

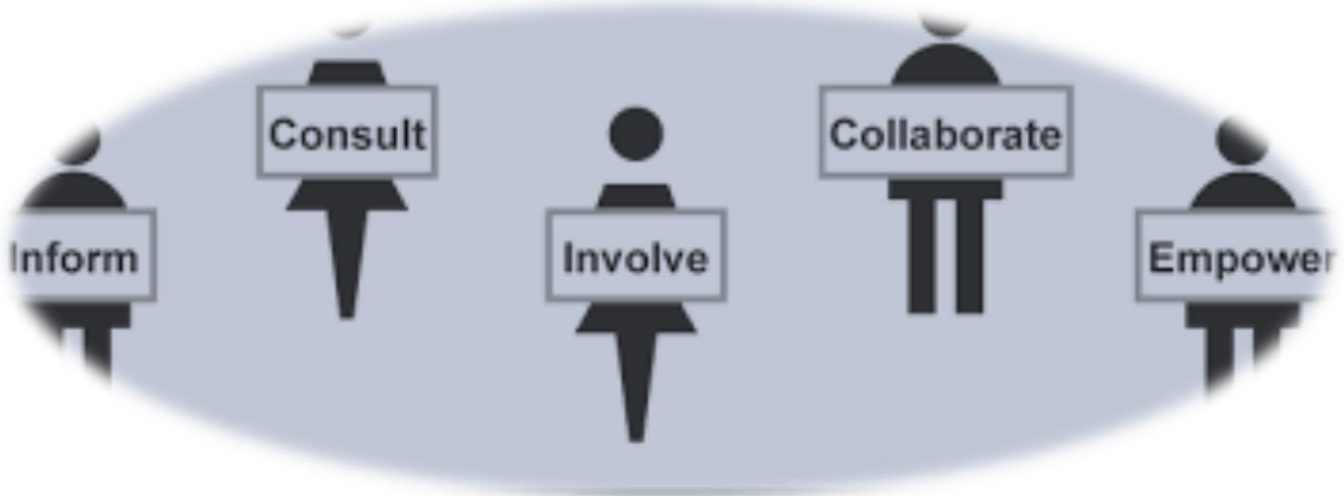
APPENDIX E

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RECORDS

PROPOSED LINDLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS, NKETOANA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

DESTEA REF. NO.: EMB/19,25,27,12(b)(iv)/23/14

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PROOF OF NEWSPAPER, ON-SITE NOTICE, AND POSTERS

LOCAL USEFUL DIGITAL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPER
TO ADVERTISE CONTACT 079 317 5952

PUBLIC NOTICE | 03

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
(ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION)
NEW LINDLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS, NKETOANA LOCAL
MUNICIPALITY**

Notice is hereby given in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998) as amended and the 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation as amended on 07 April 2017 published under Government Notice 326 in Gazette no 40772 of the intent to carry out a Public Participation Process as part of the Basic Assessment process for Environmental Authorisation Application and Water Use License in terms of National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) of the for the following activity:

The proponent, Nketoana Local Municipality, intends to construct new oxidation ponds for the treatment of wastewater with a daily throughput capacity of 6Ml per day and a new 4000m x 300mm Ø bulk outfall sewer line on the Farm Brandhoek No. 17 within Nketoana Local Municipality. The proposed site is bordered by Vals River on the northern Side. To accommodate the proposed development, clearance of indigenous vegetation in an area of approximately 17 hectares, would be required within 100m of the watercourse and a discharge point onto the Vals River, which would require excavation in, removal from, and infilling of material in the watercourse.

General co-ordinates: S27°52' 8.71"E27°53' 15.30"

These activities are regulated by the 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations as amended on 07 April 2017 published in:

GNR 327 Listing Notice 1 Activity 12: The development of— (i) dams or weirs, where the dam or weir, including infrastructure and water surface area, exceeds 100 square metres; or (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more; where such development occurs— a) within a watercourse; (b) in front of a development setback; or (c) if no development setback exists, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse;

GNR 327 Listing Notice 1 Activity 19: The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 10 cubic metres from a watercourse.

GNR 327 Listing Notice 1 Activity 25: The development and related operation of facilities or infrastructure for the treatment of effluent, wastewater or sewage with a daily throughput capacity of more than 2 000 cubic metres but less than 15 000 cubic metres.

GNR 327 Listing Notice 1 Activity 27: The clearance of an area of 1 hectares or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation.

NR 324 Listing Notice 3 Activity 12(b)(iv): 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.

b. Free State: iv. Areas within a watercourse or wetland; or within 100 metres from the edge of a watercourse or wetland.

An application for a Water Use License will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation for activities listed in Section 21 of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) outlined below:

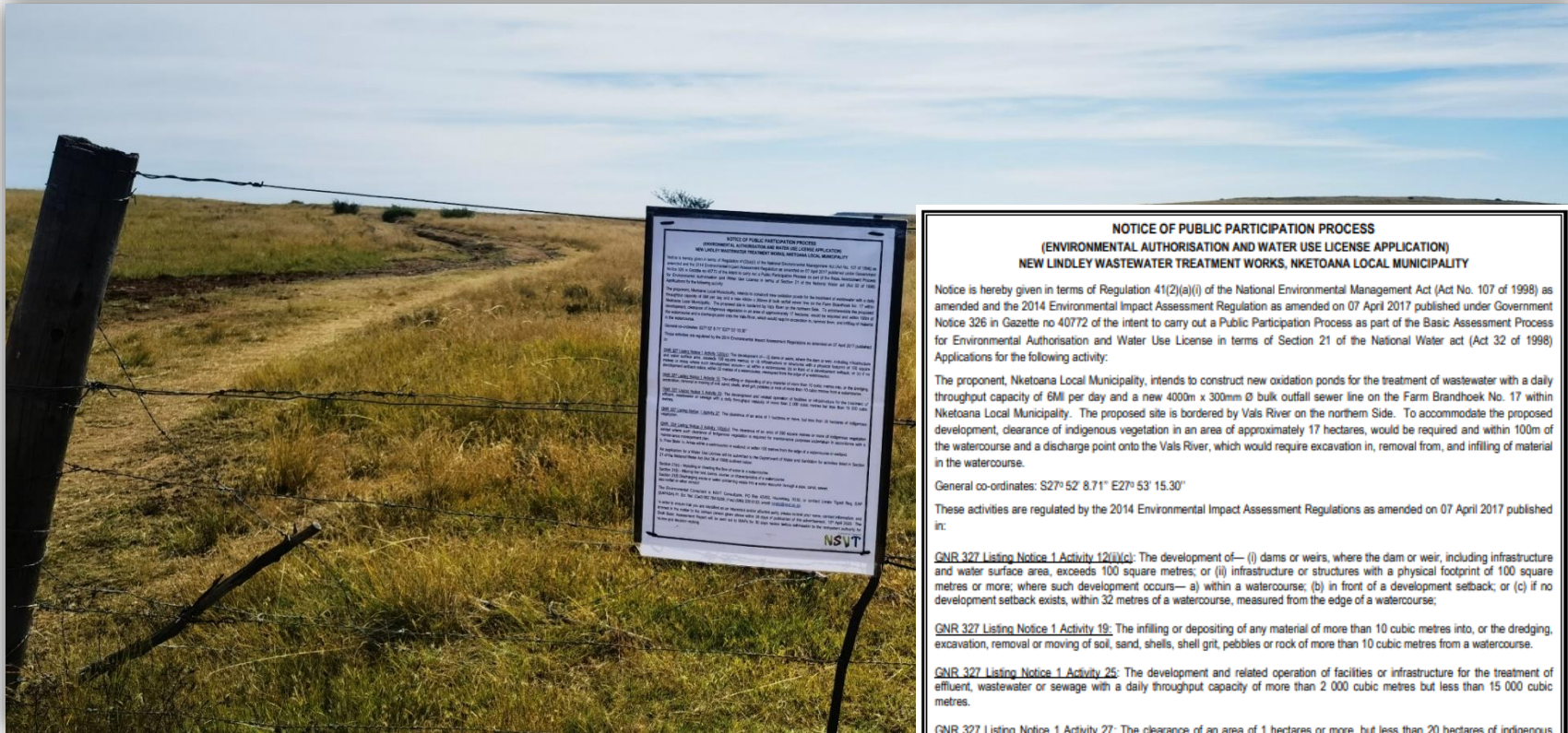
Section 21(c) - Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse.

Section 21(i) - Altering the bed, banks, course, or characteristics of a watercourse

Section 21(f) Discharging waste or water containing waste into a water resource through a pipe, canal, sewer, sea outfall or other conduit;

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Figure 1: Advertisement placed in Reitz Advertiser



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Co-ordinate where the on-site notice was placed.
 27°52'32.06"S
 27°54'10.36"E

