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Dear Mr Holder

### **COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV FACILITY AND BESS ON PORTION 1 OF THE FARM BAS BERG 88, PORTION 2 OF THE FARM KOPPY ALLEEN 83 AND PORTIONS 6, 11, 16 & 17 OF THE FARM KAREE KLOOF 85**

The Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation reviewed and evaluated the draft report and doesn't have any objections to the Scoping Report and the Plan of Study. However, it has been noted that the project area is situated entirely within the "Platberg-Karoo Conservancy" Important Bird Area (IBA). The comments must be obtained from SA Birdlife. The PV facilities must be placed in such a way that they avoid any highly sensitive biodiversity areas. The layout Plan overlaid with biodiversity sensitivities must be included and submitted during the next phase of the EIA.

The final Scoping Report must comply with the procedures for the assessment and minimum criteria for reporting on identified environmental themes in terms of sections 24(5)(A) and (H) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998.

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Yours faithfully

**Mr. Seoka Lekota**  
**Control Biodiversity Officer Grade B: Biodiversity Conservation**  
**Department of Forestry, Fisheries & the Environment**  
**Date: 10/11/2023**



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### PER MAIL / E-MAIL

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The Application for Environmental Authorisation and Draft Scoping Report (SR) dated September 2023 and received by the Department on 09 October 2023, refer.

This letter serves to inform you that the following information must be included in the Final Scoping Report:

#### (a) Listed Activities

- (i) Please ensure that all relevant listed activities are applied for, are specific, and can be linked to the development activity or infrastructure (including thresholds) as described in the project description. Only activities (and sub-activities) applicable to the development must be applied for and assessed. Furthermore, kindly ensure that the latest listed activities, as amended in 2021, are applied for.
- (ii) The project description must be expanded to include thresholds, footprints, and capacities of the associated infrastructure, particularly those that trigger a listed activity.
- (iii) It is imperative that the relevant authorities are continuously involved throughout the environmental impact assessment process, as the development property falls within geographically designated areas in terms of Listing Notice 3 Activities. Written comments must be obtained from the relevant authorities (or proof of consultation if no comments were received) and submitted to this Department. In addition, a graphical representation of the proposed development within the respective geographical areas must be provided.
- (iv) If the activities applied for in the application form differ from those mentioned in the final SR, an amended application form must be submitted. Please note that the Department's application form template has been amended and can be downloaded from the following link <https://www.environment.gov.za/documents/forms>.

#### (b) Layout & Sensitivity Maps

- (i) Please provide a layout map which indicates the following:

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- Positions of the proposed facility, the BESS, as well as all other associated infrastructure;
- Permanent and temporary laydown area footprints;
- All supporting onsite infrastructure e.g., roads (existing and proposed); and
- All existing infrastructure on the site.
- (ii) The above map must be overlain with a sensitivity map which indicates the following:
  - The location of sensitive environmental features on-site e.g., CBAs, NPEAS focus areas, heritage sites, wetlands, drainage lines, etc. that will be affected;
  - Buffer areas; and,
  - All "no-go" areas.
- (iii) A cumulative map showing the proposed development in relation to similar neighbouring renewable energy developments and existing grid infrastructure must also be provided.
- (iv) Please note that Google Maps will not be accepted.

**(c) Public Participation Process**

- (i) Please ensure that all issues raised, and comments received during the circulation of the SR from registered I&APs and organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the proposed activity are adequately addressed in the Final SR.
- (ii) Proof of correspondence with the various stakeholders must be included in the Final SR. Should you be unable to obtain comments, proof must be submitted to the Department of the attempts made to obtain comments.
- (iii) The final Scoping Report must provide evidence that all identified and relevant competent authorities have been given an opportunity to comment on the proposed development.
- (iv) The Public Participation Process must be conducted in terms of the approved public participation plan and Regulations 39, 40 41, 42, 43 & 44 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.
- (v) Proof of the newspaper advertisement must be included in the final SR.
- (vi) A comments and response trail report (C&R) must be submitted with the final SR. The C&R report must incorporate all comments received (pre- (if any) and post-submission of draft SR) for this development. The C&R report must be a separate document from the main report and the format must be in the table format which reflects the details of the I&APs and date of comments received, actual comments received, and response provided. Please ensure that comments made by I&APs are comprehensively captured (copy verbatim if required) and responded to clearly and fully. Please note that a response such as "Noted" is not regarded as an adequate response to I&AP's comments.

