

**FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT  
REPORT**

**Boulders Wind Farm**

**Vol. 4**

**APPENDIX F-7**

**Proofs of correspondence with  
I&APs**

September 2019





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## PROOFS OF SUBMISSIONS RECEIVED FROM I&APs

### Correspondence Received from I&APs (Other than EIR&EMP)

#### *ESKOM's Requirements*

**From:** John Geeringh [<mailto:GeerinJH@eskom.co.za>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 16 May 2019 13:09  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Please find attached Eskom requirements for works at or near Eskom infrastructure, servitudes and land holdings. Please send me KMZ files of the proposed affected properties and activities.

Kind regards

John Geeringh (Pr Sci Nat)  
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E-mail: [john.geeringh@eskom.co.za](mailto:john.geeringh@eskom.co.za)

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 04 June 2019 10:15  
**To:** [john.geeringh@eskom.co.za](mailto:john.geeringh@eskom.co.za)  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Hi John,

With regards to the below email, please find the attached layout and affected property KMZ files that you requested.

Please let me know if there is anything else that you need.

Kind Regards

Michael



Boulders WEF  
Layout.kmz



Affected  
properties.kmz

*Response to Public Review Period Notification*

**From: Lizell Stroh [mailto:StrohL@caa.co.za]**  
**Sent: Wednesday, 29 May 2019 12:59**  
**To: Louise Van Aardt <info@cesnet.co.za>**  
**Subject: RE: Boulders Windfarm I&AP Public Review Extension**

Good day,

There is a SACAA process whereby permission is applied for wrt obstacles which could pose an aviation hazard. More information can be obtained at <http://www.caa.co.za>. Click on "information to the industry 'Obstacles' apply on the forms on the right hand side Part 139-26,

- Kindly provide a .kml (Google Earth) file reflecting the footprint of the proposed development site including the proposed overhead electric power line route that will evacuate the generated power to the national grid.
- Also indicate the highest structure of the project & the Overhead electric power transmission line.
- Note that there may be other developments in the area. Unique names are preferable.
- Please always use the proposed Hydro at Boegoebergdam name in the Subject box when corresponding via email with this office and indicate the name & address which should appear on the CAA approval/decline letter.

Kind regards  
Lizell Stroh  
Obstacle Inspector  
PANS-OPS Section  
Air Navigation Services Department  
Tel: +27 11 545 1232 | Mobile: +27 083 461 6660  
Email: [StrohL@caa.co.za](mailto:StrohL@caa.co.za) | [www.caa.co.za](http://www.caa.co.za)

**Email attachment:**

Information Document

Wind Farms and Obstacle Assessments

1. Introduction



1.1 The effective use of an aerodrome may be considerably affected by natural features and by manmade constructions both inside and outside the boundaries of the aerodrome.

1.2 This may result in restrictions to the optimal use of the aerodrome

1.3 It is therefore necessary to consider the local airspace as an integral part of the aerodrome environment

1.4 The control of obstacles, and here I include the prevention or removal of obstacles, is clearly related to the safe and efficient use of the aerodrome.

1.5 What is an Obstacle?

International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Annex 14 definition:-

All fixed or mobile objects or parts thereof, whether temporary or permanent, that:

- a) are located on an area intended for the surface movement of aircraft; or
- b) Extend above a defined surface intended to protect aircraft in flight; or
- c) Stand outside those defined surfaces and that have been assessed as being a hazard to air navigation.

1.6 It is a legal requirement to obtain prior approval for an obstacle in terms of the Aviation Act with parts 139.01.30, the dominant regulation. The standards for Markings of obstacles can be found in the technical standards to this regulation and is essentially that of annex 14 and some differences in character exist to accommodate local practices and conditions.

1.6 Part 171 and its associated CATS-ESO technical standards are also applicable in as far as the protection of Communication; Navigation and Surveillance systems are concerned.

1.7 Part 91.01.10 also has reference.

Note:- The above reference refers to the regulations the new Civil Aviation Act (Act 13 of 2009) as promulgated

## 2. Discussion

2.1 The significance of any proposed or existing obstacle on or in the vicinity of an aerodrome is assessed by two separate sets of criteria defining airspace.

2.2 The first and the one that will be concentrated on, is the obstacle limitation surfaces as defined in Annex 14 chapter 4, the second being the PANS-OPS surfaces defined in Doc 8168 Vol II (Construction of Visual and Instrument Flight Procedures)

2.3 Annex 14 define surfaces such as the strip width of the runway, approach and departure surfaces, transition surfaces, the inner horizontal, the conical and the outer horizontal surfaces. The dimensions of these surfaces vary with runway classification and the dimensions of the runway. Runway classification ranges from code 1 to code 4 and a numerical sub classification (A to G) and the runways could be non instrument, instrument non-precision and precision.



2.4 Obstacle assessments inside the boundaries of the aerodrome are not discussed in this document due to the amount of variables and complexity thereof.

Obstacle assessments outside the aerodrome would look at obstacles differently depending on utilization of the aerodrome and considers runways to be used for both departure and approach purposes:-

a) Small aerodromes utilized by small slow flying aircraft and featuring short runways would be evaluated against the criteria for code 2 instrument non precision approach surfaces with a slope of 3.3 % and a diversion of 15%. The inner horizontal would be regarded as a simple horizontal disk and diameter of 3500m above the published reference point of the aerodrome.

b) Large aerodromes utilized by large(r) and fast aircraft and featuring longer runways are evaluated against the criteria applicable for precision approaches with an ideal slope of 1.6% but to a slope of not exceeding 2% as may be dictated by existing structures or terrain. The inner horizontal now becomes a composite shape with circular arcs centered on the runway thresholds, and 45m above the runway threshold, and joined tangentially by straight lines. The same principle would apply to aerodromes featuring multiple runways. In practice this means that an obstacle is evaluated against the threshold elevation of the closest threshold.

This two tier approach to obstacle assessment is aimed at offering aerodromes more protection to facilitate future expansion

2.5 In some cases obstacles in the vicinity of aerodromes are subject to more stringent requirements dictated by possible interference to Radar and/or ILS systems as is the case at ORTIA where Radar absorbing cladding may be required on structures exceeding 1730m AMSL – a figure 6m below the inner horizontal surface.

2.6 All obstacles exceeding 45m AGL are marked by default in South Africa in terms of and to the standards of Part 139 while, structures exceeding 30mAGL and also 150m above aerodrome elevation is regarded as significant within 15 Km from the aerodrome and is also marked. The latter which relates to Doc 9137 Vol 6 is however adapted and applies to any structure exceeding 150m above the mean ground level.

2.7 Wind turbine generators or collectively called Wind farms, are obstacles with unique properties as not only are they of variable geometry; they also have the ability to interfere on avionic systems.

a) Most notable interference is false targets produced on PRIMARY RADAR when in line of sight but could also interfere when in close proximity of secondary radar. It is generally accepted that it would not interfere on SECONDARY RADAR beyond 15 Km in distance.

b) Wind turbines also cause disturbance in the air that shows up on meteorological radar systems as storm cells. This disturbance also holds a potential danger to small aircraft if allowed in close proximity of small aerodromes or areas of recreational flying.

2.8 By Part 139, no wind farm SHOULD be built within 35 km from an aerodrome. This 35 km is not a forbidden zone but rather a caution zone where extended investigation will be done if required and will involve all role players. This 35 km zone is based on the Annex 10 protection criteria for ILS plus a buffer zone.



a) If an investigation indicates a possibility of interference, mitigation measures will be investigated and may involve repositioning or relocation of turbines. Options such as fill in radar may be considered if required or an application may be rejected outright if an acceptable level of mitigation cannot be reached.

b) Wind farms are subjected to unique marking methods differentiating it from any other obstacle. Any telecommunications structure or other structure within a wind farm will be regarded as part of the wind farm and will be marked accordingly.

c) Night markings of wind farms consist of dual flashing red lights of 2000 candela intensity. Not all turbines are marked but rather aimed at defining the outline of a wind farm and the most significant points. The flashing lights are synchronized.

2.9 It should be noted that the Northern Cape Province has proven to be a popular location for wind farms. While this location may have limited impact on aviation, the high intensity night markings of wind farms may bring it in conflict with the AGA Act, which saw the light as an effort to protect the Northern Cape for purposes of astronomy. This may lead to a re-consideration of marking methods.

### 3. Conclusion

3.1 While South Africa has got legislation in place to protect aviation from obstacles, including wind farms in Part 139.01.30 and also protection of Communication, Navigation and Surveillance systems including aeronautical meteorological systems in Part 171, this is a slow and cost intensive process.

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#### *Requests for Information on Avifaunal Report*

**From:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 11:14  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Gustav Bester <[gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za)>  
**Subject:** proposed Boulders Wind Farm Avifauna report

Dear Maura,

I note that the avifauna report by BioInsight for the proposed Boulders Wind Farm makes mention of a radar report. Such radar report does not appear to be attached to any of the reports or be submitted as an independent report. Please can I ask for a copy of the said radar report as it bears on the avifauna impact of the proposed Boulders Wind Farm and as a consideration of the conclusions in the BioInsight report it is most relevant.

I would further note that this same report was mentioned by Ms Karen Jodas of Savannah Environmental as the then EAP during the public meeting at Paternoster where I asked for a copy of the said report. I note that I never received this and did mention such lack of receipt in my comments on the scoping report.

I trust that you will be able to amend the omission.

Kind regards,

PETER



[www.wildlandphoto.com](http://www.wildlandphoto.com)  
[www.pickfordwildlifephotography.com](http://www.pickfordwildlifephotography.com)





*Request to be added as an I&AP*

**From:** JP Lombard <[japielombard@me.com](mailto:japielombard@me.com)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2019 1:00 PM  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Boulders Wind Farm

Good day,

I want to be registered as an I&AP.

Kind regards,

**JP Lombard**  
**072 374 1361**  
[japielombard@me.com](mailto:japielombard@me.com)

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2019 13:27  
**To:** JP Lombard <[japielombard@me.com](mailto:japielombard@me.com)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Wind Farm

Dear JP Lombard,

I can confirm receipt of your email and that you have been included in our database of Interested and Affected Parties.