Photo 1: On-site Notice placed at the access road to the proposed site

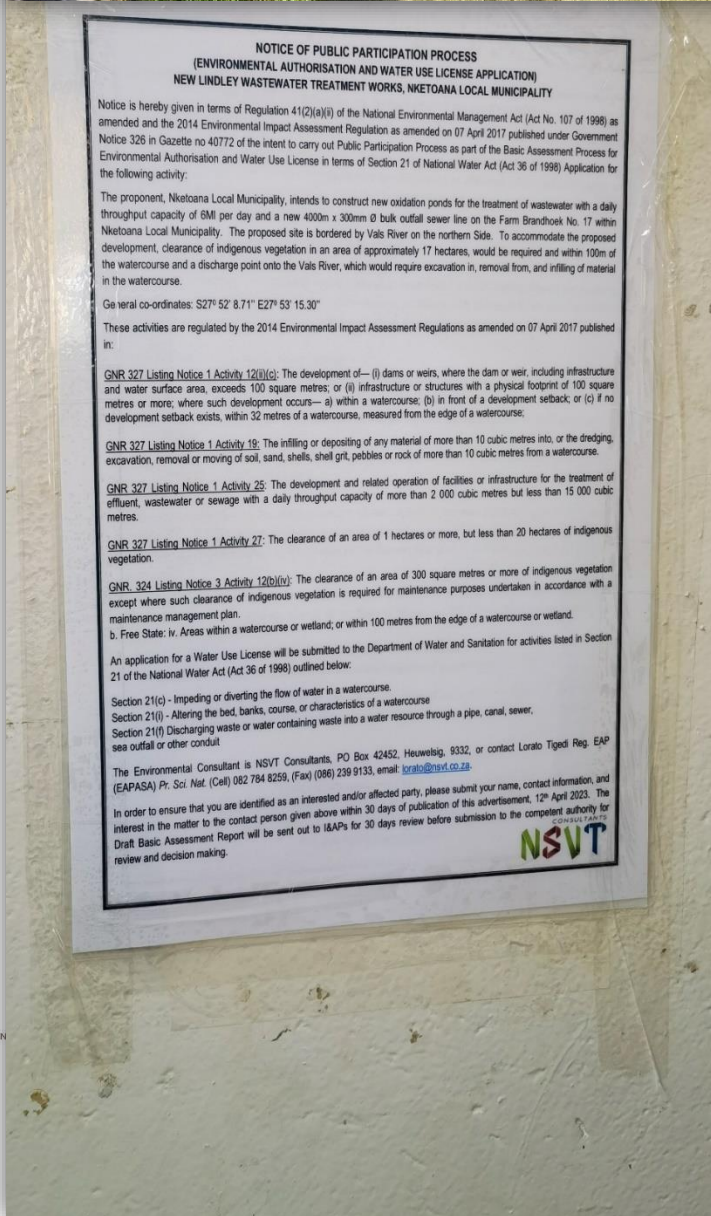


Photo 2: Poster placed at the Nketoana Municipal Office Notice Board-Lindley

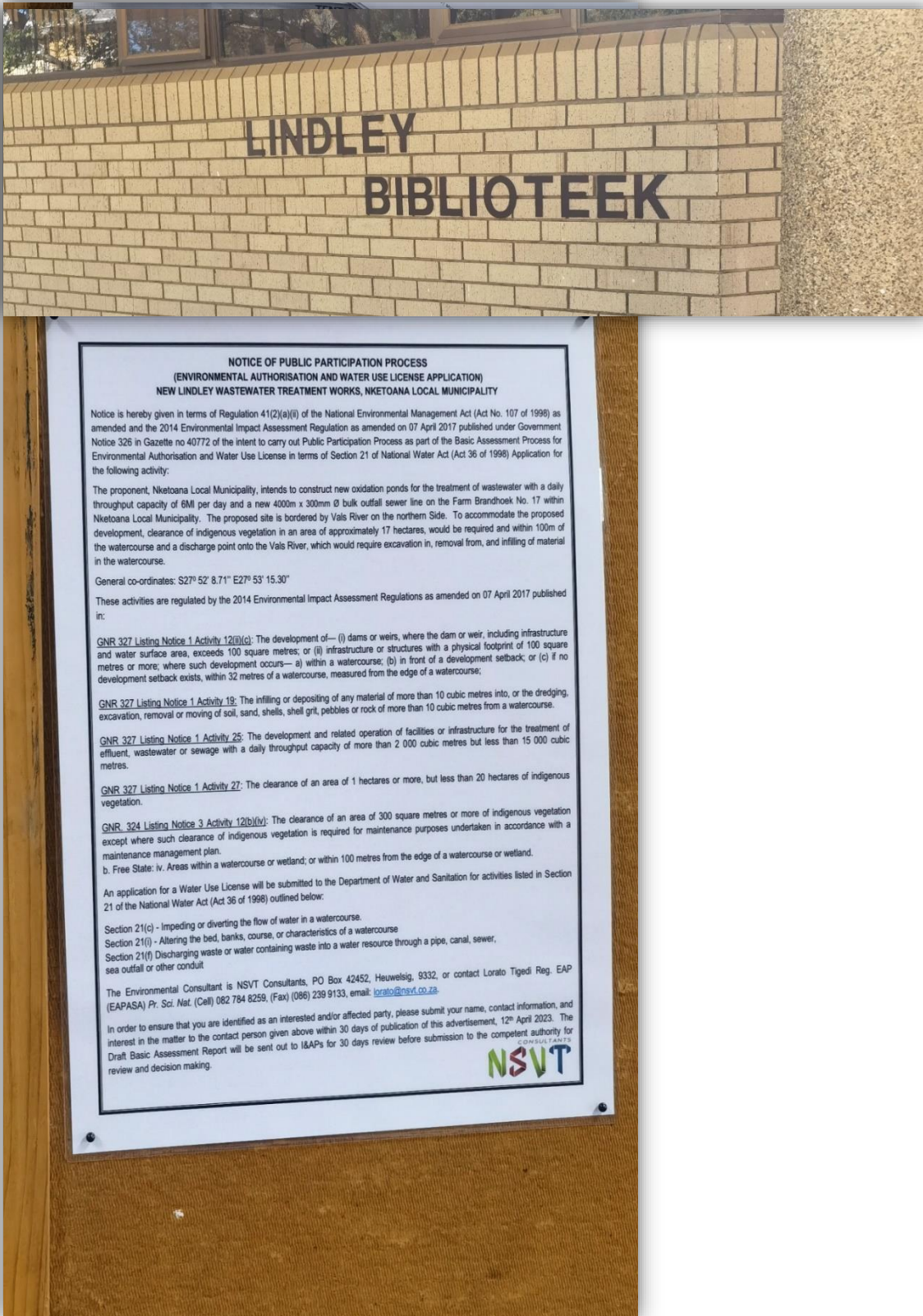


Photo 3: Poster placed at the Lindley Library

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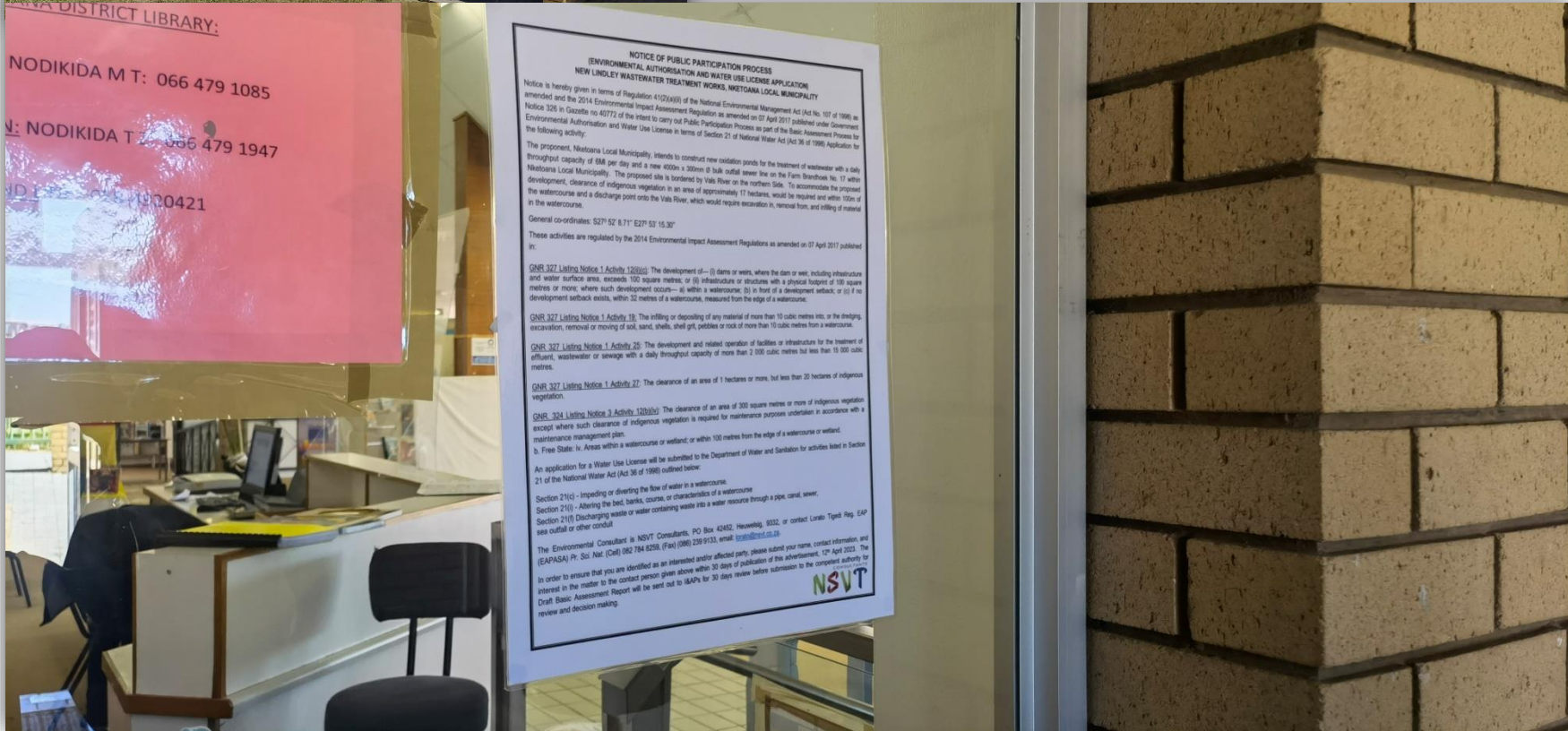


Photo 4: Poster placed at the Ntha Library

APPENDIX E2

PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATIONS, E.G. EMAIL DELIVERY REPORTS OR HAND-DELIVERY RECEIPT FOR REGISTERED I&APs