**(d) Specialist Assessments**

- (i) Please note that the protocols require certain specialists to be SACNASP registered. As such, the Specialist Declaration of Interest forms must also indicate the scientific organisation registration/member number and status of registration/membership for each specialist.
- (ii) It is noted that Site Sensitivity Verification (SSV) reports were included for only the themes that were rated as High – Very High by the screening tool report. Please note that site sensitivity verification must be undertaken by the specialist or EAP for all the themes. As such, you are requested to ensure that the final SR includes detailed SSV (these can also be consolidated into one report) for all the Medium to Low-rated themes as well. The SSV must categorically state whether or not the EAP or specialist confirms or disputes the finding of the screening tool and on what basis. The findings of the site sensitivity verification reports will assist the department in the review of the final SR and also will aid the department when deciding on whether or not the final SR can be accepted.
- (iii) In addition, you are required to include, as part of the final SR, a table summarising the specialist studies required by the Screening Tool and the sensitivity rating of the Screening Tool (very high, high, medium, low), a column indicating the sensitivity of the site after the EAP/Specialist conducted the Site Sensitivity Verification Assessment (a dispute or confirmation of the finding by the Screening Tool), and a column indicating whether these studies will be conducted or if a

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compliance statement or motivation will be submitted during the EIA phase, as per the requirements of the protocols.

**(e) Cumulative Assessment**

- (i) Should there be any other similar developments proposed within a 30km radius of the proposed development site, the cumulative impact assessment for all identified and assessed impacts must be refined to indicate the following:
- Identified cumulative impacts must be clearly defined, and where possible the size of the identified impact must be quantified and indicated, i.e., hectares of cumulatively transformed land.
  - Detailed process flow and proof must be provided, to indicate how the specialist's recommendations, mitigation measures, and conclusions from the various similar developments in the area were taken into consideration in the assessment of cumulative impacts and when the conclusion and mitigation measures were drafted for this project.
  - The cumulative impacts significance rating must also inform the need and desirability of the proposed development.
  - A cumulative impact environmental statement on whether the proposed development must proceed.

**General**

You are further reminded to comply with Regulation 21(1) of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, which states that:

*"If S&EIR must be applied to an application, the applicant must, within 44 days of receipt of the application by the competent authority, submit to the competent authority a scoping report which has been subjected to a public participation process of at least 30 days and which reflects the incorporation of comments received, including any comments of the competent authority".*

You are further reminded that the final SR to be submitted to this Department must comply with all the requirements in terms of the scope of assessment and content of Scoping reports in accordance with Appendix 2 and Regulation 21(1) of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended.

Further note that in terms of Regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations 2014, as amended, this application will lapse if the applicant fails to meet any of the timeframes prescribed in terms of these Regulations unless an extension has been granted in terms of Regulation 3(7).

You are hereby reminded of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours sincerely



**Mr. Sabelo Malaza**

**Chief Director: Integrated Environmental Authorisations**

**Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment**

**Letter signed by: Ms Sindiswa Dlomo**

**Designation: Deputy Director: National Integrated Authorisation Projects**

**Date: 06/11/2023**

cc: Marshall Mabin	Kareekloof Energy (Pty) Ltd	Email: <a href="mailto:marshall@merchant.energy">marshall@merchant.energy</a>
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**Attachments:** KAREEKLOOF V4\_1\_2 layout.kmz

Dear Tebego and Mmatlala

Thank you very much for the email and confirmation of receipt of the documentation for review.

Please find the attached Shapefile of the proposed development footprint.

Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

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Regards

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**From:** Dale Holder <[dale@cape-eaprac.co.za](mailto:dale@cape-eaprac.co.za)>

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**To:** BC Admin <[bcadmin@dffe.gov.za](mailto:bcadmin@dffe.gov.za)>; Seoka Lekota <[SLEKOTA@dffe.gov.za](mailto:SLEKOTA@dffe.gov.za)>

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**Sent:** Monday, 13 November 2023 11:59  
**To:** Dale Holder  
**Subject:** DSR COMMENTS FOR KAMEELKLOOF SOLAR PV FACILITY  
**Attachments:** SIGNED COMMENTS ON THE KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV FACILITY BESS.pdf

Dear Mr Holder,

Kindly find the attached comments from Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation for your implementation.