Please note that we are currently in the 30-day public review period of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). For more information please refer to our website (<http://www.cesnet.co.za/boulders-wind-farm-eia>). We will also be hosting an open day to present the findings of the draft EIA on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June from 4pm-8pm at the Paternoster Hotel.

Kind Regards,  
Michael Johnson

**From:** Neels Hoek  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 12 March 2019 2:30 PM  
**To:** [m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)  
**Cc:** [maura.talbot@eoh.com](mailto:maura.talbot@eoh.com)  
**Subject:** REQUEST TO REGISTER AS AN IAP IN RESPECT OF DUYKER EILAND WIND FARM PROJECT

Dear Maura

As you may be aware K2017432278 (SA) (Pty) Ltd applied for a prospecting right for phosphates over certain portions of the farm Duyker Eiland No 6 and Schuitjesklip No 22 in the district of Malmesbury.



We have been informed that you are representing the developers of the Wind farm project in respect of the Environmental studies in terms of NEMA.

Please could you register K2017432278 (SA) (Pty) Ltd as an IAP and provide me with all the relevant information.

Thank you

**From:** Neels Hoek <[nhoek@mera.co.za](mailto:nhoek@mera.co.za)>

**Sent:** Sunday, 31 March 2019 20:17

**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: REQUEST TO REGISTER AS AN IAP IN RESPECT OF DUYKER EILAND WIND FARM PROJECT

Dear Maura

I refer to my mail dated 12 March 2019

Please advise whether we have been added as an IAP and please can you give indication when the requested documentation may be expected.

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]

**Sent:** Wednesday, 22 May 2019 10:58 AM

**To:** Neels Hoek <[nhoek@mera.co.za](mailto:nhoek@mera.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: REQUEST TO REGISTER AS AN IAP IN RESPECT OF DUYKER EILAND WIND FARM PROJECT

Dear Neels Hoek

I can now confirm receipt of your email and that you have been included in our database of interested and affected Parties. Unfortunately, during the appeal period when the EIA was suspended with were not permitted to continue with any correspondence with individual interested parties on this EIA. The appeal was concluded in mid April 2019 and the suspension on the EIA was then lifted.

We are now in the review period for the Draft EIA process which began last week the 16<sup>th</sup> May and will continue till the 21<sup>st</sup> June. Attached is the advert that went out about this which provides info on where you can obtain copies of the reports and details about how to submit comments or questions.

Regards

Maura



**From:** Neels Hoek <[nhoek@mera.co.za](mailto:nhoek@mera.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 27 May 2019 11:55  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: REQUEST TO REGISTER AS AN IAP IN RESPECT OF DUYKER EILAND WIND FARM PROJECT  
**Importance:** High

Dear Maura

Please can you provide the layout plan with proposed infrastructure such as wind turbines, etc in a KML format.

I would like to overlay the plan to assess the impact on our proposed prospecting area.

Thank you  
Regards

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 04 June 2019 10:20  
**To:** [nhoek@mera.co.za](mailto:nhoek@mera.co.za)  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: REQUEST TO REGISTER AS AN IAP IN RESPECT OF DUYKER EILAND WIND FARM PROJECT

Hi Neels,

Please find attached, the requested layout.

Kind Regards  
Michael



Boulders WEF  
Layout.kmz

Request for Information:

**From:** Maxwell Davids <[maxwell@mekanos.co.za](mailto:maxwell@mekanos.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 June 2019 10:43 AM  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Boulders WEF - Construction of proposed 140MW Boulders wind energy facility  
**Importance:** High

Dear Micheal,

I trust this email finds you well.



With reference to subject matter, I would like to introduce our company. By way of attached Company Profile, and also indicate our interest to be part of this development.

I'm herewith requesting a meeting to discuss same with you.

*Vriendelike Groete. / Kind Regards.*

*Abraham Maxwell Davids MBA  
Managing Member  
Cell: 073 756 7227*

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 June 2019 11:15  
**To:** [maxwell@mekanos.co.za](mailto:maxwell@mekanos.co.za)  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** FW: Boulders WEF - Construction of proposed 140MW Boulders wind energy facility  
**Importance:** High

Dear Abraham,

I can confirm receipt of your email. I have included you in our database of Interested and Affected Parties so that you can be kept up to date with the Environmental Impact Assessment process.

Please note that we are currently in the 30-day public review period of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). For more information please refer to our website (<http://www.cesnet.co.za/boulders-wind-farm-eia>). We will also be hosting an open day to present the findings of the draft EIA on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June from 4pm-8pm at the Paternoster Hotel.

Kind Regards  
Michael Johnson

**Request for Information to be sent to Obstacle Inspectorate**

**From:** Werner Kleynhans <[kleynhansw@caa.co.za](mailto:kleynhansw@caa.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 23 April 2019 15:45  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm

Dear CES Team

The email below regarding the Boulders Windfarm refers.

It will be appreciated if all correspondence & applications regarding Wind Farm or any projects which require comment or approval of the South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) can be directed to the Obstacle Inspectorate via [obstacles@caa.co.za](mailto:obstacles@caa.co.za).

More information regarding the Obstacle Application Process is published on the CAA's website ([www.caa.co.za](http://www.caa.co.za)) under "Information for the Industry" > "Obstacles".

Kind Regards



**Werner Kleynhans**  
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**PANS-OPS Section**

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**Invitation to Focus group Meeting****From:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>**Sent:** Wednesday, June 12, 2019 11:36 AM**Subject:** BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Dear Interested and Affected Party for the Proposed Boulders Windfarm

CES hereby invites you to attend a 1 hour Focus Group Meeting for the proposed Boulders Wind Farm EIA at 1pm on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at Hilltop Hideaway at 26 Columbine Crescent, Britannica Heights.

The meeting will provide you with information on the proposed windfarm and the EIA, and an opportunity to ask questions and make comments. Your participation is valued. If you are not able to attend this meeting then you are very welcome to attend the Open Day event between 4pm and 8pm at the Paternoster Hotel on Wednesday the 19<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

Please contact Maura Talbot on 021 045 0904 if you have queries.

Beste Geregisteerde; Belangstellende en Geaffekteerde party van die voorgestelde Boulders Wind Plaas

CES nooi u uit na 'n 1 uur lange fokus groep vergadering vir die Omgewings Impak Ontleding (OIO) van die Boulders Wind Plaas wat gehou sal word om 1 uur op die 19<sup>th</sup> Junie 2019 by Hilltop Hideaway te 26 Columbine Crescent, Britannica Heights. Die vergadering sal u voorsien van die inligting rakende die projek en die OIO, en 'n geleentheid om vrae te vra en kommentaar te lewer.

U deelname is waardevol. Indien u nie hierdie vergadering kan bywoon nie, is u hartlik welkom om die Opedag-geleentheid by te woon tussen 16:00 en 20:00 by die Paternoster-hotel op Woensdag 19 Junie 2019.

Kontak asseblief vir Maura Talbot by telefoon nommer 021 045 0904 met enige navrae.



**From:** Portsmouth <[mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 12 June 2019 15:20  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; 'mary' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Dear Louise

Many thanks for this email.

Please can you clarify that this invite has only been sent to IAPs who are residents of Britannica Heights. As a community of residents, we don't wish the meeting (which has only been allocated 60 minutes) to be distracted by issues arising from IAPs who do not reside in our suburb. I guess in this instance the emphasis is on the term "focus".

Kind regards

Doug Portsmouth  
26 Columbine Crescent, Britannica Heights

**From:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 13, 2019 10:23 AM  
**To:** [DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za)  
**Subject:** RE: BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Dear Doug and Gay

Yes, I can confirm that the invitation was only sent to persons who were registered on our database as residents of Britannica Heights.

We will be having other focus group meetings with I&APs from other communities and with other interests.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Portsmouth <[mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 13 June 2019 10:38





**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Hi Maura

Many thanks

Kind regards

Doug

Request for information on Turbines

**From:** Johan Cronje [<mailto:johanc1106@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, 13 June 2019 12:20

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Louise,

Can you please send me the following info or tell me where to get it:

Number off and proposed position of all the turbines. (GPS coordinates)

(Something I can look at in google earth or Garmin basecamp.)

The generation capacity or 1 generator

Type, make & model of turbines envisaged

Regards

Johan Cronje

[Johanc1106@gmail.com](mailto:Johanc1106@gmail.com)

Tel - 083 635 3359

**Request for copies of the Draft EIA Report to provide comment**

**From:** Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL) [<mailto:NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za>]  
**Sent:** 10 May 2019 11:50 AM  
**To:** CESCT  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Wind Farm

**See details below**

From: CESCT [<mailto:cesct@cesnet.co.za>]  
Sent: 10 May 2019 10:23 AM  
To: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL)  
Cc: Dreyer Warren  
Subject: Boulders Wind Farm

Dear Ndobeni and Dreyer

CES replaced Savannah Environmental as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to complete the EIA process for the proposed Boulders Wind Farm.

CES is in the process of releasing an EIA Report and in line with Chapter 6 of the 2014 EIA Regulations as amended. You are being contacted because you are listed as a stakeholder and a commenting authority and CES is planning on sending the EIA Report for commenting and review.

In order for us to ensure that we send the right documentation to the right authorities, we need your help with the following details:

Name and Surname: Derril Daniels

Street Address: Private bag X16 Sanlamhof 7532

Email Address (if different): [danielsd@dws.gov.za](mailto:danielsd@dws.gov.za)

Telephone number:

Cell Number:

We also need your advice on the number of copies that need to be sent to your department, please respond to the below short questions:

1. How many hard copies of the EIA Report to be sent? X1
2. How many electronic copies (CDs, USB, EMAIL) to be sent?
3. What is the address to be used to courier/send the EIA Report same as above

Thank you for assistance with this process and please get in touch with us if you need any project information or if you have any queries.