PROOF OF DELIVERY FROM NEIGHBOURING FARMER

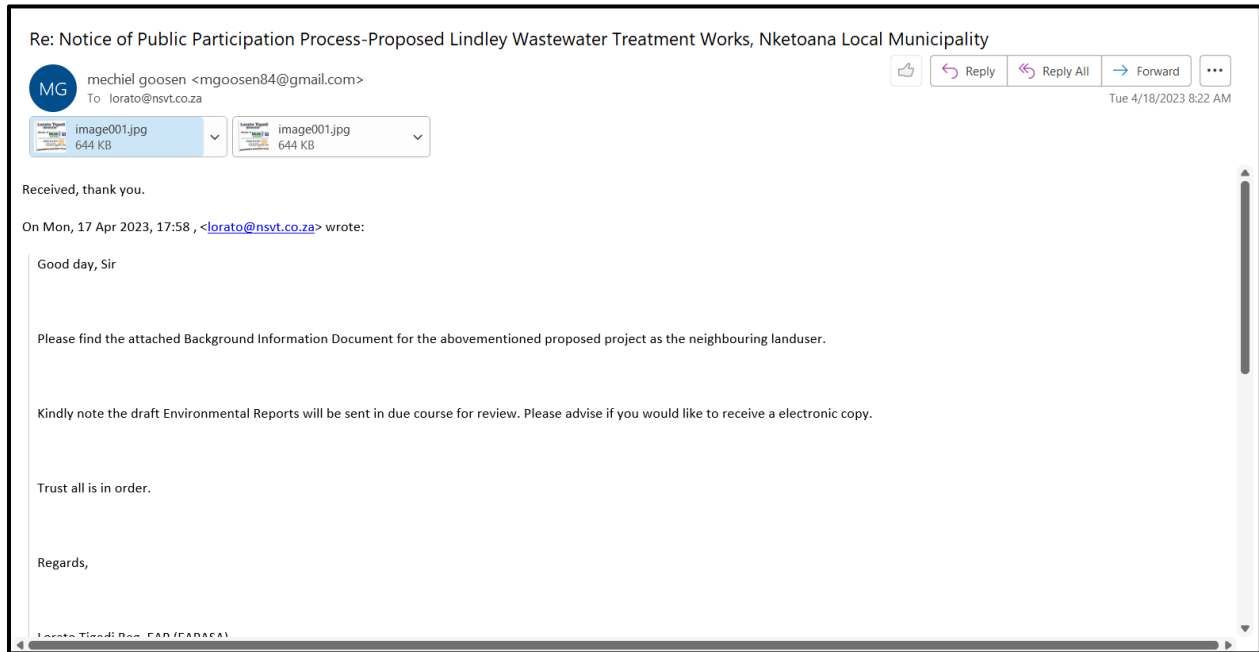


Figure 2: Acknowledgement from Neighbouring Landowner

APPENDIX E3

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES TRAIL

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT, ON SITE NOTICE AND POSTERS (2023-04-12)		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE
No Comments received		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (2023-04-17; 2023-04-18; 2023-05-02)		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE
South African Heritage Resources Agency Sityhilelo Ngcatsha Email (SAHRIS) 2023-05-02	It is incumbent on the developer that a Heritage Impact Assessment (“HIA”) is done as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999) (“NHRA”). This must include an archaeological component and any other applicable heritage components. The HIA must be conducted as part of the EA Application in terms of NEMA and NEMA EIA Regulations.	A HIA is part of the EA Application
	The archaeological components of the HIA should follow the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological Component of Impact Assessment Report. The quickest process to follow for the archaeological component would be to contract qualified archaeologist (see www.asapa.co.za and www.aphp.org.za)	The interim comment has been forwarded to the Heritage Specialists to ensure that the report meets the Minimum Standards.
	The proposed development area is mostly located within an area of a very high sensitivity in terms of palaeontological resources as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. As such , a field-based Palaeontological Impact Assessment (“PIA”) must be undertaken by a qualified palaeontologist (See https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessment.	
	Any other resources as defined in Section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral	The information regarding the temporary access roads will be included in the Draft BAR.

	histories, burial grounds and graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.	
	The NEMA EIA Documents and appendices must be submitted at the start of the public review periods in order for an informed comment to be issued that can be incorporated into the final reports for submission to the competent authority.	The Draft Environmental Report would be sent for 30 days review.
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development Mannene Mathibela Email 2023-05-17	Protection of high potential agricultural lands	From the Agriculture Compliance Statement, it is indicated that there will be no loss of high potential agricultural lands as a result of the proposed development.
COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BAR		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE
	The draft Environmental Reports will be sent for 30 days review before submission of the final report to DESTEA	

APPENDIX E4

PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM COMMENTING AUTHORITIES

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PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM FREE STATE HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY

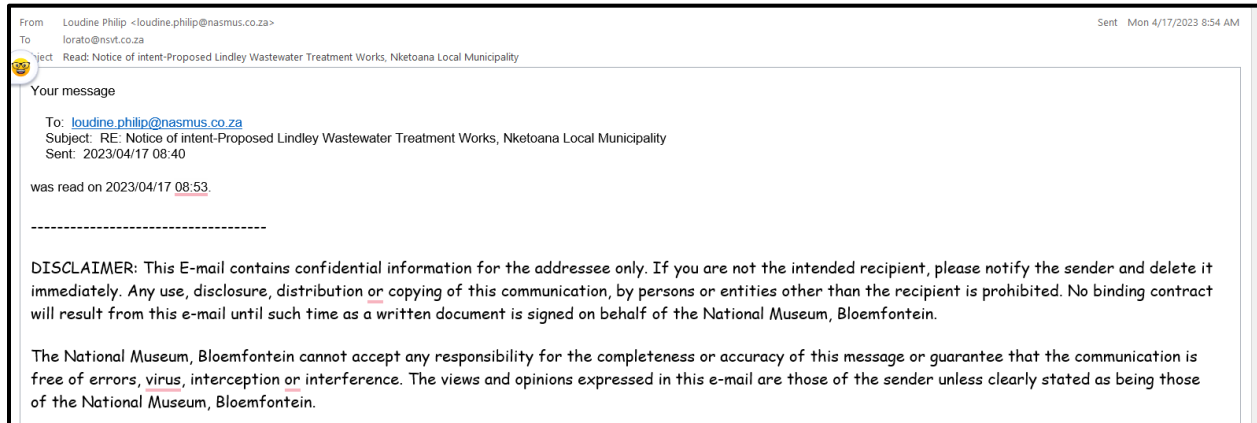


Figure 3: Proof of received notification from Free State Heritage Resources Authority

PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND ENVIRONMENTAL-LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPPORT THABO MOFUTSANYANA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

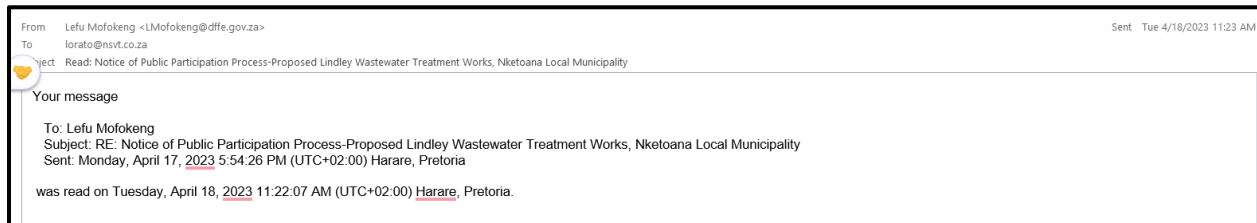


Figure 4: Proof of received notification from DFFE Thabo Mofutsanyana District Municipality Local Government Support

APPENDIX E5

DATABASE OF REGISTERED I&APs

The I&APs Database maintained during the Public Participation Process is contained herein

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Authority/Organ of State/Organisation	Contact person (Title, Name and Surname)	Tel No	Fax No	e-mail	Postal address
Nketoana Local Municipality	Ms. Retshepile Semela	073 408 9729		semelarets@gmail.com	P.O. Box 26 Reitz 9810
	Councillor Mabaso (Ward 3)	063 162 2559		mosondasemabaso@gmail.com	
Thabo Mofutsanyana District Municipality	Mr. Sabelo Nkosi	058 718 1000		nkosi@tmdm.gov.za	Private Bag X810 Witsieshoek 9870
Thabo Mofutsanyana District Municipality DFFE Local Government Support	Mr. Lefu Mofokeng	-	-	lmofokeng@dffe.gov.za	-
Department of Agriculture and Rural Development	Mr. Jack Morton	051 861 8511	051 861 8578	mortonj@dard.gov.za	Private Bag X01 Glen Building Bloemfontein 9360
	Mannene Mathibela	060 978 3142		supriseymc@gmail.com	Private Bag X21, Bethlehem, 9700
Department of Water and Sanitation	Mr. George Nel	051 405 9000	051 430 8146	nelg@dws.gov.za	P.O. Box 528 Bloemfontein 9300
Department Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism, and Environmental Affairs	Ms. Boipelo Mogorosi	051 400 4800	-	mogorosib@destea.gov.za	Private Bag X20801 Bloemfontein 9300
South African Heritage Resources Agency	Mr. Sityhilelo Ngcatsha	021 462 4502	021 462 4509	info@sahra.org.za	P.O. Box 4637 Cape Town 8000
Free State Heritage Resources Authority	Ms. Loudine Philip	051 447 9609		Loudine.philip@nasmus.co.za	P.O. Box 6266 Bloemfontein, 9301

Landowner/user	Mr. Mechiel Goosen		
Geliat Farmers Association	Mr. Hank Human		
Handhalf Farmer's Association	Mr. Sarel Bester		

Note: The details of the other I&APs are masked to be in line with the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act (Act 4 of 2013), as consent was not obtained to use their details but the copy sent to the competent authority are not.

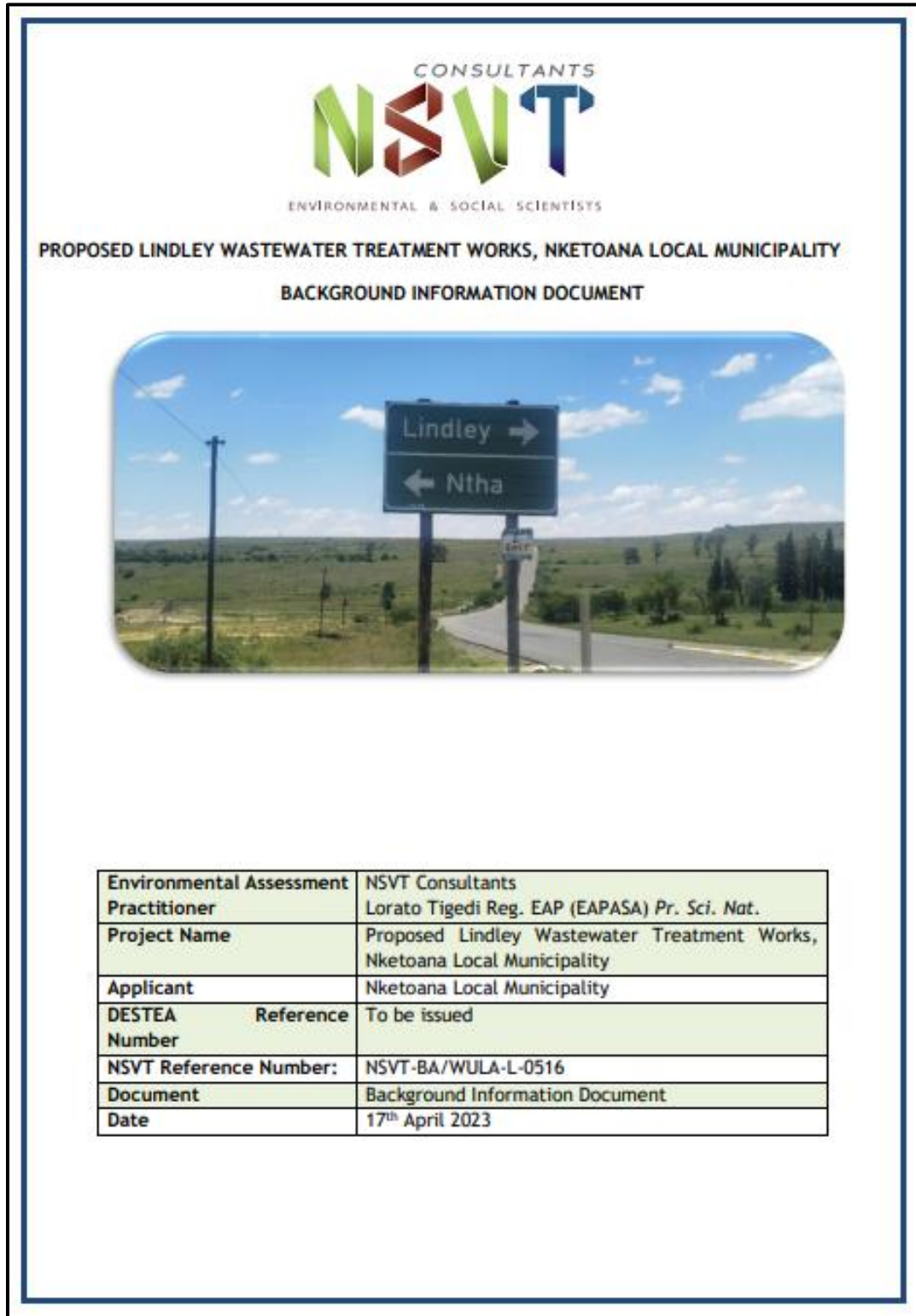
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COPIES OF ANY CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO I&APs

(No comments were received)

Background Information Document

To notify and send information to the identified Interested and Affected Parties, regarding the proposed development, the Background Information Document was sent via email, as shown in *Figure 3* below.



Overview of the proposed development

The proponent, Nketoana Local Municipality, intends to construct new oxidation ponds for the treatment of wastewater with a daily throughput capacity of 6ML per day and a new 4000m x 300mm Ø bulk outfall sewer line on the Farm Brandhoek No. 17 within Nketoana Local Municipality. The proposed site is bordered by Vals River on the northern Side. To accommodate the proposed development, clearance of indigenous vegetation in an area of approximately 17 hectares, would be required and within 100m of the watercourse and an outfall sewer and discharge point onto the Vals River, which would require excavation in, removal from, and infilling of material in the watercourse. The existing access road, which crosses a watercourse will be upgraded. The coordinates for the proposed sites are shown below associated with the new WWTW development.

Proposed WWTW

S - 027° 52' 13.67"; E 0287° 53'17.81"

Outfall Sewer

Start: S - 027° 52' 59.26"; E 027° 53'59.76"

End: S - 027° 52' 26.14"; E 027° 53'33.72"

Access Road

Start: S - 027° 52' 33.31"; E 027° 54'8.51"

End: S - 027° 52' 26.66"; E 027° 53'1.57"

Discharge Point

S - 027° 52' 08.53"; E 027° 53'25.95"

An application for Environmental Authorisation will be submitted to the Free State Department of Economic, Small Business Development, Tourism, and Environmental Affairs and a Basic Assessment process will be undertaken and wateruse license application, in order to ascertain whether the impacts of the proposed development on the affected environment are significant and can be effectively avoided or reduced by implementing adequate mitigation measures.

The following Specialist Studies will be undertaken as part of the Basic Assessment Process.

- ✓ Aquatic Biodiversity Assessment
- ✓ Terrestrial Biodiversity Assessment
- ✓ Heritage Assessment
- ✓ Hydrological Assessment

Basic Assessment Process

In the South African legislative framework, the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (Act 107 of 1998) as amended regulates development activities that may pose a risk to the integrity of the ecological and human environment. Coupled with NEMA, listed activities are given, which describe the types of development, limits, expanse, and nature where an environmental impact assessment (EIA) will be needed. These are referred to as the NEMA 2014 EIA Regulations as amended on 07 April 2017.

The Listed Activities, which will be triggered by the proposed development are tabulated below.

LISTING NOTICE	ACTIVITY No.	ACTIVITY
1 GNR 327	19	The infilling or depositing of any material of more than <u>10 cubic metres</u> into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 10 cubic metres from a watercourse excluding where such infilling, depositing, dredging, excavation, removal or moving— (a) will occur behind a development setback; (b) is for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan; (c) falls within the ambit of activity 21 in this Notice, in which case that activity applies; (d) occurs within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port or harbour; or (e) where such development is related to the development of a port or harbour, in which case activity 26 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 applies.
1 GNR 327	25	The development and related operation of facilities or infrastructure for the treatment of effluent, wastewater or sewage with a daily throughput capacity of more than 2 000 cubic metres but less than 15 000 cubic metres.
1 GNR 327	27	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.
3 GNR R324	12(b)(iv)	<p>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.</p> <p>b. Free State</p> <p>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;</p> <p>ii. Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans;</p> <p>iii. 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; or</p> <p><u>iv. Areas within a watercourse or wetland; or within 100 metres from the edge of a watercourse or wetland.</u></p>

NSVT Consultants was appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP) to undertake the integrated application process for Environmental Authorisation and Water Use License, which will include site assessment, public participation process including stakeholder engagement, specialists' studies as well as impact identification, analysis and significance.

Water Use License:

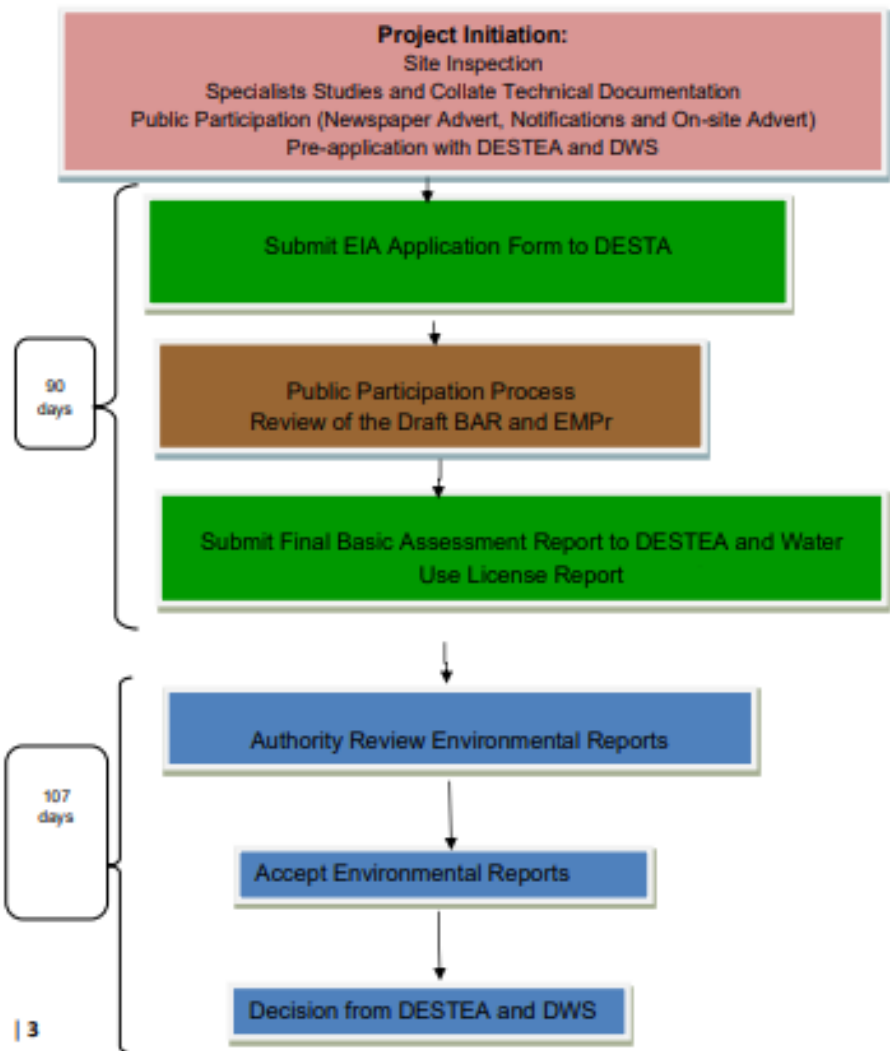
The activities that are triggered by the proposed development in terms of Section 21 of the National Water Act, (Act 36 of 1998) are as follows:

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Section 21(i) - Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a water course.

Section 21(f) - Discharging waste or water containing waste into a water resource through a pipe, canal, sewer, sea outfall or other conduit;

Time Schedule for Integrated Application Process-197 days



Public Participation

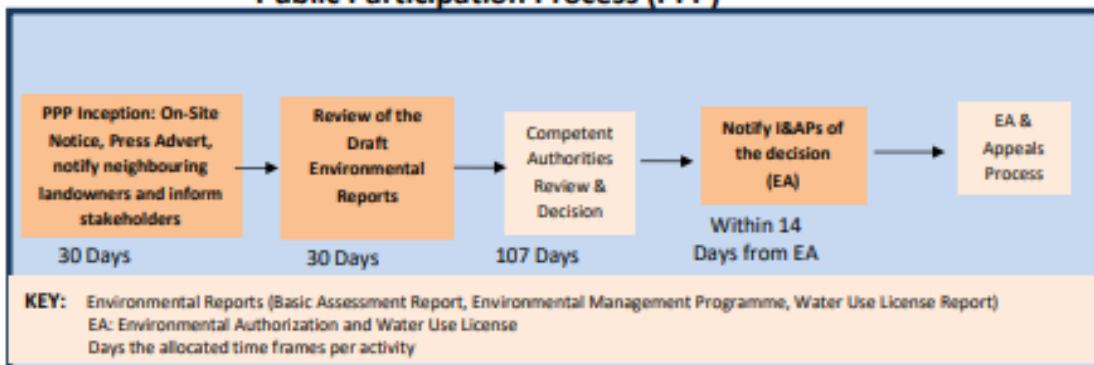
For effectiveness, Environmental Assessment Practitioners are legally required to engage stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties as part of the Integrated Application Process.

The benefit of engaging the public and stakeholders can be:

- Identifying the values and needs of the public;
- Debating issues and finding solutions;
- Soliciting "hidden" knowledge of the wider community and their key concerns;
- Encouraging transparency and accountability;
- Achieving the development of an integrative, inclusive nature in alignment with the principles of sustainable development.

Therefore, this notice is given in terms of Regulation 41 (2) of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 as amended. The bolded blocks in the Figure below show when the public will be consulted and the allocated timeframes throughout the process.

Public Participation Process (PPP)



The purpose of this document is to provide background information on the project and obtain comments and contributions from Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) and stakeholders with regard to the environmental impacts they perceive to occur as a result of the proposed. I&APs and stakeholders will have an opportunity to contribute issues of concern and suggestions for enhanced benefits. In addition, they will be able to verify that their contributions have been considered and to comment on the findings of the specialist assessments.

If you intend to register as an I&AP, please forward the attached registration sheet to NSVT Consultants before 30 days lapse from 16th April 2023 to the details provided in the form at the bottom.

KINDLY COMPLETE THE ATTACHED I&AP COMMENT FORM AS ONLY REGISTERED I&APs AND COMMENTING AUTHORITIES WILL RECEIVE FURTHER INFORMATION ON THE PROJECT.

PROPOSED LINDLEY WASTEWATER TREATMENT WORKS, NKETOANA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY			
REGISTRATION AND RESPONSE FORM FOR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES			
DATE			
PARTICULARS OF THE INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTY			
NAME			
POSTAL ADDRESS			
		POSTAL CODE	
STREET ADDRESS			
		POSTAL CODE	
WORK/ DAY TELEPHONE NUMBER		WORK/ DAY FAX NUMBER	
CELL PHONE NUMBER	E-MAIL ADDRESS		
PLEASE IDENTIFY YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROJECT:			
PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS HERE:			
Please return completed forms prior to 30 days lapsing:			
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APPENDIX A

GOOGLE SATELLITE IMAGERY

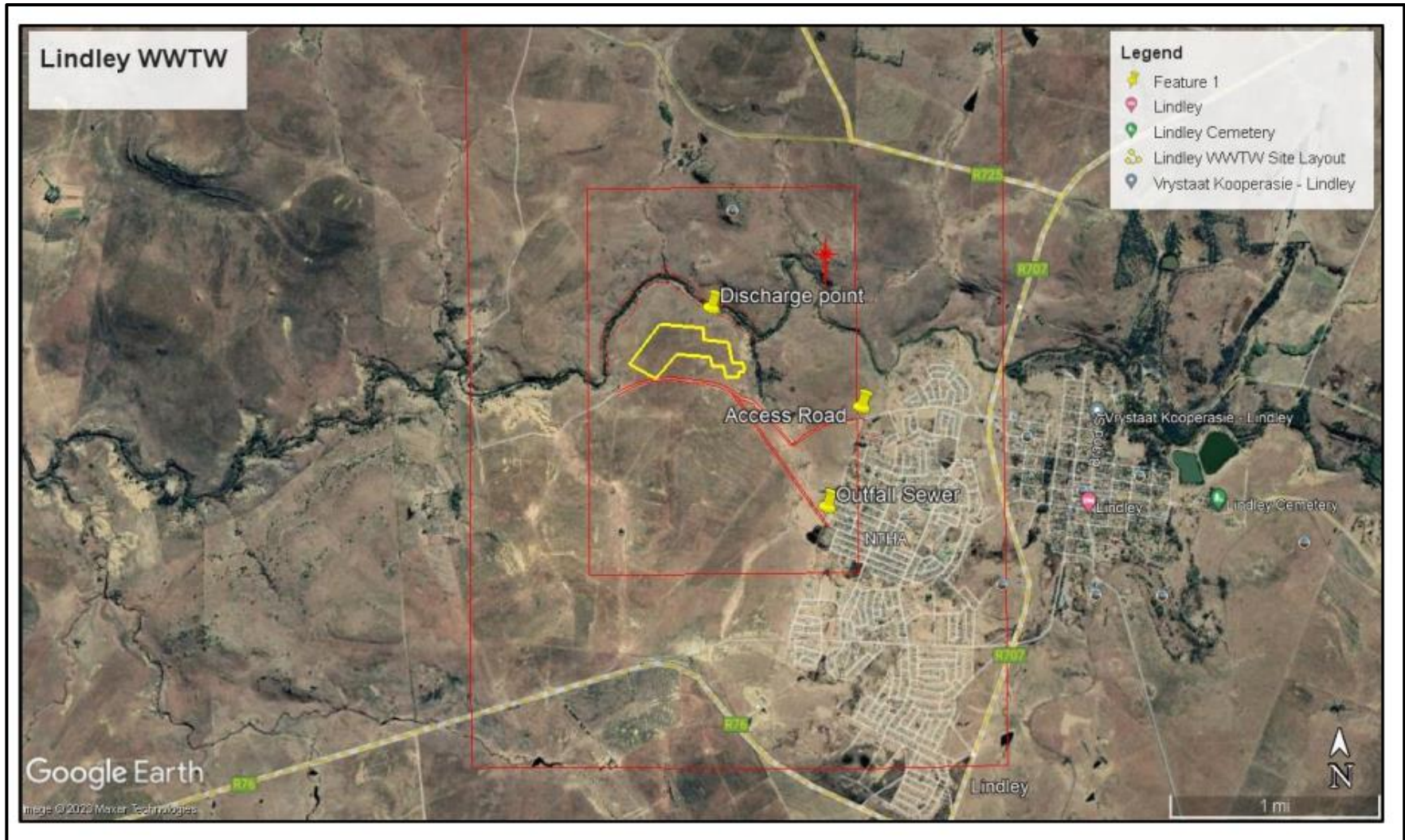


Figure 5: Background Information Document

NOTIFICATION SENT NKETOANA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY-ENVIRONMENTAL OFFICER

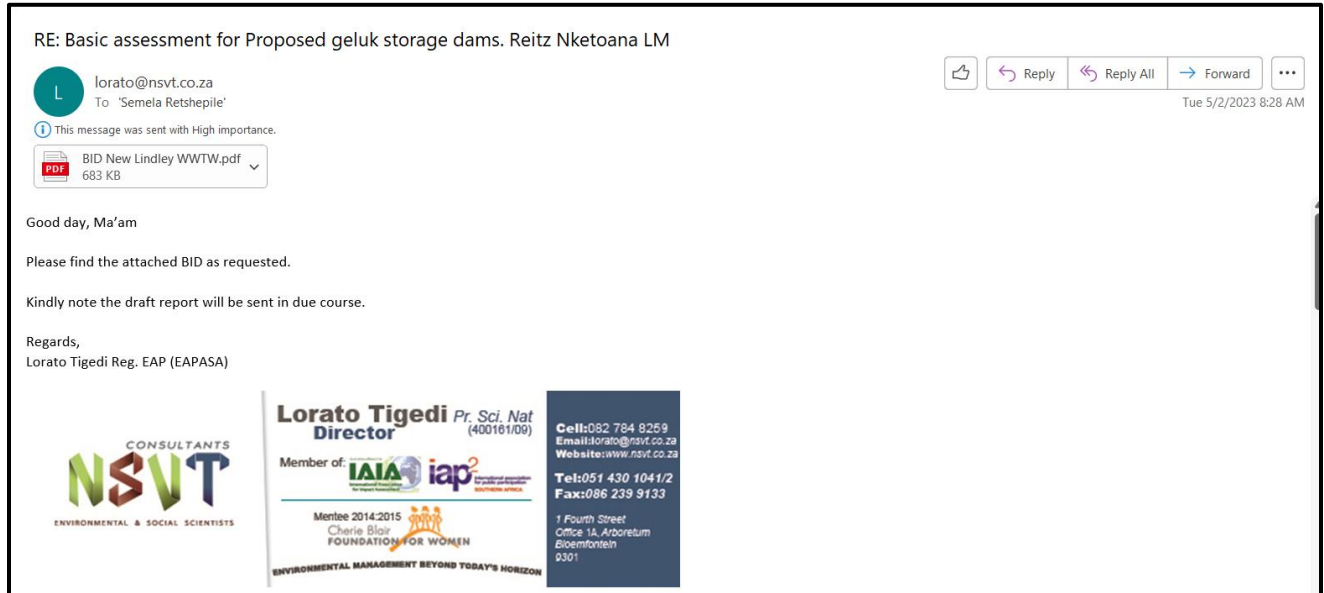


Figure 6: Notification sent to Nketoana Local Municipality-Environmental Officer

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE THABO MOFUTSANYANA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

