

#### ECOTOURISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL

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ATTENTION: nicolaas@ecoimpact.co.za

Dear Nicolaas,

PEER REVIEW OF AGRICULTURAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT FOR THE 400MV PHOTOVOLTAIC ELECTRICITY GENERATION FACILITY ON PORTIONS 7 AND 3 OF FARM 187 OLYVENKOLK IN KENHARD, NORTHERN CAPE

Your reference:

Our reference:

Date:

#### 1. INTRODUCTION

The Agricultural Impact Assessment of the proposed 400MW Photovoltaic Electricity Generation Facility project on Portions 7 and 3 of Farm 187 Olyvenkolk in Kenhard, Northern Cape, has reference.

Michael Wright of Sustain Ecotourism and Environmental was requested to undertake a peer review of the aforementioned study.

#### 2. SCOPE

The Terms of Reference for the peer review included:

- Evaluate the appropriateness of the referenced literature;
- Indicate whether the article is well written and easy to understand;
- To review the report in terms of the current minimum requirements for biodiversity assessments in terms of Appendix 6 of General Notice (GN) 326 (7 April 2017) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) of 1998;
- Assess the document/ report in terms of its fulfilment of the Terms of Reference set;
- · Consider whether the report is entirely objective;
- Consider whether the report is technically, scientifically and professionally credible;
- Consider whether the method and the study approach is defensible;
- Identify whether there are any information gaps, omissions or errors;
- Consider whether the recommendations presented are sensible and present the best options;
- Consider whether there are alternative viewpoints around issues presented in the report and if these are clearly stated;
- Consider whether the style of the report is written so as to make it accessible to non-specialists, technical jargon is explained and impacts are described using comparative analogies where necessary; and
- Report on whether normal standards of professional practice and competence have been met.

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Reg. No. 2010/103256/23

Members: Michael Wright; Natalie Wright









- · Acceptability of the terms of reference;
- Is the methodology clearly explained and acceptable;
- Evaluate the validity of the findings (review data evidence):
- Discuss the suitability of the mitigation measures and recommendations;
- Identify any short comings and mitigation measures to address the short comings;
- Evaluate the appropriateness of the reference literature;
- Indicate whether a site-inspection was carried out as part of the peer review;
- Indicate whether the article is well-written and easy to understand; and
- Assess the acceptability of the initial reports' Terms of Reference.

#### 3. REVIEW

#### 3.1. General Comments

My general comments are:

- The reference literature was comprehensive and appropriate for the needs of the assessment and the project site.
- The article, in general, was compiled very well and easy to understand, with comprehensive and due consideration of the factors and impacts. In summary I am happy with the assessment and its findings.
- The report was reviewed in terms of the current minimum requirements for biodiversity assessments in terms of Appendix 6 of General Notice (GN) 326 (7 April 2017) of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) of 1998.
- The report fulfilled the Terms of Reference set for it.
- The report is objective in its assessment.
- The report is technically, scientifically and professionally credible;
- The method and the study approach applied to the assessment is defensible.
- Information gaps, omissions or errors were noted, and comments and correction regarding these are detailed in Item 3.2 below. It must be noted however, that those comments provided that related to ecological and/or biodiversity matters, rather than specific agricultural matters, were not included in the final version, as they have already been dealt with within the ecological assessment report.
- The recommendations presented are sensible and present the best and most suitable options.
- The degree to which alternative viewpoints around issues presented in the report exist, are stated in Item 3.2 below.
- The style of the report is written so as to make it accessible to non-specialists, technical jargon is explained and impacts are described using comparative analogies where necessary.
- The normal standards of professional practice and competence have been met.

- The terms of reference for the relevant study is appropriate for an Agricultural Impact Assessment of a develop type of this nature.
- The methodology is clearly explained and acceptable.
- The findings were certainly valid and appropriate for the project.
- The mitigation measures applied were suitable and adequate for mitigating impacts expected by the project.
- No notable short comings existed in the assessment.
- A site-inspection was not carried out as part of the peer review, as the project could be assessed adequately on a desktop level.

