



# BREDE-GOURITZ

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To whom it may concern,

**COMMENT** : proposed agricultural development & dam expansion on portion 12 farm scherpenheuvel 481 worcester rd

The Breede-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency (BGCMA) received your documents for the abovementioned application on **9 March 2021**, for comment.

**The BGCMA notes the following and is currently unable to support the application without confirmation / clarification of these points:**

- Water resources are scheduled with CBRWUA and possibly being used to its full capacity. The applicant must provide a confirmation of water use on the property and clearly state the intention of the dam expansion and the resource to be stored.
- The BGCMA does not have a registration on file for a dam or additional water uses. The property has a Validated form for water use, which did not include a dam. A possible dam site is indicated on the google earth imagery but it is unclear what the size of the dam is.
- The applicant has to submit a Water Use Licence Application (WULA) via the Electronic Water Use Licence Application and Authorisation System (e-WULAAS) before the proposed agricultural and dam expansion proceeds as accordance to Section 117 (c) of the National Water Act, 1998(Act No. 36 of 1998) for dam safety

as this proposed development will trigger the following water uses of Section 40 of the National Water Act, 1998(Act No. 36 of 1998).

1. Section 21(a): Taking of water (if additional water is taken from any resource with the supporting documentation that water is available)
2. Section 21(b): Storing of water (for the proposed dam)
3. Section 21 (c) and (i): Impeding and Diversion of water from a water course and the alterations of the bed, banks, flow or characteristics of a water course (watercourses impacted by the dam, road and pipeline infrastructure.)

Please find the link below to the Electronic Water Use Licence Application and Authorisation System:

<http://www.dwa.gov.za/ewulaasprod>

The following general conditions remain relevant for this application:

- All relevant sections and regulations of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) regarding water use must be adhered to.
- No pollution of surface water or ground water resources may occur.
- Storm water management must be addressed and applied both in terms of flooding and pollution potential.
- All water uses must be metered and reported to the BGCMA as per Government Gazette, no 40621, February 2017.
- The construction of the dam as well as the use of any additional water, is deemed unlawful and will be punishable by law.

The BGCMA will gladly comment on any additional information provided for review. The BGCMA reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on any additional information that might be received.

Yours sincerely,

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