

GREATER UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:
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NOTICE OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT (BA) AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION (WULA) FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A DONOR HOUSE AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE GREATER UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE, HLUHLUWE, BIG 5

HLABISA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, KZN

KZN EDTEA Ref: DC27/0002/2022: KZN/EIA/0001734/2022

In terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA), Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), and the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No.36 of 1998) (NWA), notice is hereby given that Wild Tomorrow Fund has appointed SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd, as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP), to undertake the required Basic Assessment (BA) and Water Use Authorisation (WUA) for the below-mentioned development. The relevant applications will be submitted to the competent authorities for the required BA Process, namely the Provincial Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (KZN EDTEA) and the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) for the WUA.

It is anticipated that the following water uses will be triggered under Section 21 of the NWA, where applicable:

- 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.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION

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PROJECT LOCATION

The Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve is approximately 1283,1 hectares and is located just north of the Hluhluwe town in Northern KwaZulu Natal. It falls within the uMkhanyakude District Municipality and the Big Five Hlabisa Local Municipality. The reserve comprises of two disconnected portions: Ukuwela (west), which is 540.8 ha, and Mfuleni (east) which is 742.3 ha.

Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve

Centre Point Coordinates: 27°53'57.13" S and 32°19'35.53" E

To register as an Interested and / or Affected Party (I&AP) and / or to obtain additional information please submit your name, contact details (telephone number, postal address and email address) and the interest which you have in the application to SiVEST as per the details below and please reference the 'Ukuwela BA & WULA' in your correspondence:

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A copy of the draft Basic Assessment Report and water use information can be obtained on the SiVEST website at the following address: <http://www.sivest.co.za/Download> or from the Hluhluwe Public Library, 163 Zebra Street, Hluhluwe and emailed on request. The comment period for the draft Basic Assessment Report will run from the **12 May 2022 to 13 June 2022** and for the WUA **12 May 2022 to 12 July 2022**.

In terms of POPIA, you hereby declare and confirm that you, as an I&AP providing information, consent for your information to be gathered, stored and distributed for the purpose of this project

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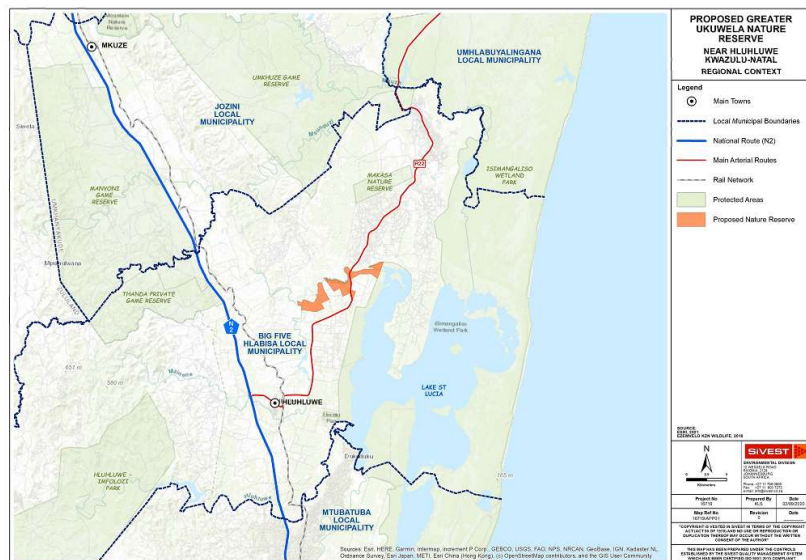
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MINUTES OF MEETING

PROJECT NAME: UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE BA & WULA
PROJECT NO. 16719
VENUE: UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE, HLUHLUWE
DATE & TIME: 09 September 2021, 10:30am
NEXT MEETING: NOT APPLICABLE

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NOTE: All persons present at the meeting will be deemed to have taken note of such items as concerns him/her. Failure to receive these notes timeously cannot be taken as a reason for not taking the necessary action.

*Approved by
 M. F. M. M. M.
 04 October 2021*



ITEM NO.	DESCRIPTION	ACTION BY	COMPLETION DATE (DD/MM)
1.	OPENING/INTRODUCTION/ PURPOSE OF THE PRE-APP MEETING		
1.1	KW thanked FM for taking the time to undertake the site visit and associated pre-application meeting for the proposed Donor House and associated infrastructure located at the Ukuwela Nature Reserve, Hluhluwe, Big 5 Hlabisa Local Municipality Kwazulu-Natal.		
1.2	The purpose of the pre-application meeting was to firstly undertake a site visit of the proposed development and understand the project requirements. Secondly it was to confirm the listed activities triggered, the public participation process to be adopted, specialist study requirements, and the scope of works to be followed.		
2.	PROJECT DESCRIPTION INCLUDING SITE ALTERNATIVES		
	KW indicated that the applicant (Wild Tomorrow Fund) are proposing the construction of a donor house and associated infrastructure on the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve near Hluhluwe, Kwazulu-Natal Province. The proposed development is to include the following components: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Donor House with associated Decking, Terraces, Landscaping and Walkways; • Managers House; • Reserve Office and FreeMe Complex; • Tented Camp; and • Various internal gravel access roads (x3) / tracks for reserve management / game viewing. 		
2.1	In terms of infrastructure requirements, the following is proposed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potable water provision will be via a municipal source; • On site sewer treatment will be required (Septic Tank and Soakaway System); and • Electrical supply will be via Eskom and the applicant is considering renewable energy (e.g. solar panels etc.). KW noted that since the applicant is the landowner, site alternatives are not relevant. However, the layout of the various components may change based on specialist sensitivities. These will be discussed and addressed in the Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR).		
	FM requested further details on the use of LPG gas and generators, KW agreed this would be covered in the Draft BAR. FM stressed that the <i>Free Me</i> Complex appeared to be outside the boundaries of the Ukuwela Nature Reserve and seemed to be located on a separate site. The proposed area will require 4 ha of land and clearance of indigenous vegetation. KW and GC indicated that this portion of land was still owned by Ukuwela and that the various Memorandums and required leases would be detailed in the Draft BAR.		
2.2	Further details must be provided in the Draft BAR on access to that site; since there was no proper access road observed during site visit.		
2.3	FM also added that a letter of commitment/support from the Sanitation and Potable water service provider within the		

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H. Hlabisa
07 October 2021*

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	<p>UMkhanyakude District Municipality regarding supply of water to the development and emptying of septic tanks (where required) must be provided.</p> <p>It was agreed that UMkhanyakude District will be a key commenting authority on the application.</p>		
3.	<p>NEED AND THE DESIRABILITY OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>During the site visit, GC and KW explained the need and desirability for each of the project components as follows:</p> <p>DONOR HOUSE</p> <p>Wild Tomorrow Fund is as a wildlife conservation charity which receives financial donations from hundreds of people each year. These donations fund the conservation work performed on the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve. Wild Tomorrow Fund would like its major donors to experience the reserve first-hand and to share in the conservation achievements that they made possible. The Donor House will be a place for them to stay and learn about Wild Tomorrow Fund's current and future projects. The major donors will have the chance to invite their friends and family to stay with them. Wild Tomorrow Fund believes the Donor House will be an excellent opportunity to deepen relationships with existing and potential donors that will ultimately lead to more funding for conservation. The donor house will be an important source of sustainable revenue for the reserve, bringing both invited and paying guests while creating additional employment to the area.</p> <p>TENTED CAMP</p> <p>Wild Tomorrow Fund has a paid volunteer program where local and international people take part in conservation activities on the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve for two weeks at a time. There are typically two to three volunteer trips each year.</p> <p>To increase the profits Wild Tomorrow Fund generates from these trips, they would like their guests to stay on reserve, thus eliminating the need to pay for third-party lodging. These savings will be used to fund their conservation and community projects.</p> <p>MANAGER'S HOUSE</p> <p>Wild Tomorrow Fund intends to build a simple two-bedroom house on the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve for their General Manager. Having the General Manager reside on-site will increase the output and quality of work from this employee and all other staff. An additional person living full-time on the reserve will also increase the overall security.</p> <p>RESERVE OFFICE AND FREEME COMPLEX</p> <p>FreeMe is a South African wildlife rehabilitation organization based in Howick, SA. Wild Tomorrow Fund has entered into a legal agreement where FreeMe will lease four hectares of land from Wild Tomorrow Fund on the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve. The purpose is for FreeMe to create a wildlife rehabilitation centre for the indigenous mammals, birds, reptiles, amphibians and invertebrates in accordance with the Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife permit conditions. FreeMe's rehabilitation centre will fill a much needed void in the area for a reputable place where injured wildlife can be cared for.</p>		
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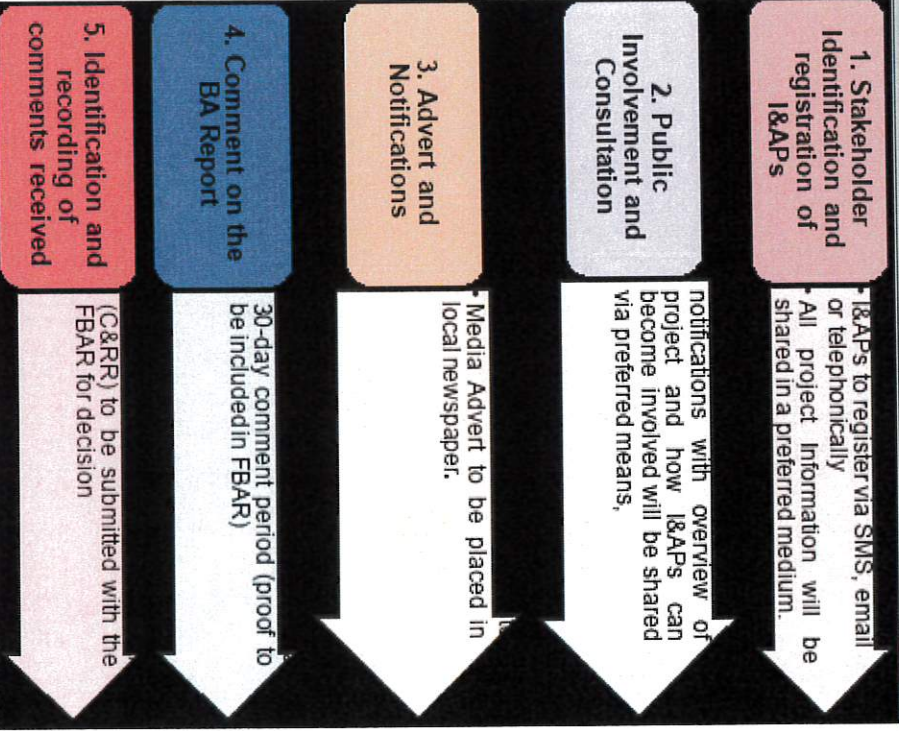
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	Adjacent to the FreeMe rehabilitation centre will be a Reserve Office where Wild Tomorrow Fund employees will work. Having all employees working from one location will increase the productivity and quality of conservation work.		
4.	<p>PREDICTED IMPACTS ON ENVIRONMENT AS A RESULT OF THE DEVELOPMENT</p> <p>The following preliminary impacts were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential for erosion and sedimentation; • Compaction of soils; • Contamination of soils; • Contamination of wetlands and watercourses; • Traffic impacts (namely during construction); • Loss of habitat; and • Clearance of vegetation; • Heritage impacts. 		
4.1			
5.	<p>IDENTIFIED EIA LISTED ACTIVITIES</p> <p>Refer to attached table of proposed listed activities:</p>		
	<p><u>Listing Notice 1:</u></p> <p>KW mentioned that currently no listed activities were identified in Listing Notice 1 (pending the outcome of the specialist reports).</p> <p>FM requested that Activity 27 (clearance of vegetation be considered). Particularly given the area to be cleared for the free me site, the roads and parking areas etc.</p> <p>KW agreed that following the Biodiversity Assessment the relevance of this activity would be considered.</p> <p>FM also requested that Activity 19 be considered for the roads since they may cross watercourses etc. KW agreed she would check this.</p> <p>GC had mentioned the use of renewable sources of electricity (e.g. solar). The MW of these will be confirmed to rule out any potential listed activities.</p>	KW TO ADAPT CHANGES	
5.2	<p><u>Listing Notice 2:</u></p> <p>FM agreed that based on the scope, there were no full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) triggers.</p>		
5.3	<p><u>Listing Notice 3:</u></p> <p>FM requested that since it was anticipated to have more than 15 guests on site that the development of resorts, lodges, tourism or hospitality facilities that sleep more than 15 people must be looked at (i.e. Activity 6 of LN3) and not Activity 5 of LN3.</p> <p>KW agreed to change this.</p> <p>Since it was anticipated to have the road less than 4 metres wide, the listed activities for the road were no longer relevant.</p> <p>KW agreed to remove these activities.</p> <p>FM also requested that KW check LN3, activity 14. KW has</p>	KW TO ADAPT CHANGES	PRIOR TO SUBMISSION OF APPLICATION FORM

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29 October 2021

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	checked, and this won't be applicable since there are no wetlands or watercourses within 32 metres of the proposed sites. Further detail can be provided after consultation with specialists. FM agreed that Activity 12 of LN3 was applicable as included in the application form.		
6.	SPECIALIST STUDIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN KW indicated that the following specialist studies were being undertaken: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wetland and Watercourse Assessment to WULA standards for all wetlands and watercourses within 500m of the sites; • Hydropedological assessment required by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS); • Biodiversity Assessment (Terrestrial Flora and Fauna); • Agricultural Assessment; and • Heritage Impact Assessment. 		
6.1	FM also raised concern over the potential Visual Impacts to neighbouring properties. KW noted that they did have an in house Visual specialist that would be able to write up a chapter for the Draft BAR. Since the intention of the applicant was to blend into the surroundings as far as possible, the visual impact to surrounding neighbours was anticipated to be low. FM also requested that the applicant consider a Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP).	KW TO CONSIDER ADD. REQUESTS	
7.	IDENTIFIED INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES KW noted that GC had provided a list of all the neighbouring properties and their contact details. FM added that the following would also be key stakeholders (but not limited to):		
7.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife (EKZNW); • KZN Department of Transport (DoT); • Local Ward Councillors; • Isimangaliso Wetland Authority • Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) • Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) • UMkhanyakude District Municipality • Big 5 Hlabisa Local Municipality 	KW TO NOTE	CIRCULATION OF DBAR
8.	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS		

Approved by: M-F Mchaneke
Approved by: [Signature]
09/09/2021

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8.1	 <p>Schematic illustration of PPP proposed</p>		
9.	<p>PROJECT APPROACH</p> <p>The following project approach is anticipated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Pre-Application Meeting will be held with KZN EDTEA to confirm the Listed Activities triggered, the Public Participation Process to be adopted, Specialist Study requirements, and the scope of works to be followed. Following which the Draft Basic Assessment Report will be compiled, and the application for Environmental Authorisation form will be completed and signed by the Client. <p>The form and requisite application fee will be submitted to the EDTEA to lodge the application and obtain an EIA reference number for the project.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once the Competent Authority has accepted the application form, SIVEST has a legislated requirement to complete the following sub-items within 90 days, <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SIVEST will advertise the application in one (1) local newspaper. Site notices will also be erected in and around areas surrounding the proposed activity. <p>○ SIVEST will, during this period, circulate the Draft</p>		
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04 October 2021*

