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### **1** DETAILS OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT PRACTITIONER (EAP)

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	and conducting of EIAs.			

## **2** DESCRIPTION OF ASPECTS OF ACTIVITY COVERED BY THE EMPR

The EMPr will cover the following aspects of the activity during the construction phase of the project:

### • Air emissions and noise

Air emissions will mainly be the generation of dust from construction vehicles on site and exhaust emissions during the construction phase. Noise impacts will be from the movement of vehicles on site.

### • Biodiversity aspects

The project site is situated within an existing macadamia and banana farm while the areas considered for clearance consist of natural vegetation with invasion of alien invasive species in the lower shrub stratum. Mitigation and management measures are provided for the use of herbicides, pesticides and fungicides on site which could negatively impact on biodiversity in the larger area and specifically on the sensitive rivers, streams and the wetland on the farm.

### • Training and Awareness

The training of workers and contractors in terms of environmental awareness and the mitigation of negative environmental impacts as a result of the clearance and establishment of orchards will form part of the EMPr.

### • Storm water management

The handling/management of storm water that could cause erosion forms part of the EMPr.

### Dangerous substances management

The management of dangerous substances and the mitigation of negative impacts of for *e.g.* storage or spillage of these substances are detailed in the EMPr.

### • Socio-economic benefits and safety on site

The socio-economic aspects, especially the enhancement of positive aspects such as the creation of jobs in the development (construction) phase are discussed in the EMPr. Safety and security measures for the construction phase are covered as well.

### • Water Use

Water use will be from the Existing Registered Water Use for the farms and is discussed in the EMPr.

### Waste management

The handling and disposal of solid waste as well as management and mitigation measures which address these aspects and impacts form part of the EMPr.

# 3 MAPS AND SITE LAYOUT PLAN



Figure 1. Location map of Schoonuitzicht farms



Figure 2. Areas which were investigated for orchards development



Figure 3. Areas determined to be suitable for development of orchards (firebreak block is excluded)



Figure 4. Sensitivity map of the project area, indicating 32-meter buffer to be maintained from the edge of riparian areas

### **4** GENERAL INFORMATION

AGES Limpopo (Pty) Ltd was appointed by **Muirhead & Roux CC** to compile an Environmental Management Program (EMPr) for the clearance of approximately **19 ha** of indigenous vegetation on the Remainder of Ptn 37 and Ptn 3 of the farm Schoonuitzicht 10 LT, approximately 6.5 km northeast of the Albasini Dam in the Makhado Local Municipality (See locality map above – Figure 1).

After determination of the areas suitable for development from an ecological and heritage resources perspective, the proposed development will entail the expansion of the orchards by clearing an area of approximately 13 ha of indigenous vegetation to plant banana and/or macadamia trees. Portions of the original area of 19ha which were surveyed consist of pristine indigenous forest ("Firebreak block") and were deemed unsuitable for development hence the area now applied for under this Basic Assessment is approximately 13 ha.

At present bananas and macadamias are produced on the farms. The existing as well as the banana and macadamia trees will not be irrigated, although if needed, water is available from the existing Registered Water Use for the farms.

The establishment of orchards on these areas will result in food production, income generation and job creation.

### 4.1 LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

#### • National Environmental Management Act, (Act No. 107 of 1998)

The Environmental Impact Assessment process is a requirement in terms of GNR 982, published on 4 December 2014 as amended, under sections 24(5) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) and the following listed activities of GNR983 and GNR985 require environmental authorisation from the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism:

- R983 Activity 27 "The clearance of an area of 1 hectare or more, but less than 20 hectares of indigenous vegetation".
- R985 Activity 12 (e) (ii) "The clearance of an area of 300 m<sup>2</sup> or more of indigenous vegetation within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans".

*"indigenous vegetation"* refers to vegetation consisting of indigenous plant species occurring naturally in an area, regardless of the level of alien infestation and where the topsoil has not been lawfully disturbed during the preceding ten years.

- This EMPr does not cover the operational phase of the orchards as the listed activity only refers to clearance and not related operation. An EMPR for operation is therefore not required. This aspect was clearly spelled out by National and Provincial Departments of Environmental Affairs during workshops conducted with EAP's.
- The validity period of this construction EMPr should be 10 years.

### • National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998)

The properties have an Existing Registered Water Use.

A Water Use License for Section 21(c) and (i) water uses will be required for development within the floodline zone or within 500 meters of a wetland, or within 100 meters of a river.

### 4.2 ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME OBJECTIVE

The purpose of the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) is to comply with the requirements of the Department of Environmental Affairs to ensure responsible environmental management. The objective of the EMPr is also to provide adequate measures and or recommendations to ensure that the identified environmental impacts are kept to a minimum and that the most appropriate rehabilitation measures are correctly implemented to ensure the overall integrity of the proposed site.

The mitigation measures stated in the EMPr must be adhered to as indicated for the different phases. It must be insured that the responsible persons have access to the project monitoring program included in the EMPr and that all relevant parties are aware of the route that needs to be followed when appropriate action is required.

The EMPr must be incorporated into the planning and appointment documents for any contractors in future since this will ensure that:

- > Any contractor is aware of the EMPr upfront.
- > The EMPr is presented in a form and language that is familiar to the contractor.
- > The contractor is able to cost for compliance.
- > The EMPr is binding within a well-defined legal framework.

### 4.3 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

Environmental impacts are associated with air quality, water quality, soil conditions and safety & security. The aspects that cause the environmental impacts, the specific impacts as well as a set of mitigation measures to apply during the construction phase were identified and are detailed in section 12 of the EMPr.

### **5** ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING

#### The roles and responsibilities of Schoonuitzicht farm management must include:

- Ensuring that the necessary authorizations and permits have been obtained.
- Monitoring and verifying that the EMPr is adhered to at all times and taking action if the specifications are not followed.
- Monitoring and verifying that environmental impacts are kept to the minimum.
- Keeping record of all activities/incidences on site in the site diary concerning the environment.
- Inspecting the site and surrounding areas daily with regard to compliance with the EMPr.
- Keeping a register of complaints in the office and recording and dealing with any community complaints or issues.
- Ensuring that activities on site comply with all relevant legislation.
- Issuing of warnings for contravention of the EMPr.
- Compile a monitoring checklist.
- Keep a photographic record of progress on site from an environmental perspective.
- Assisting the project manager in finding environmentally responsible solutions to problems.
- Keeping accurate and detailed records of these inspections.

#### Any appointed contractor shall have the following responsibilities:

- To implement all provisions of the construction EMPr. If any contractor encounters difficulties with specifications, he / she must discuss alternative approaches with the project manager prior to proceeding.
- To ensure that all staff and sub-contractors are familiar with the EMPr.
- To make personnel aware of environmental issues and to ensure they show adequate consideration of the environmental aspects of the project.
- To report any incidents of non-compliance with the EMPr to the project manager.

### 6 ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS PLAN

The goal of the awareness plan is to help employees make environmentally-conscious decisions in the workplace and in their private lives. The environmental awareness plan entails the management of staff, personnel and workers on site during the construction phase.

During the construction phase there will be an appointed Environmental Control Officer as well as a person responsible for adherence to the Occupational Health and Safety Act (Act No. 85 of 1993) (OHSAC). Environmental Impacts on a site to be limited include:

#### • Air quality (dust suppression and vehicle emissions)

As a result of vehicle movement on site during clearance and planting there will be dust formation on the development area. Dust suppression with water tanks must be done if and when necessary. While removed vegetation will be made available as firewood to labourers, large trees and roots, not suitable for use as firewood, must be removed to a general waste disposal site. Alternatively, such trees may be chipped for use as mulch or compost. No burning of vegetation must take place.

