# Sibanye Stillwater

#### **JUNE 2025**

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## MARIKANA TAILINGS STORAGE FACILITY (TSF)

### **DETAILS OF TAILINGS STORAGE FACILITY**

Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) Name	Marikana
Operation	Kroondal - K2 Concentrator
Operational Status	Active
Operating Segment	RSA - PGM
Location	Approximately 15 km outside the town of Rustenburg in the North-West Province - please refer to Figure 1
Latitude, Longitude (decimals)	-25.732519, 27.40939
Ore Source	Underground
Type of Storage Facility	Impoundment (upstream development)
Deposition Methodology	Spigot
Year of Commissioning	2002
Consequence Classification (GISTM, 2020)	Very High
Operating Contractor	EnviroServ Waste Management (Pty) Ltd
Engineer of Record (EoR)	Knight Piesold (Pty) Ltd (KP)
Current Maximum Height (m)	30
Final Maximum Height (m)	45
Maximum Storage Capacity (tons/month)	200 000
Total Volume Already Deposited (Mm <sup>3</sup> )	12,8
Life of TSF (year)	2037 @1,6m/yr





#### TECHNICAL ASPECTS:

Design Criteria

Stability Assessment and Mitigation Measures GISTM and best practice guidelines including Australian National Committee on Large Dams (ANCOLD) (Guidelines on Tailings Dams, July 2019). Site specific design criteria were specified by the EoR. Details are included in the Design Basis Report (DBR).

A detailed stability assessment, incorporating piezocone probing and laboratory test work, was conducted in December 2023 and subsequently updated in October 2024 (KP reference: SAND301-00851/21 Rev 0, 24 March 2025)

The assessment confirmed that all Factors of Safety (FoS) for drained conditions exceed the recommended minimum thresholds. While the undrained peak FoS values across all sections are below 1.0. Discussions are ongoing with the Engineers of Record (EoR) to further evaluate and address this matter

Historically, seepage was first identified on the eastern part of the TSF in Q1 2021 which resulted in Phase 1 buttressing. Thereafter, seepage on the north-west & west flanks were observed in Q2 2021 which resulted in an extension of the existing buttress (Phase 2). During the 3rd quarter inspection in 2021, seepage was noted on the north-east and south-east corner of the TSF. Another buttress extension (Phase 3) was carried out and completed in March 2022.

Assessment completed in 2022 (KP Reference: PR301-00851/05, Rev 0, 17 February 2023)

Has been identified by EoRs – please refer to Figures 2 and 3

Consequence classification has been based on Population at Risk (PAR). Communities have been identified and are being engaged through various means including Community Engagement Forums (CEF). An appointed external specialist is currently conducting vulnerability assessments for communities located within the Area of Inundation



Area of Inundation

Summary of Human Exposure





Version 2022 available

(ISO 14001:2015)

DOCUMENTATION:

Site Specific OMS Manual

Version 2022 available Mandatory Code of Practice (MCOP) Reference No: SS-ZA-PGM's-MCOP-ENG-CON-0002 is in place (dated June 2024)

Design Basis Report (DBR)

Environmental Management System

<u>Surveillance:</u> Surveillance Frequency

Surveillance Technology/System Deformation Monitoring

Phreatic Surface Levels & Pore Pressure Measurements

#### RISK MANAGEMENT / EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS:

**Risk Assessment** 

**Risk Management** 

Site Specific Emergency Preparedness & Response Plans (EPRP)

The initial Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) is dated 2010. Numerous addendums have been

(KP Reference: SAND301-00851/07 Rev 0, 27 February 2023)

The Environmental Management System is ISO accredited

Daily by the Operator and monthly reports of critical and operational controls submitted to and reviewed by the EoR

Quartex and Groundwork Geolytics Interferometric Synthetic Aperture Radar (InSAR)

Standpipe piezometers AquaSense Retrofit piezometers (IoT device) Vibrating Wire Piezometers (VWPs)

submitted with the latest being in 2016.

Annual Risk Assessment (Failure Mode Effect Analysis) completed with no untoward risk identified

Site specific OMS Manual in place Site specific Trigger Action Response Plans (TARPs) in place Critical and operational controls established and implemented

Version 2024 available

Annual emergency mock drill for a catastrophic TSF failure – undertaken on 15 November 2024 with SSW employees and contractors

Environmental emergency preparedness is managed on site according to ISO14001: 2015.



