

CONTACT DETAILS

Name of Company	CES – Environmental and Social Advisory Services
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Profession	Environmental Consultant
Years with firm	3
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Nationality	South African
Professional Affiliations	International Association of Impact Assessment (IAIAsa) Environmental Assessment Practitioners Association of South Africa - Interim Certification Board (EAPSA)
Key areas of expertise	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Environmental Impact Assessments: Basic and Full Scoping & EIR• Environmental Management Plans• Environmental Feasibility Studies• Water Use Licensing• Public Participation and Stakeholder Engagement• Construction Compliance Monitoring• Environmental and Social Due Diligence• Auditing / Compliance Monitoring• Environmental Risk Management• Geographical Information Systems and Mapping

PROFILE

Ms Robyn Thomson

Robyn is a Principal Environmental Consultant with 16 years' experience. She holds a BSc degree with majors in Archaeology, Environmental and Geographical Science, as well as a BSc (Hons) in Environmental Science from the University of Cape Town and Rhodes University respectively. Robyn's key experience includes renewable energy developments, linear developments, residential developments and mining developments, with her main interest being on renewable energy. Her main focuses include Project Management, Basic Assessment Processes, Scoping and EIA Processes, the Environmental Authorisation (EA) Amendment Processes, Reviewing Reports, the Public Participation Process (PPP), Water Use Licence Applications and associated reports and GIS Mapping. Robyn completed both the Introduction to Environmental Impact Assessment Procedure and Introduction to Environmental Risk Assessment Short Courses by Coastal and Environmental Services and the Department of Environmental Science Rhodes University respectively. In addition, Robyn is a member of the International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIA).

Her experience with renewable energy facilities and associated infrastructure includes the report writing for various components of the Chaba WEF, Albany WEF, Haga Haga WEF, Waaihoek WEF, Great Kei WEFs in the Eastern Cape and the Soutrivier and Taaibos WEF cluster and Soyuz WEF cluster in the Northern Cape. She is currently employed in the East London Office of CES and is core part of the renewable energy project management team.

**EMPLOYMENT
EXPERIENCE**

Principal Environmental Consultant – Coastal and Environmental Services (East London)

August 2022 – Present

Senior Environmental Consultant – Coastal and Environmental Services (East London)

March 2020 – August 2022

- Developing EIAs
- Developing Environmental Management Plans & Programmes
- Conducting Site Assessments
- Mining License Applications
- Construction Environmental Compliance Monitoring
- Client Liaison
- Authority Consultation
- Facilitating Public Participation & Stakeholder Engagement
- Technical and Financial Project Management
- Water Use License Applications
- Geographic Information Systems

Environmental Consultant/ Director – Makhetha Environmental Consultants

September 2012 – February 2020

Environmental Scientist – SRK Consulting

October 2006 – August 2010

GIS Technician – Conservation Support Services

August 2004 – September 2006

Environmental Consultant – Greenergy

November 2003 – July 2004

**ACADEMIC
QUALIFICATIONS**

- 2003 - B.Sc. Environmental and Geographical Science, and Archaeology (UCT)
- 2007 - B.Sc. (Hons) Environmental Science (Rhodes)

**CONTINUING
PROFESSIONAL
DEVELOPMENT**

- NOSA Occupational Health and Safety Auditors Course, 2013
- Rhodes University and Coastal and Environmental Services, Introduction to Environmental Impact Assessment, 2006.
- Rhodes University Investec Business School, Environmental Risk Assessment, 2006.
- Rhodes University, Introduction to GIS, 2005.
- Regular attendance at Environmental Quality Management Forums and Workshops conducted by the Eastern Cape Provincial Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEDEAT).

**PROFESSIONAL
EXPERIENCE**

Robyn has been involved in various roles (i.e. lead author, co-author, project manager, reviewer, GIS specialist, public participation) on the following projects:

Environmental Impact Assessments and EMPr's:

- Uitenhage Wood Treatment Plant, Uitenhage, Eastern Cape Province (2006);
- Straits Chemical Chlor-Alkali Plant, Coega, Eastern Cape (2007);
- St Francis Bay Beach Remediation, St Francis Bay, Eastern Cape (2007);
- Woodlands Collector Sewer Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2007)
- Underground Storage Tank Decommissioning, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Underground Storage Tank Decommissioning, Port Alfred, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Motherwell Waste Transfer Station, Motherwell, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Paapenkuils Bulk Sewer Augmentation, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2007);
- Seaview Bulk Water Supply, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008)
- Churchill Pipeline Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008)
- Kwazakhele Collector Sewer Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Amanzi Reservoir and Pipeline, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Markman Wastewater Ponds, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2009);
- Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality Kwazakhele Road Upgrade, Eastern Cape (2009);
- Nooitgedagt/ Coega Low Level Water Supply Scheme, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2009)
- Uitenhage Reclaimed Effluent System Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2010)
- Witteklip Bulk Water Supply and Wastewater Treatment Works, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2009)
- TR15 Road Upgrade, Matatiele Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2010);
- Fibre Optic Data Cable, Boemfontein to Graaff-Reinet, George to Port Elizabeth, Port Elizabeth to Colesberg, Aliwal North to East London, Free State, Western Cape, Northern Cape and Eastern Cape, (2011);
- R61 Section 6 Road Upgrade, Engcobo Local Municipality, Eastern Cape, (2012);
- Centane Kei River Mouth Road Upgrade, Mquma Local Municipality, Eastern Cape, (2012);
- R61 Section 2 Road Upgrade, Inxuba Yethemba Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2012);
- Whittlesea Borrow Pits, Lukhanji Local Municipality, Eastern Cape, (2012);
- R61 Section 8 Road Upgrade, Port St Johns Local Municipality, Eastern Cape, (2012);

