Application for Environmental Authorisation for the Proposed Extensions to River Lodge and WWTW Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo Province

APPENDIX E PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

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APPENDIX E.1 Process notices and advertisements

Proof of Placement

Newspaper advertisement

A newspaper advertisement was placed in the Hoedspruit Herald on 29 November 2019.

HOEDSPRUIT HERALD Friday November 29, 2019

Baby Keletso benefits from Rotary



NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS: PROPOSED EXTENSIONS TO RIVER LODGE AND INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES IN KAPAMA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

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assessment process provided for in Regulation 19 read with Appendix 1 of GN R326 of the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended under NEMA will be followed for the application.

If you are an Interested and / or Affected Party and would like to register as part of the public participation process, please provide your name, contact details, and the nature of your interest in the project to the person below by no later than Monday 20 January 2020.

To register or for more information, please contact Bryony van Niekerk (Nuleaf Planning and Environmental) Tel: 012 753 5792; Fax: 086 571 6292; Email: bryony@nuleafsa.co.za



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e procedure if an lead to them

Dr Fatti confirmed that the proliferation of little club feet is not just a South African phenomena but worldwide.

Ole Ahrens, Rotary Hoedspruit President and Rotarian Jill Ovens arranged and sponsored little Keletso to go from the Oalse every week with his parents to have his treatment with Dr Fattl at Tintswalo Hospital.

Rotarian, Christine du Preez, Director of Hlokomela Clinic provided a carer to accompany him for the first five visits and Jill drove him to the hospital.

All Rotarians are working together for their community.

Ahrens who was recently on a visit to the crèche saw Keletso and was amazzed at how he was recovering.

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Now eight months later after diligently wearing his boots and brace at night for the second phase of his treatment he is nearing the end of his correctional procedure and has only a few more hospital visits left at which point he will be able to comfortably run around the playground with his friends.

For anyone interested visit www.steps.org.

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Tzaneen Prayer Meetings. Every Sunday at 10H00 LETABA TVET COLLEGE

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The estate of the late Karen Lesley James





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Site notices

Site notices were placed at the entrance gate to Kapama and at the reception of the 4 lodges (River Lodge, Bufflao Camp, Karula and Southern Camp) on 29 November 2019:



River Lodge

Latitude 24°25'37.95"S Longitude 31° 1'44.72"E





Buffalo Camp

Latitude 24°27′59.29″S Longitude 31° 3′4.02″E





Southern Camp

Latitude 24°27'19.04"S Longitude 31° 4'58.38"E



Karula

Latitude 24°27'31.43"S Longitude 31° 6'21.90"E

BID

The following document was circulated to identified Stakeholders, Compliance Authorities and Interested and Affected Parties on 29 November 2019.



PROPOSED EXTENSIONS TO RIVER LODGE AND INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADES IN KAPAMA PRIVATE GAME RESERVE, LIMPOPO PROVINCE

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT

November 2019

In terms of the 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations published in terms of Section 24(5) of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998 (NEMA), the Project Applicant hereby gives notice of its intention to apply for Environmental Authorisation from the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET) as the competent authority, for the proposed extensions to River Lodge and Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo Province.

The Basic Assessment process provided for in Regulation 19 read with Appendix 1 of GN R326 of 4 December 2014 of the 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended published under NEMA will be followed for the application for Environmental Authorisation.

By virtue of location, you have been identified as a potential Interested and I or Affected Party (I&AP) to this process, and are hereby invited to participate.

WHAT THIS DOCUMENT TELLS YOU

This Background Information Document (BID), provides you, as a potential I&AP, with background information on the proposed project, as well as, information regarding the Basic Assessment (BA) process to be undertaken to assess the potential impacts (i.e. positive and negative, as well as direct, indirect, and cumulative) of the proposed project.

It further indicates how you can participate in the assessment process, receive information and raise issues that may concern and / or interest you. The sharing of information forms an important component of the Public Participation Process as it not only provides I&APs with the opportunity to become actively involved, but also provides information that may be of value for the proposed development.

PROPERTY & PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The properties affected are: the Remaining extent of the farm Hoedspruit 82 KU (River lodge), Portion 228 of the farm Guernsey 81 KU (Karula), Remaining extent of Portion 4 of the farm Moria 83 KU (Buffalo Camp), Portion 213 (ptn of Ptn 194) of the Farm Guernsey 81 KU (Southern Camp), Remaining extent of the farm Hoedspruit 82

KU (Staff Village) and are situated within Kapama Private Game Reserve in Maruleng Local Municipality, approximately 20 Km south of Hoedspruit.

