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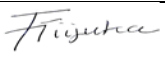

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ABBREVIATIONS

AIDS	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
BID	Background Information Document
DEA	Directorate of Environmental Affairs
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EC	Environmental Commissioner
ECC	Environmental Clearance Certificate
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMA	Environmental Management Act No.7 Of 2007
EMP	Environmental Management Plan
EPL	Exclusive Prospecting Licence
ESAR	Environmental Scoping Assessment Report
GPS	Global Positioning System
Ha	Hectare
HIV	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
IAPs	Interested and Affected Parties
Km	Kilometre
MEFT	Ministry Of Environment, Forestry and Tourism
ML	Mining Licence

Mm	Millimetre
MME	Ministry of Mines and Energy
NAMPOWER	Namibia Power Corporation
PPEs	Personal Protective Equipments
PPP	Public Participatory Process
ToR	Terms of Reference

GLOSSARY

Definitions given below are for explanatory purposes only.

Activity	The physical work that a Proponent intends to construct, operate, change, decommission, or an activity that a Proponent proposes to carry out.
Alternative	A choice limited to one of two or more possibilities, as of things, proposals, or courses of action, the selection of which precludes any other possibility.
Assessment	The process of identifying, predicting, and evaluating the significant effects of activities on the environment; and the risks and consequences of activities and their alternatives and options for mitigation with a view to minimise the effects/impacts of activities on the environment.
Competent Authority	A body or person authorized under the local authorities act or Environmental Management Act to enforce the rule of law.
Contaminated Water	Water polluted by the Contractor's activities, e.g. concrete water, and runoff from plant/personnel wash areas.
Cumulative Impacts	In relation to an activity, means the impact of an activity that in itself may not be significant but may become significant when added to the existing and potential impacts from similar or diverse activities or undertakings in the area.
Environment	As defined in the Environmental Assessment Policy and Environmental Management Act – refers to “land, water and air; all organic and inorganic matter and living organisms as well as biological diversity; the interacting natural systems that include components referred to in sub-paragraphs, the human environment insofar as it represents archaeological, aesthetic, cultural, historic, economic, paleontological or social values”.
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)	The process of examining the environmental effects of a development as prescribed by the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (2012) for activities listed as List of Activities which may not be undertaken without an Environmental Clearance Certificate from the Environmental Commissioner.

Environmental Management Plan (EMP)	A working document on environmental and socio-economic mitigation measures, which must be implemented by several responsible parties during all the phases of the proposed project.
Independent Environmental Control Officer	A qualified professional independent from the Proponent and Contractor who oversees the construction phase and ensure that all environmental specifications and EMP requirements are met during the phase. Will also be responsible for the monitoring, revising, and verifying of compliance with the EMP by the Contractor.
Interested & Affected Parties (IAP)	Any person, group of persons or organisation interested in, or affected by an activity; and any organ of state that may have influence over any aspect of the activity.
Listed Activity	An activity listed in terms of the Environmental Management Act (No. 7 of 2007) and its EIA Regulations (2012) and the List of Activities which may not be carried out without an Environmental Clearance Certificate from the Environmental Commissioner.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The proponent, Mr. Vincente Anthony Greeff intends to carry out small-scale exploration activities of Industrial Minerals on mining claim 70812. Mining claim 70812 measures 17.1615 hectares (ha) in extent. The claim is approximately 33km North-East of Uis in Erongo region.

This proposed project is a listed activity according to the Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007 and its Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2012.

The main objective of the environmental assessment was to summarize and analyse the likely environmental impacts (both positive and negative), which may likely result from the proposed exploration activities on the mining claim.

The likely impacts identified and assessed during the environmental assessment that may be expected during the proposed exploration project include: dust & noise, health & safety, visual, ecological, groundwater and surface water and socio-economic.

The Environmental Management Plan (EMP) shall guide the proponent to make sure that the likely negative impacts are lessened to minimal or zero during the mineral exploration period.

The proponent shall utilize the available historical mineral occurrence data to determine the mineral exploration/prospecting within the mining claim. Surface investigations and other methods such as geophysical surveys, drilling, trenching and bulk sampling shall be carried out. Traditional ways of trenches and shallow pitting will be used; reverse circulation drilling will be used for deeper targets.

The assessment found that no damage, disturbance or any material, fauna and flora species protected under the National Heritage Act (27 of 2004) is likely to happen.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION

The public was informed of the Environmental Scoping Assessment process through:

- Newspaper adverts (Windhoek Observer Newspaper 27 May 2024 & 03 June 2024; and New Era publication newspaper 27 May 2024 & 03 June 2024) respectively.
- Notices were put up at the Regional Council.

RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION

Monitoring will not only be carried out to maintain the low rating of impacts significance but also to make certain that new potential impacts that might arise during project implementation are well identified in time, properly addressed and that appropriate mitigation measures are provided and executed.

Epic Environmental Consultancy CC is confident that the likely negative impacts related with the proposed project activities can be achieved/managed and mitigated by the effective execution of the recommended managing and mitigation actions in the Environmental Management Plan by ensuring that sufficient efforts and commitment is put into practise in monitoring the execution of the measures.

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project Overview

The proponent, Mr. Vincente Anthony Greeff, intends to carry out exploration activities of Industrial Minerals on mining claim 70812 in Erongo region. The Mining claim measures 17.1615 hectares (ha) in size.

This proposed project is a listed activity in terms of the Environmental Management Act (EMA). Before commencing of this proposed project, approval is required for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to be issued by the competent authority to the proponent, as in terms of the Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007 and its EIA regulations of 2012.

The environmental scoping assessment report outlines environmental, social and economic both negative and positive likely impacts that the proposed exploration project might have on all stakeholders involved and the local community at large within the study area. The Environmental Management Plan shall be compiled specifically for this project to supplement the Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) report.

The EMP) is the tool used to minimize the impacts identified during the EA process. The EMA orders that for every activity undergoing an EA procedure, an Environmental Management Plan (EMP) should be established. The EMP outlines mitigation measures alongside specific phases, stages or processes for the proposed project. The EMP for this specific project will outline specific roles and responsibilities that the proponent will adhere to.

