

NOTICE

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON ERVEN 5445 AND 5446 IN ENNERDALE EXT.9, CITY OF JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY, GAUTENG PROVINCE

Notice is hereby given in terms of Chapter 5 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended, that the Gauteng Department of Human Settlement (GDHS) is proposing to construct affordable housing in Ennerdale Ext. 9 within Region G and Ward 121 of the City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality. The proposed housing project is part of the Gauteng Rapid Land Release Programme (RLRP) which was launched in 2018. One of the key aims of the RLRP, specifically to the Ennerdale Ext.9 housing project, is to address the housing backlog in the Gauteng Province while catering for social and economic development. The type and number of the housing units as well as the list of beneficiaries will be confirmed at a later stage of the project.

The housing is proposed on Erven 5445 and 5446 with approximate site center coordinates are 26°24'21.85''S 27°49'39.61''E (**Figure 1**). The site can be accessed from Katz Road (northerly direction), Samuel Road (westerly and southerly direction) and Street B/Smith Walk towards the east. The size of the site is approximately 35 hectares. Refer to the site's aerial image in **Figure 1**.

The development of housing and associated infrastructure will result in the clearance of indigenous vegetation. According to the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2014, as amended, an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) is required for the project based on the following triggered activities:

Listing Notice 2, Activity 15

The clearance of an area of 20 hectares or more of indigenous vegetation, excluding where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for –

- (i) the undertaking of a liner activity; or
- (ii) maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan.

Listing Notice 3, 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 in:

c. Gauteng

ii. Within *Critical Biodiversity Areas* or *Ecological Support Areas* identified in the *Gauteng Conservation Plan* or *bioregional plans*.



Figure 1: Aerial Image of the Ennerdale Ext. 9 housing site (Google Earth, 2019)

In terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations, 2014, as amended, all Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) must be provided with an opportunity to participate in the EIA Process for the proposed project. All parties who wish to participate in the process by commenting, registering as I&APs or obtaining more information on the proposed project can contact **Ntsebo Mkhize** on: **Tel:** 011 312 2537, **Fax:** 011 805 1950, **E-mail:** ntsebom@gaenvironment.com or environment@gaenvironment.com or **Post:** P.O Box 6723 Halfway House 1685.

PLEASE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROJECT BY NO LATER THAN 28th FEBRUARY 2020

