

**COMMENTS RECEIVED ON INITIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND RAFT SCOPING REPORT- PROPOSED FORMALISATION OF GAMAKOR LOW COST HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON PORTIONS 0 AND 128 OF FARM KOUSAS NO. 459, AND ERVEN 1470, 1474 AND 1480, KEIMOE, GORDONIA RD, KAI IGARIB LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, ZF MGCAWU DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

| Date   | Comment   | I&AP           | Project                     | Response  | Respondent   |
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| <b>COMMENTS RECEIVED ON INITIAL PUBLIC PARTICIPATION</b> |   |                |                             |   |              |
| 15/01/2019   | <p>Good morning,</p> <p>Thank you for notifying SAHRA of the proposed development. Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <a href="http://sahra.org.za/sahris/">http://sahra.org.za/sahris/</a>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.</p> <p>Please create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA.</p> <p>Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case application, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application, and are submitted to SAHRA at the beginning of the Public Review periods. Once all these documents have been uploaded, I will be able to issue an informed comment as per section 38(4) and 38(8) of the NHRA.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> | SAHRA          | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Natasha,</p> <p>Your e-mail correspondence dated 16 January 2019, refers.</p> <p>Please note that EnviroAfrica has appointed UBIQUE Heritage Consultants to undertake the required Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) report.</p> <p>The HIA is completed and will be attached the Draft Scoping Report that will go out for public comment in due course.</p> <p>UBIQUE Heritage Consultants will create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> | EnviroAfrica |
| 19/02/2019   | <p>Good afternoon,<br/>I trust you are well.</p> <p>I see that I am late in my request to be added as an I&amp;AP, however, I do not have any queries or comments. I would just like to receive notifications of future correspondence.</p> <p>Please kindly send me the BID for this housing development.</p> <p>Thank you in advance and have a good evening.</p> <p>--</p> <p>Kind Regards,<br/>Karen Clark</p>  | Karen Clark    | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Karen Clark,</p> <p>Your email correspondence dated 19 February 2019, refers.</p> <p>Please note that your name are now placed on the list of registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&amp;APs) and you will receive an electronic copy of the Draft Scoping Report that will go out for public comment in due course.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>  | EnviroAfrica |
| 11/03/2020   | <p>Good Morning Emile</p> <p>Please may I ask that you add myself as Karen has leaft and I have taken over her projects :)</p> <p>Much appreciated.</p> <p>Kind Regards</p>   | Sherina Shawe  | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Sherina,</p> <p>Your email of earlier today, refers.</p> <p>Thank you for confirming that Karen is no longer involved in the project.</p> <p>Please note that I have added your name to the list of I&amp;APs for the aforementioned project.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>  | EnviroAfrica |
| 27/03/2019   | <p>Good morning,</p> <p>Your company is currently conducting a Basic Impact Assessment for the establishment of a proposed Development of portions 0 and 128 of farm Kousas to be known as Gamakor and Noodkamp low cost housing. Please could you forward me the BID for this application and register me as a Interested &amp; Affected party?</p> <p>Thanking you in anticipation of a favourable response.</p> <p>Kind Regards<br/>Sonet Du Plooy</p>   | Sonet Du Plooy | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Sonet,</p> <p>Your email correspondence dated 27 March 2019, refers.</p> <p>Your name will be placed on the list of registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&amp;APs) for the aforementioned project.</p> <p>However, please note that the initial Public Participation Process (PPP) closed on 18 February 2019.</p> <p>Please find attached BID for the aforementioned project.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>   | EnviroAfrica |

