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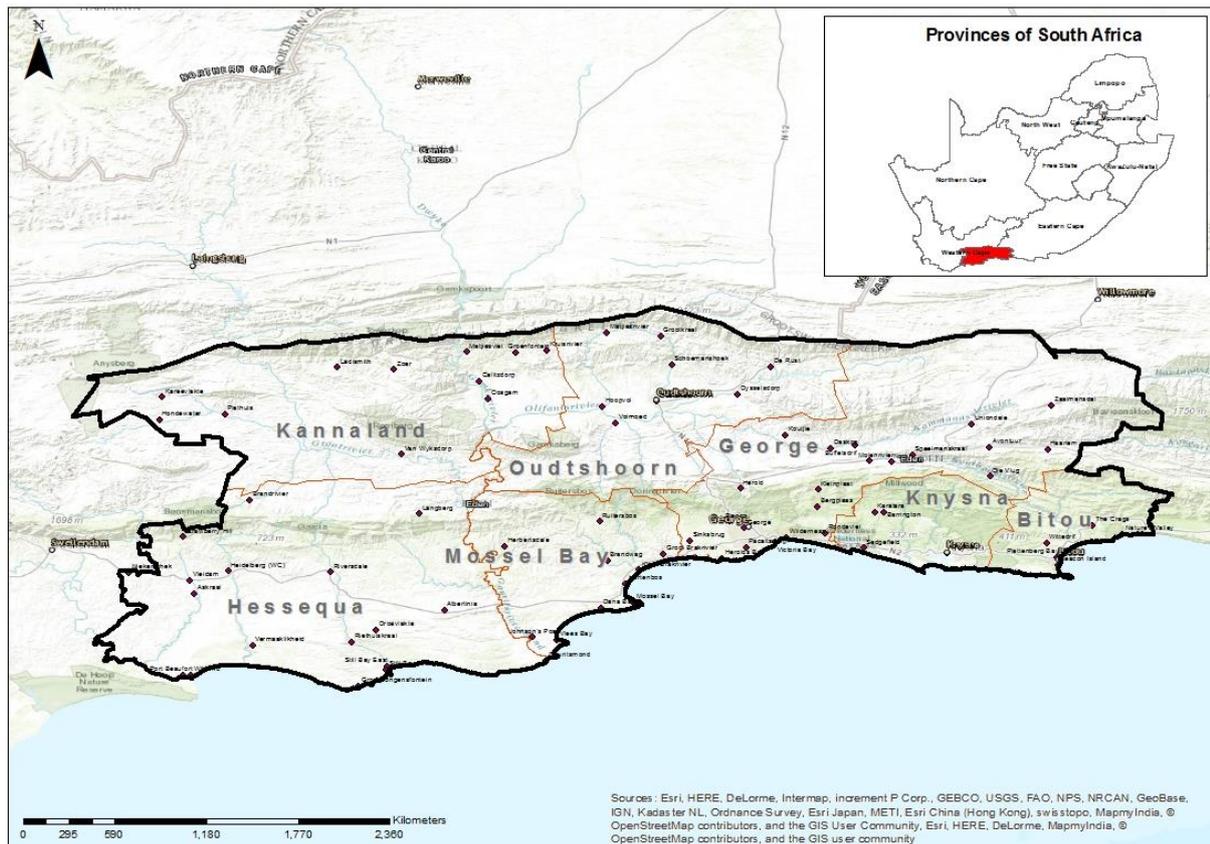
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## ABBREVIATIONS

BID	Background Information Document
CML	Coastal Management Line
CPZ	Coastal Protection zone
DEA	National Department of Environmental Affairs
DEA&DP	Western Cape Government, Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning
DSL	Development Set-Back Line
EDM	Eden District Municipality
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
I&AP	Interested and Affected Party
NEM: ICMA	National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act, 2008(Act No. 24 of 2008)
PSC	Project Steering Committee
WC PCASP	Western Cape Provincial Coastal Access Strategy and Plan, 2017
WCG	Western Cape Government

# 1 INTRODUCTION

Royal HaskoningDHV was appointed by the Western Cape Government Provincial Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) to demarcate the Coastal Management Lines (CMLs) and, simultaneously, conduct a Coastal Audit of historic and existing pedestrian access points for the Eden District Municipality. Figure 1 illustrates the extent of the project, stretching between the Breede River mouth and ending at Nature's Valley.