#### 3.2. Specific Comments and Corrections

The following comments were included in the report to help improve upon areas that require better information. Should the matters already be dealt with in other specialist reports, such as the Ecological Impact Assessment, then it would not be necessary to account for it herein. The original text is included in blue font, with the suggested correction or comment included thereafter in black text:

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COMPLINACE – correct spelling to COMPLIANCE

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<u>Chapter 2. Background and Brief</u> Last paragraph – change 37km to 39km

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Identification of Risk Sources

#### 3.1 Construction Phase

Agriculture could be affected by the construction of the solar electricity generation facility. The possible risk sources associated with the construction phase are:

- Theft of livestock inter alia add: and hunting/snaring
- Disturbance from access roads used for construction add: increased soil loss and loss of arable land area.
- Establishment of workers camps, etc.
- Fire hazards
- Land potentially removed from future Land Reform applications
- Disturbances of and impacts on ESKOM power supply
- Add: Potential influx and proliferation of invasive alien species and weeds caused by disturbance;
- Add: Impacts on indigenous natural vegetation degradation of grazing and browsing;
- Add: Impacts on water features, such as drainage lines affects livestock drinking and ability to irrigate.

#### 3.2 Operational Phase

The operational phase of the expansion is also likely to affect the agricultural environment with the possible risk sources being:

- Effect of zero sunlight on specific areas;
- Water runoff from panels and site into the adjacent environment;
- Fire:
- Sense of place:
- · Impact on existing agricultural activities;
- Disturbances of and impacts on ESKOM power supply.
- Comment: Some solar thermal systems use potentially hazardous fluids to transfer heat. Leaks of these materials could be harmful to the environment. Is this a possibility here?
- Comment: Effect on wildlife: Displacement of wildlife, e.g. tortoises their absence results in reduced use of vegetation and reduced burrowing, which in turn reduces valuable ecosystem services by effecting the behaviour of inter-connected species. The habitat becomes less liveable for plants and wildlife that have adapted to its specific conditions. Consequently, the altered vegetation and environment will impact on the quality of vegetation for livestock grazing.
- Add: Impacts on indigenous natural vegetation degradation of grazing and browsing;
- Add: Impacts on water features, such as drainage lines affects livestock drinking and ability to irrigate.

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#### IMPACT DESCRIPTION AND ASSESSMENT OF ISSUES IDENTIFIED ABOVE

#### Comments:

- Should land reform take place on this site, the nature of land use will be unknown.
- Should the land continue to be farmed as sheep and/or other livestock grazing area, the effect, whether positive of negative, will be relative to the stocking rates applied.
- Should the land be used for other purposes, then the negative effect will increase.

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#### Comments:

- The description of the farming practice status quo should ideally be thoroughly explained earlier in the document before 3. Identification of Risk Sources. This should be accompanied by a relatable map.
- My most significant recommendation relates to the need to represent the agricultural practices in a
  more relatable way, by means of mapping these spatially in a layout plan, and quantifying these
  impacts in hectares and %s of permanent or temporary loss.
- In addition, the layouts should depict drainage lines, soil types and vegetation types to help understand the nature and magnitude of physical impacts spatially.
- This will greatly assist in depicting the probable agricultural impacts and risks mentioned in 3 in a relatable manner.

