The proposed construction of a new cemetery Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province

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Basic Assessment Report in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended.

Kindly note that:

- 1. This **basic assessment report** is a standard report that may be required by a competent authority in terms of the EIA Regulations, 2014 and is meant to streamline applications. Please make sure that it is the report used by the particular competent authority for the activity that is being applied for.
- 2. This report format is current as of 07 April 2017. It is the responsibility of the applicant to ascertain whether subsequent versions of the form have been published or produced by the competent authority
- 3. The report must be typed within the spaces provided in the form. The size of the spaces provided is not necessarily indicative of the amount of information to be provided. The report is in the form of a table that can extend itself as each space is filled with typing.
- 4. Where applicable tick the boxes that are applicable in the report.
- 5. An incomplete report may be returned to the applicant for revision.
- 6. The use of "not applicable" in the report must be done with circumspection because if it is used in respect of material information that is required by the competent authority for assessing the application, it may result in the rejection of the application as provided for in the regulations.
- 7. This report must be handed in at offices of the relevant competent authority as determined by each authority.
- 8. No faxed or e-mailed reports will be accepted.
- 9. The signature of the EAP on the report must be an original signature.
- 10. The report must be compiled by an independent environmental assessment practitioner.
- 11. Unless protected by law, all information in the report will become public information on receipt by the competent authority. Any interested and affected party should be provided with the information contained in this report on request, during any stage of the application process.
- 12. A competent authority may require that for specified types of activities in defined situations only parts of this report need to be completed.
- 13. Should a specialist report or report on a specialised process be submitted at any stage for any part of this application, the terms of reference for such report must also be submitted.

SECTION A: ACTIVITY INFORMATION

Has a specialist been consulted to assist with the completion of this section? YES If YES, please complete the form entitled "Details of specialist and declaration of interest" for the specialist appointed and attach in Appendix I.

1. ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION

a) Describe the project associated with the listed activities applied for

It was determined that the existing graveyard in the nearby area is almost full and that additional burial sites are required.

The proposed project entails the construction of a new cemetery at Lutzburg.

Please refer to Annexure A for more information on the locality / position of the proposed new cemetery.

An access road will also be constructed towards the proposed new cemetery.

Associated activities to be undertaken on site includes but is not limited to the following:

- Construction of access road.
- The site will be cleared of vegetation and laid out so as to provide burial sites for the local community.
- Alien vegetation (except large trees that exists on site) should be removed from the site.
- Water supply to the site.
- Sanitation will be provided by means of a conservancy tank.
- An ablution facility that makes provision for disabled people and a store room is to be constructed.
- A fence on the perimeter of the site is to be constructed.
- Graves will be pre-excavated mechanically by use of excavators (TLB's) and backfilled for future excavation by hand.
- Graves will be dug according to bookings received from undertakers. In other words provision will be made only for graves that are going to be used in a weeks' time and graves are not dug in advance for future use.
- Sufficient site drainage should be established.

It is estimated that an average of 5 burials will take place per week.

Construction of roads within the cemetery area comprise of 5m wide gravel roads and 2m gravel walk ways.

b) Provide a detailed description of the listed activities associated with the project as applied for

Listed activity as described in GN 327, 325 and 324	Description of project activity			
Example: GN 327 Item xx xx): The construction of a bridge where such construction occurs within a watercourse or within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse, excluding where such construction will occur behind the development setback line.	A bridge measuring 5 m in height and 10m in length, no wider than 8 meters will be built over the Orange river			
	7, Listing Notice 1 (BAR)			
Activity 12: The development of (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more where such development occurs (a) within a watercourse (c) if no development setback exits, within 32 m of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse Excluding (dd) where such development	Construction activities within 32 m of the water courses may possibly be undertaken.			
occurs within an urban area				
Activity 19: The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 m ³ into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 10 m ³ from a watercourse	Construction activities within 32 m of the water courses may possibly be undertaken.			
Activity 23:	It is suggested that a new cemetery			
The development of cemeteries of 2500 square meters or more in size	is constructed.			
Activity 27: The clearance of an area of 1 ha or more, but less than 20 ha of indigenous vegetation, except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for (i) undertaking of a linear activity or	Vegetation will be removed as part of the construction of a cemetery.			

maintenance purposes undertaken
in accordance with a maintenance
management plan

2. FEASIBLE AND REASONABLE ALTERNATIVES

"alternatives", in relation to a proposed activity, means different means of meeting the general purpose and requirements of the activity, which may include alternatives to—

- (a) the property on which or location where it is proposed to undertake the activity;
- (b) the type of activity to be undertaken;
- (c) the design or layout of the activity;
- (d) the technology to be used in the activity;
- (e) the operational aspects of the activity; and
- (f) the option of not implementing the activity.

Describe alternatives that are considered in this application as required by Appendix 1 (3)(h), Regulation 2014. Alternatives should include a consideration of all possible means by which the purpose and need of the proposed activity (NOT PROJECT) could be accomplished in the specific instance taking account of the interest of the applicant in the activity. The no-go alternative must in all cases be included in the assessment phase as the baseline against which the impacts of the other alternatives are assessed.

The determination of whether site or activity (including different processes, etc.) or both is appropriate needs to be informed by the specific circumstances of the activity and its environment. After receipt of this report the, competent authority may also request the applicant to assess additional alternatives that could possibly accomplish the purpose and need of the proposed activity if it is clear that realistic alternatives have not been considered to a reasonable extent.

Indicate the position of the activity using the latitude and longitude of the centre point of the site for each alternative site. The co-ordinates should be in degrees, minutes and seconds. The projection that must be used in all cases is the WGS84 spheroid in a national or local projection.

NOTE:

Alternative 1 Preferred - Construction of a new cemetery

It is proposed that a new cemetery is to be constructed on the Remainder of the Kakamas North Settlement Agricultural Holding 261, Lutzburg.

Alternative 2_{Locality}

The existing cemetery is situated on Erf 262, Lutzburg and almost reached its full capacity (and the borders of the said erf). It is therefore not feasible to expand the existing cemetery. Hence, this option is not seen as a feasible and / or reasonable alternative.

Alternative 3_{Design & Layout}

The geographic information as well as the existing road network in close proximity of the proposed site was taken into consideration. No alternative layout / design were considered as a feasible / reasonable alternative.

Alternative 4_{Technology}

As part of this option, the construction of graves is only to be done by hand during the operational phase. However, this option is not recommended due to the:

- Type of soil (hard) encountered on site - the community members will not be able to dig the graves to the acceptable depths.

- Number of burials per week.

This option will thus not be discussed throughout the current document.

No-go Option

The no-go option includes the utilizing of the existing cemetery. The existing cemetery in the region already reached its capacity and is therefore inadequate for the need of the community. This option is thus not seen as a feasible / reasonable alternative.

a) One anternatives		
Alternative 1 _{Preferred}		
Description	Lat (DDMMSS)	Long (DDMMSS)
Proposed construction of a new cemetery on	28°44'41.94''S	20°38'4.35"E
the Remainder of the Kakamas North	28°44'40.29''S	20°38'9.05''E
Settlement Agricultural Holding 261	28°44'41.13''S	20°38'10.49''E
	28°44'44.05''S	20°38'9.29''E
	28°44'43.48''S	20°38'4.04''E
Alternative 2 _{Locality}		
Description	Lat (DDMMSS)	Long (DDMMSS)
The existing cemetery is situated on Erf 262,		
Lutzburg and almost reached its full capacity		
(and the borders of the said erf). It is therefore		
not feasible to expand the existing cemetery.		
Hence, this option is not seen as a feasible		
and / or reasonable alternative.		
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a) Site alternatives

b) Lay-out alternatives

Alternative 1 _{Preferred}		
Description	Lat (DDMMSS)	Long (DDMMSS)
The geographic information as well as the existing road network in close proximity of the proposed site was taken into consideration.	28°44'41.94"S 28°44'40.29"S 28°44'41.13"S 28°44'44.05"S 28°44'43.48"S	20°38'9.05''E 20°38'10.49''E 20°38'9.29''E
Alternative 3 _{Design & Layout}		•
No alternative layout / design were considered		
as a feasible / reasonable alternative.		

c) Technology alternatives

Alternative 1_{Preferred}

- Graves will be pre-excavated mechanically by use of excavators (TLB's) and backfilled for future excavation by hand
- All graves will be excavated and backfilled during the development/construction stage for future use to ensure the cost-effectiveness of the development of the cemetery.
- It is estimated that an average of 5 burials will take place per week.

Alternative 4_{Technology}

- As part of this option, the construction of graves is only to be done by hand during the operational phase.
- However, this option is not recommended due to the:
 - Type of soil (hard) encountered on site the community members will not be able to dig the graves to the acceptable depths.
 - High number of burials per week.
- This option will thus not be discussed throughout the current document.

e) No-go alternative

Utilising the existing cemetery. The existing cemetery in the region has reached its capacity and is therefore inadequate for the need of the community. This option is thus not seen as a feasible / reasonable alternative.

Paragraphs 3 – 13 below should be completed for each alternative.

3. PHYSICAL SIZE OF THE ACTIVITY

a) Indicate the physical size of the preferred activity/technology as well as alternative activities/technologies (footprints):

Alternative: Alternative 1_{Preferred – New Cemetery}

Size of the activity:	
10 000 m ²	

b) Indicate the size of the alternative sites or servitudes (within which the above footprints will occur):

Alternative:	Size of the site/servitude:
Alternative 1 _{Preferred – New Cemetery}	113 835 m ²

4. SITE ACCESS

Alternative 1 _{Preferred – New Cemetery} : Does ready access to the site exist?	YES	
If NO, what is the distance over which a new access road will be built		

Describe the type of access road planned:

An existing dirt road that provides access to the proposed cemetery will be upgraded to a road with a width of 6m. Please refer to Annexure A for more information.

Within the proposed development site:

- Dirt roads will be constructed within the cemetery site.
- Ample parking will be allowed for, with parking bays.

Include the position of the access road on the site plan and required map, as well as an indication of the road in relation to the site.

5. LOCALITY MAP

An A3 locality map must be attached to the back of this document, as Appendix A. The scale of the locality map must be relevant to the size of the development (at least 1:50 000. For linear activities of more than 25 kilometres, a smaller scale e.g. 1:250 000 can be used. The scale must be indicated on the map.). The map must indicate the following:

- an accurate indication of the project site position as well as the positions of the alternative sites, if any;
- indication of all the alternatives identified;
- closest town(s;)
- road access from all major roads in the area;
- road names or numbers of all major roads as well as the roads that provide access to the site(s);
- all roads within a 1km radius of the site or alternative sites; and
- a north arrow;
- a legend; and
- locality GPS co-ordinates (Indicate the position of the activity using the latitude and longitude of the centre point of the site for each alternative site. The co-ordinates should be in degrees and decimal minutes. The minutes should have at least three decimals to ensure adequate accuracy. The projection that must be used in all cases is the WGS84 spheroid in a national or local projection).

6. LAYOUT/ROUTE PLAN

A detailed site or route plan(s) must be prepared for each alternative site or alternative activity. It must be attached as Appendix A to this document.

The site or route plans must indicate the following:

- the property boundaries and numbers of all the properties within 50 metres of the site;
- the current land use as well as the land use zoning of the site;
- the current land use as well as the land use zoning each of the properties adjoining the site or sites;
- the exact position of each listed activity applied for (including alternatives);
- servitude(s) indicating the purpose of the servitude;
- a legend; and
- a north arrow.

7. SENSITIVITY MAP

The layout/route plan as indicated above must be overlain with a sensitivity map that indicates all the sensitive areas associated with the site, including, but not limited to:

- watercourses;
- the 1:100 year flood line (where available or where it is required by DWS);
- ridges;
- cultural and historical features;
- areas with indigenous vegetation (even if it is degraded or infested with alien species); and
- critical biodiversity areas.

The sensitivity map must also cover areas within 100m of the site and must be attached in Appendix A.

8. SITE PHOTOGRAPHS

Colour photographs from the centre of the site must be taken in at least the eight major compass directions with a description of each photograph. Photographs must be attached under Appendix B to this report. It must be supplemented with additional photographs of relevant features on the site, if applicable.

9. FACILITY ILLUSTRATION

A detailed illustration of the activity must be provided at a scale of at least 1:200 as Appendix C for activities that include structures. The illustrations must be to scale and must represent a realistic image of the planned activity. The illustration must give a representative view of the activity.

10. ACTIVITY MOTIVATION

Motivate and explain the need and desirability of the activity (including demand for the activity):

1. Is the activity permitted in terms of the property's existing land use rights?		NO		
An application for subdivision and rezoning in terms of the Township Establishment in terms of SPLUMA as well as the municipal land use management scheme will be submitted by the applicant.				
2. Will the activity be in line with the following?				
(a) Provincial Spatial Development Framework (PSDF) YES				
The proposed project is a project by the Local Municipality and is required in order to improve service delivery to the area. The proposed project is in line with the Provincial Spatial Development Plans.				