The proposed development entails the expansion of River Lodge located within Kapama Private Game Reserve. The expansion will consist of the construction of a new dining room and approximately 20 tourism accommodation suites. All associated civil infrastructure (water, electricity and waste treatment) will be included. Additionally, new wastewater treat works will be constructed at the four lodges and staff village within Kapama Private Game Reserve.

PROJECT MOTIVATION

The motivation and reasoning behind the proposed expansion at River Lodge in Kapama Private Game Reserve is to further develop the growing tourism industry and possible tourism linkages within the area. Kapama Private Game Reserve is situated in a prime position. The Kruger National Park lies to the east, with many other game and nature reserves nearby such as Thornynush Private Nature Reserve, Blyde River Canyon Nature Reserve and Timbavati Game Reserve. These Game and Nature Reserves are within easy driving distance from Gauteng and are also popular Big 5 game viewing and tourism destinations. It is, therefore, important that the natural recreational potential of this region be explored. In order to do this, accommodation facilities need be developed in the greater region that will help to unlock the natural potential of the region.

Additionally, the waste water treatment works at the 4 lodges (River lodge, Buffalo Camp, Karula and Southern Camp) and the staff village are aging and needs to be replaced.

THE BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS

NuLeaf Planning and Environmental (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by Applicant to conduct the Basic Assessment process for the proposed extensions to River lodge. The 2014 EIA Regulations, as amended in April 2017 and its associated Listing Notices [Listing Notice 1 (GN R327) and Listing Notice 3 (GN R324)] specify the activities that require a Basic Assessment. The activities triggered by the proposed development include the following listed activities:

| Number and date of the relevant Listing Notice: | Activity Number (s) (in terms of the relevant Listing Notice): | Description of each listed activity as per the detailed project description |
|---|---|---|
| GN R.327 (Listing Notice 1) | 12 (ii) (a) (c) | The development of (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square meters or more where such development occurs within (a) a watercourse or (c) within 32 |

| | | meters or a watercourse. |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| | 27 | The clearance of an area of 1 hectare or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation. |
| | 4 (e) (i) (ee) (gg) | The development of a road wider than 4 meters with a reserve of less than 13,5 m in (e) Limpopo (i) outside urban areas in (ee) critical biodiversity areas in (gg) areas within 5 Km of any other protected area. |
| GN R. 324 (Listing Notice 3) | 12 (e) (ii) (iii) | The clearance of an area of 300 square meters or more of indigenous vegetation in (e) Limpopo (ii) critical biodiversity areas (iii) on land zoned open space, conservation or had an equivalent zoning. |
| | 14 (ii) (a) (c); (e) (i) (ff) (hh) | The development of (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 10 square meters or more where such development occurs within (a) a watercourse or (c) within 32 m of a watercourse in (e) Limpopo (i) outside urban areas in (ff) critical biodiversity areas and (hh) within 5 Km of any other protected area. |
| | 17 (e) (i) (ee) (gg) | The expansion of a resort, lodge, hotel, tourism or hospitality facilities where the development footprint will be expanded and the expanded facility can accommodate an additional 15 people or more in (e) Limpopo (i) outside urban areas in (e) critical biodiversity areas within (gg) 5 Km of any protected area |

- An independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) must undertake the process on behalf of the applicant to ensure objectivity.
- The first step of the process is to submit an Application for Environmental Authorisation to the Competent Authority, which in this case is the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET).
- The EAP must conduct a Public Participation Process, and afford any and all persons interested and
 /or affected by the proposed development an opportunity to register and participate in the process. A 30
 day registration period is allowed for, as well as, an opportunity to ask questions, submit concerns etc.
- The EAP must then prepare a Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR), inclusive of specialist reports
 and a draft Environmental Management Programme (EMPr), which describes both the project and the
 environment and assesses the anticipated impact of the project on the environment, and makes
 recommendations in terms of mitigation and management.
- Once complete, the Draft BAR will be circulated to all registered I&APs who are entitled to submit
 written comments in respect thereof. A 30 day comment period is allowed for in terms of Regulation
 40 (1) of the 2014 EIA Regulations.
- Once all comments from registered I&APs have been addressed, the EAP will submit the Final BAR to the Competent Authority for consideration.
- The Competent Authority is then required to make a decision on the application for Environmental Authorisation (i.e. either positive or negative).