Traditional procedures of trenches and shallow pitting will be used; reverse circulation drilling will be used for deeper targets. All holes that will be drilled will be covered completely. Possible negative impacts might include: noise pollution from drilling and heavy equipment/machines will be suppressed, air pollution from dust emission of drilling activities will be suppressed as well and the risk of ground water contamination from grease, lubricants, etc. will be monitored as recommended in the Environmental Management Plan for this proposed project to ensure that environmental measures and compliance is adhered to all the time for the duration of the project. Possible positive impacts of the proposed exploration activities will include: employment creation, skills and knowledge transfer.

Consultation with the residents shall be undertaken by the proponent at all times to identify any concerns or issues, and to ensure that appropriate mitigation and management measures are further established.

An Archaeological and Heritage Impact Assessment (AHIA) was conducted and no archaeological findings were discovered on the mining claim 70812 in Erongo region (see attached Consent from the National Heritage Consent of Namibia).

1.2 Terms of Reference and Appointed EAP

No formal Terms of reference was provided by the proponent. Epic Environmental Consultancy CC was appointed by the proponent (Mr. Vincente Anthony Greeff) to conduct the environmental assessment as required and as stipulated in the Environmental Management Act No. 7 of 2007 and its Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of 2012. The proposed exploration is a listed activity according to the EMA. Thus, an Environmental Clearance Certificate should be approved/issued before the project can commence.

1.3 Need and Desirability of the proposed exploration project

The mining sector contributes to the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP), state tax revenues and export returns. This exploration project will provide the local communities with technical skills as well as job opportunities, this will help to improve their socio-economic status in the region. Furthermore, this exploration project may feasibly enhance to mining work contributing to the Namibian economy.

1.4 Project Alternatives Considered

According to the Environmental Management Act, No. 7 of 2007 and its EIA Regulations of 2012, alternatives considered shall be well analysed to confirm that the project progression and decision-making process, likely environmental impacts, expenses, and viability have been considered leading to the highest preference being recognized.

- Access Roads - Existing road networks will be used during the duration of the proposed project, should any new access be made, it shall be done with the permission of landowners and the relevant competent authorities.

- **Minerals Occurrence Location:** Several minerals economic deposits are known to exist in various locations of Namibia, some have already been explored by several companies over the years. There are no alternative locations considered for explorations.
- **Equipments:** The equipment choices considered by the proponent are considered adequate for the project. The proponent may opt to employ other improved equipment in the future when deemed necessary in order to maximize the project output.
- **Water supply:** During the exploration project water will be brought to site from the nearest town/village and stored in containers or tanks. The alternative is to use existing boreholes or do a hydro search to drill a new borehole with permission from land owners and competent authorities.
- **Alternative power supply:** Power will be sourced from a generator; another alternative will be to use solar panels.

1.4.1 The No-go Alternative

If the proposed project does not take place, the residents will lose out on opportunities, which may probably benefit the community. This planned project can meaningfully contribute to the economy of our country as well; and essentially improve socio-economic benefits in the concerned region as well.

1.4.2 Proposed Exploration Procedures/Techniques

Exploration of the commodities shall contain defining the historical mineral occurrences within the study area where the mining claims are located; which shall take into consideration surveys, drilling, trenching and sampling. A comprehensive planning of trenching measurements and gravel processing shall be done by the proponent to have a better choice of investment requirements.

- ✓ **Geological Mapping:** This includes a desktop evaluation of geographical area maps and observations. The review of geological maps of the area and onsite ground observations and an update of the information obtained during previous geological studies of the area (where possible).
- ✓ **Lithology Geochemical Surveys:** Rock samples will be collected and taken for analysis to be carried out by analytical chemistry laboratories to make sure there is adequate/satisfactory quantities of base & rare or precious metal or other minerals of interest are present. Trenches and/or pits may

be dug depending on the commodity. To ascertain satisfactory risks mitigation, all diggings will be opened and closed straightaway after finding the required samples; and/or the sites will be fenced off until the trenches or pits are closed with the owner of land's permission and relevant authority.

- ✓ Geophysical surveys: This comprises data collection of the substrata, the need for an aero-geophysical contractor might be needed by air or ground, through sensors such as radar, magnetic and electromagnetic to detect any mineralization in the target area and are carried out to establish the mineralisation. Ground geophysical surveys may be carried out, where required using vehicle-mounted sensors or may be hand-held by personnel.
- ✓ Detailed Drilling (Invasive Method): Should any of the samples taken for analytical chemistry laboratories be found positive, holes will be drilled accordingly and more drill samples will be further collected/taken for investigation. Reverse circulation drilling may be considered for deeper targets, this method uses a pneumatic hammer which drives a rotating tungsten-steel bit. This method produces an uncontaminated big size sample comprised of rock chips. Whilst the Diamond drilling may be considered for better geological control and for carrying out processing trials.

Soil sampling generally comprises of small pits being excavated, where 1kg samples can be extracted and filtered to collect 50g of material.

Should the drilling produce positive results, the test quarrying is only a part of the exploration activities to be conducted at a very small-scale level on directed sites of the Mining Claim to support the Proponent to acquire enough and reliable exploration data. Areas that will be found to comprise good value rocks in profitable volumes will then be delineated and a submission will be launched with the Ministry of Mines and Energy (MME) for permitting of a valid mining license, of which a separate Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) shall be undertaken for mining purposes. Therefore, it should be noted that this Environmental Scoping Assessment (ESA) process and its subsequent reporting will only cover the proposed exploration activities.

2. PROJECT LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

Mining Claim 70812 is situated 33km from Uis in Erongo region; and can be accessed using the C35 gravel road from Uis leading to Khorixas/Kamanjab. GPS coordinates: latitude -21.128149° and longitude 14.883120° E.

The proponent intends to undertake exploration activities for Industrial Minerals on the Mining claim.



Figure 1: Location of Mining claim 70812, Erongo region.

