

Background Information Document (BID)

11 February 2015

NOTIFICATION OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION PROCESS IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT (ACT NO. 107 OF 1998) AND THE NATIONAL WATER ACT (ACT NO. 36 OF 1998) FOR THE PROPOSED TOWNSHIP DEVELOPMENT OF PORTION 883 AND PORTION 1713 OF THE FARM RANDJESFONTEIN 405 J.R., TO BE KNOWN AS MIDRIDGE PARK EXT. 25

PRISM EMS REF NO.: 21336 – MIDRIDGE PARK EXT. 25
GDARD REF. NO.: GAUT: 002/14-15/0228

Introduction

The application in this matter, Vukile Property Fund Ltd, has appointed Prism EMS to attend to an application for environmental authorisation from GDARD, as well as a Water Use License from DWA, to facilitate development of Portions 883 and 1713 of the farm Randjesfontein 405 J.R.

The proposed development will consist of two erven zoned 'Special', to facilitate offices, a clinic, and other uses as the Council will permit with special consent. It is the applicant's intention to develop the site with market viable development to uplift and complement the surrounding area. The site is affected by a wetland system to the north of the site, crossing over into the adjacent property to the west.

Legislation

- National Environmental Management Act, 1998**

Section 24 of the NEMA requires that activities (e.g. construction), which may impact on the environment must obtain an environmental authorisation from a relevant authority before commencing with the activities. Such activities are listed under Regulations Listing Notice 1 Government Notice (GN) 544 (dated 2 August 2010) of NEMA.

The activity triggers: Government Notice 544, Activity 11: "The construction of a (vi) bulk storm water outlet structures; or (xi) infrastructure or structures covering 50 square metres or more where such construction occurs within 32 metres of a watercourse.

Government Notice 544, Activity 23: "The transformation of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land to residential, retail, commercial, recreational, industrial or institutional use, inside the urban area, and where the total area to be transformed is 5 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares in size".

- National Water Act, 1998**

The activity triggers will trigger water uses in terms of Section 21 (c) and (i) of the NWA: "Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse and altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse".

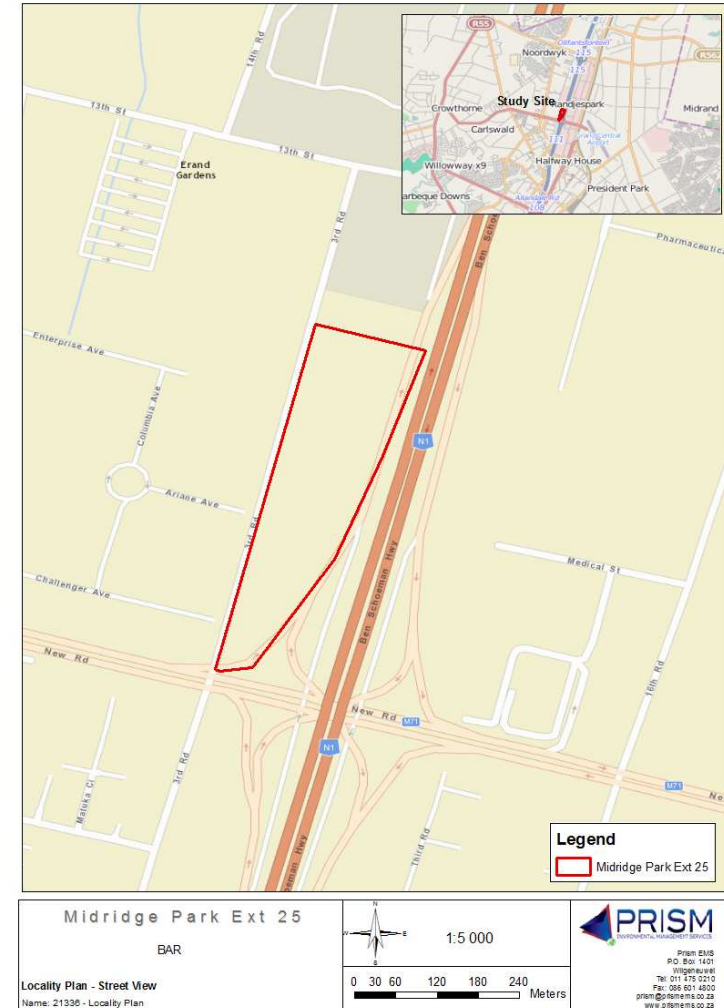
As a result, the developer will also be applying for a Water Use License to permit the proposed development from the Department of Water Affairs.

Location and Size

The subject site is situated north of New Road, east of 3rd Road and west of the N1 (Ben Schoeman Highway) in the Midrand Area. It falls within Ward 97 of the City of Joburg Region B on Portion 883 and Portion 1713 of the Farm Randjesfontein 405 J.R. The total size of the property is 5, 0120 ha. GPS Coordinates: Latitude (S): 25°58'38.18"S, Longitude (E): 28° 7'33.97"E. Refer to Locality Plan for information.

Registering as Interested and Affected Parties

Parties wishing to formally register as Interested and Affected Parties or require additional information are to submit their correspondence in writing to reach Prism EMS no later than 12 March 2015. Please quote Prism EMS Ref No.: 21336 – Midridge Park Ext. 25 and GDARD Ref. No.: GAUT: 002/14-15/0228



Midridge Park Project
Registration and Comment Form
Prism Ref No: 21336 – Midridge Park Ext. 25 GDARD Ref. No.: GAUT: 002/14-15/0228

Kindly complete this form in detail and return to Prism EMS no later than **12 March 2015**.

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Organisation (If applicable): _____

Capacity (e.g. Chairperson, member, etc): _____

Postal Address: _____

Town: _____ Code: _____

1. What is your main area of interest with regard to this project?

2. Are there any additional stakeholders who you feel should be consulted with regard to the project?
**Please provide full contact details.*

3. What are your points of concern or support for this project?

Thank you for your participation.