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Comments during Initial Notification Phase/Registration Period - 2 April 2019 to 6 May 2019										
1	Sonet	Du Plooy		Lead 2 Business	General I&AP	02-Apr-19	I&AP registration	Email	Your company is currently conducting a Basic Impact Assessment for the establishment of a proposed truck dealership on part of Portion 59 development to be known Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ. Please could you forward me the BID for this application and register me as a Interested & Affected party?	Thank you for your email. You have been registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for the proposed development and will be notified of the process as it unfolds.
2	Nosipho	Mashazi	Asset Creation and Land Rights	Eskom Holdings SOC Limited I Gauteng Operations Unit	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	02-Apr-19	General	Email	Provided attached document on how to submit a wayleave.	Thank you for your email. Please note that we are only dealing with the environmental authorisation process. The technical team will be compiling the necessary reports and liaising with Eskom regarding any specific applications required
3	Saartjie	Van Reenan	Administrator	Stonehaven Estate	General I&AP	04-Apr-19	Request for additional information Impact assessment Request for additional information	Registration Form	Areas of Interest: Sewerage Management, refuse and waste: details about recycling; and oil removal. Points of Concern: Traffic at the intersection, noise pollution, operating hours. More information required: Number of staff, traffic management.	Thank you for the completed form. We have registered you as an I&AP and will let you know when the Basic Assessment Report is available. The report will provide more information on your queries (traffic, services etc.). We look forward to your input into the process.
4	Duncan	Hulley	Senior Manager: Development Control	Johannesburg Water	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	04-Apr-19	Services - existing and/or required	Email	Please note that Johannesburg Water will object to this proposed township as there are no municipal sewer services in the area	This matter has been resolved by the technical team. A letter with conditions for establishment from Johannesburg Water is included as part of the Water and Sewer Services Study in Appendi G5. Borehole water will be used to supplement municipal supply and a sewer conservancy tank will be put in place.
5	Katlego	Kale		City of Johannesburg: Impact Management and Compliance Monitoring	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	08-Apr-19	I&AP registration Environmental sensitivity Request for additional information Environmental sensitivity Environmental sensitivity Request for additional information	Letter Letter Letter Registration Form Registration Form Registration Form	Your notice to undertake the environmental authorisation process dated 2 April 2019 refers. The Department acknowledges your intent to undertake and environmental authorisation process and hereby requests that it be registered as an I&AP for the project. The Department has examined this application in terms of various environmental criteria and found that a portion of the site is mapped as a Critical Biodiversity Area according to the COJ Biodiversity Sector Plan. CBAs are landscapes that are critical for conserving biodiversity and maintaining ecosystems functioning in the long term. Therefore, the desired management objectives for CBAs are for them to remain in a natural or near natural ecological conditions i.e. by preventing further loss and degradation. The department requests that a copy of the Draft Basic Assessment Report and other relevant supporting reports need to be sent for comments and review. Area of Interest: CBA and impact on surrounding areas Points of Concern: Environmental Impact and Minimal Impact on the environment and its sensitivities. More information required: Draft BAR and relevant assessment reports	Thank you for the completed registration form. We have added you to the registered I&AP database. Further, the draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) will be provided to COJ for review and comment when it is made available for the 30-day public review. A Ecological Baseline and Impact Assessment has also been undertaken to confirm sensitivities and assess impacts related to the development. The study will be included in the Basic Assessment Report
6	Nosipho	Mashazi	Asset Creation and Land Rights	Eskom Holdings SOC Limited I Gauteng Operations Unit	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	02-Apr-19	General	Email	You still need to follow the process sent to you. Thank you	Noted.
7	Katlego	Kale		City of Johannesburg: Impact Management and Compliance Monitoring	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	09-May-19	General	Email	Thank you and noted	Noted. No response required.
