

**21 October 2022**

Dear Interested and Affected Party,

**RE: PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF A  
MINE, TO MINE BULLI SOIL, LOCATED ON PORTION 26 OF LANGEOPDRAVENDE NO.  
1111, ESTON, KWAZULU-NATAL**

As part of the abovementioned Basic Assessment Process, a Public Information Session was held on Friday, 21 October 2022, at 10h00, at the Beaumont Eston Farmers Club, in the main hall.

Please find attached a summary of the comments received and responses given at the meeting.

If you have any comments or queries regarding the comments and responses, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Thank you for your participation.

Kind regards,



**Dr. Rebecca Bowd**

**Pr.Sci. Nat (145958) EAPASA Registered (2019/1098)**

*MEnvDev (S.A.), GradIOSHSA, IAIAA, SAIEA, IWMSA, WISA, Cert. IEM, Cert. Audit*

**GREEN DOOR ENVIRONMENTAL**

**SUMMARY OF THE PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION FOR THE PROPOSED  
ESTABLISHMENT OF A MINE, TO MINE BULLI SOIL, LOCATED ON PORTION 26 OF  
LANGEOPDRAVENDE NO. 1111, ESTON, KWAZULU-NATAL**

The purpose of the Public Information Session was to:

- Provide background information to Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) on the proposed project and the environmental process to be followed; and
- Give I&APs the opportunity to raise any comments, concerns, and issues which they feel should be addressed during the Basic Assessment Process.

This meeting took place in the form of a Public Information Session whereby all available information on the proposed development and environmental process was provided in poster format at the meeting. The I&APs were given the chance to read through the information on the posters and were given the opportunity to ask questions and raise any concerns.

The following Project Team members from Green Door Environmental were present:

- Roxanne van Rooyen – Environmental Consultant
- Hannah Markham – Environmental Consultant

The Environmental Consultants documented the issues and concerns raised by the meeting attendees regarding the proposed development during the meeting.

Below is a summary of the issues raised and the responses given at the meeting. Further information has also been provided where necessary / available. Refer to Appendix A for a copy of the attendance register.

**COMMENTS RECEIVED AT THE PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION HELD ON 21 OCTOBER 2022.**

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>COMMENT</b>	<b>RESPONSE</b>
I&AP	I understand that the mining will occur on the land outside on the field to the right as you drive in?	Yes, this is correct.
I&AP	How long will the mining permit be valid?	A mining permit is valid for the period specified on the permit. However, a mining permit is usually valid for a period of two years, and may be renewed for three periods, each of which may not exceed one year.
I&AP	At what depth is the bulli soil? And how deep is the vegetation and topsoil layer before the bulli is reached?	The vegetation and topsoil layer varies between 5cm – 15cm deep. The bulli soil is the subsoil which is below the topsoil. Therefore, if the topsoil is at a depth of between 5 – 15 cm, the subsoil is at a depth of 15 – 45 cm.
I&AP	I noticed that there is a wetland area near the site. Will the mining activities impact this area?	No. The mining of the bulli soil will not impact on the wetland area that is near the site.
I&AP	Is there money to be made in selling the bulli?	Yes. The bulli soil is extremely rare and is predominantly used on cricket pitches.
I&AP	Where will the access be to the site? Will it be the same main access road onto the property?	The currently used main access onto the property will continue to be used. No new roads will be created for the proposed mining activities.
I&AP	What do they use the bulli soil for?	The bulli soil is used for making cricket pitches.
I&AP	What is the proximity of the mining site and activities to the wetland / drainage line area?	This will be confirmed and reported on in the DBAR.
I&AP	You will need authorization from the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).	Noted.
I&AP	DWS will need to comment on this application. Please can you send a hardcopy of the Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) to this department for comment. In the DBAR, please make it clear how far the site is from the wetland area and any watercourses. It looks like there will be a very low impact based on the mining activities proposed.	Noted. A hard copy of the DBAR will be sent to DWS.

I&AP	Ms Zama Hadebe will be the person to engage with regarding the General Authorisation and licensing.	Noted.
------	---	--------

**APPENDIX A – COPY OF THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER**