drainage system assessed accordingly. A drainage plan must be submitted to the Engineer for approval and must include the location and</p>	E / ECO / PM	During surveys and preliminary investigations.

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	design criteria of any temporary stream crossings.		
	b. During site establishment, stormwater culverts and drains are to be located and covered with metal grids to prevent blockages if deemed necessary by the Engineer.	E / PM	During site establishment
	c. Temporary cut off drains and berms may be required to capture storm water and promote infiltration.	ECO / E / PM	During site set up.
	d. The stormwater drainage system must not be contaminated by other sources; therefore must be separated from other waste water drainage systems. The stormwater management plan must ensure that flow from the development does not result in negative impacts on downstream properties or watercourses.	E/ ECO / PM	During surveys and preliminary investigations.
Water Quality Incorrect disposal of substances and materials and polluted run-off can have serious negative effects on groundwater quality.	Maintenance of Water Quality		
	a. Storage areas that contain hazardous substances must be bunded with an approved impermeable liner which can contain 110% of the storage tank capacity.	E / PM / ECO	During site set up.
	b. Spills in bunded areas must be cleaned up, removed and disposed of safely from the bunded area as soon after detection as possible to minimise pollution risk and reduced bunding capacity.	E / ECO / C / PM	
	c. A designated, bunded area is to be set aside for vehicle washing and maintenance. Materials caught in this bunded area must be disposed of to a suitable waste disposal site or as directed by the Engineer.		
d. Provision must be made during set up for all polluted runoff to be treated to the Engineer's approval before being discharged into the stormwater system. Any waste which cannot be treated to acceptable standards on site must be treated and disposed by a licensed treatment company.		During site set up, to be monitored weekly	
Conservation of the Natural	Flora and Fauna		

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<p>Environment</p> <p><u>Alien plant encroachment</u> is particularly damaging to natural habitats and is often associated with disturbance to the soil during construction activities. Care must be taken to conserve existing plant and animal life on and surrounding the site considering the sites high ecological sensitivity</p>	<p>a. No vegetation may be cleared without prior permission from the Environmental Control Officer / Project Manager</p>	PM / ECO	During site set up, and ongoing.
	<p>b. Care must be taken to avoid the introduction of alien plant species to the site and surrounding areas.</p>	ECO / C / ELO	Ongoing in camp site, haulage areas.
	<p>c. Monitoring of the site is required to identify any alien species that may establish within the servitude and adjacent areas. These alien species should be eradicated according to CARA.</p> <p>The stumps of the alien plants should be treated with herbicides registered as agro-chemicals. The use of herbicides shall be in compliance with the terms of The Fertilisers, Farm Feeds, Agricultural Remedies and Stock Remedies Act, 1947 (Act 36 of 1947).</p> <p>The contractors must have the necessary AVCASA Registration and Pest Control Operator (POC) Certificates.</p>		Ongoing monitoring
<p>Set up of Waste Management</p>	<p>Waste Management</p>		
	<p>a. The contractor is responsible for the internal collection of refuse and for transporting it to a registered landfill site once every week; unless a service agreement is entered into between the contractor and the local municipality.</p>	C / ELO	During site set up
	<p>b. The excavation and use of rubbish pits is forbidden.</p>	C / PM / ECO	During site set up
	<p>c. Burning of waste is forbidden¹.</p>		
	<p>d. A fenced area must be allocated for waste sorting and storage prior to removal.</p>		
<p>e. Individual skips for different types of waste (e.g.</p>	C / PM / ECO	During site set	

¹ A possible exception to this may be that the alien invasive vegetation which is removed from the site should be burned to prevent the spread of the plants and seeds.

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	'household' type refuse, building rubble, etc.) must be provided.		up and on going
Cultural Environment	Protection of Cultural Environment / Heritage sites		
	<p>Prior to the commencement of construction, all staff needs to know what possible archaeological or historical objective of value may look like, and to notify the Contractor should such an item be uncovered.</p> <p>If any artefacts or graves are uncovered during construction, all work on site is to cease and SAHRA as well as the ECO is to be notified for comment. Construction may only commence once approval by SAHRA is granted.</p>	ECO / C	During site set up and ongoing.
Safety and Security	Fencing / Demarcation		
	a. Potentially hazardous areas such as trenches / storage areas are to be demarcated and clearly marked.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing.
	Lighting		
	a. Lighting on the construction campsite is to be set out to provide maximum security and to enable policing of the site, without creating a visual nuisance to local residents.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing.
	Risks Associated with Materials on Site		
	<p>a. Material stockpiles or stacks, such as cables and other transmission line equipment must be stable and well secured to avoid possible injury to site workers / local residents.</p> <p>b. Flammable materials must be stored as far as possible from adjacent residents / businesses.</p> <p>c. Fire fighting equipment must be present on site at all times as per OHSA.</p> <p>d. Obstruction to drivers' line of sight due to stockpiles and stacked materials must be avoided, especially at</p>	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing.

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	<p>intersections and sharp corners.</p> <p>e. No materials are to be stored in unstable or high-risk areas such as in floodplains or on steep slopes.</p> <p>f. All I&APs must be notified in advance of any known potential risks associated with the construction site and the activities on it. Examples of these are stringing of power lines, blasting, earthworks / earthmoving machinery on steep slopes above houses / infrastructure, risk to residences along haulage roads / access routes.</p>		

12. CONSTRUCTION PHASE

This pertains to all environmental impacts associated with construction and is not limited to the land on which the Project is to be located. It includes the site footprint, construction campsites, access roads and tracks, as well as any other area affected or disturbed by construction activities. The EMPr (particularly the specifications for rehabilitation) is relevant for all areas disturbed during construction. Furthermore, the EMPr must take into account all secondary impacts on the local community and the public. *(It is recommended that any disturbances, which may take place, commence only after the first spring flush so that any indigenous vegetation can be relocated for rehabilitation.)*

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Access to the site	Maintenance of the access		
	a. The access to the site will need to be upgraded to an acceptable standard during construction (i.e. such that large amounts of dust are not generated and there is no unwarranted damage caused to construction vehicles).	PM / E	Initial set up and ongoing
	b. Contractors shall ensure that access roads are maintained in good condition by attending to potholes, corrugations and stormwater damages as soon as these develop.	E / C / ECO	Establish at setup
	c. There needs to be adequate drainage of water underneath the access roads (both during construction & in operation). This can be done through a culvert / water diversion system.	PM / E / ECO	When necessary
	d. During construction, any dirt access roads could potentially be surfaced with a compacted gravel layer (shale) to allow for the increase in vehicular traffic on these roads. A chemical stabilizer could be added to assist with the surface binding and reduce the dust produced by vehicular traffic on the road.	PM / C	When necessary
	e. Unnecessary compaction of soil by heavy vehicles must be avoided; construction vehicles must be restricted to	PM / C / ELO / ECO	Ongoing, and specifically after

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	demarcated access, haulage routes and turning areas.		heavy rains	
	f. Machine / vehicle operators must receive clear instructions to remain within demarcated access routes. Movement of heavy-duty vehicles and vehicles not connected with work in progress must be restricted to the construction zone in order to control related impacts such as damage in the construction zone, compaction of soil, damage to vegetation and noise pollution.	ECO / C / ELO / PM	Ongoing, and specifically after heavy rains	
	g. Person and vehicle access must be restricted during construction so as to control access to otherwise potential dangerous excavations and materials.	ECO / PM / C / ELO	Ongoing, and specifically after heavy rains	
	Haulage Roads			
	a. Contractors shall ensure that all side and mitre drains as well as V Drains and scour check walls on access and haul roads are functioning properly and are well maintained.	C / PM / E / ECO	Ongoing, and specifically after heavy rains	
Maintenance of Construction Camp	Surfaces			
	a. The Contractor must monitor and manage drainage of the camp site.	PM / C / ECO	Weekly inspection	
	b. Run-off from the camp site must not discharge into adjacent landowners' properties.			
	Ablutions / Sewage			
	a. Chemical toilets are to be maintained in a clean state on a regular basis and must be moved to ensure that they adequately service the work areas.	PM / ECO / ELO	Ongoing	
	b. The Contractor is to ensure that open areas or the surrounding bush are not being used as a toilet facility.	ELO / C / ECO	Weekly	
	Camp Waste Disposal			
a. The Contractor shall ensure that all litter is collected from the work and camp areas daily. The construction area must be cleared of litter, debris (e.g. Cement packets, bitumen residues etc.) and other domestic waste on	PM / C / ELO / ECO	Ongoing		

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	completion of the day's work.			
	b. Bins and / or skips must be emptied regularly and waste must be disposed of at a registered landfill site. Waybills for all such disposal are to be kept by the Contractor for review by the ECO.	C / ECO	Daily	
	c. A registered chemical waste company is to be used to remove waste from chemical toilets on site.	C / ELO / ECO	Weekly / As needed	
	Eating Areas			
	a. Eating areas must be regularly serviced and cleaned to ensure the highest possible standards of hygiene and cleanliness.	ELO / C	Weekly monitoring	
	b. All litter throughout the site must be picked up on a daily basis and placed in the bins provided.	ELO / ECO / C	Daily / Ongoing monitoring	
	Housekeeping			
	a. The Contractor shall ensure that his camp and working areas are kept clean and tidy at all times.	C / ELO	Ongoing	
Staff Conduct	Environmental Education and Awareness			
	a. The Contractor must monitor the performance of the construction workers to ensure that the points relayed during their induction have been properly understood and are being followed. If necessary, the ECO and / or a translator should be called to the site to further explain aspects of environmental or social behaviour that are unclear.	C / ECO	Ongoing	
	Worker Conduct on Site			
	a. A general regard for the social and ecological well-being of the site and adjacent areas is expected of the site staff. Workers need to be made aware of the following rules: b. No alcohol / drugs to be present on site; no vehicles or machinery are to be operated whilst under the influence of alcohol or drugs.	PM / C / ELO / ECO	Ongoing	

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	<p>c. Prevent excessive noise to minimise disturbances to local residents.</p> <p>d. No firearms allowed on site or in vehicles transporting staff to / from the site (unless used by security personnel).</p> <p>e. No unsocial behaviour will be permitted.</p> <p>f. Bringing pets onto site is forbidden.</p> <p>g. Construction staff are to make use of facilities provided for them, as opposed to ad-hoc alternatives (e.g. fires for cooking, the use of surrounding bush as a toilet facility is strictly forbidden).</p> <p>h. No fires to be permitted on site. Encourage the use of gas operated cookers for preparation of food on site.</p> <p>i. Trespassing on private / commercial properties adjoining the site is forbidden</p> <p>j. Only <i>pre-approved</i> security staff and workers shall be permitted to live on the construction site.</p> <p>k. No worker may be forced to do work that is potentially dangerous or for what he / she is not trained to do.</p> <p>l. The staff conduct rules are described in a separate table of Rules (Annexure A of the EMP_r). This is aimed at providing staff with the basic information regarding worker conduct on site.</p>		
<p>Dust / Air Pollution</p> <p>Main causes of air pollution are dust particles from vehicle movements and stockpiles, vehicle emissions and fires</p>	<p>Dust & Air Pollution</p> <p>a. Vehicles travelling to and from the construction site must adhere to the speed limits so as to avoid producing excessive dust. A speed limit of 30 km/h must be adhered to on the construction site.</p> <p>b. Limiting construction operational hours from 07h00 and 17h00 will reduce congestion and disturbance in surrounding areas and minimize road deterioration and consequent dust creation.</p>	<p>ECO / C / PM</p> <p>ECO / C / PM</p>	<p>As directed by Engineer / Project Manager</p> <p>As directed by Engineer / Project Manager</p>

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	<p>c. Access points and other cleared surfaces must be dampened whenever necessary and especially in dry and windy conditions to avoid excessive dust.</p>	PM / C / ELO	Ongoing
	<p>d. Vehicles and machinery are to be kept in good working order and to meet the manufacturer's specifications for safety, fuel consumption etc. Should excessive emissions be observed, the Contractor is to have the equipment seen to as soon as possible.</p>	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing
	<p>e. Stockpiles may cause dust and so must be managed in accordance with the guidelines in Materials Management.</p>	PM / C / ELO	Ongoing
	<p>f. If dust is unavoidable, screening will be required utilising wooden supports and shade cloth.</p>	PM / C	Ongoing
	<p>h. Dust must be suppressed on access roads and construction sites during dry periods by the regular application of water or a biodegradable soil stabilising agent.</p> <p>Eskom must arrange with the local municipalities for water supply, which will need to be delivered to the construction sites in containers.</p>	PM / C	Ongoing
Soil Erosion	Topsoil Stripping and Stockpiling		
	<p>a. Excavated soil must be deposited in a landfill site. Soil disturbance will be minimized by establishing the extent of the construction site (pre-construction phase) and clearly demarcating this on the site layout plans. No construction personnel or vehicles may leave the demarcated areas except when authorised to do so by the Project Manager.</p>	PM / C / ECO	As each activity is completed.
	<p>b. Erosion prevention measures must be implemented: Berms, sand bags and hessian sheets may be used to contain all sediment whilst energy dissipaters must be constructed at all outflow points.</p>	E / PM / C / ECO	Ongoing

