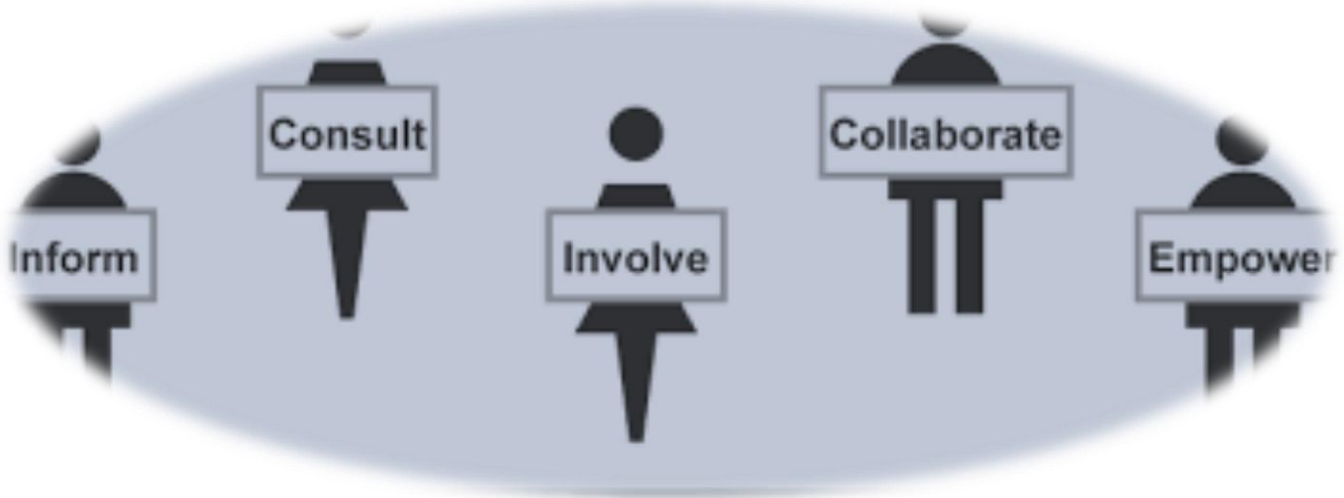


APPENDIX E

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION RECORDS

PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE, NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

DESTEA REF. NO.: EMB/12(i)(a), 19,12(b(iv)/23/06



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PROOF OF NEWSPAPER, ON-SITE NOTICE, AND POSTERS

Time trials results

Harmony Striders time trial results for 25 January are:
4 km: Ngomba Ompi 14:00, Mosala Diphoko 18:35, Jeffrey Gcelu 18:52, Braampie Tsotetsi 19:48, Luiz de Andrade 22:30, Masamoele Makhate 22:39, Tshepo Moshawa 23:40, Riaaz Harris 23:48, Refiloe Simango 24:09, Spatala Khambule 24:17, Deon Lodder 26:48, Rina Nel 27:45, Hendrie du Plessis 29:15, Franswa Kapp 31:00, André Ejs 31:00, Samuel

Mogotsi 32:00, Yvonne Visagie 39:17 and Lientjie Blom.
8 km: Masane Tihobo 40:14, Muso Molefi 41:18, Daemane Makhate 43:05, Riaan van Wyk 45:20, Morné Nel 46:51, Amelia du Plessis 47:07, Cornelius Visagie 51:31, Ishmael Dhlamini 55:21 and Johan Pretorius 58:53.
 The Harmony Striders is to present the Valentine Night race on 10 February, at the Welkom Square. The 10 km race starts at 18:30, and the 4 km fun run at 18:35.
 For information call Rina Nel on 071-682-6615, and to enter as participant go to entries.evententry.co.za.



Waldo Barreto, 'n tennisspeler van die Goudveld-Hoërskool, het Vrydag (27/01) en Saterdag in Bloemfontein aan die Vrystaatse mini-tennis-toernooi vir o.16-seuns deelgeneem en het sesde plek behaal. Foto: Verskaf



Pak hul reistasse vir dans

Mika Kruger (links) en Nina Schonken, twee leerlinge aan die Goudveld-Hoërskool, het vir die Disco-wêreldbyeenkoms vir 2023 in die Tsjeggiese Republiek gekwalifiseer. Die twee dansers gaan hul Protea-klere ontvang. Nina het haar provinsiale klere in Rock and Roll en Disco Small Groups gekry. Sy het ook haar Protea-klere verwerf om aan die wêreldbyeenkoms vir laasgenoemde deel te neem en het gekwalifiseer vir Protea-klere in die 2023-wêreldbyeenkoms in Freestyle wat van 23 tot 25 Junie in Blackpool aangebied word. Mika het haar provinsiale klere in Disco Small Groups verwerf, asook haar Protea-klere hierin. Sy kwalifiseer daarom vir Protea-klere in die wêreldbyeenkoms hiervoor in die Tsjeggiese Republiek. Foto: Verskaf

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General co-ordinates: S27° 29' 42.25" E26° 39' 34.40"

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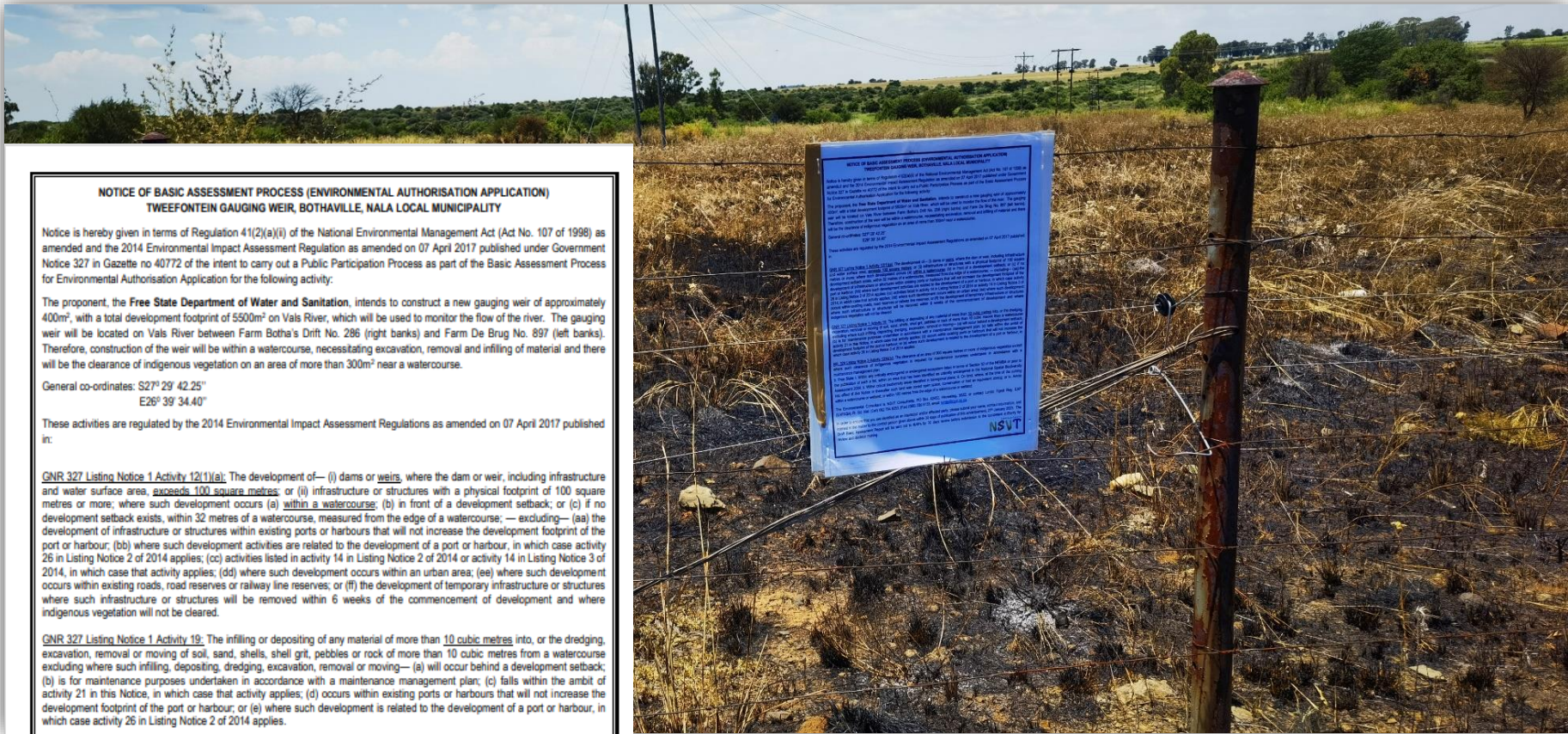
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Figure 1: Advertisement placed in Vista News



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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.