#### **CLOSURE & POST CLOSURE Closure Planning** In place - report prepared by Golder Associates (Golder Reference: 20353611-341349-2, April 2021) Adequate financial capacity in place **Closure Costing** Financials prepared by Golder Associates (Golder Reference: 21467925-349386-1, December 2021) Asset Insurance Cover In place – July 2024 to June 2025 (renewal process has commenced) Independent Reviews: Independent Tailings Review Board (ITRB) 5 June 2024 with no material concerns identified **Future ITRB Review** June 2027 **Performance Reviews** Annual and quarterly reports and inspections completed

Dam Safety Review (DSR)

by EoR (KP reference: SAND301-00851/21 Rev 0, 24 March 2025)

Carried out by an independent third party in 2020. All recommendations at the time have been addressed in the last 3 years. (KP Reference: RI301-00851/01 Rev B, August 2019)

Next review is currently underway





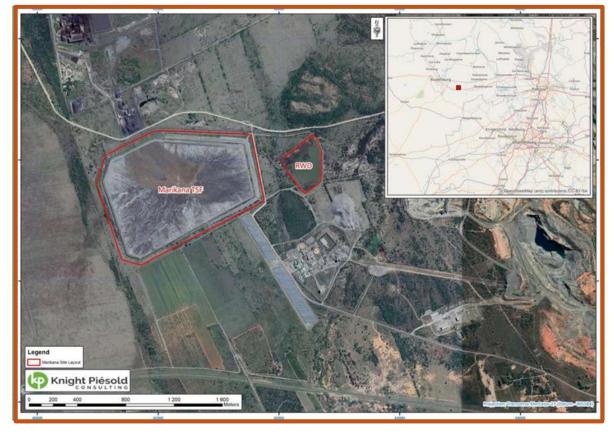


Figure 1: Layout of Marikana TSF



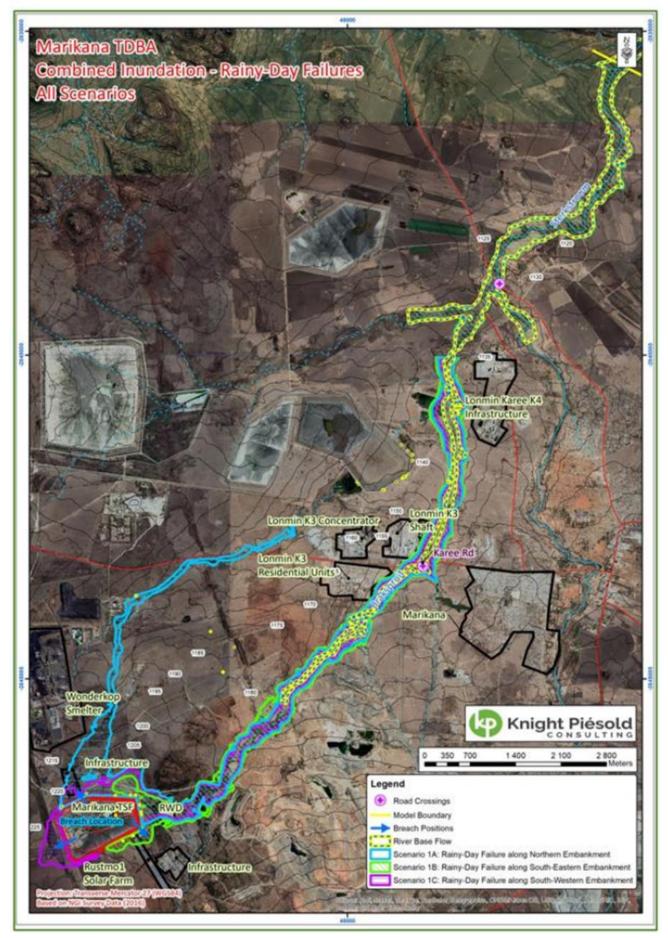


Figure 2: Consolidated view of the rainy-day failure scenario inundation boundaries





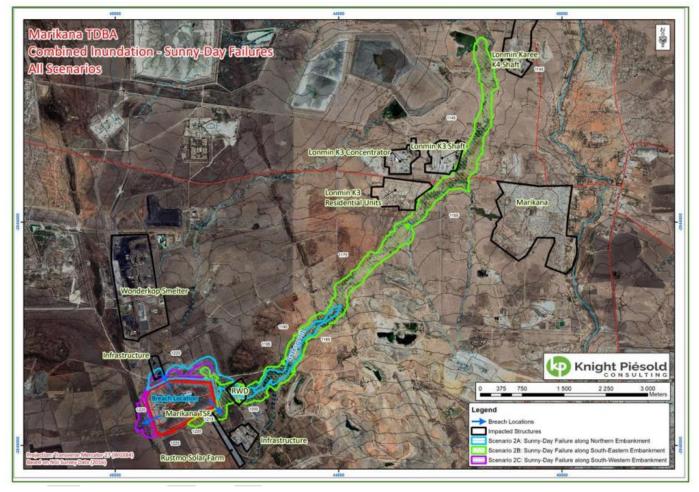


Figure 3: Consolidated view of the sunny-day failure scenario inundation boundaries