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	Exposed Surfaces		
	a. Side tipping of soil and excavated materials shall not be permitted – all spoil material shall be exposed of as directed by the Engineer.	E / C / PM	As directed by the Engineer / Project Manager
	b. Stormwater control and wind screening must be undertaken to prevent soil loss from the site.	E / ECO / PM / C	
	c. There must be no offsite impacts of stormwater. A general rule is that the stormwater velocity eddies on the site must be the same as the predevelopment area.	E / ECO / PM / C	
	d. In areas where steep slopes are excavated, erosion control measures need to be initiated and these may include seeding, brush packing and stone packing.		
	e. Appropriate cambers and v-drains must be constructed on the access roads in order to dissipate surface water runoff and sheet erosion.	E / ECO / PM	
	f. The Storm Water Management Plan must be developed, provided and implemented by the Engineer. Drainage must be controlled to ensure that runoff from the access road will not lead to erosion and offsite pollution of any water resources along the road. The stormwater drainage system must not be contaminated by other waste sources generated during construction phases of the development.	PM / E / C / ECO	Ongoing and as directed by the Engineer / Project Manager
	g. The temporary toilet facilities must not be allowed to enter the storm water drainage system. Waste from these facilities must be collected by the service provider and disposed of at a permitted waste disposal site. These facilities must be regularly serviced and would be managed according to the service plan developed by the Engineer.		
	h. All embankments, unless otherwise directed by the Engineer, shall be protected by a cut off drain to prevent	E / C / ECO	Directed by the Engineer /

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	water from cascading down the face of the embankment and causing erosion.		Project Manager
Storm Water Construction activities frequently result in diversion of natural water flow resulting in concentration of flow and an increase in the erosive potential of the water	General Principles		
	a. The Contractor shall not in any way modify nor damage the banks or beds of streams, rivers, wetlands, other open water bodies and drainage lines adjacent to or within the designated area, unless required as part of the construction project specification. Where such disturbance is unavoidable, modification of water bodies must be kept to a minimum in terms of: removal of riparian vegetation; and opening of the stream channel.	E / PM / ECO	As surface becomes exposed
	b. Earth, stone and rubble is to be properly disposed of so as not to obstruct natural pathways over the site. i.e. these materials must not be placed in stormwater channels, drainage lines or rivers.	E / PM / ECO / C	Regular monitoring Ongoing
	c. Stormwater outfalls must be designed to reduce flow velocity and avoid stream bank and soil erosion.	E / PM	
	d. The Contractor is to ensure that impediments to natural water flow is avoided during construction, or is temporarily diverted.	E / PM / ECO / C	
	e. There must be a periodic checking of the site's drainage system to ensure that the water flow is unobstructed.		
	Un-channelled Flow		
	a. During construction un-channelled flow must be controlled to avoid soil erosion.	PM / C / E / ECO	Ongoing monitoring
	b. Where surface runoff is concentrated (e.g. along exposed tracks), flow must be slowed by contouring.	E / ECO / PM	
	c. Rock Bolsters are to be placed across the invert of drains susceptible to erosion for every 2m vertical drop.	PM / C / E / ECO	
Water	Water Quality		
	a. Every effort must be made to ensure that any chemicals	PM / E / ECO	Ongoing

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	or hazardous substances do not contaminate the soil or ground water on site.		monitoring / as the work progresses	
	b. Care must be taken to ensure that runoff from vehicle or plant washing does not enter surface or ground water. Vehicles and machinery may only be cleaned at a designated place at the construction camp.			
	c. Mixing / decanting of all chemicals and hazardous substances must take place either on a tray or on an impermeable surface.	PM / E / C		
	d. Contaminated wastewater must be managed by the site manager to ensure existing water resources on the site are not contaminated. All wastewater from general activities in the camp shall be collected and removed from the site for appropriate disposal at a licensed commercial facility.	PM / C / ECO		
	Water Supply		PM / ECO / ELO	Ongoing
	a. During heavy rainfall, when there is existence of water in adjoining riparian zones, the use of water for water provision is strictly prohibited.	ECO / ELO / PM		
b. Ensure that the existing potable water source is maintained for domestic use during construction. Eskom must arrange with the local municipalities for water supply, which will need to be delivered to the construction sites in containers/tankers.				
Conservation of the Natural Environment	Avifauna, Fauna and Flora		Ongoing monitoring / as the work progresses	
	a. The Contractor is to check that vegetation clearing has the prior permission of the PM / ECO. Vegetation that is removed is to be replanted and excavation is to be kept to a minimum.	ECO / PM / C		
	b. Prevent construction of towers in ecologically sensitive areas, such as mountainous regions, wetlands / riparian	ECO / PM		