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



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Photo 2: Poster placed at the Nala Municipal Office Notice Board-Bothaville



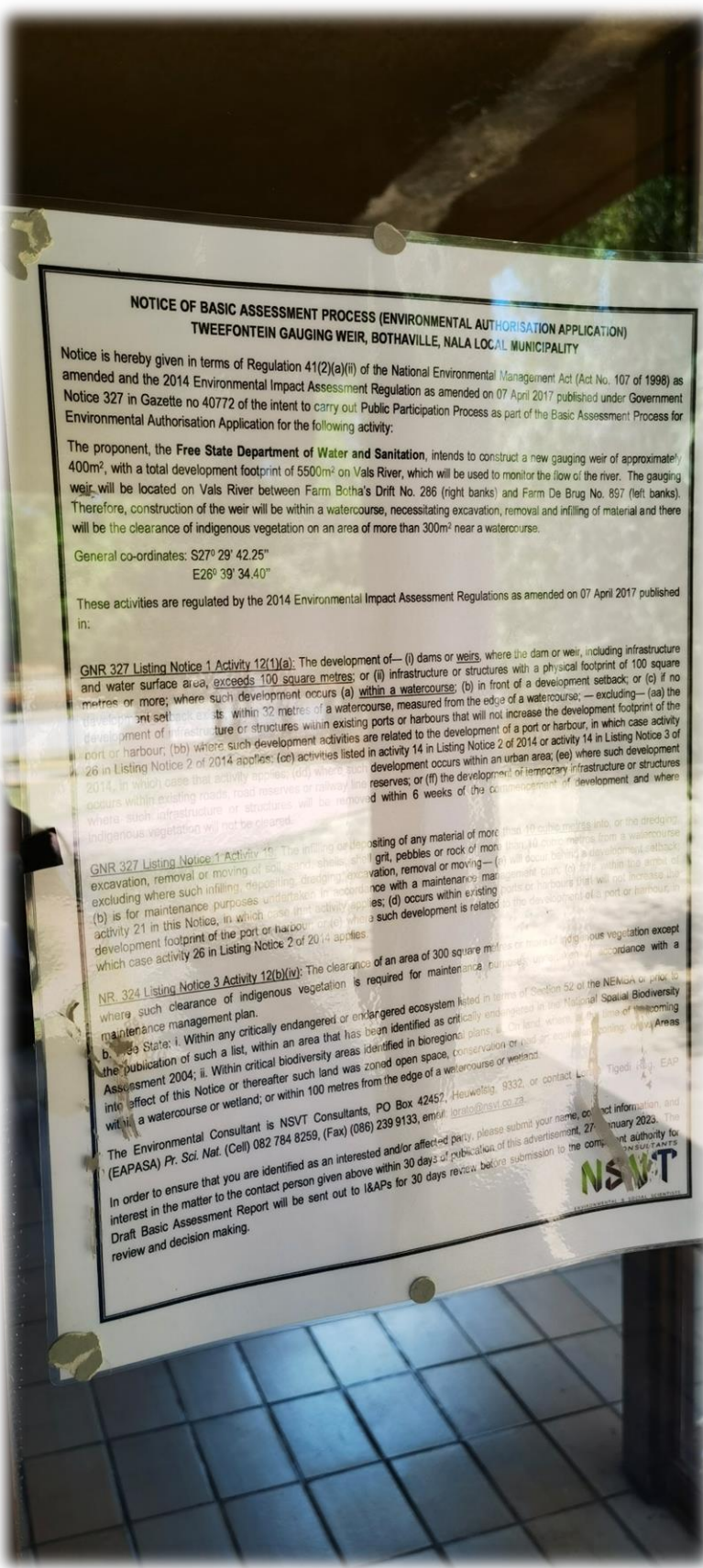


Photo 3: Poster placed at the Bothaville Library



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Photo 4: Poster placed at the Kgotsong Library

APPENDIX E2

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

(No registered I&AP)

APPENDIX E3

COMMENTS AND RESPONSES TRAIL

PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE
NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY
EMB/12(i)(a),19,12(b)(iv)/23/06

NEWSPAPER ADVERTISEMENT, ON SITE NOTICE AND POSTERS (2023-01-27 & 2023-02-02)		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE
No Comments received		
BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT (2023-02-03; 2023-03-02; 2023-03-10; 2023-03-20; 2023-03-23)		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE
Department of Police, Roads and Transport Hannes Maree Email 2023-02-09	The department supports the proposed gauging weir with conditions mentioned below.	Comment noted
	Exact location of the gauging weir cannot be derived from the information provided.	Exact location will be provided in the Draft Basic Assessment Report
	No structure may be erected within 95m measured from centre line of the provincial road without approval from the department.	The gauging weir is located approximately 250m from the centre line of Primary Road P43/4
	The Department will only consider and approve any specific accesses on receipt of a completed application and drawing that shows the geometric layout and exact locality of the accesses.	The information regarding the temporary access roads will be included in the Draft BAR.
	The condition of provincial gravel road S722 is not in good condition. The increase in traffic during the construction phase of the proposed gauging weir will require more intense routine maintenance and certain sections will have to be re-graveled. The applicant will therefore be required to carry out such maintenance at their expenditure.	The department indicated that if they are to use any provincial road, they will take pictures of the current condition and compare it with the post-construction condition to ensure that it will not be left in a worse state thus it was found.
	No work on bridge structure no. 244 may be done without prior consultation with and approval by this department. An application for any intended work on the above-mentioned bridge structure must therefore be timeously submitted to the Department. The application must also be accompanied by appropriate drawings.	The proposed gauging weir is located more than 600m from the bridge, therefore, it will not be impacted or disturbed by the development or construction activities.
	The raising of the water of a river, spruit or dam, to encroach upon a public road, is not allowed in terms of Section (20)(1)(b) of the Roads Ordinance, 1968	The proposed gauging weir will not cause any raising water to encroach upon a public road.

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COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT BAR		
NAME	QUESTIONS/COMMENTS	RESPONSE

APPENDIX E4

PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM COMMENTING AUTHORITIES

(Notification received from the Department of Police, Roads and Transport only)

PROOF OF RECEIVED NOTIFICATION FROM FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT

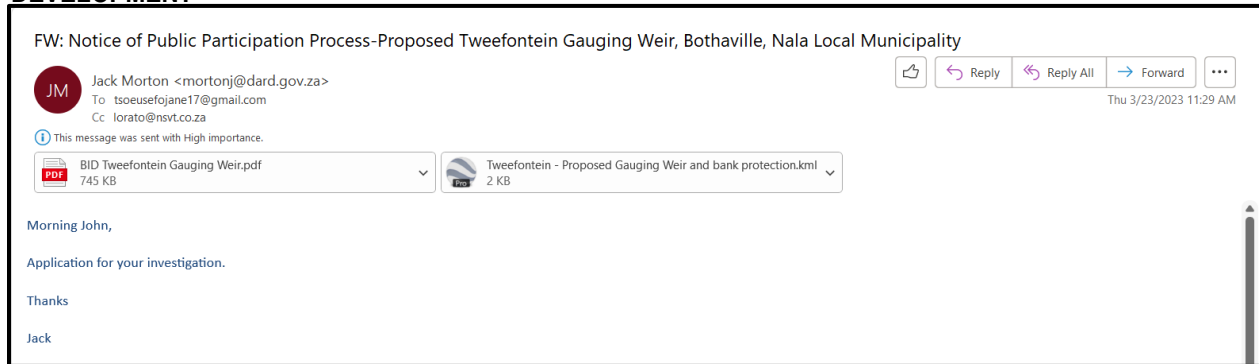


Figure 2: Proof of received notification from Free State Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

APPENDIX E5

DATABASE OF REGISTERED I&APs

No individuals registered as I&APs during the notification phase, however, the I&APs Database maintained during the Public Participation Process is attached hereto

**PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE
NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY
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Authority/Organ of State/Organisation	Contact person (Title, Name and Surname)	Tel No	Fax No	e-mail	Postal address
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	Councillor Komane Moshane (Ward 10)	071 098 5356		Zmoshane7@gmail.com	
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
Department of Police, Roads, and Transport	Mr. Hannes Maree	082 059 9725		fsroadplanning@gmail.com	P.O. Box 119 Bloemfontein 9300
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 Environment, Small Business Development, Tourism, and Environmental Affairs	Ms. Nomonde Molokwane	051 400 4800	-	mokolwaneN@destea.gov.za	Private Bag X20801 Bloemfontein 9300
South African Heritage Resources Agency	SAHRIS	021 462 4502	021 462 4509	info@sahra.org.za	P.O. Box 4637 Cape Town 8000
Eskom	Ms. Mahlatse Moeng	051 404 5031		moengmk@eskom.co.za	P.O. Box 356 Bloemfontein 9301
Landowner (Botha's Drift)	Ms. Johanna Klue				
Landowner (Winkelplaats)	Mr. Izak Coetzer				
Land user (Botha's Drift)	Mr. Jannie van Rensburg				

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.


APPENDIX E6

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.



PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE, NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT



Environmental Assessment Practitioner	NSVT Consultants Lorato Tigatedi Reg. EAP (EAPASA)
Project Name	Proposed construction of Tweefontein Gauging Weir, Bothaville, Nala Local Municipality
Applicant	Free State Department of Water and Sanitation
DESTEA Reference Number	To be issued
NSVT Reference Number:	NSVT-BA-B-0830
Document	Background Information Document
Date	02 February 2023

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Overview of the proposed development

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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, 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
- ✓ Ecological (Terrestrial Biodiversity) 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.

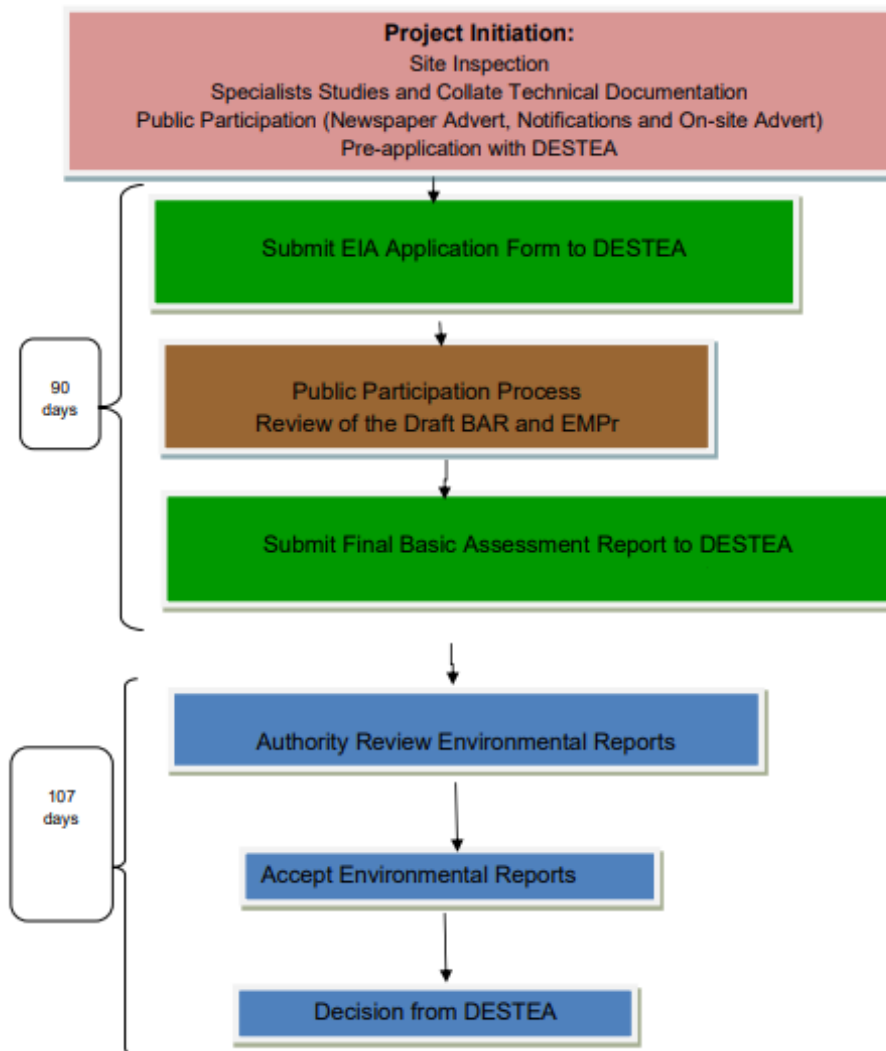
The Listed Activities, which will be triggered by the proposed development are tabulated below.

LISTING NOTICE	ACTIVITY No.	ACTIVITY
1 GNR 327	12(1)(a)	The development of– (i) dams or <u>weirs</u> , where the dam or weir, including infrastructure and water surface area, <u>exceeds 100 square metres</u> ; or (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more; where such development occurs (a) <u>within a watercourse</u> ; (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; – excluding– (aa) the development of infrastructure or structures within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port or harbour; (bb) where such development activities are related to the development of a port or harbour, in which case activity 26 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 applies; (cc) activities listed in activity 14 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 or activity 14 in Listing Notice 3 of 2014, in which case that activity applies; (dd) where such development occurs within an urban area; (ee) where such development occurs within existing roads, road reserves or railway line reserves; or (ff) the development of temporary infrastructure or structures where such infrastructure or structures will be removed within 6 weeks of the commencement of development and where indigenous vegetation will not be cleared.
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.
3 GNR R324	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 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. 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 iv. <u>Areas within a watercourse or wetland; or within 100 metres from the edge of a watercourse or wetland.</u>
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NSVT Consultants was appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP) to undertake the integrated application process, which will include site assessment, public participation process including stakeholder engagement, specialists' studies as well as impact identification, analysis and significance.