#### 4. CONCLUSION

Thank you for the opportunity to peer review your work, and well done with the assessment. Should you have any questions or further requirements, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

 $\textbf{Michael Wright} \ \mathsf{Pr.Sci.Nat.}; \ \mathsf{B.Sc.Agric.}; \ \mathsf{Nat.Cert.Tourism} \ \mathsf{Guiding}$ 

Managing Member

**Sustain Ecotourism and Environmental** 

Enclosed:

Appendix A: Michael Wright - Sustain Shortened CV & Annex - Jan 2019

#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

#### **MICHAEL WRIGHT**



Owner, Environmental Scientist and Ecotourism Specialist

Title: Mr

First names: Michael Standin

Family name: Wright

Date of birth:29 December 1979Nationality:South African

Place of residence: Durban, South Africa

Civil status: Married
Children with date of birth: 2 children –

John (c. 2008), Hannah (c. 2012)

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Institution (Date From – To)	Degree Obtained
University of KwaZulu-Natal Pietermaritzburg (1998 – 2001)	BSc Agriculture (Majors: Agribusiness & Wildlife Science)

#### Language skills:

Language	Reading	Speaking	Writing
English (mother tongue)	Fluent	Fluent	Fluent
Afrikaans	Fair	Fair	Fair
isiZulu	Elementary	Elementary	Elementary

#### **Professional qualifications:**

- Professional Natural Scientist: Environmental Science (2018) South African Council for Natural Science Professions (SACNASP) – Reg. No. 009205;
- B.Sc. Agriculture (Agribusiness & Wildlife Science) (2001) University of KwaZulu-Natal Pietermaritzburg (1998 2001);
- Estate Agency Affairs Board Qualified Estate Agent Nov 2007;
- Regional Nature Guide NQF Level 4 KwaZulu-Natal and Mpumalanga THETA (2003);
- Local Bird Guide TG27 Birdlife South Africa (2003).

#### **Professional memberships:**

- Environmental Assessment Practitioners Association of South Africa (EAPASA) Since 2019;
- South African Council for Natural Science Professions (SACNASP) Reg. No. 009205 Since 2014;
- International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) World Commission on Protected Areas (WCPA) Tourism and Protected Areas Specialist (TAPAS) Group Since 2016;
- The International Ecotourism Society (TIES) Since 2012;
- International Association for Impact Assessment (IAIAsa) Reg. No. 3287 Since 2012;
- Birdlife South Africa Reg. No. 1039173 Since 2015;
- Field Guide Association of Southern Africa (FGASA) Reg. No. W0924 Since 2002.

#### Academic honours:

- Awarded the Agricultural Economics of South Africa (AESA) National Prize for the best Under-Graduate Thesis of 2001;
- Awarded the H.I. Berhmann Book Prize for the final year BScAgric, BAgricMgt (Hons) or BCom (Hons) candidate with the best performance in Agricultural Economics or Agribusiness.

#### Key skills:

#### Ecotourism consulting skills include:

- Tourism plans for protected areas;
- Strategy and concept development for protected areas and eco-estates;
- Ecotourism and leisure property development planning and project co-ordination;



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#### **MICHAEL WRIGHT**



Owner, Environmental Scientist and Ecotourism Specialist

- Tourism impact assessments;
- Business plans / feasibility studies for proposed new or existing ecotourism businesses;
- Market analysis;
- · Marketing strategies and planning;
- Mentorship and assistance to stakeholders;
- Tender document coordination and preparation for concessions in public parks and reserves;
- Optimizing ecotourism guest experiences, activities and guiding;
- · Hospitality operator selection, contracts and negotiation;
- Finance raising from public and private sectors in South Africa and internationally;
- · Community Public Private Partnerships and Concession Agreements;
- Community-based ecotourism enterprises and empowerment strategies;
- Environmental Monitoring for lodge and resort developments;
- · Vacation ownership models, advice and implementation.

#### Environmental consulting skills include:

- Strategic Environmental Management (SEAs, EMFs);
- Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessments (S&EIAs, BAs);
- Environmental Management Programmes (EMPs);
- · Environmental Screening;
- Maintenance Management Plans (MMPs) for Protected Areas;
- Protected Area Management Plans (PAMPs);
- · Environmental Monitoring;
- Natural Resource Management (NRM) programmes;
- Alien invasive identification and control measures;
- · Agricultural assessments;
- Waste Management Plans (WMPs);
- Water Use Licence Applications (WULAs);
- Mammal (including Bird), Tree, Frog, Butterfly, Grass Identification.