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	zones, drainage lines, Inselbergs and koppies.		ongoing	
	c. Remove and translocate succulent and other rare vegetation occurring within the footprint of the towers prior to construction.	ECO / PM / E	Ongoing along route alignment	
	d. Construct towers on disturbed areas as far as possible	E / C	Ongoing along route	
	e. Important Bird Areas are likely to be traversed by the powerline. Marking the earth wires of the power line with suitable anti-collision making device must be determined. The avifauna's recommendations for marking areas must also be adhered to (post-construction phase)	ECO / PM / E	Ongoing monitoring / as the work progresses	
	f. Alien vegetation encroachment onto the site as a result of construction activities must be controlled during construction. Immediate re-vegetation of stripped areas and removal of aliens by weeding must take place.			
	Geology			
	a. In the event of excavation, the material that is removed must be separated into topsoil and subsoil. The top 150mm would be considered topsoil and must be stockpiled separately.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing monitoring	
b. In the event of infilling, replacement of subsoil must precede the topsoil replacement, and all material must be well compacted.				
Transmission Line on visual impact	a. Avoid crossing over or through ridges, rivers, wetlands or any natural features that have visual value. This also includes centres of floral endemism and areas where vegetation is not resilient and takes extended periods to recover.	PM / C / ECO / E	Ongoing during construction progresses	
	b. The tower types used for the powerline should be the most permeable and create an extremely low degree of visual obstruction			

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	<p>c. Avoid changing the alignment's direction too often in order to minimise the use of the self-supporting strain tower. This tower type is the most visually intrusive as the steel lattice structure is more dense than other tower types, hence creating more visual obstruction.</p>		
<p>Materials Management</p>	<p>Stockpile Management</p>		
	<p>a. Stockpiles must not be situated such that they obstruct natural water pathways.</p>	<p>PM / C / ECO</p>	<p>Ongoing monitoring</p>
	<p>b. Stockpiles must not exceed 2m in height unless otherwise permitted by the Engineer / Project Manager or be left for longer than 3 months.</p>	<p>PM / C / ECO / E</p>	<p>Ongoing monitoring</p>
	<p>c. If stockpiles are exposed to windy conditions or heavy rains, they must be covered either by vegetation or cloth, depending on the duration of the project. Stockpiles may further be protected by the construction of berms or low brick walls around their bases.</p>	<p>PM / C / E / ECO</p>	<p>Ongoing monitoring</p>
	<p>d. Stockpiles must be kept clear of weeds and alien vegetation growth by regular weeding.</p>		
	<p>Handling of Hazardous Materials</p>		
	<p>a. Cement, bitumen and other potential environmental pollutants must be mixed on an impermeable surface with special provisions for storm water management.</p>	<p>E / PM / C / ECO</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>b. All empty containers must be removed from the site for appropriate disposal at a licensed commercial facility.</p>		
	<p>c. No vehicles transporting concrete or bitumen to the site may be washed on site.</p>		
	<p>d. Lime and other powders must not be mixed during excessively windy conditions.</p>		
<p>e. All substances required for vehicle maintenance and repair must be stored in sealed containers until they can be disposed of / removed from the site.</p>			

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	<p>f. Hazardous substances / materials are to be transported in sealed containers or bags.</p> <p>g. Spraying of herbicides / pesticides must not take place under windy conditions and must comply with OHSWA specs and other chemical handling laws. The appointed contractors must have the necessary AVCASA Registration and Pest Control Operator (POC) Certificates.</p> <p>h. The Contractor is to outline a method statement for the dealing of accidents / spillages of hazardous materials.</p>		
<p>Waste Management</p> <p>Definition; "Refuse" refers to all construction waste (such as rubble, cement, bags, timber, cans, amongst others.)</p>	On-site Waste Management		
	<p>a. The Contractor shall ensure that all refuse is collected from the camp and work areas daily.</p>	PM / ECO / ELO / C	Monitored weekly
	<p>b. All material used for construction and maintenance must be removed from the site after construction or maintenance work.</p>		Ongoing
	<p>c. Refuse must be placed in the designated skips / bins which must be regularly emptied. These must remain within demarcated areas and must be covered to prevent wind-blown rubbish.</p>		
	<p>d. In addition to the waste facilities within the construction camp, provision must be made for waste receptacles to be placed at intervals along the work front.</p>		
	<p>e. Littering on site is forbidden and the site shall be cleared of litter at the end of each working day.</p>		
	<p>f. Recycling is to be encouraged by providing separate receptacles for different types of waste and making sure that staff are aware of their uses.</p>		
	Waste Disposal		
Non – hazardous waste			
<p>a. All waste must be removed from the site and</p>	ELO / PM / ECO	At least 24hours	

