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Sent: Friday, April 5, 2019 5:49 AM
To: 'Ontvangs'; 'Loeriesfontein LU : Jana Lock : S'
Subject: Dwarsrug WEF Access Road: Registrasie van Loeriesfontein LU

Goeie More Lucelle,

Baie dankie vir die aanstuur van die kenisgewingsbrief.

Jana, sal jy asb julle volledige kontakligting stuur (voorsitter en enige ander lid) om Loeriesfontein LU op die data basis te registreer.

Vriendelike groete

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Subject: NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Goeie dag

Sien asseblief meegaande dokumentasie vir jul kennisname en verdere hantering indien nodig.

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DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY ACCESS ROAD NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Dear Stakeholder and/or Interested and Affected Party,

Please find attached letter notifying you of the availability of the Basic Assessment Report for the above-mentioned project for your review and comment.

The review and comment period is from **Friday, 05 April 2019** to **Monday, 13 May 2019**.

You are kindly requested to please submit your written comment before, but no later than **Monday, 13 May 2019**.

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Kind regards

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From: Lammie Brand <lvwbrand@mweb.co.za>
Sent: Thursday, May 9, 2019 8:48 PM
To: nicolene@savannahsa.com
Subject: Toegangsroete na windplaas

Nicolene

Insake: Toegangsroete na die Dwarsrug Windplaas net die volgende kommentaar.

Die voorgestelde toegangsroetes is totaal onvoldoende. Soos reeds gesien en ondervind deur hierdie Unie word die Gnaatboskolkpad vanaf Loeriesfontein as die enigste toegangsroete gebruik vir alle bedrywighede op die windplase, met 'n paar uitsonderings vanaf Brandvlei. Die werkers bly op Loeriesfontein, die toerusting word aangery vanaf Loeriesfontein, die turbines word aangery vanaf Loeriesfontein, alles met die Gnaatboskolkpad vanaf Loeriesfontein.

Soos reeds gemeld, kan sekere toerusting en vervoer dalk vanaf Brandvlei kom tot by windplaas. Feit van die saak is die enigste toegangsroete tot die Dwarsrug windplaas is met die Gnaatboskolkpad. Die twee voorstelle op julle voorlegging is slegs kort stukkie pad vanaf die Gnaatboskolkpad na die perseel toe.

Dit is van uiterste belang dat Mainstream moet kennis neem dat geen werk op die perseel gedoen sal word as 'n ooreenkoms nie gemaak word ten opsigte van hergruis, onderhoud en instandhouding van die Gnaatboskolk pad nie. Hierdie gemeenskap word elke slag met kort paaie en slenters probeer dwing om ontwikkeling toe te laat in ons gebied. Daarna onttrek die kontrakteurs wanneer die werk voltooi is en die gemeenskap sit met vernielde infrastruktuur.

Hiermee vra ek dat Mainstream met 'n geskrewe kontrak rakende die toegangsroetes na vore sal kom alvorens enige werk begin sal word. Dit moet 'n uiteensetting bevat van die plan ten opsigte van die hergruis, onderhoud en instandhouding van genoemde paaie. Dit is ook 'n hoofroete vir ons boeregemeenskap se bedrywighede en ons kan nie verdere vernietiging van ons infrastruktuur aanvaar nie.

Ek rig hierdie skrywe aan U names die Kommersiele Boere van Loeriesfontein Landbou- Unie. Ek hoop u sal ons betrek by die finale beplanning rakende hierdie toegangsroetes.

Ek hoor graag van u

Die uwe

Lambert Brand
(Voorsitter: Loeriesfontein Landbou-Unie)

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From: publicprocess <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Monday, May 6, 2019 2:00 PM
To: 'Joshua Engelbrecht'; 'Marius Otto'
Cc: nicolene@savannahsa.com; mabel@savannahsa.com
Subject: RE: Reminder: BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT review & comment period ending soon: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Thank you Joshua, appreciated!

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Subject: RE: Reminder: BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT review & comment period ending soon: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Hi Nicolene,

Please communicate to Marius Otto, who will coordinate responses.

Attached regional areas.

Regards,
Joshua

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Subject: RE: Reminder: BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT review & comment period ending soon: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Thank you Joshua – information appreciated.

As CellC's regions are not align with Province borders, who at CellC can I contact to determine who the relevant CellC person will be to send reports to (include KMZ/KML files) to ensure CellC's infrastructure/s are not affected?