Good day



From: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL) <[NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za](mailto:NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za)>  
Sent: Monday, 20 May 2019 13:51  
To: Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
Subject: RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

**From: CESCT [<mailto:cesct@cesnet.co.za>]**  
**Sent: 10 May 2019 12:41 PM**  
**To: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL)**  
**Subject: RE: Boulders Wind Farm**

Thank you for your response,

Do you have a street address, as our courier cannot deliver to Private bags.

Regards,

Skye

**From: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL) [<mailto:NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za>]**  
**Sent: 10 May 2019 01:35 PM**  
**To: CESCT**  
**Subject: RE: Boulders Wind Farm**

52 Voortrekker Road, Bellville 7530

**From: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL) <[NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za](mailto:NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za)>**  
**Sent: Monday, 20 May 2019 1:51 PM**  
**To: Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>**  
**Subject: RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert**

Hi,

**Please submit a hardcopy of the document listed below to the following address in order for the Department to provide comments;**

**Department of Water & Sanitation**  
**Private Bag X16**  
**Sanlamhof**  
**7532**  
**Att: Derril Daniels**  
**Regards**

**From: CESCT <[cesct@cesnet.co.za](mailto:cesct@cesnet.co.za)>**  
**Sent: Monday, 20 May 2019 14:09**  
**To: Ndobeni Nelisa (BVL) <[NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za](mailto:NdobeniN2@dws.gov.za)>**  
**Cc: Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>**  
**Subject: FW: Boulders Wind Farm**



Good day Ndobeni,

As per our conversation below, a hardcopy of the Boulders EIA report has been sent to the address you provided.

Warm regards,

Skye

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**From:** Adri La Meyer <[Adri.LaMeyer@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Adri.LaMeyer@westerncape.gov.za)>

**Sent:** Thursday, 25 April 2019 08:56

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm

Dear Maura,

Thank you for your e-mail of 18 April 2019 and updating us about the status of the application. Could you please provide this Department with 1 x hard copy and 3 x CDs of the Draft EIA Report once it is available for public comment? You may mark it for my attention for distribution to the relevant commenting directorates.

Please feel free to contact me for any clarity regarding this matter.

Kind regards,

Adri

Adri La Meyer

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#### Query on Website Error

**From:** Peter Pickford [<mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com>]

**Sent:** Thursday, 23 May 2019 12:41

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>

**Cc:** Gustav Bester <[gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za)>; Deon Brand

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<[LDlova@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDlova@environment.gov.za)>; Andre Van Der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>;

Limpho Makotoko <[lmakotoko@environment.gov.za](mailto:lmakotoko@environment.gov.za)>; [sl.cyrus@outlook.com](mailto:sl.cyrus@outlook.com)

**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert



Dear Ms Talbot, Mr Johnson,

In downloading the 1st Draft of the EIA documents for the proposed Boulders Wind Energy facility, I note with concern that Appendix D3 the Bat Impact Assessment does not load and instead one is presented with the following error message:



I have received notice of the same malfunction from other I&APs prior to today.

It becomes incumbent on CES therefore to repair the malfunction and to begin the public participation process again from the date on which such malfunction is repaired.

The public cannot comment on documents that are not available.

I look forward to your response.

Kind regards,  
PETER PICKFORD

**From: Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]**

**Sent: 24 May 2019 02:20 PM**

**To: [gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za); [pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com); Deon Brand; Alvin Roon; Mary Ralphs Britannica Heights; Lunga Dlova; Andre Van Der Spuy; Liphoko Makotoko; [sl.cyrus@outlook.com](mailto:sl.cyrus@outlook.com)**

**Subject: RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert**

Dear Mr Pickford

Thank you for drawing attention to the problems you're been having downloading the Bat specialist report. We have now rectified this problem. We draw your attention to the fact that hard copies of all reports are available at three libraries in the local area. It is therefore not correct to state that documents are not available and to use that to argue that the PPP process must start again.

Regards

Maura

From: Andre van der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>

Sent: Friday, 24 May 2019 15:02

To: Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; [gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za); [pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com); 'Deon Brand' <[deonbrand@yahoo.com](mailto:deonbrand@yahoo.com)>; 'Alvin Roon' <[alvin.roon@gmail.com](mailto:alvin.roon@gmail.com)>; 'Mary Ralphs Britannica Heights' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>; 'Lunga Dlova' <[LDlova@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDlova@environment.gov.za)>; 'Liphoko Makotoko' <[lmakotoko@environment.gov.za](mailto:lmakotoko@environment.gov.za)>; [sl.cyrus@outlook.com](mailto:sl.cyrus@outlook.com)

Subject: RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert



Mr. Pickford is quite correct. You are not. As the EAP it is YOUR obligation to ensure that you competently and fully deliver the notified options.

I am in the Karoo but would also like to have the opportunity to view the document(s). No doubt other I&APs are in similar situations too.

A van der Spuy

AVDSEC

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 24 May 2019 04:00 PM  
**To:** Andre van der Spuy  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear Mr Van Der Spey

Your opinion is noted. Please note that the error has now been rectified and the Bat report is available for downloading from the CES website.

Regards

Maura

CES

**From:** Andre van der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 27 May 2019 09:24  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** [gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za); [pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com); 'Deon Brand' <[deonbrand@yahoo.com](mailto:deonbrand@yahoo.com)>; 'Alvin Roon' <[alvin.roon@gmail.com](mailto:alvin.roon@gmail.com)>; 'Mary Ralphs Britannica Heights' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>; 'Lunga Dlova' <[LDlova@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDlova@environment.gov.za)>; 'Limphe Makotoko' <[lmakotoko@environment.gov.za](mailto:lmakotoko@environment.gov.za)>; [sl.cyrus@outlook.com](mailto:sl.cyrus@outlook.com)  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear EAP

Your below email refers.

As the EAP your acknowledgment of your error is noted.

The NEMA EIA Regulations specify that:



a PPP comment period be minimum 30 days an EIAr includes inter alia the specialist studies (example Reg 23(1)(a); “an environmental impact assessment report inclusive of any specialist reports...which must have been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days”). any information that has the potential to influence a decision that may affect other parties be made available for comment (Reg 40(2)).

As the EAP you have, via one of the advertised options (and which is clearly a popular option of I&APs):

- made available for review an incomplete EIAr for part of the for minimum 30 days
- make available a specialist study for less than 30 days
- make available for less than 30 days information which has the potential (and is intended to) influence the decision on the application

You have also (seemingly) failed to notify all I&APs of your significant error and the prevailing non-compliant situation which you are evidently intend on sustaining.

Therefore, you have violated numerous clear NEMA requirements and your superficial rectification and dismissal of Mr. Pickford's objection do not restore the significant non-compliances.

Above is not my “opinion” but is the law. As the EAP you are obliged to comply with the NEMA in order that the full rights of I&APs are properly presented.

As the EAP you have now been notified of the non-compliances and objection has been lodged so that you proceed with the EIA process, under current circumstances, at your own and the Applicant's own risk. It would probably be remiss of you not to inform the Applicant of your error and calculated risk. For instance, should any I&AP happen to submit (again) comment or objection on grounds of the non-availability of the bat report on the website for the full term then you will need to take responsibility for depriving that party of its right to comment and whatever consequences are delivered upon the application.

Rgds

Andre v d Spuy

**From:** Andre van der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>

**Sent:** Monday, 10 June 2019 11:27

**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; [gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za); [pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com); 'Deon Brand' <[deonbrand@yahoo.com](mailto:deonbrand@yahoo.com)>; 'Alvin Roon' <[alvin.roon@gmail.com](mailto:alvin.roon@gmail.com)>; 'Mary Ralphs Britannica Heights' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>; 'Lunga Dlova' <[LDlova@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDlova@environment.gov.za)>; 'Limpho Makotoko' <[lmakotoko@environment.gov.za](mailto:lmakotoko@environment.gov.za)>; [sl.cyrus@outlook.com](mailto:sl.cyrus@outlook.com)

**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear Ms. Talbot



I note from the Draft EIR that the next version of the EIR that will be produced under your management as the EAP will be the Final EIR. I also note however that you do not appear to have planned for a comment period on the Final EIR. Please confirm that a comment opportunity will indeed be provided (on the Final EIR) for I&APs, as required.

Kind regards

Andre van der Spuy

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 10 June 2019 01:40 PM  
**To:** Andre van der Spuy  
**Cc:** Alan Carter; Ted Avis  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear Mr Van der Spuy

The EIA regulations provide very specific requirements for the EIA process. In terms of this process a Draft EIR must be produced and made available for public review and comment. Thereafter the EAP must produce and submit the final EIR and EMP with a Comments/Response Report. No additional public review period is required for the Final EIR, which is submitted to the authorities for a decision on authorisation. The IAPs will however be informed of the submission of the Final EIR and this report will be made available to the public on the CES project website. Any comments you or other members of the public wish to make at that stage would need to be submitted directly to DEA.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Andre van der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 June 2019 14:35  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; [gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za);  
[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com); 'Deon Brand' <[deonbrand@yahoo.com](mailto:deonbrand@yahoo.com)>; 'Alvin Roon'  
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**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear EAP



Below refers.

I am aware of the very specific requirements of the EIA Regulations and NEMA. Please be advised that you will be required to provide I&APs, including our clients, with a further comment opportunity. If, as you seem to suggest, the future comments must be delivered to the DEA as the Competent Authority then you should provide us and the I&APs with confirmation that the DEA will accept and consider such comments at that time – and that you as the EAP will notify I&APs of their rights in this regard, and in good time. It is noted that the Draft EIR is completely silent in this regard.

Rgds

Andre v d Spuy

Query on Commenting Period:

**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Sent:** Thursday, 23 May 2019 11:05

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm I&AP Public Review Extension

Dear Maura

I missed this email yesterday. It is utterly disingenuous to frame the correcting of the contradictory dates on CES's documents as an "extension of the review period".

I know some of us like to live in a post-truth world but, really?

What I originally asked for was some information about what the regulations are for the public review period. Please could you clarify what the minimum and maximum periods are?

Regards

Mary

**From:** Maura Talbot

**Sent:** Thursday, 23 May 2019 15:29

**To:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm I&AP Public Review Extension

Dear Mary

The required public review period is 30 days (Min). There is no maximum period.