(b) Urban edge / Edge of Built environment for the area	YES		
The project entails the construction of a new cemetery	/.		
(c) Integrated Development Plan (IDP) and Spatial Development Framework (SDF) of the Local Municipality (e.g. would the approval of this application compromise the integrity of the existing approved and credible municipal IDP and SDF?).	YES		
The proposed project is in line with the vision of the Mu SDF), as it is a project by the Municipality itself.	nicipo	ality (IC	DP and
(d) Approved Structure Plan of the Municipality	YES		
The proposed project is in line with the vision of the Mu SDF), as it is a project by the Municipality itself.	nicipc	ality (IC	DP and
(e) An Environmental Management Framework (EMF) adopted by the Department (e.g. Would the approval of this application compromise the integrity of the existing environmental management priorities for the area and if so, can it be justified in terms of sustainability considerations?)	YES		
adhere to the conditions stipulated in this report, addit be provided in the EMPr as well as best practices. Specific measures to be implemented will include, but - Stormwater measures - Erosion control - Limiting the removal of vegetation - Limiting the formation of dust			
 Monitoring groundwater and surface water for porthereof due to operational activities at the cemeter Etc. Refer to the EMPr for more information on measures to 	ТУ		
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Note that the project is a Municipal initiative and there project will be in line with the integrity of the existing er management priorities for the area.		mento	l
project will be in line with the integrity of the existing er			al Please explain

3. Is the land use (associated with the activity being applied for) considered within the timeframe intended by the existing approved SDF agreed to by the relevant environmental authority (i.e. is the proposed development in line with the projects and programmes identified as priorities within the credible IDP)?		NO	
An application for subdivision and rezoning in terms of Establishment in terms of SPLUMA as well as the munic management scheme will be submitted by the applic	ipal lar		•
4. Does the community/area need the activity and the associated land use concerned (is it a societal priority)? (This refers to the strategic as well as local level (e.g. development is a national priority, but within a specific local context it could be inappropriate.)	YES		
The existing cemetery has almost reached its capacity and is therefore inadequate for the need of the community, especially when the population growth in the area is taken into account. Therefore, the construction of a new cemetery is required to meet the needs of the community. Proposed new cemetery will provide new burial sites in close proximity to the people it will be serving.			
5. Are the necessary services with adequate capacity currently available (at the time of application), or must additional capacity be created to cater for the development? (Confirmation by the relevant Municipality in this regard must be attached to the final Basic Assessment Report as Appendix I.)	YES		
 Electricity: No: Electricity is not required Stormwater: Yes: the existing infrastructure is adequate and minor storm water drainage facilities will be required during the construction stage Drinking water: Yes: will connect to existing network Sewer: Yes: the conservancy tank will be serviced by the relevant municipality (i.e., the applicant) Roads: Yes: will connect to the existing road 			
Note: The Local Municipality is the Applicant, therefore a letter by the Municipality is not deemed necessary.			
6. Is this development provided for in the infrastructure planning of the municipality, and if not what will the implication be on the infrastructure planning of the municipality (priority and placement of services and opportunity costs)? (Comment by the relevant Municipality in this regard must be attached to the final Basic Assessment Report as Appendix I.)	YES		
The applicant for the proposed of the cemetery is the proposed project is provided for in the infrastructure p municipality.		• •	

7. Is this project part of a national programme to address an issue of national concern or importance?	YES		
The provision of basic services is part of a national pro-	gram. 1	he p	roposed
project entails the construction of a new cemetery in	order to	o deli	ver on the
Municipality's mandate to deliver basic services to the	e reside	ents.	
8. Do location factors favour this land use (associated with the activity applied for) at this place? (This relates to the contextualisation of the proposed land use on this site within its broader context.)	YES		
The proposed project entails the construction of a new proximity to the existing cemetery. Therefore, location proposed land use.			
9. Is the development the best practicable environmental option for this land/site?	YES		
The proposed project entails the construction of a new proximity to the existing cemetery.	v ceme	etery	in close
As an alternative, a new cemetery can be constructe However, this option may be costly (financially, agricu environmentally) as:			
 A new portion of land will have to be bought by the that the Municipality received consent from the lan a cemetery on the area under assessment). 		•	
 It is possible that the new site will be used for formal and therefore a loss of active agricultural land will k 	•		• •
10. Will the benefits of the proposed land use/development outweigh the negative impacts of it?	YES		
Negative impacts:			
• Erosion may occur during the construction phase			
 Formation of dust may take place during the cons 	tructio	n pho	ase
 Visual impact will occur during the construction ar 	nd ope	ratior	nal phase
Positive impacts:			
The proposed project is considered essential to e to provide basic services to residents in the grad	nable 1	he N	Nunicipality
 to provide basic services to residents in the area This in turn will have a positive impact on the socio 		omic	
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The negative impacts expected during the construction proposed project can be minimised through the recommeasures as stipulated in this report, the EMPr as well of	nmenc	ded n	nitigation

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11. Will the proposed land use/development set a precedent for similar activities in the area (local municipality)?	YES		
The proposed project may result in the development of	of furthe	er ce	meteries /
expansion of the proposed project in this area over th	e long ⁻	term	. This
precedent is not necessarily negative or undesirable.			
12. Will any person's rights be negatively affected by the proposed activity/ies?		NO	
Community members will be positively affected during	the op	erati	onal phase
as the proposed project will enable the Municipality v			
provide basic cemetery services to the area.			
The cemetery will be fenced off and therefore the pro	posed	activ	vities will
not have a noteworthy negative effect on the comm	unity m	emb	ers that
utilise the open veld for livestock farming activities.			1
13. Will the proposed activity/ies compromise the "urban edge" as		NO	
defined by the local municipality?		NO	
It is not anticipated that the proposed activity itself wil	l have	an e	ffect on
the 'urban edge'.			
14. Will the proposed activity/ies contribute to any of the 17 Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPS)?	YES		
The proposed project contributes to SIPS 6: Integrated	Munic	ipal	
Infrastructure Project.		10 011	
15. What will the benefits be to society in general and to the local communities? Please explain			
The proposed development of a cemetery will provide new burial sites for the society in general.			
 Employment opportunities during the construction preserved and the construction	bhase.		
 Employment opportunities during the operational p 	hase.		
 The availability of adequate burial sites for member 	s from	the lo	ocal
community.			
16. Any other need and desirability considerations related to th activity?	e propo	sed	NO
The proposed project will provide the much needed	burial	sites	during the
operational phase thereof. This will have a positive			•
economics of the area.			
17. How does the project fit into the National Development Plan for	2030?		
The proposed project will provide the much needed		sites	durina the
operational phase thereof. This will have a positive impact on the socio-			
economics of the area.			
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18. Please describe how the general objectives of Integrated Enviro out in section 23 of NEMA have been taken into account.	mental	walld	yemeni as sel

Section 23 of NEMA (Act 107, 27 November 1998) reads as follows:

- 1. The purpose of this Chapter is to promote the application of appropriate environmental management tools in order to ensure the integrated environmental management of activities.
- 2. The general objective of integrated environmental management is to
 - a. promote the integration of the principles of environmental management set out in section 2 into the making of all decisions which may have a significant effect on the environment.
 - b. identify, predict and evaluate the actual and potential impact on the environment, socio-economic conditions and cultural heritage, the risks and consequences and alternatives and options for mitigation of activities, with a view to minimizing negative impacts, maximizing benefits and promoting compliance with the principles of environmental management set out in section 2;
 - c. ensure that the effects of activities on the environment receive adequate consideration before actions are taken in connection with them;
 - d. ensure adequate and appropriate opportunity for public participation in decisions that may affect the environment;
 - e. ensure the consideration of environmental attributes in management and decision-making which may have a significant effect on the environment; and
 - f. identify and employ the modes of environmental management best suited to ensuring that a particular activity is pursued in accordance with the principles of environmental management set out in section 2.
- 3. The Director-General must coordinate the activities of organs of state referred to in section 24(1) and assist them in giving effect to the objectives of this section and such assistance may include training, the publication of manuals and guidelines and the co-ordination of procedures.'

With the above in mind, the following objectives were taken into consideration:

- 1. An application for environmental authorisation was submitted to the relevant environmental department.
- 2. Integration of various principles of environmental management were implemented in order to make decisions regarding the significant effect of the proposed project on the environment

- 3. Identified, predicted and evaluated the actual potential impact of the proposed project on the environment, the socio-economic conditions and heritage, as well as the consequences and alternatives and options for mitigation of activities. This was done to minimize the possible negative impacts on the environment and maximizing benefits to mankind.
- 4. Taken the effects of activities on the environment into consideration before actions are to be taken in connection with them.
- 5. A public participation process was followed.
- 6. Considered the environmental attributes in management and decision-making with reference to the environment.
- 7. Mitigation and management activities best suited to ensuring that a particular activity is pursued in accordance with the principles of environmental management were investigated.
- 8. The report follows the laws to identify, predict and evaluate the actual and potential impacts associated with the development.
- 9. Specialists investigated the site to determine baseline and to predict the impacts associated with the proposed project. The preferred alternative has been identified as the one that will have the least negative impact on the environment, as sensitive areas will be avoided as far as possible. In addition, already disturbed areas will be utilized as far as possible.
- 10. A public participation process was followed. Consideration of the 2014 EIA Regulations has been applied in this regards.
- 11. An EMPr is included, with mitigation measures that should be implemented during the planning, construction, operation and possible decommissioning of the proposed project. These mitigation measures are in line with the environmental requirements and Best Practise Principles.
- 12. Relevant guidelines and procedures were used to produce this document. Therefore, relevant information is reflected, for sufficient co-governance to be implemented.
- 13. The proposed project provides for the needs of the applicant while ensure compliance with environmental management principles.

19. Please describe how the principles of environmental management as set out in section 2 of NEMA have been taken into account.

Section 2 of NEMA (Act 107, 27 November 1998) reads as follows:

- 1. The principles set out in this section apply throughout the Republic to the actions of all organs of state that may significantly affect the environment and
 - a. shall apply alongside all other appropriate and relevant considerations, including the State's responsibility to respect, protect, promote and fulfil the social and economic rights in Chapter 2 of the Constitution and in particular the basic needs of categories of persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination;
 - b. serve as the general framework within which environmental management and implementation plans must be formulated:
 - c. serve as guidelines by reference to which any organ of state must exercise any function when taking any decision in terms of this Act or any statutory provision concerning the protection of the environment;
 - d. serve as principles by reference to which a conciliator appointed under this Act must make recommendations; and
 - e. guide the interpretation, administration and implementation of this Act, and any other law concerned with the protection or management of the environment.
- 2. Environmental management must place people and their needs at the forefront of its concern, and serve their physical, psychological, developmental, cultural and social interests equitably.
- 3. Development must be socially, environmentally and economically sustainable.
- 4. a. Sustainable development requires the consideration of all relevant factors including the following:
 - (i) That the disturbance of ecosystems and loss of biological diversity are avoided, or, where they cannot be altogether avoided, are minimised and remedied;
 - (ii) into account the limits of current knowledge about the consequences of decisions and actions; and
 - (iii) that negative impacts on the environment and on people's environmental rights be anticipated and prevented, and where they cannot be altogether prevented, are minimised and remedied.

- (iv) that pollution and degradation of the environment are avoided, or, where they cannot be altogether avoided, are minimised and remedied;
- (v) that the disturbance of landscapes and sites that constitute the nation's cultural heritage is avoided, or where it cannot be altogether avoided, is minimised and remedied;
- (vi) that waste is avoided. or where it cannot be altogether avoided, minimised and re-used or recycled where possible and otherwise disposed of in a responsible manner;
- (vii) that the use and exploitation of non-renewable natural resources is responsible and equitable, and takes into account the consequences of the depletion of the resource;
- (viii) that the development, use and exploitation of renewable resources and the ecosystems of which they are part do not exceed the level beyond which their integrity is jeopardised;
- (ix) that a risk-averse and cautious approach is applied.
- b. Environmental management must be integrated, acknowledging that all elements of the environment are linked and interrelated, and it must take into account the effects of decisions on all aspects of the environment and all people in the environment by pursuing the selection of the best practicable environmental option.
- c. Environmental justice must be pursued so that adverse environmental impacts shall not be distributed in such a manner as to unfairly discriminate against any person, particularly vulnerable and disadvantaged persons.
- d. Equitable access to environmental resources, benefits and services to meet basic human needs and ensure human well-being must be pursued and special measures may be taken to ensure access thereto by categories of persons disadvantaged by unfair discrimination.
- e. Responsibility for the environmental health and safety consequences of a policy, programme, project, product, process, service or activity exists throughout its life cycle.
- f. The participation of all interested and affected parties in environmental governance must be promoted, and all people must have the opportunity to develop the understanding, skills and capacity necessary for achieving equitable and effective participation, and

participation by vulnerable and disadvantaged persons must be ensured.

- g. Decisions must take into account the interest, needs and values of all the interested and affected parties, and this includes recognizing all forms of knowledge, including traditional and ordinary knowledge.
- h. Community wellbeing and empowerment must be promoted through environmental education, the raising of environmental awareness, the sharing of knowledge and experience and other appropriate means.
- i. The social, economic and environmental impacts of activities, including disadvantages and benefits must be considered, assessed and evaluated and decisions must be appropriate in the light of such consideration and assessment.
- j. The right of workers to refuse work that is harmful to human health or the environment and to be informed of dangers must be respected and protected.
- k. Decisions must be taken in an open and transparent manner, and access to information must be provided in accordance with the law.
- I. There must be intergovernmental co-ordination and harmonisation of policies, legislation and actions relating to the environment.
- m. Actual or potential conflicts of interest between organs of state should be resolved through conflict resolution procedures.
- n. Global and international responsibilities relating to the environment must be discharged in the national interest.
- o. The environment is held in public trust for the people. The beneficial use of environmental resources must serve the public interest and the environment must be protected as the people's common heritage.
- p. The costs of remedying pollution, environmental degradation and consequent adverse health effects and of preventing, controlling or minimising further pollution, environmental damage or adverse health effects must be paid for by those responsible for harming the environment.
- q. The vital role of women and youth in environment management and development must be recognised and their full participation therein must be promoted.

r. Sensitive, vulnerable, highly dynamic or stressed ecosystems, such as coastal shores, estuaries, wetlands and similar systems require specific attention in management and planning procedures, especially where they are subject to significant human resource usage and development pressure.

The applicant of the proposed project took the following into consideration:

- 1. That the disturbance of ecosystems and loss of biological diversity are minimised and remedied by implementing the mitigation measures in this document, the EMPr as well as best practices.
- 2. Environmental management must be integrated
- 3. Adverse environmental impacts (if any) shall not be distributed in such a manner as to unfairly discriminate against any person, particularly vulnerable and disadvantaged persons.
- 4. The participation of all interested and affected parties in environmental governance must be promoted by means of the public participation process that forms part of the basic assessment process.
- 5. Community wellbeing and empowerment must be promoted by providing employment opportunities during the construction as well as operational phase.
- 6. The right of workers to refuse work that is harmful to human health or the environment and to be informed of dangers will be respected and protected.