Kind regards,

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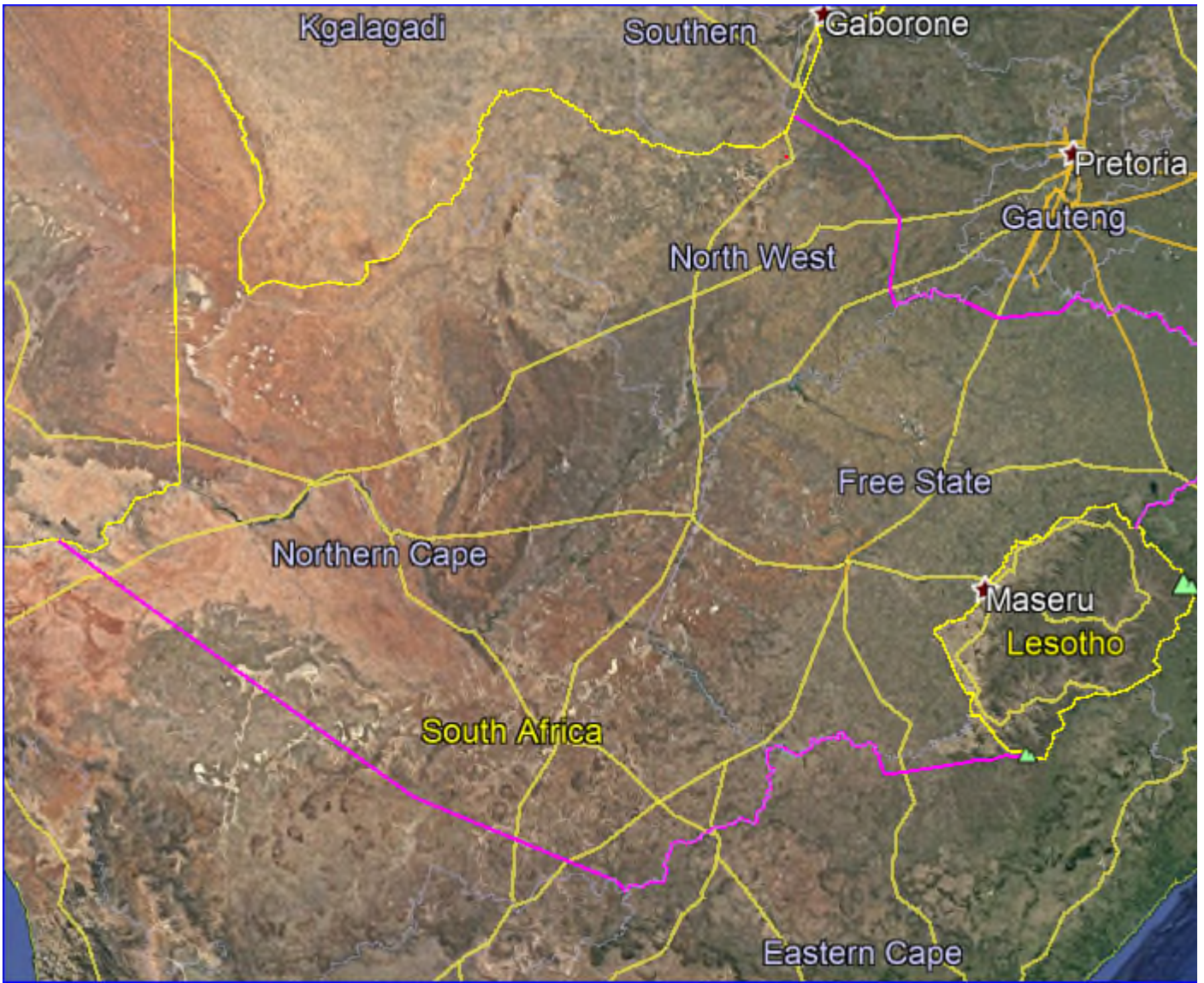
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FYI

CellC Central region borders

Quentin do Western Cape



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Subject: RE: Reminder: BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT review & comment period ending soon: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Dear Quentin,

Would you please be so kind and provide us with the following details:

- Position
- Postal address
- Office telephone number
- Fax number
- Mobile number

Kind regards,

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PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF DWARSRUG ACCESS ROAD FOR THE DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

(DENC Ref.no.: NC/BA/09/NAM/HAN/CAL1/2019)

Dear Stakeholder,

With reference to the e-mail below, this e-mail serves to remind you that the review and comment period on the draft Basic Assessment Report for the above-mentioned project is ending on **Monday, 13 May 2019**.