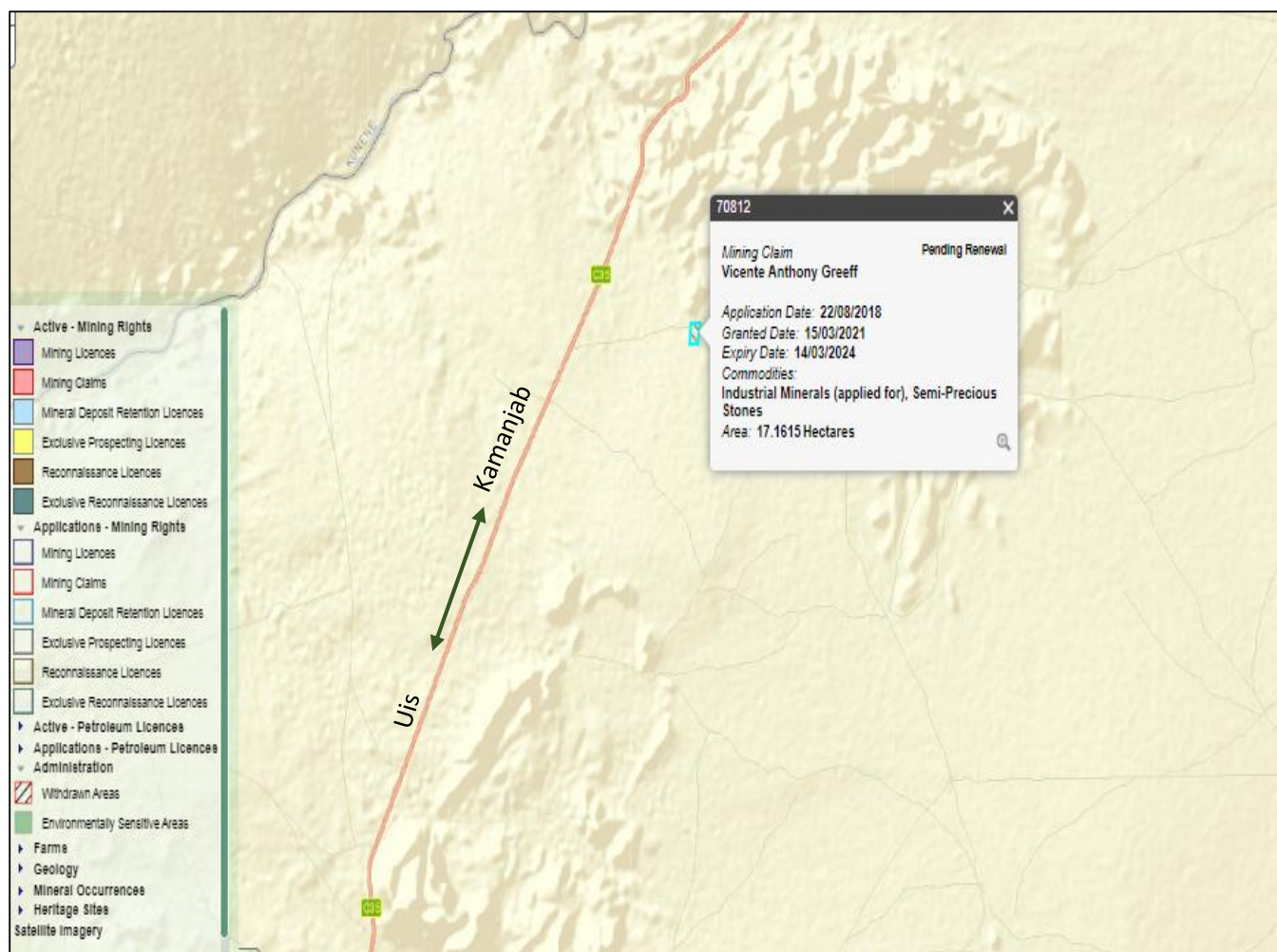


Figure 2: MC 70812 (GPS coordinates: latitude -21.128149° and longitude 14.883120° E).

Table 1: GPS corner coordinates of Mining Claim 70812, Erongo region.

ORDER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE
1	20°59'22" S	14°57'44" E
2	20°59'40" S	14°57'42" E
3	20°59'22" S	14°57'55" E
4	20°59'41" S	14°57'53" E

3. LEGAL FRAMEWORK

3.1 Environmental Management Act (No.7 of 2007)

The Environmental Management Act (also referred to as the EMA), requires that for every activity which is listed under the EIA regulations, an Environmental Clearance Certificate obtained. The purpose of the EIA is to identify, assess and ascertain potential environmental impacts that may arise from the proposed activity. An Environmental Impact Assessment is a process of identifying, predicting, interpreting and communicating potential impacts to interested and affected parties (I&APs).

Section 7 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GN notice No. 30 of 2012), if an activity is listed, an Environmental Scoping Report and Environmental Management Plan should be submitted to the Environmental Commissioner (EC) as part of the application for an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC).

The following sections are pertinent to the proposed exploration works according to the EMA and its EIA Regulations:

“MINING AND QUARRYING ACTIVITIES

- ❖ *3.1 The construction of facilities for any process or activities which requires a licence, right or other form authorisation, and the renewal of a licence, right or other form of authorisation in terms of the Minerals (Prospecting and Mining Act) of 1992.*
- ❖ *3.2 Other forms of mining or extraction of any natural resources whether regulated by law or not.*
- ❖ *3.3 Resource extraction, manipulation, conservation and related activities.*
- ❖ *3.4 The extraction or processing of gas from natural and non-natural resources, including gas from landfill sites.*
- ❖ *3.5 The extraction of peat.”*