11. APPLICABLE LEGISLATION, POLICIES AND/OR GUIDELINES

List all legislation, policies and/or guidelines of any sphere of government that are applicable to the application as contemplated in the EIA regulations, if applicable:

Title of legislation, policy or guideline	Applicability to the project	Administering authority	Date
National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998)	Proposed construction of a cemetery	NC DENC	1998
National Heritage Resources Act (Act No 25 of 1999)	Proposed construction of a cemetery	Sahra	1999
National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act 10 of 2004)	Proposed construction of a cemetery	NC DENC	2004
Environmental Conservation Act (Act 73 of 1989)	Conservation of the environment, by implementing best practices	DEA / NC DENC	1989
National Environmental Management Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act 10 0f 2004)	Endangered / Vulnerable vegetation types and Protected Species (TOPS)	DEA / NC DENC	2004
Northern Cape Nature Conservation Act (Act 9 of 2009)(NCNCA)	Conservation of the environment, by implementing best practices	DEA / NC DENC	2009
National Forests Act (Act No. 84 of 1998) (NFA)	Conservation of protected trees (if any)	DAFF	1998
National Veld and Forest Fires Act, Act 101 of 1998 (NVFFA)	Mitigation measures to be implemented in case of a fire	DAFF	1998
NEM Laws Amendment Act Department (Act 25 of 2014)	Amended regulations for the Public Participation Process.	DEA / NC DENC	2014
Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act (Act 43 of 1983)	The re-zoning of agricultural land for the use of cemeteries	DAFF	1983
National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998)	Activities in proximity to 32m from watercourses.	DWS	1998

12. WASTE, EFFLUENT, EMISSION AND NOISE MANAGEMENT

a) Solid waste management

Will the activity produce solid construction waste during the construction/initiation phase?

If YES, what estimated quantity will be produced per month?

How will the construction solid waste be disposed of (describe)?

The contractor will be responsible for the disposal of waste generated during the construction phase. The contractor will remove the construction waste and dispose thereof at a suitable authorized landfill site.

Where will the construction solid waste be disposed of (describe)?

Solid waste disposal sites in Kakamas. Hazardous waste (if any) should be disposed of at a suitable authorized hazardous landfill site such as Holfontein.

Will the activity produce solid waste during its operational phase?	NO
If YES, what estimated quantity will be produced per month?	m ³
How will the solid waste be disposed of (describe)?	

N/A

If the solid waste will be disposed of into a municipal waste stream, indicate which registered landfill site will be used.

N/A

Where will the solid waste be disposed of if it does not feed into a municipal waste stream (describe)? N/A

If the solid waste (construction or operational phases) will not be disposed of in a registered landfill site or be taken up in a municipal waste stream, then the applicant should consult with the competent authority to determine whether it is necessary to change to an application for scoping and EIA.

Can any part of the solid waste be classified as hazardous in terms of the NEM:WA? NO If YES, inform the competent authority and request a change to an application for scoping and EIA. An application for a waste permit in terms of the NEM:WA must also be submitted with this application.

NO

Is the activity that is being applied for a solid waste handling or treatment facility? If YES, then the applicant should consult with the competent authority to determine whether it is necessary to change to an application for scoping and EIA. An application for a waste permit in terms of the NEM:WA must also be submitted with this application.

b) Liquid effluent

Will the activity produce effluent, other than normal sewage, that will be disposed of in a municipal sewage system?

If YES, what estimated quantity will be produced per month?

Will the activity produce any effluent that will be treated and/or disposed of on site?

NO
m ³

NO
m ³

If YES, the applicant should consult with the competent authority to determine whether it is necessary to change to an application for scoping and EIA.

Will the activity facility?	produce effluent that will be treated and/or disposed of at another	NO
If YES, provide th	ne particulars of the facility:	
Facility name:		
Contact		
person:		
Postal		
address:		
Postal code:		
Telephone:	Cell:	
E-mail:	Fax:	

Describe the measures that will be taken to ensure the optimal reuse or recycling of waste water, if any:

c) Emissions into the atmosphere

Will the activity release emissions into the atmosphere other that exhaust emissions and dust associated with construction phase activities?

NO
NO

If YES, is it controlled by any legislation of any sphere of government?

If YES, the applicant must consult with the competent authority to determine whether it is necessary to change to an application for scoping and EIA.

If NO, describe the emissions in terms of type and concentration:

- The emissions associated with the proposed activity can be described as general vehicle emissions and dust formation.
- Construction activities will be limited to day time hours, where possible.
- In addition, dust can also be seen as a potential issue during construction due to blasting activities.
- This will be temporary and the formation of dust will be controlled, when necessary.
- A blasting permit will be obtained before blasting activities is undertaken.
- Adjacent landowners will be notified of proposed blasting 24 hours prior to blasting activities.
- Generation of dust may also occur during general maintenance work, during the operational phase.

d) Waste permit

Will any aspect of the activity produce waste that will require a waste permit in terms of the NEM:WA?

NO	
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If YES, please submit evidence that an application for a waste permit has been submitted to the competent authority

e) Generation of noise

Will the activity generate noise? If YES, is it controlled by any legislation of any sphere of government?

YES	
	NO

Describe the noise in terms of type and level:

- Noise associated with the development activities will be from general vehicular activities as well as construction activities including blasting, when required.
- Heavy vehicles will be equipped with silencers.
- A blasting permit will be obtained before blasting activities is undertaken.
- The adjacent landowners will be notified of proposed blasting 24 hours prior to blasting activities.
- In addition, construction activities will be limited to day time hours, where possible.
- Additional noise may be generated during the operational phase when maintenance work is required.
- Noise levels will have to comply with the requirements as set out in the OSH Act.

13. WATER USE

Please indicate the source(s) of water that will be used for the activity by ticking the appropriate box(es):

Municipal	Water board	Groundwater	River, stream, dam or lake	Other	The activity will not use water
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If water is to be extracted from groundwater, river, stream, dam, lake or any other natural feature, please indicate the volume that will be extracted per month:		litres
Does the activity require a water use authorisation (general authorisation or water use license) from the Department of Water Affairs?	YES	

If YES, please provide proof that the application has been submitted to the Department of Water Affairs.

An application to DWS (if necessary), for the impeding and / or alteration of beds / banks of water course(s) will be submitted in due course.

14. ENERGY EFFICIENCY

Describe the design measures, if any, which have been taken to ensure that the activity is energy efficient:

N/A

Describe how alternative energy sources have been taken into account or been built into the design of the activity, if any:

N/A

SECTION B: SITE/AREA/PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

Important notes:

1. For linear activities (pipelines, etc) as well as activities that cover very large sites, it may be necessary to complete this section for each part of the site that has a significantly different environment. In such cases please complete copies of Section B and indicate the area, which is covered by each copy No. on the Site Plan.

Section B Copy No. (e.g. A):

2. Paragraphs 1 - 6 below must be completed for each alternative.

3. Has a specialist been consulted to assist with the completion of this section? YES If YES, please complete the form entitled "Details of specialist and declaration of interest" for each specialist thus appointed and attach it in Appendix I. All specialist reports must be contained in Appendix D.

Property	Province	Northern (Cape Province		
description/physi cal address:	District Municipality	ZF Mgcawu District Municipality			
	Local Municipality	Kai !Garib	Local Municipality		
	Ward Number(s)	7			
	Alternative 1 Preferred – New Cemetery	Erf / Holding / FarmRemainder of the Kakama North Settlement Agriculture Holding 261			
		Portion number	Remainder		
		SG Code	C02800050000026100000		

Where a large number of properties are involved (e.g. linear activities), please attach a full list to this application including the same information as indicated above.

Current land-use zoning as per local municipality IDP/records: Holding

In instances where there is more than one current land-use zoning, please attach a list of current land use zonings that also indicate which portions each use pertains to, to this application.

Is a change of land-use or a consent use application required?

YES

1. GRADIENT OF THE SITE

Indicate the general gradient of the site.

Preferred Alternative 1 Preferred - Construction of new cemetery:

Flat	1:50 – 1:20	1:20 – 1:15	1:15 – 1:10	1:10 – 1:7,5	1:7,5 – 1:5	Steeper
						than 1:5

2. LOCATION IN LANDSCAPE

Indicate the landform(s) that best describes the site:

2.1 Ridgeline	2.4 Closed valley		2.7 Undulating plain / low hills	
2.2 Plateau	2.5 Open valley		2.8 Dune	
2.3 Side slope of hill/mountain	2.6 Plain	Х	2.9 Seafront	
2.10 At sea				

The topography of the site is relatively uniform and is dominated by an alluvial plain.

3. GROUNDWATER, SOIL AND GEOLOGICAL STABILITY OF THE SITE

Is the site(s) located on any of the following?

	Alternative 1 _{Preferred} - Construction of new
	cemetery:
Shallow water table (less than 1.5m deep)	YES
	Close to
	water
	bodies
Dolomite, sinkhole or doline areas	NO
Seasonally wet soils (often close to water bodies)	YES
	Close to
	water
	bodies
Unstable rocky slopes or steep slopes with loose soil	NO
Dispersive soils (soils that dissolve in water)	NO
Soils with high clay content (clay fraction more than 40%)	NO
Any other unstable soil or geological feature	NO
An area sensitive to erosion	NO

If you are unsure about any of the above or if you are concerned that any of the above aspects may be an issue of concern in the application, an appropriate specialist should be appointed to assist in the completion of this section. Information in respect of the above will often be available as part of the project information or at the planning sections of local authorities. Where it exists, the 1:50 000 scale Regional Geotechnical Maps prepared by the Council for Geo Science may also be consulted.

4. GROUNDCOVER

Indicate the types of groundcover present on the site. The location of all identified rare or endangered species or other elements should be accurately indicated on the site plan(s).

Natural veld - good condition ^E	Natural veld with scattered aliens ^E	Natural veld with heavy alien infestation ^E	Veld dominated by alien species ^E	Gardens
Sport field	Cultivated land	Paved surface	Building or other structure	Bare soil

If any of the boxes marked with an "E "is ticked, please consult an appropriate specialist to assist in the completion of this section if the environmental assessment practitioner doesn't have the necessary expertise.

The majority of the site still consists of natural vegetation but which has been degraded to some extent by the current land use.

5. SURFACE WATER

Indicate the surface water present on and or adjacent to the site and alternative sites?

Perennial River		NO
Non-Perennial River	YES	
Permanent Wetland		NO
Seasonal Wetland		NO
Artificial Wetland		NO
Estuarine / Lagoonal wetland		NO

If any of the boxes marked YES or UNSURE is ticked, please provide a description of the relevant watercourse.

Ecological Report:

The vegetation type on the site, Kalahari Karroid Shrubland (NKb 5), is not currently under significant threat and does not contribute significantly toward the conservation value of the site. Remnants of the threatened Lower Gariep Alluvial Vegetation (Aza 3) occur to the south and east of the site though both mapping resources and the on-site survey confirm that it is absent from the site and as long as activities are confined to the site footprint, should therefore remain unaffected.

The site is surrounded by natural areas although it is clear that the adjacent urban area causes significant disturbance of the environment. A network of dirt roads is one of the most significant impacts in the area. The site itself is devoid of any watercourses although two ephemeral drainage lines occur to the east and west of the site.

A large and significant drainage line occurs approximately 30 meters to the east of the site and should therefore remain unaffected. A much smaller drainage line borders the site to the west and should therefore be excluded from the site and should not form part of the graveyard layout. Although it is excluded from the site it will still be important to implement adequate storm water management measures in order to prevent erosion and also to manage the flow of surface runoff on the site.

Despite the apparent uniformity and low species diversity, several specimens of the protected tree species Vachellia erioloba and one specimen of Boscia albitrunca occur on the site. These trees would also be beneficial for the landscaping of the cemetery and they should be retained on the site. Should this not be possible the necessary permits will also have to be obtained to remove them.

Although the Northern Cape Critical Biodiversity Areas Plan (2016) indicate that the site is regarded as a Critical Biodiversity Area 2 (CBA 2) due the presence of rocky outcrops, the site survey indicated that these are not present on the site but do occur immediately to the north of it. As a combination of the above, the loss of the vegetation on the site will not exceed a moderate impact. The small extent of the proposed development will also decrease the anticipated impact.

The impact significance has been determined and it is clear that the impacts before mitigation will mostly be moderate. With adequate mitigation the majority of impacts can be lowered to low-moderate although the loss of the vegetation on the site cannot be significantly mitigated and would likely remain moderate.

Geohydrological Report:

From the information that was collected during the desk study as well as the site visit, in mind, it is evident that:

- The study area is situated on a minor aquifer system which is associated with boreholes with an average yield between 0.1 and 0.5%.
- No groundwater users were found in the immediate vicinity of the proposed site but in general groundwater is used on small scale for general domestic purposes.
- The aquifer is least vulnerable for contamination due to the fact that the project site is situated on a poor aquifer.
- No significant magnetic anomalies were detected on the proposed site.

It is therefore recommended that: the proposed site be utilised for the development of a cemetery as planned.

