

Annex B

Comments and Response Report

Comment/Question	Commentator	Organisation	Date	Source	Response	Topic
This area is used extensively by bird watchers and there are tours associated with this. There are very specific species found in the Gorge that are not found elsewhere. How can we ensure an isolated breeding area for the Black Eagles.	Deryl Trian	Birdlife Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	As part of the ESA Studies, a biodiversity study is being undertaken which will assess the impact of inundation of the gorge on the bird populations. The study will develop the project EMP which will include mitigation measures to ensure that bird populations are not adversely affected. The specific mitigation measures will be included in the project EMP. The study will also assess the impact of the dam on the bird populations. The dam will upstream towards the falls is an unavoidable impact of the scheme. Rock Hyrax populations should, however, be affected and the Victoria Falls (Black) Eagle should remain. ZFA has, however, been informed about a general decline in raptor populations, particularly the Tala Falcons. Their numbers, have already declined in this area due to excessive helicopter activity along the length of the Gorge.	Biodiversity
The insect life and bats there also requires consideration. This is a unique environment.	Deryl Trian	Birdlife Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	We are aware of unique bat species in the Victoria Falls Gorge. Forest and the limited knowledge of insect fauna of the gorge has been highlighted as a gap that which will be addressed in the project EMP. The study will assess the impact of varying degrees from the dam wall upstream towards the falls is an unavoidable impact of the scheme. The loss of the rapids could have an impact on midges, caddisflies etc. that are important to the ecosystem. As part of the ESA Studies, we are aware of the seasonal bat migration. The impact of the dam on the bat populations will be assessed and mitigation measures being undertaken to assess the impacts and development of mitigation measures.	Biodiversity
Bats are also found in the Gorge and will be impacted on.	Deryl Trian	Birdlife Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The choice of the full supply level of the dam will be such that it minimises impacts on the Silent Pool. Riverine vegetation around the Silent Pool shall remain predominantly intact, thereby allowing for continued nesting of birds in the area.	Biodiversity
I also represent the Awe and Succulent Society. There are unique species found in the Gorge, many yet to be identified.	Deryl Trian	Birdlife Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Inundation of the gorge to varying degrees from the dam wall upstream towards the falls is an unavoidable impact of the scheme. We are aware of a rich succulent flora in the gorge, some will be lost but much of it on the more adjacent slopes will remain. The impact of the dam on the flora and fauna of the studies. Where it is established that a species is not found elsewhere, the EMP will include replication of that species.	Biodiversity
Beds do nest in the area of silent pools.	Deryl Trian	Birdlife Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Your concern is noted. Studies on flora and fauna are ongoing. The project EMP to be developed in consultation with stakeholders will include mitigation measures to address any potential human-animal conflicts that would have been identified from the fauna studies.	Biodiversity
Are we not likely to be affected by wild animals since the biodiversity will be affected?	Community member, Nemanhanga Ward	N/A		Nemanhanga Ward Meeting	Your concern is noted. Studies on flora and fauna are ongoing. The project EMP to be developed in consultation with stakeholders will include mitigation measures to address any potential human-animal conflicts that would have been identified from the fauna studies.	Biodiversity
Here there is a serious human wildlife conflict such that it is almost impossible to do any agriculture, and the area is almost uninhabitable. How are you going to compensate us for the disturbance of our livelihoods?	David Chuma, Dabobo Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sakelwa Ward Meeting	The ESA studies include biodiversity and water flow studies. These studies will assist in understanding the ecology of the area as well as identifying the potential impacts of the project on the ecology. The EMP will be developed which will include mitigation measures for identified impacts.	Biodiversity
The potential ecological effects on riverine ecology, fauna, flora, hydrology etc. needs to be better understood.	Marie-Louise Kallet	Pedakazaru Aikona Punting Association, International Rafting Federation	02-Oct-14	email	The ESA studies include biodiversity and water flow studies. These studies will assist in understanding the ecology of the area as well as identifying the potential impacts of the project on the ecology. The EMP will be developed which will include mitigation measures for identified impacts.	Biodiversity
National Park area is being lost as a result of this proposed dam. This should be offset and protected areas provided for elsewhere.	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	The ESA studies will include the assessment of the impact of the dam on the crocodiles. The results of the studies will be used to re-evaluate the crocodiles will be subject to the results of the studies.	Biodiversity
Will the crocodiles in the Gorge be relocated?	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	The ESA studies will include the assessment of the impact of the dam on the crocodiles. The results of the studies will be used to re-evaluate the crocodiles will be subject to the results of the studies.	Biodiversity
Can you provide assurance that a search for rare and endangered species was done by properly qualified people? How are you going to compensate us for the species to be displaced. In particular the "Tala Falcon".	Sean Etrington and Sue Lall-Cook	Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation	2014/10/27 and 18th Nov 2014	email and submission	The ESA study for the project includes specific studies for the identification and assessment of impacts of the dam on fauna species of the project area, with appropriate mitigation measures to be included in the project EMP. The study has been carried out with the Zimbabwe Falconer's Club on the state of the Tala Falcon, Black Eagle, and other bird species of the Victoria Falls Gorge and how best to mitigate any potential negative impacts.	Biodiversity
The Tala Falcon and Black Eagles nest in the Victoria Falls Gorge. They are difficult to locate and identification cannot be based on chance sightings. The African Trindori is also present in the gorge. How are you going to compensate us for the biodiversity team. The level of the dam will determine if they can continue nesting in the area.	Chanda Mwale and David Ngunwenyama	WWF	08-Oct-14	Luaka Open day	The ESA study for the project includes specific studies for the identification and assessment of impacts of the dam on fauna species of the project area, with appropriate mitigation measures to be included in the project EMP. The study has been carried out with the Zimbabwe Falconer's Club on the state of the Tala Falcon, Black Eagle, and other bird species of the Victoria Falls Gorge and how best to mitigate any potential negative impacts.	Biodiversity

There is concern regarding the nesting of endangered birds in the Gorge.	Christopher Kamiki	ZESCO	08-Oct-14	Lusaka authorities meeting	The ESA study for the project includes specialised studies for the identification and assessment of endangered fauna species of the project area including bird species. In the event of any EIA or other project registration notification measures will be required, including of any identified endangered species.	Biodiversity
What is the potential impact of the Baboia Dam on biodiversity (fish, reptiles, unique vegetation etc.)?	David Ngunyama	WWF-Zambia Country Office	Registration and Comment sheet		The review of previous studies in the Project Area of influence (AoI) provide an overview of the predicted changes to the fish species diversity. The studies indicated that the dam would have a negative impact on the dam, however none of these are threatened species of particular conservation concern, as they exist in abundance elsewhere. Tiger Fish are expected to increase in the dam if a program of stocking is to be undertaken. It is proposed to occur a program of stocking to be undertaken. However, there are no habitat retained for the Tiger Fish to breed. This will be documented and assessed as part of the biodiversity impact assessment.	Biodiversity
How will the Baboia Dam and the Powerline and new infrastructure affect bird life and large mammals?	David Ngunyama	WWF-Zambia Country Office	Registration and Comment sheet		The ESA studies will assess the impacts of Baboia Gorge Dam, the Powerline and new infrastructure on bird life and mammals. The studies will assess the balance between the height of the dam, power requirements and extent of habitat loss if any. A detailed assessment of the situation will be done during the Impact Assessment Phase.	Biodiversity
How will flooding affect nests and nesting for African Fish-eater, Talla Falcon and other restricted range bird species?	David Ngunyama	WWF-Zambia Country Office	Registration and Comment Sheet		Preliminary assessments show that... flooding will not disturb the nests of Talla Falcons up on the cliffs. The African Fish-eater is widely distributed in Africa and not considered to be range restricted. So far there are no indications of any other range restricted birds occurring in the gorge. However, the studies will be undertaken to assess the impacts on birds as part of the biodiversity impact assessment.	Biodiversity
Habitat fragmentation has been cited as one of the primary reasons for the loss of biodiversity across the globe. How will the Baboia Dam and associated infrastructure lead to habitat fragmentation and loss of biodiversity? WWF would like to know if any fragmentation studies have been carried out in the area. WWF would also like to highlight that corresponding habitats and effects have been investigated. WWF would also like to highlight that habitat fragmentation should not only focus on the loss of habitat but also on the loss of connectivity between habitats. WWF would like to know if any studies have been carried out on the connectivity of habitats such as the Entandophragma caudatum (Mountain Mahogany) and the Cycotriton (Mountain Frog) in the area. WWF would like to know if any studies have been carried out on the connectivity of habitats such as the Entandophragma caudatum (Mountain Mahogany) and the Cycotriton (Mountain Frog) in the area. WWF would like to know if any studies have been carried out on the connectivity of habitats such as the Entandophragma caudatum (Mountain Mahogany) and the Cycotriton (Mountain Frog) in the area.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	Baboka is a large dam in terms of dam height but not so much in terms of reservoir surface area. Considering that it is 575.6 km ² (218.4 sq miles) (KfW 2010). The dam is anticipated that fragmentation if any will be minimal. Though fragmentation could be one of the adverse impacts however it is not considered to be a major concern. The dam represents a major barrier to the movement of terrestrial faunal species, and the studies will identify and assess the potential for loss in biodiversity, as well as its fragmentation due to the project impacts.	Biodiversity
It is known that several raptor species (birds of prey) tend to nest on power lines and associated infrastructure. This affects raptor birds both positively and negatively. WWF would like to know what measures are being taken to ensure that the area that will be developed is used as a migratory corridor for several bird species that are currently using the area. WWF would like to know what are the planned mitigation measures regarding this disturbance.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	Scavengers have been included within the ecological surveys and are advised on how best to mitigate the impacts of the project infrastructure on birds. The ESA will include recommendations on best practice for the design of transmission lines to minimise the impacts to raptors and other birds.	Biodiversity
Large dams such as the one proposed for Baboia Gorge have significant impact on fisheries. There are several species of migratory fish in the Zambezi which cover large distances. The current extent to which the dam will affect the upstream and downstream is not clearly known yet. However, it can be expected that this habitat makes significant contribution to the overall fish stocks. Against this background, WWF would like to know what studies on fish diversity and downstream fisheries impacts are planned on being carried out. WWF would like to know if any studies have been carried out under "Aquatic Ecology" as adequate to address the matter of aquatic biodiversity and fisheries. That information will be addressed through the Environmental Flow Assessment". This is not considered sufficient due to the fact that there isn't enough information on aquatic diversity on which to base the assessment. WWF would like to propose the engagement of a fish expert to carry out a detailed assessment of the fish diversity in the area.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	The Baseline study will include establishing baseline data on fish diversity and downstream fisheries impacts. This information will form part of the input required in the design of transmission lines to minimise the impacts to raptors and other birds.	Biodiversity
It is mentioned in the Draft Inception Report in Section 6.3.1 that there will be no feedback to establish the status of wildlife within the area. Rather, there will be use of WWF aerial surveys to establish the status of wildlife status in Zambia. This is of concern.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	Both Kariba Dam and the Victoria Falls present major barriers to the migratory movements of fish and construction of the dam will have a negative impact on fish migrators. The Baboia Gorge represents a very harsh environment for fish and in itself has presented a natural barrier to the movements of many species. Currently there is very little utilisation of fisheries in the Baboia Gorge due to its inaccessibility and we therefore consider the situation not to have changed much from the current situation. The studies will include a very good assessment of what the impact of the reservoir will be and how the fisheries there should be managed. Furthermore, the Environmental Flow studies will effectively assess the impacts downstream of the dam wall and how the different fish species will be affected.	Biodiversity
Does the data collected by other institutions have any bearing on the study? WWF would like to know if any simple studies of broader areas? This could raise concerns as the data might not be representative of the study area.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	Notwithstanding the statement in the Inception Report, specialists have spent time in the field in Zambia, and direct observations of the status of wildlife within the area as well as evidence on the presence of fauna in the area was recorded. This information will be used together with the available data from WWF and ZAWA, to establish the status of wildlife status in Zambia. This is of concern.	Biodiversity
A considerable effort has been made to visit as much of the ecological Area of Influence to directly assess the situation on the ground and relevant data collected.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	A considerable effort has been made to visit as much of the ecological Area of Influence to directly assess the situation on the ground and relevant data collected.	Biodiversity

<p>The BHES will likely lead to resettlement of several communities and also the blocking of a number of important migratory routes. It is likely to increase the human-wildlife conflict in the area. Is there any research being carried out to investigate the likely increase of human-wildlife conflict? If so, what mitigation or alternative measures are being implemented to reduce the direct relation between river bank erosion due to decreasing sediment in the river and people being attacked (often killed) by crocodiles. To what extent will the proposed dam affect vital migration measures will be looked into?</p>	<p>Dr. Nyambe Nyambe</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>ZRA is not aware of any important migratory movements of species in the area. This area is already quite populated with human settlements. We therefore don't expect much increase in human-wildlife conflict in the area. Few studies about that there will be a decrease in the movement of sediments as a result of the Batoka Reservoir with a possible decrease in a availability of sandbanks and the habitat that presents for wading birds. It is expected that the dam will be designed to avoid adverse impact on crocodiles due to intermittent flooding of their breeding habitats towards the end of the Batoka Gorge and before Kariba.</p>
<p>In its current state, the Manamba tributary of the Zambezi River has high concentrations of Eschscholzia crassipes (water hyacinth) but this is likely to decrease in the reservoir. How will the building of the BHES this will no longer happen. This is likely to lead to accumulation of water hyacinth in the dam lakes and surrounding areas. Such as the water hyacinth (and others) as serious matters that negatively impact the operation of dams. The creation of a reservoir changes the environment and the water hyacinth in the reservoir often leading to conditions where alien invasive species thrive. Currently, nature is taking care of the water hyacinth problem but the creation of the dam will most likely adversely affect the process.</p>	<p>Dr. Nyambe Nyambe</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>Monitoring and Management measures will be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment. Initial inundation will result in the rapid release of nutrients that may lead to a bloom in these plants, but recent advances in biological control of water hyacinth (C33302) is small relative to other surface areas of the dam. This impact will need to be monitored and schemes, and this impact will need to be monitored and effectively mitigated through various forms of control.</p>
<p>Can you provide an assurance that a search for a rare and endangered species was done by properly qualified staff at the project site in particular "Tala Falcon"? the species to be detected in particular "Tala Falcon"?</p>	<p>Graham Nel / Tony Krog Sue Leal-Cock</p>	<p>Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation</p>	<p>06/10/14 18/11/14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>The Zimbabwe Falconry Club, who have extensive knowledge of Tala Falcons in the Batoka Gorge, and have been part of the team for assessment of the baseline ecology.</p>
<p>How far will the Batoka Dam reach downstream? There are two islands downstream which are rich in wildlife and host a unique form of buffalo. These are the Sicula and Chilo islands.</p>	<p>James Masonda Mr. Cooper Freeman</p>	<p>Zambia Wildlife Authority (ZAWA)</p>	<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Lusaka Open Day</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>There are no significant islands within the area proposed for the Batoka Dam, those islands are located downstream of the Proposed Batoka Gorge HES and will not be affected.</p>
<p>A search for rare and endangered species needs to be done by properly qualified staff at the appropriate times of year for the species to be detected.</p>	<p>Mr. Kelyson Mangula</p>	<p>Kazungula District Council</p>	<p>10-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission 07-Oct-14 Email Kazungula District Meeting</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>We are aware of rare plant species on the steep slopes of the Batoka Dam. We expect that these plants occur above the full supply level of the reservoir and may not be affected, however a mitigation measure will be incorporated to ensure that these plants are not impacted. These are threatened and unique species and to reintroduce these as best as is practically possible. It is notable that the baseline study will include identification and listing of all flora and fauna in the project area and the baseline study will be used as input in the development of appropriate mitigation measures to ensure the preservation of such flora and fauna. (refer to purpose of the ESA studies)</p> <p>Some birds are being investigated. Bird life, particularly large raptors that use the gorge may be affected by loss of nesting sites and displacement of their prey. These impacts are also being investigated. Fish in the reservoir are also being investigated. Fish in the reservoir. In the development of the EIA/FP for the project, specific mitigation measures will be developed to address the potential impacts, including for any identified endangered species.</p>
<p>Is there a potential threat to animal life?</p>	<p>Mr. Nyambe Nyambe</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	<p>The ESA studies include Baseline studies and input to the baseline studies has been obtained from the Zimbabwe Falconer's Club on the state of the Tala Falcon and Rock Ptarmigan in the Batoka Gorge and how best to mitigate the impacts of the dam. A number of Tala Falcons and numbers of Tala Falcons have already declined in the area due to an influx of Lanner Falcons and excessive Helicopter activity along the length of the Gorge. Rock Hyrax are also being investigated. The impact of the dam on rocky habitats will be affected and the Verreaux's (Black) Eagles should remain. The input from organisations such as the Zimbabwe Falconer's Club will be used in development of the project EIA/FP.</p>