3.2 Associated National Legislations

Table 1: Associated national legislations

Legislation	Applicability	Legislation Objective(s)
The Namibian Constitution	To maintain the ecosystems, ecological processes and biological diversity by conducting Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).	“The state shall actively promote and maintain the welfare of the people by adopting policies that are aimed at...maintenance of ecosystems, essential ecological processes and the biological diversity of Namibia and utilization of natural resources on a sustainable basis for the benefit of all Namibians, both for present and future”.
Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007	Legal requirement to carry out an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA).	The Environmental Management Act No.7 of 2007 promotes the sustainable management of the environment and the use of natural resources and provides for the process of assessment and control of activities which may have significant effects on the environment; and provides for incidental matters. The Act ensures that potential impacts are considered, a comprehensive stakeholder's consultation is carried

		out, all interested and affected parties are given a chance to comment/object on the project. The Act as well provides a list of activities that may not be undertaken without an Environmental Clearance Certificate.
Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (GN notice No. 30 of 2012)	Provides guidelines for Environmental Assessments.	Provides procedures for Environmental Assessments.
Minerals (Prospecting and Mining) Act No.33 of 1992 As amended Minerals (Prospecting and Mining) Amendment Act 8 of 2008	Governs all mining activities in the country.	To provide for the reconnaissance, prospecting and mining for, and disposal of, and the exercise of control over, minerals in Namibia; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.
Public Health Act No. 36 of 1919	Safeguards the public is protected from noise, dust and air pollution.	No person shall cause a nuisance or shall suffer to exist on any land or premises owned or occupied by him or of which he is in charge any nuisance or other condition liable to be injurious or dangerous to health.
	Guarantees that the water systems are not	An Act to provide for the management, protection,

Water Resources Management Act No. 11 of 2013	polluted and that pollution control mechanisms are in place.	development, use and conservation of water resources; to provide for the regulation and monitoring of water services and to provide for incidental matters.
Environmental Policy Framework (1995)	Provides guidelines for EIA.	The Policy ensures that all developmental projects are subjected to environmental assessments so that all potential impacts are taken into consideration and incorporated into the planning and development stages.
Labour Act No. 11 of 2007	Regulates labour in general, remuneration, etc in the country.	The Labour Act regulates labour in general and protects the safety, health and welfare of employees. The regulation of 1997 relating to the safety and health of employees at work, sets out the duties of employers, welfare and facilities at the work place.
Soil Conservation Act No. 76 of 1969	Promotes soil conservation.	The Act promotes the conservation of soil and the prevention of soil erosion.
National Heritage Act No. 27 of 2004	Provides protection and conservation of places	The Act makes provision for the protection of

	and objects that has national heritage significance; and the registration of such places or objects.	places and objects of heritage significance and the registration of such places And objects. Section 46 of the Act, further prohibits the removal, damage, alteration, excavation of national sites or remains; and Section 48, sets out the procedure for application and granting permits for exploration activities such as trenching, drilling, etc.
Hazardous substances Ordinance No. 14 of 1974	Controls the handling of hazardous substances such as fuel, fire, etc.	The Ordinance controls the handling of hazardous substances such as manufacturing, imports and exports to ensure human and environmental safety.

Some of the associated International Treaties and Protocols ratified by the Namibian Government are listed below:

- World Heritage Convention 1972.
- Convention on Biological Diversity 1992.
- Convention on International Trade and Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora 1973.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY

PART 1: ENVIRONMENTAL SCREENING (Project commencement and registering with the Competent Authority).

- Comprises meeting with the client, conversing about anticipated timeframes, logistics and project explanations.
- Involves literature review (desktop site Baseline analysis) and compilation of a Background Information Document (BID).
- Project registering with the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT) Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) on the EIA online portal.
- Once the project is registered, the Environmental Commissioner recommends whether a complete Environmental Impact Assessment or Environmental Scoping Assessment is mandatory for the anticipated project.

PART 2: ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT (INCLUDING PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS (PPP))

- A complete desktop baseline study and literature review in the study area is carried out by means of remote sensing to recognize and define possible sites which are probable to be impacted by the proposed project prior to site visit.
- The Environmental Consultant carries out site visit to form a foundation for the assessment and evaluate the sensitivity of the surrounding biophysical and socio-economic environment and the socio-economic benefits of the anticipated project.
- Data or Information found during the course of the site visit supplements the literature review and is used by the Environmental Consultant to:
 - * Outline the noticeable likely risks related to the proposed project,
 - * Make available beneficial mitigation measures to reduce the risks; and
 - * Create recommendations for supplementary revisions where needed.
- Probable participants (local governments, constituency offices, farmers etc.) are acknowledged and they are made aware of the proposed project. Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) details is collected for upcoming communication associated to the proposed project.
- The Background Information Document (BID) generally prepared during part/phase 1 is shared with recognized and registered I&APs during this

period. The BID briefly outlines the proposed project information such as the project description of activities, project motivation, likely impacts, and environmental assessment process that will be followed.

- Comments, inputs, issues or concerns raised up by I&APs during the progression are noted for consideration in the Environmental Assessment report and development of the Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

PART 3: ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING: ENVIRONMENTAL SCOPING ASSESSMENT REPORT AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP)

- This is the data analysis phase suitable methods are used to yield proper project outcomes; merging of the results in the method of a report that will be made available to the client for appraisal and remarks. The EMP is drafted to mitigate and manage the identified impacts in the ESA report.

5. POTENTIAL IMPACTS IDENTIFIED

The likely negative impacts that might result from the proposed exploration activities are listed below:

5.1 Probable negative impacts

- Soil disturbance: Likely causes of soil contamination comprise petrochemical spills/leaks from vehicles (bakkies), water trucks, drill rig, fuel operated generator as well as the trailer mounted fuel tank for fuel storage.
- Surface and groundwater pollution/contamination: There is no surface water in the area as it receives rainfall occasionally, and communities rely on groundwater. Consequently, to avoid putting pressure on this scarce resource, the project will source water offsite and transport it in water tankers.
- Noise Disturbance.
- Impact on Air quality, Dust and Emissions: The likely cause of air pollution would be dust and fumes produced by project vehicles and/or trucks, diesel power-driven machinery; and dust from drilling.
- Waste generation
- Biodiversity loss and habitat destruction: likely cause of the minimal clearing of plants/vegetation will be to make way for access roads (where required) and possibly put up temporary staff accommodation onsite during field exploration for the exploration team.
- Alien Invasive Species (AIS): Plants that are introduced accidentally or deliberately into a natural environment (exploration/study area) where they are not usually found; and this may or might negatively have serious consequences on the new environment. They represent a threat on the native plant
- Safety and Health
- Visual and Sense of Place: Exploration project activities generally leave marks on the local landscape when rehabilitation is not done properly, this normally depend on the site features, methods used during exploration and the depending on the site characteristics, exploration method and power/intensity of the activities.