**Figure 1: Locality map of Eden District Municipality**

The main aim of this Stakeholder Engagement Report is to detail the approach to the Stakeholder Engagement process and to record the comments made by all Interested and Affected Parties (I&As).

## 1.1 Coastal Management Lines

The use of CMLs is an important response to the effects of climate change because it involves both a quantification of risks and pro-active planning for future developments. Although it cannot address historical decisions that have locked in development investment along potentially at-risk coastal areas, CMLs can influence how existing development is maintained over time and how new developments will be allowed to proceed.

The delineation of CMLs must be undertaken in accordance or alignment with a number of legislative tools such as the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal

Management Act (NEM: ICMA)(Act No. 24 of 2008) and the NEM: ICMA Amendment Act (Act No. 36 of 2014), the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA)(Act No. 107 of 1998), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014), the Western Cape Provincial Coastal Management Plan as well as the Western Cape Provincial Spatial Development Framework.

The CMLs, associated risk zones, proposed management guidelines and coastal protection zone (CPZ) are mainly based on technical modelling projections, however, information from the residents and authorities is required to refine the modelling process. Thus, stakeholder engagement provides potential I&APs with an opportunity to share information, raise concerns and provide recommendations on the project.

## 1.2 Coastal Access

Historically, the provision of coastal access in South Africa has been inequitable. Both physical access as well as access to resources was denied to most South African citizens. The National White Paper for Sustainable Coastal Development (DEAT, 2000), detailed the national intent to redress this imbalance and details specific management goals as follows:

- *“to ensure that the public has the right of physical access to the sea, and along the sea shore, on a managed basis;*
- *to ensure that the public has the right of equitable access to the opportunities and benefits of the coast, on a managed basis;*
- *to preserve, protect or promote historical and cultural resources and activities of the coast; and*
- *to ensure that the State fulfils its duties as the legal custodian off all coastal State assets on behalf of the people of South Africa.”*

These goals were later enacted via NEM: ICMA cementing the South African public's right to access the coastal zone. Municipalities were assigned the responsibility of designating coastal access land and managing coastal access. Since then the National Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) have prepared both “A National Strategy for the Facilitation of Coastal Access in South Africa” (DEA, 2014a) and “A Step-by-Step Guide for the Designation and Management of Coastal Access in South Africa” (DEA, 2014b). Latter amendments to the NEM: ICMA in 2014, while not reflected in these National Policy documents, are included and reflected on in the draft Western Cape Provincial Coastal Access Strategy and Plan, 2017 (WC PCASP) (DEA&DP, 2017)<sup>1</sup>.

As part of the larger project to determine coastal management lines as well as development setbacks for the Eden District, being undertaken on behalf of the Western Cape Government, a smaller coastal audit was required. This audit includes existing and

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<sup>1</sup> It is noted that the draft Western Cape Provincial Coastal Access Strategy and Plan, conducted just prior to this project, does provide extensive detail on defining access, the legislative imperatives, international best practice, a status quo of issues and problem statements, best practice guidelines and principles and concludes with a framework strategy for the Western Cape. As such care is taken to avoid duplication of the information contained therein.