Regards

Maura



**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 24 May 2019 15:07  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm I&AP Public Review Extension

Dear Maura

Since CES have allocated the legal minimum amount of time to the review period, I would like to request that this be extended to 31 July.

Failing that, I would like to add my support for Peter Pickford's request that you take into account that many of the IAPs likely to be most directly affected by the wind farm work in the hospitality industry and will be extremely busy from 14 to 18 June because of the June 16 public holiday, and beyond that until 8 July because of school holidays.

It seems only reasonable that this be taken into account. If a real (as opposed to a fake) extension is not possible, please supply reasons for this.

Sincerely

Mary

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**From:** Peter Pickford [<mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 23 May 2019 09:48  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Lunga Dlova <[LDlova@environment.gov.za](mailto:LDlova@environment.gov.za)>; Limpho Makotoko <[lmakotoko@environment.gov.za](mailto:lmakotoko@environment.gov.za)>; Mary Ralphs Britannica Heights <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>; Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; Gustav Bester <[gustav@bexgroup.co.za](mailto:gustav@bexgroup.co.za)>; Johnny Copeland <[jc@hci.co.za](mailto:jc@hci.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm I&AP Public Review Extension

Dear Maura Talbot,

Thank you for your email of yesterday's date and too for your consideration of the Britannica Heights Residents Group request to extend the opportunity to comment. The extension tabled below is appreciated.

However, I am writing to express the concern that the period for the public review for the Proposed Boulders Wind Energy Facility falls substantially within the period of the National Holidays.

This may not, at first impression, be a matter of particular concern but when one looks at the amount of information there is to digest and then looks to the fact that a great many of not only the I&APs, but all of the public impacted by the report, will in fact, for a considerable



period of the public response period, be committed to already long planned and booked holidays with their families then one becomes aware that *the real response opportunity* is thereby seriously curtailed.

It should also be noted that both I&APs and members of the public on holiday will also not be able to attend the scheduled public meeting which falls right in the middle of the National Holidays.

Further, a great many of the registered I&APs operate tourism or hospitality based business and as such the national holidays will represent some of their busiest times of the year and thereby again seriously curtail their opportunity to adequately review and effectively respond to the draft EIA or attend public meetings.

With the above considerations in mind and the directives of our Constitution and NEMA both advocating the right of the public to be adequately consulted and their input to be actively sought, considered and implemented in policy and decision making, then I would respectfully request that you review the current public review and comment period for the Proposed Boulders Wind Energy Facility, being DEA project reference number (14/12/16/3/3/2/1507).

I would propose that to genuinely ensure that the public is sincerely engaged and consulted and given fair opportunity to respond with their considered comment, that the public review period be extended to a week after the end of the National Holidays and that the public meeting scheduled for the 19th of June be re-scheduled for early in the first week after the holidays.

Thank you for your consideration of my request and I look forward to knowing your response.

Kind regards,

PETER PICKFORD

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**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 16 May 2019 16:43  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear Maura

With reference to the advert in Appendix A of the Draft EIA, the deadline for written comment is 21 June, but the email sent today gives this date as 18 June.  
Please clarify.

Assuming 21 June is the correct date, holding the public meeting on 19 June, allows IAPs just two more days to submit comments.

This seems exceptionally tight. Please let me know what the regulations are around timing?

With thanks

Mary Ralphs (registered IAP)



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On 22 May 2019, at 10:23, Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:  
Dear Mary

Thanks for your enquiry. Apologies for not getting back to you sooner. I have been tied up with travelling.

Apologies for the confusion regarding the PPP dates. The correct public review timeframe for the Draft EIR is 16th May – 21st June 2019. An email and sms will be sent out to all I&APs to correct this error.

The public meetings are an additional means by which we will be presenting the EIR documentation. No new information will be presented, and it will simply be a synopsis of the information which is already available. This is another way in which stakeholders can raise issues or questions, which is particularly valuable for those stakeholders who struggle with reading and writing and do not have access to the internet.

I suggest you do not wait till the open day, and other focus group meetings we will be arranging at that time, to review the Draft EIA and compose your written submissions. It would be better for you to review the reports beforehand and bring any questions which you may have to the meeting or submit your questions via email prior to this and we will do our best to respond to you.

We will be writing minutes for the focus group meetings with Stakeholders and including those (and then responding to the issues raised) in the final EIA. I see from our database that you are a resident of Britannica Heights. This is one of the areas we would like to arrange a focus group meeting in. Can you suggest who would be the best person to contact to arrange such a meeting?

Regards  
Maura

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**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 22 May 2019 20:20  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Barbara Adendorff <[countrycabin@telkomsa.net](mailto:countrycabin@telkomsa.net)>; Portsmouth <[DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za)>; Anne Todd <[toddbat@iafrica.com](mailto:toddbat@iafrica.com)>; Engels <[annelineengels@gmail.com](mailto:annelineengels@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm PPP

Dear Maura

Thank you for getting back to me and for providing clarity on the deadline for responses.

The turnaround time still seems exceptionally short given the amount of text we have to wade through, and especially as we thought the process of drawing up the EIA and commissioning the specialist reports was all placed on hold while the legal appeals were underway.



It is disconcerting to find that this process all merrily continued behind the scenes, as we were led to expect that IAPs would have opportunities to give input to the specialists while they conducted their research and evaluations.

In terms of a meeting with residents of Britannica Heights, I think it would be best if you arrange a venue in St Helena Bay (perhaps at the hotel or civic centre?) and then notify all the Britannica Heights IAPs about it. There are quite a number of us now and we are unlikely to fit in anyone's lounge. It would be unfortunate if residents were prevented from attending because the venue is not large enough. This is, in fact, precisely what happened when Savannah last organised a meeting for residents of the Heights. We were asked to keep numbers small and then they arrived with a large contingent that all but outnumbered the locals. We sincerely hope CES won't resort to this kind of bulldozing. Thank you for offering to respond to queries via email in the meantime. I do have a question related to the visual impact of the turbines.

I am sure you are aware that the proposed wind farm has been on the cards for some years and IAPs have had to engage with it several times. Each time, we have asked that a set of photographic images be provided showing the site landscape with a mock up of accurately placed and sized turbines superimposed on it. Given that the visual impact will be high, we think we have a right to be given a pretty good idea of what the turbines will look like from Da Gama Road and Columbine Crescent in Britannica Heights, but also from St Helena's main through-road, the entrance to Paternoster, the marina at Veddrif, etc. At the scoping document stage, we were told that such mock-ups could not be provided because the placement of the turbines had yet to be determined. Now that a definite proposal around turbine placement is in place, please could CES provide and circulate these images as a matter of urgency. They are a vital and very basic piece of visual information and we are astonished that they have not been included in the EIA.

Regards

Mary

On 31 May 2019, at 13:43, Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:

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> Dear Mary

> With regard to the images of what the turbines will look like from various views, these have been included in both the Visual Impact Assessment Reports which are available for download from the CES webpage for this project.

> Regards

> Maura

**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Sent:** Friday, 31 May 2019 15:24

**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Cc:** [lourens@logis.co.za](mailto:lourens@logis.co.za)

**Subject:** Re: Boulders Windfarm PPP

Dear Maura



Thank you for pointing me to the images. I guess I expected these to be important enough to make it into the main report but it is very useful to see them now, thanks.  
On venue, I'm pretty sure the Portsmouth's space will be big enough for the Britannica Heights group.  
All the best  
Mary

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On 26 May 2019, at 21:48, Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:

Dear Mr Pickford and Ms Ralph

Your concerns about the large volume of reports to review, the overlap of the public review period with the 'national' holidays and the request for an extension of the public review period for two weeks after the holiday period are noted. We presume you are referring here to the school holiday period which in the Western Cape occurs between the 15th June and the 8th July in 2019. This only partially overlaps with the advertised public review period for this project. The EIA regulations in South Africa require a 30 day public review period for all EIA processes. We have advertised a public review period of 32 days. The potential to extend the public review period is limited by the overarching legislated timeframes for the EIA process. The more time made available for public review, the less time there is to amend and finalise the report thereafter and respond to all the comments raised by the I&APs. The needs of the I&APs for time to review the EIA documents needs to be taken into consideration, but so too the needs of the EAP, the developers, and authorities, and as you know the EIA process for this development has already suffered significant delays. We have taken all this into consideration and propose to extend the public review period by two weeks until the 2th July 2019. This is the maximum possible accommodation that can be provided. We trust that this will go some way to addressing your concerns. Please note that this extension will be advertised and all the registered I&APs notified about this in the coming week.

Regards

Maura

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**From:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 May 2019 09:04  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Ralphs <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>; Deon Brand <[deonbrand@yahoo.com](mailto:deonbrand@yahoo.com)>; Alvin Roon <[alvin.roon@gmail.com](mailto:alvin.roon@gmail.com)>; Andre Van Der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>; Johnny Copeland <[jc@hci.co.za](mailto:jc@hci.co.za)>; Richard Butt <[butt@iafrica.com](mailto:butt@iafrica.com)>; Chris Sivertsen <[cpsivertsen@gmail.com](mailto:cpsivertsen@gmail.com)>; NoWindfarmsPaternoster <[nowindfarmspaternoster@gmail.com](mailto:nowindfarmspaternoster@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders Wind Farm EIA - extension of PPP period.

Dear Maura,



Thank you for your email.

Your comment and the extension of the public review period is noted and appreciated, thank you.

I confirm that you shall confirm this extension to all I&APs.

Kind regards,

PETER

**From:** Andre van der Spuy <[avdspuy@iafrica.com](mailto:avdspuy@iafrica.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 May 2019 11:42  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Wind Farm EIA - extension of PPP period.

Thank you.