#### **Publications:**

• Tariff Determination of Safari Lodges in South African Game Reserves using the Hedonic Pricing Method. Michael Wright.: Lambert Academic Publishing, 2017. ISDN: 978-3-330-31738-3.

#### Experience in the region:

Country	Date From – Date To	
South Africa	Oct 2002 – Current	
Mozambique	Sep 2010	
Namibia	Oct 2004 – Jan 2005; Sep 2006	
Botswana	Jun 2003; Oct – Nov 2003	
Zimbabwe	Oct 2003	
Zambia	Oct 2003	
United States of America	Dec 2001 – Apr 2002	

#### Projects experience:

Environmental Consulting				
Year	Description	Client		
Strategic Env	Strategic Environmental Assessments (SEAs)			
Aug 2018 –	Specification for Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Port of Richards Transnet National			
May 2019	Bay Ports Authority			
Jun 2014 –	Strategic Infrastructure Projects 2 (SIPs 2), a Presidential Priority Project – SMEC, on behalf			
Feb 2016	High-level Environmental Status Quo & Recommendations Report for the KwaZulu-Natal			
Strategic Corridor Plan: Durban – Free State – Gauteng Development Region.		CoGTA		
Climate Change Studies				
May – Aug	Durban Climate Change Strategy – Establishment of a city status quo and EThekwini			
2018	recommendations to facilitate the implementation of climate change work	Municipality:		
	within eThekwini Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	EPCPD		



	Environmental Consulting			
Year	Description	Client		
Environmenta	Il Management Services (EMSs)			
Dec 2016 – May 2017	Environmental and master planning services for the development of a mixeduse estate at Bethel Farm, between Richmond and Ixopo, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.			
Mar 2016 – Feb 2018	Dukuduku On-Site Settlement Project (Phase 2), a KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Priority Project – Environment, planning, tourism and local economic development work group secretariat; and provision of environmental and conservation expertise as part of a multi-disciplinary project management team.			
Natural Resou	rce Management (Environmental Rehabilitation)			
Dec 2017 – present	Renishaw Estate – For the Working for Wetlands, Water and Ecosystems programmes, of the 1,833ha Mpambanyoni Conservation Development and Renishaw Estate (a mixed-use estate development) near Scottburgh, South Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Department of Environmental Affairs: NRM Directorate		
	Il Impact Assessments (EIAs)			
Feb 2016 – Apr 2016	For 10 wooden pedestrian bridges in KwaDukuza Municipality, North Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Mzansi Africa Civils		
Oct 2012 – Oct 2016	For the proposed mixed-use Rorqual Estate Development near Park Rynie, South Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Ellingham Estate (Pty) Ltd		
Oct 2012 – May 2015	For the proposed Nonoti Beach Tourism Development near Blythedale, North Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Grant Thornton, for Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)		
Feb 2013 – May 2015	For the proposed Redcliffe Valley View Low-Cost Housing Project near Verulam, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	EThekwini Municipality: HS		
Environmenta				
Nov 2012 – Aug 2013	For Zimbali Lakes Golf Course Resort in Ballito, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	IFA Hotels & Resorts (Pty) Ltd		
Nov 2012 – May 2013	For Ridge 5 Office Block, Ridgeside Office Park in Umhlanga Rocks, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Chanter Property (Pty) Ltd		
Oct 2012 – Oct 2014	For eTafuleni Low-Cost Housing Project in Phoenix, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.			
Environmenta	ll Screening Studies			
Sep 2018 – Oct 2018	Three studies to select a suitable site for a lithium-ion NMC precursor material production facility at a suitable Industrial Development Zone in South Africa.	Process Projects, for Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)		
Sep 2017 – Jun 2018	For the greater Cutty Sark Hotel site for redevelopment into a beach and estuary resort in Scottburgh, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Premier Hotels & Resorts Group		
May 2016	For a new town development node in a central region in Dukuduku near St Lucia, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	LDM Consulting, for KwaZulu-Natal EDTEA		
Jun 2015	For a dam reconstruction on Eden Rock Estate in Pennington, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Eden Rock Estates		
Dec 2014	For the Cwaka new town centre in in Msinga Local Municipality, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	LDM Consulting		
Sep 2014	For the Residential Eco-Estate adjacent Zimbali in Ballito, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Trencon		
Mar 2013	For the Shayamoya Low-cost Housing Development adjacent the town of Kokstad, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	SIMSI		
Feb 2013	For the in-situ Matheni Integrated Rural Housing Development south of Nongoma adjacent to the Hluhluwe-Umfolozi Game Reserve, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.			
	otential and Soils Impact Assessments			
Nov 2017	Amended assessment for the wind turbines for the De Aar 2 North Wind Energy Facility (WEF) project, near De Aar in the Northern Cape, South Africa.	Holland & Assoc. for Mulilo Renewable Energy		
Oct 2017	Specialist comment for the proposed 100MW Photovoltaic Solar Energy Facility (PV2) and associated infrastructure on the Farm Struisbult, near Copperton in the Northern Cape, South Africa.	Holland & Assoc. for Mainstream Renewable Power		



