



CURRO BLOEMFONTEIN SCHOOL EXTENSION BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENT



Environmental Assessment Practitioner	Enviroworks
Project Name	Expansion of existing Curro Bloemfontein Private School on Portion 34 of the farm Groenvlei 2844, Langenhovenpark, Bloemfontein, Free State
Applicant	Curro Holdings (Pty) Ltd
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Project Overview

Curro Holdings (Pty) Ltd is proposing an extension of the recently completed Curro Bloemfontein School complex. The new facilities to be located on Portion 34 of farm Groenvlei 2884, shall be equipped with a pre-primary school and double-storey primary school, tennis courts, a swimming pool, store garages, and a road network with parking.

Currently in the planning stages of development, the applicant is in the stages of obtaining the relevant permits to commence with the intended extension. One of these is an Environmental Authorization from the Free State Department of the Economic, Tourism and Environmental Affairs.

To obtain such a permit, an Environmental Impact Assessment is required to be undertaken, in order to ascertain whether the impacts of the proposed development on the affected environment are significant and can be effectively mitigated or reduced.



**Typical view of the landscape of the proposed school, R64,
Langenhoven Park, Bloemfontein**

The Environmental Impact Assessment Process

In the South African legislative framework, the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA) (No. 107 of 1998) regulates development activities which may pose a risk to the integrity of the ecological and human environment.

Coupled with NEMA, listed activities are given, which describe the types of development, limits, expanse and nature where an environmental impact assessment (EIA) will be needed. These are referred to as the NEMA 2010 EIA Regulations.

An initial review of the proposed development activity identified the following regulation and activity to be triggered:

Activity 23: Listing Notice 1, GR 544 of 19 June 2010

The transformation of undeveloped, vacant or derelict land to –

(ii) residential, retail, commercial, recreational, industrial or institutional use, outside an urban area and where the total area to be transformed is bigger than 1 hectare but less than 20 hectares.

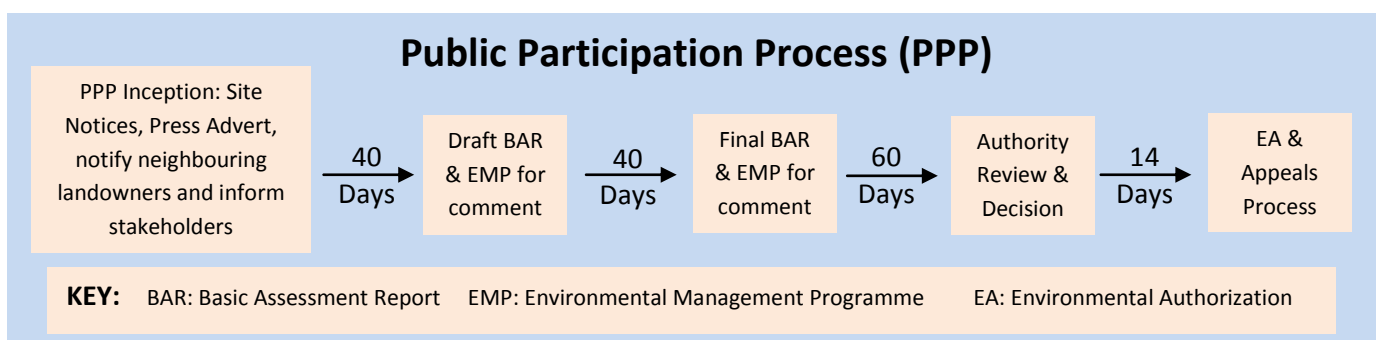
Enviroworks and NSVT (JV) (Independent Environmental Consultants) were appointed as the project Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP) to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment to address this impact of the proposed activity, which entails site surveys, a public participation process, stakeholder engagement, as well as impact rating and review.

Public Participation

For effectiveness, Environmental Assessment Practitioners are legally required to engage stakeholders and Interested and Affected Parties as part of the EIA process.