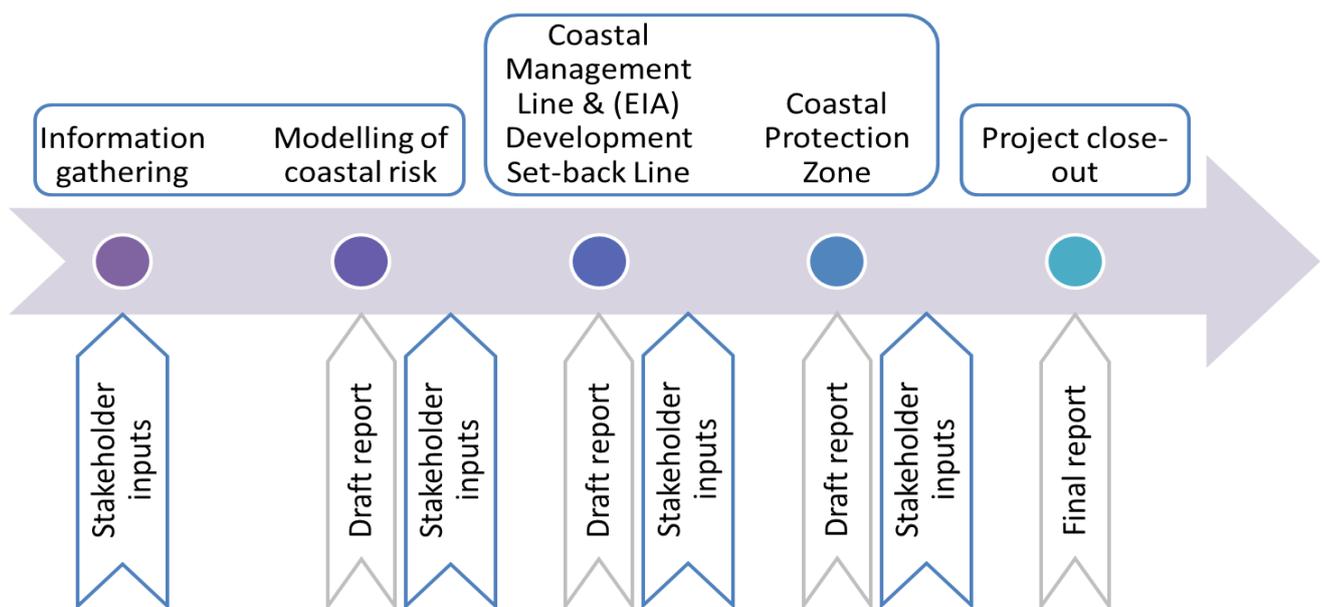
historic coastal access land and admiralty reserve and was required to include recommendations in respect to land that could be designated as coastal access land. This audit is in support of the Eden District Municipality as well as the Hessequa, Mossel Bay, George, Knysna and Bitou local municipalities, pre-empting and piloting the municipal requirement as included in the above draft strategy.

Consultation, engagement and involvement of relevant authorities and the general public was included in the larger Coastal Management Lines project to ensure local buy-in and relevance.

## 2 OVERALL APPROACH

### 2.1 Project Overview

This project consists of three main components: Inception and the Modelling of Dynamic Coastal Processes, Determination of CML, Development Set-Back Line (DSL) and CPZ and finally recommendations regarding management guidelines and project finalisation.



**Figure 2: Project phases**

The first phase, Project Inception and Technical Modelling, took place between October 2016 and March 2017, and included the modelling and delineation of short (1:20 year storm event and a 20cm prediction of sea level rise), medium (1:50 year storm event and a 50cm prediction of sea level rise) and long (1:100 year storm event and a 100cm prediction of sea level rise) term risk. Future risks were considered in terms of:

- natural coastal regression or accretion;
- littoral active zones (mobile sand);
- projected sea level rise;
- storm-driven coastal inundation; and
- projections of storm-driven coastal erosion.

These designated risk areas informed the demarcation of risk zones, as a way of highlighting natural coastal processes and risks, and accompanying draft management controls / development parameters. The default CPZ delineation specified in the ICM Act was also refined in accordance with the improved understanding of local coastal dynamics and sensitivities.

The second phase involved the determination of the CML, associated risk zones, proposed management guidelines and CPZ which were based on the technical risk projections. In addition, this phase was informed by local knowledge obtained via local authority input and stakeholder engagement and takes cognisance of agreed-upon principles.

The final phase involved recommendations regarding management guidelines and project finalisation. For this phase to be carried out, public consultation and engagement was required to ensure local buy-in. Similarly, the involvement of relevant authorities from the five Local Municipalities, the District Municipality, CapeNature and South African National Parks was required and deemed critical in the stakeholder engagement process. A high level of agreement and buy-in is necessary as all the authorities will ultimately be jointly responsible for the implementation of the development controls in the management zones.

It is important to recognise that the projections of risk and associated coastal management measures are based on the best available information at the time, and that this information will change and improve over time. All controls and delineations referred to in this report consequently relate specifically to the risk projections compiled for the 2017 CML project based on the best information available at the time. The project and its deliverables are specifically designed to allow for updating of both the risk projections and the designation of management features, as knowledge of coastal risk improve.

## 2.2 Project Steering Committee

The dynamic nature of the project required the establishment of a Project Steering Committee (PSC). Engagement with DEA&DP and an established PSC provided project management guidance as well as high level stakeholder input and continual guidance in the determination of the CML.

DEA&DP sent nomination letters to key organisations and stakeholders from national, provincial and local government departments on 07 October 2016, requesting that a representative be involved with the project. The organisations / departments invited included:

- National Department of Environmental Affairs: Oceans and Coasts;
- Eden District Municipality;
- Hessequa, Mossel Bay, George, Knysna and Bitou Local Municipality;
- CapeNature; and
- South African National Parks: Planning and Development Conservation Services.

The PSC committee met five times during the course of the project. Additionally, direct engagement with municipal representatives took place, as well as *ad hoc* project team meetings.

### 3 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

This section of the report outlines the process followed in engaging with stakeholders and I&APs for each of the three phases of the project. Thus, three rounds of stakeholder engagement sessions were held, one for each phase of the project.

The approach to conducting the stakeholder engagement process involved two levels of engagement: (a) Consultation and (b) Involvement. The main objectives of these approaches were to obtain feedback from stakeholders on analysis, alternatives and decisions, as well as to work directly with stakeholders throughout the process to ensure that issues and concerns are consistently understood and considered, respectively. As such, it was agreed that public meetings would best achieve these objectives.

Table 1 provides a summary of the type of stakeholder engagement which occurred during each phase of the project

**Table 1: Stakeholder engagement per project phase**

Phase	Description
<b>Phase 1: Project Inception</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Notification;</li> <li>• Authority Notification; and</li> <li>• Compilation and maintenance of a stakeholder database.</li> </ul>
<b>Phase 2: Risk Projections</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Notification;</li> <li>• Authority Notification;</li> <li>• Public review of risk projections;</li> <li>• Availability of Risk Assessment Reports;</li> <li>• Public Meetings;</li> <li>• Authority consultation; and</li> <li>• Compilation and maintenance of an Issues &amp; Response table.</li> </ul>
<b>Phase 3: CML</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Notification;</li> <li>• Authority Notification;</li> <li>• Public review of Draft CML;</li> <li>• Availability of Draft CML Reports;</li> <li>• Authority consultation; and</li> <li>• Compilation and maintenance of an Issues &amp; Response table.</li> </ul>
<b>Phase 4: Project Finalisation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Public Notification;</li> <li>• Authority Notification; and</li> <li>• Public review of Final Report.</li> </ul>

## 4 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ROUND 1: PROJECT INCEPTION

The main objectives of the first round of stakeholder engagement was to identify additional I&APs, whilst maintaining existing stakeholder databases; and notify and inform the potential I&APs about the project.

### 4.1 Stakeholder Identification

A desktop assessment was conducted to identify potential stakeholders and I&APs by reviewing existing stakeholder databases which was obtained from the various local municipalities, estuary advisory and conservancy forums. These databases were maintained throughout the duration of the project.