Time Schedule for Integrated Application Process-197 days



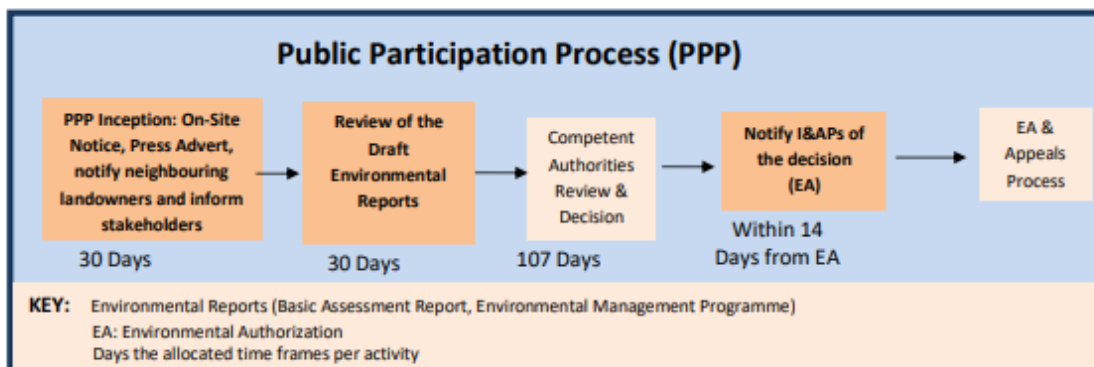
Public Participation

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



The purpose of this document is to provide background information of 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 03 February 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 CONSTRUCTION OF TWEEFONTEIN GAUGUNG WEIR, BOTHAVILLE NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY			
REGISTRATION AND RESPONSE FORM FOR INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES			
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PLEASE IDENTIFY YOUR INTEREST IN THE PROJECT:			
PLEASE WRITE YOUR COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS HERE:			
Please return completed forms prior to 30 days lapsing:			
<p><i>Lorato Tigatedi Reg. EAP (EAPASA) Pr. Sci. Nat.</i> NSVT Consultants P.O. Box 42452, Heuwelsig, 9332 (t) 061 500 8461 or (c) 082 784 8259 (f) 086 239 9133 Email: lorato@nsvt.co.za</p>			

APPENDIX A

GOOGLE SATELLITE IMAGERY

PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE
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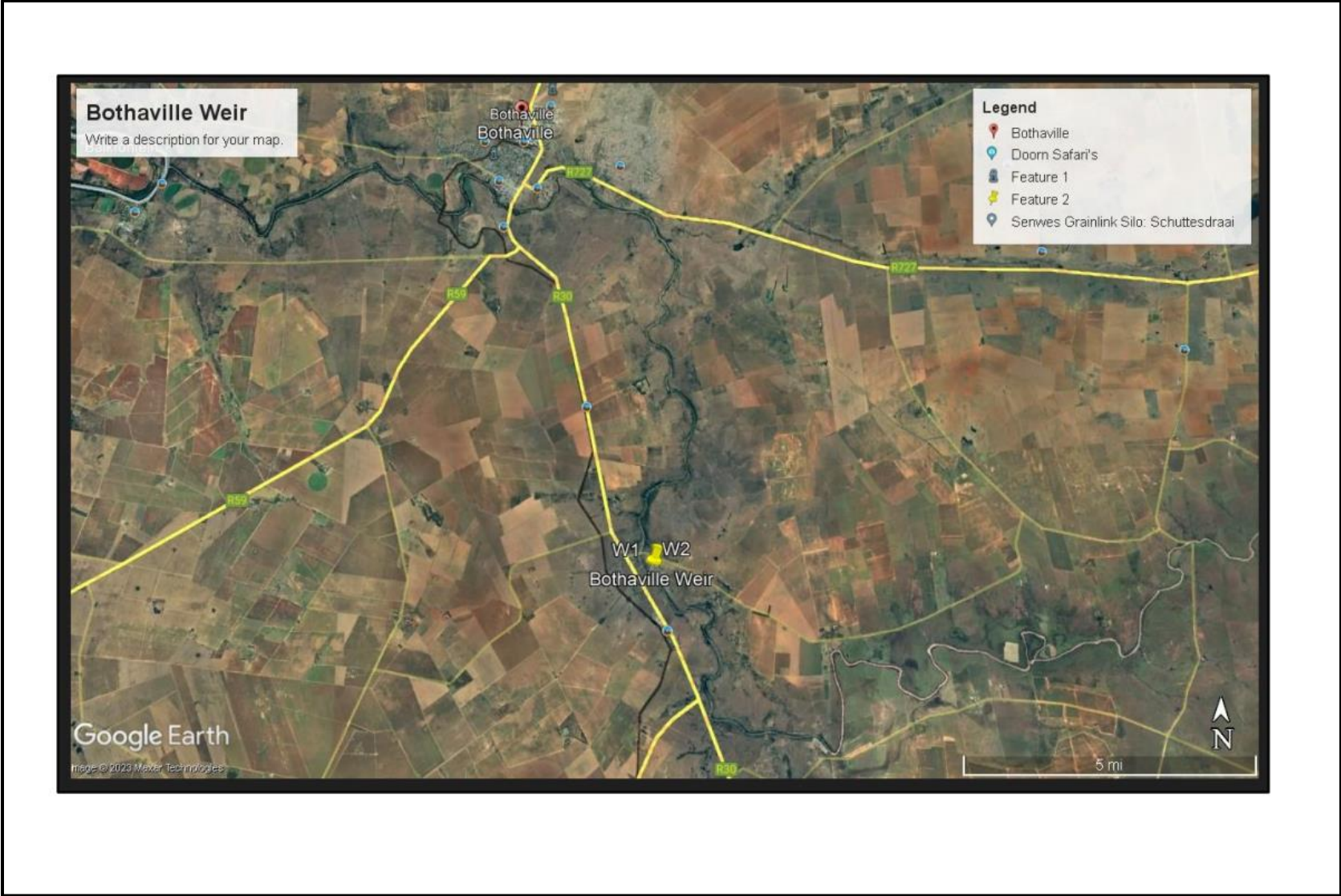


Figure 3: Background Information Document

**PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR, BOTHAVILLE
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NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND SANITATION (APPLICANT)

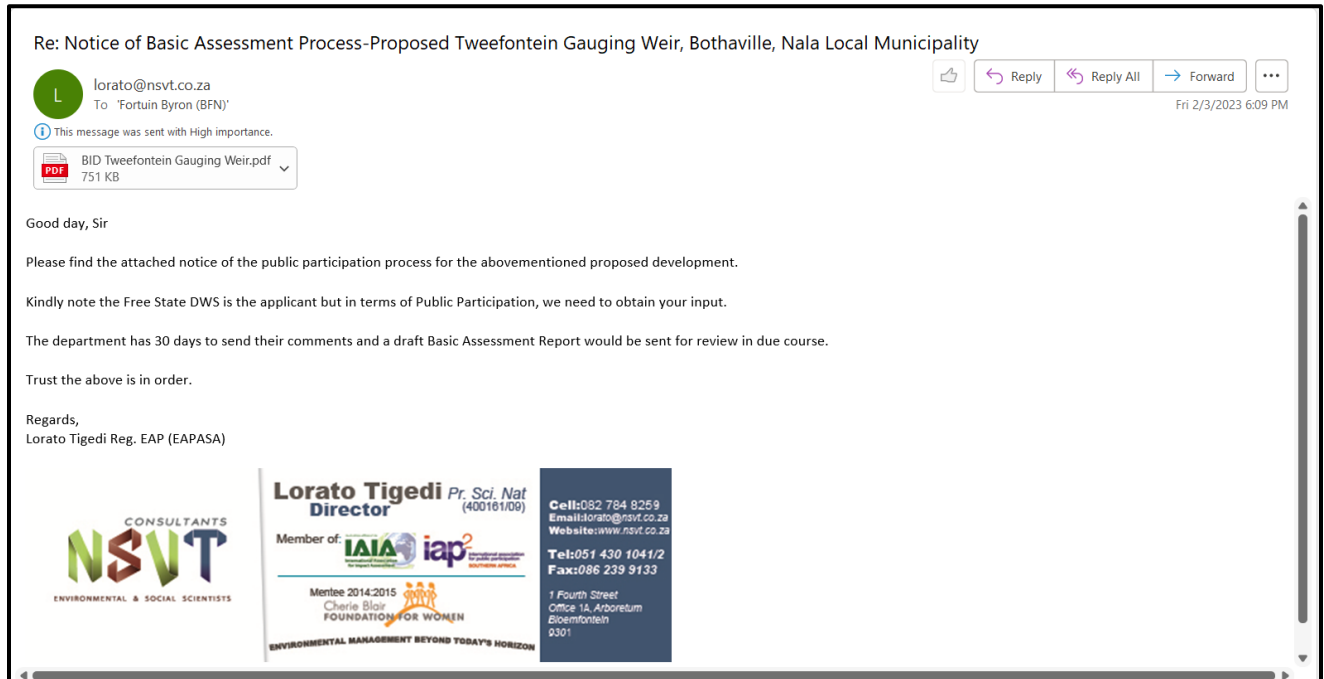


Figure 4: Notification sent to the Free State Department of Water and Sanitation

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE NALA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY (LOCAL AUTHORITY)

