

## Comments-Responses Report

Pre-application phase			
J. H. Louw (09/05/2025)	<p>Beswaar teen oprigting- bou van riooldamme op ERF 1654 Kakamas</p> <p>Vir wie dit mag aangaan. Die punte soos volg is nie deurdink en ondersoek nie.</p>		
	<p>1. Is daar 'n behoorlike impakstudie gedoen en deur wie, of is daar sommer besluit om die oop stuk grond in 'n gemors te omskep?</p>	<p>1. The public participation process that is underway is for the pre-application phase of the development proposal and does not require an impact assessment. An impact assessment that meets the legal requirements will be undertaken as part of the process of applying for an environmental authorisation from the competent authority.</p>	EnviroAfrica
	<p>2. Voorts met die kontoere (laagte) in gedagte, wat weer later sal opeindig in die rivier.</p>	<p>2. It is standard practice for wastewater treatment works to discharge treated wastewater into rivers. The slope enables wastewater to gravitate through the proposed wastewater treatment works and this is an advantage.</p>	BVi
	<p>3. Nasionaal en internasionale geakrediteerde besighede - Groot Gariep Koelkamer, Oranje Rivier Winkelder grens direk langs laagte wat oorloop water eventueel later sal loop rivier toe.</p>	<p>3. All wastewater treatment works overflow. The wastewater that is received must eventually be released. The important issue is that the wastewater treatment works must function to adequately treat the received wastewater before the wastewater is discharged.</p> <p>The treated wastewater will flow out of the wastewater treatment works in a closed pipe until after passing under the road. The mentioned businesses will therefore not likely even be aware of any flow passing their premises.</p> <p>It is noteworthy that the proposed wastewater treatment works has been designed to cater for the</p>	BVi

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		<p>anticipated population growth of Kakamas until 2040.</p>	
	<p>4. Laagte loop later teen kragpale (voedselverwekings aanleg) verby, oppad rivier toe.</p>	<p>4. Please refer to the response in Sections 2 and 3 above.</p>	
	<p>5. Verskeie boorgate vir menslike gebruik kan gekontamineer word wat laer af in die laagte is.</p>	<p>5. It is required in the EMPr that the water from boreholes in the area be regularly sampled for laboratory testing and the laboratory test results made public. In addition, should borehole contamination be discovered, corrective measures must be implemented by the Applicant in consultation with the National Department of Water and Sanitation.</p>	
	<p>6. Nabygeleë woonbuurt (Suidrand) en besighede sal gedurig verswelg word met stank</p>	<p>6. The rising main through which raw wastewater will be pumped to the proposed WWTW will be located next to the Kakamas Hospital as has always been the case.</p> <p>Suidrant is beyond the watershed and is therefore unlikely to be affected. The design of the proposed wastewater tretment works incorporates measures that help prevent.</p>	
	<p>7. Ek was 30+ jaar betrokke by afloopwater bestuur van een van vg. besighede.</p>	<p>7. Noted</p>	
	<p>8. Ek stel voor dat daar gekyk word na bestaande stelsel naamlik</p> <p>a) Vergroot huidige stelsel in gebruik</p>	<p>8.</p> <p>a. The current wastewater treatment works is more than 37 years old, is in ruins and is therefore deemed better to</p>	

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		replace with a new wastewater treatment works.	
	b) Stel kundige mense aan, lei mense op.	b. This will be done	
	c) Huidige mense is onbevoeg om werk behoorlik te doen, onvogekompakteer word en onvoldoende fondse en gebrek aan opleiding	c. Noted	
	d) Huidige stelsel loop deur woonbuurt en eindig op in die rivier	d. The existing wastewater treatment works is to be replaced with the proposed wastewater treatment works, as the capacity of the existing wastewater treatment works has over time become too small for the volumes of wastewater received and so the wastewater is no longer being treated adequately.	
	e) Walle moet gekompakteer word en panne met seil uitgevoer word.	e. The new oxidation ponds will all be constructed with compacted earth berms and will be lined with HDPE membranes to help prevent polluting leakages	
	f) Omhein- elektrifiseer bestaande panne	f. The new wastewater treatment works will be fenced off and manned 24 hours per day to help prevent theft and vandalism.	
	g) Tree in gesprek met gholfklub bestuur om skoon water (laaste pan) te gebruik. Kan voordele vir beide instansies hê.	g. This is a good suggestion and will be considered. Re-use of treated wastewater is always positive.	

