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<b>MEETING SUMMARY</b>	<p><b>Project Name:</b> Geel Kop PV Projects<sup>1</sup></p> <p><b>Reference Number:</b> KAI633/24</p> <p><b>Date:</b> Friday, 26 June 2020</p> <p><b>Time:</b> 11:00 AM</p> <p><b>Location:</b> Via MS Teams</p>
<b>ATTENDEES:</b>	<p>Masina Litsoane (DEFF)</p> <p>Samkelisiwe Dlamini (DEFF)</p> <p>Dale Holder (EAP)</p> <p>David Peinke (Applicant)</p> <p>Michael Johnson (Applicant)</p>
<b>NON-ATTENDING INVITEES:</b>	None
<b>MEETING MEMO</b>	
Dale Holder	Welcomed & introduced all attendees
Dale Holder	<p>Shared screen of location plan and Introduced projects as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Bushmanland PV;</li> <li>- Duneveld PV;</li> <li>- Gordonia Solar PV;</li> <li>- Hari PV;</li> <li>- Karroid PV;</li> <li>- Shrubland PV;</li> <li>- GK Solar PV; and</li> <li>- Geel Kop Grid Infrastructure.</li> </ul>
Dale Holder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Explained each PV will be 100MW and will be applied for in separate applications</li> <li>- Grid connection (Geel Kop Grid Infrastructure) will include the IPP substations, connections between the projects and an overhead powerline to the to the existing Upington MTS. This will be by a separate application and basic assessment report.</li> <li>- In REDz 7</li> <li>- All PV facilities located on one farm namely Geel Kop 456</li> <li>- Separate applications &amp; Basic Assessments will be undertaken for each project</li> <li>- Certain aspects of the public participation will be combined.</li> </ul>
Masina Litsoane	Could not see shared screen showing location plan – DH emailed plan to ML to view while meeting underway.
Dale Holder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Summarized preliminary specialist outcomes.</li> <li>- Confirmed that screening tool has been prepared for each project and that and all necessary specialists and protocols have been incorporated.</li> <li>- No deviations from screening report recommendations.</li> </ul>
Dale Holder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Went through the PPP plan was circulated prior to the meeting.</li> </ul>

<sup>1</sup> The Geelkop PV projects include the following: Bushmanland PV, Duneveld PV, Gordonia Solar PV, Shrubland PV, Karroid PV, Hari PV, GK Solar PV and Geelkop Grid infrastructure.

	- The same general approach will be followed across all the projects (although a separate plan generated per project).
Samkelisiwe Dlamini	Asked how we would identify I&APs.
Dale Holder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will meet all the normal requirements as per the regulations – site notice, advertisement in press, written notice to organs of state and all neighboring properties.</li> <li>- All I&amp;AP from the BA of the neighboring Solar facility will be included on the list.</li> <li>- All notifications will include contact details which direct potential I&amp;AP to the EAP should they not be able to access the proposed online online sources.</li> <li>- Cape EAPrac will provide hardcopies of executive summaries to any potential I&amp;AP that does not have access to the online platforms.</li> </ul>
Masina Litsoane	Have you considered radio adverts? It is just a suggestion.
Dale Holder	Cape EAPrac to look into this. * Cape EAPrac have investigated this and based on our research, there are 2 radio stations that broadcast in the project area, namely OFM and RSG. Both of these radio stations have interprovincial and national coverage respectively, so it is our view that they may not be appropriate to target potentially affected parties from a relatively small area.
Dale Holder	Could also contact ward councilor who could send notifications out over community WhatsApp groups.
Masina Litsoane	Confirmed this is a good proposal.
Dale Holder	Asked what is the process going forward?
Masina Litsoane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- DH to email revised plans with minutes of meeting and then DEA.</li> <li>- DEA has to keep record of all submissions.</li> <li>- DEA confirmed that they are satisfied with the proposed plan subject to the minor amendments discussed.</li> </ul> <p>* Revised PPP plans are annexed to these minutes</p>
Dale Holder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduced Environmental themes - already discussed above.</li> <li>- Confirmed that DBAR have integrated all the themes from screening tool.</li> </ul>
Masina Litsoane	No further comments on specialists. Will provide comment on dBAR.
Dale Holder	<p>Confirmed that battery storage is being proposed for these projects.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Showed technical layout document with example of layout plan</li> <li>- Explained that each project will be 100MW and we would therefore propose to include 400mwh battery storage adjacent to Substation</li> <li>- General impacts of the battery facility will be considered in the dBAR and management of risks dealt with in EMPr</li> <li>- Showed an example of containerized solution</li> </ul> <p>Asked department if there are any specific assessments that should be considered?</p>
Samkelisiwe Dlamini	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Department had a meeting earlier in the week.</li> <li>- Their view is that if the batteries that arrive on site are assembled, their purposed would be to store energy and are thus not considered storage of dangerous goods.</li> <li>- Advised that we send Samke specifics and that she will double check if it will trigger activity 14 or not.</li> </ul> <p>* Battery Storage Technical Report is annexed to these minutes.</p>

David Peinke	Explained that it is highly unlikely that spare batteries will be stored on site. Batteries degrade if they are not used.
Dale Holder	Concluded meeting and confirmed that EAP will submit revised PPP plans as well as battery storage to DEFF along with the minutes of the meeting.
<b>DECISIONS MADE</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Public Participation plan accepted, subject to minor amendments discussed.</li><li>2. Battery storage document to be circulated and DEFF to advise whether application for LN1 activity 14 is necessary.</li></ol>
<b>ISSUES IDENTIFIED</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. No specific issues Identified.</li></ol>
<b>APPENDICES</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Updated Public Participation Plans</li><li>2. Battery Storage Report</li></ol>