<p>In the Draft Inception Report under section 6.3.1 reference is made to the use of 1) Only desktop studies to ascertain the protected areas and 2) Community Based Natural Resource Management (CBNRM) projects and other corridors for biodiversity. This raises two concerns. The first is about how recent the data that will be used is. The second has to do with CBNRM being a Zimbabwean based organization is, it will not be in a position to adequately provide information on the Zambian side of the gorge. Zambia has enough expertise in the area to conduct the survey. I would recommend the use of local experts on this matter. Lastly, very little reference is made to the need to engage with Zambian authorities (i.e. ZAWA, Forestry Department, Ministry of Environment, Community Based Natural Resource Management parties in Zambia.</p>	<p>Mr. Nyambe Nyambe</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Both ZAWA and the Livingstone Natural History Museum have been consulted, and have been asked for inputs on the current state of fauna in the area. The input from such consultations will be used in development of the Project EMP.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>The Draft Inception Report makes reference to an aerial survey that will be carried out by WWF in 2014. WWF is unaware of commitments made to complete an aerial survey of the area in 2014 and this area, at a scale that is relevant for this ESA. This begs the question as to how current the data planned to be used is. It also raises the question in terms of the accuracy of impact assessments on wildlife populations.</p>	<p>Mr. Nyambe Nyambe</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>An aerial survey of elephants is being conducted by WWF in 2014. This information will form part of the baseline data for the project area. The baseline report will include information on flora and fauna surveyed in the area and on measures that will be proposed for the protection and management of the area. The ESA study will make all attempts to access the most current and additional data available, from all possible sources including engagement of WWF and other national park management in data capture in the project area.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>Avifauna needs a specialist study and not just a desktop study.</p>	<p>Ms. Chandra Mwale</p>	<p>WWF-Zambia Country office</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Registration and Comment Sheet</p>	<p>The specialist team have contracted the Zimbabwe Falconry Club who have a great deal of personal experience with the Zebra Finches and other species in the gorge.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>There are elephant corridors in the area and the ecologist needs to consult with the Zambian Wildlife Authority.</p>	<p>Mwale Lusizi</p>	<p>Zambian Wildlife Authority</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>The baseline report will include information on flora and fauna surveyed in the area and mitigation measures will be proposed for the potential impact of the project on the species and populations of the area. The ESA study will include information on elephant corridors and other national park management of organisations responsible for wildlife and national park management in data capture in the project area.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>What are the mitigation measures for the unique micro-climate? The vegetation found in the area as a result of the micro-climate?</p>	<p>Plus Ilanda</p>	<p>Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM) Forum</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Lusaka Open day</p>	<p>The unique vegetation that occurs as a result of the micro-climate is the reforested area associated with the Victoria Falls. This vegetation will not be affected by the construction of the Baboia Dam.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>Water hyacinth might stop being flushed Baboia Dam. That might result in the Baboia Dam being fully-colonized by this species. What are the project's mitigation measures to stop the spread of this invasive species?</p>	<p>Plus Ilanda</p>	<p>Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM) Forum</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Lusaka Open day</p>	<p>Monitoring and Management measures will be included in the ESA to assess and address the threat of Water Hyacinth and other exotic floating weeds. Initial inundation of the area will be monitored to ensure that there is no boom in these plants, but recent advances in biological control have fortunately greatly reduced this risk.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>The Baboia Dam will obstruct elephant crossings, thus endangering their lives and that of people in the surrounding communities. Is the project consulting conducting elephants crossing points?</p>	<p>Plus Ilanda</p>	<p>Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM) Forum</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Lusaka Open day</p>	<p>Elephants are more likely to cross the Zambezi River above the Victoria Falls where the water is shallow and no steep banks are present. However, there has been a large decline in the elephant numbers in the area of the Baboia Gorge. However, the ESA studies will include a specialist study of elephant populations and corridors. The project will consult with the relevant elephant populations and corridors.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>The proposed Transmission line in Zambia is in the area of the Victoria Falls. The project is in the area of the Victoria Falls and Mozambique to the Okavango. A 'Bird Specialist' should be part of the biodiversity study given the importance of the area in terms of bird species and values on the power lines requires mitigation.</p>	<p>Plus Ilanda</p>	<p>Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM)</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Lusaka Open day</p>	<p>The ESA studies include ecological surveys and is advising on how best to avoid impacts to birds. The ESA will include recommendations on best practice for the design of the transmission lines to minimise the impacts to raptors and other birds.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>The Dams being proposed and built row on the Zambezi River will be negatively affected by climate change, yet energy planning in the basin is still in the early stages. How can we address the hydrological uncertainties. Ensuring energy and water security in the Zambezi River basin for the future will require new ways of thinking about river basins of dams into projects that could become white elephants. (Dr Richard Bellus)</p>	<p>Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook</p>	<p>Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation</p>	<p>20/11/2014 and 18th Nov 2014</p>	<p>email and written submission</p>	<p>We are aware of the possible losses in basin yield in the next decades as a result of climate change which may be significant in design terms. The World Bank's Multisectoral Assessment of the Zambezi Basin (2012) estimates that in the area of the Upper Zambezi by 2030. We will be drawing on these and other published data in the impact assessment, i.e. recommending that the final design factors include the possibility of climate change on dam design, and on the overall feasibility of the scheme.</p>	<p>Climate change</p>

Climate change risks to be considered in the design and impact assessment. Local and regional weather patterns require consideration.		08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	We are aware of five possible basins in basin yield in the next decade as a result of climate change which may be significant in design terms. The World Bank's Multifactoral Assessment of the Impacts of Climate Change on Dam Yield in the Upper Zambezi by 2030. We will be drawing upon these results in the impact assessment, i.e. recommending that the final design factors this in. The design will be assessing the impacts of climate change on dam design.	Climate change
Will climate change impacts be considered as part of this study?		08-Oct-14	Lusaka authorities meeting	We are aware of five possible basins in basin yield in the next decade as a result of climate change which may be significant in design terms. The World Bank's Multifactoral Assessment of the Impacts of Climate Change on Dam Yield in the Upper Zambezi by 2030. We will be drawing upon these results in the impact assessment, i.e. recommending that the final design factors this in. The design will be assessing the impacts of climate change on dam design.	Climate change
Communities need to benefit from employment.	Mr. Jabulani Moyo	05-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	The ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. We will be identifying the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from local areas when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Community development
What is proposed in terms of social benefits and investment? Water is the biggest need in the community.	Charlene Hewat	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
The transmission line is impacting on people. Are there going to be benefits at all? We do not want our people to live without power when there is a transmission line passing through their area.	Nephtie Mabheba	05-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. The ESIA study will include appropriate siting of power line routes so as to minimise the impact on the environment and the communities. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
The Ministry is concerned about the youth of the area and how their economic activities may be impacted. What plans are there to support communities?	Mr Simon Skota	30-Sep-14	Hwange Open Day	ZRA will develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
As compensation for use of the river for your projects, what will be provided? We want projects such as irrigation schemes, reservoirs/water for our schools and clinics and for electrification.	Community member, Chubbie Ward	08-Oct-14	Chubbie Ward Meeting	One of the requirements for compensation according to the ESIA is that the person who is affected by the resettlement process and as a minimum should retain his/her standard of life and livelihood potential. Affected people will be helped to improve their standard of living or to develop or to access new income streams. In addition ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA study will include appropriate siting of power line routes so as to minimise the impact on the environment and the communities. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want the project to consider companies that are in the community or owned by people from the project community in tenders as sub-contractors.	Community member, Chikankubh Ward	08-Oct-14	Chikankubh Ward Meeting	The governments of Zimbabwe and Zambia encourage this as long as the local people are compliant with the tender procedures and specifications.	Community development
Although we welcome the project our concern is that the district lacks tertiary education colleges, good hospitals, roads	Community member, Chikankubh Ward	08-Oct-14	Chikankubh Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development

We want the project to upgrade our roads, hospitals especially mortuaries- and build a sports college.	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want water and sanitation projects into the area.	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We also want sports facilities such as a stadium. There are many youths who are very good soccer players but there are no facilities	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	The ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. The ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We need the project to assist in the upgrading of our science laboratory at the school	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	This has not been done yet. ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
How is the project going to compensate the whole community? At our one way or the other is affected. What does the project offer the community?	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Are we going to benefit directly from the project with such benefits as electricity	Community member, Jambazi Ward	N/A	02-Oct-14	Jambazi Ward Meeting	ZRA cannot make a promise now on the provision of electricity. However, ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Be transparent with what the project can offer the communities	Community member, Jambazi Ward	N/A	02-Oct-14	Jambazi Ward Meeting	ZRA's and will continue to be transparent and this ESIA is a key document that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
How will the project develop the present infrastructure such as clinics, school and so on	Community member, Kalichecheli Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Kalichecheli Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Business opportunities and tenders for the supply of goods and services should be given to the local people	H.T Mbebe, Madumabasa Farm	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbebe Ward Meeting	The governments of Zimbabwe and Zambia encourage this as long as the local people are compliant with the tender procedures and specifications.	Community development
Business that a local person is awarded, contracted and then hands up with another from Harare or Bulawayo and this person is the one with all the equipment and money, how will the project ensure that there is fair play in the operation of business.	Maumano J. Village 65	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbebe Ward Meeting	Subcontractors will be required to be compliant with tender procedures and specifications.	Community development

Madibeland is considered to be very poor and without development. How are the people of this community going to benefit from the project?	Mr Moyo, Masaki village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
The community needs electricity. Will the project provide electricity to the communities?	Maumane J. Village 55	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Many schools and clinics are too far from the people. Will the project build more schools such that they are near to people?	Maumane J. Village 55	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We would want electricity to be made available by the dam project. How can we get electricity for the electricity to go to Harare and Bulawayo.	Fek Moyo, Mibonga Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mibizi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
What development benefits will communities get from the project, such as clinics, schools/roads and so on?	Fari Shoko, Gondwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mibizi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Is there a possibility that existing structures such as the clinic or primary school are going to be upgraded as a result of the project coming to this area?	Chi Firal Shoko, Gondwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mibizi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
What will the local populace get in terms of development projects?	Alois Ndazi, Mibiza Ward	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mibizi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community Development
How will the project develop the present infrastructure such as clinics, school and so on?	Community member, Nemamhangwa Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhangwa Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want rural electrification. Can the project assist us to get our homes electrified?	Community member, Nemamhangwa Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhangwa Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
How can societies benefit from the dam water?	Community member, Nemamhangwa Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhangwa Ward Meeting	This communities will benefit through the fishing and tourism industries that will develop as a result of the project.	Community development

We don't want contractors from outside the locality to do work here. There are companies in the community, the district and the province that can do contract work.	Gladson Nyoni, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	The governments of Zimbabwe and Zambia encourage this as a way to help complain with the tender procedures and specifications.	Community development
Are our roads going to be upgraded?	Derek Stande - Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	Yes, some existing roads will be upgraded and some new ones will be constructed. Engineering studies are still ongoing to identify the exact locations of these. At the moment, it is proposed that in Zimbabwe, the secondary road connecting Jabula to the dam site (measuring 14km long), may be constructed. In Zambia, the road originating in the village may be rehabilitated and a new road, may be constructed to connect Makum to the dam site. The construction of a road downstream from the dam and a road to the dam site will be completed in 2015 in order to minimise the passage of heavy loaded trucks on the dam crest.	Community development
How do we get direct benefit from the Batoka project? Will the project plough back into chief Shana's domain?	Ephraim Bhebe, Lumbora school	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Is Batoka project going to improve community access to reticulated water and sanitation services direct to the institutions?	Raphael Nyathi, Lumbora Village ¹	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Are we going to benefit from the electricity from Batoka project?	Kevin Chuma, Sidinda village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want electricity as a direct benefit and priority in employment	Dubam Muntanga, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want a training centre and skill training college for our children	Phillip J Ncube, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We have no skills training centres in our community and we are in a way of appreciation of the land we have given to the project	Diver Mudimba, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
As a community how can we directly benefit from the project?	Ephraim Bhebe, Teacher at Lumbora	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development

We are asking the project to plough back into the area of Chel Shiana in the form of projects such as irrigation schemes. We want direct benefit.	Peter Kayula, Makaba Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	08-Oct-14	Sinda Ward Meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
The project must provide water and sanitation projects in our schools, clinics and communities	Dubam Muringanga, Makaba Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	08-Oct-14	Sinda Ward Meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
We want training centres in our village	Nkonkwa Miko, Sinda Village 2	N/A	08-Oct-14	08-Oct-14	Sinda Ward Meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
How will the project improve the lives of those affected if at all?	Sean Edington and Sue Liel-Cock	Safed For Excellence and International Rating Federation	20/11/097 and 18th Nov 2014		email and written submission	Community development	All affected people will be helped to ensure that their livelihoods are restored or, that they can access new income opportunities. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
What social corporate initiatives are to be put in place?	Agrey Shulda	Department of Energy	08-Oct-14	08-Oct-14	Luaka authorities meeting	Community development	ZRA will develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Are you going to give us power once the project is completed?	Bernard Mwenene	Musokotwane	11-Oct-14	11-Oct-14	Musokotwane community meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
If the project takes place, do you have any plans regarding the school?	Gouffrey Sawuka	Ngandu village	13-Oct-14	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Will we be provided with free electricity?	Lloyd Masamu	Sekuba village	11-Oct-14	11-Oct-14	Musokotwane community meeting	Community development	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
Will the people of Mukuni be willing to let us also borrow from the project as a way to help the school? The school is owned by their group?	Lloyd Masamu	Sekuba village	11-Oct-14	11-Oct-14	Musokotwane community meeting	Community development	This Project will benefit Zambia. The children of Musokotwane should also benefit, as well as the children of Mukuni.	Community development
There is a Community Project being undertaken in the area of Chel Shiana in the form of projects such as conserving wildlife. A Community Development Trust has been established for this purpose. The access road and in-migration to the area may however, there may be an increase in busen due to improved access. One of the challenges of the project was always getting water from the Geige for the purpose of this project. This will be easier now with the dam.	Mr. Jones Masande	Zambia Wildlife Authority	07-Oct-14	07-Oct-14	Luaka Open Day	Community development	The implications of improved access to the area will be considered as part of the social impact assessment.	Community development

<p>What will be the benefits for the local people?</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>Are we going to be provided with electricity if the project goes ahead?</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>Local employment opportunities are required. How can we ensure that the local people to be employed during construction.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to help support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>Direct benefits need to accrue to the affected communities and should not pass through too many hands so that they are near and direct.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA will ensure that the benefits accrue directly to the affected people in the project area of influence. This will be addressed and assessed as part of the social impact assessment.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>Employment opportunities for young people in the surrounding area. Leaving many youths in the surrounding area. Sustainability of skills training in the community. Training beyond than dam construction to ensure sustainability.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>This will be addressed and assessed as part of the social impact assessment.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>In terms of Education, skills, training and development the project should: i) primary schools be electrified and fully equipped/furnished. ii) secondary schooling, provide 1 fully equipped science laboratories. Existing secondary schools will require electrification, equipping /furnishing, library an books, science laboratories and equipment. iii) plant training of local apprentices to be provided, plant cooperatives training (i.e. semi-skilled personnel) to be provided. iv) scholarships and bursaries, creation of a scholarship fund to cater for secondary, college and university students. v) industrial attaches, prioritize maintenance/ment for local college and university students - at least 60-70%.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. This can be put in place to help enhance such benefits through skills training, employment during construction.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>In terms of Health Services, the project should: i) hospital, upgrade Jumboz clinic into a fully-fledged hospital, at other Jumboz ward, Nmananga, Sindinda, or Mibzha. ii) Existing clinics, work that needs to be done at the existing clinics includes electrification, equipping /furnishing and accessories. iii) Transportation of Patients, an ambulance should be provided for attending to health services and the ferrying of patients to the health services.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. This can be put in place to help enhance such benefits through skills training, employment during construction.</p>	<p>Community development</p>
<p>In terms of roads and infrastructure, the project should: i) Roads and fit infrastructure which serves the rural wards which fall under chief Shems' jurisdiction, to be prepared and upgraded during the rainy season. The following roads will need to be prepared and upgraded annually, a) Border road from Mawa village to the Mawana road, b) Mawana road to Mawana road, c) Mawana road to Mawana road, d) Chibobe-Mongwa - Mununa Circular Road, e) Chibobe-Mawana Road, f) Bingwa Loop Road (being the road that connects the area of jurisdiction in Chief's Place, ii) Traffic consideration be given to work with the relevant Ministry to tar the following roads a) Mawa - Monda (border road), b) Bingwa Loop road to Jumboz.</p>	<p>Community development</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and to develop measures that can be put in place to help enhance such benefits. This can be put in place to help enhance such benefits through skills training, employment during construction.</p>	<p>Community development</p>

In terms of water and sanitation the project should i) design and install water supply systems for the survival of people and their livestock. The following issues concerning water and sanitation will need to be addressed a) provision of piped water to the schools and surrounding villages and b) sinking and equipping of boreholes for the schools and local communities under Chief Shana's Wards. ii) Dams: alone or two dams to be constructed in the area of the project. iii) Irrigation: a Small Scale Irrigation: feasible and support small irrigation projects for the immediate local communities	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
In terms of Rural electrification, the project should i) design and install solar electric and solar water pumps for the provision of electricity and solar water pumps through the provision of power lines and the provision of transformers at strategic points where the villages can tap. ii) Solar Panel System: solar water pumps for the provision of solar water. iii) Small Scale Irrigation: feasible and support small irrigation projects for the immediate local communities	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
In terms of Social Services, all displaced villagers to be compensated and built new homes, support to carpenters, old aged and vulnerable persons to be supported, support to the local health centre for travelling allowances (Chief - air and Headmen - buses) and revamp dipping tanks for livestock	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	One of the requirements for compensation according to the local and international performance standards is that no affected person should be left in a worse position than before and as a minimum should retain his/her standard of life and livelihood potential. All affected people will be helped to ensure that their livelihoods are restored or, that they can make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to support the economic and social development of affected communities.	Community development
In terms of Sub-contracting, at least 75% of contract work should be sub-contracted to the indigenous local registered companies; companies to be clearly supervised and monitored to employ local people; and where possible, local indigenous contracting companies to be appointed to raise the required resources to carry out the required jobs or tasks.	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	The governments of Zimbabwe and Zambia encourage local companies to benefit from the project as long as the local companies comply with the tender procedures and specifications. ZRA	Community development
Being conscious that the Company project pay and up with its own residential and business sites, the following considerations need to be implemented: a) that 80% of retail businesses be reserved and surrounding wards under District 79 - i.e. Hwange District) and b) that the routine day jobs related to office cleaning, sanitation, street cleaning, catering and other services be contracted to the indigenous local companies	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and enhance such benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility programme for the project that will outline how a portion of funds from the project will be used to support the economic and social development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
What is the proposed project going to offer in terms of compensation?	Community member, Jambazi Ward	N/A	02-Oct-14	Jambazi Ward Meeting	Compensation will need to be discussed and agreed to as part of the Resettlement Action Plan. A "Like for Like" replacement for assets is preferred in terms of international best practice.	Community development / Compensation
What projects will be available for the less privileged in our community?	David Thuma, Dobofo village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sphinda Ward Meeting	Best practice requires the welfare of vulnerable people, such as the elderly, child headed households and orphans, to be considered as part of such projects. In the event that the project goes ahead, it will partner with existing NGOs to ensure that the project does not have any negative impacts and enhance positive impacts on these people.	Community development, vulnerable people
Will an ethnographic study be undertaken in conjunction with the Ministry of Arts and Culture on the cultural impact of such a project.	Sean Edington and Sue Liel-Cook	Safes (Pw Excellence and International Rating Federation)	29/10/09/27 and 18th Nov 2014	email and written submission	A cultural and heritage study is being undertaken as part of the project. The study will be undertaken through the participation of the Ministry of Sports, Arts and Culture in Zimbabwe and Zambia will be sought on this Project. Cultural, historical and archaeological sites will be respected. These sites to be identified through a heritage survey. Sites of historical and cultural significance will be identified and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward and authorisations sought from the national authorities in both countries.	Cultural heritage
Will the project respect our cultural sites?	Community member, Katchechel Ward	N/A	05-Oct-14	Katchechel Ward Meeting	Cultural, historical and archaeological sites will be respected. These sites to be identified through a heritage survey. Sites of historical and cultural significance will be identified and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward and authorisations sought from the national authorities in both countries.	Cultural heritage impacts
The project owners for cultural heritage and sites in Mambabira and she stays in Miroga Village. You need to consult her before any decision to move any of the sites is made	Community member, Katchechel Ward	N/A	05-Oct-14	Katchechel Ward Meeting	Noted.	Cultural heritage impacts
The project sponsors need to be aware of the importance of our cultural heritage sites because they are our lives. You should ask us to guide you where they are and what to do for the project to proceed.	Community member, Mambabira Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Mambabira Ward Meeting	Cultural heritage studies are currently ongoing and consultation will be undertaken with community members. We will be guided by the advice of the community leaders in this regard.	Cultural heritage impacts
What will happen to our cultural and historic and heritage sites? (What about graves and cemeteries?)	Gabriel Nkomazana, Miroga Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	Cultural, historical and heritage sites, including cemeteries and graves will be respected. Should they be impacted, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward. Heritage impact studies are currently underway as part of the ESIA.	Cultural heritage impacts

