



PROOF OF WRITTEN NOTICE TO THE ORGANS OF STATE THAT HAVE JURISDICTION OVER ASPECTS OF THE PROJECT

ONGAVA LODGE and LITTLE ONGAVA

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Reserve (Pty) Ltd

Application APP-5966

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1 INTRODUCTION

The proponent, Ongava Game Reserve (Pty) Ltd, applied with the Department of Environment for the renewal and merging of the Environmental Clearance Certificates (ECC) for Ongava Lodge and Little Ongava Lodge. A detailed motivation for the merger is given in the Environmental Management Plan (EMP), attached as a separate document.

The project site is located on the farm Leeupoort, one of five farms that make up Ongava Game Reserve.

1.1 This document

In terms of the Environmental Management Act, no 7 of 2007 and the EIA Regulations of 2012, a screening report was received from the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Tourism (MEFT), requiring proof of written notification of any other organ of state that has jurisdiction over any aspect of the project.

1.2 Identifying the relevant organs of state

Four organs of state were identified and sent an email notification of this application with an invitation to comment (Table 1). They were also given the Background Information Document.

Etosha National Park is both a neighbour and an organ of state with jurisdiction over the project. The Deputy Director of Etosha National Park, Ms Naambo Iipinge, was notified with the other organs of state for the purpose of informing the various departments within MEFT in the same email.

Table 1. Organs of state with jurisdiction over aspects of the project

Authority	Jurisdiction
MEFT: Department of Wildlife and National Parks (DWNP)	Ongava Game Reserve is a Black Rhino custodian
MEFT: Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA)	The competent authority for tourist accommodation facilities
National Heritage Council (NHC)	Archaeological/cultural resources.
MAWLR: Department of Water Affairs (DWA)	Permits and licences for water abstraction and use, and effluent discharge

2 PROOF OF WRITTEN NOTICE

The following email was sent to the organs of state identified in chapter **Error! Reference source not found.**



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Notification: Merge Environmental Clearance Certificates of Ongava Lodge and Little Ongava Lodge

1 message

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7 July 2025 at 13:43

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Dear stakeholder

Ongava Game Reserve (Pty) Ltd (the proponent) intends to merge the currently separate Environmental Clearance Certificates (ECCs) for two of its lodges, Ongava Lodge and Little Ongava located on the farm Leeupoort. Both lodges have had a valid ECC and an MEFT-approved EMP since 2017, now due for renewal. No change to the infrastructure or operational procedures is planned.

In terms of the Environmental Management Act (7 of 2007) and the EIA Regulations of 2012, the proponent registered the project with the Environmental Commissioner's office. They issued a screening notice requiring engagement with neighbouring landowners and/or occupiers, and you are hereby invited to share any comments you may have regarding the merging of the two ECCs.

Attached please find the Background Information Document for the project. Should you have any comments or queries, please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner, Henriette Potgieter, in writing.


Before 17h00 on 22 July 2024

at

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Kind regards,

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By 23 July 2025 no written or verbal communication was received from any organ of state.