

# NOTICE OF A BASIC ASSESSMENT, HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION PROCESSES

## BASIC ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given in terms of Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014, as amended on 7 April 2017, that an application for a **Basic Assessment (BA) Process** will be lodged with the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LDEDET), as per the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended).

## HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given that the proposed Bridge and Road Construction and Upgrades could potentially trigger a **Phase 1/Phase 2 Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA)** in terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999). Take note that the Limpopo Heritage Resources Authority (LIHRA) and South African Heritage Resource Agency (SAHRA) will be notified of the proposed infrastructure.

## WATER USE LICENCE APPLICATION

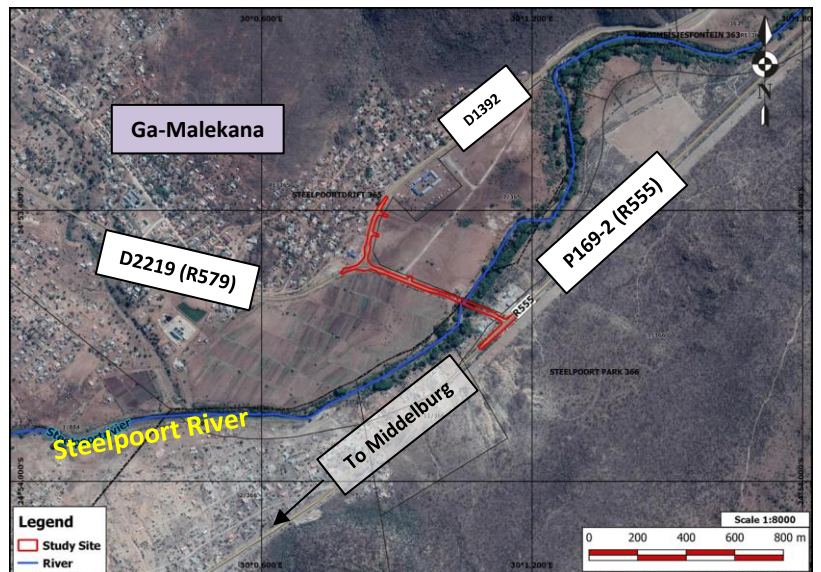
A **Water Use Licence Application (WULA)/General Authorisation (GA) Registration** in terms of the National Water Act (NWA), 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998, as amended) and its associated Regulations will be submitted to the Department of Human Settlements, Water and Sanitation (DHSWS).

**Project Name:** Malekane Bridge construction and upgrades of portions of Roads D2219 (R579), D1392 and P169-2 (R555).

**Proponent:** Twin City Malekane (Pty) Ltd on behalf of Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL)

**Project & Property Descriptions:** Twin City Malekane (Pty) Ltd on behalf of Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) is planning the construction of a new two-lane bridge across the Steelpoort River and construction of a new section of the R579, as well as the upgrading of sections of the D2219 (R579), D1392 and P169-2 (R555) roads in Steelpoort, Limpopo Province. The construction and upgrades are required to improve road infrastructure in the area and to cater for the expected increase in traffic due to the proposed construction of the Steelpoort Shopping Centre (Malekane Mall). The bridge and road upgrades will occur on Portion 7 and the Remainder of the Farm Steelpoortdrift 365 KT, and Portion 1 of the Farm Steelpoort Park 366 KT.

**Location:** The proposed road upgrades start to the south, east and west of the Energy Filling Station along the P169-2 (R555). The bridge construction and construction of the D2219 (R579) road across the Steelpoort River, runs past the southern boundary of the proposed Malekane Mall towards the D2219 (R579) and D1392 intersection. The aforementioned intersection and roads will also be upgraded. The Ga-Malekana village is situated to the north of the D2219 (R579), and west and north-west of the D1392.



## Listed Activities applied for in terms of the 2014 NEMA EIA Regulations (as amended in 2017):

GNR 983 (Listing Notice 1) – Activities 12; 19 and 56.

GNR 985 (Listing Notice 3) – Activities 4.e.i.(cc) and (ee); 12.e.ii. and 14(ii)(a)e.i.(dd) and (ff).

**(Listed Activities triggered will be confirmed during the Application process)**

## The proposed development triggers the following water uses in terms of the NWA:

Section 21 (c): Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse; and  
Section 21 (i): Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse.

## NHRA Activities which may be triggered:

- Construction of a road, wall, power line, pipeline, canal or other linear form of development or barrier exceeding 300m in length.

**Date of Notice:** 30 October 2019 – 29 November 2019

The activities associated with the aforementioned bridge and road construction and upgrades trigger activities as listed in Listing Notice 1 and 3 of the EIA Regulations, 2014 as amended in 2017, and are therefore subject to a **BA process**. The proposed infrastructure could potentially trigger a **Phase 1/Phase 2 Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA)** in terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (NHRA), 1999 (Act No. 25 of 1999). Take note that the Limpopo Heritage Resources Authority (LIHRA) and SAHRA will be notified of the proposed infrastructure. Representations with respect to this application may be made by phone, fax or e-mail within **30 days** of the date of this notice. Please note that in order to continue to receive information regarding this infrastructure, you must register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) at the Bokamoso office. A copy of the Basic Assessment Report to be compiled for the project will be made available (for comment) to all the registered I&APs, stakeholders and organs of state that might have an interest in the infrastructure, for a period of **30 days**. This report will also address the heritage aspects of the project. Bokamoso will notify all registered I&APs when such report will be released for comment. If a **WULA** is triggered, all registered I&APs will also be allowed **60 days** to comment on the WULA.

## Queries regarding this matter should be referred to:

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