### 4.2 Stakeholder Notification (Round 1)

Stakeholders were initially notified about the project via electronic mail (e-mail) as well as posted mail. Existing forums such as Estuary Advisory Forums in Eden District as well as intergovernmental committees were used to raise inform stakeholders of the project. The invitation to key stakeholders to serve on the Steering Committee for this project also served as initial notification and background to the project.

## 5 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ROUND 2: RISK PROJECTIONS

The main objectives for the second round of stakeholder engagement was to elicit comment on:

- Current and historic coastal access
- Provisional wave run-up modelling and projections of coastal erosion

A direct engagement process was used to illustrate to stakeholders how coastal risk was modelled, and present the modelled risk zones to the public along with an explanation of what they mean. A draft report was made available to the public for comment, as well as the draft risk information for viewing on the Google Earth™ platform.

### 5.1 Stakeholder Notification

#### 5.1.1 Email

All stakeholders identified during the first round of stakeholder engagement were notified via email about the commenting period and the date, time and venue of the public meetings. Additional stakeholders requesting to be registered as an I&AP were added to the database and notified accordingly of the public meetings and where documentation can be accessed electronically.

Additionally, reminder emails were sent to stakeholders and I&APs prior to each of the stakeholder engagement meetings.

Dear Stakeholder

## **PUBLIC MEETINGS FOR THE DEMARCATION OF COASTAL MANAGEMENT LINES IN THE EDEN DISTRICT**

The Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning is considering the use of coastal management lines, based on projections of coastal risk, as a mechanism through which coastal risks and coastal quality may be managed along the coast of Eden District Municipality. Coastal Management Lines, as provided for in Section 25 the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act (Act No. 24 of 2008, as amended), are boundaries that indicate the limit of development along ecologically sensitive or vulnerable areas, or, delineating an area that poses a hazard or risk to humans.

Simultaneously, the Department is conducting an audit of historic and existing pedestrian access points to the Eden coastline.

The Department has appointed Royal HaskoningDHV to model the coastal wave action and erosion, and to delineate coastal management lines based on the risk projections.

The Western Cape Government invites Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to participate in the current project phase (determining coastal risks) by:

- (i) commenting on provisional wave run-up and erosion risk projections for Eden District,
- (ii) attending public meetings where the projections will be presented, as well as,
- (iii) providing the project team with information on historic and current pedestrian access to the shoreline.

The formal review period for comments from stakeholders will extend from **26 May 2017** up until **26 June 2017**.

An explanatory report and the draft projections of wave run-up and erosion risk for viewing in Google Earth™, can be obtained from the project team or downloaded from the following websites:

<https://sites.google.com/site/rhdhvcostal/> or <https://royalhaskoningdhv.box.com/v/EdenCML>.

I&APs will have a direct opportunity to make input at public meetings where the risk projections will be presented and explained. The town, dates, times and venues of the public meetings are provide in the table below:

<b>Town</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Meeting venues</b>
<b>Still Bay</b>	Monday, 5 June 2017	18:00-20:00	Community Hall, Main Road West
<b>Witsand</b>	Tuesday, 6 June 2017	10:00-12:00	Community Hall, Tuna Street
<b>Gouritzmond</b>	Tuesday, 6 June 2017	17:00-19:00	Community Hall, Voortrekker Street
<b>Plettenberg Bay</b>	Wednesday, 7 June 2017	17:00-19:00	Piesang Valley Community Hall, Hanois Drive
<b>Knysna</b>	Thursday, 8 June 2017	10:00-12:00	Premier Hotel, George Rex Drive
<b>Wilderness</b>	Thursday, 8 June 2017	17:00-19:00	NG Kerk, Hoekwil
<b>Mossel Bay</b>	Friday, 9 June 2017	10:00-12:00	Reebok Community Hall, Koedoe Avenue, Reebok

Additional stakeholders can request to be registered on the project stakeholder database or request further information from:

- Rafeeqah Alexander 021 936 7657 (t) [rafeeqah.alexander@rhdhv.com](mailto:rafeeqah.alexander@rhdhv.com) or
- Saa-rah Adams 021 483 0773 (t) [coastal.enquiries@westerncape.co.za](mailto:coastal.enquiries@westerncape.co.za)

Kindly forward the contents of this email to all I&APs who may benefit from attending these meetings.

