

**NOTICE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORIZATION & WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION**

**PROPOSED CREIGHTON BULK WATER SUPPLY SCHEME WITHIN HARRY GWALA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY.**

Notice is hereby given in terms of the National Water Act (NWA) (Act 36 No of 1998) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014 as amended in 2017) published in Government Notice Regulation (GNR) 324 - GNR 327, in terms of Section 24 (5) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (Act No 107 of 1998) (as amended) of the initiative by Harry Gwala District Municipality to construct the Creighton Bulk Water Supply Scheme. This project aims to provide long-term bulk water supply scheme for Creighton area. Moreover, this project will provide reliable, adequate water source that will supply future water demands, including proposed developments within the area.

In respect of the above, the applicant, Harry Gwala District Municipality intends to undertake a Basic Assessment process as contemplated in the EIA Regulations for the process of applying for authorisation for the above proposed development to the Competent Authority, the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs (KZN EDTEA ), as well as applying for Water Use Licence (WUL) to the Competent Authority, the National Department of Water and Sanitation as contemplated in Chapter 4 of the NWA.

**What Does The Project Entail?**

<b>Centocow abstraction works upgrade</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Upgrade from 1.5 Ml/d to 5.0 Ml/d</li> <li>▪ Existing Intake Structure and Pump to Sump</li> <li>▪ New Sump</li> <li>▪ New High-lift Pump Station</li> </ul>
<b>Rising Main (abstraction point to Centocow WTP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Raw water pipeline: 500mm Ø (Class 20)</li> <li>▪ 1.2 km long @ 90m Pumping Head</li> </ul>
<b>Upgrade of Centocow WTP</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Upgrade from 1.5 Ml/d to 5.0 Ml/d</li> </ul>
<b>Clear water balancing and storage reservoir</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New water balancing and storage facility for Creighton</li> <li>▪ Capacity: 3Ml</li> <li>▪ Position: @ 1060mAMSL</li> </ul>
<b>Gravity Main</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Clear water pipeline: 300mm Ø (Class 16)</li> <li>▪ 11 km long (Centocow to balancing reservoir)</li> <li>▪ 3 km long (balancing reservoir to Creighton)</li> <li>▪ 90m Head (Negative surge pressure)</li> </ul>

**APPLICABLE ACTIVITIES BEING APPLIED FOR**

The following Listed Activities of the EIA Regulations (2014 as amended in 2017) applied for:

- Notice 1 – GNR 327 of 2014 amended 2017: Activity 9
- Notice 1 – GNR 327 of 2014 as amended 2017: Activity 13
- Notice 1 – GNR 327 of 2014 as amended 2017: Activity 19
- Notice 1 – GNR 327 of 2014 as amended 2017: Activity 13

Additionally, as the project involves, abstraction the crossing of watercourses, a WULA will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) as per Sections 21 (a), (c) and (i) of the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998).

The following water uses of Section 21 of the NWA are being applied for the WUL:

- (a) Abstraction of water from a watercourse; and
- (c) Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse; and
- (i) Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse

**HOW TO REGISTER?**

At Gedezar Consulting are appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioners for this project. If you consider yourself as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for this proposed project, we urge you to make use of the opportunities created by the public participation process to become involved in the process and provide comment, or raise those issues and concerns which affect and/or interest you, or about which you would like more information. Any person wishing to register as an I&AP or whom may be requiring additional information should contact the listed person, by either, telephone, email or fax. Before **15<sup>th</sup> of April 2022**.

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