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#### Communication with Ward 111:

**From:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Date:** 2019/06/14 12:56 (GMT+02:00)  
**To:** "Scholtz, Sharon" <[Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za)>  
**Cc:** Zweli Nkosi <[z.nkosi@cesnet.co.za](mailto:z.nkosi@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** URGENT: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting on the proposed Boulders Wind Farm

Dear Sharon

I am contacting you as the Ward 11 Councilor for the SBM in connection with the public review period for the proposed Boulders Wind Farm EIA. We will be holding an Open Day and a number of different Focus Group Meetings in the Paternoster and St Helene Bay area next week. As part of this we are wanting to arrange a focus group meeting with the local residents of the historical fishing village of Paternoster who were born there and have lived there most of their lives - on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am in the Paternoster Library hall. However, we have discovered that the database of Interested and Affected Parties from the previous Scoping Process for this project, does not have any contact details for local residents of Paternoster. We are wanting to ask if you could assist us with informing these residents about the meeting or alternatively, giving us some names and contact details and we will contact them to invite them. Below is the invitation we were wanting to circulate – in both Afrikaans and English.

Can you assist us? Your help would be much appreciated.



Regards

Maura Talbot (CES)

**From:** Daniels, Olwene

**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2019 1:12 PM

**To:** Du Plessis, Abé <[Abé.DuPlessis@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Abé.DuPlessis@sbm.gov.za)>; Jordaan, Quentin <[Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za)>; Daniels, Franklin <[Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za)>; de Kock, Cornell <[Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za)>

**Cc:** Mayor <[Mayor@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Mayor@sbm.gov.za)>; Kruger, Andre <[Andre.Kruger@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Andre.Kruger@sbm.gov.za)>; Scholtz, Sharon <[Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za)>; Smit, Drieka <[Drieka.Smit@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Drieka.Smit@sbm.gov.za)>; Mettler, Heinrich <[Heinrich.Mettler@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Heinrich.Mettler@sbm.gov.za)>; Lawrence, Ethne <[ethne.lawrence@sbm.gov.za](mailto:ethne.lawrence@sbm.gov.za)>

**Subject:** FW: URGENT: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting on the proposed Boulders Wind Farm

Abe

See the email and contents thereof.

I hereby request that SBM urgently assist to get our community to the engagements .Ward Committee members , Ratepayers associations , NGO, NPO.

Communications department must also assist .

SPEAKER

**From:** Du Plessis, Abé

**Sent:** 14 June 2019 02:03 PM

**To:** Daniels, Olwene <[Olwene.Daniels@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Olwene.Daniels@sbm.gov.za)>; Jordaan, Quentin <[Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za)>; Daniels, Franklin <[Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za)>; de Kock, Cornell <[Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za)>

**Cc:** Mayor <[Mayor@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Mayor@sbm.gov.za)>; Kruger, Andre <[Andre.Kruger@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Andre.Kruger@sbm.gov.za)>; Scholtz, Sharon <[Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Sharon.Scholtz@sbm.gov.za)>; Smit, Drieka <[Drieka.Smit@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Drieka.Smit@sbm.gov.za)>; Mettler, Heinrich <[Heinrich.Mettler@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Heinrich.Mettler@sbm.gov.za)>; Lawrence, Ethne <[ethne.lawrence@sbm.gov.za](mailto:ethne.lawrence@sbm.gov.za)>

**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting on the proposed Boulders Wind Farm

Dear Quentin



Please inform the ward committee of ward 111 accordingly. Also, with the assistance of Ethne, use other alternative media such as FB, WhatsApp and sms.

Also emails to business and other stakeholders in PN.

Thanks

Abe

**From:** Lawrence, Ethne

**Sent:** Friday, 14 June 2019 14:37

**To:** Du Plessis, Abé <[Abe.DuPlessis@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Abe.DuPlessis@sbm.gov.za)>; Daniels, Olwene <[Olwene.Daniels@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Olwene.Daniels@sbm.gov.za)>; Jordaan, Quentin <[Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za)>; Daniels, Franklin <[Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Franklin.Daniels@sbm.gov.za)>; de Kock, Cornell <[Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Cornell.deKock@sbm.gov.za)>

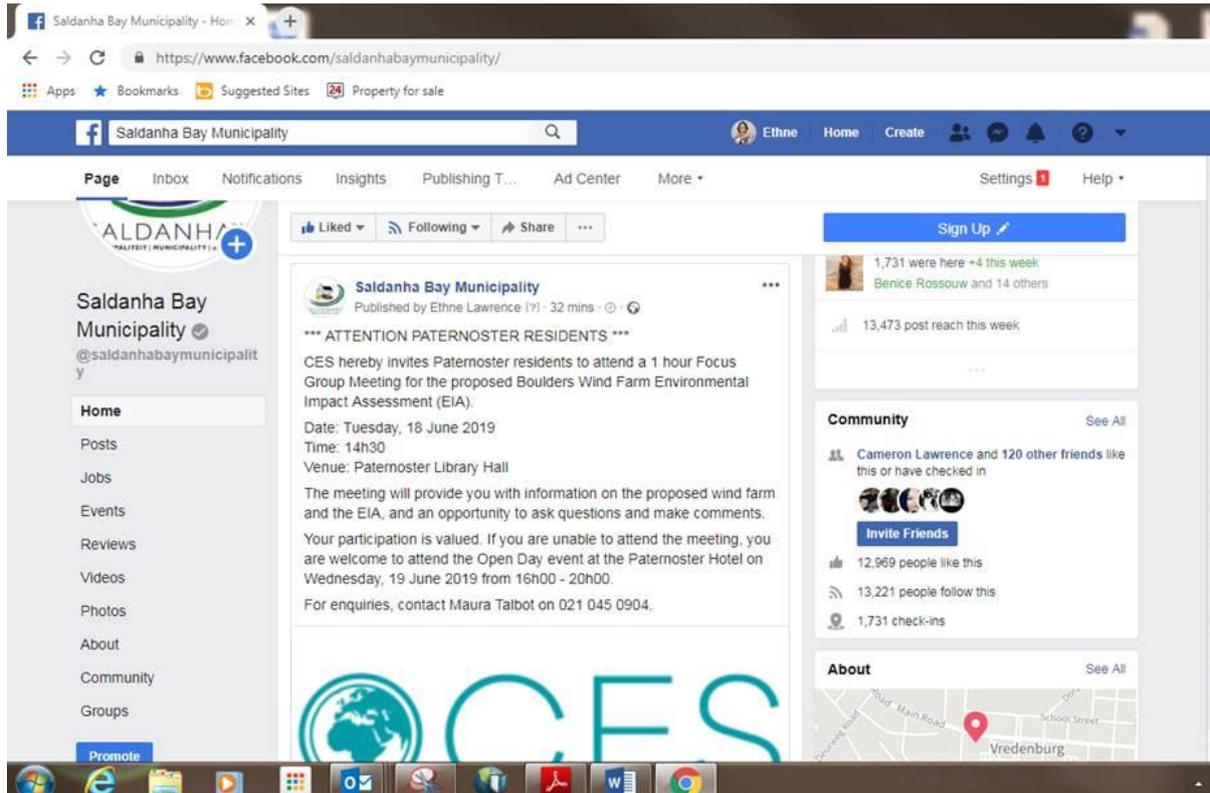
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**Subject:** RE: URGENT: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting on the proposed Boulders Wind Farm

Good afternoon all,

We distributed the message below onto the official **Saldanha Bay Municipality** Facebook page this afternoon, and scheduled an additional post to go “live” at 09h00 on Tuesday (18 June) morning.

This message will also be shared onto the **Vredenburg News** Facebook group.



We are in process of distributing bulk SMS's to residents and a WhatsApp message will be posted onto the Paternoster (Ward 11) ward committee group.

Kind regards,

**From:** Jordaan, Quentin <[Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za](mailto:Quentin.Jordaan@sbm.gov.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 18 June 2019 12:10  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** FW: URGENT: Invitation to Focus Group Meeting on the proposed Boulders Wind Farm

Morning Maura

My name is Quentin Jordaan from Saldanha Bay Municipality

We have post the meeting invite on Facebook, WhatsApp the ward committee members and send an SMS to the residents of paternoster who are registered on our SMS database

I have send you an email last week regarding the meeting in Veldrif which was advertised in the weslander which are not part of Saldanha Bay Municipality can you please contact me the other meeting must be in St. Helena Bay and not veldrf



Regards

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**Residents Offering Venue Space**

From: mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
Sent: Thursday, 23 May 2019 09:47  
To: Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
Cc: Portsmouth <[DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za)>  
Subject: Possible venue for Britannica Heights meeting  
Importance: High

Dear Maura

Further to my email yesterday, Doug and Gay Portsmouth have offered to make their Hilltop Hideaway venue available.

They are at 26 Columbine Crescent.

Their email address is [mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za). Please could you contact them directly to set a date that suits?

Best wishes

Mary

**From: Portsmouth <[mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za)>**  
**Sent: Tuesday, 28 May 2019 08:27**  
**To: Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>**  
**Cc: 'mary' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>**  
**Subject: Focus Group Meeting: Britannica Heights - Hilltop Hideaway**  
**Importance: High**

Dear Maura,

I trust you are well and have received the email below as sent by Mary Ralph, my neighbour here on Britannica Heights.



We are offering you the free use of our venue which is ideally suited to accommodate our residents here on Britannica Heights. I would appreciate it if you could please confirm a date for our Focus Group Meeting as relates solely to Britannica Heights.

I am conscious that there are only 17 business days left until final submission of our concerns regards the proposed Wind Farm.

I look forward to hearing back.

Kind regards

Gaynor Portsmouth

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]  
**Sent:** : Friday, 31 May 2019 11:18  
**To:** Portsmouth <[mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Focus Group Meeting: Britannica Heights - Hilltop Hideaway

Dear Gaynor

Thank you for being willing to host a meeting.

As I hope you will now know, the deadline for submission of comments and concerns about the EIA and proposed Boulders Wind Farm has been extended to the 2 July. We do however still propose to have our meetings during the week of the 19<sup>th</sup> June.

Can you tell me more about your venue and how many people can be accommodated there. Mary indicated that there may be a large group of people who would want to attend.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Portsmouth <[mail@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:mail@portsmouth.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 31 May 2019 14:22  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** 'mary' <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Focus Group Meeting: Britannica Heights - Hilltop Hideaway

Dear Maura



Our venue, Hilltop Hideaway is at 26 Columbine Crescent on erf 1789, which overlooks the proposed wind farm.

