

DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT COMMENTS RECEIVED - ERF 745, OLYVENHOUTSDRIFT, UPINGTON					
Date	Issue	Comment	I&AP	Response	Respondent
27/09/2016		The development of 32 residential units over an area of 1.92ha refers. The report stated that the area is mostly disturbed with lots of alien vegetation. It does not say whether any protected trees are present on site. If so, the developer will have to apply for and obtain a valid Forest Act Licence prior to disturbance of any protected tree species.	Jacoline Man - Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries. Directorate: Forestry Management	Noted. No protected tree species were observed on site.	EnviroAfrica
		In developments of this nature, it is recommended that vegetation clearance be restricted to the roads and for the installation of services (i.e electricity, sewerage, water pipelines etc.) and that every individual landowner applies for a license (if protected tree species must be removed) to facilitate construction of houses. Houses must be placed to avoid protected trees.... All possible efforts should be made to minimize impacts on protected trees.		Noted and agreed. However, no protected tree species were observed on site.	EnviroAfrica
		The DAFF has no objection against the proposed development, as long as the necessary permits and licenses are obtained (if needed) for the removal of protected trees and plants prior to disturbance of such species		Noted	EnviroAfrica
		In order to ensure the sustainability of the proposed project ... the provision of services be clarified with the relevant departments as this aspect will also play an important role when the rezoning of the property will be considered	D.E. Ngxanga - Dawid Kruiper Municipality	Noted. Confirmation will be requested from the relevant departments	EnviroAfrica