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	transported to a registered landfill site.		prior to the activity taking place.	
	b. Waybills proving disposal at each site shall be provided by the Project Manager.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing	
	c. Any construction rubble shall be disposed of at registered disposal sites.	PM / C / ECO		
	d. Waste from chemical toilets must be disposed of regularly and in a responsible manner by a registered waste contractor. Care must be taken to avoid contamination of soils and water, pollution and nuisance to adjoining areas.	PM / ECO / C		
	Hazardous Waste			
	a. Contaminated water associated with construction activities must be contained in separate bermed areas and must not be allowed to enter into the natural drainage system.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing	
	b. Chemical waste must be stored in appropriate containers and disposed of at licensed disposal facilities.	PM / C		
	c. Soil that is contaminated with, e.g. cement, bitumen, petrochemicals or paint must be disposed of at a registered hazardous landfill site.	PM / ECO / C	Ongoing	
	d. A sump must be created for concrete waste. This is to be de-sludged regularly and the cement waste is to be removed to a tip site as approved by the local authority.	E / PM / ECO	At least 24 hours prior to the activity taking place.	
Social Impacts Regular communication between the Contractor and the I&APs is important for the	Disruption of Infrastructure and Services			
	a. Contractors activities and movement of staff is to be restricted to designated construction areas.	PM / C	Ongoing	
	b. Should the construction staff be approached by members of the public or other stakeholders, they must	E / PM / C / ELO	Monthly	

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duration of the contract.	assist them in locating the Engineer / Project Manager or Contractor, or provide a number on which they may contact the Project Manager or Contractor.			
	c. The conduct of the construction staff when dealing with the public or stakeholders shall be in a manner that is polite and courteous at all times. Failure to adhere to this requirement may result in the removal of staff from the site by the Project Manager.	E / PM / C		
	d. Disruption of access for local residents must be minimised and must have the consent of the Engineer / Project Manager.	E / PM / ECO		
	e. The Contractor is to inform adjacent landowners in writing of disruptive activities at least 24 hrs beforehand. This can take place by way of leaflets placed in the post boxes giving the Project Manager and Contractor's details or other method approved by the Project Manager.	PM / C / ECO / ELO		
	f. Drivers of construction vehicles must exercise care when travelling to and from the site specifically when travelling through villages – a maximum speed limit of 30 - 40km/h must be adhered to. Drivers of construction vehicles must be considerate of other road users. They are to be especially careful at narrow sections and water crossings or where livestock is being herded.	PM / C	Ongoing monitoring	
	Visual Impacts			
	a. Lighting on the construction site must be pointed downwards and away from oncoming traffic and nearby houses.	E / PM / ECO	Ongoing / As required	
	b. The site must be kept clean to minimise the visual impact of the site.	PM / C / ECO	As required	
	c. If screening is being used, this must be moved and re-erected as the work front progresses.			

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	Noise		
	a. Machinery and vehicles are to be kept in good working order for the duration of the project to minimise noise nuisance to neighbours.	PM / C / ECO	Ongoing
	b. Notice of particularly noisy activities must be given to residents adjacent to the construction site. Examples of these include: noise generated by jackhammers; blasting; drilling.		
c. Noisy activities must be restricted to the times given in the Project Specification or General Conditions of Contract.	PM / C		
	Communication with I&APs		
	a. The Engineer and Contractor are responsible for ongoing communication with those people that are interested / affected by the project.	PM / C / ECO / ELO	Ongoing
	b. A complaints register must be housed at the site office. This must be in carbon copy format, with numbered pages. Any missing pages must be accounted for by the Contractor. This register is to be tabled during monthly site meetings.		
	c. I&APs need to be made aware of the existence of the complaints book and the methods of communication available to them.		
d. Queries and complaints are to be handled by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • documenting details of such communications; • submitting these for inclusion in the complaints register; • bringing issues to the Project Manager's attention immediately; and • taking remedial action as per Project Manager's instruction. 			

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	<p>e. Selected staff is to be made available for formal consultation with I&APs to explain the construction process and answer questions.</p>		
<p>Cultural Environment</p>	<p>Protection of Cultural Environment / Heritage sites</p>		
	<p>a. Should any archaeological sites or items of historical significance including old stone foundations, tools, clay ware, jewellery, remains, fossils, graves etc. be uncovered during construction, their existence must be reported to the ECO and SAHRA ,an archaeological study may be required.</p>	<p>ECO / PM / C</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>b. If any artefacts or graves are uncovered during construction, all work on site is to cease and SAHRA as well as the ECO is to be notified for comment. Construction may only commence once approval by SAHRA is granted.</p>		
<p>Safety and Security</p>	<p>Signage</p>		
	<p>a. Any potentially hazardous areas such as excavated trenches/pits or chemical storage areas are to be demarcated and clearly signed in English and Afrikaans. Sidewall protection (e.g. shoring) to be erected for deep trenches as per the requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act of South Africa (OHSA).</p>	<p>C / PM</p>	<p>During site setup and as construction progresses.</p>
	<p>Risks Associated with Materials on Site</p>		
	<p>a. Fire fighting equipment must be present on site at all times.</p>	<p>C / ECO / PM</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>
	<p>b. No materials are to be stored in unstable or high-risk areas such as in floodplains or on steep slopes.</p>		<p>Ongoing with monitoring</p>
<p>General Safety</p>			
<p>a. The construction camp is to be securely fenced and locked when not in use. No unauthorised access is to be allowed to members of the public and people not</p>	<p>C / PM</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	