8	George	Vilankulu	Community Representative		Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	02-Apr-19	General	Whatsapp/SMS	Thanks man but now I am not going to be around. I'll be back on Monday. I am in Kimberley for some meetings but thanks a lot I will do it on Monday. No problem man, I will do so.	Hi George, no problem. Please give me a call on Monday if you have any issues finding the documents. They should be with the security guards. Noted.
9	George	Vilankulu	Community Representative		Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	08-Apr-19	General	Whatsapp/SMS	Hi Mam, georgemlambo01@gmail.com is my email address and I did get the papers. Thanks Mam, I even distributed the papers.	Okay, thanks for letting me know George. I will also send you an email. Thank you!
10	Saartjie	Van Reenan	Administrator	Stonehaven Estate	Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	23-Jul-19	General	Email	I'm just following up regarding the Basic Assessment Report, has it been released yet? We would very much like to stay informed of the developments on your side	The Basic Assessment Report has not yet been released and is currently pending finalisation of the various technical reports that are required. I can confirm that you are registered and will therefore be notified of the process as it unfolds
11	Saartjie	Van Reenan	Administrator	Stonehaven Estate	Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	20-Feb-20	General	Email	I'm just following up on the email below. We would very much like to be in the loop of information. We notice they are up and running and was just wondering if anyone would like to communicate with us regarding their plans for future development, answer our questions, etc.	I do apologize for my delayed response previously. In terms of Portion 59 of the Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ, the Basic Assessment process is still on hold while some items related to the technical reports are finalized. We do appreciate the fact that it has taken a much longer than expected but will make sure you are notified as soon as any further information is available. As a registered I&AP, you will be afforded the necessary time to review all documents. In terms of the activity that you mentioned in your email below, please note that the applicant owns 2 properties adjacent to one another. The property where activity is taking place is Portion 168 of the Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ. A Basic Assessment process was undertaken for this property in 2018 and was duly authorized by the Department.
12	Saartjie	Van Reenan	Administrator	Stonehaven Estate	Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	03-Jun-20	General	Email	At least now we know they are not just ignoring us. We just want to be informed really.	It is a pleasure. You are definitely registered and I will make sure you are notified. Once again, I do apologise for my delayed response.
Comments during Initial Re-notification/Registration Period -12 August 2020 to 11 September 2020										
1	Katlego	Kale		City of Johannesburg: Impact Management and Compliance Monitoring	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	12-Aug-20	Impact assessment Water Use Licence	Registration Form Registration Form	Areas of Interest: Proposed impacts and mitigation measures must be included in the report Points of concern: Include application/proof for the water use licence.	Noted. We will add your comments to the comments and responses report and ensure they are addressed in the Basic Assessment Report. A copy of the WULA Technical Report will also form part of Basic Assessment Report so you will have an opportunity to review and comment on it.
2	Saartjie	Van Reenan	Administrator	Stonehaven Estate	Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	12-Aug-20	I&AP registration	Email	Please register us as an Interested and Affected Party: Stonehaven Estate.	Thank you for your email. We will include your details on the Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) database and ensure you are notified of the review of the Basic Assessment Report when its available.
3	Seth	Kgetsi		Johannesburg Roads Agency	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	17-Aug-20	General	Email	Please visit the City of Johannesburg environmental department with regards to your query.	We have notified the COJ Environmental Department and will ensure they receive copies of all reports when they are available. We included JRA as an addition to this.
4	Fred	Poggenpoel			Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	12-Aug-20	I&AP registration	Registration Form	Area of interest: Impact to the area	Thank you for your email. We will add your details to the I&AP database and ensure you are notified of the review of the Basic Assessment Report and associated annexures. These documents will provide more information on the potential impacts of the proposed development. Please feel free to contact me should you require any further information.
5	Banele	Manana		Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	26-Aug-20	I&AP registration	Email	This Department will revert back to you with written comments as time progresses. However, as an Environmental Management postgraduate student I would like to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party for an opportunity to review the Basic Assessment Report	Noted. I will add you to the register of Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) as requested.

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6									Thank you. I did inform the community about it but seems like no problems about it	Noted Ok. Thank you. I do appreciate your assistance.
