

# Super event ahead in Bay for road cyclists

**Dave Savides**

THE Richards Bay Cycle Challenge is set to hit the road on Sunday, 15 March.

Forming part of the KZN Cycling Schools Road Series and Waves Series, and offered free of charge courtesy of the Department of Sport, Arts and Recreation, the aim is to attract more cyclists to participate in competitive road events.

At the same time, it will help identify rising young talent and build community spirit.

The Rotary clubs of Richards Bay and Empangeni have been assisting the team from KZN Cycling with putting this event together.

This event will be run as a lap-based race, with riders competing within their respective age group categories over a chosen distance of 26km, 39km, 52km or 78km.

The route loop will include Essenwood, Enkeldoringdraai, Haakdoringrug, Mkhulu, Via Richardia and Olienhoutkoppie streets.

Cyclists must register at <https://hillsandwaves.co.za/richards-bay-entry-form/> by Thursday, 12 March – no entries will be processed on the day.

The ride starts and finishes at Richards Bay High School, and the top 25 young riders in the U13 (26km), U15 (39km), U19 and Open (52km) categories qualify for the KZN Cycling Schools Road Series Final that takes place at this year's aQuellé Tour Durban on 19 April.

For non-registered riders, the link for a day licence is: [www.cyclingsa-events.co.za](http://www.cyclingsa-events.co.za)

While the event is free of charge, cyclists may wish to make a R50 donation toward admin and other fees.

For more information, contact [socials@kzncycling.co.za](mailto:socials@kzncycling.co.za)



Expect a big turnout at the Richards Bay Cycle Challenge, if past events are anything to go by

## NOTICE OF APPLICATION

FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION, MAINTNENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER USE LICENSE FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE IMPALA ZIRCON TEMPORARY BY-PASS 132KV LINE WITH ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AND THE MAINTENANCE OF THE EXISTING IMPALA ZIRCON 132KV MAIN LINE WITHIN THE UMHATHUZE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE

### ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION (EA) AND ADOPTION OF MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN

In terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended) promulgated under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) (Act No. 107 of 1998), a Basic Assessment Process and the Maintenance Management Plan will be followed to apply for an Environmental Authorisation (EA) and the Adoption of the Maintenance Management Plan (MMP), respectively. The applications will be submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) for the proposed construction of the Impala Zircon temporary By-Pass 132kV line with associated infrastructure and the maintenance of the existing Impala Zircon 132kV main line within the Umhlatuze Local Municipality in KwaZulu-Natal Province.

### WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION (WULA)

Furthermore, a Water Use License Application process for the said proposed development is also underway in terms of the Water Use License Application and Appeals Regulations, 2017 (amended) promulgated under the National Water Act, 1998 (NWA), (Act No. 36 of 1998) and will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) as the competent authority.

The proposed development triggers the following activities in terms of EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and Section 21 of the National Water Act, 1998:

EA, MMP and WULA	QR CODE
<b>Government Notice No. 327 of 2017 (as amended)</b> Listing Notice 1: Activity 19	
<b>Government Notice No. 324 of 2017 (as amended)</b> Listing Notice 3: Activity 12 & Activity 14	
<b>National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998)</b> Section 21 (c) & (i)	

### PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (the applicant) proposes the maintenance and refurbishment of the existing Impala Zircon 132kV line which provides electricity to approximately 6062 customers, however, due to its proximity to the North coast of KwaZulu-Natal, this line is experiencing severe corrosion and deterioration. Therefore, part of the proposal entails the **construction of a temporary 6.01 km 132kV bypass line** that would be operational for a period of 3 years to allow for the refurbishment and maintenance of the main line to be completed. In addition, the temporary bypass line will run parallel to the existing main line, approximately 15m apart from each other and across the uMhlatuze River. The proposed temporary and existing main line routes can be accessed along N2 and R34 road. The coordinates to the site are:

PROJECT SCOPE	CO-ORDINATES
<b>Temporary line</b>	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°49'10.68" S 31°57'08.14" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°47'49.89" S 31°55'59.54" E; <b>End point:</b> 28°46'22.34" S 31°56'27.22" E
<b>Main line</b>	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°50'41.25" S 31°55'48.60" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°48'13.80" S 31°56'20.81" E; <b>End point:</b> 28°46'05.25" S 31°56'43.18" E

### INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE

This notification is hereby given to all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in terms of Section 41(1)(a) of the National Water Act, 1998, and Regulation 41(2)(c) of the EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended), to register as an Interested and/or Affected Party (I&AP). To obtain additional information regarding the proposed project, please contact **Selahle Consultancy and Projects (Pty) Ltd** on or before **Tuesday, 7 April 2026** by submitting your name, contact details and the interest which you have in the application in the details below:

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 For more information about the project, scan the QR code above



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## ISAZISO SESICelo

NGESICelo SOKUGUNYAZWA KWEZEMVELO, UHLELO LOKUPHATHWA NOKUNAKEKELWA (MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN), KANYE NELAYISENSE YOKUSETSHENZISWA KWAMANZI MAYELANA NOKUHLONGOZWAYO KOKWAKHIWA KOMUGQA KAGESI WESIKHASHANA WE-IMPALA ZIRCON TEMPORARY BY-PASS 132KV KANYE NENGQALASIZINDA EHLANGENE NAYO, KANYE NOKUNAKEKELWA KOMUGQA OMKHULU OKHONA WE-IMPALA ZIRCON 132KV UMASIPALA WASEMHATHUZE ESIFUNDAZWENI SAKWAZULU-NATAL

