

**COMMENTS AND RESPONSE  
REPORT FOR LOBOLA FARMING  
(PTY) LTD. – PROPOSED  
CLEARANCE OF VEGETATION**

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**April 2021**

**Ref Nr: EMS/15,12(b)/20/03**



## COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT

Entity / Name	Contact Details	Comments Received	Response
Bird Life South Africa – Lindsey Smith	<a href="mailto:advocacy@birdlife.org.za">advocacy@birdlife.org.za</a> 011 789 1122	<p>The Draft EIA was considered by our Conservation Division, and the following comments have been provided:</p> <p><i>It must be pointed out that the Conservation Status of Secretarybirds and Martial Eagles have been omitted and should be noted.</i></p> <p><i>The only real concern with this development would be the Martial Eagle nest that is mentioned as being on the property in the report. Adding recommendations to leave the nest undisturbed and have no farming activities within a certain distance would be an advisable addition to the report as this species is globally Endangered.</i></p> <p>I trust that this is of assistance.</p>	<p><b>The response is noted.</b></p> <p><b>The nesting site will be marked and this area will be left undisturbed.</b></p>
DESTEA – Department of Economic, Small Business	<a href="mailto:mokoerad@destea.gov.za">mokoerad@destea.gov.za</a> 113 ST Andrews Street Bloemfontein	The Department of Economic, Small Business Development,	<p><b>Noted. The HIA specialist has uploaded the documents onto</b></p>

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<p><b>Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs Free State Province.</b></p>		<p>Tourism and Environmental Affairs (DESTE) – has reviewed the draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR) that was received on 3 March 2021 and the following should be included in final EIR:</p> <p>1. The comments from South African Heritage Resource Agency on Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment.</p>	<p><b>the SAHRIS Website. Please note last section of this document.</b></p>
		<p>Please note that the activity applied for may not commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted.</p>	<p><b>Noted. No activity will commence until the Authorisation has been received from the Department.</b></p>

**The documents have been uploaded onto the SAHRIS website for comments and inputs from The Heritage Authority. Currently no response has yet been received from the Heritage Authority on this matter. Please see below details pertaining to this project:**

**Project Name:** Lobola Farming Project

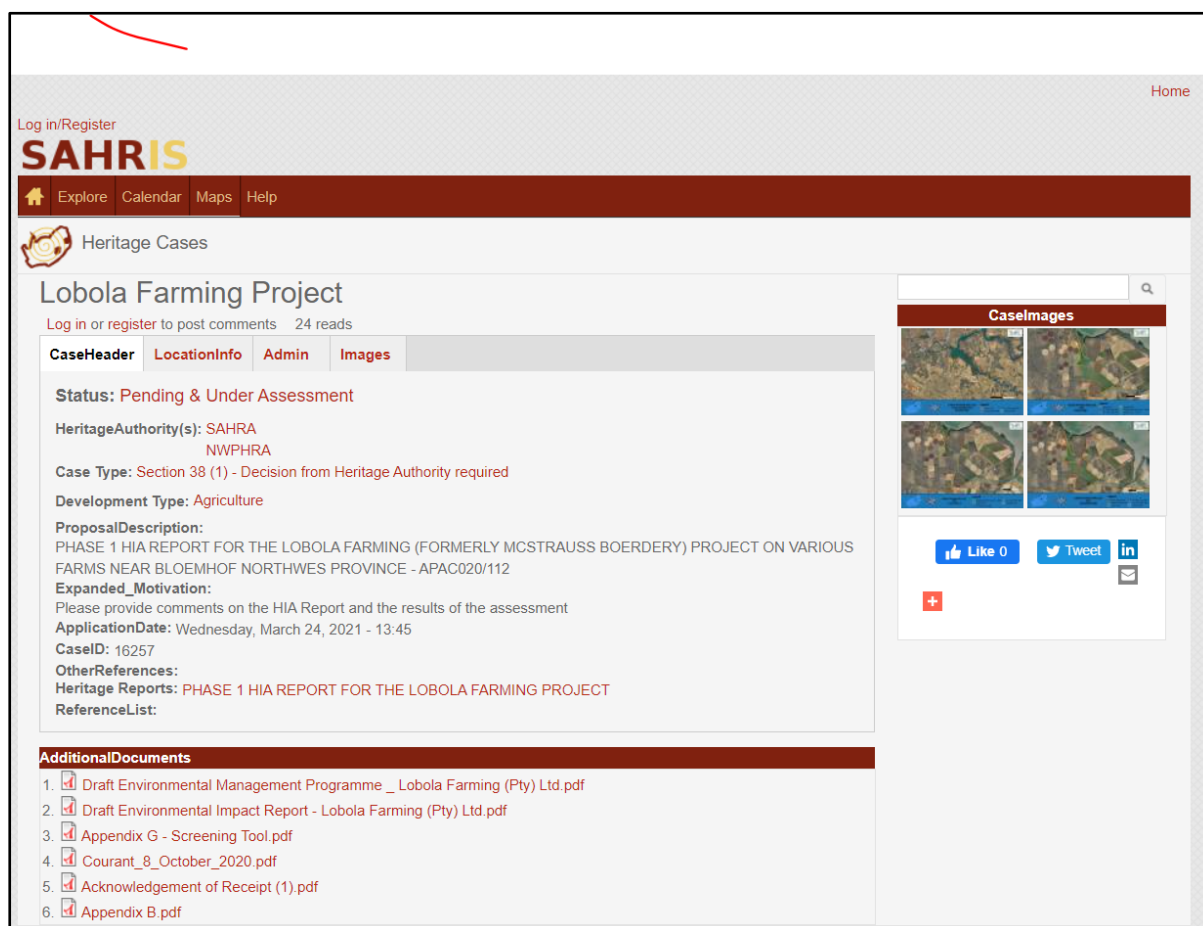
**Description:** PHASE 1 HIA for the Lobola Farming (Formerly McStrauss Boerdery) Project on Various farms near Bloemhof, North West Province – APAC020/112

**Heritage Authority:** SAHRA, NWPHRA

**Case Officer:** Elijah Dumisani Katsetse

We will continue to follow-up and submit the required information to the Department as soon as it is received from the Heritage Authority. It must be noted that the preferred and alternative layout option does not directly impact on the graves found on the site, but all the measures will still be taken to ensure that these graves are preserved.

**Please refer to proof from the website below:**



The screenshot displays the SAHRIS (South African Heritage Resources Information System) website. The main content area is titled 'Lobola Farming Project' and shows the following details:

- Status:** Pending & Under Assessment
- Heritage Authority(s):** SAHRA, NWPHRA
- Case Type:** Section 38 (1) - Decision from Heritage Authority required
- Development Type:** Agriculture
- Proposal Description:** PHASE 1 HIA REPORT FOR THE LOBOLA FARMING (FORMERLY MCSTRAUSS BOERDERY) PROJECT ON VARIOUS FARMS NEAR BLOEMHOF NORTHWES PROVINCE - APAC020/112
- Expanded Motivation:** Please provide comments on the HIA Report and the results of the assessment
- Application Date:** Wednesday, March 24, 2021 - 13:45
- CaseID:** 16257
- Other References:** Heritage Reports: PHASE 1 HIA REPORT FOR THE LOBOLA FARMING PROJECT
- ReferenceList:**

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1. Draft Environmental Management Programme \_ Lobola Farming (Pty) Ltd.pdf
2. Draft Environmental Impact Report - Lobola Farming (Pty) Ltd.pdf
3. Appendix G - Screening Tool.pdf
4. Courant\_8\_October\_2020.pdf
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6. Appendix B.pdf

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