6. LAND USE CHARACTER OF SURROUNDING AREA

Indicate land uses and/or prominent features that currently occur within a 500m radius of the site and give description of how this influences the application or may be impacted upon by the application:

Natural area	Dam or reservoir	Polo fields
Low density residential	Hospital/medical centre	Filling station ^H
Medium density residential	School	Landfill or waste treatment site
High density residential	Tertiary education facility	Plantation
Informal residential ^A	Church	Agriculture
Retail commercial & warehousing	Old age home	River, stream or wetland
Light industrial	Sewage treatment plant ^A	Nature conservation area
Medium industrial AN	Train station or shunting yard N	Mountain, koppie or ridge
Heavy industrial AN	Railway line ^N	Museum
Power station	Major road (4 lanes or more) N	Historical building
Office/consulting room	Airport ^N	Protected Area
Military or police base/station/compound	Harbour	Graveyard
Spoil heap or slimes dam ^A	Sport facilities	Archaeological site
Quarry, sand or borrow pit	Golf course	Other land uses (describe)

If any of the boxes marked with an "^N "are ticked, how this impact will / be impacted upon by the proposed activity? Specify and explain:

N/A

If any of the boxes marked with an "An" are ticked, how will this impact / be impacted upon by the proposed activity? Specify and explain:

N/A

If any of the boxes marked with an "^H" are ticked, how will this impact / be impacted upon by the proposed activity? Specify and explain:

N/A

NOTE: The proposed impacts upon the proposed activity due to the boxes marked with an "A":

Negative impact:

It should be noted that the proposed cemetery will be constructed in close proximity to the existing cemetery. No additional long term negative impacts anticipated, should the mitigation measures listed in the EMPr and this document, as well as best practices be implemented. Noise and dust formation may have a negative impact during the construction phase. However, all possible mitigation measures will be implemented to limit the above mentioned impacts may have on the residents. In addition, the proposed cemetery will have a negative visual impact. However, it should be noted that the proposed cemetery will be constructed in close proximity to the existing cemetery and therefore the proposed cemetery will have a similar impact on the aesthetic value as the existing cemetery. It is suggested that the mitigation measures listed in the EMPr and the current document should be implemented to limit the visual impact of the proposed new cemetery. This includes the following:

Site should be clean and tidy.

Construction activities should be limited to normal construction hours, if possible.

Dust suppression measures should be implemented, when necessary.

Positive impact:

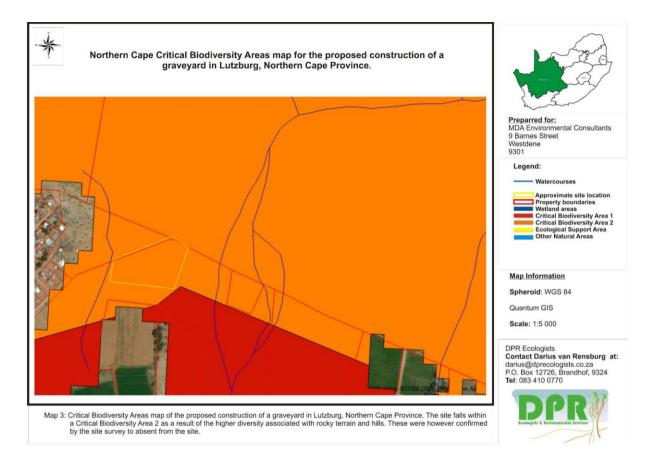
Cemetery will be located in close proximity to community members.

Does the proposed site (including any alternative sites) fall within any of the following:

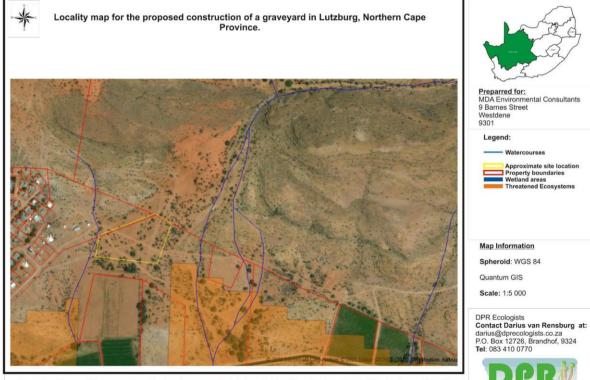
Critical Biodiversity Area (as per provincial conservation plan)	YES*	
Core area of a protected area?		NO
Buffer area of a protected area?		NO
Planned expansion area of an existing protected area?		NO
Existing offset area associated with a previous Environmental Authorisation?		NO
Buffer area of the SKA?		NO

If the answer to any of these questions was YES, a map indicating the affected area must be included in Appendix A.

*The site in question is listed as being a Critical Biodiversity Area 2, as a result of the rocky, hill terrain which is well-known to contain a significantly higher species diversity than other habitats. The site survey has however indicated that it is not situated within this rocky terrain (which would also be unsuitable for the digging of graves for graveyards). Consequently, this does not significantly increase the conservation value of the site.



NOTE: Please note that various non-perennial streams as indicated on the following map are located adjacent to the proposed development site:



Map 1: Locality map of the proposed construction of a graveyard in Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province. Note that the site does not fall within the Lower Gariep Alluvial vegetation type, a Threatened Ecosystem. Note also extensive transformation of the surroundings due to agriculture. The small drainage line bordering the site to the west and larger drainage line to the east are also indicated. The urban area of Lutzburg is visible to the west of the site.

7. CULTURAL/HISTORICAL FEATURES

Are there any signs of culturally or historically significant elements, as defined in section 2 of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999, (Act No. 25 of 1999), including Archaeological or paleontological sites, on or close (within 20m) to the site? If YES, explain:

NO

If uncertain, conduct a specialist investigation by a recognised specialist in the field (archaeology or palaeontology) to establish whether there is such a feature(s) present on or close to the site. Briefly explain the findings of the specialist:

A Phase 1 Heritage Impact Assessment was carried out for the establishment of a proposed new cemetery located at the Lutzburg settlement near Kakamas. The extent of the proposed development (over 5000 m2) falls within the requirements for a Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) as required by Section 38 (Heritage Resources Management) of the South African National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999). The assessment involved identification of possible archaeological and paleontological sites or occurrences in the proposed zone, an assessment of their significance, possible impact by the proposed development and recommendations for mitigation where relevant.

The chances of palaeontological impact resulting from the proposed development are considered to be improbable because of the nature of the underlying geology. As far as the palaeontological heritage is concerned, the proposed development may proceed with no further palaeontological assessments required. If, in the unlikely event that localized fossil material is discovered within the superficial overburden during the construction phase of the project, it is recommended that a professional palaeontologist be called in to record and rescue the fossils where necessary.

The study areas are located within a region that has previously yielded ample archaeological as well as historical evidence of the early movement and settlement of Khoi herders and San hunter-gatherers along the Orange River during the last 2000 years. However, the proposed development footprint is located on fairly degraded terrain resulting from previous and ongoing human activities related to the Lutzburg settlement located 400 m to the west of the existing cemetery.

The proposed development area is not considered archaeologically vulnerable and there are no major archaeological grounds to suspend the proposed development, provided that all excavation activities are confined to within the confines of the development footprint. The proposed development footprint is considered to be of low archaeological significance and is assigned a site rating of Generally Protected C.

 Will any building or structure older than 60 years be affected in any way?
 NO

 Is it necessary to apply for a permit in terms of the National Heritage Resources
 NO

 Act, 1999 (Act 25 of 1999)?
 NO

 If YES, please provide proof that this permit application has been submitted to SAHRA or the relevant

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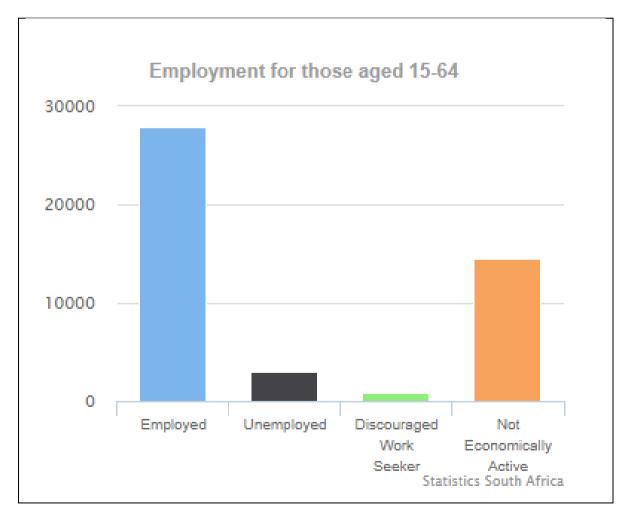
8. SOCIO-ECONOMIC CHARACTER

a) Local Municipality

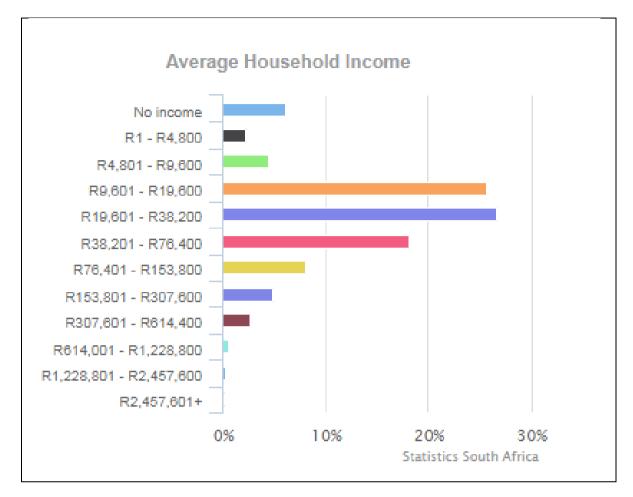
Please provide details on the socio-economic character of the local municipality in which the proposed site(s) are situated.

NOTE: The following information was obtained from: http://www.statssa.gov.za/?page_id=993&id=kai-garib-municipality

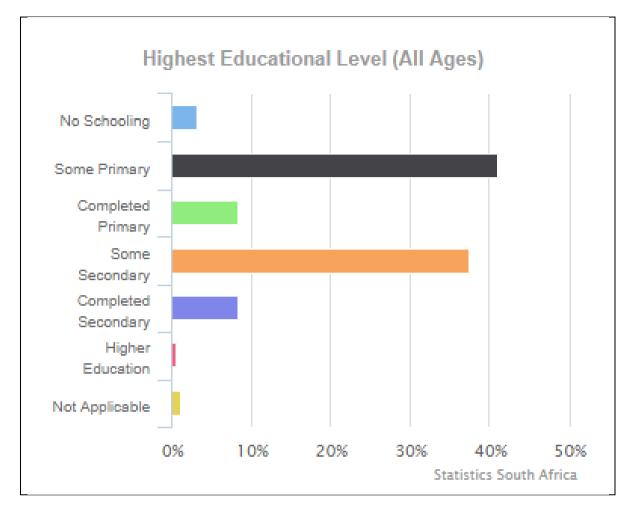
Level of unemployment:



Economic profile of local municipality:



Level of education:



b) Socio-economic value of the activity

What is the expected capital value of the activity on completion?	Unknown.		
	The proposed project is a service delivery project.		
What is the expected yearly income that will be generated by or as a result of the activity?	N/A		
Will the activity contribute to service infrastructure?	YES		
Is the activity a public amenity?	YES		
How many new employment opportunities will be created in the development	Unknown,		
and construction phase of the activity/ies?	depends on		
	contractor		
What is the expected value of the employment opportunities during the	Unknown,		
development and construction phase?	depends on		
	contractor		

What percentage of this will accrue to previously disadvantaged individuals?	Approximately 80%
How many permanent new employment opportunities will be created during the operational phase of the activity?	Unknown
What is the expected current value of the employment opportunities during the first 10 years?	Unknown
What percentage of this will accrue to previously disadvantaged individuals?	Approximately 80%

9. BIODIVERSITY

Please note: The Department may request specialist input/studies depending on the nature of the biodiversity occurring on the site and potential impact(s) of the proposed activity/ies. To assist with the identification of the biodiversity occurring on site and the ecosystem status consult http://bgis.sanbi.org or BGIShelp@sanbi.org. Information is also available on compact disc (cd) from the Biodiversity-GIS Unit, Ph (021) 799 8698. This information may be updated from time to time and it is the applicant/ EAP's responsibility to ensure that the latest version is used. A map of the relevant biodiversity information (including an indication of the habitat conditions as per (b) below) and must be provided as an overlay map to the property/site plan as Appendix D to this report.

a) Indicate the applicable biodiversity planning categories of all areas on site and indicate the reason(s) provided in the biodiversity plan for the selection of the specific area as part of the specific category)

Systematic Biodiversity Planning Category	If CBA or ESA, indicate the reason(s) for its
Systematic Biodiversity Flamming Category	selection in biodiversity plan

Critical Biodiversity Area (CBA)	Ecological Support Area (ESA)	Other Natural Area (ONA)	No Natural Area Remaining (NNR)	The vegetation on the site is still largely natural although significant disturbance was present. The site does not contain any unique habitats or significant species diversity. Furthermore, the vegetation types on the site, Lower Gariep Broken Veld (NKb 1) and Kalahari Karroid Shrubland (NKb 5), are both listed as being of Least Concern (LC) and do not significantly contribute towards its conservation value. Although the Northern Cape Critical Biodiversity Areas Plan (2016) indicate that the site is regarded as a Critical Biodiversity Area 2 (CBA 2) due the presence of rocky outcrops, the site survey indicated that these are not present on the site but do occur immediately to the north of it. As a combination of the above, the loss of the vegetation on the site will not exceed a moderate impact. The small extent of the proposed development will also decrease the anticipated impact.
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b) Indicate and describe the habitat condition on site

Habitat Condition	Percentage of habitat condition class (adding up to 100%)	Description and additional Comments and Observations (including additional insight into condition, e.g. poor land management practises, presence of quarries, grazing, harvesting regimes etc).
Natural	0%	
Near Natural (includes areas with low to moderate level of alien invasive plants)	100%	The site is considered to still be largely natural though some disturbance is evident and decreases its condition.

Degraded	0%	
(includes areas		
heavily invaded by		
alien plants)		
Transformed	0%	
(includes cultivation,		
dams, urban,		
plantation, roads, etc)		

c) Complete the table to indicate:

- (i) the type of vegetation, including its ecosystem status, present on the site; and
- (ii) whether an aquatic ecosystem is present on site.

Terrestrial Ecosystems		Aquatic Ecosystems							
Ecosystem threat	Critical	Wetland (including rivers,			Wetland (including rivers,				
status as per the National	Endangered	depressions, channelled and unchanneled wetlands, flats, seeps pans, and artificial wetlands)				Coas	etlino		
Environmental	Vulnerable					Coastline			
Management:	Least								
Biodiversity Act (Act	Threatened		NO					NO	
No. 10 of 2004)	rinoatorioa								

d) Please provide a description of the vegetation type and/or aquatic ecosystem present on site, including any important biodiversity features/information identified on site (e.g. threatened species and special habitats)

Ecological Report:

The vegetation type on the site, Kalahari Karroid Shrubland (NKb 5), is not currently under significant threat and does not contribute significantly toward the conservation value of the site. Remnants of the threatened Lower Gariep Alluvial Vegetation (Aza 3) occur to the south and east of the site though both mapping resources and the on-site survey confirm that it is absent from the site and as long as activities are confined to the site footprint, should therefore remain unaffected.