- Once the Competent Authority has made a decision on the Final BAR, the EAP must communicate the
 outcome thereof to all I&APs who registered during the Public Participation Process.
- I&AP's have the right to Appeal against the decision of the Competent Authority should they feel the
 need to do so, in which case, the Competent Authority will review and reconsider the application. The
 appeal process is regulated in terms of the 2014 National Appeal Regulations published in terms of GN
 R993 on 8 December 2014 under NEMA.

ROLE OF INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

You have been identified as a potential Stakeholder or I&AP, and are hereby invited to participate in this EIA Process. If you would like to be involved in this process, comment on draft reports, provide input, raise concerns, or simply remain informed of the project process, please register as a Stakeholder via a return email, fax or post to the contact details provided below.

Registration as a Stakeholder must reach the Environmental Assessment Practitioner listed below by no later than Monday 20 January 2020

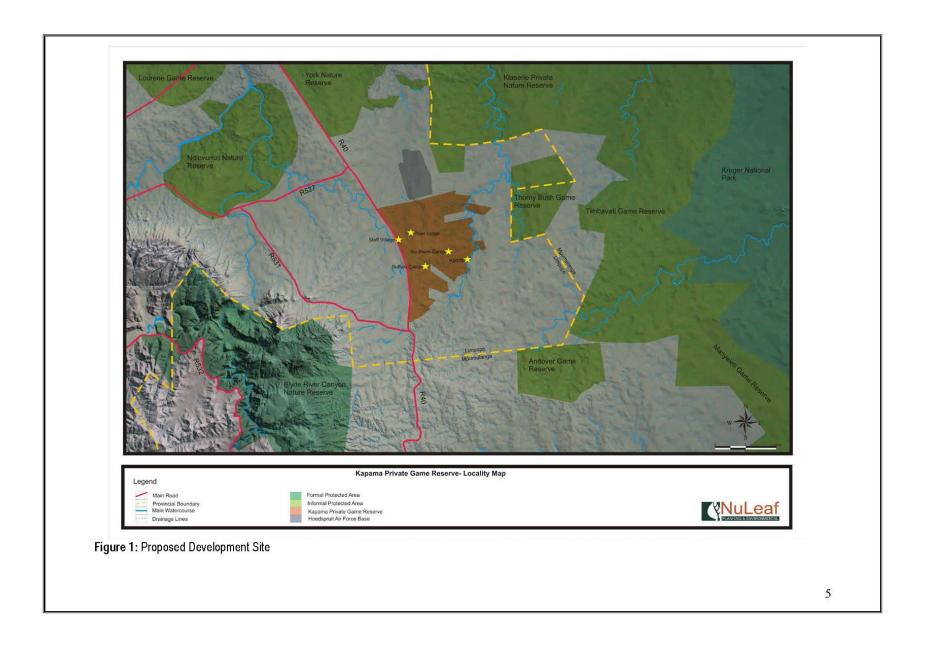
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APPENDIX E.2 Key stakeholders

Proof of Notification

Bryony van Niekerk

From: Bryony van Niekerk <bryony@nuleafsa.co.za>

 Sent:
 29 November 2019 13:04

 To:
 'Bryony van Niekerk'

Subject: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River Lodge and

Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo Province

Attachments: BID Kapama Expansion 2019.pdf

Tracking: Recipient Read

Bryony van Niekerk'

'letholes@maruleng.gov.za'

'mudaun@mopani.gov.za'

'komapem@dws.gov.za'

'lshiruruvhelaT@dws.gov.za'

'john.wesson@wessa.co.za'

Wehncke vd Merwe'

'MariéTinka Uys'

'Nicholas Theron'

'K2C database EM projects'

Tracy Petersen'

'moditloestatehoa@gmail.com' Read: 2019/11/29 13:47

'Executive Director'
'Mostert, I. (lan)'
'Adine Roode'

Dear Compliance Authority & Interested and Affected Parties,

Notice is given in terms of section 24(5) read with section 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) of intent to carry out the following activity:

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As an identified Compliance Authority or Interested and Affected Party, we require your input and comment on the above mentioned development.

The attached background information document provides further information pertaining to the proposed project.

If you are not the correct person to receive this information, please be so kind as to refer this document on.

Feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Regards,

Bryony van Niekerk (BSc Hons. EMA)



Read Receipts

Bryony van Niekerk

From: Annelie Roets <moditloestatehoa@gmail.com>

 To:
 'Bryony van Niekerk'

 Sent:
 29 November 2019 13:47

Subject: Read: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River

Lodge and Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo

Province

Your message

To: Unknown Subject:

Bryony van Niekerk

From: Komape Martha (PLK) < KomapeM@dws.gov.za >

 Sent:
 29 November 2019 15:16

 To:
 Bryony van Niekerk

Subject: Read: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River

Lodge and Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo

Province

Attachments: Read: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to R... (6.30

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Bryony van Niekerk

From: Lerutla Rodney (MBA) < LerutlaR@dws.gov.za>

 Sent:
 02 December 2019 10:29

 To:
 Bryony van Niekerk

Subject: Read: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River

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Replies and Registration

Bryony van Niekerk

From: Debbie Wessels <debbiew@12b.co.za>

 Sent:
 31 January 2020 08:40

 To:
 bryony@nuleafsa.co.za

Subject: River lodge in Kapama Private Game Reserve

Good Morning

My apologies for the late request. Please could I be added as an interested party and could I please get a copy of the BID for the proposed extensions to River Lodge and infrastructure upgraded in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo?

Thanking you in anticipation

Kind regards



Debbie Wessels

Head of Department W: www.L2B.co.za

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Bryony van Niekerk

From: K2C database EM projects <k2cdatacapturer@gmail.com>

 Sent:
 05 December 2019 08:25

 To:
 bryony@nuleafsa.co.za

Cc: Romy Antrobus-Wuth; info; Nicholas Theron

Subject: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River Lodge and

Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo Province

Dear Bryony van Niekerk

Please register K2C BR as I&/AP for the above mentioned BA Process. Please contact Ms. Keneilwe Mmushi on 060 586 1336 or send an email: k2cdatacapturer@gmail.com if any new information/communication related to the proposed process comes forth.



Bryony van Niekerk

From: K2C database EM projects <k2cdatacapturer@gmail.com>

 Sent:
 05 December 2019 08:25

 To:
 bryony@nuleafsa.co.za

Cc: Bufferzone; Marisa.Coetzee@sanparks.org; tracy.petersen@sanparks.org

Subject: Notification of Basic assessment Process. Proposed Extensions to River Lodge and

Infrastructure Upgrades in Kapama Private Game Reserve, Limpopo Province

Dear Bryony van Niekerk

Please register SANParks KNP as I&/AP for the above mentioned BA Process. Please contact Mr. Wehncke Van der Merwe on 084 796 0834 or send and email: bufferzone@kruger2canyons.org if any new information/communication related to the proposed process comes forth.



APPENDIX E.3 Comments and response register

No comments have been received to date. All comments on the DBAR will be included in the final report.

| Summary of main issues raised by I&APs | Summary of response from EAP | | |
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APPENDIX E.4 List of Registered Interested and Affected Parties

| | COMPLIANCE AUTHORITIES/C | RGANS OF STATE | |
|------------------------|--|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Maruleng Local Municipality- Municipal | | |
| Sutane Lethole | Manager | 157 932 409 | letholes@maruleng.gov.za |
| | Mopani District Municipality- | | |
| N Mudau | Environmental Management | 761 133 733 | mudaun@mopani.gov.za |
| Ms MM Komape | DWS | +27 15 290-1462 | komapem@dws.gov.za |
| Takalani Tshiruruvhela | DWS | 071 886 4105 | TshiruruvhelaT@dws.gov.za |
| Rodney Lerutla | DWS | 829 791 080 | LerutlaR@dws.gov.za |
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| | STAKEHOLDER | S | |
| John Wesson | WESSA | 0834447649 | john.wesson@wessa.co.za |
| | Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Reserve/ | | |
| Wehncke van der Merwe | SANParks | 847 960 834 | bufferzone@kruger2canyons.org |
| Marie-Tinka Uys | Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Reserve | 158 171 838 | info@kruger2canyons.org |
| Nicholas Theron | Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region | | stewardship@kruger2canyons.org |
| Ms Keneilwe Mmushi | Kruger to Canyons Biosphere Region | 605 861 336 | k2cdatacapturer@gmail.com |
| Tracy Petersen | SANParks | | tracy.petersen@sanparks.org |
| Marisa Coetzee | SANParks | | Marisa.Coetzee@sanparks.org |
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| Adine Roode | Lenro Beleggings and Camp Jabulani | _ | adine.roode@campjabulani.com |

APPENDIX E.5 Correspondence and Minutes of Meetings

No meetings have been held thus far.

APPENDIX E.6 Draft Basic Assessment Report:

Proof of notification & invitation to comment (Stakeholders and Compliance Organizations)

This is the Draft BAR. Proof will be included in the Final BAR.