7	George	Vilankulu	Community Representative		Adjacent Landowner/Occupier	14-Aug-20	General	Whatsapp/SMS		
						12-Sep-20	Timeframes	Whatsapp/SMS	Good afternoon I was asking that maybe when will they get licence, four wheel drive.	Good day, The process is still underway. The Basic Assessment report will be ready for review by the end of September and then we will submit to the Department to make a decision.
							General	Whatsapp/SMS	Thanks	It is a pleasure. I will let you know when the report is ready.
Comments on Basic Assessment Report - 14 October 2020 to 15 November 2020										
1	Banele	Manana		Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	14-Oct-20	General	Email	Thank you. The comments will follow in due time.	Noted in Comments and Responses Report. No formal response necessary.
2	Malesela	Sehona	Senior Admin Officer: SUE Admin Unit	Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD)	Competent Authority	15-Oct-20	General	Email	This is to acknowledge your submission of the BA Application & Draft BAR which was uploaded on 14/10/2020 in respect of your project referenced 002/20-21/E2591	Noted in Comments and Responses Report. No formal response necessary.
							General	Email	Good Day, Kindly find attached the Department's comments regarding the above mentioned application. Should you have any further queries, do not hesitate to contact me.	Thank you for the comments. We will add them to the Comments and Responses Report and where applicable, ensure that the City's requirements are included in the EMPr. We do appreciate your input into the BA process
							General		Attention : Vanessa Stippel DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED VEHICLE DEALERSHIPS AND FACILITIES ON PORTION 59 AND A BOREHOLE AND CONSERVANCY TANK ON PORTION 168 OF THE FARM BULTFONTEIN 533 JQ, JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY. The Draft Basic Assessment Report dated October 2020 refers.	Thank you for the comments. We will add them to the Comments and Responses Report and where applicable, ensure that the City's requirements are included in the EMPr. We do appreciate your input into the BA process
							Project description		Description of the project: The proposed development involves the development a vehicle dealership and facilities for showing, servicing, rental, parking, washing, preparation and administration of cars. The relevant services, roads, and complementary uses (such as offices, workshops, washbays, oil storage, water recycling plants, waste recycling, solar power facilities and ablution facilities etc.) will also be put in place. The development will consist of two phases. Phase 1 will entail the development of two erven. Erf 1 will be zoned "Business 1" for the vehicle dealership and workshops and Erf 2 will be zoned "Parking". Erf 3 will be zoned "Agricultural" and will only be developed in Phase 2 as a panel and paint shop and car rental facility. An Environmental Authorization GAUT 002/17-18/E2160 exists for Portion 168 of Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ, however, additional space and a new listed activity were required for the proposed development, hence the undertaking of the current EIA process	Noted in Comments and Responses Report. No formal response necessary. The project description provided is correct.
							Legislation and policies		Guidelines, by-laws and policies: The report considers the relevant policies, by laws and strategies. The site falls within Region A, Sub Area 1 whose objective is to promote the development of a sustainable long-term spatial structure to ensure the efficiency of the sub area in a city and provincial wide context. The proposed development is aligned with the SDF 2040 to support the development of commercial activities in order to promote economic growth.	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							Alternatives		Description of alternatives: The report details two layout alternatives on the property. The main difference between the two is on Erf 1 with the different locations of the proposed infrastructure.	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							Environmental sensitivity		Description and assessment of the identified environmental issues: The CoJ Bioregional Plan shows part of the proposed development site mapped as Critical Biodiversity Areas (CBA) and Ecological Support Areas (ESAs). CBAs are areas required to meet biodiversity patterns and/ or ecological processes targets. No alternative sites are available to meet these targets; therefore, the desired management of these areas is to maintain them in a natural state with limited or no biodiversity loss. Ecological Support Areas (ESAs). Ecological Support Areas are split based on land cover- ESA 1 being in a largely natural state and ESA 2 areas important for maintaining landscape connectivity. In addition, ecological support areas play an important role in supporting the ecological functioning of Critical Biodiversity Area in delivering associated ecosystem services. Consequently, development in these areas should be planned in a manner that allows for faunal movement.	Noted in the Comments and Responses Report. Further, it should be noted that the Ecologist found that from a desktop perspective, the site falls within Egoli Granite Grassland and CBA area. However, the site visit confirmed that the site is not representative of the vegetation type due to a variety of historic disturbance such as agricultural uses, developments, infrastructure and occurrence of numerous alien invasive species. He also noted that the study area has been severely altered both historically and currently. Factors such as human presence, presence of alien invasive species and the compacting of soil. It is, however, recommended that all Hypoxis hemerocallidea on the study area should be removed from the study area and relocated " In addition, the proposed layout involves the development of a number of facilities including Truck Facilities; Car Facilities; 4x4 Facilities; Taxi Show Room; Production Centre; Panel and Paint Workshop; Vehicle Rental facilities; and Vehicle Storage Parking. As per the Site Layout Plan included in Appendix A, large sections of the eastern part of the site will not be developed and will allow for faunal movement.
							Water Use Licence		The proposed development also triggers the requirements of a Water Use License in terms of Section 21 of the National Water Act(Act 36 of 1998), an application was lodged with the Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation (DHSWS).	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. The WULA is in process as noted by the City.
3	Katlego	Kale	Senior Specialist: Imp	City of Johannesburg: Impa	Commenting Authority/Serv	3-Nov-20		Letter	The following reports are included in the Draft BAR: Ecological Habitat Assessment According to the study, the proposed development site consists of mainly Egoli Granite Grassland which was found to be largely disturbed and transformed by various anthropogenic influences including alien invasive vegetation. One Species of Conservation Concern, the Hypoxis hemerocallidea was found on site. A Search and Rescue Relocation Plan is included in the EMPr in order to relocate the specie during construction. Although the site is mapped as a CBA and ESA, the Department notes that the site is largely transformed by existing buildings and informal tracks criss-crossing the site. The study also confirms that the site is already transformed. The site is abutted by well-developed roads that resulted in significant edge effects that have degraded the site. These roads isolate the site and limit connectivity to other ecological open spaces. It is therefore concluded that from an ecological perspective, the proposed development is endorsed subject to the mitigation measures proposed.	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. This is in line with the findings of the specialist.

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							Specialist studies		Heritage Impact Assessment No significant archaeological sites or material was recorded during the survey. One isolated stone tool was found however, it is out of context and is of no significance. No burial sites were found on site. One structure that could be older than 60 years was identified. If impacted on the age of Feature 1 should be confirmed and if greater than 60 year of age a destruction permit will be required from the Provincial Heritage Resource Agency. Overall, due to the lack of significant heritage resources in the study area the impact of the proposed project on heritage resources is considered low and impacts can be mitigated to an acceptable level	Noted and included in Comments and Responses Report. This is in line with the findings of the specialist.
							Specialist studies		Geohydrological Assessment The report states that potential groundwater related impacts are expected to be insignificant and unlikely to impact third party groundwater users or groundwater contribution to baseflow. The report recommends that the existing borehole on site should be monitored for monthly for water levels and quarterly for qualities. Based on the information provided from attached technical reports, including the WUL report, bulk services report and stormwater management plan and the fact that the adjacent property had already been approved, the Department supports the volumes of groundwater withdrawal and the on-site sanitation as per the inputs from Joburg Water.	Noted and included in Comments and Responses Report. This is in line with the findings of the specialist and the comments from Johannesburg Water (included in Appendix G).
							Specialist studies		Traffic Impact Assessment The proposed development will generate 466117 peak hour trips. The study supports the application but subjects it to the upgrade of the access road and intersections .	Noted. All necessary road and intersection upgrades will be undertaken as required by the Traffic Impact Assessment. Please also note that the proposed development is expected to generate approximately 445 vph and 466 vph during the AM and PM peak hours respectively (not 466117).