### UKUGUNYAZWA KWEZEMVELO (EA) KANYE NOKWAMUKELWA KOHLELO LOKUPHATHWA NOKUNAKEKELWA (MAINTENANCE MANAGEMENT PLAN)

NgokweMithethonqubo Yokuhlola Komthelela Wezemvelo (i-EIA), ka-2014 (njengoba ichtshiyelwe) eyamenezelwa ngaphansi koMthetho Kazwelonke Wokuphatha Kwemvelo, ka-1998 (i-NEMA) (uMthetho No. 107 ka-1998), kuzolandelwa Inqubo Yokuhlola Eyisisekelo kanye noHlelo Lokuphatha Kokunakekelwa ukuze kufakwe isicelo Semvume Yezemvelo (i-EA) kanye Nokwamukelwa Kohlelo Lokuphatha Kokunakekelwa (i-MMP), ngokulandelana. Izicelo zizothunyelwa kuMnyango Wezamahlathi, Ezokudoba Nezemvelo (i-DFFE) zokwakiwa okuhlongozwayo komugqa wesikhashana we-Impala Zircon 132kV onengqalasisizinda ehlobene nawo kanye nokugcinwa komugqa omkhulu we-Impala Zircon 132kV ngaphakathi koMasipala Wendawo waseMhlatuze esifundazweni saKwaZulu-Natali.

### ISICelo SELAYISENSI YOKUSEBENZISA AMANZI (I-WULA)

Ngaphezu kwalokho, inqubo yesicelo selayisensi yokusetshenziswa kwamanzi yalolu hlelo oluhlongozwayo iyaqhubeka ngokwemigomo yesicelo selayisensi yokusetshenziswa kwamanzi kanye nemithetho yokudlulisa amacala, ka-2017 (eshintshiwe) eyamenezelwa ngaphansi koMthetho Kazwelonke Wamanzi, ka-1998 (i-NWA), (uMthetho No. 36 ka-1998) futhi izothunyelwa kuMnyango Wamanzi Nokuhlazeka (i-DWS) njengegunya elifanele.

Ukuthuthukiswa okuhlongozwayo kuqalisa imisebenzi elandelayo ngokwemigomo yemithetho ye-EIA, ka-2014 (njengoba ichtshiyelwe) kanye nesigaba 21 soMthetho Kazwelonke Wamanzi, ka-1998:

EA, MMP and WULA	QR-CODE
<b>Isaziso Sikahulumeni No. 327 sika-2017 (njengoba sishintshiwe)</b> <b>Isaziso Sohlu 1: Umsebenzi 19</b>	
<b>Isaziso Sikahulumeni No. 324 sika-2017 (njengoba sichitshiyelwe)</b> <b>Isaziso Sohlu 3: Umsebenzi 12 kanye Nomsebenzi 14</b>	
<b>UMthetho Kazwelonke Wamanzi (Umthetho No. 36 ka-1998)</b> <b>Isigaba 21 (c) kanye (i)</b>	

### INCAZelo YEPHROJEKTHI

I-Eskom Holdings SOC Limited (umfakisicelo) iphakamisa ukulungiswa nokuvuselelwa komugqa okhona we-Impala Zircon 132kV ohlinzeka ngogesi kumakhasimende angaba ngu-6062, nokho, ngenxa yokuthi useduze nogu olusenyakatho yeKwazulu-Natal, lo mzila ubhekene nokugqwala okukhulu kanye nokuwohlaka. Ngakho-ke, ingxenywe yesiphakamiso ihilela ukwakiwa komugqa wesikhashana we-6.01 km we-132kV ozosebenza isikhathi seminyaka emi-3 ukuze kuqedwe ukulungiswa nokugcinwa komugqa oyinhloko. Ngaphezu kwalokho, umugqa wesikhashana we-bypass uzohamba ngokuhambisana nomugqa oyinhloko okhona, cishe amamitha ayi-15 ukusuka komunye nomunye futhi ngaphesheya koMfula uMhlatuze. Imizila yesikhashana neyemikhulu ephakanyisiwe ingafinyelelwa eceleni komgwaqo i-N2 kanye no-R34. Izixhumanisi eziya endaweni yilezi:

UBUBANZI/UBUKHULU BEPHROJEKTHI	CO-ORDINATES
<b>Umugqa wesikhashana</b>	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°49'10.68" S 31°57'08.14" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°47'49.89" S 31°55'59.54" E; <b>End Point:</b> 28°46'22.34" S 31°56'27.22" E
<b>Umugqa oyinhloko</b>	<b>Start Point:</b> 28°50'41.25" S 31°55'48.60" E; <b>Middle Point:</b> 28°48'13.80" S 31°56'20.81" E; <b>End Point:</b> 28°46'05.25" S 31°56'43.18" E

### ISIMEMO SOKUBAMBA IQHAZA

Lesi saziso sinikezwa bonke abantu abanentshisekelo nabathintekayo (ama-I&AP) ngokweSigaba 41(1)(a) soMthetho Kazwelonke Wamanzi, 1998, kanye noMthethonqubo 41(2)(c) weMithethonqubo ye-EIA, 2014 (njengoba uchitshiyelwe). ukuze babhalise njengeqembu elinentshisekelo kanye/noma elithintekayo (ama-I&AP). Ukuze uthole ulwazi olwengeziwe mayelana nephrojekthi ehlongozwayo, sicela uxhumane ne-Selahle Consultancy and Projects (Pty) Ltd ngaphambi noma ngoLwesibili, mhla ziyi-7 kuMbaso 2026 ngokuthumela igama lakho, imininigwane yokuxhumana kanye nentshisekelo onayo kulesi sicelo eminingwaneni engezansi:

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