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	<p>Basic Assessment Report and EMPr for 30 days to Key Stakeholders, Government Departments and members of the public who request to be registered as Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Once the aforementioned commenting timeframes have expired, SIVEST will consolidate all comments received on the Application, address any concerns or queries raised and provide appropriate mitigation measures where necessary. This information will then be included in the Final Basic Assessment Report and EMPr which will be submitted to the EDTEA for review and acceptance, with the intention of receiving a decision on Environmental Authorisation. Once the decision has been issued, it will be circulated to all registered IAPs, who will be informed of their right to appeal against decision. <p>FM noted that the Draft BAR can be circulated for public comment prior to lodging the application form.</p>		
10.	<p>RECOMMENDATIONS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SIVEST to obtain proof of proclamation of Ukuwela Nature Reserve Wild Tomorrow Fund from EKZNW. <p><i>Note: since this meeting SIVEST confirmed that the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve has been registered as an Ezemvelo KZN Biodiversity Stewardship Site and as such is proclaimed as a Protected Area as defined within the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act of 2003 (NEMPAA), as amended.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant to obtain a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Freeme regarding the roles and responsibilities. Applicant to confirm Service Level Agreements are in place for water and sewer use. 	ALL	TBC
11.	<p>WAY FORWARD</p> <p>KW to obtain clarity from Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife of proof of proclamation of the Nature Reserve prior to circulating the minutes of meeting to FM for comment.</p>	KW	28/09/2021
12.	<p>CLOSURE</p>		
	<p>NEXT MEETING</p>		
	<p>Not Applicable</p>	ALL	

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28 October 2021

Appendix A: Triggered Listed Activities

Note: Activities in Blue are additional activities requested by KZN EDTEA.

The activities that have been deleted were also confirmed with KZN EDTEA as not applicable.

Indicate the Activity Number: Provide the relevant Activity (ies) as set out in Listing Notice 1, 2 & 3 (GN R327, GNR325 & GNR324) Describe each listed activity as per the project description (and not as per wording of the relevant Government Notice):

<p>GNR 327, April 2017 (Listing Notice 1): Activity 27</p>	<p>The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation, except 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.</p>	<p>With all the areas to be cleared for the roads, donor house, tented camp and free me complex it is anticipated that more than 1 hectare will be cleared.</p>
<p>GNR 324, April 2017 (Listing Notice 3): Activity 5</p>	<p>The development of resorts, lodges, hotels, tourism or hospitality facilities that sleep less than 15 people within... d. KwaZulu-Natal ... i. A protected area identified in terms of the NEMPAA; ii. Outside urban areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any terrestrial protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core area of a biosphere reserve; ... v. Biodiversity Stewardship Programme Biodiversity Agreement areas; ... ix. A protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA, excluding conservancies; ... xiii. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority or zoned for a conservation purpose;</p>	<p>This listed activity will be triggered where the facilities will be utilised for hospitality or tourism purposes particularly the Tented Camp.</p>
<p>GNR 324, April 2017 (Listing Notice 3): Activity 6</p>	<p>The development of resorts, lodges, hotels, tourism or hospitality facilities that sleeps 15 people or more. d. KwaZulu-Natal ... i. A protected area identified in terms of the NEMPAA; ii. Outside urban areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any terrestrial protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core area of a biosphere reserve; ...</p>	<p>This listed activity will be triggered where the facilities will be utilised for hospitality or tourism purposes particularly the Tented Camp.</p>

Please note that this description should not be a repetition of the listed activity as contained in the relevant Government Notice, but should be a brief description of activities to be undertaken as per the project description, i.e. describe the components of the desired development.