Will the project respect our cultural sites?	Community member, Nemaanhanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaanhanga Ward Meeting	Cultural, historical and heritage sites will be respected. Should they be impacted, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward. Heritage studies are currently underway and need to be undertaken to meet the requirements of the heritage authorities.	Cultural heritage impacts
What will happen to our historical sites and graves in the event that a road passes through the area?	Community member, Nemaanhanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaanhanga Ward Meeting	Cultural, historical and heritage sites will be respected. Should they be impacted, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward. Heritage studies are currently underway and need to be undertaken to meet the requirements of the heritage authorities.	Cultural heritage impacts
We need documented presentation on how cultural heritage will be managed.	Phul Cosan Nyathi, Teacher at Lumboza Sec School	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidanda Ward Meeting	Cultural heritage studies are currently ongoing. This will feed into the ESA report that will be publicly disclosed in 2015.	Cultural heritage impacts
If the Projects passes through sacred cultural sites will the sites be relocated elsewhere	Kerford Simalanga	Ngambala –Musokotwane Village	11-Oct-14	Musokotwane community meeting	A heritage impact assessment is being undertaken to identify archaeological, historical and cultural resources and assess the impact on these. This will be undertaken to ensure that any sites impacted on, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward.	Cultural heritage impacts
What measures are being put in place to protect cultural sites and the 'Boiling Pot'?	Mr. Node Mias	Ministry of Chiefs and Traditional Affairs	10-Oct-14	Kaungula District Meeting	A heritage impact assessment is being undertaken to identify archaeological, historical and cultural resources and assess the impact on these. This will be undertaken to ensure that any sites impacted on, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward.	Cultural heritage impacts
If heritage sites are likely to be affected, will these be moved to new locations?		Musokotwane village	11-Oct-14	Musokotwane community meeting	A heritage impact assessment is being undertaken to identify archaeological, historical and cultural resources and assess the impact on these. This will be undertaken to ensure that any sites impacted on, traditional and cultural authorities will be engaged to reach an agreed way forward.	Cultural heritage impacts
Will the ESA also consider the impact of other projects in the area?	Abby Chungu	Kaungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kaungula District Meeting	The ESA will collaborate with the engineering feasibility consultants to establish conjunctive use of other dams on the Zambezi to ensure all dams are operated in a sustainable manner to minimize cumulative impacts as much as possible.	Cumulative impacts
What will be the cumulative impact of constructing another dam on the Zambezi River?	Moses Tambala	ZEMA	09-Oct-14	Livingstone District Meeting	The ESA will collaborate with the engineering feasibility consultants to establish conjunctive use of other dams on the Zambezi to ensure all dams are operated in a sustainable manner to minimize cumulative impacts as much as possible.	Cumulative impacts
It is understood from the Open Day with ERM that the dam is planned for the ESA are happening concurrently with the design of the dam by engineers. It is a concern of WWF to understand to what extent the dam will be designed and constructed before the dam, if the latter is already being carried out.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	The Consultants undertaking the ESIA Studies (ERM) and the engineers are collaborating throughout the ESIA process. The process for collaboration is documented in the ESIA Studies. It is noted that it is common for an ESIA to be undertaken in parallel with engineering feasibility studies, as both studies feed information or rely on each other. The Environmental Flow Assessment (EFA) is being fed into the engineering feasibility study so that the required EFAs can be incorporated into the project design.	Dam design
What is the safety of residents downstream that may be impacted on if the dam collapses?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to ensure that the dam will also include provisions for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZDA. Intensive geotechnical monitoring will be undertaken for the first 10 years of the dam to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overtopping. The dam will be designed to include provisions for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZDA. Intensive geotechnical monitoring will be undertaken for the first 10 years of the dam to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overtopping. The dam will be designed to include provisions for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZDA. Intensive geotechnical monitoring will be undertaken for the first 10 years of the dam to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overtopping.	Dam failure
What is the risk assessment for the project? Could it take longer than necessary to construct and thus all project funds depleted before completion	Rob Waters		01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	Recommend risk mitigation measures for each significant risk identified. It is the intention of the governments of Zambia and Zimbabwe to commence construction works only when the dam is secured to guarantee successful completion of the project.	Dam funding
Dam construction has been registered in USA. Colorado where water abstraction is causing concern. How do you ensure that the dam will not cause a similar problem? In addition the cliff texture is breakable and fragile and hence there is a high risk of mechanical weathering and landslides cause gorge caused the deaths of 26 000 people. The World Commission reports 40-80 million people are affected by dams every year. Ugandas silt suffers benefits. Business in South Africa needs electricity, but they have no major rivers. Zimbabwe has no money for the project and foreign investors want	Ranjit Dahiwhik	University of California	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The ESIA and the Engineering Feasibility Studies will be undertaken in parallel with the dam design and construction using world class safety standards including factoring in guidelines from the International Commission on Large Dams and the hydropower sustainability protocol facts so that the dam will also include provisions for annual inspection by independent assessors as well as weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZDA	Dam risks and project motivation

<p>Can you provide assurance that the risk of dam failure or other structural problems has been adequately assessed?</p>	<p>Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook</p>	<p>Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation</p>	<p>2014/10/27 and 18th Nov 2014</p>	<p>email and written submission</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to assure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZPA. Intensive geotechnical investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overflowing of the dams. As is current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another study is being conducted to determine the impacts of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures, as well as update existing emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam safety</p>
<p>There needs to be assurance that the risk of dam failure or other structural problems have been adequately assessed.</p>	<p>Mr Cooper Freeman</p>		<p>07-Oct-14</p>	<p>Email</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to assure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZPA. Intensive geotechnical investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overflowing of the dams. As is current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another study is being conducted to determine the impacts of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures, as well as update existing emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam safety</p>
<p>Assurance is required that the safety impacts to people downstream of the reservoir are analysed.</p>	<p>Mr Cooper Freeman</p>		<p>07-Oct-14</p>	<p>Email</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to assure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZPA. Intensive geotechnical investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overflowing of the dams. As is current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another study is being conducted to determine the impacts of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures, as well as update existing emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam safety</p>
<p>If the dam overflows it will impact on a lot of people and animals.</p>			<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open Day</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to assure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZPA. Intensive geotechnical investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overflowing of the dams. As is current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another study is being conducted to determine the impacts of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures, as well as update existing emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam safety</p>
<p>Dam stability was a concern in the past. Is this still the case?</p>	<p>Charlene Hewat</p>	<p>Environment Africa</p>	<p>04-Oct-14</p>	<p>Victoria Falls Open Day</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those from the International Commission on Large Dams in order to assure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety monitoring program by the ZPA. Intensive geotechnical investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 were used for flood routing to reduce failure due to overflowing of the dams. As is current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another study is being conducted to determine the impacts of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures, as well as update existing emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam stability</p>

<p>If there is dam failure what will happen downstream?</p>	<p>Victor Shanda</p>	<p>Nan Jiang</p>	<p>30-Sep-14</p>	<p>Heavy Open Day</p>	<p>A dam failure has to be avoided at all costs. The scheme will be able to cope with the probable maximum flood. Furthermore, intensive geotechnical investigations of the site were undertaken over several years which will reduce the risk of failure. The design of the dam is being reviewed regularly with a view to ensure that the safety of downstream communities is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam stability</p>
<p>Is the geology suitable to ensure the stability of the dam?</p>			<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>Studies already undertaken confirm that the geology is suitable.</p>	<p>Dam stability</p>
<p>The risk of dam failure and structural problems requires assessment.</p>			<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies will address such concerns. The dam will be designed and built to the highest level of safety and to international standards such as those required to ensure the safety and reliability of the dam. The operation of the dam will also include protocols for annual inspection by independent assessors, as well as a weekly dam safety investigations of the site have been undertaken over several years to investigate and reduce dam failure associated with geological risks. Hydrological records dating back to 1907 have been used to inform the design of the dam. As a current practice an emergency preparedness plan will be put in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam breach. Furthermore, another emergency preparedness plan is in place to deal with the unlikely event of dam failure on the Zambezi River Basin i.e. The Dam Break Analysis for the Zambezi River Basin. This study will identify all potential impacts of dam breach and propose mitigation measures. The study will also inform the design of emergency preparedness plans for dams along the Zambezi River so that the safety of the people is enhanced.</p>	<p>Dam stability</p>
<p>Our roads are already in a bad shape and their use by construction vehicles will further damage them. Is the project going to improve our roads and the landscape?</p>	<p>Community member, Chidobe Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Chidobe Ward Meeting</p>	<p>Yes. Some roads will be improved and some new roads will be constructed for access to the site.</p>	<p>Damage to roads</p>
<p>What will the impact be on Victoria Falls and Kariba Dam?</p>			<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' scheme, in that under normal operation there should be minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to Kariba. The environmental flow study will however examine the impacts of any potential 'peaking' operations that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day. The effects on flow (and associated water level) conditions upstream of the dam will be examined as part of the study. The study will also examine the potential for sediment that may be carried downstream of the dam and the potential for Pool area.</p>	<p>Downstream and upstream water flows</p>
<p>Will there be a specialist study on environmental flows. Not a rapid assessment but a full comprehensive study?</p>	<p>Elke Pragman</p>	<p>WWF-Zambia Country Office</p>	<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Registration and Comment Sheet</p>	<p>The Environmental Flow Assessment (EFA study) being conducted for the study applies the comprehensive DRIFT methodology to supplement existing data sources. The methodology is generally considered to constitute best practice, and associated studies are being conducted in parallel with the engineering design, and the key results and outcomes will be shared with the design engineers at key stages in the design process.</p>	<p>Downstream water flow and quality</p>
<p>Environmental flow assessment will be carried out at the same time as design flow with this storm design of the dam/structure?</p>	<p>Ms. Chanda Mwale</p>	<p>WWF-Zambia Country office</p>	<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Registration and Comment Sheet</p>	<p>Potential downstream effects on water quality and sediment will be examined for all stages of the project.</p>	<p>Downstream water flow and quality</p>
<p>What will the impact of all downstream be during the construction phase?</p>	<p>Alexandra Conroy</p>	<p>WASAZA</p>	<p>08-Oct-14</p>	<p>Local authorities meeting</p>	<p>The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' scheme, in that under normal operation there should be minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to Kariba. However, the environmental flow study will examine the impacts of any potential 'peaking' operations that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day. The effects on flow (and associated water level) conditions upstream of the dam will be examined as part of the study.</p>	<p>Downstream water flows</p>
<p>How will water be released from the river? What will the regularity of the releases be? Will there be seasonal variations?</p>	<p>Isla Grundy</p>	<p>Dept of Biological Sciences</p>	<p>30-Sep-14</p>	<p>Heavy Open Day</p>	<p>Noted: These will be considered as downstream water users and added to the stakeholder database.</p>	<p>Downstream water impacts</p>
<p>There are two private conservancies that have the the border area downstream of the proposed Dam. There are also several irrigation schemes about 40 km downstream of the dam. These are government conservancies. They are abstracting water from the Zambezi.</p>	<p>Chafone Hewat</p>	<p>Environment Africa</p>	<p>04-Oct-14</p>	<p>Victoria Falls Open Day</p>	<p>Noted: These will be considered as downstream water users and added to the stakeholder database.</p>	<p>Downstream water impacts</p>
<p>Will the water flow to Kariba be impacted on?</p>	<p>Nicole Mubhera</p>	<p>Environment Africa</p>	<p>04-Oct-14</p>	<p>Victoria Falls Open Day</p>	<p>The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' scheme, in that under normal operation there should be minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to Kariba. However, the environmental flow study will examine the impacts of any potential 'peaking' operations that may occur and that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day or at certain times of year. Given the storage capacity of Kariba, however, there is likely to be very little impact to Kariba as a result of the scheme.</p>	<p>Downstream water impacts</p>
<p>Will there be a resultant impact on surface and ground water on land immediately adjacent to the dam as a result of the quantity of water stored in the dam.</p>	<p>Herbert Sambo</p>	<p>Hwange Show Society</p>	<p>03-Oct-14</p>	<p>Hwange District Council Meeting</p>	<p>The dam is actually small compared to other schemes, being deep with a relatively small surface area (~23 km²). As for all dams, but lines and other zones connected to the dam will be undertaken to assess the surface water quality impacts both within the dam, and downstream of the dam wall to Kariba.</p>	<p>Downstream water impacts</p>

What existing data is available with regard to water quality? Is there a monitoring record in place?	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo and provincial authorities	Water quality data is available from a number of field campaigns that have been carried out in the Zambezi River in the project area in the past, including a 2-year detailed monitoring of specific water quality and sediment monitoring in 2004/05.	Downstream water impacts
How will water flow and Kariba water levels be managed during the dam flooding process?	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	An Environmental Flow study is being conducted and dam filling will be included as part of this study to cater for downstream impacts. It must be recognized, however that dam filling will not have the same impact comparable to other larger schemes.	Downstream water impacts
What will the impact downstream be? Biga is also an important tourism area.	C. Chimsa	Victoria Falls Hotel	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open day	The potential impacts on low and water quality conditions of the study, and will be reported in the draft ESA. The study will consider the effects on all sensitive and important locations downstream, including tourist areas.	Downstream water impacts
What will the construction phase impact be downstream?	C. Chimsa	Victoria Falls Hotel	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open day	Downstream impacts will mainly relate to dam filling and minimum flows.	Downstream water impacts
What will the philosophy of releases be so that there is no impact on Kariba Dam? What will happen in the case of flooding events?	Richard Maasdorp	Zambezi Society	30-Sep-14	Harare Open Day	The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' scheme, in that under normal operation there should be minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to Kariba. However, there may be some impacts that could occur and that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day or at certain times of year. The potential impacts of these variations include: reduced residence time, reduced residence times and circulation patterns in the reservoir and resulting impacts on temperature, dissolved oxygen, sediment transport etc. The environmental flow study will examine these effects in some detail.	Downstream water impacts
Will the spillway be gated or not? If not gated the flood events will be less tempered and releases will have more of an impact.	Richard Maasdorp	Zambezi Society	30-Sep-14	Harare Open Day	The Engineering Feasibility study will inform on the design of the spillway gates.	Downstream water impacts
The treatment of water prior to release requires consideration.	Alexandra Conroy	WASAZA	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Potential water quality conditions in the reservoir and required will be examined as part of the study, although given the very short water residence time it is unlikely that these effects will be significant.	Downstream water impacts
Will the inflow of water to Kariba be managed?	Mr Cooper Freeman		07-Oct-14	Email	The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to Kariba. The environmental flow study being undertaken for the ESA will also examine the impacts of any potential variations in flow regime during the outflows during certain periods of the day.	Downstream water impacts
Assurance is required that the estimate for power production takes into account adequate allowance requirements.	Kevin Zujin		08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	A comprehensive Environmental Flow Assessment (EFA) is being conducted for the study using the DCFI (Downstream Compensation Framework) approach, referred to the design engineers in order to inform the design process.	Downstream water impacts
Power lines will destroy the fields. Trucks will result in noise and air pollution.	Sean Ertington and Sue Lull-Cook	Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation	2014/10/27 and 18th Nov 2014	email and submission	The impact on fields will be considered as part of the Resettlement Policy Framework and Resettlement Action Plan for the project. The Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP) will outline mitigation measures to be implemented during the construction and operation phases of the project.	Economic displacement, Noise and air quality impacts
Will an economic analysis be undertaken taking into account the potential for unsustainable 'boom and bust' economic impact on local and regional economies?	Jones Masonda	Zambia Wildlife Authority (ZAWA)		Registration and Comment Sheet	The economic impact assessment and social impact assessment will consider this as part of its scope.	Economic impact
Will the project result in any loss of tourism income to Zambia?	Mr. Noodle Mass	Ministry of Chiefs and Traditional Affairs	10-Oct-14	Kaungula District Meeting	This will be assessed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment of the ESA. It is anticipated that the Balaka HPPF will disrupt while water filling activities. This will be explored further in the impact assessment.	Economic impacts
What will be the economic impacts of the project?	Mr. Noodle Mass		08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	As part of the ESA study, a social and economic impact assessment will be undertaken to identify, predict, and assess all the economic impacts of the project with a view to enhance positive impacts and minimise any negative impacts.	Economic impacts
What will the social impacts be post the construction phase when employment and economic opportunities are reduced?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	This issue will be considered as part of the socio-economic specialist study.	Economic impacts
The socio-economic study needs to consider the knock on effect of the project on the tourism industry as a result.			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	This will be addressed as part of the ESA.	Economic impacts
The knock on tourism will be felt by us. We might not be physically or economically displaced, but will not be a loss of income. How will that be measured?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	A socio-economic impact assessment will be undertaken as part of the ESA which will attempt to quantify the loss.	Economic impacts

<p>WWF's overarching concern regarding the building of this hydroelectric facility at this particular site is that the dam will have a negative impact on the valuable ecosystem services. WWF acknowledges that the planned baseline studies will investigate the impact of the dam on the Zambezi River. However, it is of concern that there is no mention of avoidance of impact as the first step. There are instances during Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) where the action is to go directly to compensation measures, without due consideration for avoidance and then mitigation of impacts. WWF would like to strongly urge the project team to consider the Mitigation Hierarchy as a first option in the impact Mitigation Hierarchy, before mitigation and, well before, compensation.</p>	<p>Mr. Nyambe Nyamba</p>	<p>WWF</p>	<p>29-Oct-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>The mitigation hierarchy will be carefully considered, however there are limited options for avoidance as construction of a dam of this size cannot be readily sited elsewhere. The project team will investigate a range of alternative means of generating power which will be thoroughly considered in the ESIA. Mitigation measures to minimise (such as management of flow releases) and avoid (such as dam siting) impacts on the river are being considered but most importantly the residual impact following application of the mitigation hierarchy will be carefully assessed. Recommendations will then be made regarding timing based on the cover of the riparian zone. The residual impact on the river is that the dam will not be feasible as the Batoka Gorge is a unique feature. The primary Ecosystem service provided by the Batoka Gorge is fishing, but there are few people engaged in this service and it will not be displaced as the proposed reservoir will have a significant fisheries potential which will need to be managed by the fisheries dept. of both countries.</p>
<p>For how long will the EIA be valid? Baseline conditions may have changed before the dam has been developed and impacts will be different. This requires consideration.</p>	<p>Nepolele Mbumba</p>	<p>Hwange Local Board</p>	<p>05-Oct-14</p>	<p>Hwange District Council Meeting</p>	<p>The EIA will need to be valid to cover the feasibility study and the entire time period up to and including construction of the dam. Baseline studies may take place pre-construction as a recommendation of the ESIA.</p>
<p>If the project is not approved in Zambia, what will take place?</p>	<p>Nepolele Mbumba</p>	<p>Hwange Local Board</p>	<p>05-Oct-14</p>	<p>Hwange District Council Meeting</p>	<p>The ESIA and resettlement studies need to support a decision for amongst other things, financing. In order to secure funding, it is necessary to have a project that meets international Finance Corporation and World Bank Group standards. The project will be measured against these standards. The ESIA details to be submitted to the regulatory authorities in August 2015.</p>
<p>Mention is made of best international practise. What is this?</p>	<p>Herbert Samale</p>	<p>Hwange Show Society</p>	<p>05-Oct-14</p>	<p>Hwange District Council Meeting</p>	<p>The objectives of the Scoping Phase of the Project are to gather issues of concern, identify project alternatives and scope the baseline and impact assessment studies. As a result, the project team is currently in the Scoping Phase of the Project. We are currently in the Scoping / data collection stage of the project. The primary aim at this stage is to identify issues of concern, identify project alternatives and scope the baseline and impact assessment studies. As a result, the project team is currently in the Scoping Phase of the Project.</p>
<p>How long will the studies take?</p>	<p>Community member, Jambazi Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>02-Oct-14</p>	<p>Jambazi Ward Meeting</p>	<p>A team of field researchers that are local to the project area have been appointed to undertake baseline data collection in August 2015.</p>
<p>Who are the people collection baseline data?</p>	<p>Sue Lufel-Cock</p>	<p>International Rating Federation</p>	<p>18th Nov-14</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>The objectives of the Scoping Phase of the Project are to gather issues of concern, identify project alternatives and scope the baseline and impact assessment studies. As a result, the project team is currently in the Scoping Phase of the Project.</p>
<p>We express concern that an ESIA is being undertaken for a structure that is not yet finalized as 'scoping' is still being carried out.</p>	<p>Mrs. Musawahamuonde</p>	<p>National Heritage Conservation Commission</p>	<p>09-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone District Meeting</p>	<p>We are currently in the Scoping / data collection stage of the project. The primary aim at this stage is to identify issues of concern, identify project alternatives and scope the baseline and impact assessment studies. As a result, the project team is currently in the Scoping Phase of the Project.</p>
<p>At what stage of the ESIA process are we at now?</p>	<p>Mrs. Musawahamuonde</p>	<p>National Heritage Conservation Commission</p>	<p>09-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone District Meeting</p>	<p>We are currently in the Scoping / data collection stage of the project. The primary aim at this stage is to identify issues of concern, identify project alternatives and scope the baseline and impact assessment studies. As a result, the project team is currently in the Scoping Phase of the Project.</p>
<p>At what stage of the project will the impacts be communicated to stakeholders?</p>	<p>Community member, Chubbie Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Chubbie Ward Meeting</p>	<p>The ESIA will be a public document once it has been drafted.</p>
<p>May we have a copy of the ESIA process when it is complete?</p>	<p>Community member, Chubbie Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>Scoping is the first phase of an Environmental Impact Assessment. Stakeholders are identified so that further specialist work addresses these concerns adequately.</p>
<p>What is the meaning of Scoping?</p>	<p>Community member, Chubbie Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>The Environmental and Social Impact Assessment is being funded by the World Bank Group under the and being undertaken to meet international best practise.</p>
<p>Who is funding this report? We question the independence of the consultant.</p>	<p>Community member, Chubbie Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>Comment noted. Authorisation and financing decisions are being made by the Government (Legislative authorities).</p>
<p>We feel that this project is a fair accomplishment.</p>	<p>Community member, Chubbie Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Livingstone Open day</p>	<p>As a result of the project, there is the potential for the creation of jobs in the community that will be required that has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will employ local people provided that they have the necessary skills and experience to undertake the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people who are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.</p>
<p>Can we have priority in employment? We do not want the situation where the employment process is heavily politicised and people from other provinces are employed in place of the local people. The project should employ people from our area first from locals and the rest from other provinces.</p>	<p>Community member, Chikandakubi Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Chikandakubi Ward Meeting</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the community. The number of jobs that will be required that has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will employ local people provided that they have the necessary skills and experience to undertake the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.</p>
<p>Are our children going to benefit from employment when the project is under construction?</p>	<p>Community member, Chikandakubi Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Chikandakubi Ward Meeting</p>	<p>ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the community. The number of jobs that will be required that has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will employ local people provided that they have the necessary skills and experience to undertake the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.</p>
<p>This was expected that there will be corruption on employment of community members.</p>	<p>Community member, Chikandakubi Ward</p>	<p>N/A</p>	<p>06-Oct-14</p>	<p>Chikandakubi Ward Meeting</p>	<p>Corruption within the Project will need to be dealt with by national law which forbids corruption on employment.</p>