5.2 Probable positive impacts

- Socio-economic development (through employment creation);
- Skills and knowledge transfer;
- infrastructure interrelated development benefits;
- Increased support for local businesses in the area (through the purchasing of equipment spare parts, greases, food, etc.);
- Better local economic development and economic growth.

Cumulative impacts are defined as *“impacts that result from the consecutive, incremental, and/or collective effects of an action, project, or activity (collectively referred to in this document as growths add-on to other existing, intended, and/or reasonably estimated future ones”*.

From the scoping assessment carried out, the below cumulative impacts are defined below:

- Reduced visual impact and sense of place;
- Loss of vegetation and habitat;
- Increased benefits to the farm owners and local contractors; and
- Employment opportunities, skills and knowledge transfer.

6. INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES

6.1 Water Supply

No water will be obtained or abstracted from the local boreholes unless with consent from the Farm owners or relevant authority/ministry, as all the water required for the proposed project will be carried in and kept in tanks/containers onsite. Water will be utilized sparingly and (re-used where possible). The likely water requirement per month will be less than 40 000 litres.

6.2 Electricity

Uis is connected to the national power network, power lines are close to the main road. No firewood will be collected onsite or from neighbouring farms without farm or land owner's consent. Any connection that might be made to the national power grid shall follow the required national procedures. Generators and/or solar shall be used as potential alternative energy source on the site where possible.

6.3 Waste and Sanitation

Various waste containers shall be provided on-site to ensure safe disposal of waste generated on-site. These shall be collected on a weekly basis. All waste generated shall be disposed of at the local dumpsite/landfill used by all local inhabitants in the study and the surrounding area. Sewerage shall be disposed in a way that does not contaminate the environment.

The Proponent shall be liable for the discharging of the ablution facility weekly and dispose of at the nearest sewerage discarding ponds. Mineral Waste consists of solid products of exploration and mineral concentration to obtain from the targeted minerals. Mineral waste shall likely be produced throughout the exploration phase. This type of waste shall be stripped and discarded in assigned areas as stated in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP). The Proponent shall involve the suppliers of grease and other lubricants to collect and dispose of such waste in an environmentally responsive method.

6.4 Road and Road Infrastructure

Mining claim 70812 is accessible via the C35 gravel road leading from Uis to Khorixas/Kamanjab. Existing roads shall be used to gain entry to the targeted exploration site within the Mining Claim. New roads within the Mining Claim to exploration sites shall only be made where required.



Figure 3: The road leading to Mining Claim 70812.

6.5 Staff Accommodation

It is expected that for most of the exploration programme workers will reside in the nearest towns and/or settlements; and be transported to and from the site. The Proponent shall provide transport. However, during the latter part of the prospecting (drilling) some personnel may be required to stay at the exploration site in campsites or in existing housing rented from the property owner if possible.

The exploration group will consist of less than ten (10) people, comprising of trained, semi-skilled and unskilled personnel, who may reside or may not reside from the nearby area.

6.6 Fuel Storage and Lubricants

All light vehicles will be fuelled in Uis. A 1000 litres or more fuel trailer shall be mounted onsite (if required) to operate various equipments required during the exploration project (if required). Consumables and lubricants shall be stored at a designated area at the site as per the set national standards.

6.7 Telecommunication

Provision for a two-way radio shall be made available to ensure the exploration team communicate efficiently at all times in case the team experience network problem.

6.8 Personnel and Health

All personnel shall be supplied with sufficient and suitable Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) that shall be substituted to guarantee that employee's occupational health and safety is not compromised. First aid kits shall be readily accessible on-site to be present at all times ensure that any likely slight injuries are attended to. There is Primary Health Clinic in Uis.

6.9 Safety and Security

The high-risk operational/functioning sites shall be delineated; and provisionally fenced off. Exploration vehicles shall be fitted with fire extinguisher as well as the drilling site in cases of fire outbreaks while carrying out exploration activities.

7. SOCIO-ECONOMIC ENVIRONMENT

According to the 2023/24 National Population and Housing Census, a total population of the Erongo Region that was recorded is 240,206. Uis falls in the Daures Constituency. Dâures (Khoekhoe for *Brandberg*, until 1998: Brandberg Constituency is a constituency in the Erongo Region of Namibia. It is named after the tallest mountain in Namibia, the Brandberg.

The constituency has an estimated population of about 14,601 as shown below.

