



MEETING NOTES

JOB TITLE	Klawer WEF 22kV Powerline BAR
PROJECT NUMBER	41103011
DATE	28 April 2021
TIME	10h00
VENUE	Online (MS Teams)
SUBJECT	Pre-Application Meeting with DFFE
CLIENT	Red Rocket South Africa (Pty) Ltd
PRESENT	Bathandwa Ncube (DFFE) – BN Kevin Mathebula (DFFE) – KM Masina Litsoane (DFFE) – ML Magdalena Logan (Red Rocket) – ML Janine Brasington (Red Rocket) – JB Tim Szöke (Red Rocket) – TS Ashlea Strong (WSP) – AS Robert Els (WSP) – RE Jennifer Green (WSP) – JG
APOLOGIES	None
DISTRIBUTION	As above

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1.0 INTRODUCTIONS AND WELCOME	
— RE welcomed everyone followed by a round of introductions and an overview of the meeting agenda	
2.0 PROJECT BACKGROUND	
2.1 Project Background and Description — RE provided a brief background to the Klawer 22kV Overhead Powerline (OHPL) (the Project) as well as the associated Klawer WEF (a PowerPoint Presentation was presented to all attendees to provide additional information and mapping)	— DFFE to confirm in e-mail if the Klawer OHPL Project will benefit from the shortened decision-making timeframes as outlined in GN 113
2.2 Competent Authority — RE indicated that DFFE had been identified as the Competent Authority (CA) and that this had been confirmed by DEA&DP — BN confirmed that DFFE is indeed the CA and the application will need to be lodged with them	

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<p>2.3 Applicability of Shortened Timeframes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RE requested confirmation if the Project will benefit from the shortened decision-making timeframes (57 days instead of 90 days) outlined in GN 113 as the Project falls within the Western Strategic Transmission Corridor BN noted the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the Overhead Powerline is 22kV and so it does not trigger Activity 11 of Listing Notice 1 or Activity 9 of Listing Notice 2 the EGI Notice states that the shortened timeframes are applicable to Projects that trigger Activity 9 of LN 2 (i.e. larger projects) and require a S&EIA process to be authorised it is her belief that the shortened timeframes therefore do not apply to the Klawer OHPL Project; however, this will be confirmed internally and communicated to the applicant/WSP via e-mail ML noted that although the proposed Project triggers a BA process because the Klawer WEF is a preferred bidder and the Klawer OHPL falls within the Western Strategic Transmission Corridor it may be possible to benefit from the shortened timeframes; however' ML reiterated that this will be confirmed via e-mail RE asked if a formal request is required to be submitted to DFFE to confirm the applicability of the shortened timeframes ML advised that it would not be necessary and that the pre-application meeting is sufficient 	
<p>3.0 QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS</p>	
<p>3.1 Specialist Studies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> RE ran through the specialist assessments as identified in the DEA Screening Tool and noted that all assessments were to be commissioned for the Project, with the exception of the landscape/visual assessment and hydrology assessment RE noted that although a standalone hydrology assessment will not be undertaken, hydrology will be addressed in the aquatic biodiversity assessment for the Project BN advised that this is acceptable RE further noted that a standalone landscape/visual impact assessment is not proposed as the Project will not significantly alter the sense of place of the area given that it will run adjacent to an existing 66kV OHPL, rather the sense of place will be addressed as baseline environment within the BAR BN requested clarity on the location of the nearest residential areas and if these fall along the route RE indicated on the map (shared on screen in the meeting) that the closest residential settlement is Klawer, which is North of the OHPL, and that the entirety of the transmission line route is within farm land BN advised that this approach is acceptable however requested that WSP include a motivation in the BAR outlining the reason for excluding a landscape/visual impact assessment <p>3.2 Public Participation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BN advised that as the Project falls within a CBA the Draft BAR will need to be provided to the DFFE Biodiversity and Conservation Unit for comment BN agreed that the draft BAR must be provided to Heritage Western Cape and that there will be no need to ask SAHRA for comment BN noted that WSP will need to submit a PPP Plan to DFFE for approval before the application is lodged RE confirmed that this has been compiled and will be sent as soon as possible BN added that it would be advisable to place site notices at different points along the route as well as in public places (such as the municipality) BN also noted that the PPP Plan should include details on how people with no internet access will be provided an opportunity to participate BN suggested that phone calls or SMS notifications may be required to ensure that all I&APs are appropriately notified RE confirmed that the PPP Plan will be updated to account for people without access to the internet access and the illiterate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> WSP to include motivation in BAR to exclude standalone landscape/visual impact assessment WSP to ensure that the PPP Plan adequately considers potential stakeholders without access to internet and the illiterate

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4.0 WAY FORWARD	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">— RE summarised the following action points for the way forward:<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ WSP to formalise meeting minutes and distribute to all parties▪ WSP to finalise PPP Plan for approval by DFFE▪ DFFE to confirm via e-mail if the proposed project will benefit from the shortened decision-making timeframes associated with GN 113▪ WSP to draft the application form and submit to DFFE along with all required supporting documentation— BN advised that any other matters can be discussed via e-mail correspondence <p>No further points were raised for discussion.</p> <p>RE closed the meeting at 10h45.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">— WSP to formalise meeting minutes and distribute to all parties— WSP to finalise PPP Plan and submit to DFFE for approval— WSP to draft the application form and submit to DFFE along with all required supporting documentation

NEXT MEETING

No additional meetings have been scheduled.