

Appendix IX. Copies of representations, objections and comments

1. Comment & Response register: Airstrip for Nkasa Linyanti Camp

Comment	Response
Meeting: 5 March 2025 at the NRNP office.	
Present: Nash Muwanei, Chief Warden of NRNP, Jackson Hamutenya, Johannes Kambuli, Eveline Iikondja, Mate Sauzuo from NRNP; Louis Nortjé (proponent); Henriette Potgieter (EAP).	
It is a small park with elephant corridors, channels and pools. Concerns about disturbance to wildlife, from the noise of airplanes landing and taking off, and planes that fly low over the Park.	Planes will fly over NRNP only on their approach for landing and after take-off. This impact can be managed, as evidenced by airstrips in protected areas in Botswana. Kings Pool, Kwando, Moremi Game Reserve, etc. have a much higher volume of air traffic. The Natural Selection Airstrip Safety Protocol (EMP, Appendix II) addresses disturbance of animals.
Damage to vegetation e.g. removal of trees.	There are no trees in the project footprint. Shrubs and forbs will be destroyed, but no protected or range-restricted species were identified on the site.
Construction staff can interfere with our work or put themselves in danger if they walk around the Park. They can also disturb the wildlife with their vehicles and machinery.	The EMP provides guidelines for construction staff. The guidelines and penalties for non-adherence will form part of the contract between the proponent and the contractor.
If there is a flood it can damage or destroy the airstrip.	Location is a slightly elevated island that lies higher than the typical flood levels (Pallett, et al., 2022). The probability of the airstrip flooding is considered low.
Lights along the airstrip will affect animals at night.	There will be no lights. White painted markers on the ground will demarcate the strip.
An airstrip might be of benefit during game counts.	Proponent is willing to cooperate with NRNP to do game counts. At the end of the contract period the airstrip will remain the property of MEFT.
We support the positive side of an airstrip here, e.g. improved access for tourists, security for anti-poaching, and med-evac capacity.	The proponent aims to continue their dialogue and cooperation with Park management to ensure Park security and also to assist with health and safety.
Email from the Namibia Civil Aviation Authority: 12 May 2025, Mr Marx Shikongo	
Send a formal letter to our Executive Director stating the attached designs and relevant guidelines.	Emailed to Ms Sem on 30 October 2025, BID included.
Register NCAA as an Interested and Affected stakeholder of the EIA	Done. Appendix II, Register of IAPs. The draft scoping report and draft EMP were emailed to Ms Sem and Mr Shikongo for review.

No communication was received from any IAP or in response to the newspaper adverts. The only official communication was emails between the proponent and the Namibia Civil Aviation Authority in May 2025. The email trail is presented here.

2. Namibia Civil Aviation Authority



Henriette Potgieter <hoenspotgieter@gmail.com>

FW: new airstrip

1 message

Louis Nortje - Natural Selection <LouisN@naturalselection.travel>
To: Henriette Potgieter <hoenspotgieter@gmail.com>

12 May 2025 at 14:27

See below



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From: Marx Shikongo <shikongom@ncaa.na>
Sent: Monday, 12 May 2025 2:26 PM
To: Louis Nortje - Natural Selection <LouisN@naturalselection.travel>
Cc: AGA <AGA@ncaa.na>
Subject: RE: new airstrip

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Dear Mr. Nortje

Well received however, kindly include a formal letter to our Executive Director stating the attached designs and relevant guidelines:

Ms. Toska Sem
The Executive Director
Namibia Civil Aviation Authority
Private Bag 12003
Ausspannplatz

You may proceed with an EIA, just kindly make sure that NCAA is an Interests and Affected stakeholder of the EIA.

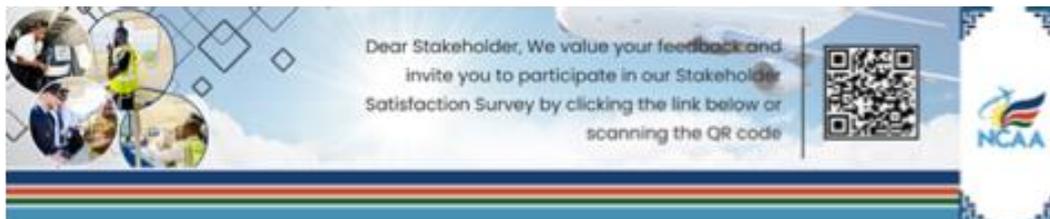
Best regards

Marx N. Shikongo

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From: Louis Nortje - Natural Selection <LouisN@naturalselection.travel>
Sent: Monday, 12 May 2025 10:36 AM
To: Marx Shikongo <shikongom@ncaa.na>
Subject: RE: new airstrip

Hi Marx,

Attached the design of the airstrip and then the guidelines we will use for construction.

Can we go ahead with the EIA for this? Anything else we need from NCAA?

Regards,



From: Marx Shikongo <shikongom@ncaa.na>
Sent: Monday, 12 May 2025 8:25 AM
To: Louis Nortje - Natural Selection <LouisN@naturalselection.travel>
Subject: RE: new airstrip

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Dear Mr. Nortje

I trust this mail finds you well.

Kindly provide us with the designs for the two airstrips to be constructed at the earliest of your convenience prior to construction.

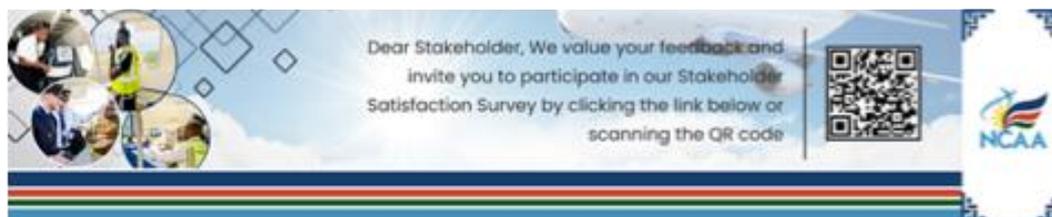
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From: Louis Nortje - Natural Selection <LouisN@naturalselection.travel>
Sent: Friday, 9 May 2025 1:14 PM
To: Marx Shikongo <shikongom@ncaa.na>
Subject: new airstrip

Hi Marx,

I hope you are well?

We are in the process of obtaining Environmental clearance from the MEFT for the construction of 2 new airstrips.

Are there any protocols to follow with regards to NCAA regulations, or do we build and then register with NCAA?