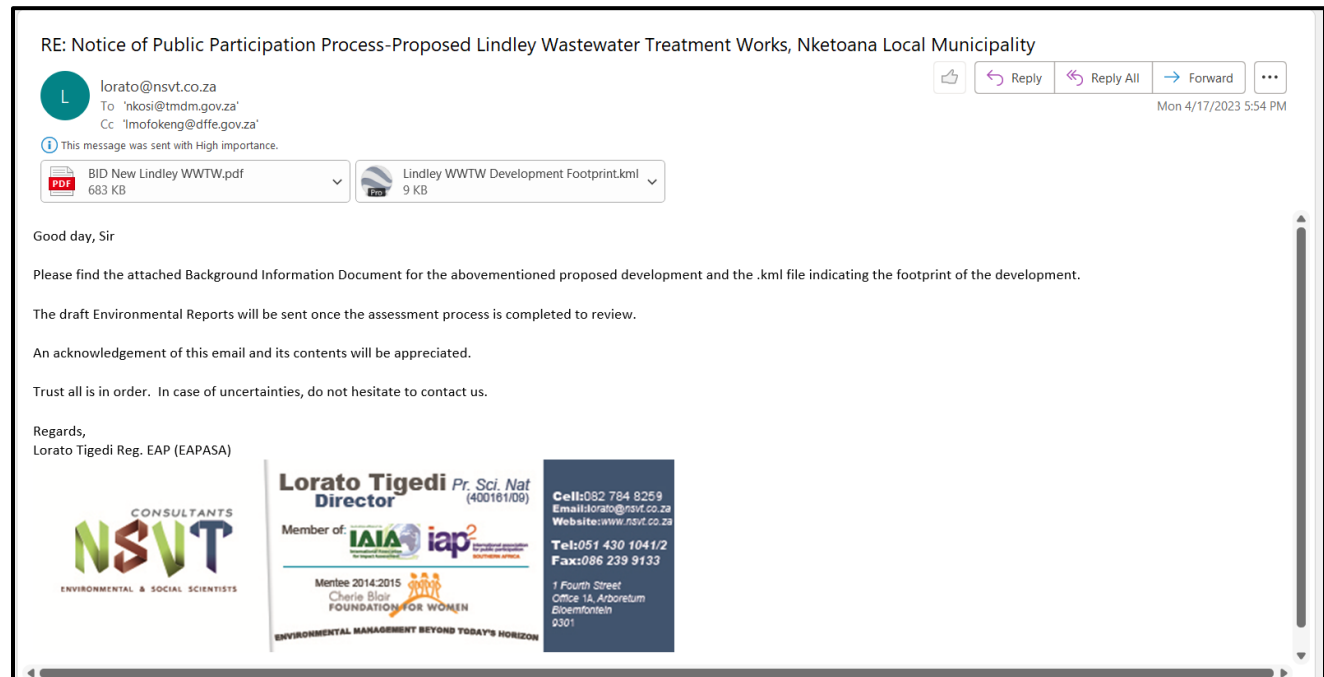


Figure 7: Notification sent to the Thabo Mofutsanyana Local Municipality

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE WARD 3 COUNCILLOR

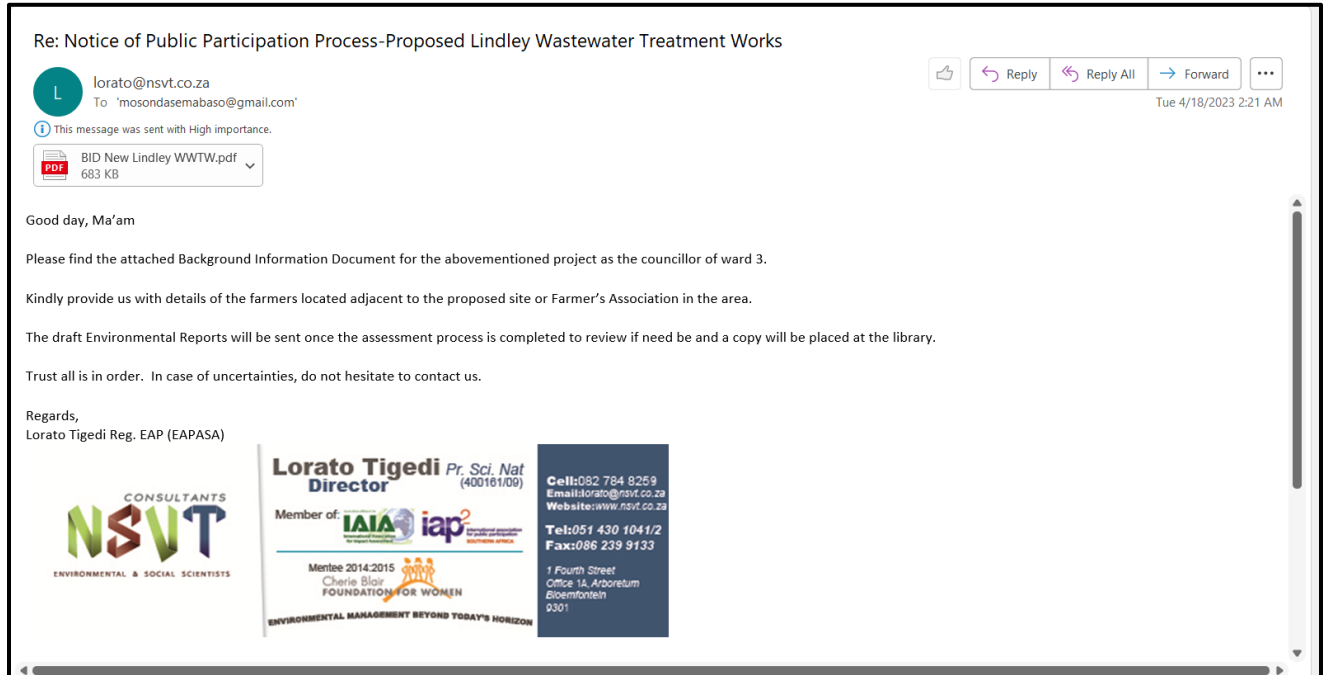


Figure 8: Notification sent to the Ward 3 Councillor

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE NEIGHBOURING LANDOWNERS/USERS

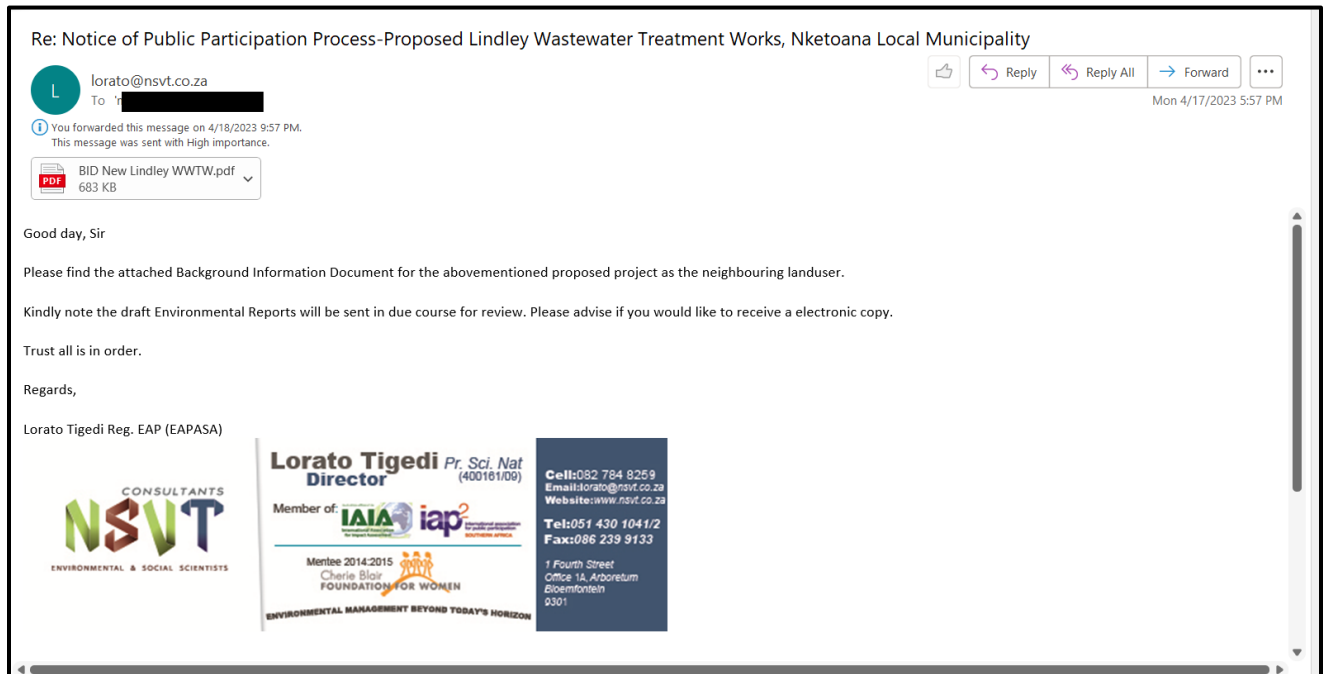


Figure 9: Notification sent to the neighbouring landowner

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE HANDHALF FARMER'S ASSOCIATION

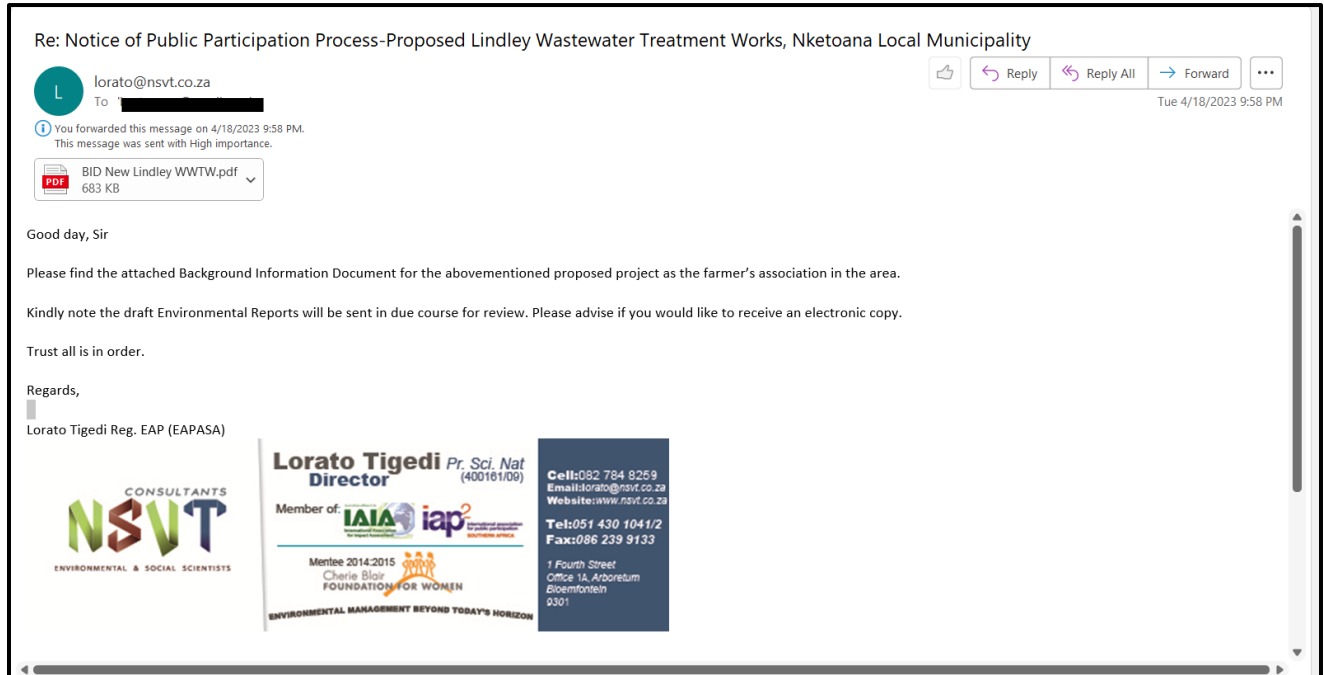


Figure 10: Notification sent to the Handhalf Farmer's Association

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE GELIAT FARMER'S ASSOCIATION

