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Subject: RE: : Adjusted commenting period: Draft Scoping Report for New Wave Dam, Vanrhynsdorp (16/3/3/2/F3/16/3006/23)
Attachments: Draft Scoping Report for New Wave Dam, Vanrhynsdorp (16/3/3/2/F3/16/3006/23) (135 KB)

Dear Sir

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Draft Scoping Report for New Wave Dam, Vanrhynsdorp (16/3/3/2/F3/16/3006/23)

It is understood that the activity entails the development of the proposed New Wave Dam, an off-stream storage dam on Portions 101 and 168 of the Farm Melkboom 384, near Trawal (Vanrhynsdorp District).

It is noted that the entire footprint of the proposed dam will be located on existing agricultural land that has already been transformed by agricultural practices, therefore no significant disturbance of natural vegetation will occur during the construction of the dam.

Recommendations on impact minimization for good environmental control is supported as mentioned below:

“• The river and wetland areas to the north of the site must be regarded as no-go areas.

- A suitably qualified Environmental Control Officer must be appointed to monitor the construction phase and ensure the riparian zone is not impacted in any way by the construction of the proposed dam.*
- Lay-down areas or construction sites must be located within already disturbed areas or areas of low ecological value and must be pre-approved by the ECO.*
- An integrated waste management approach must be implemented during construction”*

The Mitigation measures as set out in the Aquatic Biodiversity Impact Assessment is strongly advised to be implemented to keep the ecological status of the Olifants River from declining.

It is also noted that the Water Use Licence Application only entails the damming of water that is lawfully allocated to the proponent by the Lower Olifants River Water Users Association, i.e., the water currently being supplied to the farm via the Bulshoek Dam canal system and that No run-off from the surrounding catchment will be channelled into the proposed dam.

In the light of the above it is therefore understood that the New Wave Dam's addition to the cumulative impact on the flow modification of the Olifants River is negligible.

Dust generated from all phases of the proposed activities must comply with the NEM: AQA, National Dust Control Regulations (Government Notice No. R. 827) of November 2013.

“these regulations prohibit a person from conducting any activity in such a way as to give rise to dust in such quantities and concentrations that the dust , or dust fallout, has a detrimental effect on the environment, including human health.”

This recommendation does not imply or give exemption from any other permission or approval which may be required by any other law or authority.

The Municipality reserves the right to request further information and revise initial comments based on any additional information that might be received.

Kind regards

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Dear Interested and Affected Party,

The notice issued on 22 February 2023 in which you were informed of the availability of the Draft Scoping Report for the above-mentioned development proposal and the associated commenting period specified in the said notice, refer.

In order to meet the requirements specified in Regulation 3 of the EIA Regulations of 2014 (as amended), it is hereby confirmed that for Interested and Affected Parties that are not State Departments, the commenting period ends on 27 March 2023 and no longer on 24 March 2023.

Please note that the commenting period for State Departments still ends on 24 March 2023, as the commenting period specified in the notice issued on 22 February 2023 meets the requirements specified in Regulation 3 regarding State Departments.

Kind regards,

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