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The impact significance has been determined and it is clear that the impacts before mitigation will mostly be moderate. With adequate mitigation the majority of impacts can be lowered to low-moderate although the loss of the vegetation on the site cannot be significantly mitigated and would likely remain moderate.

SECTION C: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTICE

Publication name	NoordKaap Bulletin	
Date published	7 October 2021	
Site notice position	Latitude	Longitude
	28°44'41.99''S	20°38'4.40''E
Date placed	28 October 2021	

Include proof of the placement of the relevant advertisements and notices in Appendix E1.

2. DETERMINATION OF APPROPRIATE MEASURES

Provide details of the measures taken to include all potential I&APs as required by Regulation 41(2)(e) and 41(6) of GN 733.

NOTE:

Identification of possible IAPs includes:

- District Municipality: Manager
- Local Municipality: Manager
- Ward Councillor: Ward 7
- Dept. of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
- Dept. of Water and Sanitation
- SAHRA
- Northern Cape Heritage
- Adjacent landowners

Site notices were placed on site.

Adjacent landowners were notified via mail drop / registered post. Authorities were notified via registered post.

A legal notice was placed in the NoordKaap Bulletin on the 7th of October 2021.

Copies of the dBAR were provided to all the registered parties.

All registered parties were given the opportunity to comment on the BAR documents.

Key stakeholders (other than organs of state) identified in terms of Regulation 41(2)(b) of GN 733

Title, Name and Surname	Affiliation / Key stakeholder status	Contact details (tel number or e-mail address)
Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development		Mr G.N. Esterhuysen Telephone: 054 337 8000 Facsimile: 054 337 8001 P.O. Box 52 Upington 8800
Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries		Ms Jacoline Mans P.O. Box 2782 Upington 8800 jacolinema@daff.gov.za 054 334 0030
ESKOM		Ms Andrea van Gensen Environmental Manager Land Development & Environment Northern Cape Operating Unit Eskom Holdings SOS Limited DSC Office Block 69 Memorial Road PO Box 606 Kimberley 8301
TELKOM		Ms H. Van den Heever Telkom Wayleave Operations Manager Facsimile: 051 401 6238 Tel: 051 401 6829 Private Bag X20700 Bloemfontein 9300 wayleacr@telkom.co.za
Department of Roads and Public Works: Northern Cape Province		PO Box 3132 Kimberley 8300 9-11 Stokroos Street Square Hill Park Kimberley 8301 053 839 2100 Mr I. Bulane

	Department of Roads and Public Works 072 086 6241 P.O. Box 3132 Kimberley 8300 leecha1@vodamail.co.za
SAHRA	P.O. Box 4637
	CAPE TOWN
	8000
Northern Cape	1 Monridge Parl
Heritage	Cnr. Kekewich Drive & Memorial Road
	Kimberley
	8300

Include proof that the key stakeholder received written notification of the proposed activities as Appendix E2. This proof may include any of the following:

- e-mail delivery reports;
- registered mail receipts;
- courier waybills;
- signed acknowledgements of receipt; and/or
- or any other proof as agreed upon by the competent authority.

3. ISSUES RAISED BY INTERESTED AND AFFECTED PARTIES

Summary of main issues raised by I&APs	Summary of response from EAP
No comments received to date	No response, as no comments were
	received to date

4. COMMENTS AND RESPONSE REPORT

The practitioner must record all comments received from I&APs and respond to each comment before the Draft BAR is submitted. The comments and responses must be captured in a comments and response report as prescribed in the EIA regulations and be attached to the Final BAR as Appendix E3.

5. AUTHORITY PARTICIPATION

Authorities and organs of state identified as key stakeholders:

Authority/Or gan of State	Contact person	Tel No	Fax No		Postal address
Head of Departme nt (Acting): Departme nt of Roads And Public Works	Ms Ruth Palm				P.O. Box 3132 Kimberle y 8301
NC DENC	Ms T Leburu	053 807 7464		tmakaudi@ncpg.go v.za	Northern Cape Departm ent of Environm ent and Nature Conserv ation Provinci al Building (First Floor) Corner of Rivier & Nelson Mandela Road Upington 8800
HoD: Departme nt of Agricultur	Mr Wvd Mothibi				Private Bag X5018

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District	Mr J.G.	054 337	054 337	admin@zfm-	Private
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					Cnr
					Nelson

Chief Director: Northern Cape DWS	Mr Abe Abraham s	053 830 8800/6 7600 082 883 6741	Fax: (053) 831 4534	AbrahamsA@dws.g ov.za	Mandela Avenue & Upington 26 Road Upington 8800 28 Central Road Beacons field KIMBERL Y 8301 Private Bag X6101 KIMBERL EY 8300
Departme nt of Agricultur e, Forestry & Fisheries	Jacoline Mans		054 334 0030	jacolinema@daff.g ov.za	P.O. Box 2782 Upington 8800
SAHRA		021 462 4509	021 462 4502		P.O. Box 4637 CAPE TOWN 8000
Northern Cape Heritage	Mr Ratha Timothy (Manager)	053 8312537 0790369 295	053 8331435	ratha.timothy@gma il.com	1 Monridg e Parl Cnr. Kekewic h Drive & Memoria I Road

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Include proof that the Authorities and Organs of State received written notification of the proposed activities as appendix E4.

In the case of renewable energy projects, Eskom and the SKA Project Office must be included in the list of Organs of State.

6. CONSULTATION WITH OTHER STAKEHOLDERS

Note that, for any activities (linear or other) where deviation from the public participation requirements may be appropriate, the person conducting the public participation process may deviate from the requirements of that sub-regulation to the extent and in the manner as may be agreed to by the competent authority.

Proof of any such agreement must be provided, where applicable. Application for any deviation from the regulations relating to the public participation process must be submitted prior to the commencement of the public participation process.

A list of registered I&APs must be included as appendix E5.

Copies of any correspondence and minutes of any meetings held must be included in Appendix E6.

SECTION D: IMPACT ASSESSMENT

The assessment of impacts must adhere to the minimum requirements in the EIA Regulations, 2014 and should take applicable official guidelines into account. The issues raised by interested and affected parties should also be addressed in the assessment of impacts.

1. IMPACTS THAT MAY RESULT FROM THE PLANNING AND DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATIONAL, DECOMMISSIONING AND CLOSURE PHASES AS WELL AS PROPOSED MANAGEMENT OF IDENTIFIED IMPACTS AND PROPOSED MITIGATION MEASURES

Provide a summary and anticipated significance of the potential direct, indirect and cumulative impacts that are likely to occur as a result of the planning and design phase, construction phase, operational phase, decommissioning and closure phase, including impacts relating to the choice of site/activity/technology alternatives as well as the mitigation measures that may eliminate or reduce the potential impacts listed. This impact assessment must be applied to all the identified alternatives to the activities identified in Section A(2) of this report.

		Compliance and	Monitoring
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Record keeping of compliance and monitoring reports	Direct impacts: • Non- conformance Indirect impacts: • Non- conformance Cumulative impacts: • Non- conformance	High Negative High Negative High Negative	 The applicant will ensure that the contractors adhere to the recommendations of the EMPr and conditions of the Environmental Authorisation during construction. An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. Note that the ECO may be appointed separately or can be part of the contractor's team. Regular monitoring and / or spot inspections at least every fortnight during the construction phase is recommended. Inspections should be documented, and any shortcomings addressed immediately. A report will be provided by the independent ECO to the contractor upon completion thereof. The findings thereof should be made available to the competent authority (for example NC DENC, DWS), should it be requested. Any emergency or unforeseen impact will be reported to the relevant environmental department within 24 hours after identification for telephonic approval and will be confirmed in writing. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) should be available on site. Where possible and available, MSDS should include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimize negative

		Compliance and	Monitoring
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes. Procedures in the MSDS should be implemented in case of an emergency. The following documents should be available on site, and made available to the competent authority on request (if applicable): Complaints Register Environmental Incident Register Disposal Certificates of Waste and Wastewater Generated during the construction / operational phase Environmental Monitoring (Audit) Reports Written Corrective Action Instructions Environmental Authorisation DWS Permit / License Blasting Permit Removal / Transplantation of protected species permits EMPr

		Planning and Desi	gn phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Planning and design	Direct impacts: • None Indirect impacts: • None Cumulative impacts: • None	without mitigation Medium – High Negative Medium – High Negative Medium – High Negative	 No environmental mitigation measures are required during the planning phase on the proposed site, as no mitigation measures are to be implemented on site during the planning phase. However, the applicant, engineers, environmental consultants and specialists should take the following steps during the planning phase: Permits will be obtained for the removal / transplantation of protected species that are located within the construction area where no alternatives are possible (if any). A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction phase. The necessary Environmental Authorisation will be obtained before any activities listed in the Regulations are undertaken. In addition, the necessary DWS registrations will be obtained, before any construction activities near watercourses are undertaken.
			 will be implemented for construction work to be undertaken within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, potable water and waste facilities will be in place before construction activities are undertaken.

	Planning and Design phase						
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation				
			 A blasting permit will be obtained before blasting activities is undertaken (if any). The design and layout of the proposed project will take the possibility of flooding, erosion and pollution into consideration. The Contractor must acquire a permit, issued by the relevant heritage resources authority, in the instance that any destruction, damage, excavation, alteration, defacing or any other disruption are to take place to any archaeological material (including infrastructures older than 60 years). 				
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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
General measures to consider	Direct impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Noise Nuisance dust Indirect impacts: Possible outbreaks of fire Pollution (groundwater, surface water, soil and air) Erosion Loss of biodiversity (vegetation & animal life) Nuisance dust Cumulative impacts: Possible outbreaks of	Negative High Negative High Negative	 Any construction is disruptive, and the environment must be given consideration with every activity undertaken. All relevant standards relating to legislation should be adhered to (including waste emissions, waste disposal, noise regulations, etc.) According to Section 28 of the NEMA Act 107, every person who cause, has caused or may cause significant pollution or degradation of the environment must take reasonable measures to prevent such pollution or degradation from occurring, continuing or recurring and if it can't be avoided or stopped, to minimize and rectify such pollution or degradation of the environment. The pollution control provision in Section 19(1) of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) should be adhered to at all times. ECO should be provided with a layout of the site, indicating the position of the following prior to the site establishment, for acceptance:
	fire • Pollution(groundwater, surface water, soil and air) • Erosion		 Ablution Facilities Storage Areas Ready-mix Areas Stockpile Areas Waste Disposal Facilities Hazardous Substances Storage Area

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Loss of biodiversity (vegetation & animal life) 		 Etc. Designate the boundaries of the active construction start-up site, by erecting fencing / danger tape (where applicable). Fence off operational footprint area (if possible) to ensure all operational activities are contained within the designate area. All construction and operational activities must be contained within the demarcated construction area as determined in consultation with the ECO. Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities. The necessary precautions regarding road safety will be implemented for construction work within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, water and waste facilities will be in place for construction workers throughout the construction phase. Chemical toilets will be cleaned and serviced regularly and proof thereof will be available on site. Fire-fighting equipment will be available on site, where applicable.

		Construction p	phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 If artefacts or graves are uncovered during construction activities, work in the immediate vicinity will be stopped until the project Archaeologist and SAHRA has been consulted. Adjacent landowners will be notified of proposed blasting, 24 hours prior to blasting activities. All relevant IAPs will be notified 24 hours prior to any known potential risks associated with the site and the activities to be undertaken on site.
Site access	Direct impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Erosion • Pollution • Storm water contamination	Medium Negative	 The current access road to the existing cemetery should be improved, when required. Proper storm water measures are to be implemented to avoid run-off of water and washing of sand / soil onto the road. Erosion measures will be implemented. Removal of vegetation will be kept to the
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Surface water contamination 	High Negative	 required area. No animals will be hunted / captured on site (only to be undertaken by a relevant specialist).
	Cumulative impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Erosion	High Negative	

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	Surface and groundwater contamination		
Employee conduct on site	Direct impacts:• Loss of vegetation• Loss of animal life• Erosion• Pollution• Storm water contamination• Occurrence of waste on site• Various health and safety aspectsIndirect impacts:• Loss of vegetation• Loss of animal life• Erosion• Pollution• Storm water contamination• Occurrence of waste on site• Various health and safety aspects	Medium Negative High Negative	 No animals may be harmed / captured / trapped and / or hunted. This must be strictly enforced. Animals found at the construction site will be removed and relocated to an appropriate area, by a suitable, qualified person. No open fires allowed. Provision will be made that no accidental fires are started. No firewood will be collected on site or in surrounding areas, without written approval from the landowner. No smoking or open fires will be allowed near storage facilities. No waste may be dumped on site. Employees should make use of the ablution facilities provided.

		Construction ph	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Soil, erosion and vegetation management	 Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Storm water contamination Occurrence of waste on site Various health and safety aspects Fire outbreaks Direct impacts: Destruction of vegetation Loss of topsoil Loss of vegetative species of conservational concern Noise elevation due to construction activities Nuisance dust generation 	High Negative Medium Negative	 Construction activities will be limited to designated construction areas to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitats. Construction vehicles will also keep to constructed roads where possible, so that natural vegetation is not destroyed unnecessarily. Access roads must be non-erosive, structurally stable and not induce flooding / safety hazard. If any access road is impaired, it will be repaired immediately to prevent any future / further damage.