The benefit of engaging the public and stakeholders can be:

- Identifying the values and needs of the public;
- Debating issues and finding solutions;
- Soliciting “hidden” knowledge of the wider community and their key concerns;
- Encouraging transparency and accountability;
- Achieving development of an integrative, inclusive nature in alignment with the principles of sustainable development.



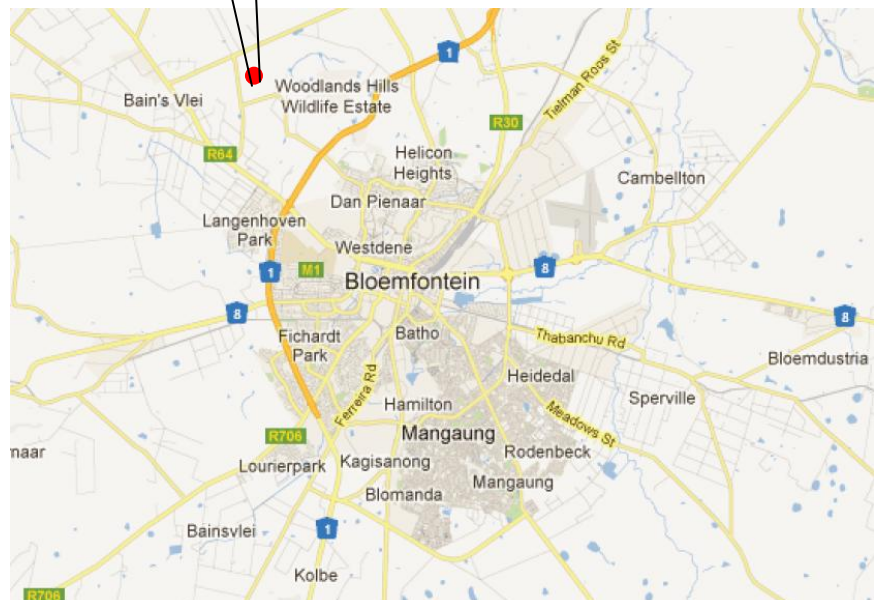
The Development Proposal

Curro Holdings (Pty) Ltd proposes to develop an extension to the existing structures on adjacent portion 33. The extension will entail the following:

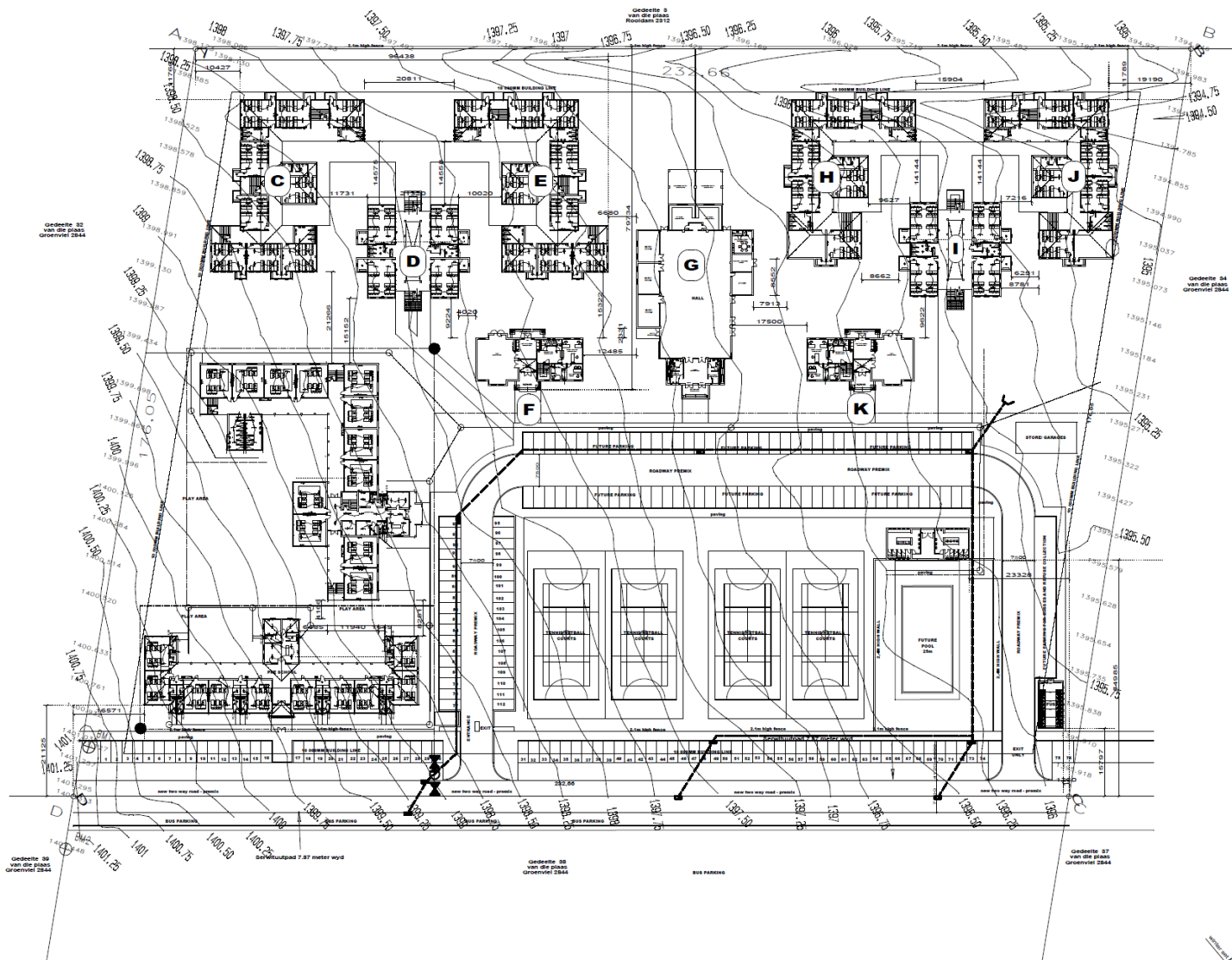
- Pre-School - 1 000m² (10 classes)
- Primary School - 2 400m²
- Pool House - 142m²
- Store - 100m²
- Refuse - 66m²
- Coverage - 6,5%
- Parking bays provided – 112 bays
- Future parking bays - 84bays (to



Project Location



Technical Drawing: Extension of Curro Bloemfontein School



PROPOSED SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN
scale 1:500

NOTES

AREA:
Site - 142 420m²
Primary School - 1 000m² (10 classes)
Primary School - 2 400m²
Ground floor - 1 200m²
First floor - 1 200m²
Pool House - 142m²
Store - 100m²
Refuse - 65m²
Covered - 2 800m²
Bulk - 0 25
Parking bays provided - 112 bays
Future parking bays - 84 bays (to be added)

REVISIONS

All requirements of municipal and other authorities concerned must be adhered to. Contractors and sub-contractors are to check all dimensions and levels on the site before commencing work. Scale measurements and large scale details supersede small scale drawings. The drawings on this drawing are the property of JOHAN VAN ZYL ARCHITECTS and is copyright.

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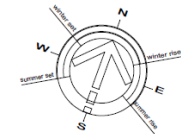
PROJECT

PROPOSED SCHOOL
for CURRO PRIVATE SCHOOL
PART 33, ERM 2544
BLOEMFONTEIN

DRAWING NAME

SITE DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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Upon submission of the registration form to Enviroworks, you will be registered as an I&AP, and be included on an I&APs database which will ensure that you receive all future project information. Please quote the Department reference number in correspondence: EMB/23(ii)/13/10. Please note that this participation period ends on the 10th May 2013.

The project Public Participation Practitioner is Emmerentia Marais and project reference is: **Curro Bloemfontein School Extension**. She can be contacted on the following details:

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