## **Basic Assessment**

## **Public Participation**

The NEMA EIA Regulations prescribe the legally required procedures in detail.

Chapter 6 of NEMA prescribes the Public Participation requirements.

Flow diagramme EIA Regulation - Sections 21 to 25 **PUBLIC EAP** DEA Notification of Basic **Authorities** Acknowledge Assessment (BA) receipt meetings Notice boards Process to Authority within 14 days Newspaper adverts Conduct PPP 30 day Notify stakeholders comment period Distribute Background Information Document (BID) Prepare Draft BA Report (BAR) (Includes draft Environmental Management Plan (EMP)) Solicit public 40 day Reply in 14 days: comments Comment Acknowledge on Draft BAR period on Draft receipt Reject Submit application application and **Final BAR** to Authority Decide within 30 days: Accept BAR Refer for reviews Request amendments Reject BAR Advise IAPs Grant or refuse of authorisation **Environmental Environmental** within 60 days **Authorisation Authorisation** of acceptance

The EAP conducting the Basic Assessment process must complete the following:

- Display site notices at the proposed development site
- 2 Giving written notice to:
  - The land owner and owners or occupiers of land adjacent to the site
  - The municipal councillor of the ward the site is located in and any organisation of ratepayers that represent the community in the area
  - The municipality that has jurisdiction in the area
  - Any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of the activity
  - Any other party as required by the competent authority.
- 3 Placing advertisements in one local newspapers and one provincial newspaper

All I&APs will be given the opportunity to review and comment on draft and final reports including specialist reports and EMP.

## EMP

The NEMA EIA Regulations 33 requires an Environmental Management Programme to detail information on any proposed management or mitigation measures that will be taken to address the environmental impacts.