We want our own people to benefit, especially on youth employment	Community member, Jambazi Ward	N/A	02-Oct-14	Jambazi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.	Employment
We want our children to be trained for the jobs such that when the project starts they will be ready to start on the jobs	Community member, Jambazi Ward	N/A	02-Oct-14	Jambazi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.	Employment
We ask the project authorities to consider us for possible employment. There is history of projects such as the airport project which promised 3000 jobs but only a handful of people are employed there	Community member, Katsichohi Ward	N/A	06-Oct-14	Katsichohi Ward Meeting	We cannot speak on behalf of other projects. However, the ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. ZRA/SSP	Employment
This development is likely to cause poverty in the area. We want to ensure that our children from the immediate community be guaranteed work during the construction period?	Mr Moyo, Masaka village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Maletsu Ward Meeting	The Project cannot guarantee work to specific communities. Individuals recruited will need to have the required skills to undertake the work. However, the ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are unable to specify quotas for employment.	Employment
We do not want workers, especially unskilled, from Moshonaland to be employed in the project	Eneida Shoko, Lubangwe Village head	N/A	07-Oct-14	Maletsu Ward Meeting	The ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. Companies working for the Project will need to abide by the employment laws of the two countries.	Employment
We want genuine companies to employ our children and not bogus ones that will fail to pay them on time.	Village head	N/A	07-Oct-14	Maletsu Ward Meeting	Companies working for the Project will need to abide by the employment laws of the two countries.	Employment
Will our children have priority in employment in the project area?	Councillor Farai Shoko, Gomwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
We ask the project authorities to consider us for possible employment	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
What employment opportunities will be available to the local end up not getting priority as the project use to avoid in migrants from taking their jobs?	Aleck Dubani, Sindira Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sindira Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
There is danger of corruption on employment such that the local end up not getting priority as the policy requires	Aleck Dubani, Sindira Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sindira Ward Meeting	Companies working for the Project will need to abide by the national law which forbids corruption related to employment.	Employment
On employment, unemployment is very high in the community but our concern is that at the time of the project, we will be able to get jobs instead of this. There is corruption in the selection of those to be employed	Norman Mwandira, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sindira Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project areas of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. Employment opportunities will comprise of skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled jobs. The Project will try and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people. We are currently unable to specify quotas for employment.	Employment
We ask that employment should not be heavily protected	Dakani Phiri, Doboob village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sindira Ward Meeting	Companies working for the Project will need to abide by the national law which forbids corruption related to employment.	Employment

Menial jobs should not be employed on the basis of 5.0 levels	Luvas Ncube, Sidibus ward	N/A	10-Oct-14	Sanda Ward Meeting	The selection criteria for the jobs will be the prerogative of the employing company.	Employment
If someone is injured while working on the project, will they be compensated?	Chishanu Sankwele	Sachuma Village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu, Community Meeting	Yes. All companies will have to abide by employment laws of the country. If someone is injured at work they are compensated appropriately.	Employment
Considering this is a joint venture, what will be the ratio of people employed on the Zambian side versus the Zimbabwean side? Quotas should be set for employment.	Councillor Mwapala K. Drighton	Kazungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	No quotas have been established and the number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. The project will be assessed during the social-economic study phase of the ESIA for the project. The Project will provide employment opportunities for local people from both the Republic of Zimbabwe and Zambia.	Employment
Will we be given priority for employment or will people be coming from outside to take the jobs?	Elena Likweta	Musokwawe village	11-Oct-14	Musokwawe community meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. The Project will by and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. If they are not available in the project area, the Project will recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
Can we be given priority for employment? This will stop influx of people.	Ines Mupfema	Munhu/Musawana Village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu, Community Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will by and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. However, the Project will have to recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
There should be a deliberate policy to facilitate the employment of locals, who fall mostly under the administrative district of Hwange. As a result, consideration should be given to achieve the following employment levels: i) 90% local, ii) 70% of semi-skilled labour to be sourced from locals, iii) 40%-50% of skilled labour to be sourced from the neighbouring districts of Hwange, Binga and Lupatwa (e.g. clerks, bookkeepers, nurses, junior accountants, typists, secretaries, etc.) to be sourced from the neighbouring Districts of Hwange, Binga and Lupatwa	Document presented by Chief Shana and councillors for communities under his area of jurisdiction	N/A	04-Oct-14	Written submission	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. The Project will by and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. If they are not available in the project area, the Project will recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
We welcome the project but we want our children to form 90% of the labour force especially unskilled and semi-skilled.	Community member, Chikandakubi Ward	N/A	06-Oct-14	Chikandakubi Ward Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact in the communities in the project area of influence. The number of positions that will be required has not yet been determined. However, it is expected that this will be a limited number. The Project will by and employ local people provided that they have the relevant skills and experience to perform the work according to internationally accepted quality standards. If they are not available in the project area, the Project will recruit people from outside the local area when it is unable to find suitably qualified people.	Employment
Binga should be made part of the study area. Livelihoods of people in Binga district may be affected by the project.	Acting Provincial Administrator Matebeleland North	Ministry of Local Government	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	This is noted. Further investigations and modeling is required by the engineers to understand the extent of project Area of Influence	ESIA management
We require a copy of the Prospectus Report in hard or soft copy	ZINWA	ZINWA	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	This is noted. Prospectus will be availed	ESIA management
The project should give a consultation fee to ZINWA to undertake an EIA for the proposed project. ZRA should also pay for transport for site inspection, accommodation and an administration fee of \$200.	Acting Provincial Administrator Matebeleland North	Ministry of Local Government	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	This request is under consideration. However, it should be noted that this project is a community and hence regulatory requirements will need to be harmonised.	ESIA management
Zambians do not need the power generation project because they have enough and are even exporting. We expect this project to be approved in Zambia?	Steve Jonaasi, Lon Encounter Alert	Lon Encounter Alert	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	As of December 2012, total energy demand in Zambia exceeded internal generation capacity. This was as a result of the expansions in the mining and manufacturing sectors in Zambia. Power generation demand must also be seen for the SAPP region as a whole, not only for Zambia.	ESIA Process
Are you authorized to carry out Socio-economic assessment? How do you go to the people to consult? Who will carry out the assessment?	Acting Provincial Administrator Matebeleland North	Ministry of Local Government	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	The ZRA has recruited consulting firms from South Africa, Zimbabwe and Zambia to undertake the ESIA and social impact assessment. In addition, fieldworkers local to the project area will be recruited to assist with the data collection at a district level and with traditional authorities before communities are engaged with.	ESIA Process
When is disclosure going to be done and what does it incorporate?			30-Sep-14	Harare Open Day	The results of the ESIA will be feedback to stakeholders in Zambia. Further meetings and consultations will be required for the project, so until those requirements are in place, the project cannot proceed.	ESIA Process
There is a lot of understanding that needs to be set. Is the project a done deal, is it going on regardless?			04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Environmental authorisation and financing still need to be resolved for the project, so until those requirements are in place, the project cannot proceed.	ESIA Process
Do you have external reviewers to ensure that international standards are met for the cost benefit analysis?			04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Reference (TOR) to ensure that the report and ESIA process aligns to the TOR and conforms with international good practices.	ESIA Process
Are independent consultants really objective to address scientific and stakeholder points of view.			04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	An independent ESIA process is being undertaken to ensure good practice. The independent consultants are required to list all impacts and are to remain objective and non-biased. If impacts cannot be mitigated, then these need to be clearly informed upon as to whether the scheme should go ahead or not. All stakeholder concerns also need to be clearly listed in the ESIA report.	ESIA Process

What will the impact be on the flow of the rapids?	C. Chimsa	Victoria Falls Hotel	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open day	On the basis of the current design, the area of inundation is expected to extend to just below Silent Pools on the Zambezi River. This will therefore affect all rapids between the dam and Silent Pools.	Impact on river rafting activities
Whether the rafting companies and their staff will be compensated for loss of revenue?	Chiva Bradford	Wild Horizons	28-Nov-14	email	An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA so that an assessment can be made with regard to the impact on the river rafting industry and employment that it supports. This study will help to determine the extent to which compensation should be paid to the river rafting industry.	Impact on river rafting activities
What will the impacts be on the river rafting industry? This is one of the attractions for people coming to Victoria Falls.	Richard Maudorp	Zambesi Society	30-Sep-14	Harare Open Day	The impacts on the river rafting industry are being considered as part of the social specialist study and an economic impact assessment. On the basis of the current design, the area of inundation is expected to extend to just below Silent Pools on the Zambezi River.	Impact on river rafting activities
What will be the costs of losing the white water rapids? (Batoia Gorges Hydro-Electrical Power Scheme)	Moses Tambala	ZEMA	09-Oct-14	Livingstone District Meeting	This will be considered as part of the ESIA. An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA to determine the extent to which compensation should be paid to the river rafting industry and employment that it supports.	Impact on river rafting activities
How will the loss of water rafting be valued?	Moses Tambala	ZEMA	09-Oct-14	Livingstone District Meeting	This will be considered as part of the ESIA. An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA.	Impact on river rafting activities
What will the impact be on the white water rafting industry?	Mr Jones Masonde	Zambia Wildlife Authority	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The impacts on the river rafting industry are being considered as part of the ESIA. On the basis of the current design, the area of inundation is expected to extend to just below Silent Pools on the Zambezi River.	Impact on river rafting activities
There will be a loss of rapids.	Mr Jones Masonde	Zambia Wildlife Authority	07-Oct-14	Lusaka Open Day	On the basis of the current design, all the rapids between the dam wall and Silent Pools could be lost.	Impact on river rafting activities
The Batoia Gorge is one of the most beautiful gorges shared by Zambia and Zimbabwe. It is situated close to an international thriving tourism economy that relies on the uniqueness of a tourism activity – white water rafting. Furthermore, the gorge is intrinsically connected to the aesthetic, cultural and economic value of the Victoria Falls, as well as the local tourism industry. The unique nature of this entire area provides for a local economy and jobs that affect a considerable number of people on both sides of the Zambezi River. The loss of the rapids between the dam wall and Silent Pools could be lost.	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	An economic assessment of the impact on tourism will be undertaken as part of the social impact assessment.	Impact on tourism
What structures are there to evaluate the uses of the revenue from business that rely on tourism? What if any compensation plans are in place for those who will lose jobs and livelihoods?	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liel-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rafting Federation	06/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	The economic impact associated with the impact on the tourism industry will be considered as part of the ESIA.	Impact on tourism
What will be the project's impact on tourism?	Acting Provincial Administrator Matabeleland North	Ministry of Local Government	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	A socio-economic assessment is currently being carried out to determine the extent to which compensation should be paid to the river rafting industry. A socio-economic study on this impact specifically is to be undertaken.	Impact on tourism activities
White-water Rafting is an iconic activity for Victoria Falls and Livingstone. It is one of the main tourism and adventure activity for the region needs to be understood. The loss of rafting will very likely have a much broader impact on the tourism industry of the area and its jobs.	Marie-Louise Kelleit	Paddezone African Paddling Association, International Rafting Federation	02-Oct-14	email	An economic impact assessment is being undertaken to assess this impact.	Impact on tourism activities
There is a potential impact on a World Heritage site and the basis of the economies of the regions around Vc Falls and Livingstone as a result.	Marie-Louise Kelleit	Paddezone African Paddling Association, International Rafting Federation	02-Oct-14	email	An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA to ascertain the extent of the loss of income to the tourism industry. Comment has been sought from the heritage authorities and UNESCO with regard to their views on the impact on the World Heritage Site.	Impact on tourism activities
We express deep concern that the opportunity costs of such an unnecessary, last minute energy project, among others, is that of a pre-existing, directly and indirectly employ hundreds of thousands of people. As well as, among others, the destruction of a "UNESCO" world heritage site and the destruction of an important Bird Area.	Sean Edgington	Safari Par Excellence	27-Oct-14	email	An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA to ascertain the extent of the loss of income to the tourism industry. Comment has been sought from the heritage authorities and UNESCO with regard to their views on the impact on the World Heritage Site.	Impact on tourism activities
What compensation plans are in place to evaluate the impact on the tourism industry? What if any compensation plans are in place for those who will lose jobs and livelihoods through the proposed project?	Sean Edgington and Sue Liel-Cock	Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation	20/10/2014 and 18th Nov 2014	email and written submission	An economic impact assessment is being undertaken as part of the ESIA to ascertain the extent of the loss of income to the tourism industry. Comment has been sought from the heritage authorities and UNESCO with regard to their views on the impact on the World Heritage Site.	Impact on tourism activities
Will studies be done to evaluate the effect of the proposed dam on perceptions of the tourism public currently if whitewater rafting, the cornerstone of the local adventure tourism economy is affected?	Sue Liel-Cock	International Rafting Federation	18th Nov-14	Written submission	This will be assessed as part of the economic impact assessment.	Impact on tourism activities

As a community we are happy for the dam development to be in our area. We must plan ahead so that we embrace the project.	Community member, Katchichechi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Katchichechi Ward Meeting	Thank you for the comment	Other
My concern is regarding the ESIA and well act as a reference point for the public.	Community member, Katchichechi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Katchichechi Ward Meeting	All minutes are being taken of meetings in respect of what is being noted. This will be published in the ESIA and well act as a reference point for the public.	Other
As the promises vanish as the project is implemented.	Councilor, Katchichechi Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Katchichechi Ward Meeting	Noted.	Other
Are the promises of the project genuine or are they the development of the dam and its benefits. The heavy machinery is being used to clear the area and not small issues such as employment of non-skilled labour.	Mandla Mpfu, Mitoro Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mitoro Ward Meeting	All minutes are being taken of meetings to record what is being noted. This will be published in the ESIA and well act as a reference point for the public.	Other
As a community we are happy for the dam. We must plan ahead so that we embrace the project. We must plan ahead so that we embrace the project.	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	Thank you for the comment	Other
The community should educate their children about the dam as a new development coming in the area.	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	Noted	Other
The dam is a new development coming in the area. The dam is a new development coming in the area. The dam is a new development coming in the area.	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	Noted. This has been included in the comments and response report.	Other
The problem that we face with your projects is that the dam is a new development coming in the area. The dam is a new development coming in the area. The dam is a new development coming in the area.	David Chuma, Dabolo Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sikinda Ward Meeting	All minutes are being taken of meetings to record what is being noted. This will be published in the ESIA and well act as a reference point for the public.	Other
My fear is that the project will not fulfil its promises getting away without doing what it promises to do.	Master Sibanda, Lumboza Village 2	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sikinda Ward Meeting	All minutes are being taken of meetings to record what is being noted. This will be published in the ESIA and well act as a reference point for the public. In addition, the Project will be monitored to ensure that any promises made are fulfilled.	Other
What is the relationship between the countries with regard to the dam infrastructure?	Agney Shuluta	Department of Energy	08-Oct-14	Lusaka authorities meeting	The dam infrastructure will be jointly owned by the two governments.	Other
Why do you want to disturb the Zambezi River further? The Victoria Falls has already been disturbed and we already have the Kariba dam. Can we not use existing power sources?	Andrew Challenga	Chibule village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	Existing power sources do not provide sufficient energy for the country and the SAPP's needs. The Kariba dam has already been expanded and the number of generating units has recently been increased. If we put in an additional dam at the Victoria Falls Power Station, it will have a negative impact on the Victoria Falls.	Other
If roads are built, will they be tarred? Will there be heavy duty vehicles using them? This will cause us problems if so.	Ernest	Ngandu village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	Some of the roads will be tarred and heavy duty vehicles will need to use them to transport project materials mostly during the construction phase of the project. Mitigation measures will be put in place to reduce negative impacts.	Other
We are grateful for the project giving us improved roads. However, one of my chickens was killed by trucks using the road.	Frances Sasoko	Muntu/Maswana village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	There will be adequate sensitisation to avoid such occurrences and to inform the public that when a road is constructed, livestock should be kept away from the road.	Other
In Botswana other forms of energy are being used such as solar energy. Why can we not also look at these other forms of energy?	Gardner Malake	Chibule village	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	Solar power is considered in the energy mix. For example the total capacity of solar power in Zimbabwe is estimated at 300MW. The two countries require an upwards of 10000MW in the next five years, which cannot be secured through solar power. The two countries require an upwards of 1800MW, which is required to address part of the energy deficit in both countries.	Other
What guarantees have been put in place to ensure that community members are protected?	Gladford Muleya	Kazungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	Extensive engagement is being undertaken with the local communities and district traditional authorities to try and identify likely impacts and issues of concern, as well as to develop mitigation measures. Once impacts have been identified, appropriate measures will be developed to ensure that no one is adversely affected.	Other
This project should not be protected. It should not be a competition between the chidomos. Instead the whole district should benefit from it.	Kennedy Mufuna	Headman Kapongop village	11-Oct-14	Musokwane community meeting	Noted.	Other
We want to make a request to government to let the project be located in this area.	Lloyd Masamu	Sekuba village	11-Oct-14	Liwengwa community meeting	This has been noted.	Other
The study should take into account the recent ESIA conducted for the construction of Kazungula Dam. It is noted that the Director of National Heritage Conservation Commission, Mr. Katswevha, is under the impression that the project should be located in this area. It should be considered so that it reads well.	Mr. Hwamam Skombe	Roads Development Agency	09-Oct-14	Liwengwa District Meeting	Noted.	Other
What is the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking?	Mrs. Musawwa Hamusonde	National Heritage Conservation Commission	09-Oct-14	Liwengwa District Meeting	Noted. This will be corrected.	Other
How can we solve the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking?	Susan Skopo	Mebukose kampo village	11-Oct-14	Musokwane community meeting	Yes. The project will generate between 1800 MW and 3000MW for both Zambia and Zimbabwe. This should help with load shedding.	Other
How can we solve the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking? How can we solve the problem of road blocking?	Document presented by Chief Shama and councillors for Board of Directors with at least 30% representation.	Communities under his area of jurisdiction	04-Oct-14	Written submission	The appointment of the Board of Directors is a preserve of the two governments.	Other
Why do projects always start in Mukuoni and Masokwane is left out?	Evans Mwaiva	Musokwane	11-Oct-14	Musokwane community meeting	Mukuoni children is located closer to the Zambezi River however, Masokwane village is likely to be benefit through employment opportunities since the project is within the district. It is likely to be affected especially if the transmission line from Livingstonia to Choma is developed.	Other
Will an economic analysis be undertaken taking into account the potential for unutilisable land and lost economic impact on those and regional economies?	Graham Neil / Tony King Sue Lial-Cock	Safely (Pvt) Limited International Rating Federation	08/09/14 18/11/14	Written submission	The economic impact assessment and social impact assessment will consider this as part of its scope.	Post-construction impacts