							Mitigation Measures		Evaluation and presentation of mitigation measures: Mitigation measures for each identified environmental impact and are outlined and adequately addressed in Section E of the DBAR. The proposed mitigation measures are also included in the Draft EMPr, which is included as Appendix H.	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							General		Recommendations: Based on the review of the report, the Department has no objection to the application subject to the following: •The current and/or planned boreholes must be registered with the Department's Water Management and Biodiversity unit.	Noted. This requirement has been added to the EMPr.
							Municipal requirements		•The recommendations from the specialist's studies and mitigation measures outlined in the EMPr must be implemented.	Noted. The EMPr will form part of the Environmental Authorisation (should it be granted) and will thus be a requirement.
							Municipal requirements		•A Site Development Plan must be submitted to the Department for review.	Noted. This requirement has been added to the EMPr.
							Municipal requirements		•The submitted stormwater management plan must be approved by both JRA and EISD prior to the approval of the SOP	Noted. This requirement has been added to the EMPr.
							Municipal requirements		•The site must be landscaped with 10 % indigenous vegetation to the satisfaction of the local authority	Noted. This requirement has been added to the EMPr.
							Municipal requirements		A copy of the Environmental Authorization showing approval by GDARD must be forwarded to this Department.	Noted. This requirement has been added to the EMPr.
							General		Dear Ms. Vanessa Stippel, APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF A TRUCK DEALERSHIP AND FACILITIES AS WELL AS BOREHOLE ON A PART OF PORTIONS 59 AND 168 OF THE FARM BULTFONTEIN 533-IQ	Noted. All comments are included in the Comments and Responses Report. Please refer to responses to specific items below.
							Project description		Regarding the above-mentioned Draft Basic Assessment Report received by the Department on 14 October 2020, herewith receive the comments from the Department. 1.Description of the site/property/route and development	Noted in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							Impact assessment		2.Impacts Identification, Assessment and Mitigation The identification and assessment of impacts must be included in the final report. The assessment and identification of impacts must lead to a conclusion that the mitigation measures identified will reduce such impacts to an acceptable level.	Section E2 of the Basic Assessment Report (both the document made available for public review as well as the Final submission) provide a detailed Impact Assessment. A copy of the full Impact Assessment is also included in Appendix I1. In addition, for each identified impact included in the Impact Assessment, the necessary and appropriate mitigation measure has been included so that it is possible to determine the significance of the proposed impact taking into account mitigation measures. Lastly, these same mitigation measures are also included in the EMPr so to ensure the necessary mitigation measures are implemented.
							Need and Desirability		3.Need and desirability of the development The need and desirability of the development is included in the Draft Basic Assessment Report and is justified and is noted by the Department.	Noted and included in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							Environmental sensitivity		4.Maps, layout plans, services route positioning A detailed large-scale layout plan with a descriptive legible legend portraying the proposed activity and indicating the total footprint of the proposed development overlying all the sensitivities of the site is required. The layout plan must clearly depict the portion numbers of the application as well as the proposed individual activity component of the proposed development. All sensitivities need to be delineated in accordance with the GOARD Minimum Requirements for Biodiversity Assessments.	Please refer to Appendix A - Final Sensitivity Plan for a copy of the sensitivity map which has been updated to include the proposed development footprint as well as the sensitivities identified by the various specialists. Further, the site plan for the proposal and alternative are also included in Appendix A.
							Mitigation Measures		5.Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) The Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) must be submitted to the Department for approval. The site specific EMPr must be included in the Final BAR, highlighting all identified impacts and their associated mitigations. Furthermore, the EMPr must be in line with the content requirements as stipulated in Appendix 4 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014.	Please refer to Appendix H of the Basic Assessment Report (both the document made available for public review as well as the final submission). Section 2 and particular Table 2-1 provide a summary of how the EMPr is in line with the requirements of Appendix 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014. All impacts identified by the impact assessment are included in the EMPr and appropriate mitigation measures provided. The EMPr is site specific and includes a description of the proposed development as well as a sensitivity plan taking into account the findings of the specialists.

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4	Teboho	Leku	Control Environmental Officer - Impact Management	Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD)	Competent Authority	9-Nov-20	Public participation	Letter	<p>6.Public participation process</p> <p>The Public Participation Register should continue to be updated as and when new comments and inputs are received. All registered interested affected parties must be informed of any new information about the proposed development and must be given an opportunity to comment on all the documents in accordance with the minimum requirements of Chapter 6 of EIA Regulations, 2014. This process can be limited to notifying all registered interested and affected parties via email or postal address or physical address for those who cannot be reached through the other two methods.</p>	<p>Initial Public Participation was undertaken in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014. As part of this, the following has been undertaken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •A potential I&AP database was compiled and included Adjacent Landowners, Ward Councillors, Authorities and Potential I&APs. •A Background Information Document (BID) was compiled and included information on the proposed development, services and roads and included a map showing all these components. •An advert was placed in the Star Newspaper on 2 April 2019 to notify potential Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) of the project and to request that they register their interest in the project. •Site notices and notification of adjacent landowners and other I&APs also took place via email and hand delivery and the BID was provided as part of this. •All registered I&APs were added to the I&AP database and all comments received added to the Comments and Responses Report. <p>Due to necessary consultation with Johannesburg Water by the professional team, which took quite some time initial public participation was redone as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •An updated I&AP database was compiled and includes all registered I&APs from the previous notification period as well as the necessary commenting and competent authorities, ward councillor and adjacent landowners. Adjacent landowners were also contacted telephonically to confirm their details and to determine their preferred means of communication. •An advert was placed in the Star Newspaper on 12 August 2020 to notify potential I&APs of the project and to request that they register their interest in the project. •Site notices and notification of adjacent landowners and other I&APs also took place via email and the updated BID was provided as part of this. •There is an informal settlement adjacent to the development: In order to ensure the members of this settlement were adequately informed, the community representative was contacted, and the proposed development was explained to him. A BID was then provided via whatsapp so that it could be circulated to community members. A site notice was also placed at the road entrance to the settlement. <p>In line with the new Permitting Regulations (GN 650 of 5 June 2020), a Public Participation Plan was compiled and submitted to GDARD on 31 July 2020. The plan was subsequently approved on the same day.</p> <p>In addition to the above, notification of the review of the Basic Assessment Report and WULA Technical Report has been undertaken as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Emails and/or Whatsapp messages were sent to all the registered I&APs to notify them of the 30-day review period on 14 October 2020. •Hard copies and/or electronic copies (USB Flash drive) of the BAR were submitted to competent and commenting authorities including the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD), the City of Johannesburg (CoJ), and Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation (DHSWS) on 14 October 2020. •A copy has also been uploaded to the South African Heritage Resources Information System (SAHRIS) to facilitate the review and comment by the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA) and the Provincial Heritage Resources Agency of Gauteng (PHRA-G) on 14 October 2020. •A 30-day public review was provided between 14 October 2020 and 14 November 2020. <p>The BAR has been updated with comments received during this period (although it should be noted that no substantive comments were received). All comments received have been included in the Comments and Responses Report in Appendix E6. All comments are also included in Appendix E7.</p>
							Engineering aspects/stormwater	<p>7.Any other issues noted</p> <p>Comments from the City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality dated 3 November 2020 must fully be addressed and an annexure attached to the PPP component of the BAR indicating how all such comments have been addressed. A bulk service report to determine infrastructure requirements and capacity to cater for the proposed development must be included in the Final Basic Assessment Report.</p>	<p>Noted. Please refer to the Item 4 above and the responses thereto. It should however be noted that the City of Johannesburg's comments did not raise any specific concerns and thus a specific annexure detailing how the comments have been addressed is not necessary. In summary the comments noted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Provided a project description of the proposed development - Provided the legislative context of the development and noted that the proposed development was in line with the planning for the area - Summarised the alternatives provided - Noted the environmental sensitivity in terms of the COJ Environmental Layers (but refer to later paragraph regarding Baseline Ecological Habitat Assessment) - Noted that a Water Use Licence is in process - Summarised the findings of the specialist studies. In this regard, it is important to note that the comments said: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Although