We would like to that those who already submitted their written comments and urge those who had not yet done so to please submit their written comments by **Monday, 13 May 2019** before close of business.

Kind regards,

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DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY ACCESS ROAD NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Dear Stakeholder and/or Interested and Affected Party,

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Kind regards

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13 May 2019

Project: Dwarsrug Access Road Basic Assessment

For attention: Nicolene Venter

Re: Request to Cell C for the Approval / No Objection for the establishment of the access road towards the Dwarsrug wind farm facility.

1. The above matter refers.
2. Cell C has reviewed your request and in consideration of the provisions of Section 29(1) (b) of the Electronic Communications Act no. 36 of 2005 ("the Act"). There is no possible impact of the proposed access road towards the Dwarsrug Wind Farm (140MW) Northern Cape facility on the Cell C network and services.
3. From the information provided by yourselves and the Cell C analysis, Cell C does not have any objection with the construction of the proposed access road as Cell C does not have any infrastructure at the location of the proposed access road leading to the Dwarsrug wind farm facility.
4. Cell C trust you find the above in order.

Yours sincerely,



Marius Claassen
Executive Head: Radio Networks
Cell C

Nicolene Venter

From: publicprocess <publicprocess@savannahsa.com>
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Subject: RE: COMMERCIAL:NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT: Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility Access Road, Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province

Dear Jacoline,

Please receive herewith acknowledgement of DAFF's comments on the above-mentioned Basic Assessment Report.

Kind regards,

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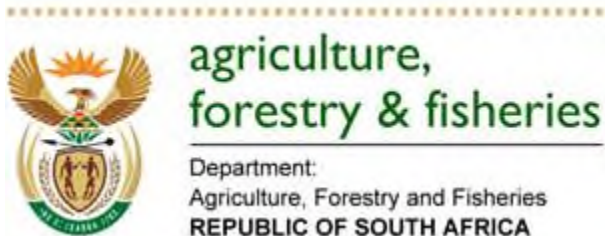
Good Day

Attached please find comments from the Department of Forestry. Thank you very much for notifying the Department of the proposed project.

Kind Regards,

Jacoline Mans

Chief Forester: NFA Regulation
Directorate: Forestry Management (Other Regions)
Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
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Ref: 40.8.14.2/NC/148

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Attention: Nicolene Venter (nicolene@Savannah.com; mabel@savannah.com)

COMMENTS ON BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT OF THE PROPOSED DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY ECESS ROAD NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

The Directorate: Forestry Management (Other Regions) in the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (DAFF) is responsible for administration of the **National Forests Act, Act 84 of 1998 (NFA)** and **the National Veld and Forest Fires Act, Act 101 of 1998** as amended. The developer must take note of the following sections of the NFA:

- 1.1 Section 12(1): "The Minister may declare-
 - (a) a particular tree,
 - (b) a particular group of trees,
 - (c) a particular woodland; or
 - (d) trees belonging to a particular species, to be a protected tree, group of trees, woodland or species.

- 1.2 Section 15(1): "No person may-
 - (a) Cut, disturb, damage or destroy any protected tree; or
 - (b) Possess, collect, remove, transport, export, purchase, sell, donate or in any other manner acquire or dispose of any protected tree, or any forest product derived from a protected tree, except-
 - (i) under a license granted by the Minister; or
 - (ii) in terms of an exemption from the provision of this subsection published by the Minister in the Gazette on the advice of the Council."

- 1.3 "Any person who contravenes the prohibition on-
 - (i) The cutting, disturbance, damage or destruction of temporarily protected trees or groups of trees referred to in section 14(2) or protected trees referred to in section 15(1)(a); or
 - (ii) The possession, collection, removal, transport, export, purchase or sale of temporarily protected trees or groups of trees referred to in section 14(2) or protected trees

referred to in section 15(1)(b), or any forest product derived from a temporarily protected tree, group of trees or protected tree, is guilty of a first category offence.

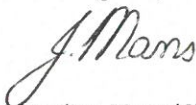
- 1.4 Section 58 (1): "Any person who is guilty of a first category offence referred to in sections 62 and 63 may be sentenced to a fine or imprisonment for a period of up to three years, or to both a fine and such imprisonment."
- 1.5 The list of protected tree species under section 12(1) (d) of the National Forests Act, 1998 (Act No. 84 of 1998) is published annually; the most recent publication was in GN536 of 7 September 2018.