Are there any project alternatives			03-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	A number of project alternatives have been investigated. The alternatives are based on the Hwange Game Reserve basin as a whole, and for power generation schemes, including thermal power, within the SADC region as a whole. The Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) presents a number of alternatives for the entire SAPP region. In addition, for the Batoka HPP scheme specifically, alternative locations for the scheme have been investigated and a number of options for the Batoka scheme itself (such as run-of-river/peaking), these are currently being investigated as part of the overall engineering feasibility study.	Project alternatives
Have the engineers looked at alternate sites for the dam to be built.			04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	This site has been the subject of detailed studies as far back as 1993. The current engineering feasibility studies once again confirm that the present site is best suited for the construction of the dam wall. It has a site suitable for the construction of a spillway, and the gorge at this point is narrower compared to sites downstream, thus reducing concrete volumes, and hence construction costs.	Project alternatives
Can you provide an assurance that conservation project (including a full DSM conservation study)	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liek-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation	06/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	The ESA and Engineering feasibility studies will inform on this subject.	Project alternatives
Has there been due diligence in exploring alternative electricity generation schemes if the dam is not built? Have alternatives schemes such as run of the river turbines been considered that do not impact on the Mosi-oa-Tunya National park and the UNESCO world heritage sites?	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liek-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation	06/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	A number of project alternatives have been investigated. The alternatives are based on the Hwange basin as a whole, and for power generation schemes, including thermal power, within the SADC region as a whole. The Southern African Power Pool (SAPP) presents a number of alternatives for the entire SAPP region. In addition, for the Batoka HPP scheme specifically, alternative locations for the scheme have been investigated and a number of options for the Batoka scheme itself (such as run-of-river/peaking), these are currently being investigated as part of the overall engineering feasibility study.	Project alternatives
There needs to be assurance that scaled-down, less-damaging project designs have been considered	Mr Cooper Freeman		07-Oct-14	Email	The dam will be constructed in a way that minimises the impact on the environment and the local community.	Project alternatives
Can solar power be considered as a project alternative?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Solar power is considered in the energy mix. For example, the total capacity of solar power in Zimbabwe is estimated at 300MW. The two countries require an upwards of 100000MW solar power alone. The Batoka HPP will deliver upwards of 1800MW, which is required to address part of the energy deficit in both countries.	Project alternatives
Could Zambia not develop the Kafue Dam Stage 2			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The two countries require an upwards of 100000MW in the next five years, which cannot be secured through the Batoka HPP alone, therefore Kafue Dam Stage 2 (Kafue Gorge Lower) is one of the projects to deliver that energy.	Project alternatives
Technology is advancing. Could the use of fish friendly turbines be considered?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The dam will be constructed in a way that minimises the impact on the environment and the local community.	Project alternatives
Why is the Hwange powerline alternative proposed?	Ms N Dube	Acting Provincial Administrator	01-Oct-14	Blantyre national and provincial authorities	The alternative aligns with an existing road thus minimising the extent of disturbed area.	Project details
The percentage contribution of this power to the national grid needs to be better understood.	Derry Tiran	Botswana Zimbabwe	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The engineering feasibility studies will inform on this subject.	Project details
What is the rationale for the location of the permanent camps? Will this lead to the development of a new urban centre?	Mr F Ndhlovu	Department of Physical Planning	01-Oct-14	Blantyre national and provincial authorities	The rationale for the location of the camps will include, proximity to the project area and offering the management of the project area. The permanent camps will have permanent townships for workers.	Project details
Please provide us with exact co-ordinates for the permanent camp in this west.	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Note that at this stage, there are a number of alternative locations for permanent camps proposed, both in Zimbabwe and Botswana. The preferred alternative, at this stage, the coordinates for the proposed alternative camp in the west is 18° 0' 40.34" S; 26° 1' 6.14" E.	Project details
We would suggest that existing roads are utilised wherever possible. There should be no need to develop new roads.	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The utilisation and hence upgrading of existing roads will be encouraged during the design of the scheme.	Project details
Can the permanent camp be developed to provide environmentally friendly services with regard to landscaping and waste management?	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The comment is noted and such measures will be included in the project ESMP.	Project details
What is the number of spillway gates?	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The engineering feasibility studies will inform on this subject.	Project details
How many people will be housed in the permanent camp?	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	It is currently anticipated that 300 people will be housed in the permanent camp.	Project details
Will the access roads be tarred?	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Yes.	Project details
Where will the Dam be serviced from?	Charlene Hewat	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The dam will be serviced from both Victoria Falls and Livingstone.	Project details
What will the power generation of Babbs be in comparison to Kariba?	S Chenaux	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Batoka will produce upwards of 18000MW. Kariba, together with the Victoria Falls and North bank extensions, will have a capacity of 21300MW.	Project details
How far is the new Ndlovu housing project from the project location? Will it be affected?	S Chenaux	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The Ndlovu Housing project is 24km from the dam site. The ESA studies will investigate whether it will be impacted; proposed roads are built in this area.	Project details
Where are the game parks on your maps, they are not showing and that is one of the major concern, you the game parks will be affected by this project, you the people are going to comment on this project. We also need to know where the dam will be and where the river will be.	S Chenaux	Environment Africa	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Your comment has been noted and the maps will be updated accordingly.	Project details

Will the construction of the dam which roads will be upgraded or affected?	Community member, Katchechal Ward	N/A	06-Oct-14	Katchechal Ward Meeting	In Zimbabwe, the secondary road that starts from the dam site (measuring 14km long), may be upgraded and a new road (measuring 14km long), may be constructed. The construction of a road downstream from the dam and a dam crest. In Zambia, it is proposed that the road originating in Pangrove (near Livingstone) that connects to Mukuni to the dam site.	Project details
How wide is the transmission line corridor?	Mr Mkhwananzi, Kayalethu Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	In Zimbabwe, the transmission line corridor currently being explored is 3km wide and 70km long. It starts from the Batoka Gorge site to Hwange. However, engineering studies are still being undertaken to determine the exact locations once these have been confirmed.	Project details
How much land will the dam water take going backwards towards the Victoria Falls?	Lubasi, Kalala Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	The dam will be sited within the gorge and is not expected to encroach on any land outside of the Gorge. The actual footprint of impact is still under consideration and assessment through the engineering and ESK studies.	Project details
Where exactly will the transmission lines be as they enter Hwange town?	H.T Moko, Madimabisa Farm	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	The engineering work to determine the positions is still going on. The exact locations are available and will be communicated to the community.	Project details
Tell us the exact location of the infrastructure and the power lines	Councillor Farai Shoko - Gondwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	The engineering studies are still to be completed and the final routing is not available. Once these have been confirmed, we will be able to communicate in regards to what communities are likely to be affected.	Project details
Can you tell us exactly where the project infrastructure will be erected?	Manda Mporfu, Sisiyathu village 4	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	Engineering studies are still being undertaken to determine the exact locations of the infrastructure. It is only when these have been completed that we will be able to determine who exactly will be affected. We will communicate to you as soon as these have been undertaken.	Project details
Please tell us, very clearly (Tsheni baka bhasha) where the transmission lines and other infrastructure is going to be	Farai Shoko, Gondwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	Engineering studies are still being undertaken to determine the exact locations of the infrastructure. It is only when these have been completed that we will be able to determine who exactly will be affected. We will communicate to you as soon as these have been undertaken. In regards to the transmission lines, in Zimbabwe the engineers are currently looking at a 3km wide corridor that runs from the Batoka Gorge site to the dam site. In Zambia, the secondary road that starts from the Bulawayo/Victoria Falls main road and connects to Jubala may be upgraded and a new road (measuring 14km long), may be constructed. People living near these areas are likely to be affected. These areas are also being looked at in terms of location of the permanent camps. The engineering studies so that sensitive areas such as sites of socioecological and/or cultural significance can be avoided and environmental factors included in the design of the facility.	Project details
Give us a time frame as to when resettlement will happen so that we prepare physically and psychologically	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	We are still unsure yet whether the project is going to go ahead. The project is still in the early stages and environmental agencies and governments of both countries involved. Project financing also needs to be provided. The dam will only be operational in ten years time, so we will be able to provide you with more information, we will communicate to you.	Project details
Is the dam water likely to spill over the gorge?	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	The studies carried out so far show that there will be no dam footprint outside of the gorge.	Project details
Is the project going to develop a township?	Community member, Nemamhanganga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemamhanganga Ward Meeting	Yes, if the project goes ahead there will be constructed two townships. One will be for the dam workers and the other will be permanent one to house employees during the operational phase of the project.	Project details
Tell us the exact location of the transmission lines from Batoka to Hwange	Derek Slanda, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sokola Ward Meeting	Engineering studies are still being undertaken to determine the exact locations of the infrastructure. It is only when these have been completed that we will be able to communicate these to you. However currently, in Zimbabwe, the engineers are currently looking at a 3km wide corridor that originates from the Batoka Gorge site to Hwange. This site would measure 70km long.	Project details
Will blasting be required? Will the gorge be widened to support the dam development?	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	Blasting will be required for the development of the dam wall. There is no intention of widening the gorge.	Project details
Will there be a new customs post at the bridge over the dam?	Jean Whitley	Private	01-Oct-14	Bulawayo national and provincial authorities	Yes.	Project details
Who is the contractor for the construction phase?	Peter Roberts	Private	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	This will only be determined following the completion of the feasibility study.	Project details
Will the documents that disclose the cost and the pricing sites of the dam project be made public?	Sean Ertington and Sue Lill-Cook	Safari Park Excellence and International Raffle Federation	2014/10/27 and 18th Nov 2014	Victoria Falls Open Day	The ESA studies report will be made public including the executive summary for the Engineering Feasibility Studies.	Project details
Power supply to the country will increase which will be a benefit to us.	D. King	The Kingdom at Victoria Falls	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Comment noted and will be considered as a benefit of the project in the economic impact assessment.	Project details
What is the reason that the Batoka Gorge site was selected?	C. Chimsa	Victoria Falls Hotel	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	This site has been the subject of detailed studies as far back as 1995. The most recent SP study once again reiterates the suitability of the site for the construction of the dam wall. The site has suitable geology for the construction of a spillway, and the gorge at this point is narrow compared to other parts of the gorge, allowing concrete volumes, and hence construction costs.	Project details
Will the bridge be creating an access point for the Zambian and Zimbabwean communities?	C. Chimsa	Victoria Falls Hotel	04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	Yes.	Project details

There are falls which are in close proximity to the dam. Will they be addressed by the dam?	Mr Jones Masonde	Zambia Wildlife Authority	07-Oct-14	Luaka Open Day	Project details	On the basis of the current design, it appears likely that all the rapids/falls between the dam wall and Silent Pools could be lost.	Project details
Where will the project headquarters be based? How will the governance structure for the project be decided by the two governments?	Mr. Node Mas	Ministry of Chiefs and Traditional Affairs	10-Oct-14	Kaungula District Meeting	Project details	The headquarters of the ZRA are currently based in Lusaka with local operations offices located in Kariba. Operations offices for the project will be established in Kariba and Luaka. The project site in the future. The governance structure of the project will be decided by the two governments.	Project details
What is the expected output of the project and how long will it take to complete?	Mr. Kelyson Mangula	Kaungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kaungula District Meeting	Project details	At the moment it is expected to generate 1600MW, 800MW will be provided to Zambia and 800MW to Zimbabwe. However, this is an output of the update of the detailed design. The final design will be communicated later once the studies are concluded. It is estimated that the facility will be operational in seven years time.	Project details
What is meant by permanent camp settlements?	Ms. Chanda Mwale	WWF-Zambia County office	07-Oct-14	Luaka Open Day	Project details	It will be the settlements within which the population will reside. It is currently anticipated that 500 people will need to be housed in the permanent camp.	Project details
How much ecological costing is included in permanent camps?	Ms. Chanda Mwale	WWF-Zambia County office	08-Oct-14	Registration and Comment Sheet	Project details	The ESA studies being carried out will inform of this matter.	Project details
Which is the alternative siting for the dam?	Mwale Lusizi	Zambian Wildlife Authority	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	For the Batoka HPP scheme specifically, alternative locations for the scheme have been investigated and a number of options for the power houses, full supply levels and the spillway have been investigated. The investigation being done as part of the overall engineering feasibility study.	Project details
What is meant by impoundment?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	The area within the dam footprint is referred to as the impoundment.	Project details
Which side of Livingstone is the transmission line coming from?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	The general direction will be from Batoka Gorge site to Livingstone. However, the specific route is to be defined during the studies.	Project details
Why is the spillway located in Zimbabwe?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	The spillway is located in Zimbabwe because of the geological conditions on that side. The spillway on the Zimbabwean side was only one of the options being considered for adoption. The final layout will have the spillway on the dam crest.	Project details
Mention has been made that the dam will not hold sufficient capacity to produce the required power. How will this be addressed? This was required for the Kafue Dam. Kariba. This was required for the Kafue Dam.			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	No, this is not true, and a holding dam is not being considered in the engineering feasibility study.	Project details
My property is affected by the Kafue Mangos line. I cannot be affected by another pipeline. It will then be a pipeline. There is a shortage of information at this meeting.			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	Comment noted.	Project details
How far is Silent Pools from Victoria Falls?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	A further meeting in Livingstone is proposed with the presence of the affected landowners.	Project details
What is the size of the dam?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	Project details	Silent Pool is located at the top of the 4th Gorge, immediately downstream of the outlet of the Victoria Falls Power station.	Project details
Are there any roads that will link Batoka with Victoria Falls that will be constructed?	Community member, Chidobe Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Chidobe Ward Meeting	Project details	It is intended that the munition area will be 23 km2. Engineering studies are still in progress and the final road alignment has not been determined however, it is currently proposed that a road will be constructed from the Bulawayo-Victoria Falls main road and connects to Jabula. The road will be upgraded and a new road, connecting Jabula to the dam site (measuring 14km long), may be constructed. The road will be a 4-lane road. A bridge will be constructed in order to minimise the passage of heavy loaded trucks on the dam crest.	Project details
Does the project schedule reflect actual experience in the region particularly with regard to cost and timeline? A recent Oxford study found that large dams are uneconomical, run over budget, do not generate the expected benefits and have significant environmental impacts. The study also included in project cost estimates for all of the following and other unforeseen problems: project delays due to strikes, adverse weather, unexpected design changes, cost escalation, inflation, increased seismic risks, re-engineering, lawsuits, drought during operation, accidents, civil disobedience, or political unrest. What is the actual project cost and timeline for the project? The Itaipu dam Brazil built in the 1970s suffered a 240 per cent cost overrun that impaired the country's finances for three years. The study also found that the project is not "set in stone". If the project is to go ahead, what is the timeline and how will this be enforced. How long will it take to complete? How long will it take to generate revenue and export electricity if this is the objective?	Sean Edington and Sue Liel-Cock	Safari For Excellence and International Rating Federation	20/10/2017 and 18th Nov 2014	email and written submission	Project feasibility	All these questions form part of the scope of the feasibility studies. Therefore, they will be answered at the end of the studies.	Project feasibility
We express concern that the project will affect an already overburdened river system. Dr. Richard Berliuss posulates that the dams being proposed and built on the Zambezi river will be negatively impacted by climate change. The study also found that the basin is not taking serious attention to the high hydrological uncertainty. He further states that "ensuring energy and water security in the Zambezi basin will require a paradigm shift in the way we think about water management". We must avoid investing billions of dollars into projects that could become white elephants. There is a growing groundswell of opposition to the project. How long will it take to complete? How long will it take to generate revenue and export electricity if this is the objective?	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liel-Cock	Safari For Excellence International Rating Federation	08/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	Project feasibility	We are aware of the possible losses in basin yield in the next decades as a result of climate change which may be addressed by the project. The study also found that the basin is not taking serious attention to the high hydrological uncertainty. He further states that "ensuring energy and water security in the Zambezi basin will require a paradigm shift in the way we think about water management". We must avoid investing billions of dollars into projects that could become white elephants. There is a growing groundswell of opposition to the project. How long will it take to complete? How long will it take to generate revenue and export electricity if this is the objective?	Project feasibility
Will the document that discloses the cost and engineering sides of the dam project be made public?	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liel-Cock	Safari For Excellence International Rating Federation	08/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	Project feasibility	The ESA study report and the executive summary of the engineering feasibility report will be made public.	Project feasibility