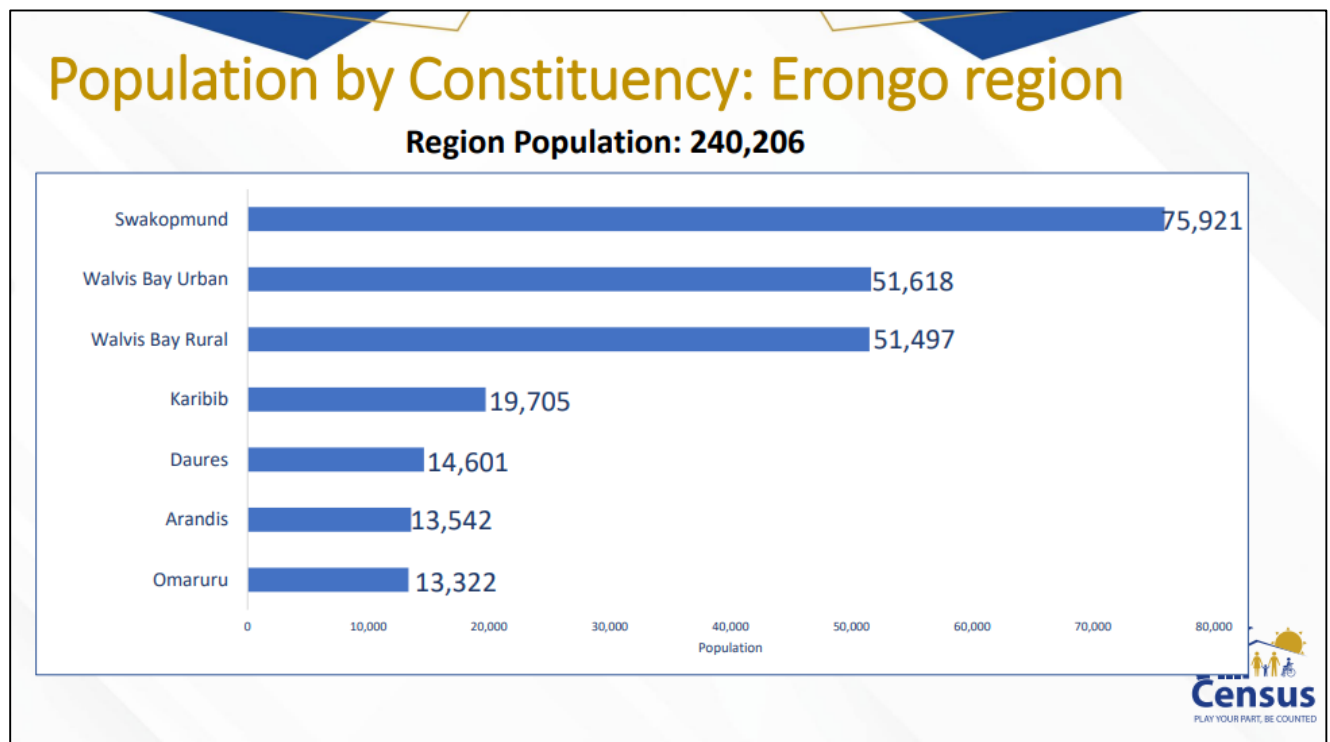


Figure: 3: Population by Constituency in Erongo region (NSA National Housing Census, 2023).

The Dâures Constituency extends from the national road B2 to the Ugab River and has a radius of about 120 km. The largest settlement in the constituency and where the constituency office is located is Uis.

The constituency also comprises the settlements of Okombahe, Omatjette, Grootspitzkop, Odama, Omihana, Okamapuku, Otjohorongo, Ovitua, Ozondati and Tubusis (Denver, 2017).



Figure 4: Constituencies and Towns/Settlements in Erongo region (Source: Erongo Regional Council, 2024).

Uis settlement is located at the center of Namibia's highest mountain which is the Brandberg. The settlement has a small supermarket, guesthouses, a rest camp, a bakery and service station.

The settlement has two (2) schools, Brandberg Primary School and Petrus Ganeb Secondary School constructed before independence. The settlement is also known for Tin mining activities. Rare minerals and rocks can be found in the settlement area.

The proposed project will sustain the district's need for employment including the growth of the local economy.

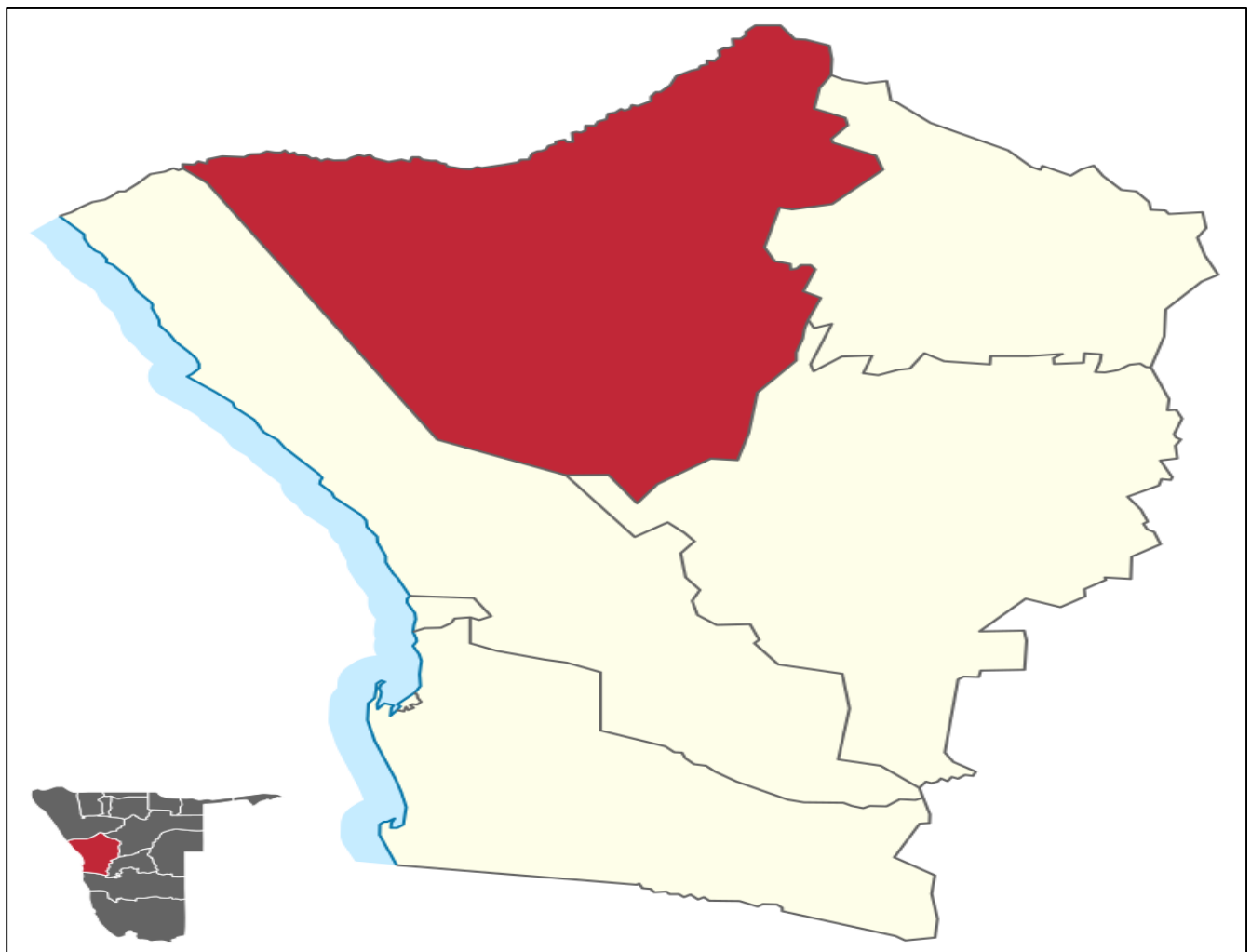


Figure 5: Dâures constituency (red) in the Erongo (Source: Erongo Regional Council, 2024).