2. COMMENTS ON BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT

- 2.1 Two alternative access roads were assessed. Pages 1 and 15 of the Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR) stated that alternative 1 is approximately 11km long and is the preferred alternative. Alternative 2 is \pm 8km. This does not correspond with the information supplied in the Ecological Impact Assessment Report, where Mr. Todd stated on page 37 that the Alternative 1 access road is the shortest. Please clarify.
- 2.2 Page 15 DBAR refers to applicable legislation. The Northern Cape Nature Conservation Act, Act 9 of 2009 (NCNCA) was not mentioned. A Flora Permit may be required for relocation of provincially protected plant species such as *Hoodia gordonii* observed on site.
- 2.3 Scattered protected trees such as *Vachellia erioloba* and *Boscia albitrunca* can occur 60km north of Loeriesfontein, although seldom encountered in the affected Bushmanland Basin Shrubland. In the event that protected trees are encountered in the 12m wide road, the developer must apply for a Forest Act License prior to disturbance of protected trees.
- 2.4 Trees with bird nests may not be disturbed without a valid Fauna Permit from Nature Conservation, under the NCNCA, if affected.
- 2.5 Getting a Forest Act License can take up to 30 days. License application forms are available on the Departmental website or at any Forestry Office. The Department may ask supporting documentation when assessing a license application. For construction activities of this nature, the following supporting documents are normally requested:
- Completed License Application Form
 - Accurate estimation of the number of trees to be felled per species
 - Copy of the I.D. of the applicant (developer's representative)
 - Copy of the Environmental Authorisation
 - Flora Permit Reference Number
 - Copy of Fauna Permit (if applicable)

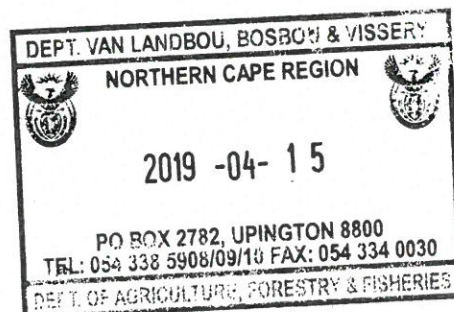
Thank you for notifying the Department of the proposed development.

Kind Regards,



Jacoline Mans (Chief Forester: NFA Regulation)

DATE: 15/04/2019



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Interim Comment

In terms of Section 38(3), 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd

P.O. Box 45063
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South African Mainstream Renewable Power (Pty) Ltd, is proposing the development of an access road for the authorised Dwarsrug Wind Energy Facility (WEF), Northern Cape Province. The applicant is proposing two alternative access roads which will be assessed, including: » Alternative 1 - Gravel road from Granaatboskolk to the project site (approx. 11km); and » Alternative 2 - Gravel road from Granaatboskolk to the project site (approx. 8km). Project Location: The proposed access road is approximately 60km north of Loeriesfontein, in the Northern Cape Province. The proposed access road will fall within the jurisdiction of the Hantam Local Municipality and within the greater Namakwa District Municipality. The affected properties will include the following: » Remainder of the Farm Brakpan No. 212; » Stinkputs No. 229 » Portion 1 of the Farm Aan de Karee Doorn Pan No. 213 » Remainder of the Farm Sous No. 226 » Narosies No. 228

Savannah Environmental has been appointed by South Africa Mainstream Renewable Power Developments (Pty) Ltd to conduct an Environmental Authorisation (EA) Application for the proposed Dwarsrug Access Road, near Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province.

A draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) process has been submitted in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, no 107 of 1998 (NEMA), NEMA Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The proposed development includes the construction of a gravel road from the existing Granaatboskolk road to the authorised Dwarsrug WEF. Two alternatives are being considered i.e. 11 km or 8 km.

PGS Heritage (Pty) Ltd has been appointed to provide specialist heritage input as part of the BAR process in terms of section 38(8) of the National Heritage Resources Act, No 25 of 1999 (NHRA).

Smeyatsky, I. 2019. Heritage Impact Assessment: Proposed construction of an access road for the Dwarsrug Wind Farm, near Loeriesfontein, Northern Cape Province.

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A total of two (2) heritage resources were identified within the proposed development footprint. These include low density find spots of Stone Age lithics of low heritage significance.

