

Date: 17 March 2026

The Office of the Chief Regional Officer

Kunene Regional Council

Private Bag 502, Opuwo, Namibia

Attention: Mr. George Kamseb

Dear Sir

**Re: Notice of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study for the Proposed Construction of the New Oute River Bridge on District Road 3703 (DR3703) in the Kunene Region – Application for Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) to the Environmental Commissioner, ECC Application No. APP-007177**

Serja Hydrogeo-Environmental Consultants cc (*Serja HGE Consultants*) has been appointed by the Roads Authority of Namibia (*the project Proponent*) (through the project consulting engineer, D&P Engineers, Archetype Project Consultants & Tweya Consulting Engineers Joint Venture (DAT JV)) to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Study for the Construction of the New Oute River Bridge on DR3703 in the Opuwo Rural Constituency, Kunene Region. The bridge construction works will commence upon completion of the project design by the appointed engineers (consulting engineering team), who will administer the construction contract and supervise the works. **Please refer to the attached Background Information Document (BID) for the bridge locality and further project information.**

Please note that the construction of bridges and any works associated with public roads is listed in the 2012 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of the Environmental Management Act (EMA) No. 7 of 2007 as an activity that cannot be implemented without an Environmental Clearance Certificate (ECC) from the Environmental Commissioner upon evaluation and approval of an EIA Study. Therefore, the proposed bridge construction is subject to an ECC. Should the ECC be issued by the Environmental Commissioner, the Proponent will then prepare for the bridge construction and

associated works.  
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It is against this background that Serja HGE Consultants hereby notify the Office of the Chief Regional Officer that the EIA Study has commenced and an application for the ECC on behalf of the Roads Authority of Namibia has been launched (assigned ECC Number APP-007177). The EIA Scoping Report (comprising project information, issues/concerns, comments, and assessed potential impacts and the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) with management and mitigation measures will be compiled. The two documents (EIA Scoping Report and EMP) with associated appendices will be submitted to the Office of the Environmental Commissioner for consideration of the project ECC.

Should you or the Kunene Regional Council have comments on the EIA Study, please send these to us in writing to us before or on Friday, the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2026. After the 17<sup>th</sup> of April 2026, all comments or inputs will be submitted directly to the office of the Environmental Commissioner at the MEFT.

Yours sincerely,

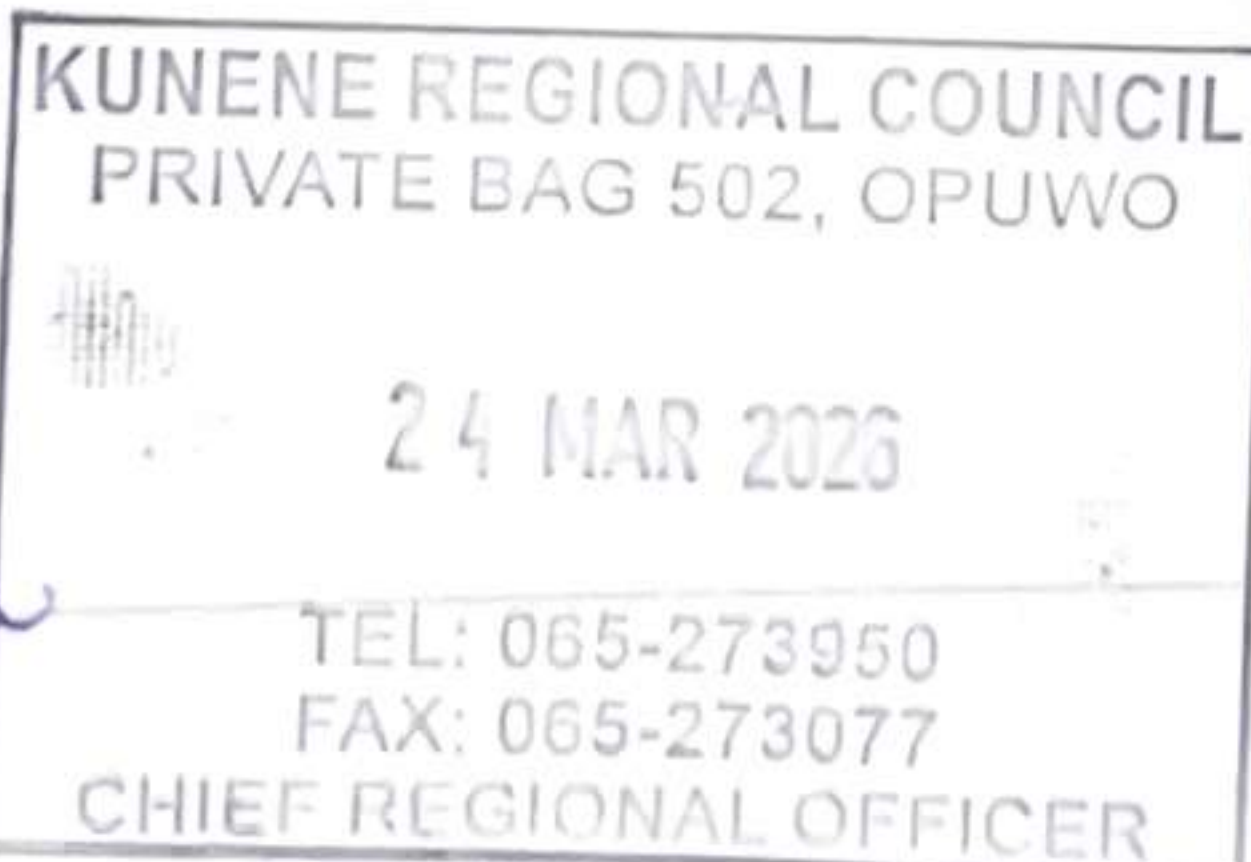


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