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Interested and Affected Party / Land Owner

Dear Sir / Madam

INVITATION TO COMMENT AND REGISTER: NOTICE OF A BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED WIDENING OF CONRAD BRIDGE OVER BRAAMFONTEIN SPRUIT, CITY OF JOHANNESBURG, GAUTENG PROVINCE

Notice is given in terms of Regulations published in Government Notice R. 982 in Government Gazette No. 38282 of 04 December 2014, under Sections 24(5), and 44, of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998), as amended, that Johannesburg Road Agency SOC Limited (JRA hereafter) proposes the widening of the Conrad Bridge over Braamfontein spruit (hereafter proposed widening) located in Randburg within the boundaries of City of Johannesburg, Gauteng. The Conrad Bridge is located in Blairgowrie near the intersection of Hillcrest Avenue and Conrad Drive and intersection of Jan Smuts Avenue, Bordeaux Drive and Conrad drive (Please refer to attached Locality Map). Conrad Drive is major feeder road and experiences high traffic congestion during peak hours. The widening of the bridge will improve traffic flow in the area as well as resolve bank erosion along Braamfontein spruit.

In terms of Sections 24(2) and 24D of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, and as read on Listing Notice 1 and Listing Notice 3 (Government Notices R. 982 Government Notices R. 983 and Government Notices R. 985, in Government Gazette 38282 of 04 December 2014) a Basic Assessment is required for the project as per the following listed activities:

- GNR.983, Activity 19 of Listing Notice 1 of 2014: The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 5 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 5 cubic metres from
 - (a) a watercourse
- GNR. 985, Activity 23 of Listing Notice 3 of 2014: The expansion of
 - (iii) bridges where the bridge is expanded by 10m² or more in size;
 - (vi) bulk storm water outlet structures where the structure is expanded by 10m² or more in size
 - (xii) infrastructure or structures where the physical footprint is expanded by 10m2 metres or more; where such development occurs –
 - (a) within a watercourse
 - excluding the expansion of infrastructure or structures within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port or harbour.

A Basic Assessment Process is being conducted to ensure that the environmental impacts that may be associated with the proposed activity, are taken into consideration; Interested and Affected parties (I&APs) have an opportunity to comment by providing issues of concern and/or suggestions for enhanced benefits and/or alternatives; and to ensure that the competent authority, the Department of Environmental Affairs, has sufficient information to make a decision.

Please also note that a Water Use Licence Application with the Department of Water and Sanitation will be undertaken in terms of National Water Act No. 36 of 1998 for the following specific water uses:

- Section 21(i): altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse; and
- Section 21(c): impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse.

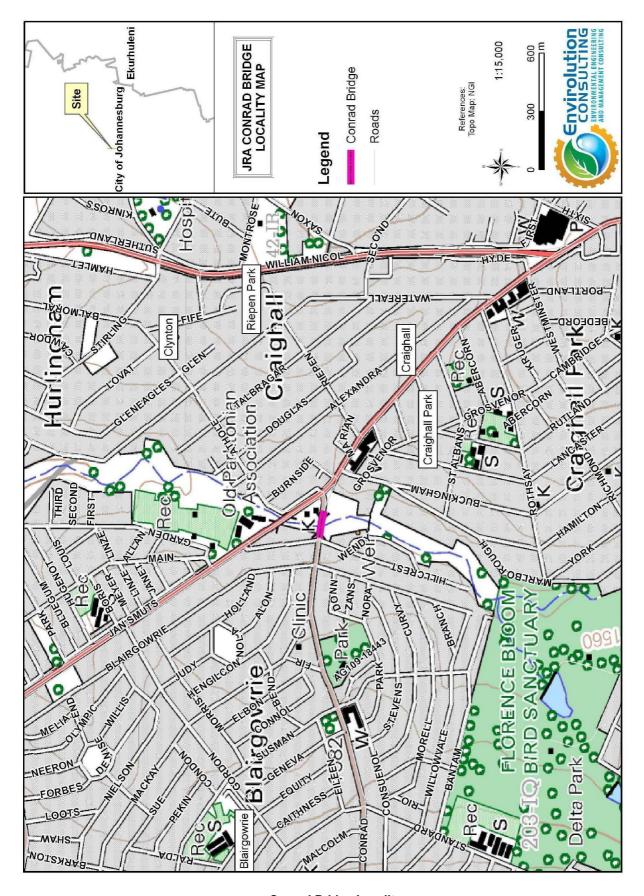
Should you wish to participate by contributing issues of concern/comments, please register by completing the enclosed Registration and Comment Sheet on or before **Monday**, **20 July 2015**. Meanwhile, should you have any questions, or would like to obtain more information, please feel free to contact **Nkhensani Khandlhela** at **Tel**: 0861 444 499, **Fax:** 0861 626 222 or **E-mail**: nkhensani@envirolution.co.za

We look forward to receiving your comments!

Yours sincerely,

Nkhensani Khandlhela

For Envirolution Consulting (Pty) Ltd



Conrad Bridge Locality map

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INVITATION TO COMMENT – NOTIFICATION

Name:	Fax number:
Surname:	Mobile number:
Organisation:	E-mail address:
Postal or Residential Address:	Would like to be registered on the Project database? Yes / No
Post Code: Tel number:	Please add the following neighbours/interested or affected parties to our mailing list (please provide contact details):
	1)
2)	
3)	
The following issues must be addressed in the BA (Please attach separate sheet, if necessary)	Thank you for your participation. Please be assured that your comments will form part of the final reports to be submitted to the decision making authority
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Please complete and return to Envirolution Consulting (Pty) Ltd by no later than **Monday, 20 July 2015** to:

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