

BMC Africa Project Data Sheets

PROJECT NAME: Provision of Research Documents for the National Department of Transport to assist in the Institutionalisation of an Inland Waters Safety Regime		COUNTRY: South Africa	
PROJECT LOCATION WITHIN COUNTRY: Pretoria		PROFESSIONAL STAFF PROVIDED NO. OF STAFF: 3	
NAME OF CLIENT: National Department of Transport Marine Directorate		NO. OF STAFF MONTHS: 5	
START DATE (MONTH/YEAR): February 2004	COMPLETION DATE: June 2004	APPROX. VALUE OF SERVICES:¹ R500,000	
NAME OF ASSOCIATED FIRM, IF ANY: Rean Botha Consulting Axios Consulting TMT Projects		NO. OF STAFF-MONTHS OF PROFESSIONAL STAFF PROVIDED BY ASSOCIATED FIRM: 8 months	
SENIOR STAFF INVOLVED AND FUNCTIONS PERFORMED: Trevor Beddy – Specialist Marine Consultant – Research and Provision of input on Navigation and Navigability Brian Watt – Specialist Marine Safety and Marine Legal Expert – Research and Provision of all safety related input and comment on legal related issues Keith Burchell – Specialist Marine Consultant – Research on Model Inland reg's and provision of safety related comment and input			
NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT: The project comprised an assessment of the viability of South Africa's navigable waterways and addressed the issue of identifying the relevant dams, lakes and rivers, with a view to improving boating safety country wide. In order to do this the following two major issues had to be investigated and reported on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • navigability of South Africa's inland waterways, excluding tidal waterways; and • boating safety conditions on inland waters and factors affecting these. The above investigation entailed visits to numerous dams and rivers throughout South Africa and interviews with a wide range of governmental, provincial, local government and private individuals; as well as an in-depth assessment of existing boating safety legislation and local laws and statutes. Comparisons were also done with regard to inland water safety legislation and regulations in certain identified foreign countries. The project also identified socio-economic issues related to the development of inland waterways as safe recreational areas.			
DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICES PROVIDED: BMC provided all the Marine Expertise to this project which included all research on Navigation and Safety			