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	<p>h) Uitbreiding van dorp (aanwas en ontvolking van platteland) noop plaaslike owerhede vir gedurige uitbreiding en verbetering.</p> <p>Ek as beswaarde inwoner (oprigting riooldamme erf 1654) wil graag net die vaste werkbare oplossing vir ons dorp, Kakamas hê.</p>	<p>h. Noted and agreed</p> <p>Noted and agreed.</p>	
Jacoline Mans (16/04/2025)	<p>1. Please send me the .kml / .kmz of the proposed WWTW and the associated EIA reports.</p>	<p>1. Done</p>	EnviroAfrica
Pieter Dykman	<p>Good morning, Margeret</p> <p>Following our registration as an I&amp;AP could you please provide us with a copy of the draft basic assessment report and appendices.</p>	<p>1. The Draft Basic Assessment Report will be made available to all Interested and Affected Parties for comment as soon as the report is ready.</p>	EnviroAfrica
Niel van Niekerk	<p>Dear EnviroAfrica Team,</p> <p>I hope this message finds you well.</p> <p>I am writing on behalf of the Kakamas Water Users Association, the bulk water supplier to all irrigators in the Kakamas area. Our responsibilities also include environmental stewardship, particularly monitoring for any potential spillages and reporting such incidents to the relevant authorities.</p> <p>We have taken note of the public participation process related to the proposed Wastewater Treatment Works (WWTW) and associated infrastructure on the remainder of ERF 1654 in Kakamas. We recently became aware of the project through information sheets posted on fences in the vicinity.</p> <p>Given the nature of our operations and our environmental mandate, we kindly request that my contact details be added to your stakeholder database for this project. We would also appreciate it if you could keep us informed of all relevant information, documentation, and developments</p>	<p>I trust this email finds you well. I hereby acknowledge receipt of your email and content noted. You will be added to the I&amp;AP list as requested.</p>	EnviroAfrica

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	<p>related to this proposed project moving forward.</p> <p>Please confirm if this request can be accommodated, and do let me know if any additional information or formal steps are required.</p>		
<p>Marlien Theron (23/05/2025)</p>	<p>To whom it may concern.</p> <p>The 2 attached notices of the proposed wastewater treatment works refers.</p> <p>Please note that we would like to register as a interested and affected party, on both these notices.</p> <p>Full details: Kobus Van Zyl Familie Trust Telephone Nr 082 560 4031</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica has taken note of your request for a copy of the Draft Basic Assessment and all its associated appendices for the above-mentioned development proposal as well as your request for a public meeting.</p> <p>Please be assured that EnviroAfrica will include you in the public participation process to be conducted for the development proposal as required in the EIA Regulations of 2014 (as amended).</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica</p>
<p>C. P. van den Hever (23/05/2025)</p>	<p>I am writing to formally confirm my registration as an Interested and Affected Party (I&amp;AP) in relation to the current application.</p> <p>We are writing in connection with the proposed development of the Wastewater Treatment Works and associated infrastructure to be located on the remainder of Erf 1654 in Kakamas, approximately 1.7 km southwest of Kakamas and about 1.4 km west of the current Kakamas Wastewater Treatment Works.</p> <p>Chargo Trust hereby requests to be formally registered as a stakeholder in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2014.</p> <p>I respectfully request access to the following documentation as soon as it becomes available:</p> <p>The Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR), The Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), All specialist studies conducted for this project, Detailed engineering layouts and infrastructure designs, and The full public participation schedule, including key dates and periods for public comment.</p> <p>It is essential that these documents are made available to me immediately</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica has taken note of your request for a copy of the Draft Basic Assessment and all its associated appendices for the above-mentioned development proposal as well as your request for a public meeting.</p> <p>Please be assured that EnviroAfrica will include you in the public participation process to be conducted for the development proposal as required in the EIA Regulations of 2014 (as amended).</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica</p>

