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Dear Nyaladzi Nleya

FINAL SCOPING REPORT AND PLAN OF STUDY ACCEPTED: THE PROPOSED MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT ON PORTIONS 79, 91, 96, 321 AND 322 OF THE FARM HEKPOORT 504 JQ, MOGALE CITY LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.

The Scoping Report and Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment which was submitted in respect of the above-mentioned application and received by this Department on 8 March 2021 has been accepted. You may accordingly proceed with undertaking the Environmental Impact Assessment in accordance with the tasks that are outlined in the Plan of Study for Environmental Impact Assessment.

Notwithstanding the above, your attention is drawn to the following requirements that must be addressed in the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR).

1. The Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) must comply with Regulation 23 of the EIA Regulations, 2014.
2. All the activities to be undertaken on site must be described with details and the impacts that they will have on the physical, biological, social, economic and cultural aspects of the environment must be adequately assessed.
3. The Public Participation Process must be undertaken in accordance with the EIA Regulations, 2014, comments from all relevant stakeholders such as National Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation, and Mogale City Local Municipality which has jurisdiction over the area be sought and form part of the report. All comments must adequately be addressed and submitted to this Department in the Draft EIAR.
4. Heritage Impact Assessment must be undertaken by suitably qualified specialists and sent to the Heritage Resource Agency for comments.
5. Vegetation assessment must be undertaken by suitably qualified specialists registered as Professional Natural Scientists in accordance with the Natural Scientific Professions Act, (Act No 27 of 2003) within the field of Botanical Science. The survey must take place during summer season (**beginning of November to the end of April**).
6. Wetland delineation study must be undertaken by suitable qualified specialist registered in accordance with the Natural Scientific Professional Act (2003) as Professional Natural Scientists within the field of Ecological or Aquatic science, have specific post-graduate qualifications relating to wetlands.
7. River assessment studies must be undertaken by suitably qualified specialists who are SASS5 accredited through DWS and registered in accordance with the Natural Scientific Professions Act (2003) as Professional Natural Scientists within the field of Ecological or Aquatic Science also have attended DWS Riparian Delineation and Management course as well as DWS EcoStatus Determination course.

8. Traffic Impact Study must be undertaken by suitably qualified specialist registered as professions in engineering science and must be sent to the Gauteng Department of Roads and Transport, and local authority for comments.
9. Agricultural Potential Assessment must be undertaken by suitably qualified specialist registered in accordance with the Natural Scientific Professional Act (2003) as a Professional Natural Scientists within the field of Soil Science.
10. An overall sensitivity map overlaid on the layout plan, indicating all the relevant buffer zones related to existing wetland, perennial river and sites that have been excluded from the development due to their sensitivity in nature must form part of the draft EIAR. The layout plan, printed on A3 paper size, must be to scale, clear, legible and indicate legend which corresponds with activities components.
11. All maps must be in colour and be to the correct scale.
12. A confirmation from the local authority with regards to the provision of bulk services (e.g. water supply, sewerage and waste disposal, energy, storm water) and related services such as road infrastructures is required. This must include a description of the infrastructure, specifications, layout, capacity and the planned routes.
13. The Municipal services highlighted on Appendix A2 on Draft Layout Plan must be amended and the Municipal services must be placed outside the 1:100 year floodline.
14. Should installation of services and roads infrastructure cross sensitive areas including wetlands, impacts associated with such crossing must be thoroughly assessed, discussed in the draft EIAR.
15. A detailed storm water management plan for the proposed development must be compiled and approved by the local authority before incorporating such plan into the EIAR.
16. A site-specific Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) must be compiled and attached to the EIR.

If you have any queries regarding the contents of this letter, please contact the official of the Department at the number indicated above.

Yours faithfully



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