The report cites a Palaeontological Impact Assessment conducted in 2014 which found that the proposed development footprint is underlain by the Tierberg Formation and the Whitehill Formation (Ecca Group, Karoo Supergroup). Fossils located within the Tierberg Formation include event beds and trace fossils. Known fossils from the Whitehill Formation include trace fossils, aquatic reptiles, rare cephalochordates, palaeoniscoid fish, eocarid crustaceans, insects, palynomorphs, petrified wood and vascular plant remains. Large areas are covered in dolerite scree while small areas are covered by Quaternary aged alluvium and pan sediments. No fossils are located within the dolerite, and recent fossils are known to be found in the Quaternary alluvium.

Recommendations provided in the report include the following:

- Develop a chance finds protocol for the mitigation of possible heritage finds, to be implemented as part of the EMP for the construction phase of the project;
- If any artefacts are identified during construction the chance finds protocol must be implemented;
- The EAP as well as the ECO for this project must be made aware of the fact that the Ecca Group sediments contains significant fossil remains, albeit mostly trace fossil assemblages. Several types of fossils have been recorded from this Group in the Karoo Basin of South Africa, with special mention of the very important Whitehill Formation. The Whitehill Formation outcrops are however very restricted in this study area;
- In areas that are allocated a Very High and High Palaeontological sensitivity and specifically where deep excavation into bedrock is envisaged (following the geotechnical investigation), or where fossils are recorded during the geotechnical investigations, a qualified palaeontologist must be appointed to assess and record fossils at specific footprints of infrastructure developments (Phase 1 PIA);
- If significant fossil finds (e.g. vertebrate teeth, bones, burrows, petrified wood) are recorded during excavations for infrastructure such as road developments, the palaeontologist must apply for a collection permit to collect the fossils according to the SAHRA specifications;
- These recommendations should form part of the EMP of the project.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit requests that the 2014 Palaeontological Assessment referenced in the HIA to be uploaded to the case for review.

Further comments will be issued upon receipt of the above.

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

Yours faithfully

Natasha Higgitt
Heritage Officer
South African Heritage Resources Agency

Phillip Hine
Acting Manager: Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites Unit
South African Heritage Resources Agency

ADMIN:

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BASIC ASSESSMENT ANNOUNCEMENT PHASE

COMMENTS RECEIVED:
ORGANS OF STATE

Rozanne Els

From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Sent: 26 October 2018 9:40 AM
To: 'Annelize Harmse Transnet Freight Rail JHB'
Cc: 'Sam Fiff Transnet Freight Rail BLM'; 'Livhuwani Ndou Transnet Freight Rail JHB'; 'Ria-ri Boonzaaier Transnet Freight Rail SLD'; 'Marina Lourens Transnet Freight Rail'; 'Johannes Hanekom *Transnet Property CPT'; 'Norman Papenfus Transnet Freight Rail BLM'; 'Gideon Raath'; 'Shaun Taylor'; 'Rozanne Els'
Subject: BA: Dwarsrug WEF Access Road, Loeriesfontein: Acknowledgement of Letter

Dear Ms Harmse,

Please receive herewith our acknowledgement of receipt of Transnet: Western Region – Rail Network letter dated 26 October 2018 in which Transnet informs the project team that your Company does not have any objections regarding the application.

Kind regards,

Nicolene Venter

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From: Annelize Harmse Transnet Freight Rail JHB <Annelize.Harmse@transnet.net>
Sent: Friday, October 26, 2018 9:04 AM
To: nicolene@savannahsa.com
Cc: Sam Fiff Transnet Freight Rail BLM <Sam.Fiff@transnet.net>; Livhuwani Ndou Transnet Freight Rail JHB <Livhuwani.Ndou@transnet.net>; Ria-ri Boonzaaier Transnet Freight Rail SLD <Ria-ri.Boonzaaier@transnet.net>; Marina Lourens Transnet Freight Rail <Marina.Lourens@transnet.net>; Johannes Hanekom *Transnet Property CPT <Johannes.Hanekom@transnet.net>; Norman Papenfus Transnet Freight Rail BLM <Norman.Papenfus@transnet.net>
Subject: NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSEMENT PROCESS: DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY ACCESS ROAD NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

Dear Mrs. Venter

My reference: TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/124

Depot reference: no reference

Geo-spatial reference: SBS0325

Your notice of basic assessment process regarding the above-mentioned dated 19 October 2018 refers.

The attached letter TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/124 dated 26 October 2018 is for your attention, please.

