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### *Message from the Chairman*

Dear Members of Ingwelala

## WEEKLY FLOOD UPDATE

### Dando Project Team Progress Report

The Dando Project Team has established the critical milestones that must be achieved in order for Ingwelala to be re-opened and the *force majeure* situation lifted. These milestones are portrayed in a Scorecard below:

Milestones for re-opening Ingwelala (all to be green)	
Elephant Fence Repaired to protect water reticulation restoration	
Water availability in Camp – 4 of the 5 boreholes fully operational and reticulated	
Camp roads repaired giving access to all Bungalows (for Game Viewer Vehicles)	
Main Road access temporarily repaired and sedans and heavy vehicles have access	
Stable electric power	

### → Good progress, but still a long way to go!

Portions of the electrified Elephant Fence were washed away in the flood and need to be repaired in order to protect restoration work on our water reticulation system. This task is currently 95% complete and we are happy to change this milestone to green.

Potable water (i.e. safe for human consumption) availability in the Camp remains a critical issue and a challenge to restore. Currently, 2 boreholes are operational with a target of 4 being required to supply the Camp adequately. The remaining boreholes and pumps have now been checked and are fortunately fine. New piping still has to be laid across the river system in order to get the water to the Reservoir from the boreholes, as well as from the Reservoir to the Bungalows on the west side of the River. This is complicated given the present state of the river and the fact that not all of the pipes are standard sizes. Special 90 mm PVC piping is being manufactured for Ingwelala. There **is** also damage to the underground water reticulation system around the Bungalows west of the river.

The Camp Roads are being further improved to make them more user friendly for sedan vehicles.

The Main Road from the Control gate to Ingwelala (Argyle Road) has 4 areas of flood damage that need to be repaired. Excellent progress has been made on these repairs during the past week and the new and more secure by-passes have been completed for sedans to pass through. We are still awaiting the go ahead for heavy vehicles to be allowed through the Control Gate, which are currently preventing fuel and gas deliveries, road plant access and building supplies.

Although Eskom electric power has been restored, we experienced several intermittent power cuts over the last week. The Telkom lines remain intermittent.

### **Ingwelala remains Closed, including all Reserve Roads**

Ingwelala continues to remain closed as previously communicated, including all the roads on the Reserve. An assessment of all the river crossings has been undertaken and it is envisaged that some may be permanently done away with, resulting in nearby roads being re-routed as a consequence. Some roads have been completely destroyed and will not be re-built (for example, River Road on Buffelsbed).

The good news regarding our Reserve Roads is that Pieter Nel managed to secure the services of heavy road repair machinery that was already in the area and this equipment is due to arrive at Ingwelala tomorrow (Thursday 16 February 2012). Restoration work will commence on Argyle and this will expedite our road repair programme.

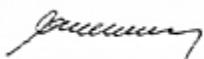
Some work has been done on the Airstrip, but requires heavy compacting and remains closed until further notice.

### **Bungalows Damaged**

The professional assessments of the 34 identified flood damaged Bungalows has been completed, including the majority of the remaining 170 Bungalows. We look forward to Jacques Hoffman's Report which will be discussed further with the affected Members and the Insurers.

The bad news is that 95% of the Septic Tanks of Ingwelala's Bungalows have been affected by the Flood and need to be pumped out and checked. Our Insurers have been advised of this and the Dando Project team has commenced procuring a professional waste disposal company to assist with this task. The re-establishment of the Septic Tanks will have to be carefully managed as and when Members next visit Ingwelala.

Sincerely



**Kevin Alborough**

**Chairman**