



29 April 2022

Dear Identified Interested & Affected Party,

**Application for the proposed removal of natural vegetation on Erven 359 Kakamas North Settlement,
Gordonia Administrative District.**

30 day PPP on Draft Scoping Report & Plan of Study for EIA: 03 May 2022 – 03 June 2022.

**Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development & Land Reform reference number:
NC/EIA/01/ZFM/KAI//KAK01/2022.**

Bakenrant Boerdery Pty. Ltd. intends to extend their existing table grape operation on Erven 359, Kakamas-North Settlement. The property falls within the Kai !Garib Local Municipality approximately 82 km south-west of Upington and 17 km north-west of Kakamas. The study area lies adjacent to the east of the road to Riemvasmaak and to the north of the Orange River.



Figure 1. The property falls within the Kail Garib Municipality and lies adjacent to the east of the road to Riemvasmaak and to the north of the Orange River.

The proposed development consists of the removal of natural vegetation on 4 different areas on the property, totalling 63.8ha. The proposed development triggers three (3) activities of the December 2014 EIA Regulations (as amended): Activity 9 of Listing Notice 1, Activity 15 of Listing Notice 2 and Activity 12 of Listing Notice 3.

Listed activity as described in GN R.327	
9	The development of infrastructure exceeding 1 000 metres in length for the bulk transportation of water or storm water— (i) with an internal diameter of 0,36 metres or more; or (ii) with a peak throughput of 120 litres per second or more; excluding where— (a) such infrastructure is for bulk transportation of water or storm water or storm water drainage inside a road reserve or railway line reserve; or (b) where such development will occur within an urban area.
Listed activity as described in GN R. 325	
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 linear activity; or (ii) maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan.
Listed activity as described in GN R. 324	
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. G. Northern Cape i. Within any critically endangered or endangered ecosystem listed in terms of section 52 of the NEMBA or prior to the publication of such a list, within an area that has been identified as critically endangered in the National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment 2004; ii. Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans; iii. Within the littoral active zone or 100 metres inland from high water mark of the sea or an estuary, whichever distance is the greater, excluding where such removal will occur behind the development setback line on erven in urban areas; or iv. On land, where, at the time of the coming into effect of this Notice or thereafter such land was zoned open space, conservation or had an equivalent zoning.

As a result of the listed activities triggered, the proposed project is subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment Process for which Environmental Authorization is needed from the *Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development & Land Reform*.

A Scoping/EIA process is being followed and the first phase; drafting of Draft Scoping Report & Plan of Study for EIA, is completed. A copy of the Report is available for comment from 03 May 2022 – 03 June 2022 and a WE TRANSFER link leading to a copy of the Draft Scoping Report will be forwarded to you (this link will appear in your inbox).

If you intend to raise any issues / concerns or feel that the development affects you in whichever way, you are welcome to register as an interested and affected party and submit such concerns to the EAP. All comments / concerns must reach the office of the EAP on or before 03 June 2022 at one of the following methods: PO Box 1593, Upington, 8800; Tel / WhatsApp: 082 679 6780; Fax: 0872 34 34 34 or email: susandekock@oranjenet.net.

If there is a need for assistance with providing comments, please feel free to contact the EAP (on any of the methods detailed above).

Yours sincerely
 Susan de Kock