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Visual impact of rock and spoil material dumps Indirect impacts: Erosion Establishment of alien / invader vegetation species Possible impact on heritage artefacts Loss of fauna on site. Cumulative impacts: Erosion Establishment of alien vegetation species 	Medium Negative Medium Negative	 All human movement and activities will be contained within designated construction areas in order to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitat. Erosion management is important. Rehabilitation measures must be monitored to ensure that no erosion occurs and the disturbed should be adequately re-vegetated. Concurrent rehabilitation of disturbed areas will be undertaken to help the recovery of the vegetation. Stockpiled soil will be stockpiled in an area where it will not be disturbed by vehicles. Stockpiled soil will be protected from washing away during rainstorms. For example: Bricks may be placed around the stockpiles, to limit the loss thereof due to rainy events. Stockpiles should not be higher than 1.5 m. The gradient of stockpiles should not be greater than 1:1.5. Stockpiles should be located away from drainage lines, watercourses and areas of temporary flood All soil excavated is to be separated into top- and subsoil. Subsoil must be used for backfilling and topsoil for landscaping and rehabilitation of disturbed areas.

		Construction p	hase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 Stockpiled material will be placed on the cleared areas once construction is completed. Respreading of topsoil should be of a sufficient depth. Fertilizers should be used where topsoil and subsoil was mixed or not up to original standard. Indigenous tree species in the vicinity of the operational site should be marked with danger tape. Disturbance to such species should be avoided, where possible A permit for the removal of protected plant species will be obtained before the removal of these species (if any) are undertaken. An alien control and monitoring programme will be developed starting during the construction phase and will be carried over into the operational phase. Any proclaimed weed or alien species that germinates during the contract period will be cleared by hand / approved chemicals before flowering thereof. Imported fill material will be monitored during and after construction for the presence of any alien species. Any such species will be available on site.

		Construction pr	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 Species, especially grasses, trees and shrubs occurring in the region will be used to rehabilitate disturbed areas. Compacted soils (such as dirt tracks not to be utilised during the operational phase) must be ripped to ensure the establishment of natural occurring vegetation. Concurrent rehabilitation should be undertaken, where possible. Vegetation clearance will be limited to the required area. Speed limit will be enforced on the construction vehicles and these vehicles will only make use of designated roads / pathways. Dust control measures will be implemented if nuisance dust generation occurs during the construction period. All archaeological findings (if any) should be recorded and reported to SAHRA. No construction activities in the area may proceed without the authorisation from SAHRA. Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water and this will also prevent erosion. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis.

		Construction p	hase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 No animals may be captured (only by specialist) / harmed / killed on site. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be reported to the ECO and recorded as such.
Minimise contamination and sterilisation of soil	Direct impacts: • Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation during the rehabilitation phase • Loss of vegetation • Contaminated soil Indirect impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Establishment of alien vegetation	Medium Negative High Negative	 Use of potentially polluting and hazardous substances should be strictly controlled. If soil is significantly contaminated by hazardous substances, then this soil is considered as hazardous and should be disposed of according to best practices. Repair / maintenance will be conducted on site, and impacts like oil spills should be appropriately mitigated. Spill response procedures must be clearly defined and well known by all staff. All threatened or protected plant species as specified by the NEM: Biodiversity Act (2004) will
	 Erosion Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Establishment of alien vegetation Erosion 	High Negative	be identified on site. Permits are required for the removal / transplantation of these plants.
Construction of graves	 Direct impacts: Visual impact of rock and spoil material 	Medium – High Negative	 Site will be kept neat and tidy. Appropriate area will be identified as a stockpiling area.

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	dumps from graves excavation • Noise elevation due to construction activities • Nuisance dust generation Indirect impacts: • Erosion • Establishment of alien / invader vegetation species • Possible impact on heritage artefacts • Loss of fauna on site	Medium – High Negative	 Speed limit will be enforced on the construction vehicles and these vehicles will only make use of designated roads / pathways. Dust control measures will be implemented if nuisance dust generation occurs during the construction period. Stockpiled material will be stored in such a way to limit the loss thereof. For example: Bricks may be placed around the stockpiles, to limit the loss thereof due to rainy events. Stockpiles should not be higher than 1.5 m. The gradient of stockpiles should not be greater than 1:1.5.
	 Cumulative impacts: Erosion Establishment of alien vegetation species 	Medium – High Negative	 All employees will be provided with the correct PPE. Establishment of alien / invader vegetation will be monitored and these species will be removed by hand or by an approved chemical before gestation thereof. All archaeological findings (if any) should be recorded and reported to SAHRA. No construction activities in the area may proceed without the necessary authorisation from SAHRA.

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water, and this will also prevent erosion. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis. No animals may be captured (to be undertaken by a specialist) / harmed / killed on site. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be reported to the ECO and recorded as such.
Ablution Facilities	 Direct impacts: Pollution of surface water runoff Pollution of soil Indirect impacts: Pollution of surface water runoff Pollution of soil Pollution of soil 	Negative Medium Negative	 No open areas or the surrounding vegetation may be used as 'toilet facilities. Toilets should be available for all employees. Where waterborne sewerage is not available, th ECO must designate an area within the boundaries of the site for the erection of portabl chemical toilets. Toilet facilities shall occur at a minimum ration of toilet per 15 employees.
	 groundwater Odour Unnatural enrichment of soil Promotion of unnatural vegetation growth 		 Toilets shall be maintained in a hygienic state and serviced when required. Temporary toilets should be serviced regularly and the contents be removed to a licensed disposal facility.
	Cumulative impacts:	High Negative	

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Pollution of surface water runoff Pollution of soil Pollution of groundwater Odour Unnatural enrichment of soil Promotion of unnatural vegetation growth 		
Safeguard water resources	 Direct impacts: Contamination of surface water resources 	High Negative	 No activities will be undertaken within 32 m of a watercourse / within the 1:100 year floodline / 500m of a wetland, without the necessary authorisations (for example from NC DENC and
	 Indirect impacts: Erosion Change in flow of water course Pollution (surface water, groundwater and soil) 	High Negative	 DWS). Caution will be taken to ensure that construction materials are not dumped or stored within storm water management systems. Construction activities in the storm water infrastructure will be limited through proper demarcation and appropriate environmental
	 Cumulative impacts: Erosion Change in flow of water course 	High Negative	 awareness training. The Contractor is responsible to inform all staff of the need to be vigilant against any practice that will have a harmful effect on waterways.

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Pollution (surface water, groundwater and soil) 		 Infilling, excavation, drainage and hardening of surfaces will not occur unnecessarily in storm water infrastructure. Emergency plans will be in place in case of fuel spillages (to limit the occurrence of soil as well as groundwater pollution). A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction or operational phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills of any hazardous material be detected. Weather forecasts from the South African Weather Bureau of up to three days in advance will be monitored on a daily basis to avoid exposing soil or construction works or materials during a storm event and appropriate action will be taken in advance to protect construction works should a storm event be forecasted. All no-go areas will be demarcated under guidance of the Environmental Control Officer (ECO). The design of drainage systems will ensure there is no contamination or eutrophication.

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Workings within / near to watercourses	Direct impacts: • Temporary blockage of water • Loss of vegetation	Medium – High Negative	 Drainage systems will be maintained regularly in order to minimize the runoff of harmful chemical substances into the waterway(s). It will be ensured that the construction activities have minimal effects on the flow of water through the storm water infrastructure. No erosion or siltation may occur due to any construction or operational activities. Occurrence of erosion will be monitored. Reparations will be undertaken as soon as possible. Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water and this will also prevent erosion. Construction activities in waterways should be
	 Loss of aquatic animal life Erosion Scouring 	Medium – High	 undertaken in such a manner that no containment of water is required, where possible. 2/3 of the waterways may be diverted at a time, if needed. The necessary authorisations should be obtained
	 Ponding of water during construction at waterways (due to blockage of waterways). 	Negative	 from DWS. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis.

Construction phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 Surface and groundwater pollution due to spillage of potential hazardous substances such as hydraulic material and untreated sewage explained above. Impact on waterways (including the natural habitat of the area), soil disturbances and including pollution. Possible change of flow of water in waterways. Erosion Scouring Loss of biodiversity 			
	 Cumulative impacts: Erosion Loss of vegetation Scouring Possible change of flow of water in waterways 	High Negative		

Construction phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
Handling of waste / Waste Management (Note that waste refers to all construction debris and domestic waste generated due to construction activities.)	 Loss of biodiversity Direct impacts: Spillage of material to be utilised during the construction phase as well as untreated sewage to the surrounding environment Dumping of construction rubble 	Medium – High Negative	 The contractor is responsible for the removal of construction waste. Suitable containers (weather and vermin proof) will be placed on site to collect all solid waste. These will be emptied regularly. No littering is permitted. During the construction and operational phase the site will be maintained in a neat and tidy condition. All solid waste produced will be disposed of at an authorized landfill site. Recyclable waste may also be sold to recycling contractors. No dumping, burning or burying of waste will be undertaken on site. All hazardous waste will be disposed of at an authorized hazardous landfill site. Recyclable hazardous waste will be re-used or sold to recycling contractors, where possible. A waste management plan will be compiled and designed to ensure adequate waste management activities. Areas used for waste storage and loading of materials should be lined and bund walls have to be erected to contain any spills that might occur. 	
	 and general waste on site Indirect impacts: Surface and groundwater pollution due to spillage of potential hazardous substances such as hydraulic material and untreated sewage. Impact on waterways (including the natural habitat of the area), including pollution. 	Medium – High Negative		

		Construction p	hase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Pollution of soil Cumulative impacts: Pollution of downstream watercourses Pollution of soil Pollution of groundwater Air pollution 	Medium – High Negative	 Waybills providing evidence of correct disposal procedure must be provided for the ECO's inspection. Waste classification should be undertaken. Visual inspections for the occurrence of pollution should be undertaken daily. Spills should be cleaned up immediately according to best practices. DWS should be notified of any spillage / pollution of water sources (groundwater and / or surface water) within 24 hours of occurrence. Record should be kept on site to indicate date of visual inspection, any spillages observed, and manner in which spill was treated.
Health, safety and security	 Road safety at road crossings Injuries on site (for example, due to pollution) Road safety at road crossings Negative tape, where possible. The contractors will comply with Occupational Health and Safe Building Regulations and any regional or local regulations with on site. 	 The contractors will comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, National Building Regulations and any other national, regional or local regulations with regard to safety on site. Construction contracts will include safety and 	
	Indirect impacts:	Medium Negative	

		Construction ph	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Loss of vegetation and animal life due to possible fire outbreaks Road safety issues at road crossings Injuries on site Health issues on site (for example, due to pollution) Unauthorised entry Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to possible fire outbreaks Road safety issues at road crossings Injuries on site Health issues on site (for example, due to pollution) Unauthorised entry 	Low Negative	 Precautions to ensure that construction staff and sites are visible and proper PPE will be provided to all employees. Suitable warning and information signage should be available at the storage facilities. In addition, telephone numbers of emergency services (including local firefighting services) must be posted conspicuously on site. Employees should be made aware of the health risks associated with any hazardous substances / dangerous goods used or stored on site. This includes soil that was contaminated with oil or diesel, etc. Employees should receive relevant safety training in handling of hazardous substances / dangerous goods associated with the proposed project. Construction work within road reserves will accommodate road users as far as possible. This includes the following: Roads will be crossed in half widths at a time to minimise the impact on vehicular traffic, where possible. Construction along and across existing roads will be executed in such a manner that both pedestrian and vehicular traffic is accommodate dat all times.

		phase	
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times. Contractor will supply, erect and maintain road signs for all work areas conforming to the prescribed layout and requirement of the South African Road Traffic Signs Manual and other relevant notices. Fire extinguishers will be available on site and in the construction camp (if any). The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times. Speed limits of 20km/h will be enforced. All relevant IAPs will be notified 24 hours prior to any known potential risks associated with the site and the activities to be undertaken on site. The necessary precautions with regard to road safety will be implemented for construction work within road crossings. All injuries should be recorded.
Heritage	 Direct impacts: Harm to unknown heritage resources 	Negative	 In the case of the discovery of any heritage, archaeological or palaeontological significance, the work in the area will be stopped and reported

	hase		
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	Indirect impacts: • Loss of heritage resources • Loss of heritage resources	High Negative	 to the archaeologist and SAHRA. Any construction activities in the nearby vicinity may only commence after approval is obtained from SAHRA as well as the ECO. If heritage resources are uncovered during the course of the development, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the heritage resource. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA Known heritage resources (if any) must be avoided as far as possible. Employees should be encouraged and informed of the need to be on the look-out for potential fossils / buried archaeological material. In the case of the discovery of any stone tools or other archaeological or palaentological material, the work in the immediate vicinity should temporarily cease and reported to the archaeologist and SAHRA. Should any human remains be exposed, the archaeologist as well as the local SAPS should be notified.

		Construction	phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed development, SAHRA APM Unit (Natasha Higgitt / Phillip Hine; 021 462 5402) must be alerted. If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit (Thingahangwi Tshivhase / Mimi Seetelo; 012 320 8490), must be alerted immediately. A professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule. Appropriate measures should be undertaken by the ECO until the archaeologist / SAPS visits the site. This should include the following: – Site should be fenced with 'danger tape'

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
			 Position of finding should be recorded Depth of finding should be recorded Digital image of the finding should be taken No information on the findings may be made public without the consent of the archaeologist / SAPS. Construction activities in the area may only continue after approval from the archaeologist and SAHRA. 	
Noise and dust control	 Direct impacts: Elevation of noise levels Generation of nuisance dust 	Negative	 Construction activities will be limited to normal daytime hours, where possible. Noise levels will be kept as low as possible during the construction phase in order not to disturb adjacent landowners. Proper mitigation measures will be implemented 	
	Indirect impacts: • Air pollution • Increase in noise levels outside of the proposed construction site may have a negative impact on surrounding landowners / occupants	Negative	 to limit noise (e.g. the installation of silencers, where required). Proper mitigation measures will be implemented to limit the formation of dust (e.g. wetting of construction area, when required). The speed of the construction vehicles will be limited to avoid dangerous conditions, the formation of dust and the excessive deterioration of roads being used. 	