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**Sent:** Monday, 06 November 2023 13:02  
**To:** Dale Holder; marshall@merchant.energy  
**Cc:** Matlhodi Mogorosi; ElAadmin; Salome Mambane  
**Subject:** 14/12/16/3/3/2/2448  
**Attachments:** 14-12-16-3-3-2-2448.pdf

Good day.

Please find herein the attached letter for the above mentioned.

**Please do not respond to this mailbox with any queries related to the decision been issued. All queries on the attached decision must be directed to official whose contact details is listed as enquiries.**

I hope you find all in order.

Thank you.

Kind Regards,  
Lydia Kutu  
Integrated Environmental Authorisations:  
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*To God be the Glory!!!*

## Dale Holder

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**Sent:** Monday, 23 October 2023 10:25  
**To:** Ludwig Menne  
**Subject:** RE: Website Registration

Good Morning Ludwig

Thank you for the confirmation of where your properties are situated in relation to the proposed Kareekloof Solar PV.

We have appointed a Social Specialist to consider the Socio Economic Impacts of the development on (amongst others) the surrounding landowners. I will notify him that you have raised a concern regarding negative socio-economic impacts on the area. As part of his assessment, he will then engage further with you to get a better understanding of the concerns.

Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

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**Sent:** Monday, 23 October 2023 09:36  
**To:** tafelkop  
**Subject:** RE: SCOPING REPORT  
**Attachments:** 01 PIX796.03 Kareekloof - Draft Scoping Report.pdf

Dear Pierre

Thank you for your email.

I have attached the main report to the email.

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You are more than welcome to send any comment through via email and there is no need to complete a specific registration form.

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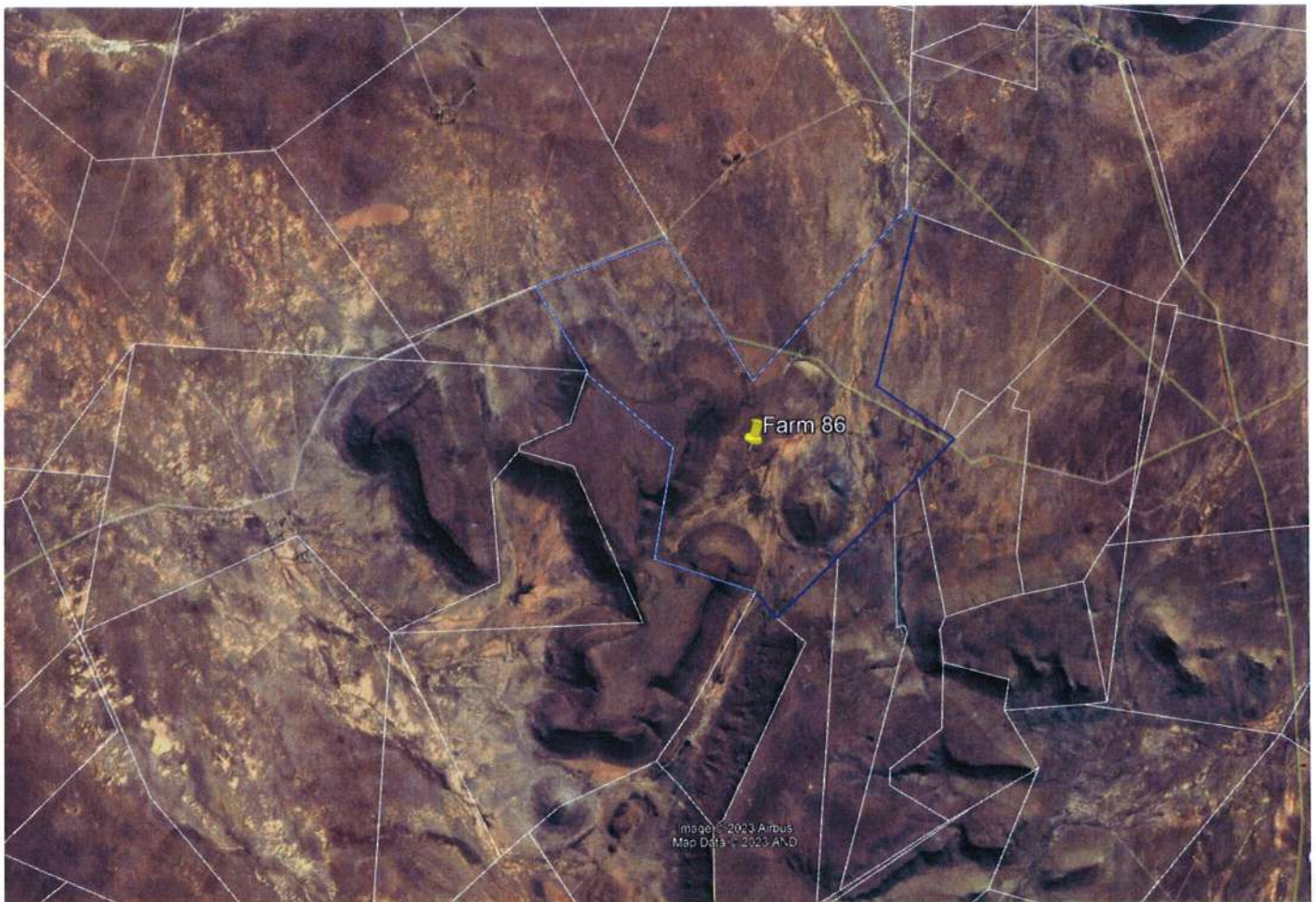
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**From:** mennestephan@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 11:50  
**To:** Dale Holder  
**Subject:** RE: Website Registration Hectares added