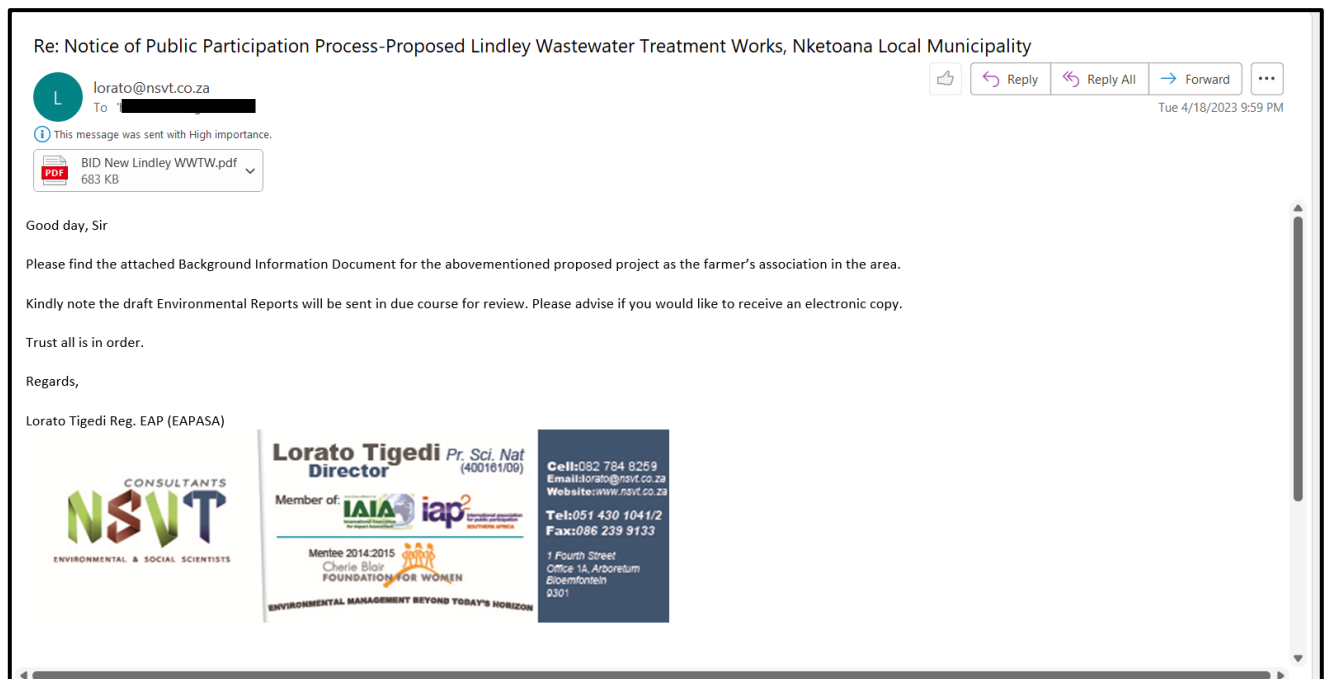


Figure 11: Notification sent to the Geliat Farmer's Association

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

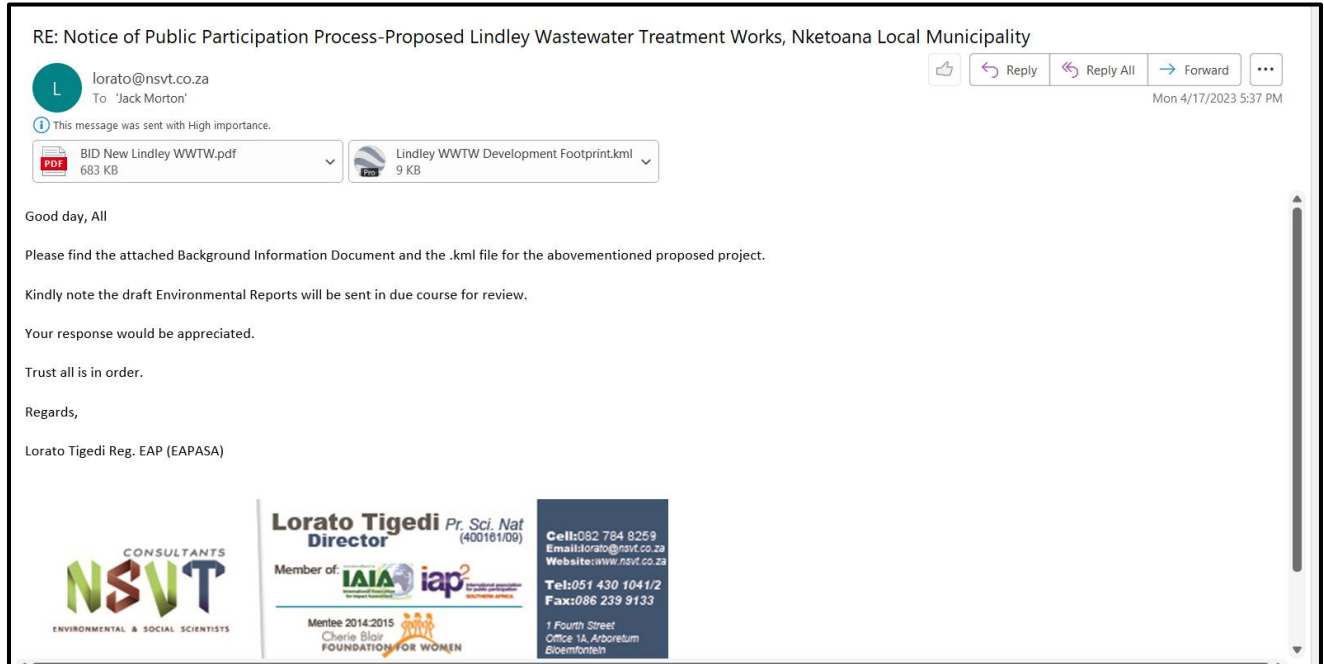


Figure 12: Notification sent to the Free State Department of Agriculture and Land Reform

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION-FREE STATE REGION

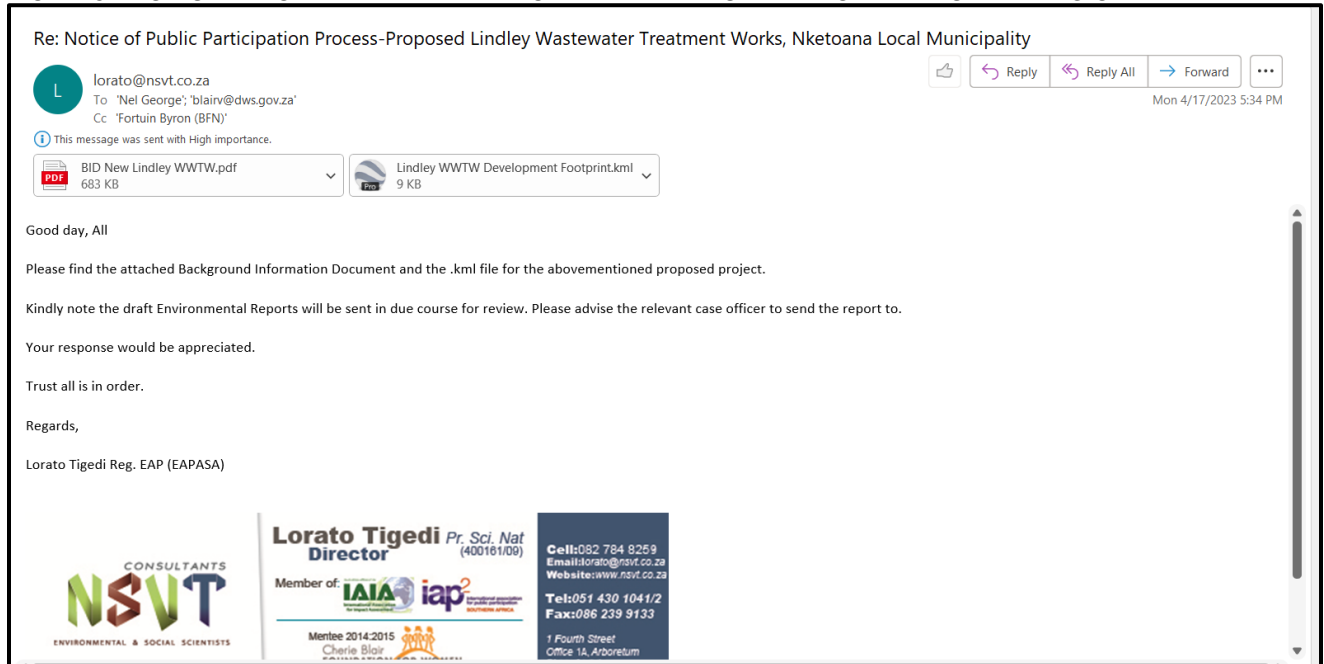


Figure 13: Notification sent to the Department of Water and Sanitation-Free State Region

NOTIFICATION SENT TO SOUTH AFRICAN HERITAGE RESOURCES AGENCY

The screenshot shows the SAHRIS (South African Heritage Resources Information System) website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for Home, My account, Messages, MyDashboard, MyComments, and Log out. Below this is a green notification banner stating: "Heritage Cases Proposed Lindley Wastewater Treatment Works, Nketoana Local Municipality has been updated." The main content area is titled "Heritage Cases" and features a search bar and social media sharing options (Like 0, Tweet, LinkedIn). The primary focus is on a case titled "Proposed Lindley Wastewater Treatment Works, Nketoana Local Municipality". This case is marked as "SUBMITTED" and is managed by SAHRA (South African Heritage Resources Agency) under the Department of Heritage Site Forestry, Fisheries and Game (HFS). The case type is "Section 38 (8) - Statutory Comment Required" and the development type is "Municipal Infrastructure". The proposal description states: "Proposed development of a new wastewater treatment works on an area of approximately 17 hectares on Farm Brandhoek 19, Lindley within Nketoana Local Municipality. This includes a new discharge point, outfall sewer and upgrading of the existing access road." The application date is Monday, April 17, 2023, at 08:58. The case ID is 21092, and the applicant is Nketoana Local Municipality, with consultants Lorato Tigedi. A table of references is provided below:

CaseReference	Department	Application Type	DeadlineDate	ContactPerson
To be issued	DESTEA-Free State	BID	17/05/2023	Grace Mkhosana

Additional documents listed include "Notice of Intent to Develop New Lindley WWTW" and "BID New Lindley WWTW". The footer of the website provides contact information for SAHRA: 111 Harrington Street, Cape Town 8001. Contact details include PO Box 4637, Cape Town, 8000; Tel 021 462 4502/Fax 021 462 4509; Email info@sahra.org.za; and Web www.sahra.org.za. The footer also includes a disclaimer, a note that the site is best viewed using Google Chrome, and a Creative Commons license (CC BY SA). Two chat windows are visible on the right side of the page, one with 10 messages and another with 12 messages.