We can accommodate around 30 persons seated – or more if standing.

Given that the meeting is specific to Britannica Heights, this should be adequate for the number of residents who will have an interest to attend.

If you foresee a problem, please let me know.

The week of 19<sup>th</sup> June is fine. Once we know the exact date, I will make a reservation.

Kind regards

Gaynor

**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Sent:** Monday, 17 June 2019 18:50

**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Cc:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; [mark@egelliott.co.za](mailto:mark@egelliott.co.za); Portsmouth <[DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za)>; Anneline Engels <[annelineengels@gmail.com](mailto:annelineengels@gmail.com)>; Anne Todd <[toddbat@iafrica.com](mailto:toddbat@iafrica.com)>; Barbara Adendorff <[countrycabin@telkomsa.net](mailto:countrycabin@telkomsa.net)>

**Subject:** Re: BRITANNICA HEIGHTS IAP'S BOULDERS WIND FARM FOCUS MEETING - WEDNESDAY 19TH JUNE 2019

Dear Maura

Several key residents have indicated that they are unable to make either of the meetings to be held this coming Wednesday.

Is there any chance of CES changing the date and time to accommodate them? Ideally we would like an event to be held either on a weekend or from about 5.00pm on a weekday.

In addition, if only one hour is to be allocated for this meeting, we would like to request that CES limit their presentation to no more than 20 minutes.

Most residents have heard four or five such presentations since 2010 so we don't really need to hear the general and basic information again. We would, instead, like to focus on specific questions and would appreciate it very much if you could comment on the following in your presentation:

1) Why have you not considered any alternative sites in this immediate area - please bring a slide that shows an accurate wind map and the exclusion zones linked to the airfield etc. to elucidate your response.



- 2) Why are all the objections we and others made to the scoping report absent from the draft EIA, while letters of support from the farmers involved etc, are included?
- 3) Please clarify the process from this point onwards, that is: what are the time constraints? to whom do we address our objections to the final EIA? if the final EIA is approved by the Dept of Environment, what other agencies still have to give their approval, and to whom do we appeal?
- 4) Why are two visual impact studies included in the draft EIA and why does the main report largely ignore the findings of the LOGIS study?
- 5) The heritage report states: "Impacts anticipated as a result of the proposed WEF to visual character and sense of place are not possible to mitigate. There is also no mitigation to ameliorate the negative visual impacts on tourist access routes and tourist destinations within the region." Please clarify why the conclusions of the main report ignore these statements.
- 6) The author of Appendix 9 on property values appears to be entirely unaware of Britannica Heights, and fails to mention the area even once in his report. Please clarify how this can be rectified?
- 7) Are you aware of other wind farm proposals in South Africa that have been successfully relocated and how was this achieved?

With many thanks

Mary

From: mary ralphs <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

Sent: Tuesday, 25 June 2019 15:20

To: Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

Cc: Portsmouth <[DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za](mailto:DougandGay@portsmouth.co.za)>; Georges Schleger <[ve2ek@yahoo.ca](mailto:ve2ek@yahoo.ca)>; Anneline Engels <[annelineengels@gmail.com](mailto:annelineengels@gmail.com)>; Anne Todd <[toddbat@iafrica.com](mailto:toddbat@iafrica.com)>

Subject: Follow up from Britannica Heights focus group

Dear Maura

Arising from the meeting held with Britannica Heights residents last week, please could you respond to the following issues:

- 1) The proposed hub height of the turbines: the main report mentions the maximum height of 120m, but at the meeting, reference was made to the fact that they will be "not much higher" than the existing turbines at West Coast 1. Please provide the accurate hub height and indicate where in the draft EIA this information provided.
- 2) Similarly, there is some confusion about the turbine layout; please could you confirm that the final proposed turbine layout is as per the draft EIA.
- 3) As noted during the meeting, a slide that contained a table summarising the social impacts of the wind farm was illegible to participants. Please send us a copy of that slide.



4) Please also email us a copy of the poster that summarised the proposed shareholding in the wind farm. You might remember that one of the development team tried to hold this up against the wall at the meeting, but the information it contained was too small to be visible from where we were sitting.

5) During the meeting, one of the residents questioned why none of your reports deal with the health impacts related to very low frequency sound generated by wind turbines. One of the members of your team undertook to send us some further information about this.

6) We have found little reference in the draft EIA to post-construction monitoring of bird and bat fatalities at the West Coast 1. Although we are now aware that this information is available and it seems logical that it should have informed both the scoping report and the draft EIA. Please could you indicate if the findings from these reports have studied and where in the draft EIA this information is reflected?

7) While you responded briefly to the emailed question about timeframes, please could you put this in writing as well? That is,

\* When must the final EIA be ready?

\* If the final EIA is approved by the Dept of Environment, what other agencies still have to give their approval, and by when?

\* To whom would we appeal against such approval and within what timeframe would we have to do so?

As you are aware the 2 July deadline is fast approaching so we would appreciate your response to these questions as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely  
Mary

### Queries Received

**From:** Ben Rootman [<mailto:ben@thejcs.co.za>]

**Sent:** 19 June 2019 08:32 AM

**To:** 'Louise Van Aardt'

**Cc:** Ian Wilkinson ([iwilkins@mweb.co.za](mailto:iwilkins@mweb.co.za)); Hedwig Slabig; Martin van Niekerk

**Subject:** Tuesday's presentation in Paternoster

Dear Louise and Maura

Thank you for the presentation on the proposed Boulders windfarm at the library in Paternoster on Tuesday.

As agreed, please forward me the presentation on [wettransfer.com](http://wettransfer.com) or [transferbigfiles.com](http://transferbigfiles.com) and I will pass on to Hedwig Slabig and Ian Wilkinson who also attended the presentation.



Thank you

Regards

Ben Rootman

Chairperson: Long Beach Home Owners Association

**From:** Ben Rootman [<mailto:ben@thejcs.co.za>]

**Sent:** Sunday, 30 June 2019 18:05

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>

**Cc:** Ian Wilkinson <[iwilkins@mweb.co.za](mailto:iwilkins@mweb.co.za)>; Hedwig Slabig <[slabigh@gmail.com](mailto:slabigh@gmail.com)>; Martin van Niekerk <[martin@thejcs.co.za](mailto:martin@thejcs.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: Tuesday's presentation in Paternoster

Dear Louise and Maura

Good weekend?

As agreed at your presentation on 18 June at the library in Paternoster, please forward me the presentation to also forward to Hedwig and Ian who also attended your presentation.

Looking forward to you positive response.

Regards

Ben Rootman

Chairperson: Long Beach Home Owners Association

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]

**Sent:** 01 July 2019 09:40 AM

**To:** [ben@thejcs.co.za](mailto:ben@thejcs.co.za)

**Subject:** RE: Tuesday's presentation in Paternoster

Dear Ben



See attached presentation. I thought I had sent this to you early last week, but here goes again.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Ben Rootman <[ben@thejcs.co.za](mailto:ben@thejcs.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 01 July 2019 12:11  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Tuesday's presentation in Paternoster

Thanx so much Maura!

Please keep us updated – as full supporters of the project J

Regards

Ben Rootman

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**Request for DEA Application Reference**

**From:** John Geeringh [<mailto:GeerinJH@eskom.co.za>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, 16 May 2019 13:10  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Please send me the application reference number for my records as well.

Regards

John

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 20 May 2019 01:24 PM  
**To:** John Geeringh  
**Cc:** Michael Johnson  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Dear Mr Geerin

The DEA reference number of the Boulders Windfarm EIA

Is 14/12/16/3/3/2/1057.



Regards

Maura

**From:** John Geeringh <[GeerinJH@eskom.co.za](mailto:GeerinJH@eskom.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 20 May 2019 14:02  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Thanks

John

*Response to Advert on Public Review Period*

**From:** CES - Coastal and Environmental Services (PTY) Ltd <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Date:** Thu, May 16, 2019 at 11:06 AM  
**Subject:** Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert  
**To:** <[debora.jordaan@gmail.com](mailto:debora.jordaan@gmail.com)>



**NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION  
PROCESS**



## **Proposed Boulders Wind Energy Facility, Western Cape Province**

Notice is given in terms of Regulation 41(2) (a) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations published in Government Notice R324-R327 in Government Gazette No 40772 of 07 April 2017, under Section 24 and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act 1998 (Act No 107 of 1998; NEMA), as amended, with the intent to submit an application for Environmental Authorisation to the Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA).

**Proposed Activity:** The proposed development of a commercial wind farm with a contracted capacity of up to 140MW which will include up to 45 wind turbines and associated infrastructure including a substation, access roads and laydown areas.

**Applicant:** Vredenburg Windfarm (Pty) Ltd

**Location:** : The identified project site is located directly adjacent to the operational West Coast One Wind Farm and is ~14km north of Vredenburg and ~7km east of Paternoster (Saldanha Bay Local Municipality and the West Coast District Municipality). The project site includes ten affected properties:

- Boebezaks Kraal 2/40
- Boebezaks Kraal 3/40
- Boebezaks Kraal 5/40
- Frans Vlei 2/46
- Schuitjes Klip 3/22
- Schuitjes Klip 1/22
- Davids Fontyn 9/18
- Davids Fontyn 7/18
- Het Schuytje 1/21
- Uitkomst RE/13/23

**Environmental Impact Assessment Process:** In terms of the EIA regulations, the proposed development requires a full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). Vredenburg Windfarm has appointed Coastal and Environmental Services (Pty) Ltd. (CES) to undertake the EIA and public participation process. The application



will be submitted to DEA for environmental authorisation.

The Draft Environmental Impact Report is available for public review and comment from the 16 May – 18 June 2019. The report can be viewed at the Vredenburg Public Library (2 Akademie Street, Vredenburg) and at the Paternoster Public Library (St Augustine's Way, Paternoster) and St Helena Public Library (2 Albetros Street, St Helena Bay). The report is also available for download on the following website: <http://www.cesnet.co.za/boulders-wind-farm-eia>. The due date for written comment is 18 June 2018.