	Environmental Consulting			
Year	Description	Client		
Jun 2017	Specialist comment for the proposed 75-150MW Photovoltaic Solar Energy Facility (PV2) and associated infrastructure on the Farm Paarde Valley, near De Aar in the Northern Cape. Appointed by Holland & Associates ().  Holland & Assoc for Mainstream Renewable Power			
Jul 2015	Amended assessment for the proposed Longyuan Mulilio De Aar Maanhaarberg WEF facility, near De Aar in the Northern Cape, South Africa. Holland & Assoc for Mulilo Renewable Ener			
Jun 2015	Amended assessment for the proposed Longyuan Mulilio De Aar South Wind Energy Facility, near De Aar in the Northern Cape, South Africa.	Holland & Assoc. for Mulilo Renewable Energy		
Mar 2014	Amended assessment for the proposed transmission lines from Longyuan Mulilio De Aar Maanhaarberg to Longyuan Mulilio De Aar North WEF projects, near De Aar in the Northern Cape, South Africa.	Aurecon Group for Mulilo Renewable Energy		
Water Use Lie	cence Applications			
Nov 2017 – current	For a proposed 191ha mixed use development at Signal Hill, Pietermaritzburg, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	SLB Consulting, for Msunduzi Local Municipality		
Feb – Mar 2017	For the 240bed Radisson Blu Safari Lodge, Kruger Park the south of Kruger National Park near Malelane Gate, Mpumalanga, South Africa.  Multicipality  Malelane Saf Resort Invest (Pty) Ltd			
Wetland Delii	neations and Functional Assessments	(i ty) <u>Lta</u>		
Feb 2013	Assisted for several wetlands on the Zindophi Sugar Estate near Eshowe, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Tongaat Hulett Sugar		
Jan 2013	Assisted for the proposed mixed-use luxury Rorqual Estate development near Park Rynie, South Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  Ellingham (Pty) Ltd			
Jan 2013	Assisted for the proposed Nonoti Beach Tourism Development near Blythedale, North Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  Industrial Development Corporation (II			
Feb 2013	Assisted for Corridor 9 and Corridor 1 of the proposed Integrated Rapid Public Transport Network (IRPTN) Development, which runs through north Durban, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.			
Specialist Pla	ans and Reports			
Dec 2017 – Jan 2018	Facilitated a Phase 1 Heritage, Archaeological and Palaeontological Impact Assessment for the proposed new 422m long Grypoort-Klipfontein power line near Danielskuil, Northern Cape, South Africa.			
Jan 2013 – Apr 2013	Wetland rehabilitation and vegetation relocation plan for new proposed bulk sewer main line and reticulation in Wirtz Rd and Paradise Valley Nature Conservancy, Queensburgh, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  EThekwi Municipa			
Faunal Asses		a carnation		
Jan 2013	Assisted with the Black-headed Dwarf Chameleon (Bradypodion melanocephalum) assessment for the proposed Nonoti Beach Tourism Development near Blythedale, North Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)		
Vegetation S		I lois coreits : ef		
Jun 2015	Environmental Site Identification for a new teaching/learning facility on University of Edgewood Campus in Pinetown, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  KwaZulu-Natal			
Mar 2015	For a new proposed petrol filling station and convenience store on a site in Mbazwana, Elephant Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa	Engen		
	ation Assessments	T (11.1.4		
Jul 2014	For Kindlewood Estate on Umhlanga Ridge, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  Tongaat Hulett Developments			
May 2014	Along the entire Integrated Rapid Public Transport Network (IRPTN) Corridor 3 MCA JV route from Pinetown to KwaMashu, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.			
Feb 2013	Assessment, relocation and site restoration for stormwater pipeline into dam in the Ridgeside Office Park in Umhlanga Rocks, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Tongaat Hulett Developments		
Jun 2013	For Izinga Ridge Estate on Umhlanga Ridge, KwaZulu- Natal, South Africa.  Tongaat Hulett Developments			
	aste Management Plan			
Jan – Apr	For the Msinga Local Municipality in the Valley of a Thousand Hills, KwaZulu-	Msinga Local		



