

CURRICULUM VITAE – JESSICA CHRISTIE

PERSONAL DETAILS

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EDUCATION

2002, Senior Certificate (Matric Exemption) Passed with Distinction, Eunice High School, Bloemfontein South Africa
2006, B.Sc Zoology, University of the Free State, South Africa
2007, B.Sc (Hons) Zoology, University of the Free State, South Africa

WORK EXPERIENCE

September 2025 – Present

Senior Environmental Assessment Practitioner

- ❖ Environmental assessment and site assessments;
- ❖ Drafting and compiling of Environmental Reports (Basic Assessment Reports, Scoping Reports, Environmental Impacts Assessment Reports, Environmental Management Programmes, Rehabilitation Plans, Ad hoc development setback line determination applications, OSCA Permits, Forestry Permits; Public Participation Process facilitation (Stakeholder and or Authority engagement / facilitation, Public Meeting facilitation etc.)
- ❖ Other duties included:
 - GIS Mapping
 - Environmental compliance monitoring, Environmental Auditing
 - Alien Clearing Programme Monitoring
 - Compiling, execution and monitoring of Rehabilitation programmes for construction sites

July 2025 – September 2025

Self Employed: Environmental Assessment Practitioner

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May 2024—July 2025

Branch Manager (Parys) and Senior Environmental Assessment Practitioner: Environmental Management Group (Pty) Ltd.

Duties include:

- ❖ Lead and manage a team of environmental professionals, including hiring, training, and performance evaluations to foster a high-performing and engaged workforce.
- ❖ Mentor team members, promoting professional development and knowledge sharing within the department.
- ❖ Develop and implement environmental policies, procedures, and management systems to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements and industry best practices.
- ❖ Conduct environmental impact assessments and audits to identify areas for improvement and ensure



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regulatory compliance.

- ❖ Monitor environmental performance and provide recommendations for continuous improvement in sustainability and environmental protection.
- ❖ Manage relationships with competent authorities, ensuring timely reporting and compliance with environmental authorisations, permits and licenses.
- ❖ Coordinate environmental training programs to enhance staff awareness and ensure adherence to environmental standards.
- ❖ Collaborate with cross-functional teams to integrate environmental considerations into business operations and project planning.
- ❖ Prepare environmental reports, documentation, and communication materials for internal and external stakeholders.
- ❖ Manage environmental budgets and ensure cost-effective implementation of sustainability initiatives.

May 2018—April 2024

Specialised Environmental Officer: Western Cape Government: Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning—Directorate: Development Management

Duties include:

- ❖ To support the Director: Development Management with the provision of an integrated environmental management regulatory, advisory and support service.
- ❖ Support the Director to develop and maintain EIA and development related policies, guidelines, norms and standards
- ❖ To support the Director with strategic and operational management, and administrative tasks
- ❖ To Support the Chief Directorate: Development Planning through the Director: Development Management with tasks related to the functions of the other Directorates in the Chief Directorate, as and when required
- ❖ To support the Chief Directorate: Environmental Governance, Policy Coordination & Planning, and the Chief Directorate: Environmental Quality through the Director: Development Management with tasks related to the functions of the other Directorates in these Chief Directorates

October 2013—April 2018

Environmental Officer: Western Cape Government: Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning—Directorate: Development Management

Duties include:

The administration and implementation of the statutory obligations in respect of environmental management under the Environment Conservation Act, 1989 (ECA) and section 24 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (NEMA) namely:

- ❖ Reviewing of applications in terms of the relevant national and provincial environmental and related legislation and providing recommendations on such applications, as well as conducting site visits;
- ❖ Project management
- ❖ Commenting on land development processes and environmental management programmes (EMPrs);
- ❖ Represent the Directorate on relevant committees, forums, etc.
- ❖ Assisting with compliance monitoring; and
- ❖ Rendering assistance with the development of effective environmental management guidelines and processes to evaluate the potential environmental impacts of developments
- ❖ Development, management, implementation and support of specialized research and other projects

July 2008—October 2013

HillLand Environmental - Environmental Assessment Practitioner

Duties included:

- ❖ Environmental assessment and evaluation of sites;
- ❖ Drafting and compiling of Environmental Reports (Basic Assessment Reports, Scoping Reports, Environmental Impacts Assessment Reports, Environmental Management Programmes, Section 24G Applications, Damage



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Assessments, Rehabilitation Reports, Ad hoc development setback line determination applications, OSCA Permits, Forestry Permits; Public Participation Process facilitation (Stakeholder and or Authority engagement / facilitation, Public Meeting facilitation etc.); Vegetation Assessments;

- ❖ Other duties included:
 - GIS Mapping
 - Environmental Education
 - Assist in River Health Monitoring—SASS and Biodiversity Studies
 - Assist with Agricultural Potential Studies
 - Environmental compliance monitoring, Environmental Auditing
 - Alien Clearing Programme Monitoring
 - Compiling, execution and monitoring of Rehabilitation programmes for construction sites

SHORT COURSES COMPLETED

- Foundation Course in Environmental Auditing, Aspects International, March 2017 (ISO 14001)
- Environmental Impact Assessment for Reviewers, North-West University, October 2016
- Environmental Management Inspector ("EMI"), Department of Environmental Affairs, October 2015
- Training Course in Environmental Impacts Assessment Administration, University of Pretoria
- Promotion of Access to Information Act, 2000 (PAIA) and Promotion of Administrative Justice Act, 2000 (PAJA)
- Scientific Communication, the scientist as speaker and writer.

PUBLICATIONS

CHRISTIE, J.P., BASSON, L., VAN AS, L.L. 2007. *Mantoscypidians* of gastropod hosts in a marine environment. *Journal of South African Veterinary Association* (2009)

PROFESSIONAL REGISTRATION

EAPASA Registration: 2019/1855

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Parasitological Society of Southern Africa; Conference held at Malelane, South Africa. 2007. **Title of presentation:** *Mantoscypidians* of gastropod hosts in a marine environment.

REFERENCES

Ms. Janet Ebersohn, Director – Eco Route Environmental Consultancy. janet@ecoroute.co.za, 082 557 7122

Mr. CW Vermeulen, Environmental Management Group, 082 824 9308, cwv@envmgrp.com

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