Project programme	Project description	Project location	Project start date	Project end date	Project status	Project impact
The feasibility studies will inform on all these issues.	The feasibility studies will inform on all these issues.	07-Oct-14 Email			Mr Cooper Freeman	The analysts will need to indicate how long it will take the project to become a net-energy producer (including energy requirements used to build the dam, the dam's energy production, the dam's energy supplies, monitoring, building, grading, disposing of soils, transporting workers to construction site, and back and including transmission lines, operations and maintenance, and decommissioning equipment, dredging accumulated silt, etc.).
Projects upstream of the dam	It is noted that irrigation developments, increased water abstraction and climate change will all impact on the future feasibility of the scheme. Although the engineering feasibility consultants have used over 100 years of flow data in their engineering feasibility studies at this stage, the impacts of climate change will need to be considered in the overall financial feasibility of the scheme.	28-Oct-14	WVF	Dr. Nyambe Nyambe		There are infrastructural development plans for upstream sections of the Zambezi River. These are becoming more and more defined with increased attention that has been given to the Zambezi River later. WVF had to know which infrastructure developments are being taken into consideration and what impact do these have on the economic feasibility of the proposed Baboia dam project?
Provision of services	This will be assessed as part of the socio-economic impact assessment.	08-Oct-14	WASAZA	Alexandra Conroy		Sanitation in permanent villages and areas where in migration is experienced is of concern.
Resettlement	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework is proposed in terms of international good practice and in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. It is proposed that no person should be any worse off after a resettlement process and as a minimum should retain his/her standard of life and livelihood potential.	01-Oct-14	Acting Provincial Administrator	Ms N Dube		What will happen in the context that resettlement is required?
Resettlement	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework is proposed in terms of international good practice and in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. One of the requirements of these standards is that no person should be any worse off after a resettlement process and as a minimum should retain his/her standard of life and livelihood potential.	08-Oct-14	Councillor, Ward 4	Mr Jabulani Moyo		People are worried about the project. There is a fear associated with the loss of property. How will communities benefit? When will this project happen? Where will resettled people be moved to?
Resettlement	All compensation agreements will be drawn up and signed for by the affected households before resettlement is undertaken.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chibobe Ward		Issues like compensation need to be put in black and white.
Resettlement	Efforts to avoid any livelihoods being negatively impacted on by the project. The ESA will study what measures to prevent and reduce the likelihood of these occurring. These studies will be communicated to you once they have been completed.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chibobe Ward		We are going to have a lot because the dam will affect the livelihoods of the community. We are making sure some activities we depended upon a lot. There are those who work on tourism projects that will be affected by the dam. How are you going to compensate for the damage?
Resettlement	The dam will only be operational in ten years time, so resettlement is not immediate.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chibobe Ward		If a family loses farming land will the project assist in the clearing of virgin land?
Resettlement	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework is proposed in terms of international good practice and in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. One of the requirements of these standards is that no person should be any worse off after a resettlement process and as a minimum should retain his/her standard of life and livelihood potential.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chibobe Ward		What will happen in the case that the land to which you are being resettled is not fertile or productive than where it was before?
Resettlement	The Resettlement studies have just commenced and so no resettlement sites have been identified. The dam will only be operational in ten years time, so resettlement is not immediate.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chibobe Ward		Where is the project to resettle the affected?
Resettlement	The project sponsors are bound by the laws of Zimbabwe and Zambia which require compensation to be paid. It will be against the law for them not to provide compensation. In addition, international good practice standards need to be adopted as part of the Resettlement Action Plan.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chikankubh Ward		We are concerned that at the start like this you promise compensation but when the project comes no compensation will be given.
Resettlement	Compensation will be provided prior to relocation.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chikankubh Ward		At what point in the project does compensation come?
Resettlement	The project sponsors are bound by the laws of Zimbabwe and Zambia which require compensation to be paid. It will be against the law for them not to provide compensation. There is a grievance procedure to be followed in the event of this unlikely event happening. This will require all cases to be investigated by an appropriate grievance process and economic displacement.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chikankubh Ward		What will happen in the event that the project fails to compensate the affected people?
Resettlement	The project will rely on traditional authorities and government to help determine the location of the resettlement sites. To avoid separation of communities and disruption to support networks, it will be more beneficial to designate areas for resettlement. However, if a family feels strongly that they need to choose their own site in agreement with the land and traditional authorities, such a case will be considered during the resettlement negotiation process.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chikankubh Ward		If a person is not economically affected, will they be compensated?
Resettlement	The project will rely on traditional authorities and government to help determine the location of the resettlement sites. To avoid separation of communities and disruption to support networks, it will be more beneficial to designate areas for resettlement. However, if a family feels strongly that they need to choose their own site in agreement with the land and traditional authorities, such a case will be considered during the resettlement negotiation process.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Chikankubh Ward		On relocation are people allowed to choose where they want to be relocated to?
Resettlement	It is not the project intention to separate people from the land which care will be taken to ensure that this does not happen.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Jambazi Ward		Are people to be separated from the Chief in the event of relocation?
Resettlement	Compensation will be evaluated on the basis of an asset inventory which will need to be undertaken closer to the time of relocation.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Jambazi Ward		How is the compensation to be evaluated?
Resettlement	Compensation will be evaluated on the basis of an asset inventory which will need to be undertaken closer to the time of relocation.	08-Oct-14	N/A	Community member, Jambazi Ward		Why do you not ask us what we want as compensation for the land that is lost?

How is the compensation going to be effected?	Mr Moyo, Masaki's village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	The engineering studies will identify where project infrastructure will be located. This will determine who will be affected by resettlement and these people will be consulted with in the studies. The areas from which people will be moved from will be mapped in detail. Household and asset surveys will be undertaken with each affected household. As part of this, socioeconomic information will be collected on the household, including household population, assets, income, health status etc. This information will be used to calculate compensation payments and/or replacement asset requirements. Suitable land for communities to be resettled on will be identified in cooperation with the traditional authorities and the communities. People living in these areas already will also be consulted in this regard.	Resettlement
What criteria will be used to compensate those that are to be relocated?	Mr Mhwananzi, Kayakhe Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	International best practice / The IFC Performance Standards will be used to determine compensation that will be provided. Compensation will be provided in kind where possible and at least the replacement value of the assets. A minimum standard of life and livelihood potential. Asset surveys will be undertaken with all affected households to record all assets used and / or owned by affected households. Households will be compensated on the basis of this.	Resettlement
Is the level of compensation uniform to all people who will be relocated?	Mr Mhwananzi, Kayakhe Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	Compensation will be provided on a case by case basis in line with the IFC Performance Standards. Compensation for resettlement and compensation rates will be consistent for all households.	Resettlement
Can you clarify on compensation for schools if for example a school is being replaced by a new one possible for a college or a school with boarding facilities will be built in its place or upgrading an existing one.	Stuzo Nyathi, Breakfast	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	Social infrastructure if both through displacement, we need to ensure that the infrastructure needs to be replaced and households to this infrastructure needs to be a minimum remain as it currently is. This will be addressed in the resettlement studies.	Resettlement
Can the people choose a place where they want to be relocated to?	J Marunani, Village 55	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	The project will work with traditional authorities and government to help determine the location of the resettlement sites. To avoid separation of communities and disrupting to support networks, it will be more beneficial to designate all affected households to one group as they need to choose their own site in agreement with the land and traditional authorities, such a case will be considered at the time of relocation.	Resettlement
Is the resettlement going to be the same as the last tract one?	Marumane J, Village 55	N/A	07-Oct-14	Malesi Ward Meeting	The resettlement will be undertaken in line with the IFC Performance Standards.	Resettlement
Is land for resettlement available?	Dominic Ndazi, Mbiza Ward	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	Land requirements still need to be identified through the resettlement studies and then further discussions will be undertaken with the traditional authorities.	Resettlement
Is it not better to minimize compensation by avoiding such structures as Police Posts, DOF, Chief's Palace and so on. Will these be replaced?	Farai Shoko, Gondwa Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	Yes. The project will aim to avoid and, where avoidance is not possible, minimise any resettlement. Resettlement will be carried out in line with international best practice. Any structures such as Police Posts, DOF, Chief's Palace, schools, clinics, etc. will be replaced by similar or improved structures.	Resettlement
Where will we be resettled in the event that it will be required?	Sheila Mwebembe, Mbonga Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	The Resettlement studies have just commenced and so no resettlement sites have been identified yet. The dam will only be operational in ten years time, so resettlement is not immediate.	Resettlement
Can you explain to us the resettlement processes, as well as the compensation for losses that we incur if we are moved to a new place?	Godfrey Nyoni Lawrence Standa, and Zena Ngonzi, Village 4, 3 Mbiku Village	N/A	07-Oct-14	Mbizi Ward Meeting	The engineering studies will identify where project infrastructure will be located. This will determine who will be affected by resettlement and these people will be consulted with in greater detail. The areas from which people will be moved from will be mapped in detail. Household and asset surveys will be undertaken with each affected household. On the household, including household population, livelihoods, health status etc. This information will be used to calculate compensation payments and/or replacement asset requirements. Suitable land for communities to be resettled on will be identified in cooperation with the traditional authorities and affected households and people living in these areas already will also be consulted in this regard.	Resettlement
Which people will be affected in the wards and tell us exactly where we will go?	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	Engineering work is still on going so that we cannot at this stage identify the exact location of the project. Once confirmed, we will communicate with you. The resettlement studies have just commenced and so no resettlement sites have been identified yet. The dam will only be operational in ten years time, so resettlement is not immediate.	Resettlement
What form of compensation does an affected homestead get?	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	This will be determined through the resettlement studies and compensation will be provided in kind where possible and at least the replacement value of the assets. Opportunities for like for like asset replacement and negotiated compensation rates.	Resettlement
How will psychological compensation be calculated because the project is going to affect us in various ways and just the fact that we are moving from one place to the next.	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	The impact of resettlement on the affected households will also be considered and assessed during the resettlement studies. It is the intention of these studies to minimise negative impacts and will suggest measures for this.	Resettlement
What will happen to villagers staying next to access roads that will be upgraded?	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	Engineering studies are currently underway which will inform you about the impacts and the compensation that will be undertaken.	Resettlement
Can I choose where I can be relocated to?	Community member, Nemaahanga Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Nemaahanga Ward Meeting	The project will work with traditional authorities and government to help determine the location of the resettlement sites. To avoid separation of communities and disrupting to support networks, it will be more beneficial to designate all affected households to one group as they need to choose their own site in agreement with the land and traditional authorities, such a case will be considered at the time of relocation.	Resettlement

How will compensation be worked out on our lost biodiversity such as fish, wildlife, how are we to be compensated for the loss of these assets?	Derek Standa, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	As part of the resettlement study there will be a livelihood ecosystem services. Biodiversity impacts are currently also being investigated. The Bakaka Gorge does not support large numbers of fish, however the proposed reservoir is currently being stocked with fish. The Department of Fisheries for both Zimbabwe and Zambia will be responsible for management of that resource.	Resettlement
How is compensation to be calculated for immovable structures for cheap or expensive buildings?	Derek Standa, Makala Village	N/A	08-Oct-14	Sidinda Ward Meeting	This will be determined through the resettlement studies and will depend on the assets that each household currently has, opportunities for the like asset replacement and negotiated compensation rates.	Resettlement
What are the plans for the resettlement of affected communities? Will there be public disclosure of resettlement plans and available funds for this process?	Sean Edington and Sue Liel-Cock	Safari Par Excellence and International Rafting Federation	20/11/027 and 18th Nov 2014	email and written submission	There will be economic disclosure associated with the Resettlement Action Plan will be undertaken according to international good practice which will disclose compensation rates and budgets for any resettlement required.	Resettlement
Is it true that people will be resettled from the Bakaka area and settled along the railway line?	Ababwa Mulelabei	Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM) Forum	27-Oct-14	Cell phone message received	It has not yet been determined whether there is a need for resettlement. No engineering considerations have been given to the identification of a road safety.	Resettlement
Resettlement of people will result in changes in land use and land cover change studies?	Ababwa Mulelabei	Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM)	08-Oct-14	Luaka Open day	The resettlement studies will consider changes to land cover and land use in the area that is resettled as well as the potential for this in areas where people are resettled. It is not yet determined whether there is a need for the resettlement process, but further recommendations to address this issue will be mentioned and included in the Resettlement Action Plan.	Resettlement
Will people be displaced by the Bakaka Gorge Hydro Electric Scheme(HES)	Ababwa Mulelabei	Community Based Natural Resources Management (CBNRM)	08-Oct-14	Luaka Open day	People currently resettled as a result of displacement associated with access roads and permanent camps in both countries and economic displacement along the route of the power line. This can only be confirmed however when engineering decisions have been taken and the area has been ground-furrowed.	Resettlement
If we are resettled, will we be built houses before we are asked to move?	Belami Siantofola	Chibule village	13-Oct-14	Ngandi, Community Meeting	Houses will be built prior to you being moved.	Resettlement
If there is the need for resettlement, will people have to move by themselves or will the government help them?	Brighton Mulambo	Musokwawe village	11-Oct-14	Musokwawe community meeting	The Project will help people to move. Affected people will not be asked to move by themselves.	Resettlement
If we are relocated, will we move to places that have schools and clinics?	Charles Changa	Chibule village	13-Oct-14	Ngandi, Community Meeting	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework is proposed in terms of International good practice and in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. One of the requirements of these standards is that resettlement should be undertaken in a planned process and as a minimum should retain the standard of life and livelihood potential. Access to social infrastructure shall therefore as a minimum not change from the status quo.	Resettlement
What is causing the need for resettlement if it is not the dam?	Christopher Kaniki	ZESCO	08-Oct-14	Luaka authorities meeting	Economic and physical displacement may result from the ancillary infrastructure including roads, power lines and permanent camps.	Resettlement
The history of Kariba needs to be considered to avoid a repeat of the same impacts. These impacts have been felt severely on the Zambian side.	Christopher Kaniki	ZESCO	08-Oct-14	Luaka authorities meeting	ZKA and the two governments are aware of the history of Kariba and the impacts of the dam. The dam is much smaller than Kariba, nonetheless, the ESA will investigate resettlement as part of the project.	Resettlement
Is displacement required on both the Zambian and Zimbabwean sides of the dam?	Cooper Freeman	Private	08-Oct-14	Lilongwe Open day	There is no displacement currently anticipated as a result of displacement associated with access roads and permanent camps in both countries and economic displacement along the route of the power line. This can only be confirmed however when engineering decisions have been taken and the area has been ground-furrowed.	Resettlement
In the past, other villages have been resettled and the land they have been given for farming is not very good. People were also not given enough land for their livestock. We do not want this to happen to us.	Elena Likulela	Musokwawe village	11-Oct-14	Musokwawe community meeting	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework is proposed in terms of International good practice and in accordance with the IFC Performance Standards. One of the requirements of these standards is that resettlement should be undertaken in a planned process and as a minimum should retain the standard of life and livelihood potential. Land needs and the suitability of replacement land still requires consideration.	Resettlement
If we are resettled, will the land have the same access to water?	Elena Likulela	Headwoman	13-Oct-14	Ngandi, Community Meeting	Yes. One of the requirements of the IFC Standards is that no person should be any worse off after a resettlement process and as a minimum should retain the standard of life and livelihood potential. This means that the land will have the same (or improved) access to water.	Resettlement
If there is the need for resettlement, will the whole village be resettled or only parts of it?	George Ndambo	Sasoko village	11-Oct-14	Musokwawe community meeting	We are still unsure exactly who will need to be resettled. This will only become clear once engineering studies have been completed and the information becomes available. The Project wants to avoid separation of communities and disruption of social and support networks. This will therefore be considered in any resettlement studies.	Resettlement
If we are resettled, will we be moved onto the same lands of chief Mukanji?	Grace Simampopa	Ngandu village	13-Oct-14	Ngandi, Community Meeting	It is not the project intention to separate people from the lands which care will be taken to ensure that this does not happen.	Resettlement
What are the plans for the resettlement of the disclosure of compensation plans and available funds for this process?	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liel-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rafting Federation	08/9/14 18/11/14	Written submission	There will be economic displacement associated with the project and possibly physical displacement. A Resettlement Action Plan will be undertaken according to international good practice which will disclose compensation rates and budgets for any resettlement required.	Resettlement
Will the stakeholders have an input into the proposed compensation policy.	Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Liel-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rafting Federation	08/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	International practices for community relocation that are being used as a guide for the project. Compensation agreements will need to be signed by the affected households before resettlement and/or compensation rates paid.	Resettlement
Will government attend to all needs associated with compensation and resettlement? Will grazing lands be given to us if we lose them?	Ishmael Masunga	Samselenge village	11-Oct-14	Musokwawe community meeting	Yes. All losses will be compensated for or replaced.	Resettlement

Lawrence	13-Oct-14	Ngandu Community Meeting	Yes, all losses including and will be compensated and/or replaced in line with international best practice, i.e. IFC Performance Standards.	Resettlement
Lloyd Masamu	11-Oct-14	Musochware community meeting	Noted. However, the Project will try to avoid resettlement where possible. Project engineering is all underway and when the affected area is defined we will notify you thereof.	Resettlement
Mr Cooper Freeman	07-Oct-14	Email	A Resettlement Action Plan will be prepared to address and show that these details are adequately addressed.	Resettlement
Mr Cooper Freeman	07-Oct-14	Email	A Resettlement Action Plan will be undertaken which will show that these details are adequately addressed.	Resettlement
Mr. Koyson Mangola	10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	It is likely that people will have to be displaced as a result of the Project. However, for example for roads, engineering studies have been completed. ZRA will have a clearer idea of who will be affected by resettlement and will communicate further with the communities. Detailed asset registers will be compiled for all affected households, including business enterprises and communities in order to determine all the losses that will be experienced. The survey will account for land acquisition and loss of physical assets as well as loss of income.	Resettlement
Mushimbe Mutiya	08-Oct-14	Luaka authorities meeting	The alignment of the transmission lines is currently not fixed in the area. However, the affected households will be identified therefore not known who the affected households will be which is why the study has been kept at a desktop level.	Resettlement
Stephen Chitak	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	A Resettlement Action Plan and Resettlement Policy Framework will be compiled to address impacts associated with physical and economic displacement and ensure that this is undertaken in accordance with International Good Practices.	Resettlement
Victor (Nan Jiang)	30-Sep-14	Haare Open Day	Seasonal water level changes are being studied as a minimum water flow is essential for power generation. In addition, the project will be studying students, staff, and will need to be released downstream for river maintenance, also in times of drought.	Risk assessment
Jones Masonda Sue Leli-Cook	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The Project Engineers will produce a seismic report providing information on this.	Safety
Jones Masonda Sue Leli-Cook	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	All necessary safety measures will be put in place to protect the workers.	Safety of construction workers
Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook	08/10/2014	Written submission	Positive benefits associated with the proposed development in terms of community development, electricity provision, improvement of roads in the area, etc. will be considered as part of the social impact assessment.	Socio-economic studies
Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook	08-Oct-14	Luaka authorities meeting	This will be undertaken as part of the social impact assessment.	Resettlement
Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook	20/11/2014	email and written submission	A Grievance Handling Mechanism is being worked on and the document or its contents will be shared with relevant stakeholders. We will ensure that the work on the Resettlement Action Plan commences.	Stakeholder engagement
Sean Edington and Sue Leli-Cook	20/11/20214 and 18th Nov 2014	email and written submission	International best practices for voluntary relocation that are being followed by the project. Stakeholder input and input into decision-making around entitlements and compensation. Compensation agreements will need to be signed by the affected households before resettlement and/or compensation takes place.	Stakeholder engagement
Provincial Physical Planning Officer	01-Oct-14	Butawayo national and provincial authorities	We are making firm commitments about what the workers will be. This will be done at the Feedback Stage of the Project.	Stakeholder engagement
Mr Mudzidze	08-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	The ESA process involved engagement with local authorities. We have already held meetings with some of the authorities that will be impacted and further meetings are planned. We will ensure that the project is incorporated and form part of the local authorities development plans.	Stakeholder engagement
Ms Amath Chuma	03-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	During the ESA, the process ensures accountability and the opportunity to continually provide input and comment on deliverables. During the implementation of the project, ZRA will continue to engage with the communities through communication. A grievance mechanism will be put in place to provide stakeholders with the opportunity to raise concerns and issues and ensure that these are addressed.	Stakeholder engagement
Nephele Ntsheni	08-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	The stakeholder engagement process is the platform for that input. Once of the final deliverables will be an Environmental Impact Assessment Report. Stakeholders will be requested to be authorized. Stakeholders will be requested to review and comment on these commitments.	Stakeholder engagement
Acting Provincial Administrator Matebeleand North	01-Oct-14	Butawayo national and provincial authorities	A meeting is already scheduled for our date and time by consultants at the Lupane meeting and if this is not possible, during the Feedback Stage of the Project, a meeting with this Committee will be scheduled.	Stakeholder engagement