		Ecotourism & Protected Area Consulting	
Year	Project Type	Description	Client
Nov 2018 – Jul 2019	2x Reserve Tourism Plans	Tourism Plans for Tembe Elephant Park and Ndumo Game Reserve in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa, as part of the development of the Usuthu-Tembe-Futi Transfrontier Conservation Area.	Peace Parks Foundation
Aug 2018 – Feb 2019	Tented Lodge Sites	Sourcing and securing tented lodge sites for a luxury tent camping (glamping) development, marketing and reservations company seeking expansion into KwaZulu-Natal, Mpumalanga and Limpopo.	AfriCamps
Jun 2015 – Jan 2016	Reserve Staff Infrastructure	Project management of crack-team undertaking maintenance assessments of resort and reserve staff infrastructure in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Treasury
Oct 2014 – Jul 2015	Safari Lodge & Reserve	Ecotourism Business Plan for the 42bed Bhambatha Lodge and other services on the 1,700ha Ngome Community Game Reserve near Greytown, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife
Jan 2014 – Mar 2014	Safari Lodge	Ecotourism Business Plan for the 32bed Royal Thonga Safari Lodge adjoining the Tembe Elephant Park near Manguzi, Elephant Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Royal Thonga Safari Lodge (Pty) Ltd
Aug 2014	Ecotourism Technical Workshop	Facilitated and presented at 3-day Technical Workshop for SADC stakeholders on Investment and Concessioning Guidelines for Ecotourism Opportunities in Transfrontier Conservation Areas (TFCAs).	Boundless Southern Africa / SADC / GIZ
Jun 2013 – Mar 2014	Reserve Ecotourism Infrastructure	Project management of crack-team undertaking maintenance assessments of primary resort and reserve ecotourism infrastructure in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Treasury
Oct 2012 – Nov 2015	Beach Resort Development	Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Report for the proposed Nonoti Beach Tourism Development near Blythedale, North Coast, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Grant Thornton, for the Industrial Development Corporation (IDC)
Nov 2012 – Apr 2013	Country Cultural Lodge	Environmental Pre-feasibility Study for the renovation and expansion of the Thokazi Royal Lodge near Nongoma, Zululand, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Tourism KZN, for the Zulu Monarch
Nov 2010 – Mar 2018	Safari Lodge	Project promotion, Business Plan and co-ordination of the ZAR270M, 240bed, 5-star Radisson Blu Safari Lodge, Kruger Park in a 30-year concession in the south of Kruger National Park near Malelane Gate, Mpumalanga, South Africa.	
May 2007 – Jan 2011	Safari Lodge	Promotion, development, Business Plan and marketing of the ZAR61M, 60bed, 5-star Shepherd's Tree Game Lodge in a 45-year concession in an exclusive-use area in the west of Pilanesberg Game Reserve, North-West, South Africa.	Shepherd's Tree Game Lodge (Pty) Ltd
Feb – Mar 2009	Game Lodge & Reserve	Development plan for Botshabelo Game Lodge & Reserve (a Provincial Heritage Site) in Middleburg, Mpumalanga, South Africa.	Botshabelo Game Lodge & Reserve (Pty) Ltd
Oct 2004 – Jan 2005	Safari Lodge & Operations Company	Business Plan for the Islands in Africa Group, based in Johannesburg, with lodges in Namibia and Botswana.	Islands in Africa Group
Nov 2004	Safari Lodge	Business Plan for the development of a safari lodge at Shongweni Dam & Game Reserve, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Msinsi Resorts & Game Reserves
Oct 2002 – Oct 2004	Tour Host & Ecotourism Consultant	<ul> <li>Host of personalised luxury tours for local and international (inbound) guests.</li> <li>Development of ecotourism itineraries and an Environmental Awareness Course for clients.</li> <li>Aquisition assessment for the Khutse Kalahari Lodge, Botswana.</li> <li>With BirdLife South Africa: Development of the avitourism market, facilities and activities of numerous lodges for birding; and training co-ordination for birding and safari guides in Namibia and Botswana.</li> <li>Development of safari guides (information booklets for guests), guest experience programmes, sightings</li> </ul>	Compassline Africa and Afritourism Ltd