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**From:** Dale Holder <dale@cape-eaprac.co.za>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 11:40  
**To:** mennestephan@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: Website Registration

Dear Mr Menne

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Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

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**To:** Registration (Shared Mailbox) <[registration@cape-eaprac.co.za](mailto:registration@cape-eaprac.co.za)>  
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Project Name	:	Kareekloof Solar PV Facility and Battery energy
Name	:	Stephan
Surname	:	Menne
Title	:	Mr
Telephone	:	0639251188
Fax	:	
Cell	:	0639251188
Email:	:	<a href="mailto:mennestephan@gmail.com">mennestephan@gmail.com</a>
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Initial Comment	:	I am a neighbor. Has problem because more than 10% of land is developed.

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**From:** mennestephan@gmail.com  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 11:49  
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**From:** Mariska Nicholson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 10:35  
**To:** Dale Holder  
**Subject:** Comment\_Kareekloof Solar PV  
**Attachments:** Website Registration

Hi Dale,

Another online comment (please see attached).

I'll also register Mr Stephan Menne as a direct neighbour.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike groete

### Mariska Byleveld

Junior Consultant  
MSc Geology (University of the Free State)  
Candidate EAP Reg: 2023/6593

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**From:** Dale Holder  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 09:50  
**To:** Menneludwig@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: Website Registration

Dear Mr Menne

Thank you for your registration and initial comment on the proposed Kareekloof PV Facility.

I can confirm that your comment has been recorded and that I have registered you as an interested and affected party and direct neighbour of this proposed development.

Could you kindly indicate where your farm is situated, so that I can pass your comment on to the Socio Economic specialist to consider.

Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

**Dale Holder**  
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**To:** Registration (Shared Mailbox) <registration@cape-eaprac.co.za>  
**Subject:** Website Registration

Project Name	:	Kareekloof Solar PV & BESS
Name	:	Ludwig
Surname	:	Menne
Title	:	Mr
Telephone	:	0795535557
Fax	:	
Cell	:	0795535557
Email:	:	<a href="mailto:menneludwig@gmail.com">menneludwig@gmail.com</a>
Postal Details	:	Po Box 329 De Aar
Post Code	:	7000
Preferred method of communication	:	Email
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## Dale Holder

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**From:** Mariska Nicholson  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 18 October 2023 09:44  
**To:** Dale Holder  
**Subject:** Comment\_Kareekloof Solar PV & BESS  
**Attachments:** Website Registration

Hi Dale,

Please find attached online comment from Mr Ludwig Menne.

I'll register him as a direct neighbour.

Kind Regards/Vriendelike groete

### Mariska Byleveld

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**From:** Dale Holder  
**Sent:** Monday, 16 October 2023 08:39  
**To:** BC Admin  
**Cc:** MMatlala Rabothata  
**Subject:** RE: NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY  
**Attachments:** KAREEKLOOF V4\_1\_2 layout.kmz

Dear Tebego and Mmatlala

Thank you very much for the email and confirmation of receipt of the documentation for review.