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	associated with the construction process.		
	b. Construction personnel to be issued with suitable PPE (e.g. safety shoes, hard hats) free of charge and PPE for construction areas are to be defined prior to the activity commencing.		Before any construction or earthmoving activities occur and ongoing during construction.
	c. All procedures and equipment on site must be used in accordance with the occupational Health and Safety Act regulations of South Africa (OHSA), Act No. 85 of 1993).		Ongoing

13. POST-CONSTRUCTION PHASE

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
Construction Camp	Construction Camp Rehabilitation		
	a. All structures comprising the construction camp are to be removed from site.	PM / C / ECO	Project completion.
	b. The area that previously housed the construction camp is to be checked for spills of substances such as oil, paint and fuels, etc. and these must be cleaned up.		
	c. All hardened surfaces within the construction camp area must be ripped, all imported materials removed, and the area shall be top-soiled.		
	d. The Contractor must arrange the cancellation of all temporary services.		
Avifauna	Avifaunal impacts mitigation		
	<p>Mark the line with anti-collision marking devices / bird diverters on the earth wire to increase the visibility of the line and reduce likelihood of collisions. Marking devices should be spaced 10m apart.</p> <p>The sections of line that pose a concern and require marking are to be finalised by EWT in an “avifaunal walkthrough” once final route is decided and towers pegged.</p>	PM	Project completion
Vegetation	Landscaping		
	<p>a. All disturbed areas or areas which have been engineered for the purpose of the development are to be rehabilitated with “rescue plants”</p> <p>Please note: Indigenous vegetation must not be sourced from surrounding areas. This will disturb the natural</p>	E / PM / C / ECO	Project completion.

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	surrounding areas.		
	Tower footprint area		
	a. Rehabilitate disturbed areas around tower footprint as soon as practically possible after construction. This should be done to restrict extended periods of exposed soil.	PM / C / ECO	Project completion.
Land Rehabilitation	Land Rehabilitation		
	a. Excavated soil and soil disturbance – excavated soil not used in the development must be disposed of in a landfill site. Soil disturbance will be minimized by establishing the extent of the construction site (pre-construction) and clearly demarcated in on-site layout plans. No construction personnel or vehicles may leave the demarcated areas except when authorized to do so by the Project Manager.	E / PM / C / ECO	Project completion.
	b. Rehabilitation must be executed in such a manner that surface runoff will not cause erosion of disturbed areas during and after rehabilitation.		
	c. All areas to be vegetated that comprise surfaces hardened due to construction activities are to be ripped and imported material thereon removed.	PM / C / ECO	
	d. All rubble is to be removed from the site to an appropriate disposal site as approved by the Project Manager. Burying of rubble on site is prohibited.		
	e. The site is to be cleared of all litter.	E / PM / C / ECO / ELO	
	f. All embankments are to be trimmed, shaped and re-planted to the satisfaction of the Engineer.		
	g. Surfaces are to be checked for waste products from activities such as concreting or asphaltting and cleared in a manner approved by the Project Manager.		
	h. All trimmed and / or compacted areas must be left rough to facilitate binding of topsoil and vegetation.	PM / C	
	i. The Contractor is to check that all watercourses are free	PM / C / ECO	

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	from building rubble, spoils materials and waste materials.		
Materials and Infrastructure	Removal of Barriers, Remediation of Damage		
	a. All material used for construction and maintenance of the Transmission Line must be removed from site after construction / maintenance.	PM / C / ECO	As completed
	b. All leftover construction materials must be removed from the site.	PM / C / ECO	On completion
	c. The Contractor must repair any damage that the construction works has caused to adjacent areas.	PM / C / ECO	Continually as necessary
	d. Fences, barriers and demarcations associated with the construction phase are to be removed from the site unless stipulated otherwise by the Project Manager.	PM / E / C	On completion
	e. All residual topsoil stockpiles must be removed to registered landfill sites or spread on site as directed by the Engineer / Project Manager.		
General	General Remediation		
	a. Temporary road works must be closed and access across these blocked.	E / PM / C / ECO	On completion of the construction and maintenance phases
b. A meeting is to be held on site between the Project Manager, Environmental Control Officer and the Contractor to approve all remediation activities and to ensure that the site has been restored to a condition approved by the Engineer / Project Manager and ECO.			