Figure 14: Notification sent to South African Heritage Resources Agency

NOTIFICATION SENT TO FREE STATE HERITAGE RESOURCES AUTHORITY

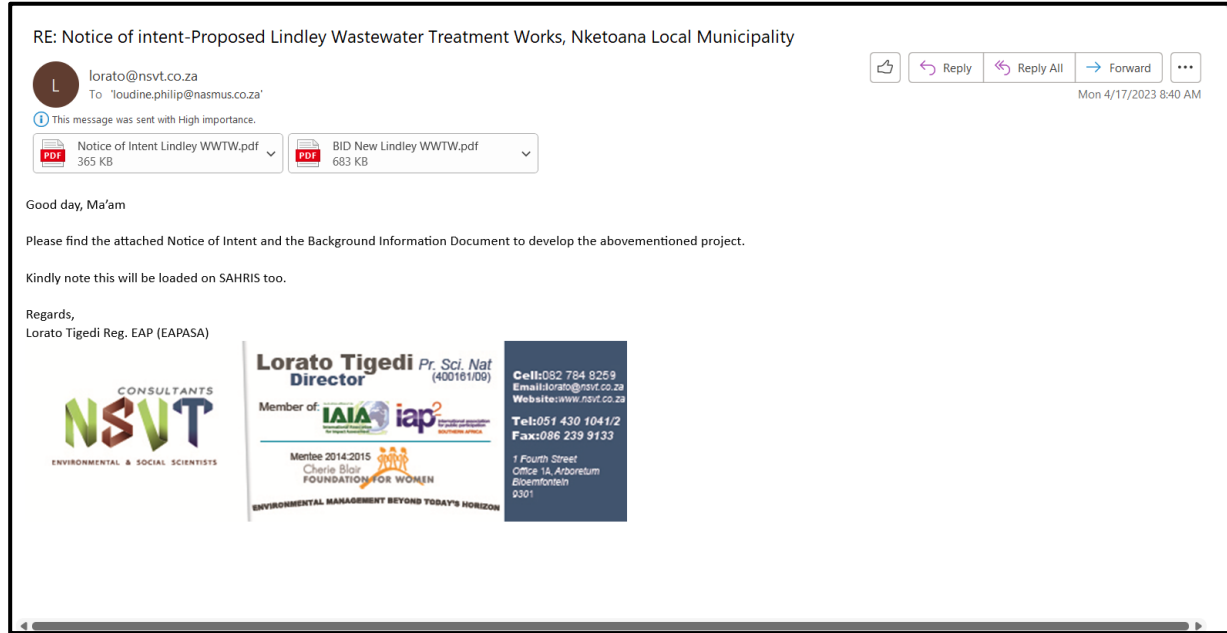


Figure 15: Notification sent to the Free State Heritage Resources Agency

RESPONSE FROM SOUTH AFRICA HERITAGE AGENCY-NOTIFICATION PHASE

Proposed Lindley Wastewater Treatment Works, Nketoana Local Municipality

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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Nketoana Local Municipality

Proposed development of a new wastewater treatment works on an area of approximately 17 hectares on Farm Brandhoek 19, Lindley within Nketoana Local Municipality. This includes a new discharge point, outfall sewer and upgrading of the existing access road.

Thank you for notifying the SAHRA on the proposed construction of new oxidation ponds for the treatment of wastewater on the Farm Brandhoek No. 17 within Nketoana Local Municipality, Free State.

The purpose of the development will include clearance of indigenous vegetation in an area of approximately 17 hectares.

As the proposed development is undergoing an EA Application process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998 (NEMA) and the NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, it is incumbent on the developer to ensure that a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) is done as per section 38(3) and 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, Act 25 of 1999 (NHRA). This must include an archaeological component, palaeontological component and any other applicable heritage components. The HIA must be conducted as part of the EA Application in terms of NEMA and the NEMA EIA Regulations.

The archaeological component of the HIA should follow the SAHRA 2007 Minimum Standards: Archaeological Component of Impact Assessment Report. The quickest process to follow for the archaeological component would be to contract a qualified archaeologist (see www.asapa.co.za or www.aphp.org.za).

The proposed development area is located mostly within an area of very high sensitivity in terms of palaeontological resources as per the SAHRIS PalaeoSensitivity map. As such, a field based Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) must be undertaken by a qualified palaeontologist (See <https://www.palaeosa.org/heritage-practitioners.html> for a list of qualified palaeontologists). The report must comply with the 2012 Minimum Standards: Palaeontological Components of Heritage Impact Assessments.

Any other heritage resources as defined in section 3 of the NHRA that may be impacted, such as built structures over 60 years old, sites of cultural significance associated with oral histories, burial grounds and

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graves, graves of victims of conflict, and cultural landscapes or viewsapes must also be assessed.

The NEMA EIA documents and appendices must be submitted at the start of the public review periods in order for an informed comment to be issued that can be incorporated into the final reports for submission to the competent authority.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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South African Heritage Resources Agency

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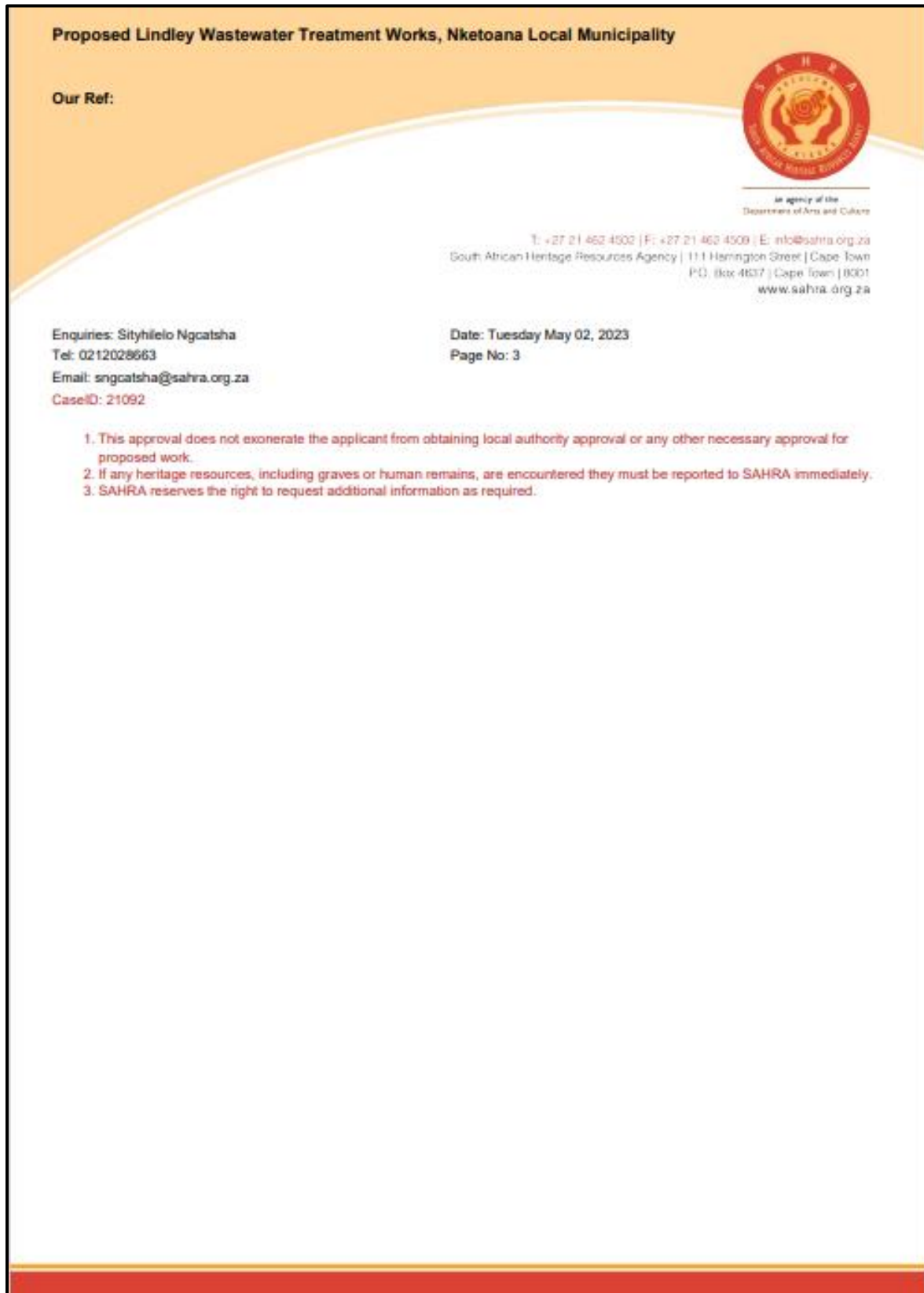


Figure 16: Response from South African Heritage Resources Agency

