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## **Notice of public display of and public consultation regarding an environmental impact assessment programme**

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Keskkonnaamet publishes this announcement under [Clause 1 of subsection 2 of § 16 of the Environmental Impact Assessment and Environmental Management System Act \(KeHJS\)](#).

Environmental Board announces the publication of the environmental impact assessment (EIA) programme of the Application for amendment of environmental permit No HARM-041 for Sooniste II peat PRODUCTION area.

The Environmental Board initiated this EIA on 29.11.2023 by letter No DM-123437-14.

According to the submitted application, the company wishes to extend the period of validity of environmental permit No HARM-041 for the Sooniste II peat production area by 30 years, to adjust the boundaries of the mining reserve and the service area according to the results of the survey of the waste stock and to incorporate the environmental permit No. KL-506845 for the special use of water into the environmental permit for the Sooniste II peat production area. The public limited company Tootsi Peat holds the environmental permit No. KL-506845 for special use of water for the management of rainfall water FROM discharges of Sooniste 1, Sooniste 2, Sooniste 3, Sooniste 4 and Sooniste 5 Ellamaa Street (ADVANTAGE code WATER 1108200). It is not recommended that the conditions of environmental permit No. KL-506845 be amended upon addition of environmental permit No. HARM-041.

The peatland production area of Sooniste II is located on state-owned properties in the leafless village of Saue Parish, Harju County, the peatland production area of Sooniste (cadastral code 51801:002:0260, register part No 2468302) and the peatland production area 2 of Sooniste (cadastral code 51801:002:0001, register part No 3065302), the administrator of the state assets of which is the Ministry of Regional Affairs and Agriculture and an authorised authority the Land Board.

The proposed mining allocation comprises block 3 of the active supply of low-degraded peat in the Soonise peat deposit (registry card No 0123) and block 4 of the active supply of well-degraded peat. The area of the proposed mining claim is 248.42 ha and the area of its service area is 277.90 ha (in the current permit, the area of the mining claim is set at 252,57 ha and the area of the service area at 275,85 ha). According to the application, the boundaries are to be adjusted according to the surveys of the waste quark and the boundaries of the adjacent Soonis peat production area (Environmental permit No HARM-070).

EIA parties:

The developer(s) is (are) aktsiaselts Tootsi Turvas (registry code: [10021374](#)) (address Suur-Jõe tn 63, 80042Pärnu linn, contact person Evelin Krekker, e-mail [evelin.krekker@tootsiturvas.ee](mailto:evelin.krekker@tootsiturvas.ee), phone 520 5916)

The decision-maker is Environmental Board (contact person Berry Golden Land, e-mail [info@keskkonnaamet.ee](mailto:info@keskkonnaamet.ee), phone 513 8740)

Environmental impact assessor is Maves OÜ lead expert Karl Kupits, Tel 509 3437, [karl@maves.ee](mailto:karl@maves.ee)

The EIA programme is available in advance at 16.09-15.10.2024 EAGLE in the Environmental Decisions information System at <https://kotkas.envir.ee> (select "public display of EIA" on the home page).

Proposals, objections and questions about the EIA programme can be submitted at in writing until 15.10.2024 (inclusive) through the contacts of the decision-maker.

The public consultation of the EIA programme takes place at 22.10.2024 at 17.00 in the Hall of Peat cultural Hall, at 12 Peat borough, Saue Parish, Harju County..

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