Notice is hereby given in accordance with Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations (GG No. 40772, GN No. 326, 07 April 2017) and section 47D of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) as amended, respectively; of an application for Environmental Authorisation as well as registration of water uses on portion 0 of Ngodwana 638JT [18 June 2020]

# Description of activity:

To undertake an application for Environmental Authorisation and registration of water uses for remedial work necessary to ensure the continued structural integrity and safety of the Sappi Ngodwana Dam.

## <u>Water Use</u>

A General Authorisation registration is required for the construction-related remedial work on the SAPPI Ngodwana Dam, for the following water uses:

- Section 21(c): impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse;
- Section 21(i): altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse.

## Environmental Authorisation

An Environmental Authorisation is required for the construction-related remedial work on the dam as per the following Listed Activities by way of a Basic Assessment (BA) process:

Listing Notice 1 (GG No. 40772, GN No. 327, 07 April 2017):

# Listed Activity 19

The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 cubic metres into, removal or moving of soil of more than 10 cubic metres from a watercourse.

# **Listed Activity 27**

The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation.

Listing Notice 3 (GG No. 40772, GN No. 324, 07 April 2017):

# **Listed Activity 4**

The development of a road wider than 4 metres with a reserve less than 13,5 metres. f. Mpumalanga i. Outside urban areas: (ee) Critical biodiversity areas (gg) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area.

# **Listed Activity 12**

The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan. f. Mpumalanga ii. Within critical biodiversity areas.

# **Listed Activity 18**

The widening of a road by more than 4 metres, or the lengthening of a road by more than 1 kilometre. f. Mpumalanga i. Outside urban areas: (ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans; (gg) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area.

# **Listed Activity 23**

The expansion of—

(i) dams or weirs where the dam or weir is expanded by 10 square metres or more; or (a) within a watercourse; f. Mpumalanga i. Outside urban areas:
(ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans; (gg) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area.

## **Applicant:**

Sappi Paper & Paper Packaging

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#### **Registration:**

For further information and/or to be identified and registered as an interested and/or affected party or to lodge an appeal against the application, please submit in writing your name, contact details including address, and interest in the matter to the contact person and in the manner(s) provided above, within 30-days of the date of this notice.

