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Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Development (GDARD) REF: Gaut: 002/14-15/0016

**South African Heritage Resources Agency**

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Dear Director

**NOTICE OF WATER USE LICENSE APPLICATION (WULA) FOR THE PROPOSED MABOPANE RESIDENTIAL HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECT OF CITY OF TSHWANE METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY**

You are hereby notified that an application for a Water Use License Application (WULA) in terms of Section 21 of the National Water Act no. 36 of 1998 (NWA) will be lodged with the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).

**Applicant:** City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality

**Project Name:** Mabopane Residential Housing Development

**Project Location:** Remainder of Portion 47 of the Farm Nooitgedacht 256 JR

**Environmental Authorisation process ref number:** Gaut: 002/14-15/0016

**Project Description:**

The City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality has identified a need for the urgent provision of affordable and lower income housing and related community facilities and amenities in the Mabopane / Ga-Rankuwa area. The objective of the application and the project is for the establishment and development of a predominantly residential development on approximately 110 hectares of the total 160 hectare site, to supply residential stands for all the housing categories and typologies in demand in the Mabopane area. The project envisages the provision of a predominantly residential development with associated community and commercial facilities, including all roads and internal and bulk service infrastructure. New schools, a taxi rank, a convenience shop, public open spaces and churches are also proposed on the site.

A combination of low-cost (RDP) housing, apartment type buildings as well as affordable bonded housing (similar to Odinburg Gardens suburb) are envisaged on the site. More than 1500 residential stands and flats are proposed.

The proposed Mabopane Residential Housing development will trigger the following water use activity as summarised below.

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

- Three (3) road bridges will be built over the main river channel and 2 smaller tributaries.
- Five (5) storm water outlet structures will be constructed within 32 meters of the tributaries.
- Two (2) sewer crossings will be constructed within 32 meters of the tributaries.

A Background Information Document (BID) and Registration Form is also attached hereto in order to provide more detail with regards to the proposed project as well as for persons to register as I&AP's for the proposed project.

**Invitation to participate:** Should you wish to be registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) or comment on the above-mentioned project and application process, please submit a completed Registration Form (attached to this letter) or your name, contact information, and interest in the matter, in writing, to the contact person below, by no later than 22 April 2015.

**Where to obtain more information:** To obtain additional information please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner at the details provided below.

**Environmental Assessment Practitioner:**

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Regards,



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