Why are you consulting with so many wards when it is mainly only Jambesi ward that will be affected?	N/A	Community member, Jambesi Ward	N/A	04-Oct-14	Jambesi Ward Meeting	Many wards will be affected by the proposed Project. Whilst it looks as though Jambesi may be affected by the transmission line, other wards are likely to be affected by the project. It is therefore important that we consult with a wide as group as possible.	Stakeholder engagement
The project should consult people before anything is done or any agreements are entered into.	N/A	Community member, Mashaba Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Mashaba Ward Meeting	Noted. This meeting is for the project to engage the communities and discuss their concerns. We will also come back to the community to discuss the project. Stakeholder engagement is a key part of the ESA process. In addition a comprehensive consultation process will be followed for the resettlement studies.	Stakeholder engagement
There is an element of lack of respect to the traditional leadership as they were not consulted before the project started for the Open Days in Vic Falls Livingstone and Lusaka are completely inadequate. This project is of international significance and impact and a minimum of three weeks notice should be given to allow as many stakeholders as possible to attend to meetings.	N/A	Community member, Mashaba Ward	N/A	08-Oct-14	Mashaba Ward Meeting	The project is being held in the district and an identification of key issues could only be done at local level and to ascertain how best to engage with communities. The Provincial authorities are relevant and are being consulted now.	Stakeholder engagement
Why is there consultation of district stakeholders without meeting Provincial stakeholders first?	PaddeZone African Paddling Association, International Rating Federation	Marie-Louise Kelselt	ZINWA	02-Oct-14	email	Open Days for Harare and Victoria Falls were advertised for in the Herald and the Chronicle. There are notices in the Herald and the Chronicle for the Provincial stakeholder engagement meetings. Tonga, Nambya and Nkabelo will be used in communications.	Stakeholder engagement
Was there adequate communication about this project? Communications between the project and stakeholders should consider various languages in use in the zone of influence				03-Oct-14	Hwange District Council Meeting	After registering as a stakeholder we will keep you informed throughout the ESA process of all documentation that is available for review and all meetings being held. The ERM information. The link is http://www.erm.com/botatohESESA	Stakeholder engagement
How do stakeholders continually engage with the process? Any website for information?				04-Oct-14	Victoria Falls Open Day	The Final location report was an internal ZISA document and not released to the public. To date stakeholders have received notification material in the form of letters and invitations and background information documents.	Stakeholder engagement
What information has been given to stakeholders to ensure they had access to the Final location Report?		Chanda Mwale	WWF	08-Oct-14	Lusaka Open day	These will then be considered further in detailed specialist studies.	Stakeholder engagement
How are comments being processed?		Chanda Mwale	WWF	08-Oct-14	Lusaka Open day	A common Scoping Report and Comments and Response Report will be produced for the stakeholder in Zambia or Zimbabwe will be made available to all.	Stakeholder engagement
Will the concerns raised in both Zambia and Zimbabwe be taken into account when we see concerns raised in other countries.		Christopher Kanki	ZESCO	08-Oct-14	Lusaka Open day meeting	The stakeholder database will be included in the Draft Scoping Report and comment on this is encouraged.	Stakeholder engagement
Could we have a look at the stakeholder list so that we can see if any important stakeholders have not been included?		Christopher Kanki	ZESCO	08-Oct-14	Lusaka Open day meeting	This will be accommodated in the future.	Stakeholder engagement
Three weeks notice of meetings is required.		Cooper Freeman	Private	08-Oct-14	Lusaka authorities meeting	To date this is the process that has been followed where the need for interpretation and translation has been indicated.	Stakeholder engagement
Translations and documents need to be used to disseminate information to the public.		Cooper Freeman	Private	08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open Day	Meetings with all the Chiefs in the district have been initiated and are on going.	Stakeholder engagement
WWF looks forward to further engagement and consultation from Kazem, Consultation and ERM, in particular those from those underpinning/ledged in the best future for the Bababa George.		Councillor Mwampole K. Brighton	Kazungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	Comment noted	Stakeholder engagement
Is the general public to be fully engaged in the decision making process and are there mechanisms in place to reach out to the public. We would like to see the project team committed to find the best future for the Bababa George.		Dr. Nyambe Nyambe	WWF	29-Oct-14	Written submission	A Grievance Handling Mechanism is being worked on and the document or its contents will be shared with relevant stakeholders. This will be put into effect before the work on the Resettlement Action Plan commences.	Stakeholder engagement
The consultation process to date has not, in our opinion, been adequate or fair. Stakeholders and communities are being consulted in a piecemeal fashion. We would therefore like to request a much longer consultative framework to ensure that all stakeholders have time to be informed and to participate in the decision making process. We would like a minimum of a 3 week notice period before any meetings regarding the social and environmental impact assessments. We would also appreciate the project team to be more transparent with the public. Today's world also needs to be considered and public consultation must include the use of international media as well as social media in order to be effective. We would like to see the project team to have a formal sit-down question and answer session with the Zambezi River Authority and all interested stakeholders, as we are of the opinion the open consultation process is not being followed. I would also like to request a request for a scoping meeting in Livingstone that includes a formal sit-down talk about the project followed by an open question and answer session. If this is not possible, I would like to request a second open meeting be scheduled in Livingstone.		Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Lull-Cook	Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation	06/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission	A three week notice period will be honoured for all future meetings. Documents and invites will be sent via email where we have these on record. An additional stakeholder meeting will be held in Livingstone in January 2015. This will be held in the presence of the relevant technical experts.	Stakeholder engagement
		Graham Nel / Tony King Sue Lull-Cook	Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation	06/10/14 18/11/14	Written submission		Stakeholder engagement
		Mr Cooper Freeman		07-Oct-14	Email	A further meeting in Livingstone is proposed with the presence of the project engineers.	Stakeholder engagement

What is the plan for solid waste management during the implementation of this project?	Gladson Mufeya	Kazungula District Council	06-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The effects in flow and water level conditions upstream of the Victoria Falls power station are likely to be minimal. Based on earlier hydrological flow studies of the ESIA. Based on earlier hydraulic studies it appears unlikely that these effects would be felt upstream of the Slant Falls area. However, the ESIA will also examine the impacts of any potential impacts so that the Victoria Falls power station are minimised through incorporation of appropriate mitigation measures in the EAP for the project.	Upstream river impacts
We would like to know what the anticipated water fluctuations are likely to be?			10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	Write management will be according to the requirements of the regulations in the two countries. The flow study will also examine the impacts of any fluctuations that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day.	Water levels
What is the anticipated impact on water quality and hence on aquatic species?			08-Oct-14	Livingstone Open day	The potential effects on water quality in the reservoir and downstream of the dam are being examined as part of both the limnological study and the environmental flow study.	Water quality
We would like assurance that the project's objectives properly describe the needs the project will address. We express concern that an SEIA is being undertaken for a structure that is not yet finalized as "scoping" is still being carried out. What are the potential socio-economic landscape?	Graham Nel / Tony Krog Sue Laik-Cock	Safari Par Excellence International Rating Federation	06/10/14 16/11/14	Written submission	The objectives of the project will be detailed in the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment. A chapter is being developed which will specifically address this. The key objectives of the project are to generate electricity for Zambia and Zimbabwe, reduce power outages and reduce reliance on coal fired power stations. If the project goes ahead, it will contribute significantly to the electricity supply and will serve to distribute power to rural areas in southern African countries.	Project motivation
Many projects have been implemented in Makuri Area but very few have been honoured by project proponents. What makes this project different?	Mr. Keyson Mwangi	Kazungula District Council	10-Oct-14	Kazungula District Meeting	ZRA wants to make sure it has a positive impact on the environment and the communities in the project area of influence. The ESIA will be key in this intention, helping to identify the potential benefits that may result from the Project and ensure that the project is designed to maximize these benefits such as benefits. ZRA will also develop a Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) programme for the project that will outline how a portion of the funds from the project will be used to support the socio-economic development of directly affected and neighbouring communities.	Community development
My concern is on the effects on the fishes and other wild animals that may be displaced. The whole project will affect tourism in Livingstone and Victoria Falls towns since the rising waters of the Victoria Falls will be reduced. How will the project impact on tourism?	Adson Shawa	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Written submission	Tourism impacts on Livingstone and Victoria Falls are being assessed as part of an economic impact assessment. The impact on biodiversity will be assessed as part of the biodiversity specialist assessment.	Impact on tourism
What does the project foresee on: 1. Settlement and other wild animals that may be displaced? 2. Socio-economic and biodiversity impacts? 3. Impact on the up and downstream environments? 4. Social heritage and biodiversity impacts? 5. Economic activities? 7. Climate change? 8. If mineral water is to be impounded don't you foresee the dam going, sandy dried and reduced losses?	Bernard Sinyangwe	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Written submission	These impacts are all being assessed as part of the ESIA and Resettlement Action Plan. Regarding the question about storage, whilst the reservoir volume will be relatively small, once filled and operational there should be no risk of outflows will balance inflows over the daily operational cycle. The operational scenarios under consideration will be presented in the final ESIA report.	Other
Is it not cheaper to expand Hwange Power Station?	Brent Williamson	Adventure Zone	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Sharing Meeting	Currently there is a mix of power generation options under consideration by the two Governments. With climate change risks, there is a need to consider and retain a mix of options. The Hwange Power Station is currently under expansion.	Project alternatives
Not sure that the transmission line has been explained thoroughly to the affected communities?	Spwwe Mapulwa	Hwange Rural District Council	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	Discussions have been held with communities potentially affected by the powerlines in Zimbabwe. This has taken place at a village level and as part of this consultation, the common concern under consideration has been presented.	Stakeholder engagement
Will the spillway releases impact on Kariba as well?	Spwwe Mapulwa	Hwange Rural District Council	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The spillway will release operational during large flood events. Given the planned run-of-river operation of the dam (with inflows balancing outflows on a daily cycle) these large flood hydrographs should therefore be relatively unmodified by the dam. The conditions at Kariba will be similar to those present.	Project details
Will there be access between the two countries as part of the development?	Spwwe Mapulwa	Hwange Rural District Council	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	Yes there will be a border crossing between the two countries.	Project details
Will the dam expand in the future?	Zimbabwe Power Company		22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	Expansions will not be possible in future as any expansions would impact on the Falls and the Victoria Falls Power Station.	Project description
Will there be provision in the project budget for the compensation of businesses associated with the dam? If not, how is the compensation expected as a result of the dam development?	Skinner Ndlovu	Wild Horizons	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The impact on tourism firstly needs to be understood through the economic study. Best practice guidelines advocate for the consideration of economic displacement. International good practices advocates for a minimum of "like for like" compensation with a preference for replacement assets where possible rather than cash compensation. The project footprint is being developed and the details of the Plan which will commence when the project footprint is better understood. Before compensation is negotiated, environmental authorisation, feasibility and financing needs will be considered.	Impact on tourism activities
How will compensation for the affected villages be calculated?	Martin Ndlovu	Hwange Rural District Council	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	This form is close to one of the sites where environmental flows were monitored. Decisions with regard to the operational regime will be taken into consideration during the ESIA process. The ESIA will also examine the impacts of any potential impacts so that the Victoria Falls power station are minimised through incorporation of appropriate mitigation measures in the EAP for the project.	Resettlement
I have a crocodile farm 40 km downstream of the Victoria Falls. How will the impact be on the river 40 km downstream?	Joshua N Magaba	Chezuya Crocodile Ranch	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	This form is close to one of the sites where environmental flows were monitored. Decisions with regard to the operational regime will be taken into consideration during the ESIA process. The ESIA will also examine the impacts of any potential impacts so that the Victoria Falls power station are minimised through incorporation of appropriate mitigation measures in the EAP for the project.	Downstream impacts

Reference needs to be made to Kariba and lessons learnt from that project. Mitigation must be implemented. Compensation is only a short term solution. A comprehensive impact assessment must be undertaken.	N Ndlovu	Victoria Falls Municipality	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The Resettlement Action Plan will be undertaken according to international good practice. Reflection will be given to the experience of Kariba. It is also important to note that the Resettlement Action Plan is a key component of the Environmental Impact Assessment process. It is also important to note that the Resettlement Action Plan is a key component of the Environmental Impact Assessment process. It is also important to note that the Resettlement Action Plan is a key component of the Environmental Impact Assessment process.	Resettlement
Will the project add value to the lives of children, students, business, tourism, social services, business and education?	Luvemore Ncube	Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	Development opportunities will be identified through the Resettlement Action Plan process. This will inform the proposed CSR initiatives.	Community development
Will this be a result of the dam impact on schools in the area? Will tourism result in changing structures?	Luvemore Ncube	Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The ESIA will address the avoidance of noise sensitive areas and noise sensitive areas. The impact on the management plan forming part of the ESIA will elaborate with regard to the mitigation of these impacts.	Noise impacts
The development of a national park around the dam development is a requirement of the legislation. Is there potential for this?	Edwin Makwe	National Parks	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	This is acknowledged as a requirement. Discussions are currently underway with the local authorities in this regard.	Other
Is there any hope for the future of the Taita Falcon?	Edwin Makwe	National Parks	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	As part of the baseline species study, which has been obtained from the Zimbabwe Falconers Club on the state of the Taita Falcon and Rock Pratincoles in the Baloke Gorge and how best to mitigate impacts. The impact on Taita Falcon is a key component of the Environmental Impact Assessment process. It is also important to note that the Resettlement Action Plan is a key component of the Environmental Impact Assessment process.	Biodiversity
What will the effect of water level fluctuations be on the environment?	Robin Brown	Lensaf	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The aforementioned environmental flow study will include a detailed assessment of the potential impacts of downstream habitat. The results will be presented in the final ESIA report.	Downstream water impacts
There will be a perceptible effect on the tourism market	Robin Brown	Lensaf	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	An economic study is being undertaken as part of the ESIA in order to consider the impact on the tourism industry on Vic Falls and Livingstone.	Impact on tourism activities
Reassurance of downstream impacts is required in the public domain.			22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The results of the ESIA will provide this information.	Downstream water impacts
Has a projection been done of long term climate change and the effects this may have in terms of dam capacity and feasibility?	Faith Chiramba	Meteorological Services Dept. Zimbabwe	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	There have been several recent studies on the potential impact of climate change on the Zambesi River basin. The results of these studies will be taken into consideration during the feasibility study including with respect to their potential impacts on power generation capacity at the dam.	Impact of climate change
What impact will the project have on the Hwange CC	Amnah Chuma	Hwange Colliery Company	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The assessment of downstream flow impacts from the reservoir will be undertaken. The study will include an adequate and thorough assessment of the potential impacts on existing water abstractions (including Hwange Colliery) that lie downstream of the dam site. The water losses associated with the dam will be relatively insignificant compared to flow in the river. The study will also consider the impact of the reservoir, and the most part flow conditions will be relatively unimpacted by the impoundment. A minimum environmental flow will be determined to ensure that downstream flow requirements are met at all times, including during initial reservoir filling or any potential hydro-peaking operation of the dam. Details of the environmental flow requirements will be presented in the final ESIA report.	Downstream water impacts
If the project is impacting on Rapid No.5 which is only 2.3 km from Vic Falls, how can there be a benefit to the area? There will not be an impact on Victoria Falls?			22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The reservoir inundation area has been determined based upon a recent and accurate LIDAR survey of the gorge. The 'backwater' effect on river levels upstream of the reservoir cannot be determined with the same degree of accuracy since it depends on precise flow conditions and river bed characteristics. However, the hydraulic calculations carried out in accordance with river levels measured recently at the Victoria Falls power station, such that there is a reasonably good indication that there should be no discernible impact on river levels upstream of the 3rd Gorge over the full range of flow conditions in the river, and that the effects will be relatively minor. The study will also identify and assess such identified potential impacts so that the Victoria Falls and power station are minimised in the final ESIA report of appropriate mitigation measures in the ESIA report.	Upstream river impacts
Once the dam is built it will be permanent and the damage will have been done. The canyon will be destroyed for future generations. Who is going to be benefiting from this project? South Africa?	Philiat Moyo	Shoswane & Hwange Rural District Council	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	The benefits from the project will accrue to Zambia and Zimbabwe, including the region.	Project motivation
People in the tourism industry need to be consulted with.	Philiat Moyo	Shoswane	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	An economic study is being undertaken as part of the ESIA in order to consider the impact on the tourism industry on Vic Falls and Livingstone.	Impact on tourism activities
Will there be security issues associated with easier access between the two countries?	Philiat Moyo	Shoswane	22nd Jan 2015	Victoria Falls Information Sharing Meeting	There will be police and immigration increased presence to enhance security.	Improved access