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Describe each listed activity as per the project description (and not as per wording of the relevant Government Notice):

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	<p>v. Biodiversity Stewardship Programme Biodiversity Agreement areas;</p> <p>...</p> <p>ix. A protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA, excluding conservancies;</p> <p>...</p> <p>xiii. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority or zoned for a conservation purpose;</p>	
<p>GNR 324, April 2017 (Listing Notice 3); Activity 4</p>	<p>The development of a road wider than 4 metres with a reserve less than 13,5 metres.</p> <p>d. KwaZulu-Natal</p> <p>...</p> <p>iv. Biodiversity Stewardship Programme Biodiversity Agreement areas;</p> <p>...</p> <p>vi. A protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA;</p> <p>...</p> <p>viii. Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans;</p> <p>...</p> <p>xi. Areas designated for conservation use in Spatial Development Frameworks adopted by the competent authority or zoned for a conservation purpose;</p> <p>xii. Outside urban areas: (aa) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any terrestrial protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core areas of a biosphere reserve;</p>	<p>This listed Activity will be triggered for all the proposed access roads wider than 4 metres, including drainage infrastructure, which will be constructed on the site.</p> <p>Various internal gravel access roads (x3) / tracks for reserve management / game viewing are proposed.</p>
<p>GNR 324, April 2017 (Listing Notice 3); Activity 12</p>	<p>Activity 12</p> <p>The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation within ...</p> <p>d. KwaZulu-Natal</p> <p>...</p> <p>iii. Biodiversity Stewardship Programme Biodiversity Agreement areas;</p> <p>...</p> <p>vii. 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;</p> <p>viii. A protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA, excluding conservancies;</p> <p>...</p>	<p>This listed activity will be triggered as the reserve is registered as an Ezemvelo KZN Wildlife Stewardship site according to the information provided by the client. As such the transformation of more than 300m² of indigenous vegetation on the properties will trigger this listed activity.</p>

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



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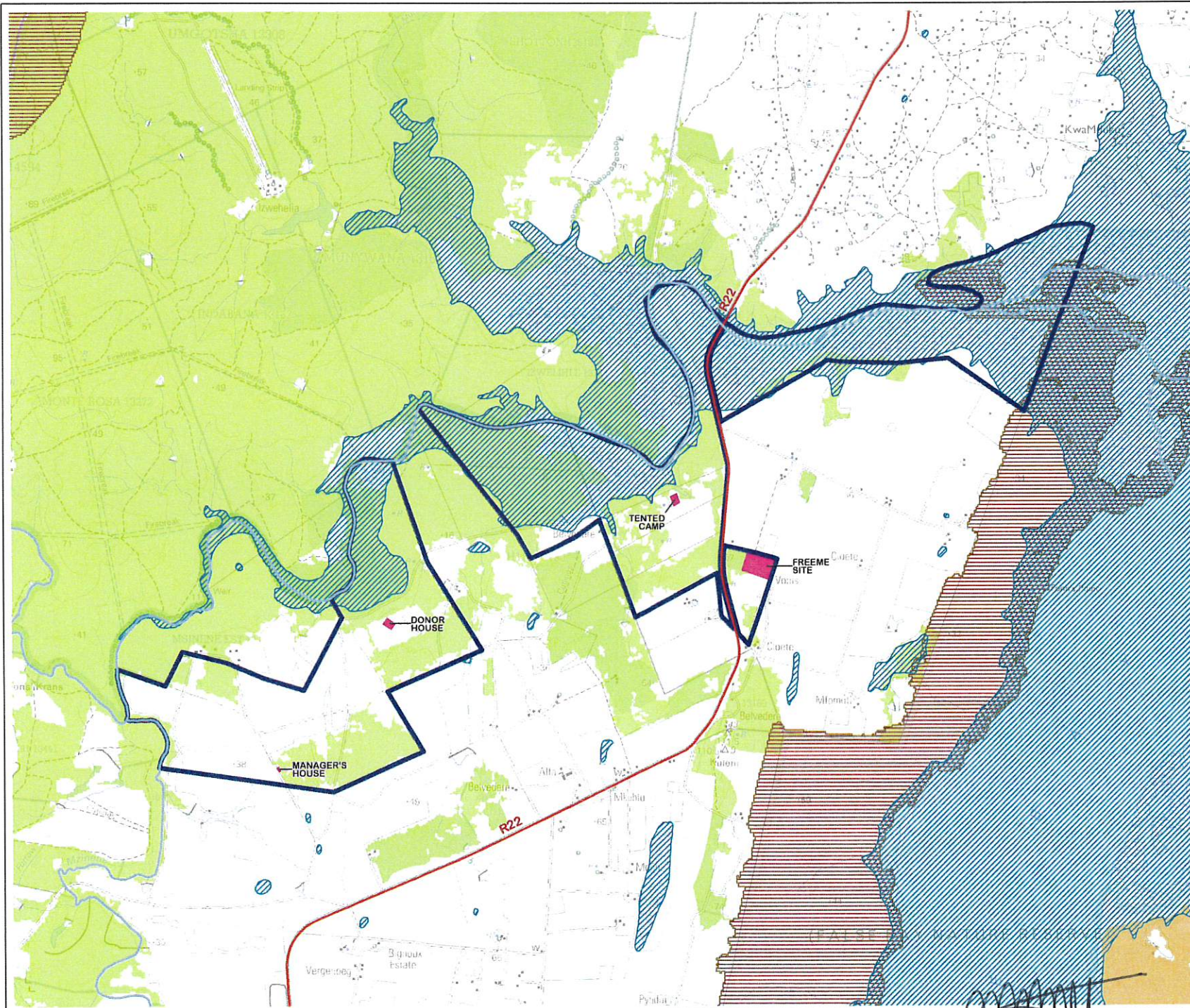
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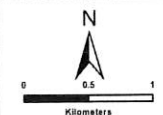
**PROPOSED GREATER UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE
NEAR HLUHLUWE
KWAZULU-NATAL
ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY**