#### Noise levels

Noise levels must be maintained at acceptable levels. Personnel working in areas with high noise levels must wear ear protection devices.

#### • Water pollution

All personnel on site must be instructed to avoid and limit any waste and/or spillages. Instructions on how to handle spillages on site must be displayed clearly in a step-bystep format, at the site office in terms of steps to follow. Training must be provided and spill kits must be available on site, all the time. Training and monitoring must be provided to ensure that the application of herbicides and pesticides are in accordance with manufacturers' guidelines. It must be ensured that drifting and leaching of chemicals during the application process are minimised.

#### • Water usage

While the new orchards will mostly not be irrigated, but rely on rainfall, surplus water from the existing Registered Use is available when required, as indicated in the table below:

Annual water balance - Schoonuitzicht orchards			
Sources of water in m <sup>3</sup>			Totals (m <sup>3</sup> )
Water Registration Certificates			
27064710/Ptn 3 _ 27064667/RE Ptn 37 Schoonui	zicht 10 L	.т	
Legal water use from boreholes			167,280
Legal water use from Molozi river			439,500
Water allocation from dam			80,840
Total			687,620
	На	Need m <sup>3</sup> /ha/year	Totals (m <sup>3</sup> )
Current Macadamia orchards	131	1.3740	180
Current banana plantation	114	3.0701	350
Orchards to be developed	13	3.0701	40
Totals	258		570
Surplus / Deficit (-)	·		687,050

#### Table 1. Water balance calculation

#### • Erosion and storm water management

The farms are located on moderately undulating hills and mountain foot-slopes. Drainage occur as sheet-wash into the drainage channels and wetlands on site that eventually drain into the major river namely the Levuvhu River to the south of the site. Due to the steep gradient of the site in certain areas, special attention must be given to institute measures to minimise and control erosion as far as possible.

#### • Pollution as a result of waste generation on site (household and product waste)

Existing and new personnel/workers arriving on site must be given a short training course in the principles of waste reduction, re-using and recycling. This must be a continuous process. Training must include steps to be taken in case of spillage or wastage and the clean-up process is to be explained in order to be understood by all involved. Measures must be in place for the removal of waste, including the availability of a sufficient number of waste bins.

• Fire

Practical training must be provided to all workers/staff by a qualified person in the use of fire extinguishers and all other firefighting equipment. An emergency plan aligned with the local Fire Department must be in place.

#### Invasive alien vegetation

The following alien invasives and exotic plant species were recorded on site during the surveys as stipulated in the Alien and Invasive Species Regulations (GNR 599 of 2014):

Category
1b
1b
1b
1b
3
1b
1b
1b
1b
2
1b
1b
3
1b
1b
1b
3
1b

Table 2. List of exotic	plant species	of the study	y area
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The following methods can be used to control invasive alien plants:

- Mechanical methods felling, removing or burning invading alien plants.
- Chemical methods using environmentally safe herbicides.
- Biological control using species-specific insects and diseases from the alien plant's country of origin. To date 76 bio-control agents have been released in South Africa against 40 weed species.
- Integrated control combinations of the above three approaches. Often an integrated approach is required in order to prevent enormous impacts.

EMPR: CLEARANCE OF 13 HA OF INDIGENOUS VEGETATION FOR ORCHARDS APRIL 2021

### 6.1 IMPORTANT ASPECTS OF AN AWARENESS PLAN

- All staff must receive environmental awareness training prior to commencement of the clearance.
- Allow for sufficient sessions to train all personnel with no more than 20 personnel attending each course.
- Refresher environmental awareness training must be available as and when required.
- All staff must be made aware of the conditions and controls linked to the EMPr and their individual roles and responsibilities in achieving compliance with the EMPr.
- A record of all environmental awareness training courses undertaken as part of the EMPr must be available.
- Workers must be educated on the dangers of open and/or unattended fires.
- A staff attendance register of all staff having received environmental awareness training must be available.
- Course material must be available and presented in appropriate languages that all staff can understand.

### 6.2 CONTENTS OF AN AWARENESS PROGRAM

Environmental awareness training must as a minimum include the following:

- Description of significant environmental impacts, actual or potential, related to their work activities.
- Mitigation measures to be implemented when carrying out specific activities.
- Emergency preparedness and response procedures.
- Water usage.
- Solid waste management procedures.
- Sanitation procedures.
- Fire prevention.

### 6.3 METHODS OF INFORMING PERSONNEL

The following methods can be utilised to inform personnel:

- Use translators where necessary.
- Use the farm manager to explain more difficult/technical issues and to answer

questions.

- The use of pictures and real life examples are encouraged as these tend to be more easily remembered.
- Make use of environmental awareness posters.
- Environmental induction for all contractors, sub-contractors and their staff should they be required to come on site.

### 7 EROSION MANAGEMENT

A major component usually during the establishment of orchards is the clearing and preparation of land, which exposes, disturbs, and moves the soil. This inevitably increases an area's susceptibility to erosion. Because it is not feasible to eliminate all erosion risk factors and thus all erosion, the goal of implementing erosion control measures is primarily to minimize erosion.

Erosion, by the action of water and wind, is a natural process in which soil and rock material is loosened and removed. There are two major classifications of erosion:

- Geological erosion, which includes soil-forming as well as soil-removing, has contributed to the formation of soils and their distribution on the surface of the earth.
- Man-made erosion, which can greatly accelerate the natural erosion process, includes the breakdown of soil aggregates and the increased removal of organic and mineral particles; it is caused by clearing, grading, or otherwise altering the land. Erosion of soils that occur at construction sites is classified as man-made erosion.

Human activities can cause compaction of the soil or disturbance of the soil. This hardening of the soil prevents water from effectively infiltrating the soil. This then results in larger volumes of water which moves quickly across a site carrying sediment to streams and rivers away from the site.

 The main factor causing or accelerating erosion is through the action of water. This is the loosening and removal of soil and rock particles from a piece of land by running water, mostly caused by rain storms. There are a number of factors influencing or affecting erosion namely soil characteristics, climate, rainfall intensity and duration, vegetation or other surface cover and topography.

### 7.1 PROBLEMS CAUSED BY EROSION

The most important effect of erosion is the permanent loss of valuable topsoil at a site. If it is not controlled from the onset of a project and through the duration of the project, it will cause a loss of topsoil and can degrade the area permanently. The sediment that is transported by rainwater may end up in drainage lines and dams.

### 7.2 ACTIONS TO STOP OR MINIMISE EROSION ON A SITE

- Erosion and storm water control should be addressed by a hydrological engineer in a detailed storm water management plan;
- Cover disturbed soils as completely as possible, using vegetation or other materials;
- Minimize the amount of land disturbance and develop and implement stringent erosion and dust control practices.
- Protect sloping areas that are susceptible to erosion and ensure that there is no undue soil erosion resultant from activities within and adjacent to the construction camp and Work Areas;
- Ridges where trees will be planted must follow the contours.
- Repair all erosion damage as soon as possible to allow for sufficient rehabilitation growth;
- Gravel roads must be well drained to limit soil erosion by constructing a sufficient number of outflow drains from roads;
- Minimize clearance of vegetation. Retain natural trees, shrubbery, and grass species wherever possible.

### 7.3 MONITORING OF EROSION ON SITE

During the establishment stage, the site manager must appoint a person who will be on site for the duration of the period. This person will have the responsibility to monitoring the risk of erosion and actual erosion arising from activities on site. His/her responsibilities must include:

- Regular (after rainstorms) monitoring for erosion to ensure that no erosion problems are occurring at the site as a result of the roads and other infrastructure. All erosion problems observed must be rectified after the rain event and before the following rain event.
- Monitor any erosion damage after rain events so that repairs to damaged areas can be done before the next rain event.