- N1 Section 14 Road Upgrade, Kapanong Local Municipality, Free State, (2012);
- DR08017 (Sections 2B and 2C) Road Upgrade, Matatiele Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2012);
- Masbulele Trading, Fuel Transportation Environmental Management Plan, Queenstown, Eastern Cape (2013);
- R61 Section 6 Road Upgrade, Intsika Yethu Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2014);
- Design of Dust Control System for the K24 Tunnel, Richards Bay Port, uMhlathuze Local Municipality, Kwa-Zulu Natal (2015);
- Port of Ngqura Stormwater Management Plan, Coega, Eastern Cape (2017);
- Coffee Bay Bulk Water Supply Phase 3B, Coffee Bay, King Sabata Dalindyebo Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2019);
- Breidbach Pumpsation and Sewer Line, Breidbach, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape (2019);
- Elundini Rural Drought Relief Programme, Wards, 1, 5, 6 and 7, Elundini Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2019);
- Osner Housing Development, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020);
- R72 Hamburg Quarry, Nqushwa Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- R56 Edendale Quarry, Matatiele Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Refele Village Sportsfield and Grandstand, Elundini Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Great Kei Concrete Tower Manufacturing Facility, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Chaba Battery Storage Facility, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Sakhisizwe Contractors Water Abstraction; Amahlati Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Wenah Housing Development (WULA), Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020);
- Wild Coast Abalone Expansion, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Wihananah Graphite Exploration, Inhambane, Cabo Delgado, Mozambique (2021);
- Wild Coast Abalone expansion EIA, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);
- Waaihoek Wind Energy Facility, Part 2 Amendment, Kwa-Zulu Natal (2021);
- Haga Haga Wind Energy Facility access roads Basic Assessment, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2021);
- Kroondal Chrome Mine TSF and WRD redesign Basic Assessment and Water Use Licence, North West Province (2021/2022);
- Lido Avenue residential development, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (2021);
- Senqu Rural Water Supply Scheme Basic Assessment, Senqu Local

Municipality (2021/2022);

- Latrodex Wind Turbines Basic Assessment, Great Kei Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2022);
- Glencore Eastern Mines, Thornecliff, Helena & Marageng Mines Water Use Licences, Limpopo Province (2022);
- Buchule residential development Basic Assessment, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (2021);
- Inyathi BESS Basic Assessment, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (2022);
- Mulilo Newcastle WEF, Kwa-Zulu Natal (2022);
- Victoria West 5 x WEFs, GIS mapping, Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality, Northern Cape (2022);
- Soyuz Britstown 6 x WEFs, Scoping and EIR, Pixley Ka Seme District Municipality, Northern Cape (2022);
- Eskom Hex BESS, EMPr updating, Western Cape (2022);

Baseline Environmental assessment:

- Florida residential development, Uitenhage, Eastern Cape (2006).
- Coastal Infrastructure Upgrades, Bitou Local Municipality, Western Cape (2020)
- BCMM Stormwater and Sewage Reclamation Feasibility, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality (2021/2022);

Environmental auditing, due diligence and compliance monitoring:

- Churchill Pipeline Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008)
- Kwazakhele Collector Sewer Upgrade, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Amanzi Reservoir and Pipeline, Port Elizabeth, Eastern Cape (2008);
- Nelson Mandela Bay Municipality Kwazakhele Road Upgrade, Eastern Cape (2009); and
- Coffee Bay Bulk Water Supply Phase 3B, Coffee Bay, King Sabata Dalindyebo Local Municipality, Eastern Cape (2019);
- Breidbach Pumpsation and Sewer Line, Breidbach, Buffalo City Metropolitan Municipality, Eastern Cape (2020/21);

Strategic Environmental Assessment:

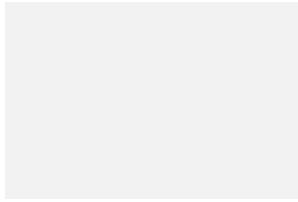
- Afforestation Potential in Water Management Area 12, Eastern Cape (2005); and
- Environmental Management Framework for the coastal zone between Port Alfred and Kei Mouth, Eastern Cape (2009).

Environmental Contamination Assessment:

- Secondary Asbestos Contamination Survey, Northern Cape, North-West Province, Mpumalanga and Limpopo (2006).

Specialist Geographical Information Systems:

- Chris Hani District Municipality Rural Infrastructure Asset Register, Eastern Cape (2005).



Community Social Development:

- eShowe Bulk Water Supply, uMlalazi Local Municipality, Kwa-Zulu Natal (2014-2017); and
- Department of Education Fencing of 37 rural schools in the OR Tambo and Alfred Nzo District Municipalities, Eastern Cape (2016).

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief, this CV correctly describes me, my qualifications, and my experience. I understand that any wilful misstatement described herein may lead to my disqualification or dismissal, if engaged.



Robyn Thomson

Date: 23 May 2023