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	<p>upon release to ensure that both I and other members of the community have the full 30-day period to review the proposed development and formulate any feedback or objections.</p> <p>In addition, I formally request that a public meeting be scheduled in Kakamas as a part of the public participation process. I strongly recommend that the meeting be conducted in Afrikaans to enable effective participation by local residents. This gathering is a vital opportunity for Interested and Affected Parties to raise objections and ensure that community concerns are acknowledged and thoroughly considered.</p> <p>Please ensure that the meeting minutes are accurately recorded, and that the minutes are shared with all registered I&amp;APs. We also request that the project team provide clear and direct responses to all questions and concerns raised during the session.</p>		
<p><b>Wilna Mayer</b> <b>(23/05/2025)</b></p>	<p>I am writing to formally confirm my registration as an Interested and Affected Party (I&amp;AP) in relation to the current application.</p> <p>We are writing in connection with the proposed development of the Wastewater Treatment Works and associated infrastructure to be located on the remainder of Erf 1654 in Kakamas, approximately 1.7 km southwest of Kakamas and about 1.4 km west of the current Kakamas Wastewater Treatment Works.</p> <p>I hereby requests to be formally registered as a stakeholder in accordance with the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations of 2014.</p> <p>I respectfully request access to the following documentation as soon as it becomes available:</p> <p>The Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR),</p> <p>The Environmental Management Programme (EMPr),</p> <p>All specialist studies conducted for this project,</p> <p>Detailed engineering layouts and infrastructure designs, and</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica has taken note of your request for a copy of the Draft Basic Assessment and all its associated appendices for the above-mentioned development proposal as well as your request for a public meeting.</p> <p>Please be assured that EnviroAfrica will include you in the public participation process to be conducted for the development proposal as required in the EIA Regulations of 2014 (as amended).</p> <p>Kind regards,</p>	<p>EnviroAfrica</p>

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Christo Jordaan (22/05/2025)	<p>To whom it may concern.</p> <p>We, <b>Christie Jordaan Boerdery Trust</b>, hereby register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&amp;AP) for the proposed <b>Wastewater Treatment Works and associated infrastructure</b> next to our premises <b>Erf 1654, Kakamas</b>.</p> <p>Kindly confirm that our registration has been received and recorded.</p>	I trust this email finds you well. I hereby acknowledge receipt of your mail and content noted. We will add you to the I&APs list as requested.	EnviroAfrica
Lindiwe Dlamini (DFFE: Biodiversity and Conservation)	DFFE Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation hereby acknowledge receipt of the invitation on the 16 April 2025 to review and comment on the project mentioned on the subject line. Kindly note that the project has been allocated to Mrs P Makitla and Ms	Noted	EnviroAfrica

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	<p>Nompumelelo Lekalakala (Copied on this email). In addition, kindly share the shapefiles of the development footprints/application site with the Case Officers.</p> <p>Please note: All Public Participation Process documents related to Biodiversity EIA review and any other Biodiversity EIA queries must be submitted to the Directorate: Biodiversity Conservation at Email: <a href="mailto:BCAdmin@dfre.gov.za">BCAdmin@dfre.gov.za</a> for attention of Mr Seoka Lekota</p>		
Boitshepo Motsodisa	<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 for <u>each EA application</u> and upload all documents pertaining to the Environmental Authorisation Application Process. As per section 24(4)b(iii) of NEMA and 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. If a case already exists on SAHRIS regarding the development, please upload the documents to that case using the "Make an additional submission to an existing case" in the application selector wizard <a href="https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector">https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector</a>. Please ensure that all documents produced as part of the EA process are submitted as part of the application.</p> <p><b>**PLEASE NOTE**</b>  <b>An application fee is now required for all section 38 applications. Please ensure that the SAHRIS application contains a proof of payment as per the notice at the following link: <a href="https://sahris.org.za/help">https://sahris.org.za/help</a>. A payment of R 2 000.00 for each application is required. Please</b></p>	Noted	EnviroAfrica



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	<p>make separate payments with the specific reference numbers. <u>Applications that do not include a proof of payment will be considered incomplete and will not be processed until proof of payment is provided.</u> Please make use of the SAHRIS Case ID in the payment reference. e.g. 12345/38.8. Please upload the PoP using the "Make an additional submission to an existing case" in the application selector wizard <a href="https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector">https://sahris.org.za/form/application-selector</a>. The case officer assigned to your case will approve the submission and begin to process the case.</p>		
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