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| Subject: | RE: Poole's Bay NHRA and commenting authority discussions - notes |

Dear Kozette

Thanks for your email, I will keep an eye out for the BAR later this month.

Kind regards

Briege

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Dear Briege,

Thank you very much for your response and confirmation.

I have not received any feedback from Stephanie, so unless she indicates otherwise before we issue the revised draft BAR by mid November, I will assume that she is in agreement and that they don't need to comment further on this application. The NID previously submitted is no longer valid as it refers to Erf 6088, which will not be affected as previously thought.

We will nevertheless refer to the NID and supporting documentation to enrich the BAR.

Kind regards

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#### Dear Kozette

Thanks for the below email where you summarised the points of our discussion. I think you captured everything we discussed and there is no need to add anything further. I look forward to receiving the updated documents once they are ready for the new commenting period.

Kind regards

Briege

From: Kozette Myburgh <<u>kozette@ecosense.co.za</u>>
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Importance: High

Dear Briege,

I trust you are well.

Thank you for meeting with us last Friday. From our discussions the following, which I will also confirm with Stephanie-Anne from Heritage Western Cape.

- The proposed layout, some drone imagery and engineering structural design drawings were shown to
  provide context and an idea of how the proposal will appear in the landscape and also to show the
  alignment along the HWM. It was noted that it is still conceptual and that we are working on some
  simulations to have a better visual presentation to present to the public and authorities, which would be
  included in the revised BAR that will hopefully be available for comment from mid-Nov.
- 2. SAHRA is the competent authority for structures below the HWM and Heritage Western Cape would therefore not need to comment on such proposals.
- 3. We have previously submitted a NID as with the previous alternative, the connection points of the path would have been above the HWM. The NID previously indicated the project traversing Erf 6088 and also next to Erf 12257 up onto municipal land, which is no longer the case (WC's comment was issued with reference to erf 6088).
- 4. Since the original NID submission, the layout and design has been revised as we have received an updated HWM survey and an alternative design
- 5. The structures for the preferred alternative would be less conspicuous than what was presented in the NID and earlier draft BAR's.
- 6. The project would now be entirely below the HWM, except maybe for 5m of stone steps on the western end where it would connect to the existing Cliff path. We need confirmation from Heritage Western Cape if their input will still be required if the majority of the project falls below the HWM (total approximate length of the path is 850m)
- 7. Clarity is needed from Heritage Western Cape if this will still require their comment, or if the NID previously submitted can / should be withdrawn.
- 8. Information contained in the NID will still inform the BAR.
- 9. In response to comments received, a visual impact statement has been completed to include the December 2020 Alternative, as well as a revised alternative. The difference between the two alternatives is essentially the design as the alignment below the HWM is not negotiable (above the HWM is private property)
- 10. Some local heritage resources (private properties bordering onto the HWM) are listed in the municipal heritage overlay zone as heritage resources.
- 11. The visual Impact statement also considered heritage aspects and the local resources (ito scenic resources), but more in the broader context and the impact on landscape. The proposal would be visible to these resources, but would not impact them otherwise.

- 12. The visual study provides guidelines for mitigation of visual impact, which is to be taken into account during detail design.
- 13. A Heritage Impact Assessment was requested by IAPs, but we have refuted the need due to relatively low impact on archaeological resources and the initial comment from Heritage Western Cape not requesting further studies. We are also of the opinion that the visual statement addresses heritage aspects sufficiently so an HIA is not warranted.
- 14. As stated, and known to us, should any of the structures older than 60 years be altered (tidal pool, swimming pool and steps), a permit will be applied for. This would only be done during detail design and is a relatively quick process.
- 15. The tidal pool may be affected if a pillar for the structure is required to be erected inside it, an elevated structure is proposed next to the swimming poll which may need to be secured to the side, but the stone steps (also above the HWM) will not be changed, although it will become part of the connection path. They have always been in use for access down to the pebble beach on the eastern side.
- 16. The revised documents will all be uploaded onto SAHRIS for further comment.

Please let us know if the above is an accurate reflection of our discussions or if we need to change or add any points.

I have asked Stephanie-Anne for a follow-up discussion, so I can get confirmation from Heritage Western Cape side also about the NID as discussed and any other requirements. I would also like to show her the visuals so she may be more familiar with what is being proposed as well.

Thank you again for your advice and kind assistance.

Warm regards,

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