

APPENDIX D



EIA Study for Proposed King Kauluma Rural Water Supply Scheme

Minutes of Public Participation Process



Minutes of Meeting

1. Introduction and Welcoming

Mr. Chris Ailonga from Matrix Consulting Services (MCS) opened the meeting and welcomed all the individual stakeholders. The purpose of the meeting was highlighted and participants were encouraged to comment on the proposed development in order to improve the project relevance to stakeholders' needs and expectations. Participants were asked to complete the attendance register.

2. Overview of the Meeting

Mr. Chris Ailonga from MCS gave an overview of the proposed development. He emphasised the need for proactive participation during the meeting as it was the right platform to provide information, recommendation and to receive feedback from the project developers and consultants.

Key aspects during the introductory remarks:

- Meetings agenda
- Meetings rules
- Described the project's team and its roles and responsibilities
- Summarised the project activities
- Explained the project progress
- Explained the impacts expected

The participants were given the opportunity to comment on the agenda and to ask clarification questions.

3. Project Overview

Mr. Chris Ailonga from MCS gave a presentation on the project. His presentation highlighted the following:

- Background on the project and the key project implementers
- Overview of the project programme
- Overview of the technical details of the project.
- Potential impacts



5. Summary of Comments

Most of the concerns were about job opportunities for locals, fear of an increase in water rates, animal and community water to remain, communication between the contractor and tradition authorities in the area, and the emphasis was placed on fair remuneration for unskilled labour.

The King Nehale Conservancy Management recommended that the conservancy must be an important stakeholder for the project, and that no illegal wood harvesting or hunting must take place during the construction phase of the project.

The project should give opportunities to the youth in the area, especially unskilled labour. The community also urged that their cattle herders not be employed on the project. The school must be prioritized to get water first. The community complained that this project is long overdue, and must become a reality very soon. The traditional leaders urged community members with fences or illegal structures to move them further from the pipeline servitude, to ensure safety of community members.

Most of the identified impacts could be mitigated through good environmental management practice.

6. Meeting Closure

Mr. Chris Ailonga thanked the participants for attending the meeting, and for being conversant during the meeting.

Interested parties were invited to send any comments relating to the proposed project via letters or email:

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Participant	Comments/Questions	Responses
Omutsegwonime Village Meeting – 30 Nov 2024		
Helena Abraham	Which areas are covered by this projects	By: Ailonga Project location explained and illustrated on the map provided
Bernhard Nghipandwa	We would local youth from the project area to be considered for job opportunities especially unskilled labour.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
	I urge that community members must refrain from sabotaging the project by going to build new structures on the proposed route of the pipelines.	By: Ailonga Noted
	Will people be compensated should the project infringe on their properties	By: Ailonga The project has been designed to avoid involuntary resettlement as much possible.
Nestor Shivute	This area is generally a livestock grazing area with cattle posts. The appointed contractor must ensure that they don't appoint our herders that looks after our livestock.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
	When will the construction period commence?	By: Ailonga The project is supposed to have started already, and was delayed due to multiple reasons, however should all approval be attained, the project would commence as from mid-2025.

	Will the people be paying for the water use?	By: Ailonga Yes, the regulated rates will prevail.
Matheus Elia (Omutsegwonime Traditional Authority – Chairperson)	The Traditional Authority must be an important stakeholder for this project, and regular consultation be done with them , especially when recruiting locals for unskilled labour. Some people are employed already , and may take up opportunities for those who really needs them.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
Martha Ugulu	Will the women also be considered for construction jobs.	By: Ailonga Women deserves the same opportunities as men, and the financiers for this project also promote gender equality.
Iyambo Alfred	The project is long overdue, as the water points are dry and scattered, thus we travel long distances for water. Some that have access to water, the pressure is low.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report. The project aims to improve the situation.
King Kauluma Village Meeting (Oshiti Sha Hainhonya) – 30 Nov 2024		
Petrus Hendrik	Who is the owner of this project?	By: Ailonga The project is championed by the Ministry of Agriculture, Water, Fisheries and Land Reform, and financed by AfDB.
Antonio Kamati	Is this not just another Political campaign? We are tired of these meetings wit empty promises.	By: Ailonga This project has nothing to do with politics, and it aims at benefitting all. We are independent consultants hired to undertake this ESIA on behalf of government.

Rebecca Petrus (Headwoman: King Kauluma Traditional Authority)	I would like to welcome this project, and we will support it, however we need the execution to be faster as this project has been promised to be done as far as 6 years back. It was sold to us by many politicians and officers of different ministries. The time is now, we want no further delays.	By: Ailonga Noted, The project is planned to commence in 2025 should there be no further delays.
Elias Ndemuweda	Unemployment remains a big problem in our area, we thus urge the project implementers or construction companies to recruit our local youth for unskilled labor .	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
Juso Hauvinga (Traditional Authority Leadership Member)	The Traditional Authority must be central to the local recruitment of unskilled labor to ensure fairness.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
Salatviel Nakashimba	The project also cater all schools in the area.	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.
Olivia Shimanda	Will the project also cover Oshivelo area or not?	By: Ailonga Project location explained and illustrated on the map provided
Focused Group: King Nehale Conservancy – 26 June 2025		
Ms. Esther Petrus (Conservancy Cordinator) Mr. Edward Amweelo (Conservancy Chairperson)	- Placed emphasis that the project is within the conservancy , and that the conservancy remains an important stakeholder for the project. - No illegal wood harvesting allowed - No illegal hunting of animals allowed - Animals should roam freely	By: Ailonga Noted, considerations to be incorporated in the report.

Comments Register: KKRWSS EIA

	• The contractor must always have the conservancy contact details in case of an encounter with a animal that is a danger to the contract workers or the community. • Veld fires must be avoided	
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Outlook

Stakeholder Consultation: Omutsegwonime-King Kauluma Rural Water Supply Scheme EIA

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Background Information Document-Omutsegwonime-KK RWSS.pdf;

Good Day,

Following up on an email shared earlier .

Kind Regards

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Subject: Stakeholder Consultation: Omutsegwonime-King Kauluma Rural Water Supply Scheme EIA

Good Day Chairperson/Manager

Matrix Consulting Services has been appointed by the Ministry of Agriculture, Water , Fisheries and Land Reform to conduct the environmental impact assessment of the Omutsegwonime-King Kauluma Rural Water Supply Scheme Project.

King Nehale Conservancy has been identified as an important stakeholder for the Omutsegwonime-King Kauluma Rural Water Supply Scheme Project EIA. We therefore plead with your office to contribute suggestions/comments/concerns/support for the proposed project. We have attached the background information document for the proposed project.

Please feel free to contact the LEAD PRACTITIONER

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