



Directorate: Development Management  
(Region 2)

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**REFERENCE:** 16/3/3/2/E3/10/1005/17  
**ENQUIRIES:** Ms Lorretta Osborne  
**DATE:** 2018 -03- 2 8

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Dear Madam

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF THE NOTIFICATION OF EXTENSION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) AND THE 2014 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS (AS AMENDED) FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF HUT DAM ON PORTIONS 3 AND 5 OF FARM VAN DER WATSKRAAL NO. 394 AND THE RECONSTRUCTION OF AN EXISTING WEIR ON REMAINDER OF FARM NO. 234, SWELLENDAM**

1. The draft Environmental Impact Assessment Report and the letter dated 9 February 2018, as received by this Department on the same day, the Department's letter issued on 15 February 2018, the Departmental comment issued on 13 March 2018 and the letter received by this Department on 26 March 2018, refer.
2. This letter serves as an acknowledgement of receipt of the aforementioned notification by this Department.
3. The Department notes that in terms of sub-regulation 23(1)(b) of Government Notice ("GN") No. 326 of 7 April 2017, the final Environmental Impact Assessment Report for decision will be submitted within 156 days of receipt of the application by the Department (calculated from 8 January 2018).
4. Please be reminded that the additional 50 days must include a minimum 30-day commenting period to allow registered interested and affected parties to comment on the revised report.

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5. In the event that the final Environmental Impact Assessment Report is not received within the specified timeframe, the application will lapse in terms of Regulation 45 of GN No. 326 of 7 April 2017 and your file will be closed. Should you wish to pursue the application again, a new application process would have to be initiated. A new Application Form would have to be submitted and the prescribed application fee would have to be paid.
6. Please note that the activity may not commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department. It is an offence in terms of Section 49A of the NEMA for a person to commence with a listed activity unless the Department has granted an environmental authorisation for the undertaking of the activity. Failure to comply with the requirements of Section 24F and 49A of the NEMA will result in the matter being referred to the Environmental Compliance and Enforcement Directorate of this Department for prosecution. A person convicted of an offence in terms of the above is liable to a fine not exceeding R10 million or to imprisonment for a period not exceeding 10 years, or to both such fine and imprisonment.
7. The Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on the information received.

Yours faithfully



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