If you require further information, would like to register as an Interested and/or Affected Party (I&AP) or submit comments on the EIA Report, please submit your name, contact information, interest in the project and comments to:

Mr Michael Johnson or Ms Maura Talbot  
The Point, Suite 408, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor,  
76 Regent Road, Sea Point,  
Cape Town, 8060

Tel: 021 045 0900

Email: [m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za) or  
[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)

Website: [www.cesnet.co.za](http://www.cesnet.co.za)



**From:** Debora Jordaan <[debora.jordaan@gmail.com](mailto:debora.jordaan@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, 16 May 2019 12:44 PM  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; Samuel Smit <[samuel.smit72@gmail.com](mailto:samuel.smit72@gmail.com)>; Wally Jordaan <[jordaan.business@gmail.com](mailto:jordaan.business@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** Important: Boulders Windfarm PPP Advert

Good day Michael & Mara

Thank you for your mail below.

I hereby strongly object against the proposed Boulders Wind Farm.

1. Me and my family are property owners and permanent resident in Britannica Heights which is right next to one of the proposed sites namely Davids Fontyn 18 portion 7/18 - I mean the proposed wind turbines will be next to our back yards.
2. The proposed towers will be much much taller then the existing farm and be much much closer to our residential homes negatively impacting our property values, our health, our sleep etc. not to mention the blade noise levels during the night and the detrimental effect it will have on our general health and way of life.
3. Re the Boulders Wind Farm Final Scoping Report Appendix A, Page 27 Par 2.4.1; There should be another bullet as a site selection Driver namely:  
>> NOT right next to a residential community's homes.

We do get the facts regarding alternative power solutions, job creation, availability of wind and connection stations etc etc BUT why can't it be further away from our residential properties - NO wind farm should be done on Davids Fontein 18 (both portions) or Schuitjes Klip 22 portion 1/22. We as property owners and residents have to defend our rights against these wind farm developers on a regular basis and it is starting to feel like harassment. This close to our homes should be a permanent NO.

Regards

Debora Jordaan

Affected party & resident Britannica Heights, St Helena Bay

**On Tue, May 28, 2019 at 2:09 PM Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:**

Dear Debora



Thank you for the comments and concerns you submitted below. This is to confirm receipt of these. They are noted and will be included in and responded to in the Final EIR for the proposed Boulders Wind Farm.

Please also note that the Draft EIR outlines a proposed layout for the wind farm which has been designed to minimize a wide variety of environmental and social impacts. Consequently, not all the original properties are now proposed to be included in the wind farm. We have checked and there are no turbines proposed on the farms that you mention in your mail.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Debora Jordaan <[debora.jordaan@gmail.com](mailto:debora.jordaan@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 May 2019 17:33  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** [samuel.smit72@gmail.com](mailto:samuel.smit72@gmail.com); Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: BWF - acknowledgement of receipt

Hi Maura

Thank you. Please also add Samuel Smit (copied in on the mail) as an affected party and owner of property in Britannica Heights Smallholdings St Helena Bay.

I take note of what you say regarding the proposed farm areas. If so, then I don't understand the scope doc which forms the basis of the application. To get the correct facts, can you therefore send us a map (1 page document please) of the properties/areas/farms that are now indeed part of and proposed to be suitable and included in the wind farm's proposed site plan?

Regards

Debora

On Wed, May 29, 2019 at 11:09 AM Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:

Dear Debora

The maps of the affected farms and the proposed layout of the turbines and project roads can be seen on page 3 and 4 of the draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report (Available on our website or at the following link:

[http://www.cesnet.co.za/assets/Boulders%20Wind%20Farm%20Draft%20Environmental%20Impact%20Assessment%20Report%20\(EIR\).pdf](http://www.cesnet.co.za/assets/Boulders%20Wind%20Farm%20Draft%20Environmental%20Impact%20Assessment%20Report%20(EIR).pdf)).

Regards

Maura



**From:** Debora Jordaan <[debora.jordaan@gmail.com](mailto:debora.jordaan@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 13:16  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** [samuel.smit72@gmail.com](mailto:samuel.smit72@gmail.com)  
**Subject:** Re: BWF - acknowledgement of receipt

Hi Maura

Thank you for directing me to the maps.

I made a copy of the map and indicated with a Red Circle the proposed wind farm areas that are too close to Britannica Heights Smallholdings - a large residential area in St Helena Bay. See picture attached.

Wind towers so close to our homes will negatively impact our sleep, health, peace & quiet, views and property values. This is not what we signed up for when we bought out properties as far back as 2011.

These proposed monsters will be much taller than the ones already in operation today. We strongly object against it.

Regards

Debora

**Email Attachment:**



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**Acknowledgement of Receipt:**

**From:** Samuel Masemola [<mailto:samuel.masemola@drdlr.gov.za>]

**Sent:** Thursday, 30 May 2019 15:04

**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** Acknowledgement Letter: T2019-0310: NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS EXTENSION OF DRAFT EIR & HIA REVIEW DEADLINE PROPOSED BOULDERS WIND FARM, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE

Good afternoon

I acknowledge with thanks receipt of your email dated 30 May 2019, addressed to the Director General regarding the subject matter.

Kindly note that the matter has been referred to the Acting Deputy Director General: Spatial Planning and Land Use Management: Mr Rajesh Makan for further attention and response.

Should you wish to follow up on this matter, kindly contact Ms Malebo Baloi: Tel: 012 312 9851. Email: [Malebo.Baloi@drdlr.gov.za](mailto:Malebo.Baloi@drdlr.gov.za) or Mr Ramaleho Saila: Tel: 012 312 9665. Email: [ramaleho.saila@drdlr.gov.za](mailto:ramaleho.saila@drdlr.gov.za)

Kind regards

Mr Samuel Masemola

For Office of the Director General



Department of Rural Development and Land Reform

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**Notification of Intent to Develop:**

**From:** Katie Smuts <[katie.smuts@gmail.com](mailto:katie.smuts@gmail.com)>

**Sent:** 28 May 2019 12:08 PM

**To:** Waseefa Dhansay <[Waseefa.Dhansay@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Waseefa.Dhansay@westerncape.gov.za)>

**Cc:** Andrew T September <[Andrew.September@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Andrew.September@westerncape.gov.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** Boulders Wind Farm - Draft EIA: HWC ref 1802202SB0314E

Dear Waseefa,

**Proposed Boulders Wind Farm, West Coast DEA Reference – 14/12/16/3/3/2/1057**

I was forwarded an email from you by the EAP regarding the above report.

You requested that a NID be submitted. The NID was submitted last year, and the HWC RNID is appended in my report.

I have attached it below for your convenience.

Best,

Katie

**From:** Waseefa Dhansay <[Waseefa.Dhansay@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Waseefa.Dhansay@westerncape.gov.za)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 07:14

**To:** Katie Smuts <[katie.smuts@gmail.com](mailto:katie.smuts@gmail.com)>; Stephanie Barnardt <[Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za)>

**Cc:** Andrew T September <[Andrew.September@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Andrew.September@westerncape.gov.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** RE: Boulders Wind Farm - Draft EIA: HWC ref 1802202SB0314E

Dear Katie

Thank you – HWC will await the formal submission of the HIA as per the ROD.



**REGISTERED POST**

**Our Ref:** HM/ WEST COAST / MATZIKAMA / VREDENBURG  
FARM 2/40, 3/40, 5/40, 2/46, 3/22, 9/18, 1/22, 1/21, 7/18, 6/23  
**Case No.:** 18022025B0314E  
**Enquiries:** Stephanie-Anne Bamardt  
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**Tel:** 021 483 9370  
**Date:** 29 March 2018

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**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO DEVELOP: HIA REQUIRED**  
In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) and the Western Cape  
Provincial Gazette 4061, Notice 298 of 2003

**NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO DEVELOP: PROPOSED WIND ENERGY FACILITY, VREDENBURG, SUBMITTED IN  
TERMS OF SECTION 38(8) OF THE NATIONAL HERITAGE RESOURCES ACT (ACT 25 OF 1999)**

**CASE NUMBER: 18022025B0314E**

The matter above has reference.

Heritage Western Cape is in receipt of your application for the above matter received on 14 March 2018. This matter was discussed at the Heritage Officers meeting held on 27 March 2018.

You are hereby notified that, since there is reason to believe that the proposed wind energy facility, Vredenburg will impact on heritage resources, HWC requires that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) that satisfies the provisions of section 38(3) of the NHRA be submitted. This HIA must have specific reference to the following:

- Visual impacts of the proposed development on the rural landscape
- Impact of the proposed development on paleontological fossil remain
- Impact on archaeological remains of the developed area

The required HIA must have an integrated set of recommendations.

Please note, should you require the HIA to be submitted as a Phased HIA, a written request must be submitted to HWC prior to submission. HWC reserves the right to determine whether a phased HIA is acceptable on a case by case basis.

The comments of relevant registered conservation bodies; all interested and affected parties; and the relevant Municipality must be requested and included in the HIA where provided. Proof of these requests must be supplied.

HWC reserves the right to request additional information as required.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the official above and quote the case number.

Yours faithfully

P.E Meyer  
Acting Deputy Director, Heritage Western Cape

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**Request for Information on the Final EIR**

**From:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 29 July 2019 11:59  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Proposed Boulders Wind farm process schedule

Dear Maura,

I am writing to enquire as to the process going forward with regard to the draft EIR for the Proposed Boulders Wind Farm.

Please can you provide me with a schedule of anticipated events and when and where the I&APs will be given further opportunity to react to your comments on our submissions and any further reports and for what period we might be given this opportunity?

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Kind regards,

PETER

[www.wildlandphoto.com](http://www.wildlandphoto.com)  
[www.pickfordwildlifephotography.com](http://www.pickfordwildlifephotography.com)

On 30 Jul 2019, at 13:10, Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:

Dear Mr Pickford

I am unfortunately not in a position to provide you with clarification on when we will be completing and submitting the Final EIR. We are still deep in the process of reviewing all the comments and getting the specialists to respond and finalise their reports, and are uncertain as to when this will be complete.

