

CURRICULUM VITAE

David Blair

Present Appointment	Divisional Director: Environmental Division
Nationality	South African
Education	Rhodes University
Professional Qualifications	BSc Zoology and Entomology BSc (Hons) Zoology Environmental Auditing –Short course.
Professional Registrations	Member of IAIAAsa Certified by EAPSA as an Environmental Assessment Practitioner Member of the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professionals (Reg.No. 400222/06 - 5/9/2006) Pr.Sci.Nat (Ecological and Environmental Science)
Field of Specialisation	Strategic Environmental Assessment, Ecotourism Planning, Impact Assessment, Auditing
Languages	English

Synopsis

David is based in the Johannesburg office in the capacity as Divisional Director of the Environmental Division. He is accredited with EAPSA and with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions.

David has extensive experience in a variety of environmental projects. He has been involved in Strategic Environmental Assessments, due diligence surveys, Environmental Impact Assessments, Environmental Management Plans, Environmental Management Systems, Environmental Auditing and Eco-tourism Planning and Environmental Management Planning, as well as ISO 14000.

These skills have been applied in a variety of projects including game lodges, game reserves, housing, hotels, roads, abattoirs, communications masts, ports, filling stations, heavy industry.

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Professional History

Aug 2004 to date	SiVEST Environmental Division : Divisional Director
Aug 2000 to Aug 2004	SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd – Environment and Planning Division Senior Environmental Planner
1998 – July 2000	Environmental Design Partnership Environmental Planner and Head of Environmental Planning Unit
1996 – 1998	Lodge Manager and Ranger Shamwari Game Reserve, Eastern Cape

**ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS, ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT PLANS, ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITING, STRATEGIC
ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS, ENVIRONMENTAL
MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS etc**

Linear Infrastructure:

- EIA and EMP for 5x 440kV Transmission Lines between Thyspunt (proposed nuclear power station site) and several substations in the Port Elizabeth area – Eskom
- Environmental Impact Assessment for turn in lines and substation upgrading for Malelane substation - Eskom
- EIA and EMP for the proposed 750km multi petroleum products pipeline from Durban to Gauteng/Mpumalanga – Petronet
- EIA for the Widening of Kudumatse Drive in Gaborone – Botswana Government.
- Detailed EIA and EMP for Mongu-Kalabo road in Western Province of Zambia.

Also see Transmission Line projects under “tourism”.

Mining:

- EMP for copper and cobalt mine in DRC – Glencore

Airports:

- Environmental management plan (operational management plan) for the commercialization of Skukuza airport – Kruger National Park
- Liaison with numerous airfields and authorities in terms of environmental authorizations for renewing of Civil Aviation Authority Licenses – Federal Air.

Industrial:

- Basic Assessments for two starch plants for African Products/Tonga Starch
- EIA and EMP for Ferrowgrow Fertiliser Factory, Botswana. Process Projects/Botswana Development Corporation
- Detailed EIA and EMP for Sasol Oxidising Agent, Propylene Oxide and Propylene Glycol Ethers Plants – Sasol Solvents –Sasolburg
- Environmental guidelines for Woolworths meat processing plant – Bailey Inc.
- EIA and EMP for Ostrich Abattoir – North of Gaborone – Botswana Development Corporation
- Numerous EIA's and EMP's for Sasol Filling Stations.
- Due Diligence Survey - Caterpillar Assembly Plant (Boksburg) - Caterpillar

Residential:

- Scoping Report, EMP for Krugersdorp Residential Development – Suikerbos Valley Investments

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- Scoping Report and EMP for Residential Development in Kyalami -
- EIA for Residential Development Outside Gaborone – Wharic Construction
- EIA for the Development of a Casino and Hotel in Port Elizabeth Beachfront – Tsogo Sun
- EIA and EMP, and environmental auditing for Maputo Holiday Inn (Southern Sun Hotels), Mozambique
- Scoping Reports for Mmabatho and Camden Military Bases for proposed joint military and non-military use – Department of Public Works
- EIA for Location of Border Post and Entrance Gate for Kgalagadi Transfrontier Park between South Africa and Botswana – Peace Parks Foundation
- EIA and EMP for Philani Casino in East London – Thebe Properties, Gomo Leisure Resorts
- EMP, auditing, for Tsogo Sun, Emonti Casino, East London – Tsogo Sun.

Commercial:

- Development of an Ecolink and an EMP for Phase 2 of Montecasino
- EMS for Monte Casino Precinct – Tsogo Sun
- Preliminary EMS - Southern Sun Hotels
- Preliminary EMS for the Carlton Centre - Propnet
- EMP and Environmental Auditing for Vaal Mall. Red Tape Investments.
- EMP and auditing for Upgrading of Randburg Waterfront.
- EIA and EMP for Fairgrounds Office Park Development in Gaborone – Fairgrounds Development Co.
- Scoping Report and EMP for Umlazi Mega City Development, Durban – Mark II Projects.
- EIA for Longlands Farm Rural Development, Stellenbosch.
- EIA and EMP for Kensington Golf Course Development, Johannesburg

Tourism:

- Strategic Environmental Assessment for the 250 000ha Marula Region of the Kruger National Park – South African National Parks
- Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Greater Clarens Area
- Strategic Environmental Assessment for the Marula Region of the Kruger National Park
- Tourism Impact Assessment for Steelpoort Pump Storage Scheme. Eskom.
- Strategic Tourism Assessment as part of the SEA for the Kwadukuza Municipality
- Battlefields Development Plan – Amajuba Municipality
- Tourism Impact Assessment for Mercury – Garona Transmission Line. Eskom.
- Tourism Impact Assessment for Matimba B Powerstation. Eskom.
- EMP for operation of Letamo Estate.
- EMP and auditing for “White’s Avoca Lodge” Timbavati Private Game Reserve.
- Environmental Auditing for Marataba Lodge, Marakele Game Reserve.
- Exemption Application and EMP for Forum Homini Lodge – Cradle of Humankind – Activate Architects/Definite Properties
- EIA and EMP for Ngala Camps – Timbavati Game Reserve – CC Africa
- Scoping Report, EMP and Rehabilitation Plan – Zuka Lodge – Zuka Game Reserve – Conservation Corporation Africa

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- Exemption Application and EMP, and auditing for Exeter Game Lodges new camps and upgrading – Exeter Game Lodges, Sabie Sands Game Reserve
 - EIA for Tsogo Sun Hotel and Casino Development in Pietersburg – Tsogo Sun.
 - EIA and EMP for Klerksdorp Casino, Klerksdorp – Tusk Resorts.
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment for Kgale Valley south of Gaborone – Wharic Construction.
 - Exemption Application, EMP, for Nedbank Mountain Bike Trail – Cradle of Humankind – Cult Cycling.
 - Light Impact Assessment/Visual Impact Assessment – Nkomasi Wilderness.
 - Environmental Audit and EMP for illegal tourism development at Mtunzini – uThungulu Municipality.
 - Exemption Application and EMP for Elephant Lodge, Klaserie Private Nature Reserve.
 - Scoping Report for Makumu Lodge, Klaserie Private Nature Reserve.
 - EIA, EMP and auditing for upgrading of Exeter Game Lodges – Exeter Game Lodge, Sabie Sands.
 - Environmental Assessment & Rehabilitation Plan for Shangri-la Ecotourism Development. – Shangri-la Lodge
 - Strategic Environmental Impact Assessment for the proposed Etunzi Nature Reserve and related ecotourism development. - Uthungulu District Municipality
 - Strategic Environmental Assessment of Klaserie Private Nature Reserve.
 - Specialist input (tourism) on the West Rand State of the Environment Report – West Rand District Municipality.
 - Northern Cape Tourism Development Strategy – Spatial and environmental input – Northern Cape Tourism.
 - Tourism Development Strategy for the West Rand District Municipality - spatial and environmental planning aspects to this study.
 - Tourism Concept Development Plan for Shashe-Limpopo Transfrontier Park/Mapungubwe – DBSA, DEAT
 - Scoping Report for Health Hydro in the Natal Midlands – Private Client.
 - Brand and Concept Design for Mapungubwe Tri-Frontier Park. Limpopo Investment Initiative.
 - Prefeasibility and Development Concept For A 16 000ha Farm Near Pilgrim's Rest.
 - Preparation of Expression of Interest for the development of ecotourism lodge sites in the Greater St Lucia Wetland Park.
 - EIA for Development of Ecotourism Amenities at Bokaa Dam, near Gaborone

Policy:

- Review of EIA's and EMP's for DEAT in terms of the Environment Conservation Act
- Gauteng IDP Environmental Toolkit – National Dept of Environmental Affairs & Tourism, Gauteng Dept of, Agriculture, Conservation and Environment
- State of the Environment Report (SoER) for City of Johannesburg – 2008
- Biodiversity Assessment for City of Johannesburg

Peer Review:

- Peer Review of Eskom Steelpoort Pumped Storage Scheme EIA

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and EMP

Other:

- His duties as member of the Kruger Centenary Advisory Committee included meetings with members of the committee, including members of the National Parks Board, for the planning of the centenary celebrations in 1999.
- Exemption Application, EMP, Environmental Committee Chairing, and specialist study coordination and interpretation for Phase 2 Monte Casino – Tsogo Sun.
- Preparation of Initial Environmental Management System for Southern Sun Hotels and Inns.

DUE DILIGENCE SURVEYS**ADDITIONAL PROJECTS**

- **Scottish Trade International:**
Responsible for research in building up a database of interested parties through meetings and telephonic conversation, research with key players in the environmental field in S.A..
- Project leader and coordinator for development of a brand, logo and website for the Mapungubwe TriFrontier Park (www.trifrontierpark.com) for Trade and Investment Limpopo.