Ecotourism & Protected Area Consulting			
Year	Project Type	Description	Client
		checklists, room information folders and marketing brochures for several lodges.	
Oct – Nov 2001	Research Thesis	Tariff Determination of South African Game Reserves using the Hedonic Pricing Method.  University of KwaZulu-Natal	
Apr 2001	Game Reserve	Integrated management plan for Bonamanzi Game Reserve, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.  University of KwaZulu-Natal	
Sep 2000	Game Reserve & Forest	Soil survey and land evaluation for Opathe Game Reserve and the adjacent Sappi commercial forest area, KwaZulu-Natal Natal, South Africa.  University of KwaZulu-Natal	

Tourism Consulting			
Year	Description	Client	
Tourism Fea	asibility Studies		
Mar 2016 -	For 18 different tourism project sites in 6 provinces throughout South Africa, as	National	
Apr 2017	part of the Social Responsibility Implementation (SRI) programme under the	Department of	
	auspices of the broader Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP).	Tourism	
Nov 2004	For three arts and crafts projects at KwaMashu, Inanda and Ntuzuma, KwaZulu-	National	
	Natal, South Africa.	Department of	
		Environmental	
		Affairs & Tourism	
Aug 2004	For the Corby Hill Guest House near KwaDukuza, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Thokozani Tourism	
	Pro		
Tourism Bu	siness Plans		
Jan 2014 –	_ · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		
Feb 2015	Africa.	Trade & Investment	
		KZN (TIKZN)	
Jan – Mar	For a contemporary cultural lodge at Lulekani, near Phalaborwa on the Kruger	Basambilu Lodge &	
2007	National Park border, Limpopo, South Africa.	Tours (Pty) Ltd	
Sep 2005	Market Demand Survey of a mixed-use development property adjacent to the ICC Durban, KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	Marshall's Property	
Feb – Apr 2005	For a luxury medi-tourism hotel in Centurion, Gauteng, South Africa. Fahrenheit Rocc.		
Jan – Mar	For a luxury business hotel at Queen Elizabeth Park in Pietermaritzburg,	Riel Associates	
2005	KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa.	(Pty) Ltd	
Jan 2005	For Non-Wildlife and Cultural Tourism in Botswana.	Botswana	
		Development	
		Corporation	

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