### **Figure 3: Screenshot of email sent to stakeholders**

#### **5.1.2 Newspaper advertisements**

Advertisements regarding the project and public meetings were placed in one national newspaper and four local newspapers, across a period of two days. The advertisements included a further invitation to the public to register as an I&AP and indicated where additional information on the project could be found. These advertisements were placed in both English and Afrikaans. Table 2 provides a list of the newspapers in which the advertisements were placed. The adverts were also uploaded onto municipal websites in English, Afrikaans and translated isiXhosa.

**Table 2: Newspapers the advertisement was placed**

<b>Newspaper Name</b>	<b>Language</b>	<b>Date Advertised</b>
<b>Southern Cape Forum</b>	English	Friday 26th May 2017
<b>Mossel Bay Advertiser</b>	Afrikaans	Friday 26th May 2017
<b>Knysna Plettenberg Herald</b>	English	Thursday 25th May 2017
<b>Oudtshoorn Courant</b>	Afrikaans	Friday 26th May 2017
<b>Die Burger Wes</b>	Afrikaans	Tuesday – Wednesday 30 <sup>th</sup> - 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2017

It should be noted that an additional advertisement was published in isiXhosa and was made available on the municipal websites. ANNEXURE A: ADVERTISEMENTS provides a copy of the advertisements in English, Afrikaans and isiXhosa.

### **5.1.3 Distribution of relevant material**

The link provided in the email notification allowed stakeholders and I&APs to view the following information on the Western Cape Government and Royal HaskoningDHV's website:

- Draft Project Report;
- Wave run-up and erosion projections for 10, 20, 50 and 100 years
- 100 m reference line;
- 1km reference line;
- 5m and 10m contours around estuaries;

These documents were made available to all registered I&APs for a comment period of thirty calendar days.

## **5.2 Stakeholder Meetings**

Six public meetings were held during this phase of the project. The intent of these meetings was to:

- Communicate the overall purpose of the project;
- Share and explain the risk modelling results;
- Obtain comments from the stakeholders to inform a CML; and
- Source suggestions on how the CML can or should be used to manage development.

The public meetings were facilitated by **Tandi Breetzke**, Coastal Specialist from Coastwise Consulting. Two representatives from DEA&DP Biodiversity and Coastal Management was also present, namely **leptieshaam Bekko** and **Saa-rah Adams**.

Table 3 provides a list of the venues, dates and times where the public meetings were held. Photographs from the meetings held at the various venues are provided under ANNEXURE B: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS PRESENTATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS.

**Table 3: Venues, dates and times of public meetings**

Town	Venue	Date	Time
<b>Still Bay</b>	Still Bay Community Hall	Monday 05 June 2017	18:00 – 20:00
<b>Witsand</b>	Witsand Community Hall, Tuna Street, Witsand	Tuesday 06 June 2017	10:00 – 12:00
<b>Gouritzmond</b>	Gouritzmond Community Hall, Voortrekker Street, Gouritzmond		17:00 – 19:00
<b>Plettenberg Bay</b>	Piesang Valley Community Hall, Green Point Avenue Plettenberg Bay	Wednesday 07 June 2017	17:00 – 19:00
<b>Knysna*</b>	Premier Hotel, George Rex Drive, Knysna	Thursday 08 June 2017	10:00 – 12:00
<b>Wilderness</b>	Die Vleie NG Church Hall, Kerkstraat, Hoekwil		17:00 – 19:00
<b>Mossel Bay</b>	Rhebok Hall, De Jager Street, Rhebok	Friday 09 June 2017	10:00 – 12:00

\*It should be noted that due to the Knysna fires which occurred during the week of 05-09 June 2017, the meeting in Knysna was cancelled and another meeting held on Wednesday 21 June 2017 at the Premier Hotel.