the site is mapped as a CBA and ESA, the Department notes that the site is largely transformed by existing buildings and informal tracks criss-crossing the site. The study also confirms that the site is already transformed. The site is abuted by well-developed roads that resulted in significant edge effects that have degraded the site. These roads isolate the site and limit connectivity to other ecological open spaces. It is therefore concluded that from an ecological perspective, the proposed development is endorsed subject to the mitigation measures proposed. - Based on the information provided from attached technical reports, including the WUL report, bulk services report and stormwater management plan and the fact that the adjacent property had already been approved, the Department supports the volumes of groundwater withdrawal and the on-site sanitation as per the inputs from Joburg Water. - Noted that mitigation measures were provided as part of the Impact Assessment and included in the EMP. - Noted that the Department had no objection but requested a number of conditions (including Site Development Plan and Stormwater Management Plan being submitted to COJ for approval). These requirements have been included in the EMP. <p>Lastly, please note that a detailed Bulk Services Report was compiled and is included in Appendix G5. This report has been submitted to Johannesburg Water by the technical team. Comments were received from Johannesburg Water on 12 June 2020 and note that borehole water must be used to supplement municipal supply. This is being undertaken and a WULA is in process to obtain approval. The comments also note that sewerage must be dealt with on site. In line with this the development includes a sewerage conservancy tank.</p>	
							General	<p>The application form for this proposed development must also be attached to the Final Basic Assessment Report for ease of reference.</p> <p>If you have any queries regarding the contents of this letter, please contact the official of the Department using any of the above indicated contact details</p>	<p>An application was submitted on the Online system and a hard copy submitted to GDARD. However, as requested, the application form has been included in Appendix I5 of the final submission of the BAR.</p>	
5	Banele	Manana		Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport	Commenting Authority/Service Provider	13-Nov-20	Project description	Letter	<p>Good Morning Vanessa,</p> <p>Regarding the above-mentioned report stated in subject matter, please note that the Gauteng Strategic Transportation Network namely, provincial Road(s): K29 (P103-1) and K33 (D1027) is/are affected and such, in terms of the Gauteng Transport Infrastructure Act, 2001 (Act No 8 of 2001), when an application for a township establishment, change of land use (rezoning, subdivision, consent use etc) is lodged with the relevant authority, the said application must be lodged with this Department for evaluation.</p> <p>However, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014, as amended, the proposed development requires an environmental authorisation and to obtain authorisation relevant documents must be submitted to the competent authority Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD).</p> <p>This Department will participate in the above mentioned Environmental Impact Assessment process by ensuring that this report complies with the EIA Regulations with regards to the provincial Road(s) K29 (P103-1) and K33 (D1027). It has been noted that in your report dated October 2020 during the public participation process attachments which serves as proof that sufficient information regarding the description of the project was communicated to the public through various forms of communication. These forms of communication included newspaper advertisement on The Star newspaper, site notices, sufficient time frame (30 days) for interested and Affected Parties (I&AP) to comment and register as participants. It was further noted that the contact details of the person I&AP can contact to register or obtain more information of this development was clearly indicated in the advertisement, and the comments from I&AP were responded to accordingly.</p>	<p>Thank you for the comments. They have been included in the Comments and Responses Report. Please note in regard to your first point, that the applicant has appointed a technical team which includes Chrsen Consulting who compiled the Traffic Impact Assessment. As part of this, a copy of the report was submitted to the Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport. The attached comments were received where the Department supports the development subject to a number of conditions.</p> <p>We would like thank you for your input into the process.</p>
							General	<p>Noted. Comment included in Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.</p>		
							Public participation	<p>Noted and confirmed. Public Participation has been undertaken in terms of the necessary requirements in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014. All registered I&APs were provided with 30 days to review and comment on the Basic Assessment Report and all comments received have been included in this Comments and Responses Report.</p>		

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							Mitigation Measures		Furthermore, the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) of this proposed development includes all the required EMPr components as per EIA Regulations. The required components include all phases of project life cycle, the responsible compliance authority to monitor compliance in all phases of this development, the predicted adverse environmental impacts and the mitigation measures that must be implemented to ensure conservation of the surrounding environment.	Noted and confirmed. The EMPr has been compiled in terms of Appendix 4 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 and thus takes into account the necessary requirements.