14. OPERATIONAL PHASE

ACTIVITY	MANAGEMENT / MITIGATION	RESPONSIBILITY	SCHEDULE / FREQUENCY
Vegetation / Landscape Management	a. All rehabilitated areas must be maintained and re-seeded with local indigenous vegetation where necessary on a regular basis.	Eskom Transmission	Ongoing
Transmission Line - Minimise Avifauna Impacts	a. Install Bird Guards on towers on the lines, as per Eskom Transmission Guidelines. This should deter birds from perching in the high risk areas of towers.		
b. Avifauna walk through is required to identify towers requiring Bird Guards (also during post-construction phase).			
c. Should any breeding sites be encountered, activity in the vicinity of the site must be halted and the Avifauna Specialist should be consulted for further advice.			
d. The nests must be left alone as far as possible Nests should be monitored closely and if they begin to pose problems then Avifauna Specialist should be consulted for recommendations on how best to manage them. Nest management recommendations may include nest removal in cases where no other species are breeding on the same nest, for example Pygmy Falcons and other assorted raptors.			
Storm Water Management	a. All stormwater attenuation measures must be monitored on an annual basis through a general environmental audit.		
Solid Waste / Refuse Removal	a. Waste removal generated through maintenance must be undertaken by the Local Municipality waste removal		

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	<p>services as and when required. However, the following measures must form part of the general management of the site:</p> <p>Monitoring of solid waste removal</p> <p>Disposal of hazardous substances (i.e. paint) in an approved manner.</p>		
Sewerage	<p>a. Portable toilet facilities must be provided for maintenance workers and serviced and maintained as and when necessary by a registered waste disposal company.</p>		
Management of Servitudes	Fire Management		
	<p>The aim is not to control the spread of fires but to prevent the bush fires by conducting vegetation maintenance for the purpose of maintaining safe clearances between conductors and vegetation. See Appendix B in the EIR – Transmission Vegetation Management Guideline. This maintenance generally is confined within the easement area and may include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> > Removal of tall growing species; > Trimming of trees; > Slashing and mulching of easements; and > Regrowth control using herbicides. <p>Nonetheless, any fire fighting or fuel reduction activities to be carried out in the vicinity of Eskom power lines shall be in consultation with Eskom, either through a liaison person on site or by communication facilities. Eskom will have field staff that are involved in Bush Fire Management Committees and provide advice in relation to transmission line assets.</p>	Eskom Transmission	Ongoing

15. DECOMMISSIONING PHASE

The objective of providing guidelines during the decommissioning phase is to prevent structures from being left to deteriorate and look unsightly. It is imperative that non-functional structures be removed as soon as possible, and that the site is rehabilitated as soon as possible. If non-functional structures are not needed anymore, and not removed, it must be maintained that they will be used to prevent the environmental degradation of the site.

Eskom is responsible for ensuring the Aries-Helios 765kV transmission power line is properly maintained at all times.

ANNEXURE A

STAFF CONDUCT CONTROL AND INFORMATION SHEET

	<u>ALL STAFF MUST OBEY THE FOLLOWING RULES:</u>
1	DO NOT leave the construction site untidy and strewn with rubbish that will attract animal pests.
2	DO NOT bring your pets to the construction site.
3	DO NOT trespass on private properties not linked to the project.
4	DO NOT carry a weapon on the construction site or in the vehicles transporting workers to and from the construction site.
5	DO NOT set fires unnecessarily.
6	DO NOT cause any unnecessary disturbing noise at the construction camp/site or at any designated worker collection/drop off points.
7	DO NOT drive a construction-related vehicle under the influence of alcohol.
8	DO NOT exceed the national speed limits on public roads or exceed the recommended speed limits in this management plan (where applicable) whilst driving a construction vehicle.
9	DO NOT drive a vehicle that is generating excessive noise (noisy vehicles must be reported and repaired as soon as possible).
10	DO NOT litter along the roadsides, including both public and private roads.
11	DO NOT remove or destroy vegetation at the construction camp/construction site without the prior consent of the Project Manager and Environmental Control Officer.
12	DO NOT tamper with, destroy or remove vegetation from any areas that have been fenced off or marked.

ANNEXURE B**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT FORM**

Record of signatures providing acknowledgment of being aware of and committed to complying with the contents of this Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), which relates to the environmental mitigation measures for the project outlined above, and the environmental conditions contained in the civil and other construction contract documents.

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PROPONENT:

Signed: Date:

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CONTRACTOR:

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ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL OFFICER

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ANNEXURE C

LOCALITY MAP