

NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATION

GENERAL NOTICE 3849 OF 2026

NOTIFICATION: ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPLICATION PROCESS.

In accordance with the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (Government Notice R982 as amended, promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998-NEMA), notice is herewith given of these applications which will be subjected to a public participation process.

Applicant:	Thungela Operations Proprietary Limited, a member of the Thungela Resources Limited Group
Applications:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Environmental Authorisation (EA) in accordance with the NEMA- Listing Notice (LN) activities: LN2 Activities: 20 and 20A. Full list of activities to be indicated in Scoping Report. Atmospheric Emissions Licence in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act- NEM:AQA (Act 39 of 2004)- Scheduled Activity: Sub-category 1.4 (Storage and Handling of Petroleum Products). Waste Management Licence in accordance with the requirements of the National Environmental Management: Waste Act- NEM:WA (Act 59 of 2008) - Listed activities: A1; A6; A7; A12; A14; B1; B10; B11; C1 and C2. Water Use Licence (WUL) in accordance with the National Water Act – NWA (Act 36 of 1998) - Listed activities: Section 21 water uses: 21a; 21b; 21c; 21e; 21f; 21g; 21i; and 21j. <p>Amendment of or additional listed activities may be identified during the process.</p>
Location:	The full PR application area encompasses 224 farm portions and a total area of approximately 134 155 ha. The first phase (the EA application area) will comprise a smaller area within the broader PR area and will be the subject of this EIA and application for EA. The EA application area encompasses 20 farms and covers an area of approximately ~20 443 ha. The PR and the EA application area falls within the Lephalale Local Municipality and Waterberg District Municipality, Limpopo Province. The EA Application area is situated approximately 14km to the northwest of Lephalale town, 5km north of Marapong, and approximately 11km north west of Onverwacht.
Activity:	The Applicant aims to extract the CBM resource from the PR area in a phased manner. At present a total of 3 production phases are expected to reach the conceptual full field production which spans a total surface area of approximately 134 155 hectares (ha). The first production phase comprises of 333 production wells which will be connected via a buried gas gathering network of pipelines to a centralised gas processing facility. This application only covers the first production phase and additional permitting or licencing will be required at a later stage for the remaining phases of the wellfield development should these be pursued.

EIMS will be following the procedures defined in the EIA Regulations for undertaking a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process. In accordance with Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, a public participation process will be undertaken. You are hereby invited to register and comment on the proposed project and application/s. Please note that only registered I&AP's will be informed of future project information and opportunities for participation. By registering as an interested and affected party you consent to the collection and processing of your personal information as per the EIMS Privacy Notice available at www.eims.co.za/public-participation. In order to avoid missing out on opportunities for public participation please submit I&AP registrations, or any queries, comments, or concerns with regards to this application, as soon as possible to EIMS at:

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