

Dear Interested and Affected Parties

27 July 2020

NEMA EIA INITIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF AN IN-STREAM DAM ON PORTIONS 2 AND 3 OF FARM NO. 1100, BONATHABA, MALMESBURY, WESTERN CAPE (DEA&DP Ref. No.: 16/3/3/6/1/F5/16/2089/20)

Notice is hereby given of the intention to submit an application, and the public participation, process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended ("NEMA"), Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 (as amended). The proposed development of an instream dam on Portion 2 and 3 of the Farm No. 1100, Bonathaba, Malmesbury, Western Cape, and includes activities listed in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014 (as amended).

EnviroAfrica cc has been appointed by Black Orchid Farming (Pty) Ltd, to undertake the NEMA EIA Application for Environmental Authorisation process and Schoeman en Vennote was appointed to undertake the WULA for the following listed activities:

Application for environmental authorization to undertake the following activities:

Government Notice R327 (Listing Notice 1): Activity No. 9, 12, 19 and 27

Government Notice R325 (Listing Notice 2): Activity No. 16 Government Notice R324 (Listing Notice 3): Activity No. 14

Section 21 of NWA: 21(b); 21(c); and 21(i).

Project Description & Location:

The proposed development of an in-stream dam on Portions 2 and 3 of Farm No. 1100, Bonathaba, Malmesbury, Western Cape. The proposed instream dam will have a water surface area of 15.5 Ha and will have a gross storage capacity of 1 000 000m³. The dam will have a maximum wall height of 18m. The site has existing water use rights and the proposed dam will provide insurance of supply for irrigation of the existing irrigation areas. No new roads will be constructed as an existing access road will be utilised to gain access to the proposed site. The proposed site is located outside of the urban area of Malmesbury, on Farm Bonathaba, is Agriculture zoned, and the site co-ordinates are 33° 31' 13.58" S, 18° 55' 15.27" E.

<u>Public Participation:</u> Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) are hereby notified of the application and invited to register (in writing) and/or provide initial comments and identify any issues, concerns or opportunities relating to this project to the contact details provided below. The commenting period on the initial EIA process and the WULA process will end on <u>02</u> <u>October 2020.</u> In order to register or submit comment, I&APs should refer to the project name, and provide their name, address & contact details (*indicating your preferred method of notification*) and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest which they have in the application. Please note that future correspondence will only be sent to registered Interested and Affected Parties.

Please note that only Registered I&APs:

- will be notified of the availability of reports and other written submissions made (or to be made) to the Department by the applicant, and be entitled to comment on these reports and submissions;
- will be notified of the outcome of the application, the reasons for the decision, and that an appeal may be lodged against a decision; and
- will be notified of the applicant's intention to appeal the decision of the competent authority, together with an indication of where and for what period the appeal submission will be available for inspection.

You are also requested to pass this information to any person you feel should be notified.

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SITE CO-ORDINATES

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PROPOSED SITE





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