### 8 DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES MANAGEMENT

Clearance of vegetation and establishment of orchards will inevitably use equipment and vehicles that contain dangerous substances or which has the potential to spill dangerous substances on the site. There will also be chemicals and other dangerous substances which are used on site and requiring storage on site. This creates the potential for possible

spillages and the potential that these substances can pollute soil and water systems on site. It needs to be handled with care and strict control needs to be exercised over the handling and use of such substances.

### 8.1 POSSIBLE SOURCES OF DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES

The following substances are **potentially** stored or used on site during the development period.

- Diesel stored either in stationary tanks or in mobile fuel trailers or bowsers on site.
- Oils needed for lubrication of the equipment and vehicles.
- Herbicides, pesticides and fungicides used on site.

### 8.2 MEASURES TO STORE DANGEROUS SUBSTANCES ON SITE

All dangerous substances on site must be handled in the following ways:

- All access to any of these substances must be controlled and substances must be locked away.
- All containers or store rooms where these substances are kept must have an impermeable floor and be able to contain the substance in the room/store where it may be cleaned up.
- Where the floor is not impermeable, the substances will be stored in a drip tray capable of containing any spills from these containers.
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) for the specific substances must be available in a central file and at the place where the substance is stored.
- All substances must only be issued against a signature records must be kept.
- Fuel trailers, if used at this development, must be parked either with sufficient drip trays underneath or it must be parked on an area where there is plastic sheeting underneath to prevent ingress of the fuel/oil into the subsoil or groundwater. Polluted soil has to be removed from time to time to a dangerous waste disposal site.

#### 8.3 HANDLING OF SPILLS

#### 8.3.1 Small spills on the ground

- Excavate contaminated soil to a depth where it is clean from the substance and store it in a closed container from which it cannot leak and is protected from rain.
- Have this soils removed by a registered contractor and keep records of volumes and details of each removal.

### 8.3.2 Large spills on the ground

- Keep spill kits available on site.
- Contain the spill by either using a spill absorbent sock from the spill kit or by making a soil berm around the spill.
- Scoop or pump out as much as possible of the pollutant into a closed container.
- Excavate the polluted soil to a depth below the pollutant and place on a plastic cover to prevent any leaching of the pollutant to the soil and groundwater.
- Lift the sides of the cover to prevent the ingress of storm water.
- Have the soil removed from site by a company registered to do so to a permitted waste site or let the company treat the soil on site until the pollutants levels are low enough to dispose of the soil on site again.
- If there is any possibility that there is pollution of groundwater or surface water, samples must be taken for analysis, to ensure that pollution can be treated if necessary.

### 8.4 TRAINING OF STAFF

- All staff working on site and responsible for a specific area must be trained in the detection of spill incidents, and the reporting thereof.
- All staff on site must be trained in the use of spill response kits.
- All staff must be trained in the use of MSDS's and first aid kits should it be necessary during any spill incident.

### 8.5 REPORTING AND RECORD KEEPING

- All spill incidents must be reported to the environmental control officer who must then report it to the authorities as required by law.
- Each pollution incident must be entered into a register on site. All details about the spill, the emergency measures taken and the clean-up done must also be part of the entry in the register.
- Preventative measures must be drawn up to prevent recurrence of spill incidents.

### 9 EMERGENCY PLAN

It is very important that an emergency plan for Schoonuitzicht farm is put in place and that personnel on the farm are familiar with the actions and details of the plan. Typical emergencies for which an emergency plan would be required are:

• fires

- physical injury (wounds, broken limbs, lacerations, burns, electric shocks, etc.)
- medical emergencies (heart attacks, loss of consciousness, insect bites, etc.)
- riots or demonstrations
- fuel/chemical spillages

### **10 MANAGING PROCESS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL DAMAGE/INCIDENTS**

![](_page_23_Figure_6.jpeg)

### **11 PHASES OF DEVELOPMENT**

Planning and design Phase	
Development Phase	
Operational Phase	EMPr not required

# **12** EMPR: IMPACTS AND MITIGATION MEASURES

### PLANNING & DESIGN PHASE

Impact Management Outcome: Minimise impact to the environment by adhering to planning and design principles and relevant legislation

	Implementation			Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance
Ensure that the orchards will be acceptable from an environmental and production perspective	Environmental Consultant	Conduct ecological & heritage studies	During BA phase	Environmental Control Officer (ECO)	When EA is issued	Approval of development plan
An Environmental Management Program (EMPr) must be compiled for the clearance of indigenous vegetation and must be approved by LEDET.	Environmental Consultant	Compile EMPr	During BA phase	ECO	When EA is issued	Approval of EMPr
A Basic Environmental Impact Assessment must be conducted and Environmental Authorisation obtained from LEDET.	Environmental Consultant	Conduct BA process and obtain EA	During BA phase	ECO	When EA is issued	Environmental Authorisation
All the aspects pertained within the EMPr must be explained to the contractor.	Applicant	Apply for permit	Prior to clearance	ECO	Before clearance starts	Records of training provided
Environmental training for all staff and contractors must be provided and implemented prior to commencement of site activities.	Applicant	Apply for permit	Prior to clearance	ECO	Before clearance starts	Records of training provided
An Integrated Water Use License (IWUL) must be obtained from DWS for development within the floodline zone, or within 500 m of a wetland, or within 100 m from the drainage channels.	Applicant to appoint ECO	Apply for WULA	Prior to clearance	Applicant	Before clearance starts	WULA
While no protected tree species were recorded on the proposed development footprint (except the firebreak block), should any such species be found during site clearance, permits must be obtained from DAFF and/or LEDET in the event that these trees require removal or transplanting.	Environmental Consultant	Apply for permit	Prior to clearance	Applicant to appoint ECO	Before clearance starts	Permit

AIR QUALITY - CLEARANCE PHASE									
Impact Management Outcome: Minimise impact to the environment an	d people through t	he control/mitigatio	n of air quality impa	cts					
	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance			
Earthworks and roads - dust									
<ul> <li>Development areas must be dampened to prevent excessive dust formation when applicable during clearance and orchards preparation.</li> <li>Main roads should be gravelled or sprayed with water.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Application of water / lay down gravel or mulch	During dry windy conditions	Project manager	Weekly	Visual & check records			
Soil dumps may be covered if necessary.	Farm manager	Lay down tarp / shade net and secure edges	During dry windy conditions	Project manager	Weekly	Visual & check records			
A speed limit should be enforced on dirt roads (preferably 40km/h).	Farm manager	Road signs	During clearance	Project manager	Weekly	Visual check			
Movement and operation of machinery - smoke or fumes									
<ul> <li>Machinery used must be in good working order to reduce excessive smoke or fumes during operation.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Regular services according to manufacturer's specifications	Daily	Project manager	Weekly	Service records			
Burning of cleared vegetation and solid waste – smoke									
<ul> <li>No plant material may be burnt on site.</li> <li>Plant material can be used as mulch or for compost. Thicker branches can be used for firewood by the workers and community.</li> <li>Open fires for cooking are only to be made at designated and safe areas.</li> <li>Workers must take care to dispose of cigarette butts in designated containers only.</li> <li>Firebreaks must be maintained to decrease the risk of accidental fires.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to workers Visual checks Supply waste containers & remove weekly	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Visual check & disposal records			

### **AIR QUALITY - CLEARANCE PHASE**

Impact Management Outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and people through the control/mitigation of air quality impacts									
	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:			
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance			
Drift and leaching of chemicals (herbicides, pesticides, fungicides)									
<ul> <li>Preparation of chemical applications must be done according to manufacturers' guidelines.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to workers	Daily	Project manager	Daily	Visual check & application records			
<ul> <li>Spraying of herbicides, pesticides or fungicides during clearance must be done in low/no wind conditions.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to workers and inspect during spraying	Daily	Project manager	Daily	Visual check & application records			

NOISE - CONSTRUCTION PHASE								
Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to animals and people through the control/mitigation of noise impacts								
	Implementation			Monitoring	Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Frequency	Evidence:		
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance		
Movement and operation of vehicles and machinery								
<ul> <li>Construction machinery must be fitted with noise mufflers and be in good working order.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Vehicle maintenance	Continuous	Project manager	Weekly	Records and noise levels		
All employees working in a noisy environment must be given the necessary ear protection gear.	Farm manager	Physical handout of ear plugs	Daily	Project manager	Weekly	Check use of ear protection by workers		

Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and people through the minimisation and control of groundwater and surface water pollution Implementation Monitoring Impact Management actions (mitigation measures) Responsible Method of Timeframe: Responsible Evidence: Frequency person implementation implementation person compliance Sanitation seepage Farm manager Issue EM to Weekly Project manager Monthly Records • Pit latrines must be provided on the edges of the orchards. These toilets worker must be sprayed weekly with Effective Micro-organisms (EM) to ensure responsible to effective biological breakdown. dose toilets • Care must be taken not to add chemicals (such as *Jayes Fluid*) which may Provide destroy the EM in toilets. Use only biodegradable cleaning agents which appropriate are recommended for use with EM. cleaning products compatible with ΕM Spillage of fuel and lubricants from construction vehicles and machinery Farm manager Keep service Daily **Project Manager** Monthly Visual check • Machinery must be maintained regularly to reduce the risk of excessive records according Records check spillages of fuel and oils. to manufacturer's Maintenance must, as far as possible, only be done at the farm ٠ specifications, maintenance workshop on Schoonuitzicht farm. instructions to drivers and visual checks Farm manager Supply and erect When required Project manager Weekly Inspection log The storage of fuel, oils and lubricants must only take place at the farm surface tanks <30 sheet workshop and stores. 000 litre within • The farm manager must ensure that diesel and other liquid fuel, oil and bunded areas at hydraulic fluids are stored in appropriate storage tanks or in bowsers in farm bunded areas. workshop/store Supply sheeting Prior to any Project manager Weekly Photos Provision must be made for refuelling at the storage area by protecting Farm manager and drip trays refuelling the soil with an impermeable groundcover.

	Implementation			Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance
• Where dispensing equipment is used, a drip tray must be used to ensure small spills are contained.						
<ul> <li>Where refuelling away from the dedicated refuelling station is required, a mobile refuelling unit must be used.</li> <li>Appropriate ground protection such as sheeting and drip trays must be used.</li> <li>Used sheets must be disposed of to a site licenced to accept dangerous waste (dangerous materials).</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Supply drip trays and sheeting Dispose of only to a licenced site/contractor licenced to accept dangerous waste.	Prior to any refuelling	Project manager	Weekly	Photos
<ul> <li>When a spill incident occurs all possible measures must be taken to ensure that spilled fuel or oil do not reach any drainage line.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Provide spill-kit. Clean-up according to spill- kit instructions. Instruction and demonstration to drivers.	Immediately following spill incident	Project manager	Monthly	Records
<ul> <li>Spill incidents must be reported to LEDET in terms of Section 30(5) of NEMA.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	As soon as possible but no later than fourteen (14) days following incident	Weekly	Project manager	Weekly	Records

Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and people through the minimisation and control of groundwater and surface water pollution										
	Implementation			Monitoring						
pact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance				
id and domestic waste removal										
Domestic waste must be kept in adequate wind-, water- and animal pro waste bins or storage cages and must be disposed of weekly at the Makhado Local Municipal landfill site. Waste must be sorted and recycled as far as practically possible.	of Farm manager	Provide sufficient number of waste bins/storage cages	Weekly removal	Contractor/ECO	Daily checking Weekly removal	Disposal records				
Handling/use of chemicals (herbicides, pesticides, fungicides)										
Herbicides, pesticides and fungicides used during the clearance phase must be handled with care and stored in a safe place behind a lock.	Farm manager	Store correctly	When applicable	Project manager	When applicable	Records				
ft and leaching of chemicals (herbicides, pesticides, fungicides)	·		·	·	·					
Preparation of chemical applications must be done according to manufacturers' guidelines. Spraying of herbicides, pesticides or fungicides during clearance must be done in low/no wind conditions. Monitoring of water quality to be conducted at least annually as per Appendix G.3	Farm manager	Instruction to workers according to guidelines for use Visual checks	Daily	Project manager	Daily	Visual check & application records Water quality records				
d clearance, trenching & excavations for infrastructure										
Should the development be approved by authorities, environmen monitoring of environmental aspects should be implemented during a after the construction phase of the development to ensure that minin impact is caused to the floodline or wetlands of the area. <b>Demarcate all riparian boundaries with pegs and danger tape;</b> Edge effects of pre-construction and construction activities, includi	tal Farm manager nd nal	Action as per mitigation measure	Prior to commencement of construction	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence				
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		Implementation			Monitoring		
Im	pact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance
	erosion, sedimentation and alien/weed control, need to be strictly managed in wetland areas as well as their associated buffer zones;						
•	<ul> <li>The following general rehabilitation measures should be implemented in the disturbed riparian zone: <ul> <li>All disturbed surface areas will be re-shaped to resemble the surrounding natural topography. Surfaces will be ripped / scarified, and re-vegetated with indigenous grass species.</li> <li>As far as is practical, implement concurrent rehabilitation processes to limit degradation of soil biota.</li> <li>Terrestrial invasive removal programs must be maintained throughout the proposed development as well as in the aftercare and maintenance phases;</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
•	Ensure strict compliance that no foreign matter is deposited in trenches. Any foreign matter must be removed immediately.	Farm manager	Inspection before closure	Continuous	Project manager	Weekly	Spot checks
Sto	rm water across cleared areas (erosion and water pollution)						
•	Erosion and storm water control should be addressed by a hydrological engineer in a detailed storm water management plan (SWM Plan) to ensure that water runoff is diverted off the site without pooling and stagnation or erosion. Financial provision for closure will include the estimated costs for erosion control post-construction; Storm water management plan must be implemented;	Farm manager & Hydrological engineer	Consult with an engineer and compile and implement a detailed storm water management plan	Prior to clearance phase	Project manager	Monthly	Verify stormwater system and measures after implementation against SWM plan

		Implementation			Monitoring		
Impa	ct Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance
<ul> <li>C</li> <li>a</li> <li>st</li> <li>m</li> <li>d</li> <li>lc</li> <li>u</li> </ul>	learing of vegetation should be scheduled for the drier winter months nd limited to areas immediately needed for construction. Vegetation tripping should occur in parallel with the progress of construction to ninimise erosion and/or run-off. Large tracts of bare soil will either cause ust pollution or quickly erode and then cause sedimentation in the ower portions of the catchment. Only selected plant species must be sed in the re-vegetation process.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
• N sı cı ri	Ainimize soil exposure around the orchards. Re-vegetate exposed areas urrounding the orchards and allow a sufficient buffer between the ropland development to prevent sedimentation into the wetlands / vers;	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
• N	Janage water effectively on, to, within, and from this site;	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
• E te	mploy sediment capture techniques and stormwater attenuation echniques.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
<ul> <li>A</li> <li>th</li> <li>d</li> <li>a</li> <li>sl</li> <li>g</li> </ul>	Il development activities should be restricted to the footprint areas of the proposed development. The Environment Site Officer (ESO) should emarcate and control these areas. Storage of building equipment, fuel and other materials should be limited to demarcated areas. Layouts hould be adapted to fit natural patterns rather than imposing rigid eometries.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence

	Implementation			Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance
<ul> <li>Contain all dirty water in the dirty water system and contain all dirty storm water up to a 1:50 year flood event as a minimum.</li> <li>Ensure that all activities impacting on ground water resources of the subject property are managed according to ground water monitoring and management requirements;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
<ul> <li>Cover disturbed soils as completely as possible, using vegetation or other materials;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	As soon as possible following clearance	Project manager	Weekly during clearance phase	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
• Minimize the amount of land disturbance and develop and implement stringent erosion and dust control practices.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Check construction against plan
Stringent controls must be put in place to prevent any unnecessary disturbance or compaction of alluvial soils. Compaction of soils should be limited and / or avoided as far as possible. Compaction will reduce water infiltration and will result in increased runoff and erosion. Where any disturbance of the soil takes place (have taken place in the past), these areas must be stabilized and any alien plants which establish should be cleared and follow up undertaken for at least 2 years thereafter and preferably longer. Where compaction becomes apparent, remedial measures must be taken (e.g. "ripping" the affected area). Topsoil should be kept intact as deep as possible.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Visual inspection, photographic evidence
• Reprofiling of the banks of disturbed drainage areas to a maximum gradient of 1:3 to ensure bank stability;	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Check construction against plan

		Implementation			Monitoring	Aonitoring		
Im	pact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:	
		person implementation implementation person		person	Frequency	compliance		
٠	Reinforce banks and drainage features where necessary with gabions,	Farm manager	Action as per	During	Project manager	Weekly	Check	
	reno mattresses and geotextiles. This is especially relevant for		mitigation	construction			construction	
	stormwater outlet areas;		measure	phase			against plan	
•	Reseed any areas where earthworks have taken place with indigenous	Farm manager	Action as per	During	Project manager	Weekly	Check	
	grasses to prevent further erosion;		mitigation	construction			construction	
		Form monogor	Action as nor	During	Broject manager	Weekly		
•	Erosion control mechanisms must be established as soon as possible.	Farminanager	mitigation	construction	Project manager	Weekiy	construction	
	vears to allow for maintenance of the gabions, reno mattresses, and		measure	phase			against plan	
	associated structures;						0	
•	If compaction occurs, rectification can be done by application and mixing	Farm manager	Action as per	During	Project manager	Weekly	Check	
-	of manure vegetation mulch or any other organic material into the area	r ann manager	mitigation	construction	i i oject manager	Weekly	construction	
	Use of well cured manure is preferable as it will not be associated with		measure	phase			against plan	
	the nitrogen negative period associated with organic material that is not							
	composted;							
		_						
•	Vehicle traffic should not be allowed on the rehabilitated areas, except	Farm manager	Demarcate traffic	During	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection, log	
	on allocated roads, must not be allowed. It will have a negative impact		aleas	nhase			nhotographic	
	implications on the long term.			phase			evidence	
•	Appropriate design and mitigation measures must be developed and	Farm manager	Design and	During	Project manager	Weekly	Check	
	implemented to minimise impacts on the natural flow regime of the		construct	construction	, ,	,	construction	
	watercourse i.e. through placement of structures/supports and to		according to plans	phase			against plan	
	minimise turbulent flow in the watercourse;							
•	The indiscriminate use of machinery within the in-stream and riparian	Farm manager	Demarcate traffic	During	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection, log	
	habitat will lead to compaction of soils and vegetation and must	_	areas	construction	_		sheets,	
	therefore be strictly controlled;			phase			photographic	
							evidence	

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance	
• Perform scheduled maintenance to be prepared for storms. Insure that culverts have their maximum capacity, ditches are cleaned, and that channels are free of debris and brush than can plug structures.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Check construction against plan	
• The ridges where the trees will be planted must follow the contours.	Farm manager	Design and construct according to plans	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Check construction against plan	
• Minimize the amount of land disturbance and develop and implement stringent erosion and dust control practices.	Farm manager	Action as per mitigation measure	Prior to clearance phase	Project manager	Weekly	Visual checks	
<ul> <li>Minimize clearance of vegetation. Retain natural trees, shrubbery, and grass species wherever possible to stabilise soil.</li> <li>Cover disturbed soils as completely as possible, using vegetation or other materials;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Use vegetation debris to mulch bare areas	During clearance phase	Project manager	Monthly	Visual checks	
<ul> <li>Protect sloping areas that are susceptible to erosion and ensure that there is no undue soil erosion resultant from activities within and adjacent to the construction camp and work areas;</li> <li>Gravel roads must be well drained to limit soil erosion.</li> <li>Construct sufficient outflow drains from roads.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Inspection followed by compilation and actioning of a maintenance plan	During clearance phase	Project manager	Weekly	Visual checks	
<ul> <li>Repair all erosion damage as soon as possible to allow for sufficient rehabilitation growth;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Inspection & repair damaged areas	Following rain events	Project manager	Monthly	Visual checks	

WATER SUPPLY MANAGEMENT - CONSTRUCTION PHASE										
Impact Management outcome: Implement responsible water usage	Impact Management outcome: Implement responsible water usage									
	Implementation			Monitoring						
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Frequency	Evidence:				
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance				
Dust suppression measures and human consumption										
<ul> <li>Water use must be kept to a minimum. Ensure that pipes and taps are not leaking - be aware of damages by construction machines to underground pipes.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Keep records of water use	Continuous	Project manager	Monthly	Visual checks Water use records				
• Construction workers must be educated on the importance and ways to use water sparingly.	Farm manager	Monthly training	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Training attendance list				
• Water use must remain within the volumes allocated by the Registered Water Use for the farms.	Farm manager	Keep records of water abstraction	Continuous	Project manager	Monthly	Verify abstraction volumes Keep records of water use				

### SOIL POLLUTION AND DEGRADATION - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and people through the minimisation and control of soil pollution and degradation

	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:			
	person	implementation	implementation	person	riequency	compliance			
Operation of construction vehicles and machinery									
• All vehicles must be inspected for oil and fuel leaks on a regular basis.	Farm manager	Regular inspection	According to	Project manager	Monthly	Records			
		must be done	manufacturer's						
		after service of	specifications						
		vehicles							

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Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment and people through the minimisation and control of soil pollution and degradation

	Implementation M			Monitoring	Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance	
<ul> <li>Vehicle maintenance yards on site must make provision for drip trays that will be used to capture any spills.</li> <li>Drip trays must be emptied into a holding tank and returned to the supplier.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Provide a sufficient number of drip trays and holding tank	Prior to clearance phase	Project manager	Monthly	Records	
<ul> <li>Machinery must be serviced and re-fuelled at existing facilities as far as possible.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to drivers, compile maintenance schedule	Service according to manufacturer's specifications	Project manager	Monthly	Records	
<ul> <li>Spill kits must be on-hand to deal with spills immediately.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction and demonstration to drivers	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Records	
• Any spills must be treated and removed by a qualified agent.	Farm manager	Clean-up as per spill-kit instructions	Immediately following spill incident	Project manager	Monthly	Records	
Trenching and excavations for toilets and water infrastructure							
• Ensure that no solid or liquid waste, including building rubble end up in trenches. All backfilling to be done with original and clean material only.	Farm manager	Check excavations before backfilling	Daily	Project manager	Monthly	Spot checks	
Storm water over cleared areas - soil erosion							
<ul> <li>The ridges where the trees will be planted must follow the contours.</li> <li>Construct sufficient outflow drains from roads.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Construction according to plans	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Check construction against plan	
Monitor and repair any signs of erosion after heavy downpours.	Farm manager	Visual checks	After rain storms	Project manager	Monthly	Visual checks	
Solid waste accumulation on/in soil							

### SOIL POLLUTION AND DEGRADATION - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Impact Management outcome: Minimise impact to the environment ar	nd people through th	ne minimisation and	control of soil pollu	tion and degradation	n			
	Implementation			Monitoring				
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance		
<ul> <li>Solid waste must be kept in adequate wind-, water- and animal-proof waste bins or storage cages and must be disposed of weekly at a registered municipal landfill site.</li> <li>Waste must be sorted and recycled as far as practically possible.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Continuous implementation of actions	Weekly removal	Project manager	Monthly	Records of waste disposal to be kept.		
Handling/use/storage of dangerous substances (spillages)								
<ul> <li>Hazardous chemicals to be stored on an impervious surface protected from rainfall and storm water run-off;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Supply and erect structures and bunds	When required	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection log sheet		
• Ensure that diesel and other liquid fuel, oil and hydraulic fluid is stored in appropriate storage tanks or in bowsers.	Farm manager	Supply and erect surface tanks <30 000 litres	When required	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection log sheet		
• The tanks/ bowsers must be situated on a smooth impermeable surface (concrete) with a permanent bund.	Farm manager	Construct bunds for tanks	When installing tanks	Project manager	Monthly	Photos		
<ul> <li>Provision must be made for re-fueling at the storage area by protecting the soil with an impermeable groundcover.</li> <li>Where dispensing equipment is used, a drip tray must be used to ensure small spills are contained;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Supply drip trays and sheeting	Prior to any refuelling	Project manager	Monthly	Photos		
• Any excess or waste material or chemicals must be removed from the site and discarded in an environmentally friendly way. The ECO must enforce this rule rigorously;	Farm manager	Usage data and arrange collection/disposal	When required	Project manager / ECO	Monthly	Inspection log sheet		

ECOLOGY (FAUNA & FLORA) - CONSTRUCTION PHASE									
Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the eco	ogical aspects durin	g construction.							
	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance			
Site clearance - loss of protected plants and other vegetation									
• No development can be done within the 1:100 year floodline zone or within 500 meters of a wetland, or within 100 meters of a river, without a Water Use Licence.	Farm manager	Obtain Water Use License for development within buffer areas	Prior to construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Verify license has been granted			
• Demarcate and maintain a 32-meter buffer from the edge of the riparian woodland of the smaller drainage channels.	Farm manager	Demarcate area and mark as no-go area (buffers)	Prior to construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection to verify buffer areas are maintained			
Drainage channels and buffer areas must be left undisturbed.	Farm manager	Demarcate area and mark as no-go area (buffers)	Prior to construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection to verify buffer areas are maintained			
• Water quality monitoring should be conducted at least annually as per Appendix G.3.	Farm manager	Compile a water monitoring schedule, identify sample points	Prior to construction phase	Project manager	Annually	Maintain records of analysis			
• The area referred to as the "Firebreak block" (Terrestrial Biodiversity Impact Assessment Report, Fig.2), although not directly impacted on by clearance activities, should be conserved as an important biodiversity hotspot.	Farm manager	Demarcate area and mark as no-go area (buffers)	Prior to construction phase	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection to verify buffer areas are maintained			

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

		Implementation			Monitoring		
Im	pact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:
		person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance
٠	Strict control of access and the routes used must be exercised to prevent	Farm manager	Demarcate/fence	Prior to	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection to
	traffic into sensitive and buffer areas.		development and	construction			verify
			no-go areas	phase			development
			(buffers)				footprint
							boundaries remain
							intact and are
							maintained
•	Clearly demarcate the entire development footprint prior to initial site	Farm manager	Demarcate and	Prior to each	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection
	clearance;		mark development	clearing phase			
			area clearly				
•	The removal of plant species may only occur on the footprint area of the	Farm manager	Provide clear	Prior to each	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection
	development and not over the larger area;		instruction to	clearing phase			
			workers to only				
			clear within				
		Form monogor	demarcated areas	Driar ta aach	Draiast managar	Maakhu/daihu	Increation
•	Vegetation to be removed only as it becomes necessary, and should be	Farm manager	for phased	cloaring phase	Project manager	weekiy/daliy	inspection
	removed in phases to prevent undue exposure of soils;		cloarance followed	clearing phase			
			by planting				
-	The concernation of notional convidence such as multiple forests, down	Farm manager	Walk over	Prior to clearance	Project manager	Prior to clearance	Inspection
•	The conservation of natural corridors such as pristine forests, dams,	i ann manager	monitoring	with weekly	Froject manager	with weekly	nhotographic
	allow found to move freely between the different vegetation units on		demarcation and	follow-up		follow-up	evidence
	the property must be prioritized.		marking clearly	inspection		inspection	(before/after)
	the property, must be promized,		the development	mopeotion		mopeotion	(201010/01001)
			sites				
•	All possible efforts must be made to ensure as little disturbance as	Farm manager	Walk over	Prior to clearance	Project manager	Prior to clearance	Inspection,
	possible to the sensitive habitats such as drainage channels during	-	monitoring,	with weekly	-	with weekly	photographic
	construction;		demarcation and	follow-up		follow-up	evidence
	·		marking clearly	inspection		inspection	(before/after)

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance	
		the development sites					
<ul> <li>Only necessary damage must be caused and, for example, unnecessary driving around in the veld or bulldozing natural habitat must not take place;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Walk over monitoring, demarcation and marking clearly the development sites	Prior to clearance with weekly follow-up inspection	Project manager	Prior to clearance with weekly follow-up inspection	Inspection, photographic evidence (before/after)	
<ul> <li>Construction activities must remain within defined construction areas and the road servitudes.</li> <li>No construction / disturbance may occur outside these areas.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Demarcate/fence development and no-go areas Clear and regular instruction to workers, fine for transgressors	Prior to and during clearance	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection Photographic evidence Register of fines	
• Large indigenous trees occurring on the borders of the orchards should remain where possible.	Farm manager	Walk over monitoring	Monthly	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
Orchards must be planted as soon as possible after vegetation has been removed.	Farm manager	Ensure trees will be available when area is ready	As required	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
• Drainage lines, the wetland and buffer areas must not be disturbed.	Farm manager	Instruction to machine operators	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
• The clearance of vegetation must be done in phases and concurrent rehabilitation of impacted areas surrounding the orchards could also be implemented to ensure areas are kept as natural as possible;	Farm manager	Schedule clearance and rehabilitation roster	Prior to each clearing phase, adjust during clearance as	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Freeseware	Evidence:	
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance	
			required				
<ul> <li>Only selected plant species (endemic plants) must be used in the revegetation process.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Schedule rehabilitation roster	Prior to each clearing phase, adjust during clearance as required	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	
<ul> <li>Clearing of vegetation should be scheduled for the drier winter months and limited to areas immediately needed for construction.</li> <li>Vegetation stripping must occur in parallel with the progress of construction to minimise erosion and/or run-off.</li> <li>Large tracts of bare soil will either cause dust pollution or quickly erode and then cause sedimentation in the lower portions of the catchment.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Select, demarcate and clearly mark out the entire boundary of areas to be cleared	Prior to /concurrent with construction phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	
<ul> <li>Monitoring should be implemented during the construction phase of the development to ensure that minimal impact is caused to the flora of the area;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Conduct monitoring	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	
<ul> <li>Prevent construction personnel from leaving the demarcated area;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to all workers, erect and maintain clear visual barriers around perimeter of development area	Prior to each construction phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	
• Staff should not be accommodated on site. No temporary accommodation must be erected on the site.	Farm manager	Provide alternative accommodation or transport	Prior to each clearing phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	
• An adequate number of wind-, water- and animal-proof rubbish bins as well as sanitation facilities must be provided to construction workers.	Farm manager	Provide adequate number of bins	Prior to each clearing phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection	

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	Implementation	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance		
		and sanitation facilities						
• The ECO must advise the construction team in all relevant matters to ensure minimum destruction and damage to the environment. The ECO must enforce any measures that he/she deem necessary.	Farm manager & ECO	ECO site visits and training sessions	Prior to and ongoing during construction phase	Project manager & ECO	Monthly	Inspection & monitoring reports		
<ul> <li>Where trenches pose a risk to animal safety, they must be adequately cordoned off to prevent animals falling in and getting trapped and/or injured. This could be prevented by the constant excavating and backfilling of trenches during pipeline construction;</li> <li>Inspect such trenches on a daily basis to ensure integrity of barriers and to rescue possible trapped or injured animals.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Demarcate / cordon off trenches Inspections	During construction phase	Project manager	Daily	Inspection and remedial action		
<ul> <li>If any construction activity must occur within the riparian areas then it must commence from upstream proceeding downstream with proper sedimentation barriers in place to prevent sediments and pollution moving downstream from the site. This includes non-perennial systems.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Conduct monitoring	During construction phase	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection		
• The velocity of storm water must be attenuated and spread by means of i.e. gabions or other structures as recommended in the Storm water management plan (SWM Plan).	Farm manager & hydrological engineer	Conduct monitoring and construct storm water attenuation structures in appropriate locations, prior to onset of rainy season	During construction phase Maintain as required	Project manager	Weekly/daily	Inspection		

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	Implementation N			Monitoring	Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:	
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance	
<ul> <li>The use of owl boxes and bat hotels as biological pest control measures is recommended as an alternative to poisons in this instance.</li> <li>Ensure that these structures are placed well away from human activities and that these animals will not be disturbed.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Construct in logical positions and protect from human activities	Prior to clearance phase	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection log sheet	
• A register must be kept of all relevant details of herbicide, pesticide and fungicide usage.	Farm manager	Compile register	When applicable	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection log sheet	
Fires		·					
• Staff must be educated on the dangers of fires. The necessary safety measures must be in place on site. This includes fire extinguishers, backup water tanks and the regular removal of stockpiled plant material.	Farm manager	Training & keep site clean	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Training records & Inspection	
Maintain proper firebreaks around the entire development footprint.	Farm manager	Make fire breaks	Once-off Maintain as necessary	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
Campfires at construction sites must be strictly controlled to ensure that no veld fires are caused.	Farm manager	Daily observation	Once clearance commences	Project manager	Weekly	Inspection	
Movement of construction vehicles on site							
<ul> <li>Vehicles must only use existing access roads to and from the site. No new roads are allowed to be constructed.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Visual checks	Once-off	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	

ECOLOGY (FAUNA & FLORA) - CONSTRUCTION PHASE								
Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the eco	logical aspects durin	g construction.						
	Implementation			Monitoring				
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Frequency	Evidence:		
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance		
Cutting and collection of firewood								
No trees may be cut or destroyed for firewood outside the footprint of	Farm manager	Visual checks	When applicable	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection		
the orchards. Removal of vegetation is to be confined to the orchards								
footprint areas.								
No indigenous trees on adjacent areas may be cut or wood be collected	Farm manager	Visual checks	When applicable	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection		
for firewood or any other purposes. Removal of vegetation to be								
confined to the site.								
<ul> <li>Only the removal of vegetation that is essential is to be allowed.</li> </ul>								
<ul> <li>No plant material may be burnt on site.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Visual checks	When applicable	Project manager	Daily	Inspection		
<ul> <li>Plant material can be used as mulch or compost</li> </ul>	_							
<ul> <li>Thicker branches can be removed for firewood by farm workers or the</li> </ul>								
community								
Control of alien invaders								
Control involves killing the plants present, killing the seedlings which	Farm manager	Check area for	Daily	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection		
emerge, and establishing and managing an alternative plant cover to limit		presence of alien						
re-growth and re-invasion.		invader plants and						
Weeds and invader plants must be controlled in the manner prescribed     for that actoor whether CARA as in terms of Warking for Water		presence of						
ror that category by the CARA or in terms of working for water guidelines. The control of these species must begin prior to the		invader animals						
construction phase considering that small populations of these species								
was observed during the field surveys;								
Institute strict control over materials brought onto site, which must be	Farm manager	Inspect delivery	Upon arrival	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection		
inspected for seeds of noxious plants and steps taken to eradicate these		venicies and items						

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

		Implementation			Monitoring		
Im	pact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:
		person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance
	before transport to the site.		for alien invasive				
•	Routinely fumigate or spray all foreign materials with appropriate low- residual herbicides/fungicides prior to transport, or in a quarantined area on site.		species and treat accordingly				
•	The contractor is responsible for the control of weeds and invader plants within the construction site for the duration of the construction phase. Alien invasive tree species listed by the CARA regulations must be eradicated;	Farm manager	Action a pro- active, integrated pest-control strategy	According to schedule and as required	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection
•	Rehabilitate disturbed areas as quickly as possible to reduce the area where invasive species would be at a strong advantage and most easily able to establish by;	Farm manager	Seed with/plant endemic plant species	Ongoing	Project manager	Quarterly	Regular inspection, Photographic evidence (before and after), records of rehabilitation actions and maps
•	Develop and institute a plan to control noxious weeds and invasive plants that could occur because of new surface disturbance activities at the site. The plan must address monitoring, weed identification, the way weeds spread, and methods for treating infestations	Farm manager	Compile and action a pro- active, integrated pest-control strategy	As soon as possible with ongoing monitoring	Project manager	Quarterly	Inspection, Photographic evidence (before and after), records of rehabilitation actions and maps
•	Insist on the use of certified weed-free mulching.	Procurement manager / administrator	Source reputable suppliers and request proof of certification	As soon as possible with ongoing monitoring	Project manager	Quarterly	Records

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance	
<ul> <li>Prohibit the use of fill materials from areas with known invasive vegetation problems.</li> </ul>	Procurement manager / administrator	Source alternative suppliers	As soon as possible with ongoing monitoring	Project manager	Quarterly	Register	
<ul> <li>Reseed disturbed areas with endemic plant species;</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Re-seeding with endemic sp.	As soon as possible with ongoing monitoring	Project manager	Quarterly	Records	
<ul> <li>Keep vehicles and equipment clean and free from invasive plant material (their parts or their seeds).</li> </ul>	Farm/workshop manager	Regular inspection of delivery vehicles before entering the site	As soon as possible with ongoing monitoring	Project manager	Quarterly	Regular inspection	
<ul> <li>Institute a monitoring programme to detect alien invasive species early, before they become established and, in the case of weeds, before the release of seeds.</li> <li>Once detected, an eradication/control programme must be implemented to ensure that the species' do not spread to surrounding natural ecosystems.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Walk over monitoring	6-monthly	Project manager	6-monthly	Inspection	
<ul> <li>Monitor for alien invasive species on a monthly basis during the rainy season.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Walk over monitoring	Monthly	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
Invaders must also be controlled in the drainage lines and buffer areas.	Farm manager	Walk over monitoring	Monthly	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	

Impact Management outcome: Minimise and control impact to the ecological aspects during construction.

	Implementation	plementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:		
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance		
• The ECO should regularly inspect the site, including storage facilities and compounds. A monitoring programme should also be implemented around these areas to detect alien invasive species early, before they become established and, in the case of weeds, before the release of seeds;	Farm manager	Conduct monitoring	During construction phase	ECO	Monthly	Inspection		

#### VISUAL DISTURBANCE - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Impact Management outcome: Prevent unnecessary negative visual impact by ensuring that visual impacts are mitigated.