Will fishing and agricultural activities still be permitted in the Muzama/Sidirova area?	Yes, they will be permitted in this area.	Other
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Will the establishment of a national park around the dam area is likely to cause human wildlife conflict issues may escalate.	We do not expect any escalation of conflicts with wildlife as a result of the Baboia Reservoir. There may be an influx of people and increased encroachment of settlement and cultivation into areas occupied by wildlife leading to conflicts, but those are not as a result of the Baboia Reservoir.	Biodiversity
Zimbabweans and Zambians to carry out cultural rituals associated with the river. It is important that there is a sense of what these rituals are and where they take place.	These sites will be addressed through the social impact assessment, heritage study and resettlement action plan.	Cultural Heritage
If minimal water is impounded in the dam, during the dry season this will be rendered useless.	Whilst the reservoir volume will be relatively small, once filled and operational there should be no risk of drying out since the run-of-river design will mean that outflows tend over the daily operational cycle. The operational scenarios under consideration will be presented in the final ESIA report.	Feasibility of the dam
What could impact on the start date for the project?	The start of the project is dependent on environmental approval, feasibility and financing. The role of the ESIA is to provide the necessary information to enable the franchisers as to whether the project can proceed or not.	Project details
Has the option of run of river power generation without the development of a dam ever been considered?	Run of river power generation without a dam is a recent concept that still requires refinement. This has been tested with little success to date.	Project alternatives
The impacts of the impoundment will affect people's livelihoods. Information presented for the social data collected to date does not reflect the water picture on agriculture, fishing and tourism activities.	Primary data collected to date has focused on the communities residing in the footprint of the project infrastructure. A further understanding of the economic and social impacts on the communities in the area and V/c Falls communities will be developed through the economic study which will be commencing later.	Economic impacts
There is more pressure from Zimbabwe for this dam development due to their power shortages. There are also fewer suitable dam sites available. How do you think the power of ZESA to develop this dam reservoirs and then export power to Zimbabwe?	The Zimbabwe government is also looking at alternative sites for power generation. The focus of the project is to increase power generation capacity in both Zambia and Zimbabwe, reduce power outages and reduce reliance on coal fired power stations. If the project goes ahead, it will provide a significant boost to the economies of both countries, and also serve to distribute power to southern African countries. The demand for power in Zambia is expected to increase to meet the growing economy.	Project alternatives
What will be the impact of the project on Heritage Sites?	The ESIA studies will identify and assess any impacts on identified heritage sites and ZRA will work with national and local authorities to ensure that such sites are protected and managed in accordance with the principles of the International Finance Corporation.	Cultural Heritage
What will happen to people that will be displaced?	A Resettlement Action Plan is being developed in order to undertake and prepare in accordance with international standards. Requirements for disclosure and engagement have become more stringent over time and were not so enforced in 1998. This is a new study and input into decision making is required. The new study will be completed by the end of 1998 report can be accessed through the Ministries responsible for energy and environment from the two countries.	Resettlement
The Scoping studies undertaken in 1998 have not been reviewed by interested stakeholders. Who has access to these reports?	Requirements for disclosure and engagement have become more stringent over time and were not so enforced in 1998. This is a new study and input into decision making is required. The new study will be completed by the end of 1998 report can be accessed through the Ministries responsible for energy and environment from the two countries.	Other
No mitigation measures have been presented in this meeting.	The impact assessment is still to be undertaken as part of the ESIA. Mitigation measures will be proposed during the next phase of work.	EIA Process
Zambia has sufficient power supply? Should we be concerned about the power needs of Zimbabwe and South Africa? What is the motivation for this project? What is Zambia getting out of selling this heritage site?	Zambia's economy is growing and continues to grow. It is currently anticipated that in 2027 Zambia will not be able to meet its own power needs. There is a need to look at a mix of power generation options.	Project motivation
Could we get comment on the 1997 CAPCO assets?	The issues relating to CAPCO Assets are being dealt with by the Ministry of Finance and Ministers of Energy of the two countries.	EIA Process
There was a workshop on water flow issues with regard to the proposed BHEIS held in Cape Town, South Africa. Who attended the workshop? Can the findings be discussed? Can this information be used?	This was an internal water flow specialist workshop that was attended by 5-6 of ERM's specialists to aid in the assessment of impacts. The results of the workshop will be documented in the ESIA which will be released for public comment.	Project motivation
ZESCO is on record that there are sufficient sources of power supply in the Country without the dam project. Why is Zambia pushing the Baboia project.	ZESCO has the mandate to look after power provision in Zambia and has participated in the decision-making and implementation of all power projects in the country. It may be that ZESCO is currently reviewing the project as it is currently available figures indicate a deficit of 6000 MW by 2045.	EIA Process
The EIA Process has yet to provide answers to many of the issues and there are only two months remaining in the project schedule. By when could we expect answers?	Significant time has been spent collecting baseline data in order to complete the social impact assessment and assessment. Answers will be provided to the impact assessment and disclosed to the public by both the ZRA and the environmental regulators of the two countries.	EIA Process

There is no representative from the ZRA present. We would also like to ensure that key stakeholders are included in the EIA meetings as well.	Fred Sikazwe	Livingstone City Council	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The Project Manager (Eric E. Kasaro) from the ZRA was present at the information sharing meeting. All local authorities were consulted with by the ZRA prior to the meeting. The meeting was held in Livingstone and allowed the consultant to take lead as is required in terms of stakeholder consultations.	Other
There are many other communities impacted on by the dam. How can we ensure that the EIA process is focused on Livingstone and Victoria Falls.	Joseph Kechunzwe	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	There have been 11 community information sharing meetings held in Zambia and Zimbabwe during the project. At a meeting in Livingstone the EIA process was presented and stakeholder issues and concerns were gathered.	Stakeholder engagement
Zambia has 40% of the water in Africa. Another hydroelectric scheme could be developed elsewhere in Zambia.	Joseph Kechunzwe	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The Zambian Government is also looking at alternative sites in Zambia, like the Kafue Gorge Lower. Increased power generation is required to meet the growing economy.	Project alternatives
What will happen to people when they are resettled? Will they be taken even further away from amenities?	Joseph Kechunzwe	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	One of the requirements of the International best practice Performance Standards is that no person should be any worse off after a resettlement process and as a minimum they should be better off. This includes access to social amenities and this will be considered and detailed in the Resettlement Action Plan.	Resettlement
Hydropower is not the only option for energy. It could be a sacrifice for a world heritage site for this project?	Margaret Whitehead	WECSZ	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	A number of project alternatives have been investigated. This includes hydropower schemes in the Zambezi basin as a whole, and for power generation schemes, including thermal and solar power, within the SADC region as a whole. The assessment also includes the SADC Regional Energy Regional Convention and Transition Program Study for the entire SAPP region. In addition, for the Batoka HPP scheme specifically, alternative locations for the scheme have been investigated and a number of options for the dam have been investigated. As per alternative operating scenarios for the Batoka scheme itself (such as run-of-river/peaking), these are currently being investigated as part of the overall engineering capacity study.	Project alternatives
The coordinates have now been provided, but the District map is incorrect.	Margaret Whitehead	WECSZ	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	Information has been forwarded to the team by Ms Whitehead as information sourced from the internet was incorrect. The maps will be updated accordingly.	EIA Process
Jan concerned about climate change effects on the dam. How can we ensure that the EIA process is sufficient to guide the project and the impacts of climate change. The 740 m contour option would instil greater confidence that there would not be an impact on Victoria Falls.	Margaret Whitehead	WECSZ	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	There have been several recent studies on the potential impacts of climate change on the Zambezi River basin. The results of these studies will be taken into consideration during the feasibility study including with respect to their potential impacts on power generation capacity at the dam.	Impact of climate change
There were earth tremors when Kariba filled. This can also therefore be expected with Batoka.	Ruth Hanson	Livingstone Karungula Farmers Association	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The project engineers are considering the risk of seismic activity as part of their scope of work.	Seismic activity
Livingstone should benefit if this project goes ahead, by lower electricity tariffs or electrification.	Ruth Hanson	Livingstone Karungula Farmers Association	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	Livingstone will benefit through electrification. The electricity tariff will be regulated by the Energy Regulation Board country wide.	Community development
What will the impact of Kalambora barrage be? This will affect 100 km of the river.	Andrew Bolton	Safari Par Excellence	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	This project was previously under consideration, but it is now being re-evaluated due to several considerable challenges. The EIA will still review the information regarding the Barrage and assess any identified impacts in relation to the Batoka Project.	Other
There is also the Pandamanga River Scheme to consider. This is a Chinese initiative proposed at currently under construction.	Dave Gyles	Safari Trek	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The assessment will aim to identify and take account of existing and likely planned (or under construction) projects in the area, including the proposed Pandamanga Water Transfer Scheme (which includes the Chobe-Pandamanga irrigation project). The potential effects of the proposed dam project will be taken into account during the feasibility study with respect to enhancing power generation capacity at the dam.	Other
How is the population for the permanent camps derived if there are only 1500 employees?	Kenia Ngandu	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The population size has been derived by assuming that families will also live with the workforce. It should be noted that the population size for the permanent camps during the construction phase will be 1500 people. During the operational phase there will be 750 people with their families residing in the permanent camps.	Project details
There will definitely be rock falls with the filling of the dam. There is dam stability already every rainy season. What will the impact be on the slopes below our lodge?	Fann Fourie	Talati Faison Lodge	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The Project Engineers will produce a seismic report providing information on this.	Seismic activity
To what extent has the Heritage Department being engaged	Penrice Normoze	Livingstone Museum	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	The Heritage Commission has been invited to participate in all engagements to date. The Zambian fieldwork has not yet commenced, but the team is in the process of collecting information on the heritage sites identified through the Scoping Report and the Commission report will be made available in February 2015. The ESA Report should be available in the 2nd quarter of 2015.	Cultural heritage
When will the document and comments and response report be presented?	Kenia Ngandu	Environment Africa	23rd Jan 2015	Livingstone Information Sharing Meeting	A Mission statement has been included for comparisons to be undertaken for associated wildlife and plant species in collaboration with the relevant wildlife authorities as a result of the rising water levels as well as construction and other activities of the project.	Stakeholder engagement
During the impoundment there is a need to monitor and translocate affected species - animal and plant. eg. Endangered species such as the Talati Falcon. How can we ensure that there is a good level of engagement between stakeholders - government and private.	T.H Madini	Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority	7th Jan 2015	Written submission	The dam is being designed on the basis of a 'run-of-river' scheme, in that under normal operation there should be minimal impact on the flow regime in the river downstream to the dam. However, the potential for increased flows to occur and that may vary the outflows during certain periods of the day or at certain times of year.	Biodiversity
The river continuum and flow needs to be sustained to maintain ecological processes.	T.H Madini	Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority	7th Jan 2015	Written submission		Biodiversity

<p>The relocation of communities should promote the area, while mitigating the potential risk of human wildlife conflict. The impoundment will attract big game thus the settlement of communities into new game routes. It is also important to note the potential conflict between humans and crocodiles.</p>			<p>Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority</p>	<p>Written Submission 7th Jan 2015</p>	<p>Communities will only be resettled where their existence is threatened. Any resettlement of communities will be carried out through institutions of approved Resettlement Action Plans and in consultation with and approval from the relevant government departments. It is expected that the reservoir will attract large populations of big game as the A601 edge will not be accessible due to the steep side of the gorge and the ready access of water crocodiles is not expected due to the steep gorge sides not providing suitable nesting habitat, and therefore do not predict an increase in conflict with people. However, the impact and appropriate mitigation measures included in the project EMP</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>
<p>The potential risk of malaria due to the creation of an impoundment will need to be considered for displaced and settled communities.</p>	<p>T.H. Madini</p>	<p>Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority</p>	<p>Written Submission 7th Jan 2015</p>	<p>This will be considered as part of the health impact assessment for the ESA.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	
<p>The construction of the dam should have the potential to promote wildlife and ecotourism. Recreational or aesthetic value could support economic benefits for the communities.</p>	<p>T.H. Madini</p>	<p>Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority</p>	<p>Written Submission 7th Jan 2015</p>	<p>It is expected that the reservoir will attract large populations of big game as the A601 edge will not be accessible due to the steep side of the gorge and the ready access of water crocodiles is not expected due to the steep gorge sides not providing suitable nesting habitat, and therefore do not predict an increase in conflict with people. However, the impact and appropriate mitigation measures included in the project EMP</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	
<p>We propose active monitoring on environmental attributes so as to provide a case study to guide policy and decisions for future projects of a similar nature.</p>	<p>T.H. Madini</p>	<p>Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority</p>	<p>Written Submission 7th Jan 2015</p>	<p>The management plan produced by the ESA will certainly include future environmental monitoring activities.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	
<p>This dam is of international importance. It is not sufficient to advertise in local newspapers only. ERM has a responsibility to conduct a meaningful public participation process and this includes the need to conduct a public consultation to all potential BAPPs using all reasonable means.</p>	<p>T.H. Madini</p>	<p>Zimbabwe Parks and Wildlife Management Authority</p>	<p>Written Submission 7th Jan 2015</p>	<p>Local newspapers have been used for the notification of Zimbabwean stakeholders. All registered background information documents, directly Local networks such as Livingstone Weekly, Friends of Victoria Falls, the Hospitality Association of Zimbabwe and the Beihani Trust have been used for the notification of stakeholders. Further documentation such as the comments and response report, Scoping Report and ESA Report will be made available on ERM's website.</p>	<p>Biodiversity</p>	
<p>Has UNESCO been informed and, if so, what are their comments?</p>	<p>Mark-Louise Kelleit</p>	<p>The Livingstoneian</p>	<p>Written Submission 19th Dec 2014</p>	<p>UNESCO has been informed of the project, invited to attend engagements and we have followed up with them for comment. To date, no comment has been received.</p>	<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	
<p>Namiba has just started to extract water from the Zambezi River which is being sent to Ngoma to supply homes and farms – this is recent. The water is being pumped out, is about 1000m from the dam. The water is being pumped out to extract water from the Chinde (feeds into the Zambezi) for Pandamanga Farms and for water towards from Francophonie South Africa. Bobwawa is very dry and already Gabonone is supplied water from the Tut Block area. South Africa is also in need of clean water, so for them to be able to supply water to the dam is a surprise. Zimbabwe has plans to extract water from the Zambezi to take to Bulawayo which has a serious water shortage. The dams have not been providing as much water as it did. This extracted water, we are told, will be pumped to Gwaai where there will be a dam. It will then be pumped on to the dam. The dam will be pumped on to the dam based at Gwaai to irrigate farms.</p>	<p>Gill Staden</p>	<p>The Livingstoneian</p>	<p>Written Submission 23rd Jan 2015</p>	<p>The assessment will aim to identify and take account of agricultural or potable water supply abstractions in the Zambezi basin above Victoria Falls. Details of catchment abstractions taken into consideration (existing and potential future) will be provided in the ESA report.</p>	<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	
<p>It was pointed out that the water below a certain level in the dam will be 'dead' water, containing no nutrients. The dam will be deep and dark. It was pointed out that new species would take over and mentioned Kapenta. Kapenta were, of course, introduced into Lake Kariba from Lake Tanganyika. I was told by one of the geologists who worked on the feasibility study in 1991 that it would be a 'dead dam' and that very little could survive in the reservoir. I was told that the water in the reservoir is now has similar Zai snails. Their economy has died.</p>	<p>Gill Staden</p>	<p>The Livingstoneian</p>	<p>Written Submission 23rd Jan 2015</p>	<p>The impact of the dam and associated reservoir will be identified and assessed as part of the ESA studies. It is notable that Lake Kariba is one of the popular fishing areas on the Zambezi River showing that the wetlands arising from a dam can support a significant recreational and fishing activity. The positive impact on fisheries will be an aspect that the specialist ESA studies will assess and propose abatement measures by</p>	<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	
<p>What will happen to this township and all its infrastructure when the dam construction is over? Surely there should be a plan to see if for some people on the edge of a dam with no jobs or livelihoods – a recipe for rampant crime in Livingstone and our surroundings. I would suggest that the dam should be made into a township etc, maybe, a sports village.</p>	<p>Gill Staden</p>	<p>The Livingstoneian</p>	<p>Written Submission 23rd Jan 2015</p>	<p>As part of the ESA study, environmental, social and economic impacts will be identified and assessed. All potential impacts with a view to enhance positive impacts and minimise any negative impacts.</p>	<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>	

<p>We have seen the problems at Kariba. Someone has said that the dam should not be built, the calculations of cost have to include the decommissioning of the dam when the time comes. Is this true? And is anyone considering this?</p>	<p>Gill Spalden</p>	<p>The Livingstonian</p>	<p>23rd Jan 2015</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>The Baboka dam development is meant to be permanent. The costs to be considered and will be reflected in the ESIA. The studies are those associated with the maintenance of the facility.</p>	<p>Stakeholder engagement</p>
<p>What will the impact be to Lake Kariba in the short and long term due to the proposed Baboka Dam Project?</p>	<p>Tundak Kionga</p>	<p>Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock</p>	<p>16th Jan 2015</p>	<p>Written Submission</p>	<p>Given the relative storage volumes of the two reservoirs (approximately 185 km3 for Kariba, and <2 km3 for Baboka) and the proposal to operate Baboka as run-of-river, it is unlikely that the Baboka scheme would have any noticeable regulating effect on storage volumes/water levels in Lake Kariba and thus on water abstractions from the lake.</p>	<p>Downstream water impacts</p>
<p>What will the impact be on energy generation at Lake Kariba for both Zambia and Zimbabwe especially in the face of uprating both plants in Zambia and Zimbabwe assembly?</p>	<p>Tundak Kionga</p>	<p>Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock</p>	<p>16th Jan 2015</p>	<p>Written Submission</p>	<p>The Engineering Feasibility Studies with inform of this.</p>	<p>Project Motivation</p>
<p>What is the effect of seasonal water fluctuations along Lake Kariba on irrigation schemes managed by small scale farmer as a result of this project?</p>	<p>Tundak Kionga</p>	<p>Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock</p>	<p>16th Jan 2015</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>As part of the ESIA, other facilities for the dam, including Devils Gorge have been considered. As a result of these studies, Baboka Gorge is considered as the preferred site. This is largely due to the geology of the site being ideal for the dam, and the fact that the dam would be significantly narrower than the other sites, thus specifically reducing concrete volumes required, and also hence costs.</p>	<p>Project Alternatives</p>
<p>Does your remit include considering other possible sites for the dam? It seems to me that many of the objections to Baboka Gorge would fall away if the Devils Gorge, and the EIA should give the relative merits and benefits of different sites, so that if the development is rejected there is an alternative.</p>	<p>Magaret Whitehead</p>	<p>WEC&Z</p>	<p>6th Feb 2015</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Your comment has been noted.</p>	<p>Other</p>
<p>I would like to say thank you for bringing this development to our village.</p>	<p>Mr. Johane Peterson</p>	<p>Jibola village, Nemanhanga Ward</p>	<p>7th May 2015</p>	<p>Written Submission</p>	<p>An Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) is being undertaken for the project to identify and assess the likely impacts of the project and to identify measures that can be implemented to avoid / reduce any adverse impacts and enhance any positive effects. The ESIA is currently in the process of being reviewed by the Authority. The Authority is finalising its review of the Scoping and Comments and Response Report, which details all the comments received by stakeholders. This will be released to regulatory authorities once finalised. Baseline studies have been completed and the Project team is in the process of compiling an Impact Assessment Report. Feedback from stakeholders is being sought through public meetings once these have been confirmed. I will add you to the stakeholder database and send you an email once dates for the public meetings are confirmed. I have also attached a background information document which provides some further information.</p>	<p>Other</p>
<p>My son was drowned at Lower Mombasa in 2004. I am naturally interested in (and saddened by) changes in this area. Can you please let me know what is happening with your project at present - I would like to visit the rapids again before they are changed</p>	<p>Helen Cwe</p>	<p>Stewart Island, New Zealand.</p>	<p>6th Aug 2015</p>	<p>Written submission</p>	<p>Currently being undertaken for the Project to identify and assess the likely impacts of the project and to identify measures that can be implemented to avoid / reduce any adverse impacts and enhance any positive effects. The ESIA is currently in the process of being reviewed by the Authority. The Authority is finalising its review of the Scoping and Comments and Response Report, which details all the comments received by stakeholders. This will be released to regulatory authorities once finalised. Baseline studies have been completed and the Project team is in the process of compiling an Impact Assessment Report. Feedback from stakeholders is being sought through public meetings once these have been confirmed. I will add you to the stakeholder database and send you an email once dates for the public meetings are confirmed. I have also attached a background information document which provides some further information.</p>	<p>Other</p>
<p>I understand you did an EIA for Baboka Gorge Dam in Zimbabwe. How is the project going to mitigate against habitat changes and destruction for cliff dwellings and Lake Fozzies. Where can I get a full EIA for this project?</p>	<p>Innocent</p>	<p></p>	<p>3rd Sept</p>	<p>Written Submission</p>	<p>The ESIA is currently in the process of being reviewed by the Authority. The Authority is finalising its review of the Scoping and Comments and Response Report, which details all the comments received by stakeholders. This will be released to regulatory authorities once finalised. Baseline studies have been completed and the Project team is in the process of compiling an Impact Assessment Report. Feedback from stakeholders is being sought through public meetings once these have been confirmed. I will add you to the stakeholder database and send you an email once dates for the public meetings are confirmed. I have also attached a background information document which provides some further information.</p>	<p>Other</p>