Regards

Annelize Harmse
Chief Admin Official
Western Region
Telno: 011 583 0244

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Mrs N. Venter
Savannah Environmental (Pty) Ltd
Cnr Woodlands Drive & Western Service Road
WOODMEAD
2191

My reference: TFR/RN/WR/13/16/1/124

Dear Mrs Venter

**NOTICE OF BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS: DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY
ACCESS ROAD NEAR LOERIESFONTEIN, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE**

Your notice of basic assessment process regarding the above-mentioned dated 19 October 2018 refers.

Transnet Freight Rail has no objection to your above-mentioned application because Transnet land is not affected. The closest railway line (Loop 7 – Loop 8) is approximately \pm 1,1km to the North West.

Regards

25/10/18

Infrastructure Manager
(Western Region – Rail Network)

Copies to: Geo-Spatial, Western Region – (Reference SBS0325)
Depot Engineer, Saldanha – (No reference)

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COMMENTS RECEIVED:
LANDOWNERS

Rozanne Els

From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Sent: 23 October 2018 10:50 AM
To: 'sunay mol'; 'Gideon Raath'
Cc: 'Rozanne Els'; 'Shirley Chauke'
Subject: Dwarsrug Wind Farm Access Road BA: Response to Comment Raised

Dear Sunay,

With reference to your concern raised, please be informed that the Basic Assessment (BA) and Public Participation process commenced last week Friday and as a possible affected landowner, we will consult with you through the BA and public participation process.

As per the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, as amended on 07 April 2017, it is believed that South African Mainstream Renewable Power (Pty) Ltd's Project Manager, Rebecca Thomas, will be in contact with you soon to discuss the two proposed access roads to their Dwarsrug Wind Energy Farm.

Please do not hesitate to contact us at any stage during the BA process should you require any additional information or clarification.

Kind regards,

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From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Friday, October 19, 2018 5:23 PM
To: 'sunay mol' <sunaymol@hotmail.com>; 'Gideon Raath' <gideon@savannahsa.com>
Cc: 'Rozanne Els' <rozanne@savannahsa.com>; 'Shirley Chauke' <shirley@savannahsa.com>
Subject: Dwarsrug Wind Farm Access Road BA: Acknowledgement or Registration and Comment

Dear Sunay,

Please accept herewith acknowledgement of your registration for and the team will respond to your comment in due course.

Kind regards,

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Sent: Friday, October 19, 2018 4:23 PM
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Cc: 'Rozanne Els' <rozanne@savannahsa.com>; 'Shirley Chauke' <shirley@savannahsa.com>
Subject: Re: Notice of Basic Assessment Process: Dwarsrug Wind Farm Access Road

Dear Nicolene

Please see attached and respond accordingly.

Regards
Sunay Mol

Owner Narosies 228

From: Nicolene Venter <nicolene@savannahsa.com>
Sent: Friday, 19 October 2018 2:47 PM
To: 'Gideon Raath'
Cc: 'Rozanne Els'; 'Shirley Chauke'
Subject: Notice of Basic Assessment Process: Dwarsrug Wind Farm Access Road

Dear Landowner,

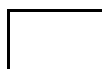
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The proposed access road falls within the the Hantam Local Municipality and within the greater Namakwa District Municipality.

Please find attached the notification letter of the commencement of the Basic Assessment and Public Participation process for this proposed development, the Locality Map and Reply Form.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you require any additional information.

Kind regards,



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Attachments: IMG_0002.pdf

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**BASIC ASSESSMENT AND PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS
DWARSRUG WIND ENERGY FACILITY ACCESS ROAD
REPLY FORM**

Return completed reply form to: Savannah Environmental

Fax: 086 684 0547

Phone: 011 656 3237

E-mail: publicprocess@savannahsa.com

Postal Address: PO Box 148, Sunninghill, 2157

Please provide your complete contact details:

Name & Surname:

Organisation & Designation:

Postal Address:

Telephone:

Mobile No.:

E-mail:

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084 515 5047		
sunaymol@hotmail.com		

Would you like to register as an interested and affected party (I&AP)?

(please tick the relevant box)

YES
NO

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>

Note: You are required to register as an I&AP to receive further correspondence regarding the BA process for the project.

Please state your interest in the project (add additional pages if necessary):

Owner of Farm Narosies 228

Please list your comments regarding the project (add additional pages if necessary):

As registered Owner of the Farm Narosies I am not aware of a agreement as to effect a road as per your Alternative 2.

Please provide contact details of other persons who you regard as a potential interested or affected party:

Name & Surname:

Organisation & Designation:

Postal Address:

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Mobile No.:

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