Legend

-  Main Towns
-  National Route (N2)
-  Main Arterial Routes
-  Proposed Nature Reserve
-  Reserve Infrastructure Components
- Environmental Sensitivity**
-  CBA: Irreplaceable
-  CBA: Optimal
-  ESA
-  Perennial Rivers
-  Surface Water Features



SOURCE:
EFRI, 2021
EZENVELO KZN WILDLIFE, 2016
NATIONAL WETLAND MAP 5, 2019



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CONSULTATION FORM

Date: 09 September 2011
 Venue/ Place: Zulu Croc / Hluhluwe / for Ukwela Nature Reserve
 Purpose: Hearing meeting for the construction of donor house and associated infrastructure @ Ukwela Nature Reserve, Hluhluwe

Discussion: Proclamation status of Ukwela Nature Reserve needs to be submitted to the Dept of SAP.
 The free me site that is outside the Ukwela NR but part of the development; Memorandum of Understanding??
 Triggered EIA listed activities; Visual impacts to the neighbouring protected areas.

Attended by: Public meeting vs PP plans required.

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FROM	MR N NKONTWANA HEAD OF DEPARTMENT EDTEA
SUBJECT	APPROVAL OF A PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE GREATER UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE, A DECLARED NATURE RESERVE
DATE	7 SEPTEMBER 2021

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this Memorandum is to request the Honourable MEC, in accordance with the provisions of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (the "Act"), to –
 - (a) approve the draft Management Plan for the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve, a declared nature reserve under Section 23(1) of the Act.

BACKGROUND

- 2.(1) The Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve was formally declared as a nature reserve in terms of provincial government gazette No. 2290 Notice 49 of 2021, published on 27 May 2021.
- (2) The Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve Association was assigned as the Management Authority for the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve, which is required

*Approved by
K. W. Kuhn
04 Oct 2021*


8. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Honourable MEC--

(a) approves the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve Management Plan by signing the approval page within the Management Plan.

