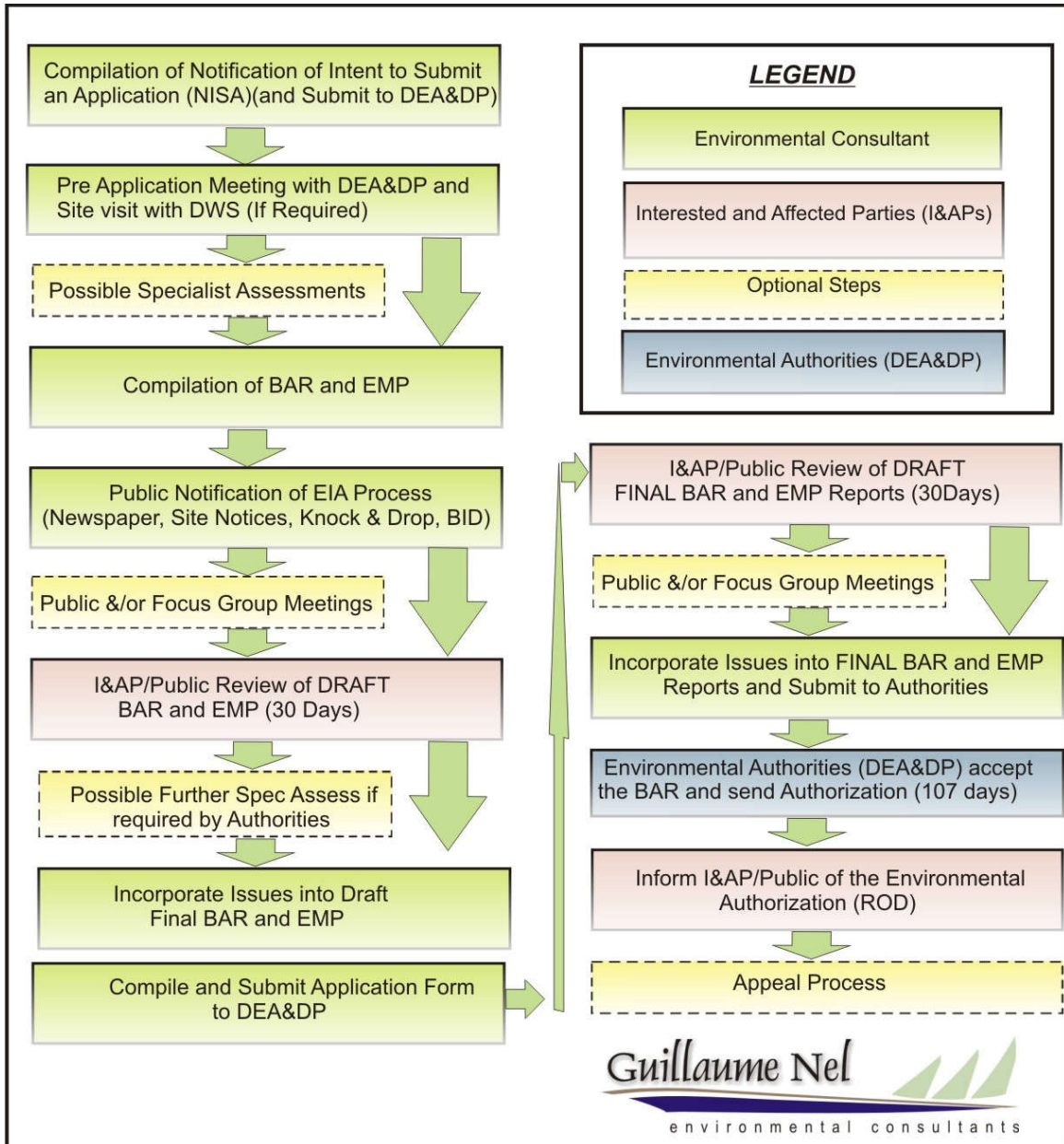


SECTION D – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

D-1 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

Public participation is the involvement of all parties who potentially have an interest in a development or project, or may be affected by it. The principal objective of public participation in an Environmental Impact Assessment process, in particular this Basic Assessment, is to inform and enrich decision-making.



D-2 PROCESS FOLLOWED TO DATE

The following process was undertaken to facilitate the public participation for the proposed project, which commenced on **the 27^h of September 2018 and the 26th of October 2018.**

1.1.1 Newspaper advertisement

An advertisement, notifying the public of the Basic Assessment process and requesting Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) to register with and submit their comments to Guillaume Nel Environmental Consultants (GNEC), was placed in the PaarlPost Newspaper for the Paarl and Simondium area on **the 27^h of September 2018.** A copy of the advertisement is attached as Annexure D-b.

1.1.2 Site notice

To inform surrounding communities and immediately adjacent landowners of the proposed development, four site notices were erected on site at visible and accessible locations close to public access on **Friday the 26^h of October 2018.**

Site notices were erected at the following points:

- Two notices (one English and one Afrikaans) were erected at the entrance to the site along the R45 toward the east of the site;
- One notice was erected at the access servitude toward the west of the site;
- One notice was erected at the access servitude toward the west of the site;
- One notice was erected along the southern most boundary of the site at the entrance to the house in the middle of the site.

1.1.3 Direct notification of identified I&APs

Identified I&APs, including key stakeholders representing the following sectors, were directly informed of the proposed development by post on **Friday the 26^h of October 2018.**

- Provincial Authorities
- Local Authorities
- Ward Councillors
- Non-governmental organizations, and

- Directly adjacent landowners.

1.1.4 Hand-delivered notifications

Background Information Documents were hand-delivered to adjacent landowners and tenants on site on **Friday the 26^h of October 2018**, to notify and inform them of the proposed project.

1.1.5 Post App Draft BAR Review

Subsequent to the Pre-App Draft Basic Assessment Report review period the comments were captured and responded to. All I&APs which registered by forwarding comments by email, fax, post and telephonically was informed of the availability of the Post-App Draft BAR from the **14th of June 2019 until the 16th of July 2019**.

1.1.6 Concerns raised by I&APs

I&APs registered by completing registration forms and forwarding comments by email, fax, post and telephonically.

Comments received from I&APs will be captured on a stakeholder database, acknowledged by personal letters and forwarded to the relevant environmental specialists for consideration.

D-3 COMMENT AND RESPONSE REPORT

Comments and issues of concern contributed by I&APs will be listed, along with the I&APs name and means of communication in the Comment and Response Report.

D-4 CONCLUSION

The most significant concerns raised by I&APs will be summarised here as a conclusion to the Public Participation section:

I&APs to respond and who are most likely to be affected by the proposed development are:

- NGO's
- Directly adjacent neighbours
- Provincial Authorities