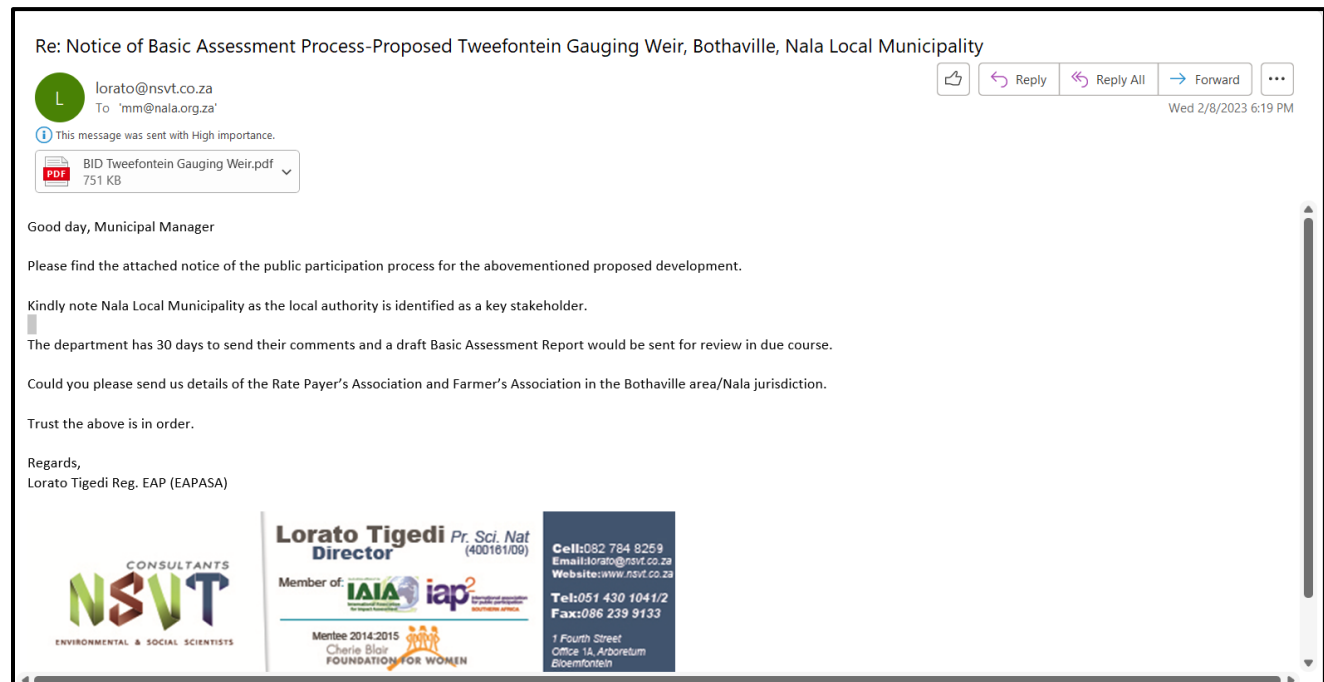


Figure 5: Notification sent to the Nala Local Municipality-Municipal Manager

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NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE LANDOWNERS-BOTHA'S DRIFT