RECOMMENDATIONS: RECOMMENDED/ NOT RECOMMENDED

COMMENTS: _____



MR N NKONTWANA

HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

EDTEA

DATE: 17/9/2021

RECOMMENDATION: APPROVED / NOT APPROVED / VARIED


COMMENT: _____



MR R.R. PILLAY, MPL

MEC: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM
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DATE: 26/09/21


26/09/2021



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Dear Sir / Madam

DC27/0002/2022: KZN/EIA/0001734/2022 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RECEIPT OF AN APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION SUBJECT TO A BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT OF PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A DONOR HOUSE AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE, HLUHLUWE, BIG 5 HLABISA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY.

The application for environmental authorization for the abovementioned activity, submitted in terms of the requirements of regulation 6(1) of the EIA Regulations, 2014, was received by this Department on **11 April 2022**. This application complies with the EIA Regulations 2014 and has been accepted.

1. Please note that this application has been registered on the National Environmental Authorization System (NEAS) and that the final Basic Assessment Report is due **18 July 2022**. **Kindly note that it is ultimately the responsibility of the applicant to manually verify the due date with assistance from the district office.** In terms of regulation 45 of the EIA Regulations 2014, an application lapses if the applicant fails to meet any of the prescribed timeframes (unless an extension has been granted in terms of regulation 3(7)).
2. Please quote the above-mentioned reference number for this application in all future correspondence.
3. You are reminded that the activity/ies applied for may not commence prior to an environmental authorization being granted by this Department.
4. Enquiries regarding this application may be directed to the Assistant Manager: Impact Assessment: **Mrs. Happy Khambule, Tel No: 081 410 8582 at uMkhanyakude District Office.**

Yours faithfully

For: Head of Department:

KwaZulu-Natal Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs

cc: **Mr. Gregory Canning : Wild Tomorrow Fund South Africa: Email: greg@wildtomorrowfund.org**

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Division: Environmental Consulting
 Your Reference: DC27/0002/2022 KZN/EIA/0001734/2022
 Our Reference: 16719
 Date: 12 May 2022

Dear Interested and/or Affected Party

NOTICE OF THE BASIC ASSESSMENT (BA) AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION (WULA) FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A DONOR HOUSE AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT THE GREATER UKUWELA NATURE RESERVE, HLUHLUWE, BIG 5 HLABISA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, KWAZULU-NATAL PROVINCE

- **KZN EDTEA Reference No: DC27/0002/2022 KZN/EIA/0001734/2022**

- **AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR PUBLIC REVIEW**

Please note that SiVEST SA (Pty) Ltd has been appointed by the Wild Tomorrow Fund as the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the abovementioned project.

We would like to take this opportunity to inform you that, in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) (as amended), the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended) and the National Water Act 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) (NWA), the Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) for the above mentioned project will be available for public comment and review from **12th May 2022 to 13th June 2022** and the Water Use License Application from **12 May 2022 to 12 July 2022**.

Should you wish to receive an electronic copy of the DBAR please forward your request in writing to us. A hard copy of the DBAR can be reviewed at the following public places:

VENUE	STREET ADDRESS	HOURS	CONTACT NO
Hluhluwe Public Library	163 Zebra St, Hluhluwe, 3960	Mondays- Fridays 08:30 – 16:30pm.	079 438 5291

The reports as well as the accompanying appendices are also available on SiVEST's website: <http://www.sivest.co.za/>, click on Downloads, then browse to the folder 'Ukuwela BAR and WULA'.

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SiVEST is committed to complying with the requirements as set out in terms of POPIA.

I.T.O POPIA, you hereby declare and confirm that you, as an I&AP providing information, consent for your information to be gathered, stored and distributed for the purpose of this project.

We would like to thank you in anticipation of your active and meaningful contribution to the BA and public participation process.

Yours faithfully



Katherine Wiles
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Basic Assessment (BA) for the proposed construction of a donor house and associated infrastructure at the Greater Ukuwela Nature Reserve, Hluhluwe, Big 5 Hlabisa Local Municipality

11 May 2022

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