In accordance with the legislated EIA process, once we have incorporated all the comments into the Comments and Response Report, and made amendments to the draft reports (specialist, EIR, and EMP), they will then be submitted to the DEA who will initiate the decision making stage of the EIA process. During this stage, the DEA are obliged to receive additional comments from IAPs. The determination of the need for any additional formalised consultation with IAPs rests with them.



I assure you that you and all the registered IAPs will be informed when the final reports are submitted and when and where you can access these reports and submit any further comments.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 30 July 2019 13:54  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: Proposed Boulders Wind farm process schedule

Thank you Maura.

If at all possible, I would be grateful for any advance warning that CES can give us that your responses are almost complete and that we can expect the report to be submitted to the DEA.

Many thanks,

PETER

**From:** Maura Talbot  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 31 July 2019 17:11  
**To:** Peter Pickford <[pbpickford@gmail.com](mailto:pbpickford@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Proposed Boulders Wind farm process schedule

Dear Mr Pickford

As mentioned below the timing of the release of the final EIR is uncertain but that we will alert you to its release in due course.

Regards

Maura

**Request for link to Draft EIA:**

On Mon, 3 Jun 2019 at 14:29, Stephanie Barnardt <[Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za)> wrote:

Good day Katie



Is it possible to send me a link to the digital draft EIA for Boulders Wind Farm, I need rather urgently as the matter has been referred to IACom for primary comments on the draft. The meeting is going to held next week Wednesday, 12.6.2019.

Kind regards,

**From:** Katie Smuts [<mailto:katie.smuts@gmail.com>]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2019 02:37 PM  
**To:** Stephanie Barnardt; Maura Talbot  
**Subject:** Re: Boulders wind farm Draft EIA

Dear Stephanie,

I have not received a copy of the whole document. I am copying in the EAP, Maura Talbot, who will be able to assist you by providing the documents you require.

Best,

Katie

**From:** Maura Talbot [<mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za>]  
**Sent:** 03 June 2019 02:51 PM  
**To:** Stephanie Barnardt  
**Cc:** Katie Smuts  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders wind farm Draft EIA

Hi Stephanie

An electronic copy of the Draft EIR and all the appendices including the HIA are available for download from the CES webpage for this project namely  
<http://www.cesnet.co.za/boulders-wind-farm-eia>

The files are too large to email.

Regards

Maura

**From:** Stephanie Barnardt <[Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 03 June 2019 15:37  
**To:** Katie Smuts <[katie.smuts@gmail.com](mailto:katie.smuts@gmail.com)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders wind farm Draft EIA

Good day Katie

I have received the link from Maura. Please note that this matter has been referred to IACom for 12 June 2019.



The meeting will take place at our offices and starts at 9am.

Please note, you are welcome to attend.

The agenda will be made available on our website towards the end of the week.

Kind regards,

**From:** Stephanie Barnardt <[Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za](mailto:Stephanie.Barnardt@westerncape.gov.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 04 June 2019 14:24  
**To:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Katie Smuts <[katie.smuts@gmail.com](mailto:katie.smuts@gmail.com)>  
**Subject:** RE: Boulders wind farm Draft EIA

Good day Maura and Katie

Please can you provide me the deadline for the comment.

Kind regards,

**Discussion on Property and Visuals:**

**From:** Robert Morley <[robert.morley@pamgolding.co.za](mailto:robert.morley@pamgolding.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 11 June 2019 11:18  
**To:** Louise Van Aardt <[info@cesnet.co.za](mailto:info@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>; Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Proposed Boulders Wind Energy Facility, Western Cape Province

Dear Sirs

With regards to above proposed Boulders Wind Energy Facility I wish to register as an interested/affected party.

In addition, I strongly object to this proposal for the following primary reasons:

1. The proposal represents gross visual pollution in terms of its location in the heart of a popular tourism hotspot as well as a pristine unspoiled natural area.



2. The proposal will lead to noise pollution, vibrations and consequent interference with natural birdlife and migratory paths.
3. There are more than sufficient alternative areas on the West Coast for such proposed installations, where no established and existing development/infrastructure will be adversely affected by introducing new wind energy developments
4. The “polluting” effect of the proposed wind farm activities will seriously affect tourism development in the greater St Helena Bay area as investors in property in this area are those seeking an unspoiled natural environment

Yours faithfully

Robert Morley

232 Golden Mile Boulevard

Britannia Bay

St Helena Bay

Tel: 082 4140604

Email: [robert.morley@pamgolding.co.za](mailto:robert.morley@pamgolding.co.za)

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**Queries on Imagery:**

**From:** mary ralphs <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Subject:** High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

**Date:** 31 May 2019 at 17:01:49 SAST

**To:** [lourens@logis.co.za](mailto:lourens@logis.co.za)

**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>

Dear Lourens

Thank you for your time on the phone earlier today.

As mentioned, I am a resident of Britannica Heights in St Helena Bay, and would be very grateful if you could send to send me high-resolution versions of the simulations that you prepared for your visual impact assessment of Boulders Wind Farm. The images I am most interested are the before and after views of the turbines from the various receptor sites?

The images in the online version are understandably quite low resolution, and therefore difficult to fully make out. And because visual impact is probably the most crucial aspect of the project for all of the IAPs who live in the area, better quality images will be enormously



useful in providing the information that IAPs need to respond to the EIA.

I accept that clearance for this needs to come from the EAP involved and have therefore cc'd Maura Talbot into this message. In case you need it, her phone number is 021 045 0900.

I look forward to your positive response.

With many thanks and best wishes

Mary

**From:** mary ralphs <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>

**Sent:** Thursday, 06 June 2019 7:27 PM

**To:** [lourens@logis.co.za](mailto:lourens@logis.co.za)

**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>

**Subject:** Fwd: High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

Dear Lourens

I'm not sure if you had any response from Maura at CES on this issue?

Having seen no response, I tried to call her on Monday and was told she would be away this week. I then left a message for Michael Johnson to please call me about the images but to no avail.

By way of illustration, I attach a screen grab showing how low-res the images supplied in the pdf actually are.

Please could I ask you to follow up with Michael as a matter of urgency? Comments on the EIA have to be in by 2 July so time is really very short.

With many thanks

Mary Ralphs

<image001.jpg>

**On 07 Jun 2019, at 07:54, Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)> wrote:**

Hi Mary,

Sorry for the delayed response. The message was passed onto me that you called on Monday, where after I requested the full resolution photomontages from Lourens on Tuesday and received on Wednesday. Maura was travelling yesterday as well as today, so I don't think she has access to her emails.

Attached are the photo simulations comparing the original proposed layout (top) and the final proposed layout (bottom).



Please let me know if you have any questions or if I can assist in any other way.

Kind Regards  
Michael

**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Friday, 07 June 2019 16:35  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>; Lourens du Plessis <[lourens@logis.co.za](mailto:lourens@logis.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

Hi Michael

Apologies if you felt hounded. Had I known the images were on their way I would have been more patient.

Thank you for sending these images that show the proposed placements before and after mitigation. Is it possible for you to share the other view points as well, that is the full before and after series? Perhaps send them via WeTransfer if email file size is a problem?

Lastly, may I assume that it is ok for me to share these images with my neighbours, etc. as part of the public participation process?

Thanks and best wishes

Mary

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 June 2019 16:04  
**To:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

Hi Mary,

With regards to the other photomontages, you are more than welcome to have them. However, I am concerned that they may cause confusion as they were prepared based on the original draft layout (i.e. before the seven turbines were relocated).

The seven turbines were relocated by the developer due to visual impacts highlighted by the specialist and I&AP's, this is discussed in the Visual Impact Assessment and some additional photomontages were developed. These were the ones that I sent to you.



With regards to your last question, you are welcome to share the photomontages with your neighbours.

Kind Regards

Michael

**From:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Monday, 10 June 2019 20:11  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Re: High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

Dear Michael

With respect, relocating seven turbines might make you feel better but is going to make zero difference to how much damage the turbines do on several levels if the project is allowed to go ahead.

Please do send me the other images. I will make sure that people I show them to know that the layout they show is not final.

The problem with the set that I have is that they are not comparatively sized - the turbines are closer to Britannica Heights than to Paternoster but the size of the turbines shown is smaller.

I want to see if the earlier set is more accurate.

Thanks and all the best

Mary

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 11 June 2019 08:55  
**To:** mary <[maryralphs@mweb.co.za](mailto:maryralphs@mweb.co.za)>  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: High resolution images of the Boulders Wind Farm

Hi Mary

Below is the dropbox link to the set of photomontages that were prepared for the original draft layout (i.e. before the relocation of the seven turbines).

[https://www.dropbox.com/s/trtmeq737l4f0to/BouldersWF\\_Photosims.zip?dl=0](https://www.dropbox.com/s/trtmeq737l4f0to/BouldersWF_Photosims.zip?dl=0)

Kind Regards

Michael

*Request for Contact details of the Applicant*



**From:** [henry@alliedcranehire.co.za](mailto:henry@alliedcranehire.co.za) <[henry@alliedcranehire.co.za](mailto:henry@alliedcranehire.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 7:47 AM  
**To:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** Allied Crane Hire Saldanha

Good morning Michael,

I hope you can assist me, I've read the notice of the construction of the wind farm Boulders in Vredenburg and as Allied Crane Hire has a branch in Saldanha we would like to know if you are allowed to give us contact details to the persons we can talk to regarding the projects lifting / transport needs.

**From:** Michael Johnson <[m.johnson@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.johnson@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 May 2019 11:06  
**To:** [henry@alliedcranehire.co.za](mailto:henry@alliedcranehire.co.za)  
**Cc:** Maura Talbot <[m.talbot@cesnet.co.za](mailto:m.talbot@cesnet.co.za)>  
**Subject:** RE: Allied Crane Hire Saldanha

Dear Henry,

Unfortunately, we are not at liberty to distribute contact details of the applicant. Please note that I have included you in our database of Interested and Affected Parties so that you can be kept up to date with the Environmental Impact Assessment process.

Kind Regards

Michael Johnson