Further direct engagements involved the Lower Breede Conservancy Trust. In addition, other key stakeholders informed of the process, and specifically invited to comment or engage with the project team included:

- Denel;
- ESKOM;
- Department of Public Works;
- Hessequa Municipality;
- Eden District Municipality;
- Walker Bay Fynbos Conservancy;
- CapeNature;
- South African National Parks

All comments received via email and from the public meetings were collated into a comments and responses table which was discussed with the PSC. The outcomes from the engagement sessions were then integrated into the project approach and project reports. The issues trail is attached as ANNEXURE C: COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM STAKEHOLDERS to this report.

## 6 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ROUND 3: CML

The third round of stakeholder engagement provided I&AP's with an opportunity to review the provisional coastal management lines and associated project reports.

Following the earlier round of public consultation in June 2017, information received from stakeholders was used to update the risk projections and subsequently delineate a CML and DSL. The contextual information and explanation of what the CML and DSL mean were captured in a draft project report.

In addition, a draft coastal access audit report was compiled.

All stakeholders on the project database were given notice, informing them of the availability of the coastal access audit report, draft CML, draft DSL and project report. The commenting period ran from the 02<sup>nd</sup> November to the 30<sup>th</sup> November 2017. Comments received from stakeholders were recorded as part of the comments and responses table under ANNEXURE C: COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM STAKEHOLDERS.

One-on-one meetings were held with municipalities in November 2017 who requested further clarity with respect to the implementation of the coastal management line and associated risk information. Records of the meetings held with Bitou and Mossel Bay municipalities are included as part of ANNEXURE C: COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM STAKEHOLDERS.

Dear Interested and Affected Parties

The **Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning** Coastal Management Lines and Coastal Access Audit project has reference.

Following the earlier round of public consultation in June 2017, information received has been used to update the risk projections and subsequently, risk management lines; as well as to draft the coastal access audit report.

The intent of this notice is to provide an update on these processes and to request that interested and affected parties peruse the documents and maps, and provide us with feedback on the accuracy and practical value of the lines, and the proposed management scheme.

Comments are due by **30 November 2017**, following which we will further consolidate the feedback and provide all stakeholders with access to a final report and maps. All comments, including any comments on the final report that is to be circulated, will be submitted to the Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning.

**Coastal Management Lines** - Following the contributions and submissions on the provisional coastal risk projections (wave run-up and coastal erosion) the risk projections have been revised and used to inform the delineation of the **Coastal Management Line (CML)** and **Development Set-back Line (DSL)**.

**Coastal Access** - Contributions received for coastal access have been collated in a project report which is attached to this notice. This report contains some background to the issue of coastal access, consolidates the information collected, and makes initial recommendations on where intervention is required. Note that the audit does not list every informal access point (such as informal trail through a dune), but rather focusses on where:

- formal public access is provided
- there is a history of public access
- there are contested points of access
- where access is present but is controlled/managed

Attached is a copy of both the risk modelling report and coastal access audit report. These reports are also accompanied by digital maps (in both ArcGIS and Google Earth formats) that show the exact locations of the various lines along the coastline. The report and maps can be downloaded or viewed at the following internet location:

<https://sites.google.com/site/rhdhvcoastal/>

Should you have any further queries, kindly let me know.

### Figure 3: Screenshot of email sent to stakeholders

## 7 STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ROUND 4: PROJECT CLOSE-OUT

The final round of stakeholder engagement provided I&AP's with a final opportunity to confirm that their comments have been addressed or to raise outstanding matters. Again, all stakeholders on the project database were given notice, informing them of the availability of the coastal access audit report, draft CML, draft DSL and project report. For reasons of clarity, separate notifications were sent for the coastal access audit work and the CML delineation process.