		Construction pl	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	Cumulative impacts: • Air pollution • Increase in noise levels outside of the proposed construction site may have a negative impact on surrounding landowners / occupants	Negative	
Handling and Storage of materials	Direct impacts: • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	 All chemicals used during the development, including fuel, will be stored in a proper storeroom or protected area to prevent pollution. Vehicles will be serviced at designated areas. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere. Where applicable, the contractors will ensure that all relevant national, regional and local legislation
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution 	High Negative	 regarding storage, transport, use and disposal of petroleum, chemical, harmful or hazardous substances and materials are adhered to, where necessary. Cement and concrete mixing, if applicable, will only take place within the construction site. No concrete will be mixed directly on the ground.

		Construction pl	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 All environmental problems occurring on the site such as chemical spillage, wasteful water disposal, etc. will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment. Spill response equipment must be available during the handling and loading of hazardous waste (if any) Hazardous substances are to be stored in bunded areas. Bund walls will have a capacity of at least 110% of the total capacity of the stored volume. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere and contact with bare soil should be avoided at all cost. Drip trays will be used during the servicing of vehicles as well as the transfer of chemicals / substances from transportation vehicles. A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills be detected. Material stockpiles must be stable and well secured to avoid collapse and possible injury.

		hase	
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 Material and Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) should be readily available on site for all hazardous materials. MSDSs should additionally include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimise negative environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes. Storage areas should be kept clean and free from any accumulation of combustible matter (such as paper) and any possible source of ignition should be removed.
Hazardous waste management	Direct impacts: • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	 Hazardous wastes must be separated from general wastes, stored within secondary containment in appropriate containers. Proper storage facilities for the storage of hazardous / dangerous goods must be provided to prevent the migration of spillage into the soil and or groundwater. Certificates / waybills of hazardous waste
Indirect impacts:High Negativedisposals are to be a auditing purposes. T contaminated with• Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaksHigh Negativedisposals are to be a auditing purposes. T contaminated with• Soil pollution • Air pollutionAir pollutionIndirect impacts: animal life due to fire outbreaksHigh Negative• Air pollutionIndirect impacts: builtionIndirect impacts: auditing purposes. T contaminated with	 disposals are to be available on request as well as auditing purposes. This includes the removal of soil contaminated with hydrocarbons. Storage of hazardous substances and refuelling areas are to be bunded with an impermeable liner to protect groundwater quality and must comply with the relevant SANS codes. 		

		Construction pl	hase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	Areas used for the storage of hazardous materials are to be clearly indicated as such.
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Delivery	Direct impacts: • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries • Health issues Indirect impacts: • Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks • Soil pollution • Air pollution	High Negative High Negative	 All deliveries (especially of hazardous nature) must be supervised. Subcontractors and delivery companies should be informed of the delivery procedures and made aware of restrictions as to where materials may be stored. Loads must be secured to prevent spillage during transportation thereof. Hazardous substances are to be transported in sealed drums or bags.

Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 		
	Cumulative impacts: • Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Surface and groundwater pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Cement and / or concrete mixing	Direct impacts: Soil pollution Air pollution Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 Limit cement and concrete mixing to single sites, where possible. No mixing allowed directly onto the ground. All visible remains of excess material will be treated as hazardous waste. Solid concrete waste may be treated as inert construction rubble. However, wet cement, liquid slurry and cement powder must be treated as
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks 	High Negative	hazardous waste.

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 			
	 Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative		
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Gas Storage	Direct impacts: • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	• All combustible materials are to be store at least 3 m from any gas storage areas. In case of any flammable or any other gas storage areas, open flames, welding and cutting operations, smoking, etc. shall be prohibited in or near the storage	
	Indirect impacts: Air pollution Fire outbreaks Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 area. No gas will be delivered until the site is registered with local Fire Safety. 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance	Proposed mitigation	
		without		
	Cumulative impacts: • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Injuries • Health issues	mitigation High Negative	 Cylinders should always be stored in a well-ventilated area away from spark, flames or any source of heat or ignition. Cylinders should always be handled, stored, used and transported in an upright position. It should not be dropped, dragged or rolled on their sides or allowed to skid. Cylinders that are too large to be carried shall be tilted and rolled on the rims of their foot rings or bases. Valves should be kept properly closed 	
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Chemicals, Grease and Oil Storage	Direct impacts: • Soil pollution • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	 Storage areas must be bunded and hard surfaced in order to protect groundwater quality Compliance with SANS codes and hazardous substances bylaws should be adhered to All lids must be properly sealed / closed to prevent Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and other potentially harmful gaseous compounds 	
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	from escaping.	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	Cumulative impacts: • Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks • Soil pollution • Surface and groundwater pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative		
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Hydrocarbon spillages	Direct impacts: • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	 Spill kits are to be made permanently available at areas which have the potential to be subjected to spillage of hazardous substances and dangerous goods. Remediation of spillages must be conducted immediately and closed out within 24 hours. 	
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 No waste water or waste will be disposed of into the surrounding environment at any time. Water collected in bunded areas must be collected in containers and disposed of as hazardous waste. Machinery will be kept maintained in line with manufactures specifications to minimise the risk of hydrocarbon spillages. An incident reporting system will be implemented in order to ensure incidents, where spillages has 	
	Cumulative impacts:	High Negative	occurred, are closed out and appropriate measures are taken to prevent further incidents.	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 		 Incidents must be reported to DWS within 24 hours. Contaminated soil must be disposed of in a hazardous materials skip and removed to a licensed hazardous landfill facility by a licensed contractor. Contaminated water must be decanted into drums and stored until disposal by a registered waste transported is undertaken. 	

Operational phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
This phase consists of the use of the cemetery	 Direct impacts: Deterioration of the infrastructure in the long term. Reach its capacity Indirect impacts: Establishment of alien / invader species due to previous disturbance will also be associated with this phase. Erosion Illegal digging of new graves outside cemetery boundaries Plundering of graves & cemetery in general 	Medium – Low Negative Negative	 Maintenance and repair will be undertaken on the infrastructure when necessary. Soil erosion occurrences will be attended to immediately. Establishment of alien vegetation will be monitored and alien species will be removed by hand or by an approved chemical before gestation thereof. Proper monitoring of various aspects (such as monitoring of the potable water quality should the potable water not be obtained from the municipal supplies) should be undertaken on a regular basis. An emergency plan should be developed in case the potable water does not conform to the DWS standards.
	Cumulative impacts:	Medium – Low Negative	
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	Operational phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 Establishment of alien / invader species due to previous disturbance will also be associated with this phase. Erosion Illegal digging of new graves outside cemetery boundaries Plundering of graves & cemetery in general 			

Decommissioning phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance	Proposed mitigation	
		without mitigation		
It is not anticipated that the proposed project will cease in the nearby future. However, if decommissioning is decided upon, a rehabilitation plan will be developed and submitted for approval. The end- use of the area will be kept in mind during the compilation of the rehabilitation plan.	 Direct impacts: Rehabilitation of disturbed area Re-vegetation Limit occurrence of erosion Proper stormwater control No ponding on site Limit visual impact Indirect impacts: Rehabilitation of disturbed area 	Medium Positive Medium Positive	 Temporary structures and office sites (if any) will be dismantled and removed after completion of the construction phase of the project. All waste, equipment, materials, etc. used during construction will be cleared from the site. The contractors will ensure that the site is cleared and rehabilitated to the satisfaction of the ECO. An alien plant control and monitoring programme will be implemented. Re-vegetation of disturbed areas will be undertaken with site indigenous species. Hydroseeding will be implemented if the establishment of natural occurring vegetation does not occur within reasonable time. Temporary concrete surfaces (if any) will be removed and compacted areas ripped. 	
Activities associated with the decommissioning phase discussed in this document will be limited to the rehabilitation of areas disturbed during the construction phase.	Cumulative impacts: • Rehabilitation of disturbed area	Medium Positive	 The establishment of natural occurring vegetation will be encouraged at disturbed areas. Hydroseeding will be undertaken if natural regrowth is insufficient. Establishment of extensive alien species will be monitored. 	

Decommissioning phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
All disturbed areas will be rehabilitated according to best practices.				

	No-go Option				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation		
Keeping the status quo – limited burial spaces will be	Direct impacts: • No direct environmental impacts.	N/A	 Patrolling should be implemented by the municipality to ensure that no illegal graves are constructed onto adjacent properties. 		
available to the community	 Indirect impacts: Community members will have to bury their loved ones at a cemetery in neighbouring towns (if space are available) The above is a costly alternative to the community members. It should also be kept in mind that cemeteries of adjacent towns are also fairly full and therefore this option cannot be seen as a reasonable alternative. 	High Negative			

No-go Option			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance	Proposed mitigation
		without mitigation	
	 Community 		
	members will		
	make use of		
	adjacent		
	property as an		
	illegal cemetery.		
	Cumulative	High Negative	
	impacts:		
	 Community 		
	members will		
	have to bury their		
	loved ones at a		
	cemetery in		
	neighbouring		
	towns (if space		
	are available)		
	 The above is a 		
	costly alternative		
	to the community		
	members.		
	It should also be		
	kept in mind that		
	cemeteries of		
	adjacent towns		
	are also fairly full		
	and therefore this		
	option cannot be		

	No-go Option			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	seen as a reasonable alternative. • Community members will make use of adjacent property as an illegal cemetery.			

A complete impact assessment in terms of Regulation 19(3) of GN 733 must be included as Appendix F.

2. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Taking the assessment of potential impacts into account, please provide an environmental impact statement that summarises the impact that the proposed activity and its alternatives may have on the environment <u>after</u> the management and mitigation of impacts have been taken into account, with specific reference to types of impact, duration of impacts, likelihood of potential impacts actually occurring and the significance of impacts.

	Environmental impact statement for the proposed construction of a					
	cemetery, Lutzburg Alternative 1 _{Preferred}					
Nr	Impact	Without Mitigation	With Mitigation			
1	Impacts on vegetation and listed or protected plant species resulting from the construction phase	High Negative	Low-Medium Negative			
2	Impacts on animal species resulting from construction activities	Medium-Low Negative	Low Negative			
3	Erosion	High Negative	Low Negative			
4	Pollution	High Negative	Low Negative			
5	Health and Safety	Medium Negative	Low Negative			
6	Heritage, including archaeological and paleontological	Medium-Low Negative	Low Negative			
7	Visual and noise	Medium-Low Negative	Low Negative			

Alternative 1 Preferred - Construction of a new cemetery

- The construction of a new cemetery is proposed.
- Preparation and development of the cemetery (including construction of new road) will result in the destruction of the vegetation.
- Erosion control measures should be implemented.
- The project will provide for new burial sites for future usage.
- The possible impacts associated with the proposed project can be minimised if the recommended mitigation measures as mentioned in this document and the EMPr is adhered to.
- Removal and transplantation of protected plant species

Alternative 2_{Locality}

- Another option is to expand the existing cemetery.
- However, option is not seen as a reasonable / feasible alternative, as the existing cemetery already reached the borders of the property.

Alternative 3_{Design & Layout}

- The geographic information as well as the existing road network in close proximity of the proposed site was taken into consideration. No alternative layout / design was considered as a feasible / reasonable alternative.
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Alternative 4_{Technology}

- As part of this alternative, the construction of graves is only to be done by hand during the operational phase.
- However, this option is not recommended due to the:
 - Type of soil (hard) encountered on site the community members will not be able to dig the graves to the acceptable depths.
 - High number of burials per week.
- Therefore, this option was not discussed throughout the current document.

No-go alternative (compulsory)

- Utilising the existing cemetery. The existing cemetery in the region has reached its capacity and is therefore inadequate for the need of the community. This option is thus not seen as a feasible / reasonable alternative.
- No direct environmental impacts are foreseen if the no-go alternative is decided upon.
- However, no approved burial sites will be available.
- Possible health and safety issues, as bodies will be buried in shallow, hand dug graves in unsuitable areas will occur.

YES

SECTION E. RECOMMENDATION OF PRACTITIONER

Is the information contained in this report and the documentation attached hereto sufficient to make a decision in respect of the activity applied for (in the view of the environmental assessment practitioner)?

If "NO", indicate the aspects that should be assessed further as part of a Scoping and EIA process before a decision can be made (list the aspects that require further assessment).

If "YES", please list any recommended conditions, including mitigation measures that should be considered for inclusion in any authorisation that may be granted by the competent authority in respect of the application.

Refer to the EMPr in Appendix G for recommended mitigation measures.Is an EMPr attached?YES

The EMPr must be attached as Appendix G.

The details of the EAP who compiled the BAR and the expertise of the EAP to perform the Basic Assessment process must be included as Appendix H.

If any specialist reports were used during the compilation of this BAR, please attach the declaration of interest for each specialist in Appendix I.

Any other information relevant to this application and not previously included must be attached in Appendix J.

