

Appendix B4

Land Issues

UPDATE REPORT

NTANZI AND XULU DENIED ACCESS TO LAND TO INSTALL THE PIPE

Background: The issue of the 2 households who are refusing project access to install the pipe on the land which they say belongs to their forefathers is still a challenge.

As previously reported; these 2 pieces of land were visited on 19th May and subsequent meetings were held with these 2 families/owners respectively. Visiting on the day were Induna uXulu, PSC members, the CLO and the ISD. The agreement was not reached with the land owners. The community leaders have requested the project to divert the route to the initial proposed route which runs alongside the gravel road passing the old kwaMpungose traditional court. PTOs were obtained for this route during the feasibility study. It is the same route communicated at the iMbiza community meeting of 15 June 2022, at commencement of the feasibility study.

Meeting on 30 May: Another meeting was held on site on 30 May to try and find solution to this matter. This meeting was attended by the PSC members, Izinduna and Mr. Ndaba and Mr. Majola from KCDM; and ward Councilor Dlodla.

KCDM appealed to Induna uXulu and councilor Dlodla to both visit these families again and negotiate the issue of the land. Councilor Dlodla was not in favor of this suggestion, they did not visit these families to negotiate. Councilor Dlodla requested KCDM to investigate the possibility of using the alternative route. He stated that the 2 families in question are impossible to deal with, the negotiation will not be successful.

Meeting of 28 June: At the progress meeting of 28 June it was agreed that Mr. Mayeza of KCDM would escalate the matter to the DMM for intervention.

GCABA FAMILY DENIED LAND ACCESS

Gcaba Issue: Denied Access No. 1: Due to Mr. Gcaba denying access for the pipeline on the land he claims belongs to him/his family; Induna uSibisi confirmed that the pipe route can be diverted to run on the land that does not belong to the Gcaba family. This suggestion had to be confirmed by visiting to the area, viewing and pegging the area suggested by Induna.

A subsequent visit was done with the CLO, the Contractor and the RE where Induna pointed out the land which he says does not belong to the Gcaba family.

This weekend (of 6 August 2023) Induna Sibisi has reported that he has met with Mr. Gcaba and agreed that the pipe can be installed on the newly identified/pegged land/route since it does not belong to the Gcaba Family.

Induna will sign the letter of confirmation that the pipe can be routed on the newly pegged line since it belongs to the Inkosi / Traditional Authority land.