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Froquency	Evidence:	
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance	
Littering (domestic waste)							
• All domestic waste must be removed to a permitted waste facility site on a weekly basis.	Farm manager	Removal program	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Records	
• Wind-, water- and animal-proof refuse bins must be provided on site and contents can be emptied in a refuse cage before removal to Makhado municipal landfill site – Appendix G.4.	Farm manager	Provide bins on site	Continuous	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
<ul> <li>No solid waste may be buried in any excavations on site.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to personnel	Before closure of trenches and excavations	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
No waste may be burned on site.	Farm manager	Instruction to personnel	Daily	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	

HERITAGE RESOURCES - CONSTRUCTION PHASE									
Impact Management outcome: Prevent/minimise negative impacts on heritage resources									
	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance			
Earthworks and excavations									
<ul> <li>The burial site (Site Exigo-SCH-BP01) is of high significance, however will not be impacted on as this area has been excluded from the proposed development.</li> <li>A conservation buffer of at least 30m must be preserved around the burial ground. The site should be fenced and an access gate should provide controlled access to the site.</li> <li>A distance of at least 2m should be maintained between the grave and fence which should be at least 1,8m high.</li> <li>A clear signboard should be erected indicating the heritage sensitivity of the site and contact details for visitation of the grave should be provided.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Demarcate and fence buffer area, provide lockable gate and signage	Before site clearance commences	Project manager	Monthly	Visual checks			
<ul> <li>It is recommended that monitoring during all stages (construction and operation) of the project be conducted by an archaeologist/ECO.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Appoint archaeologist/ECO Demarcate and fence buffer area	Before site clearance commences	Project manager and archaeologist	Prior to and during site clearance	Monitoring report, photographic evidence of site before and following completion of construction phase			
• As burials have been located on the project property, it is recommended that the BA public participation and social consultative process address the possibility of further graves occurring in the project area.	Applicant	Appoint archaeologist	Before site clearance commences	Project manager and archaeologist	Once-off	Records of BA public participation and social consultative process			

HERITAGE RESOURCES - CONSTRUCTION PHASE								
Impact Management outcome: Prevent/minimise negative impacts on h	eritage resources							
	Implementation			Monitoring				
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance		
<ul> <li>The Final BAR and its appendices must be submitted to the case and once a Record of Decision from the competent authority is issued, it must also be submitted to the case.</li> <li>The necessary amendments to the EMPR through monitoring by and advice obtained from the ECO.</li> <li>A monitoring report must be submitted to SAHRA once vegetation clearance is completed.</li> </ul>	Archaeologist and Project manager	Submission of reports	At Final BAR submission to competent authority. At receipt of Environmental Authorisation. EMPr during clearance phase and at end of clearance phase.	Project manager	Following respective phases completion	Proof of submission to SAHRA		
<ul> <li>In the event that fossils are uncovered during construction then construction must cease within the immediate vicinity, a buffer of 30 m must be established, and a palaeontologist called in to inspect the finds. The palaeontologist must obtain a section 35(4) permit in terms of NHRA and Chapter IV NHRA Regulations, before any fossils are collected.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Halt construction Call Archaeologist	When required	Project manager	When required	Incident log sheet		
<ul> <li>All geological features (rocks, exposed bedrock) and water sources such as drainage lines, fountains and pans should all be regarded as potentially sensitive.</li> <li>If any new heritages resources are discovered during construction and operation phases of the proposed development, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the findings at the expense of the developer.</li> <li>If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required at the expense of the developer. Mitigation will only be carried</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Halt construction Call Archaeologist	When required	Project manager	When required	Incident log sheet		

#### HERITAGE RESOURCES - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Impact Management outcome: Prevent/minimise negative impacts on heritage resources

	Implementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Fraguanay	Evidence:	
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance	
out after the archaeologist or palaeontologist obtains a permit in terms							
of section 35 of the NHRA (Act 25 of 1999).							
SAHRA APM Unit may be contacted for further details: (Nokukhanya							
Khumalo/Phillip Hine 021 202 8654).							
If any unmarked human burials are uncovered and the archaeologist							
called in to inspect the finds and/or the police find them to be heritage							
graves, then mitigation may be necessary and the SAHRA Burial Grounds							
and Graves (BGG) Unit must be contacted for processes to follow							
(Thingahangwi Tshivase/Mimi Seetelo 072 802 1251).							

#### SAFETY, SECURITY, SOCIO-ECONOMICS, AND FIRE HAZARDS - CONSTRUCTION PHASE

Impact Management outcome: Ensuring a safe/secure construction environment, enhanced socio-economic development and prevention of fires.

	Implementation	Implementation			Monitoring		
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Froquency	Evidence:	
	person	implementation	implementation	person	Frequency	compliance	
Construction activities - safety of employees							
• The Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993) and the Regulations are	Farm manager	Apply Act	Continuous	Project manager	Monthly	Check number of	
applicable. The Act requires the designation of a Health and Safety						employees on site	
representative when more than 20 employees are employed.							
• A person trained and accredited to administer first aid must be present	Farm manager	Supply first aid kit	Daily	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection	
on site and a first aid kit must be available at the farm office.							
All personnel must be informed of emergency procedures and contact	Farm manager	Training talks	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Training records	
numbers must be displayed prominently.							

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Impact Management outcome: Ensuring a safe/secure construction environment, enhanced socio-economic development and prevention of fires.									
	Implementation			Monitoring					
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible person	Method of implementation	Timeframe: implementation	Responsible person	Frequency	Evidence: compliance			
<ul> <li>Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and safety gear must be provided to all site personnel (e.g. hard hats, safety boots, masks etc.).</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Supply PPE	When required	Project manager	Monthly	Check if employees are using PPE			
Fires									
• An emergency plan must be in place so that any fire can be combatted in the most efficient manner. An emergency response plan that is aligned with the local Fire Department must be in place.	Farm manager	Training on Emergency plan	Monthly	Project manager	Monthly	Training records			
<ul> <li>No solid waste or vegetation may be burned on the development site or surrounding areas.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Instruction to employees	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Incident log sheet			
• Open fires for cooking are only to be made at designated and safe areas. A person must be designated to be responsible for overseeing open fires at all times.	Farm manager	Visual checks	When applicable	Project manager	Daily	Inspection			
<ul> <li>All employees must be properly trained in the use of firefighting equipment and the emergency procedures in case of a fire.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Training session	Monthly	Project manager	Monthly	Training records			
• Firefighting equipment must be available and must be checked regularly to ensure that it is in proper working order and easily accessible.	Farm manager	Supply & check firefighting equipment	Weekly	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection log sheet			
Construction activities - socio-economic impact									
<ul> <li>Where viable, work must be executed in a labour-intensive manner to create as many jobs as possible.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Design work procedures	Construction phase	Project manager	Monthly	Staff records			
<ul> <li>Local labour must be used wherever possible during the clearance and preparation phase.</li> </ul>	Farm manager	Appoint local people	Construction phase	Project manager	Monthly	Staff records			
• Construction activities must be restricted to working hours Monday to Saturday, unless otherwise approved by the appropriate competent person in consultation with the affected residents.	Farm manager	Compile work schedule	Construction phase	Project manager	Monthly	Log sheets			

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Impact Management outcome: Ensuring a safe/secure construction environment, enhanced socio-economic development and prevention of fires.

	Implementation	mplementation			Monitoring			
Impact Management actions (mitigation measures)	Responsible	Method of	Timeframe:	Responsible	Frequency	Evidence:		
	person	implementation	implementation	person	пециенсу	compliance		
Unhygienic working conditions								
Occupational Health and Safety standards must be implemented.	Farm manager	Implement standards	Continuous	Project manager	Monthly	Inspection		
Security Issues								
• The electrical security perimeter fence must be maintained and regularly	Farm manager	Training cessions	Start of land	Project manager	Monthly	Security log sheets		
inspected for damage and breaches.			clearance					