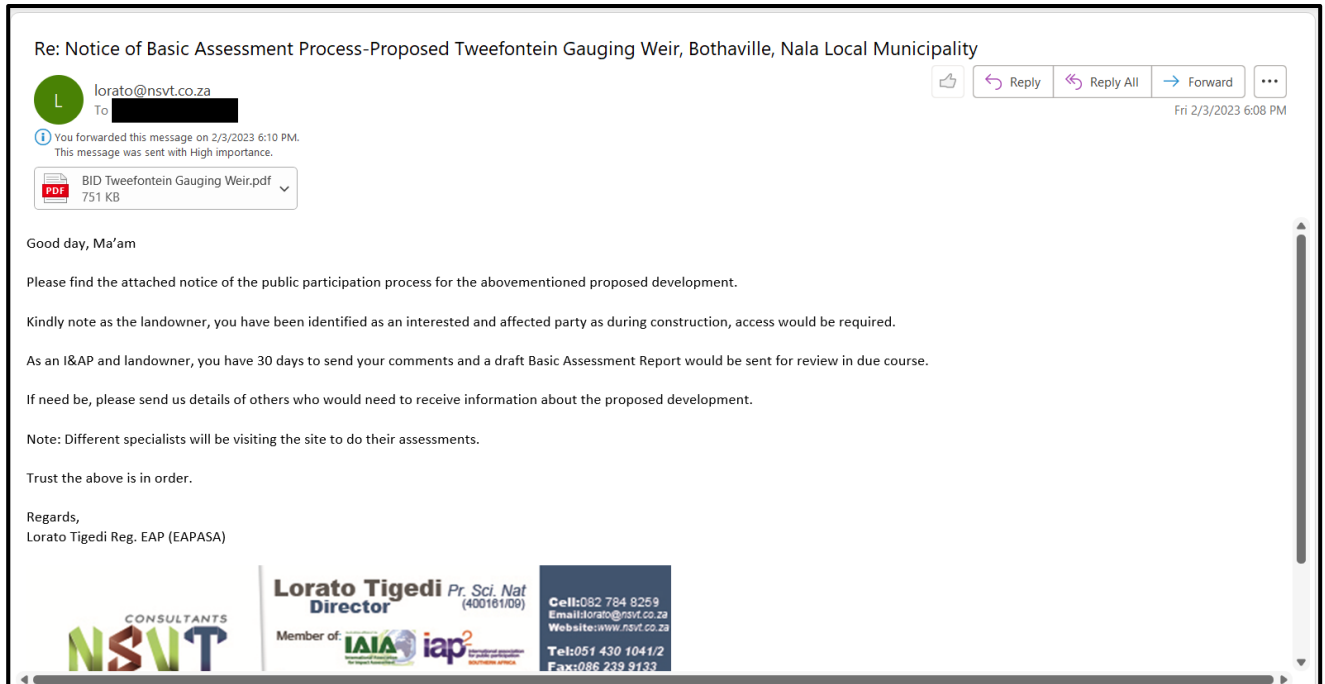


Figure 6: Notification sent to the Farm Botha's Drift Landowner

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE LANDOWNERS-WINKELPLAATS

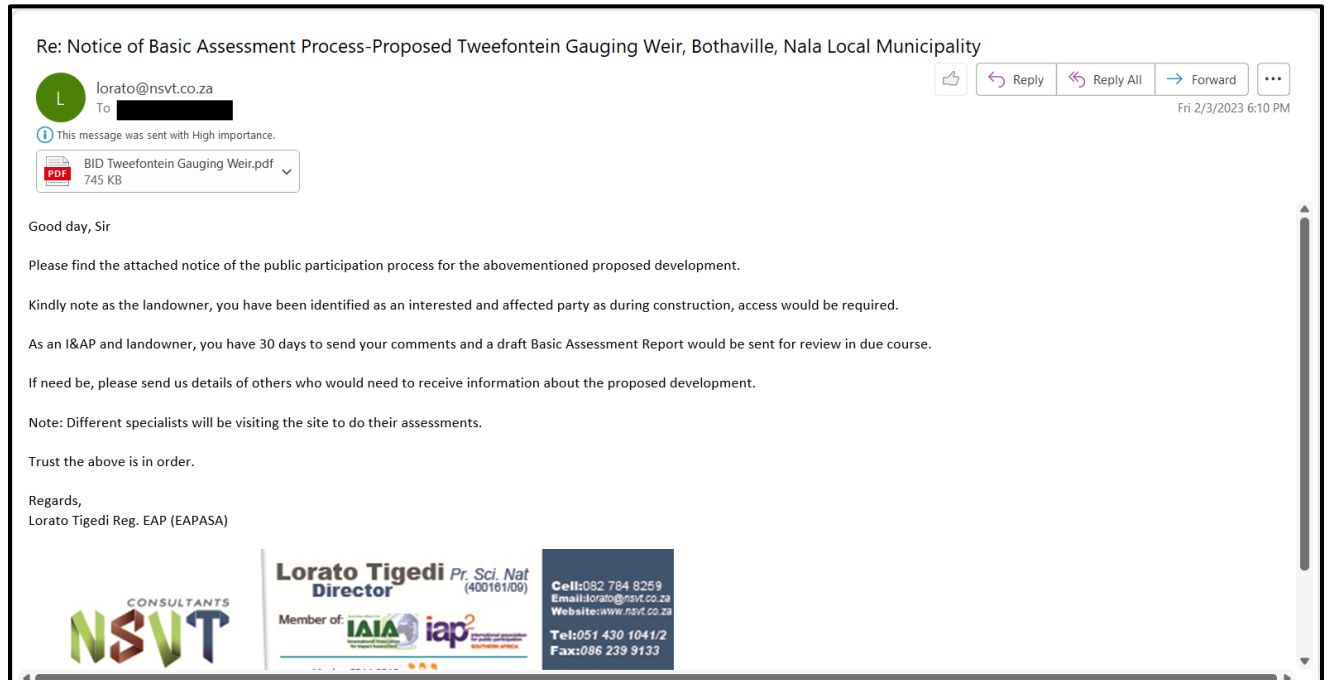


Figure 7: Notification sent to the Farm Winkelplaats Landowner

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NOTIFICATION TO LAND USER (BOTHAS DRIFT)

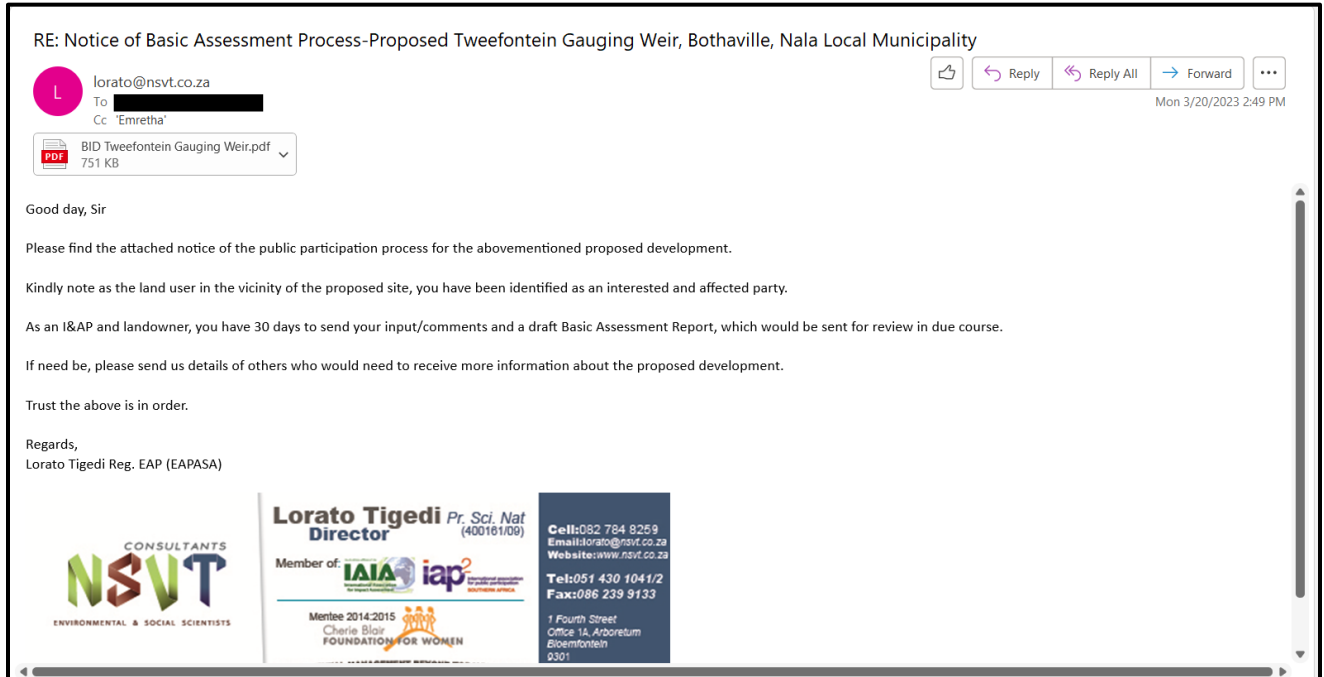


Figure 8: Notification to the land user (Botha's Drift)

NOTIFICATION SENT TO THE FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ROADS

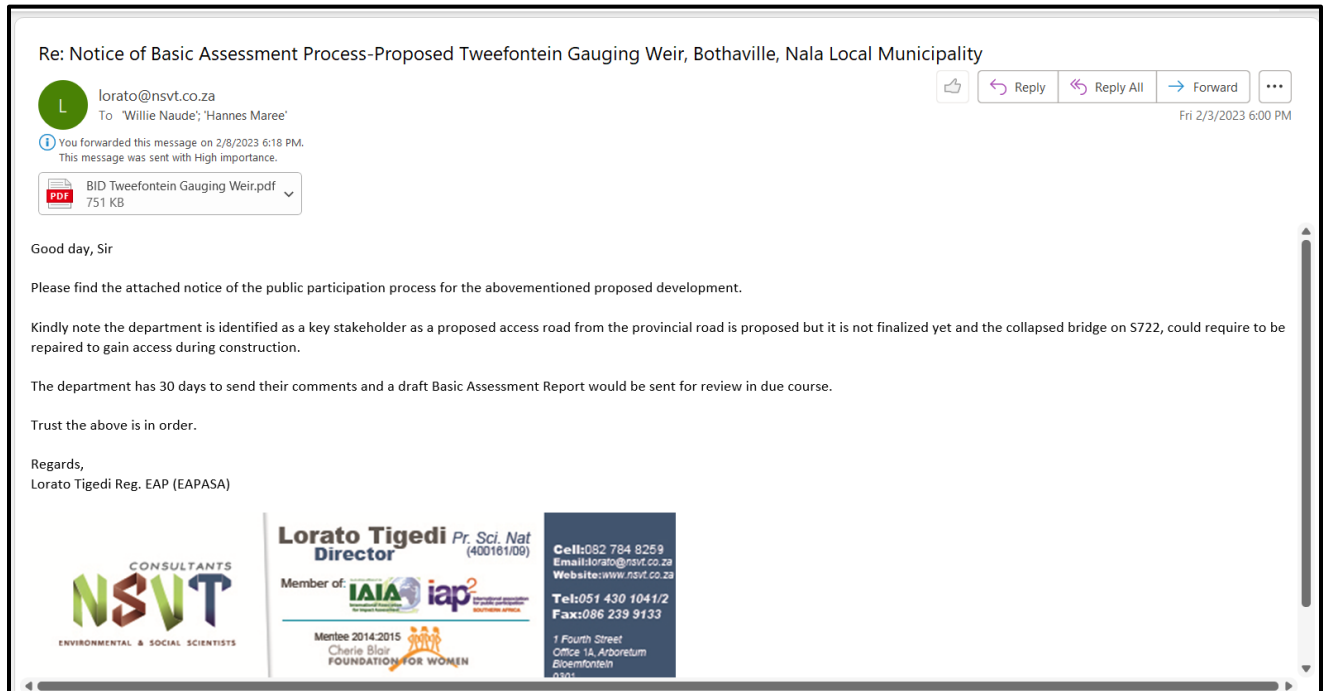


Figure 9: Notification sent to the Free State Department of Police, Roads, and Transport