Please find the attached Shapefile of the proposed development footprint.

Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

**Dale Holder**  
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**From:** BC Admin <bcaadmin@dfre.gov.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2023 2:18 PM  
**To:** Dale Holder <dale@cape-eaprac.co.za>  
**Cc:** MMatlala Rabothata <MRABOTHATA@dfre.gov.za>  
**Subject:** RE: NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

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**Tebego Kgaphola**

**Directorate: Biodiversity Mainstreaming and EIA**  
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473 Steve Biko Road | Private Bag X477 | Pretoria | 001



**From:** Dale Holder <[dale@cape-eaprac.co.za](mailto:dale@cape-eaprac.co.za)>

**Sent:** Thursday, 12 October 2023 15:58

**To:** BC Admin <[bcadmin@dffe.gov.za](mailto:bcadmin@dffe.gov.za)>; Seoka Lekota <[SLEKOTA@dffe.gov.za](mailto:SLEKOTA@dffe.gov.za)>

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**Sent:** Thursday, 12 October 2023 15:58  
**To:** BC Admin <bcadmin@dfre.gov.za>; Seoka Lekota <SLEKOTA@dfre.gov.za>  
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**From:** Dale Holder  
**Sent:** Friday, 13 October 2023 11:09  
**To:** Natalie Uys; Samantha De La Fontaine  
**Cc:** Elsabe Swart  
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY  
**Attachments:** KAREEKLOOF V4\_1\_2 layout.kmz

Dear Natalie

Please find attached KMZ of alternative 2 layout (the currently preferred footprint). This may be adapted during the EIA phase, based on the outcome of the second season of avifaunal monitoring.

Kind regards/Vriendelike groete

**Dale Holder**

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**From:** Natalie Uys <nuys@daerl.co.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, October 13, 2023 10:58 AM  
**To:** Samantha De La Fontaine <SDeLaFontaine@daerl.co.za>; Dale Holder <dale@cape-eaprac.co.za>  
**Cc:** Elsabe Swart <ESwart@daerl.co.za>  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

Thank you Sam.

Dale, please send the kmz/ shapefile please.

**Natalie Uys** *Pr.Sci.Nat.*

Production Scientist Grade A: Botanist

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Email: [nuys@daerl.co.za](mailto:nuys@daerl.co.za)

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**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:59 PM

**To:** Natalie Uys <[nuys@daerl.co.za](mailto:nuys@daerl.co.za)>; Dale Holder <[dale@cape-eaprac.co.za](mailto:dale@cape-eaprac.co.za)>

**Cc:** Elsabe Swart <[ESwart@daerl.co.za](mailto:ESwart@daerl.co.za)>

**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

Dear Dale,

I'm forwarding to my colleagues, Natalie Uys, for her info. As the development falls within the Pixley ka Seme district it falls within her area of focus.

Kind regards

Samantha

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**From:** Dale Holder <[dale@cape-eaprac.co.za](mailto:dale@cape-eaprac.co.za)>

**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:56 PM

**To:** Samantha De La Fontaine <[SDeLaFontaine@daerl.co.za](mailto:SDeLaFontaine@daerl.co.za)>

**Subject:** [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

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**From:** Natalie Uys <nuys@daerl.co.za>  
**Sent:** Friday, 13 October 2023 10:58  
**To:** Samantha De La Fontaine; Dale Holder  
**Cc:** Elsabe Swart  
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

Thank you Sam.

Dale, please send the kmz/ shapefile please.

### **Natalie Uys** *Pr.Sci.Nat.*

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**From:** Samantha De La Fontaine <SDeLaFontaine@daerl.co.za>  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 12, 2023 3:59 PM  
**To:** Natalie Uys <nuys@daerl.co.za>; Dale Holder <dale@cape-eaprac.co.za>  
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**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL]NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED KAREEKLOOF SOLAR PV AND BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE (BESS) FACILITY

Dear Dale,

I'm forwarding to my colleagues, Natalie Uys, for her info. As the development falls within the Pixley ka Seme district it falls within her area of focus.

Kind regards

Samantha

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**Sent:** Friday, 13 October 2023 07:53  
**To:** Dale Holder  
**Subject:** Re: Kareekloof Solar PV Facility and Battery Energy Storage System

Hi Dale,

Thank you very much.

Have a lovely day.

Kind Regards

**Janine Bryden | Regional Content Researcher Projects**

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