8. BIO-PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT

This section provides an outline of the baseline biophysical and social environmental conditions, which the anticipated project will interrelate. It talk over about the receiving environment starting from the desktop study/literature review, existing online datasets and previous reports of work done in the area. On-site direct observations of the site was carried out.

8.1 Climate

The project area is generally dry and hot. According to Mendelsohn et al. (2009) has a semi-desert climate, categorized by low rainfall, high evaporation, and a variety of temperatures. Located at an elevation of 801.17 meters (2628.51 feet) above sea level. Uis has a Subtropical desert climate. The district's yearly temperature is 20.74° and it is -3.72% lower than Namibia's averages. Uis characteristically collects about 9.83 millimeters (mm) of precipitation and has 19.39 rainy days (5.31% of the time) yearly.

Below is the general weather summary in Uis area:

Warmest month	May (24.78°C)
Coldest Month	September (14.56°C)
Wettest Month	March (30.07mm)
Driest Month	July (0.35mm)
Number of days with rainfall (≥ 1.0 mm)	19.39 days (5.31%)
Days with no rain	345.61 days (94.69%)
Humidity	69.58%
Annual high temperature	22.91°C
Annual low temperature	17.46°C
Average annual precipitation	9.83mm

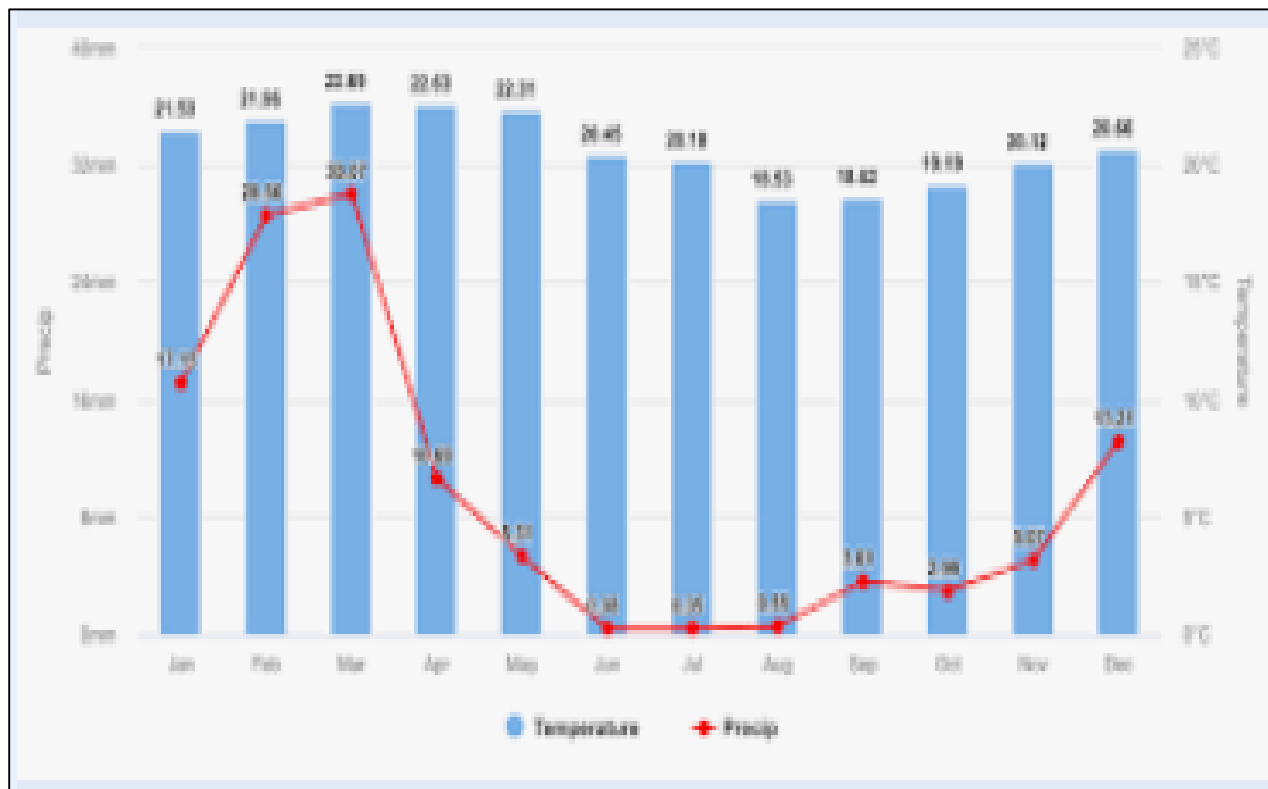


Figure 6: Source: <https://weatherandclimate.com/namibia/erongo/uis>

The main average hourly wind direction differs during the course of the year in and surrounding the project area. July has a typical peak wind speed of 13.1 km/h, the windiest month. The average wind speed differs from 11 to 11.7 km/h in the middle of May and June; and August and October. The typical wind speed differs from 9.9 to 10.3 km/h from November to January and in the month of April.

In conclusion, understanding the climatic conditions of the area helps to decide suitable times to carry out exploration activities.

8.2 Topography, Geology and Soils



Figure 6: Topography and Vegetation in the study area.

8.3 Fauna and Flora

The Erongo region in general has little vegetation growing for the reason of low rainfall, and the fauna found in the project area and its surroundings can survive in a dry, hot climate. Acacia spp, Cacti spp and other similar plants are the most dominant trees and bushes in and in the surrounding project area. The Uis area is acknowledged to have wildlife species as well.