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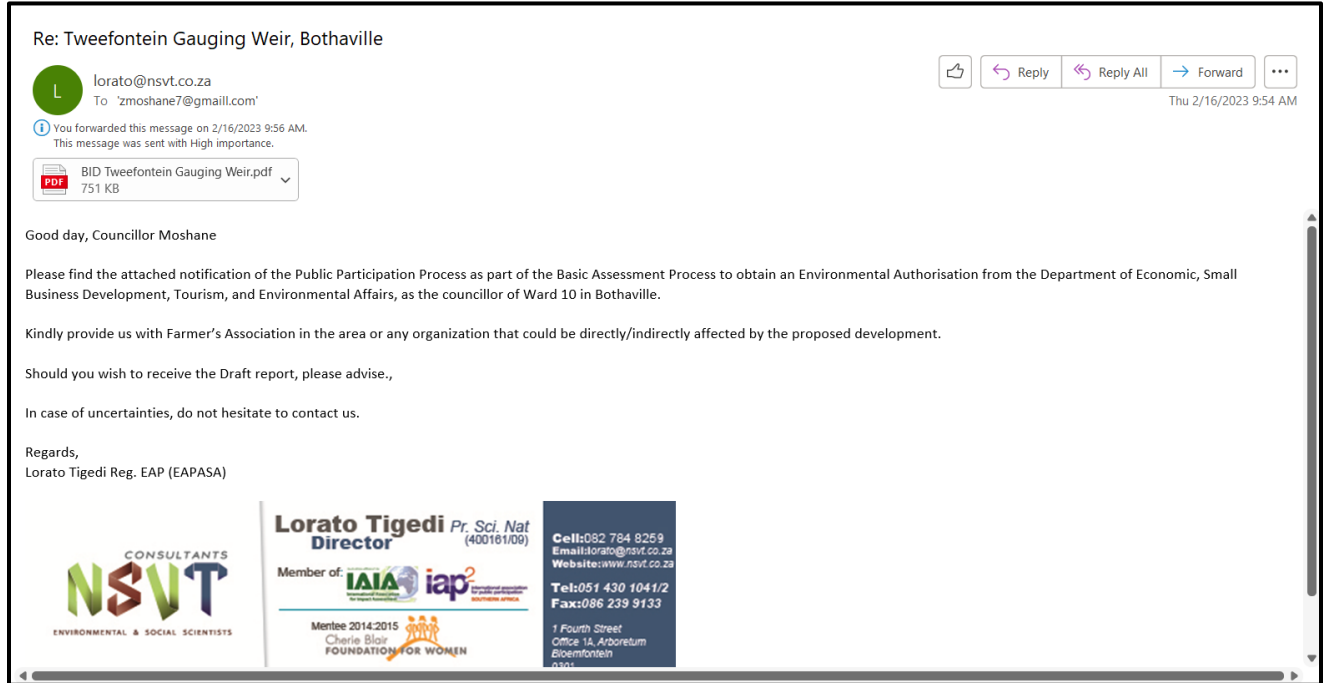


Figure 10: Notification sent to the Ward Councillor

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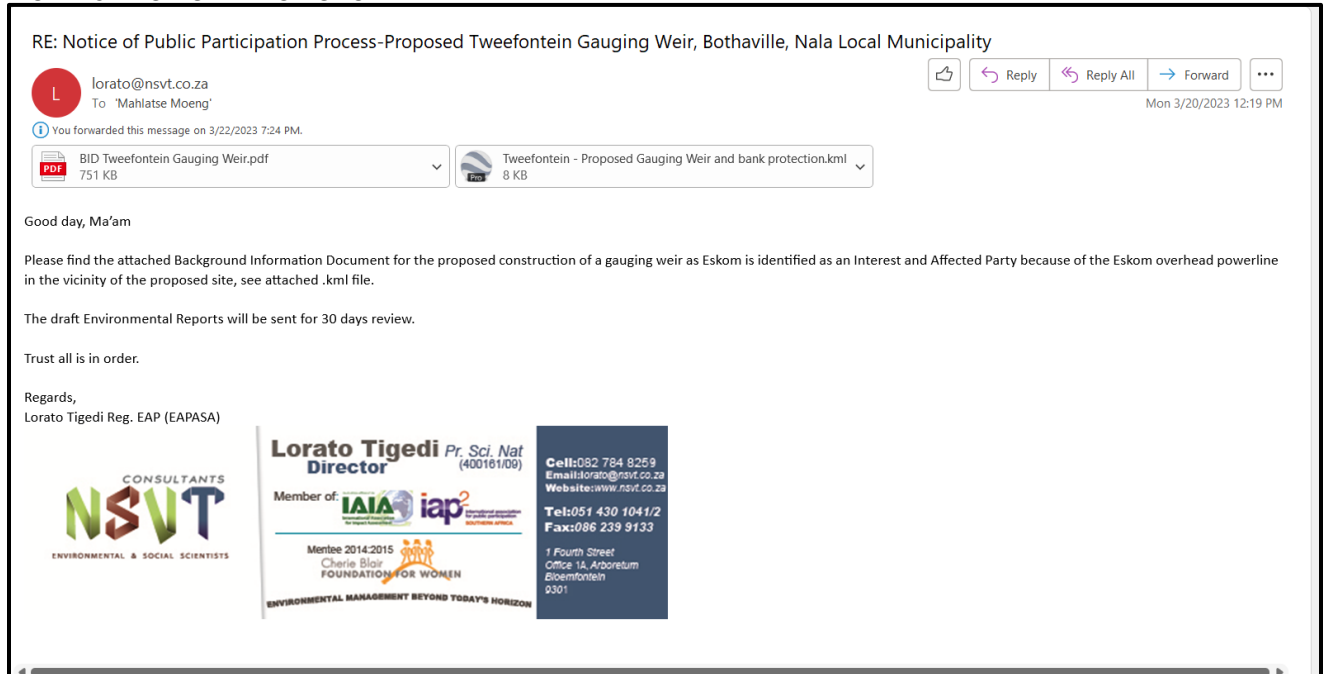