							General		This report has included details such as, educational competency of the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) that prepared the report, curriculum vitae, registration with a professional body and a declaration that the proponent in this case 4 Wheel Drive Property Holdings (Pty) Ltd has appointed an independent EAP (Prism Environmental Management Services) to prepare this report.	Noted. No response required.
							General		In conclusion, please note that this report complies with the NEMA legislative requirements for the proposed development and has provided the best environmental practices to promote sustainability and conservation for the surrounding environment. This report has included all the relevant documentation and components required when compiling an environmental impact assessment report for authorisation.	Noted. No response required.
6	Andrew	Salomon	Heritage Officer: Arc	South African Heritage Res	Commenting Authority/Serv	1-Dec-20	Project description		Proposed Development of Vehicle Dealerships and Facilities on Portion 59 of the Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ as well as a Borehole and Sewer Conservancy Tank on Portion 168 of the Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ Van der Walt, J. March 2019. Heritage Impact Assessment For The Proposed Development of Vehicle Dealerships And Facilities On Portion 59 Of The Farm Bultfontein 533 JQ, Lanseria, Gauteng The proposed development entails a vehicle dealership and associated infrastructure. One isolated Early Stone Age stone tool was found during the survey; the artefact is out of context, broken by ploughing activities and, according to the author, is of no significance apart from noting its presence in this report. The assessment yielded no surface evidence of significant archaeological heritage resources or features. The SA Palaeontological Sensitivity Map indicates that the study area has insignificant fossil sensitivity. Final Comment	Noted in the Comments and Responses Report. No formal response required.
							Mitigation Measures	Letter	SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit has no objections to this proposed development, provided that the recommendations in the specialist reports and this comment are adhered to, and in addition on the following conditions: - If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g., remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments and charcoal/ash concentrations) or palaeontological remains are found during the proposed activities, SAHRA must be alerted immediately, and a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, based on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of significance a Phase 2 rescue operation might be necessary.	Noted in the Comments and Responses Report. A Chance Find Procedure is included in the EMPr and provides for the following requirement in line with the mitigation measures recommended by the Specialist: "•A Heritage Impact Assessment was undertaken, and the following mitigation measures recommended: aConfirmation of the age of Feature 1 is required and should it be older than 60 years, a permit from SAHRA will be required prior to demolition; and implementation of a chance find procedure. bIf during the pre-construction phase, construction, operations or closure phases of this project, any person employed by the developer, one of its subsidiaries, contractors and subcontractors, or service provider, finds any artefact of cultural significance or heritage site, this person must cease work at the site of the find and report this find to their immediate supervisor, and through their supervisor to the senior on-site manager. cIt is the responsibility of the senior on-site Manager to make an initial assessment of the extent of the find and confirm the extent of the work stoppage in that area. dThe senior on-site Manager will inform the ECO of the chance find and its immediate impact on operations. The ECO will then contact a professional archaeologist for an assessment of the finds who will notify the SAHRA. "
							Mitigation Measures		If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage graves, mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow.	
							Mitigation Measures		Should the project be granted Environmental Authorisation, SAHRA must be notified and all relevant documents submitted to the case on SAHRIS. Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.	Noted in the Comments and Responses Report. SAHRA will be notified of the decision and a copy of the EA provided as requested.