

**Aspect rating for Impacts:**

Please see the below tables that describe the methodology used for assessing the duration, extent, severity and potential for impact on irreplaceable resources.

Duration	1	Temporary	The duration of the activity associated with the impact will last 0-24 months
	2	Short term	The duration of the activity associated with the impact will last 1-3 years
	3	Medium term	The duration of the activity associated with the impact will last 3-5 years
	4	Long term	The duration of the activity associated with the impact will last more than 5 years

Extent	1	Footprint	The impact only affects the area in which the proposed activity will occur (e.g. construction)
	2	Site	The impact will affect only the site area
	3	Local	The impact affects the development area and adjacent properties (e.g. construction vehicles)
	4	Regional	The effect of the impact extends beyond municipal boundaries (e.g. Spillages, contamination)
	5	National	The effect of the impact extends beyond more than 2 regional/ provincial boundaries
	6	International	The effect of the impact extends beyond country borders (e.g. Globally)

Severity	1	low	Impact affecting the environment in such a way that natural, cultural and social functions and processes are minimally affected.
	2	moderate	Impacts affected environment is altered but natural, cultural and social functions and processes continue albeit in a modified way, but sensitive or vulnerable systems or communities are negatively affected.
	3	high	Where natural, cultural or social functions and processes are altered to the extent that the natural process will temporarily or permanently cease; and valued, important, sensitive or vulnerable systems or communities are substantially affected.

Potential for impact on irreplaceable resources	No	No irreplaceable resources will be impacted. (eg: Vegetation regrows)
	Yes	Irreplaceable resources will be impacted. (eg: Soils, Water resources)