Figure 11: Notification sent to Free State Eskom Operating Unit

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

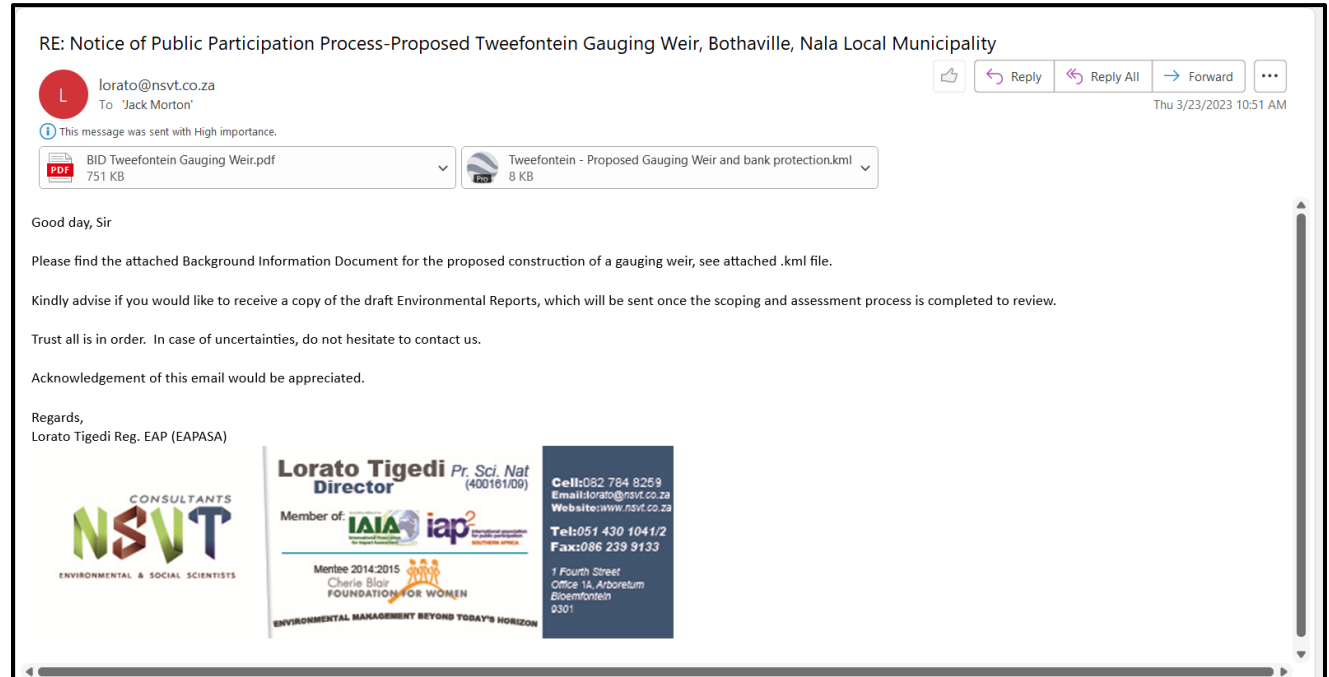


Figure 12: Notification sent to the Free State Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

NOTIFICATION SENT TO SAHRA

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Heritage Cases Proposed Tweefontein Gauging Weir, Bothaville has been updated.

Heritage Cases

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Special Notice

Following comments received on the proposed Revised Schedule of Fees for applications made to the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA), made in terms of Section 25(2)(l) of the National Heritage Resources Act No. 25 of 1999 (NHRA) and published in the Government Gazette of 22 July 2022, SAHRA hereby publishes the final Revised Schedule of Fees for Applications made to SAHRA. Applications for provision of services submitted to the South African Heritage Resources Authority (SAHRA), in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, No. 25 of 1999 (NHRA) must be accompanied by a payment of the appropriate fee, taking effect from 1 January 2023

[Revised Schedule of Fees for Applications made to the South African Heritage Resources Agency \(SAHRA\)](#)

Proposed Tweefontein Gauging Weir, Bothaville

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CaseHeader LocationInfo Admin Images

Status: Studies Submitted

HeritageAuthority(s): HFS

Case Type: Section 38 (8) - Statutory Comment Required

Development Type: Infrastructure

ProposalDescription:
 Proposed Construction of Gauging Weir, the left bank wall located on Farm Winkelplaats 312and the right bank wall is on Farm Botha's Drift 286, Bothaville within the jurisdiction of Nala Local Municipality. To access the proposed site, existing dirt tracks/access roads will be used. The existing storage weir located 10m upstream of the proposed site will be used as a coffer dam and a temporary one built downstream. Two temporary construction camps will be established on either side of the Vals River.

ApplicationDate: Sunday, March 26, 2023 - 09:33

CaseID: 20967

Applicants: Free State Department of Water and Sanitation

Consultants/Experts: Lorato Tigedi

OtherReferences:

CaseReference	Department	Application Type	DeadlineDate	ContactPerson
EMB/12(i)(a),19,12(b)(iv)/23/06	DESTE- Free State	BID	26/04/2023	Nomonde Molokwane

Heritage Reports: Proposed Tweefontein Gauging Weir, Bothaville

ReferenceList:

AdditionalDocuments

- Proposed Tweefontein Gauging Weir
- Part A Tweefontein Gauging Weir Preliminary Design Report
- Part B Tweefontein Gauging Weir Preliminary Design Report
- Proposed Tweefontein Ecological Assessment Report

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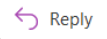
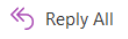


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Figure 13: Notification sent to the South African Heritage Agency


RESPONSE FROM FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE, ROADS, AND TRANSPORT


Re: Notice of Basic Assessment Process-Proposed Tweefontein Gauging Weir, Bothaville, Nala Local Municipality

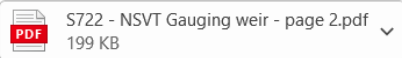
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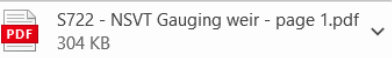
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Good morning Lorato

Please find enclosed this Department's letter dated 08 February 2023 for your attention

Regards

J.P.W. Maree
Department of Police, Roads and Transport
Cell no. 0820599725

Figure 14: Response from Department of Police, Roads, and Transport

ATTACHMENT



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Department of
Police, Roads and Transport
FREE STATE PROVINCE

REF: P29/4/185/S722
ENQ: Mr. J.P.W. Maree

The Director
NSVT Consultants
Office 14, Arboretum
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For attention: Me. Lorato Tigedi

PROPOSED TWEEFONTEIN GAUGING WEIR: NOTIFICATION OF BASIC ASSESSMENTS REPORT AND INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE: BOTHAVILLE: FREE STATE

1. Your email dated 03 February 2023 pertaining to the above-mentioned project near Bothaville refers.
2. The following provincial roads are affected by the above-mentioned project (refer to the enclosed plan):
 - (i) Primary road P43/4 (statutory road reserve width of 32 meters); and
 - (ii) Secondary road S722 (statutory road reserve width of 25 meters).
3. This Department supports the above-mentioned gauging weir project subject to the following conditions:
 - 3.1 The exact location of the proposed gauging weir cannot be derived from the information that was enclosed to the above-mentioned email. Take note that no structures may be erected within 95,0 metres measured from the centre line of the provincial roads listed in the above-mentioned paragraph 2 without the written approval issued by this Department for the relaxation of the building line. The building line is imposed in terms of the provisions of sections 9 and 9A of the Advertising on Roads and Ribbon Development Act, 1940 (Act no. 1 of 1940).
 - 3.2 Due to the vague information that is currently available, this Department will only be able to consider and approve any specific access/es on receipt of a completed application and drawing that shows the geometric layout and exact locality of the

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access/es. An application form for the above-mentioned purpose is attached hereto. The application for the access/es will thus be considered once the formal application for an access/es is submitted to this Department.

- 3.3 The condition of the provincial gravel road S722 is not in a good condition. The increase in traffic during the construction phase of the proposed gauging weir will require more intense routine maintenance and certain sections will have to be re-graveled. The applicant will therefore be required to carry out such maintenance at their expenditure.
- 3.4 No work on bridge structure no. 244 may be done without prior consultation with and approval by this Department. An application for any intended work on the above-mentioned bridge structure must therefore be timeously submitted to this Department for consideration. The application must also be accompanied by appropriate drawings.
- 3.5 Please note that the raising of the level of the water of a river, spruit or dam, to encroach upon a public road, is not allowed in terms of section 20(1)(b) of the Roads Ordinance, 1968.
4. Any enquiries pertaining to the contents of this letter can be addressed to this Department's Mr. J.P.W. Maree at Cell. No. 0820599725 or e-mail fsroadplanning@gmail.com.

Yours faithfully


DIRECTOR, ROAD ASSET MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

Date: 8/2/2013.....