A copy of the notice regarding the coastal access audit is provided as Figure 4.

Dear Stakeholders

## FINAL REPORT: EDEN DISTRICT COASTAL ACCESS AUDIT

In 2017, Royal HaskoningDHV was appointed by the **Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning** to conduct an audit of historic and existing pedestrian coastal access points to the Eden coastline.

This email notification hereby informs stakeholders that the **final coastal access audit report** has been completed and is available via the links below:

<https://sites.google.com/site/rhdhvcoastal/>

<https://royalhaskoningdhv.box.com/v/EdenAccessAudit2018>

Furthermore, stakeholders have an additional opportunity to comment on the final coastal access audit report. All comments received will be collated and submitted along with this final report to the Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning for consideration and review during subsequent action and decisions related to coastal access. Comments are due **by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2018** and are to be submitted to

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### Figure 4: Screenshot of final email to stakeholders regarding the coastal access audit

Indicated in the notice was an opportunity to submit final comments that will be passed to the Department along with the final report. Comments received from stakeholders were recorded as part of the comments and responses table under ANNEXURE C: COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM STAKEHOLDERS.

Final notice regarding the CML project report (Figure 5) did not specifically invite further comment, but indicated that comments can be submitted directly to DEA&DP for consideration during subsequent consultation and decision-making.

## FINAL REPORT: EDEN DISTRICT COASTAL MANAGEMENT LINES

Royal HaskoningDHV was appointed by the Western Cape Government Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning to assist with the delineation of coastal management lines for Eden District.

This email notification hereby informs stakeholders that the final coastal management lines, which incorporates comments and suggestions received from all private and public stakeholders, are now available. The proposed lines and supporting documents are available via the links below:

<https://sites.google.com/site/rhdhvcoastal/>  
<https://royalhaskoningdhv.box.com/v/EdenMaps>  
<https://royalhaskoningdhv.box.com/v/EdenLines>

Note that there are three supporting documents – specifically a Project Report, supplemented by two technical reports (Modelling Report and Geomorphological Situation Assessment) – and digital mapping products for viewing in Google Earth™ (kml / kmz files) or other GIS software (shapefiles provided in zipped archives). Stakeholders are strongly advised to use the Project Report to assist with the interpretation of the mapping products.

Prior to implementation, the Western Cape Government will need to formally adopt the coastal management lines in accordance with the prescriptions of the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act, 2008 (Act No. 24 of 2008, ICMA). In terms of Section 25(1) of ICMA, the MEC can declare coastal management line(s) after consultation with Municipalities and interested and affected parties, through publishing it as a notice in the Government Gazette.

By implication, the public will be afforded an additional opportunity to constructively contribute to the delineation and determination of the final adopted coastal management lines and associated development management controls during the formal gazetting period. Nevertheless, any comments on the current proposed lines and management scheme that stakeholders wish to submit prior to the gazetting may be directed to the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning for consideration and review during the gazetting and any other subsequent decisions related to coastal management lines. Comments may be submitted to

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Please allow us to express our sincere appreciation for all parties who contributed to the success of this project.

### Figure 5: Screenshot of final email to stakeholders regarding the final project report

## 8 CLOSING REMARKS

The aim of this report is to detail the stakeholder engagement process approach and to record the comments made by stakeholders and I&APs.

Stakeholders and I&APs were provided with an opportunity to review documents and submit or raise comments and concerns specifically related to the coastal modelling processes, CMLs, CPZ, management guidelines and coastal access.

The project and its deliverables are specifically designed to allow for updating of both the risk projections and the designation of management features, as knowledge of coastal risk improve.

ANNEXURE A: ADVERTISEMENTS

# ANNEXURE B: STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT MEETINGS PRESENTATION AND PHOTOGRAPHS

ANNEXURE C: COMMENTS AND RESPONSES FROM  
STAKEHOLDERS