9. PUBLIC CONSULTATION PROCESS

As specified in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (paragraphs 7 and 21), public participation/involvement/consultation is a prerequisite and a vital element in the environmental assessment process. Comments or suggestions made during the PPP shall be noted; and addressed in both the Environmental Scoping Assessment Report and Environmental Management Plan (EMP).

Interested and affected parties (IAPs) were identified in the proposed exploration project to make sure that all parties involved are well informed and offered all stakeholders the chance to share their concerns, comments and/or suggestions.

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* Also available on Erongo Regional Council Website: www.erc.com.na

(b) The Valuation Court will sit on Friday, 21st of June 2024 at 14:00 at the Swakopmund Magistrate's Court.

(c) REGISTERED OWNERS of rateable properties in respect of which a Valuation is contained in the Provisional General Valuation Roll are called upon to lodge their objections if they wish to do so and must give the grounds for such objection in writing to the Chief Regional Officer of the Erongo Regional Council against any such Valuation within the Twenty-one (21) days from the publication of this notice.

Display and Objection Dates
Monday, 14 May 2024 to Tuesday, 11 June 2024
From 08h00 - 17h00

Court Hearing Date
Friday, 21 June 2024
From 14h00

Objections are to be delivered or sent to:
Ms Denari Van Rensburg
denari@erongo.gov.na
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Erongo Regional Council, Acacia Building - Swakopmund

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Andersen argued that if Parton is a Christian, as she proclaims, she should call out homosexuality as a sin. "Parton's version of love, which includes condoning immoral sexual behavior ('be who you are,' she's said), is unaligned with God's vision for humanity," Andersen wrote. But Andersen told Yahoo Entertainment on Saturday that the widespread backlash made her realize she shouldn't have used Parton to press her argument. "I regret using Dolly as the example for the point I was making in the article," she said. "As I wrote in the piece, I love her and think she does some incredible things for the world. We all make poor choices in how to frame things sometimes. This was one of those moments for

me! Dolly is one of the few people who is beloved by all and who loves all. The world is lucky to have her."

What has Dolly Parton said about her faith?

Parton tends to speak generally about her faith and love of God. In her 2020 book *Dolly Parton, Songteller: My Life in Lyrics*, she said, "I'm not that religious, but I'm very, very spiritual. I grew up in very religious surroundings. I grew up with a Bible background, and I'm glad I did." In a 2023 interview with *The Guardian*, Parton said, "I ain't that good a Christian to think that I am so

good that I can judge people. That's God's job, not mine. So as far as politics, I hate politics."

What Dolly Parton's fans are saying now

Fans on X, formerly Twitter, were anything but happy to see the *Federalist* coming for Parton. (A different writer for the *Federalist* declared in 2016 that the "Islands in the Stream" crooner would make an excellent president.) "They came for Dolly. We ride at dawn," one fan wrote alongside a screenshot of the article. "Folks, a land war in Asia is the SECOND biggest blunder anyone

can make," another added. "The first? Coming for Dolly Parton." "No. You do not come after Dolly Parton. You absolutely do not," a third shared. "I will go after anyone on this app ... except Dolly Parton," another shared. "Delete your whole account."

What Dolly Parton has said about the LGBTQ community

While Parton may detest politics, she spoke to the *Hollywood Reporter* in 2023 about how the recent onslaught of anti-LGBTQ legislation affects people she loves. "I have some of everybody in my own immediate family and in my circle of

employees," she explained. "I've got transgender people. I've got gays. I've got lesbians. I've got drunks. I've got drug addicts — all within my own family. I know and love them all, and I do not judge. And I just see how broken-hearted they get over certain things and I know how real they are."

She continued: "I know how important this is to them. That's who they are. They cannot help that any more than I can help being Dolly Parton, you know, the way people know me. If there's something to be judged, that is God's business. But we are all God's children and how we are is who we are." -YAHOO

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for safety, help, information, and counseling.
The helpline is run by LifeLine/Childline.



10. REHABILITATION AND DECOMMISSIONING

It will be the responsibility of the Proponent to conduct the rehabilitation and decommissioning exercise, which shall be carried out as per the Proponent's Rehabilitation and Decommissioning Plan.

A complete decommissioning execution shall be done by the proponent, which shall include the following:

- Demolishing and removal of all temporary and permanent structures;
- Disturbed areas to be prepared accordingly;
- Retrieval and backfilling of topsoil;
- Any building rubble to be disposed of at the local dumpsite/landfill; and
- Rehabilitation monitoring shall be carried out as well.

The impact on the receiving/physical environment shall be reduced by executing of the progressive rehabilitation exercise that shall be undertaken by the Proponent.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS AND CONCLUSION

Exploration activities are known to cause less or no damage to the environment and the negative impacts associated with exploration projects are relatively low to zero significance. Proper/appropriate mitigation measures will be put in place to ensure that likely negative impacts are lessened (if any).

The positive significance in the social impact has been credited to prospective of direct and indirect jobs associated with the proposed project; and the opportunity of the project contributing to the national economy through royalties, taxes and foreign currency earnings.

The likely negative impacts were carefully well-defined, assessed and mitigation measures are provided thereof to lessen or eradicate their consequence on the environment. The operative accomplishment of recommended/proposed managing actions (mitigation measures) shall lessen possible negative impacts which cannot be completely eliminated from medium to low rating. Preserving low impact rating shall require monitoring of the probable negative impacts by the Proponent's Environmental Control Officer at all times.

Thus, Epic Environmental Consultancy cc commends that the proposed mineral exploration project receive an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) provided that:

- The EMP is obeyed or complied with at all times and make sure that all required permits, licenses and approvals required for the anticipated activities are acquired or renewed as required;
- That the Proponent and all project workers or contractors to justify the legal requirements leading the projected project and its related activities;
- Site areas where exploration activities have stopped to be rehabilitated to the pre-exploration state; and that Environmental Compliance monitoring reports are compiled and submitted to Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism as per the Ministry's requirements.

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