Comments Received on Draft Scoping Report

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| 01/04/2020 | <p>RE: COMMENTS ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED FORMALISATION OF LOW COST GAMAKOR HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON PORTIONS 0 AND 128 OF FARM KOUSAS NO. 459 AND ERVEN 1470, 1474 AND 1480 KEIMOES, KAI IGARIB LOCAL MUNICIPALITY</p> <p>1. NATIONAL FORESTS ACT, ACT 84 OF 1998 (AS AMENDED)</p> <p>1.1 The Directorate: Forestry Management (Other Regions) in the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) is responsible for administration of the National Forests Act, Act 84 of 1998 (NFA) and the National Veld and Forest Fires Act, Act 101 of 1998 (NVFFA) as amended.</p> <p>1.2 Section 12(1) read with s15(1) of the NFA stated that the Minister may declare a particular tree, group of trees, woodland; or trees belonging to a particular species, to be a protected tree, group of trees, woodland or species. A list of protected tree species was gazetted in GN 635 of 6 December 2019. The effect of the declaration is that no person may (a) cut, disturb, damage or destroy; or (b) possess, collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any protected tree, or any forest product derived from a protected tree, except under a license granted by the Minister; or in terms of an exemption published by the Minister in the Gazette.</p> <p>1.3 Any person who contravenes the prohibition on the cutting, disturbance, damage or destruction of protected trees referred to in section 15(1)(a); or the possession, collection, removal, transport, export, purchase or sale of any forest product derived from a protected tree referred to in section 15(1)(b), is guilty of a first category offence and may be sentenced to a fine or imprisonment for a period of up to three years, or to both See Section 58(1) of the NFA read with s62 and s63.</p> | Department: Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries (DAFF) | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Jacoline Mans,</p> <p>I hereby acknowledge receipt of the attached comment from the Department dated 01 April 2020.</p> <p>Please note that the contents of the aforementioned correspondence dated 01 April 2020 is duly noted.</p> <p>Kindly see responses to your points raised below:</p> <p>1.1. Noted. The Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) takes cognisance of the applicable legislation.</p> <p>1.2. Noted. The EAP takes cognisance of the of the applicable legislation.</p> <p>1.3. Noted. The EAP takes cognisance of the applicable legislation.</p> | EnviroAfrica |
|            | <p>2. COMMENTS ON DRAFT SCOPING REPORT</p> <p>2.1 The Department of Forestry studied the Draft Scoping Report (DSR) and Biodiversity Impact Assessment Report and take note of the fact that the development affecting Bushmanland Arid Grassland, is located in a Critical Biodiversity Area. However, the site is partially disturbed. There are only three (3) individuals of protected Vachellia erioloba present on the 104 ha site. The developer must make an effort to conserve these three trees by incorporating it into the layout design.</p> <p>2.2 If authorisation is granted for the development, no protected tree may be damaged or disturbed without a valid Forest Act License from the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries. In addition, trees with active bird nest or other significant biodiversity features, may not be damaged or disturbed without a valid Fauna Permit from the provincial Department of Environment and Nature Conservation under the Northern Cape Nature Conservation Act (NCNCA), Act 9 of 2009 (if affected).</p> <p>Kind Regards,<br/>Jacoline Mans<br/>Chief Forester: Regulations</p>   |  |                             | <p>2.1. Noted. A plant permit, as required by the NFA, will be applied for should any of the three (3) NFA protected Vachellia erioloba, present within the development footprint, be disturbed, removed, relocated, or destroyed. The protected plant species will be incorporated into the layout design.</p> <p>2.2. Noted. The recommendations regarding the protected trees have been included in the Draft EMPr.</p> <p>Thank you for your comments.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>   | EnviroAfrica |

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| 23/03/2020 | <p>Good morning,</p> <p>Please note that all development applications are processed via our online portal, the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) found at the following link: <a href="http://sahra.org.za/sahris/">http://sahra.org.za/sahris/</a>. We do not accept emailed, posted, hardcopy, faxed, website links or DropBox links as official submissions.</p> <p>Please create an application on SAHRIS and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA), an assessment of heritage resources must form part of the process and the assessment must comply with section 38(3) of the NHRA.</p> <p>Once all documents including all appendices are uploaded to the case application, please ensure that the status of the case is changed from DRAFT to SUBMITTED. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application, and are submitted to SAHRA at the beginning of the Public Review periods. Once all these documents have been uploaded, I will be able to issue an informed comment as per section 38(4) and 38(8) of the NHRA.</p> <p>Please note that I am working from home and cannot be contacted via the SAHRA office number. Please call me on my cellphone number as shown in my email signature for any queries. I am still available via email and on SAHRIS. Please only contact me during office hours 08:00 – 16:30.</p> | SAHRA   | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Natasha,</p> <p>Your email correspondence dated 23 March 2020, refers.</p> <p>The Draft Scoping Report and Specialists Reports were uploaded onto SAHRIS with Case ID: 13959 as requested.</p> <p>Please don't hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>  | EnviroAfrica |
| 22/06/2020 | <p>1. The above refers.</p> <p>2. Department Co-operative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs hereby acknowledge receipt of the above mentioned draftscoping report received on th 22nd June 2020.</p> <p>3. This letter serves to inform you that this Department has no objection to the approval of the above mentioned draft scoping report received on 22nd June 2020.</p> <p>I trust that this meets your favourable consideration.</p> <p>Yours faithfully,</p> <p>Mr. BS Lenkoe<br/>Head of Department</p>  | DCOHSTA | Gamakor Housing Development | <p>Dear Ms. Tshilate,</p> <p>I hereby acknowledge receipt of the attached comment from the Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (DCOGHSTA) dated 22 June 2020.</p> <p>EnviroAfrica CC hereby notes that the Department has no objection to the approval of the Gamakor housing project.</p> <p>I would like to thank you for providing comment on the aforementioned proposal.</p> <p>Kind regards,</p> | EnviroAfrica |
| 28/08/2020 | <p><b>Interim Comment</b></p> <p>SAHRA requires the draft EIA documents before further comments can be issued.</p> <p>Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.</p>  | SAHRA   | Gamakor Housing Development | Noted with thanks. The Draft EIR will be submitted via the online SAHRIS portal (case number: 15349)   | EnviroAfrica |