NAME OF EAP

SIGNATURE OF EAP

DATE

SECTION F: APPENDIXES

The following appendixes must be attached:

Appendix A: Maps

Appendix B: Photographs

Appendix C: Facility illustration(s)

Appendix D: Specialist reports (including terms of reference)

Appendix D₁: Heritage Appendix D₂: Ecological Appendix D₃: Preliminary Design Report / Services Report Appendix D₄: Traffic Impact Study Appendix D₅: Geohydrological Report Appendix D₆: Geotechnical Report

Appendix E: Public Participation

 $\begin{array}{l} \mbox{Appendix } E_1: \mbox{ List of identified possible IAPs} \\ \mbox{Appendix } E_2: \mbox{ Proof of notification} \\ \mbox{Appendix } E_3: \mbox{ List of registered parties} \\ \mbox{Appendix } E_4: \mbox{ List of comments received} \\ \mbox{Appendix } E_5: \mbox{ Response to comments received} \\ \mbox{Appendix } E_6: \mbox{ Proof of submission of dBAR to registered parties} \\ \end{array}$

Appendix F: Impact Assessment

Appendix G: Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)

Appendix H: Details of EAP and expertise

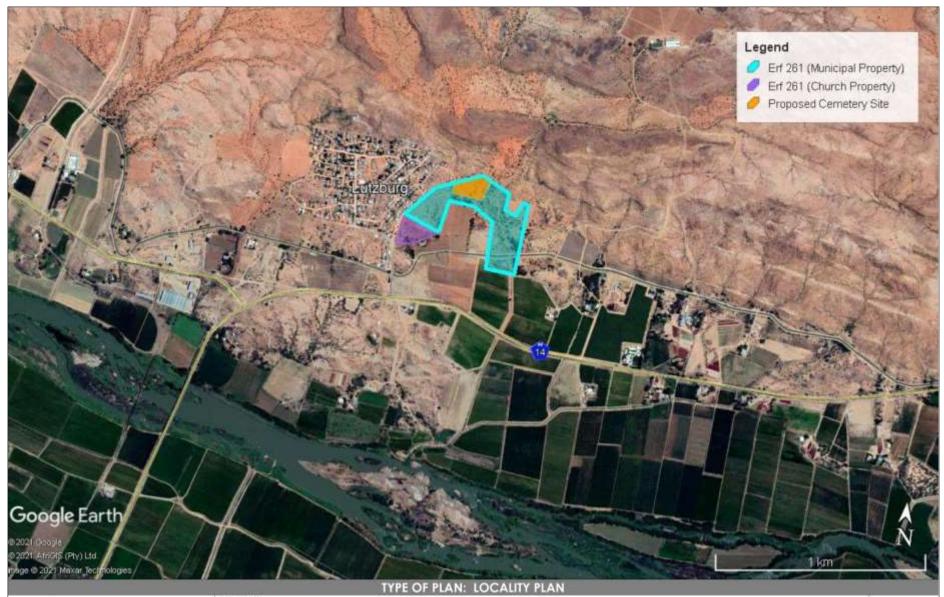
Appendix I: Specialist's declaration of interest

NOTE: Declaration by EAP is attached to Appendix H. Heritage Ecological Geotechnical Geohydrological

Appendix J: Additional Information Appendix J₁: Confirmation from Municipality Appendix J₂: Title Deed Document



Maps



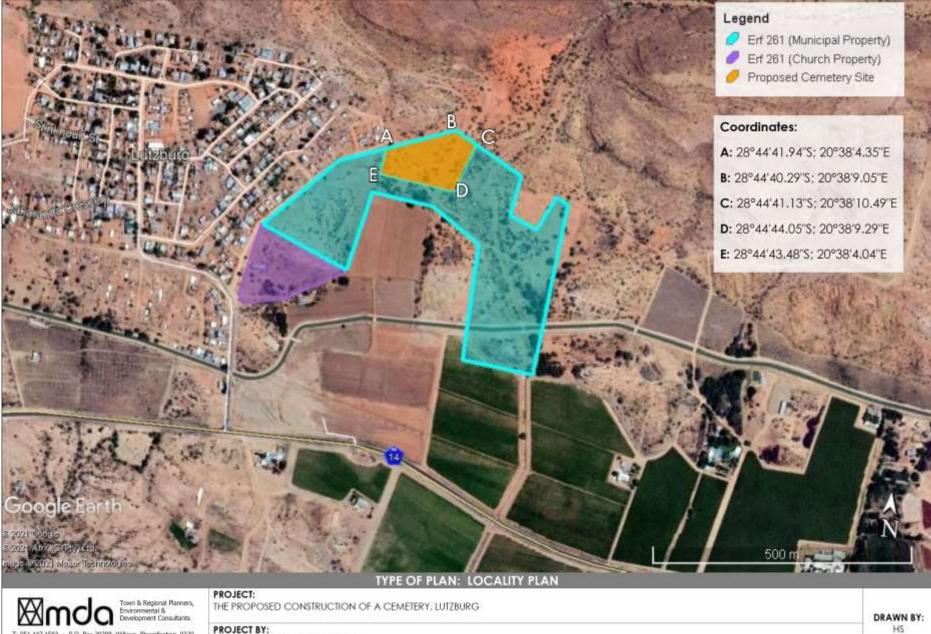


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Photographs



Figure 1: Panorama of the proposed graveyard site. The site is clearly dominated by a sparse tree layer with well-developed grass layer and herbaceous component.



Figure 2: Another panorama of the site with notable vegetation clearing also visible. Note also rocky ridges in the background which confirms that such habitats are absent from the site.



Figure 3: View of the small drainage line bordering the site to the west. It is notably small but as a storm water channel, impacts on it should still be prevented.



Figure 4: View of the site with one of the protected specimens of Vachellia erioloba (Camel Thorn Tree) visible. Several of these trees are present on the site.



Figure 5: Only one specimen of the protected Boscia albitrunca (Shepherds Tree) could be identified on the site.



Figure 6: Several dirt tracks cause disturbance of the vegetation. Note also the uran area of Lutzburg in the background.



Figure 7: The drainage line to the east of the site is visibly quite large though as it is located more than 30 meters from the site should not be affected by the development.



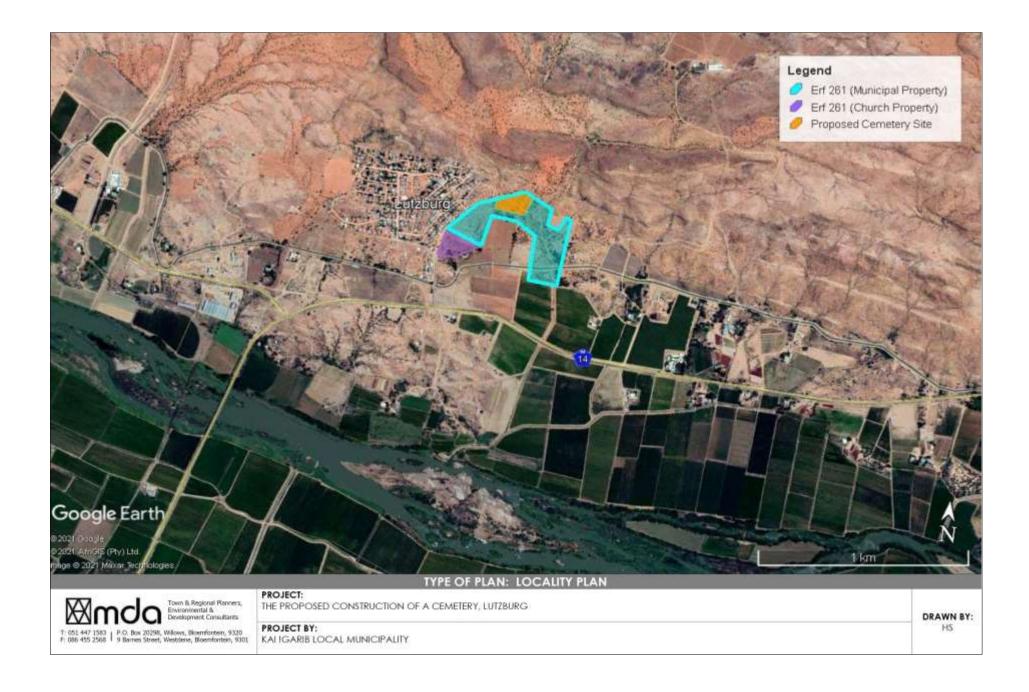
Figure 8: Patches of the threatened Lower Gariep Alluvial Vegetation in the surrounding area is characterised by a denser tree/shrub cover and a few riparian species.



Figure 9: One of the burrows on the site belonging to either the Ground Squirrel (Xerus inauris) or Yellow Mongoose (Cynictis penicillata).



Facility Illustration(s)





Public Participation

APPENDIX E1

List of identified possible interested and affected parties

The proposed construction of a new cemetery, Lutzburg				
Table 1: List of identified possible interested and / or affected parties				
Authorities & Stakeholders				
Organization Head of	Contact person and contact detail Ms Ruth Palm			
Department	P.O. Box 3132			
(Acting):	Kimberley			
Department of	8301			
Roads And Public				
Works				
HoD: Department	Mr Wvd Mothibi			
of Agriculture &	Private Bag X5018			
Land Reform: NC	Kimberley 8300			
Department of	Private Bag X5002			
Public Works: NC	Kimberley			
Property Manager	8300			
Ward Councilor:	11 th Avenue 9			
Ward 7	Kakamas			
	8870			
	Private Bag X6			
	Kakamas			
	8870			
Local Municipal	IGA de Waal			
Manager	11th Avenue 9			
Kakamas 8870				
			Private Bag X6	
	Kakamas			
	8870			
District Municipal	Mr Abraham Vosloo			
Manager	Private Bag X6039			
	Upington			
	8800			
	Cnr Nelson Mandela Avenue & Upington 26 Road			
	Upington			
	8800			
Chief Director:	Mr Abe Abrahams			
Northern Cape	28 Central Road			
DWS	Beaconsfield			
KIMBERLY 8301				
	Private Bag X6101			

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Table 1: List of identified possible interested and / or affected parties				
	KIMBERLEY			
	8300			
Department of	Ms Jacoline Mans			
Agriculture,	P.O. Box 2782			
Forestry & Fisheries	Upington 8800			
SAHRA	P.O. Box 4637			
	CAPE TOWN			
	8000			
Northern Cape	Mr Ratha Timothy (Manager)			
Heritage	1 Monridge Parl			
	Cnr. Kekewich Drive & Memorial Road			
	Kimberley 8300			
ESKOM	Andrea van Gensen			
	Environmental Manager			
	Land Development & Environment			
	Northern Cape Operating Unit			
	Eskom Holdings SOS Limited			
	DSC Office Block 69 Memorial Road			
PO Box 606				
	Kimberley 8301			
TELKOM	Ms H. Van den Heever			
	Telkom Wayleave Operations Manager			
	Private Bag X20700			
	Bloemfontein			
9300				
Adjacent Landowners				
Means	Landowners of Adjacent Properties (1) of Notification: Hand Delivery on 29 October 2021			
Property	Contact Person			
Erf 422	Francina Coetzee			
Erf 423	Izak Bezuidenhoudt			
Erf 424	Esesta Coetzee			
Erf 419	David Jonkers			
Erf 420	Leandrie E Jonkers			
Erf 421	Elizabeth Bezuidenhoudt			
Erf 332	Felisaty Jordien Swartz			
Erf 333	Susanna Rooi			
Erf 334	Lizel Hassain			
Erf 338	Lacy Swarts			

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Table 1: List of identified possible interested and / or affected parties				
Erf 339	Mary Witbooi			
Erf 340	Fransiena C Frans			
Erf 341	Information Unknown			
Erf 314	Linda September			
Erf 315	Evelin Maasdorp			
Erf 316	Anna Kotze			
Erf 320	Helena Kotze			
Erf 325	Alice Brand			
	Landowners of Adjacent Properties (2)			
	Means of Notification: Registered Post			
Property	Owner			
Remainder of the erf 271 C028000500000271 00000	SIYANDA DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY			
Remainder of the erf 123 C028001000000123 00000	Kai Garib Local Municipality			
Erf 319	Arborlane Estates (Pty) Ltd			
C028000500000319	Weltevreden Tweefontein Farm			
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	<u>023 317 0617</u>			
Erf 262 C028000500000262 00000	Kai Garib Local Municipality			
Erf 326	BARNARD JOHANNA MARGARETHA CRAFFORD			
C028000500000326	<u>mwmuse@mweb.co.za</u>			
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	HAAKDORINGSTRAAT 27			
	WELGEVONDEN ESTATE			
	STELLENBOSCH			
	7600			
Erf 273	KOUSAS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD			
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Erf 39 C028000500000039 00000	CHARLTON JAMES EMMANUEL 7510235405082			
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Erf 317	Kai Garib Local Municipality	
Erf 318	Kai Garib Local Municipality	
Erf 319	Kai Garib Local Municipality	
Erf 324	Kai Garib Local Municipality	



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Erf 424	Received by: Emesta Cartza		
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Erf 421	Received by: Elizabeth Besuidenhoude		
	Date: 29.10.2021		
	Signature: E. Bezchicleshacot.		
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Erf 324	Received by:
	Date:
	Signature:
Erf 325	Received by: Alice Brand
	Date: 29.10.2021 Signature: A.Brand
	Signature: A.Brand



Table 2: List of registered parties Authorities & Stakeholders				
Contact person				
Organization	and contact detail	Comments and Response		
Head of Department (Acting): Department of	Ms Ruth Palm P.O. Box 3132 Kimberley 8301	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Roads And Public Works				
HoD: Department of Agriculture & Land Reform: NC	Mr Wvd Mothibi Private Bag X5018 Kimberley	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was		
	8300	forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Department of Public Works: NC	Private Bag X5002 Kimberley	Comment: None to date		
Property Manager	8300	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Ward Councilor: Ward 7	11 th Avenue 9 Kakamas	Comment: None to date		
	8870	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
	Private Bag X6 Kakamas 8870			
Local Municipal Manager	IGA de Waal 11th Avenue 9	Comment: None to date		
	Kakamas 8870	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
	Private Bag X6 Kakamas 8870			
District Municipal Manager	Mr Abraham Vosloo Private Bag X6039	Comment: None to date		
	Upington 8800	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
	Cnr Nelson Mandela Avenue & Upington 26 Road Upington 8800			
Chief Director: Northern Cape	Mr Abe Abrahams 28 Central Road	Comment: None to date		
DWS	Beaconsfield KIMBERLY	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		

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Organization	Contact person and contact detail	Comments and Response		
	8301 Private Bag X6101 KIMBERLEY 8300			
Department of Agriculture, Forestry & Fisheries	Ms Jacoline Mans P.O. Box 2782 Upington 8800	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
SAHRA	P.O. Box 4637 CAPE TOWN 8000	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Northern Cape Heritage	Mr Ratha Timothy (Manager) 1 Monridge Parl Cnr. Kekewich Drive & Memorial Road Kimberley 8300	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
ESKOM	Andrea van Gensen Environmental Manager Land Development & Environment Northern Cape Operating Unit Eskom Holdings SOS Limited DSC Office Block 69 Memorial Road PO Box 606 Kimberley 8301	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
TELKOM	Ms H. Van den Heever Telkom Wayleave Operations Manager Private Bag X20700 Bloemfontein 9300	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		

Table 2: List of Registered Parties				
Adjacent Landowners: Copy of dBAR				
Property Name	Contact Name and Contact Detail	Comments and Response		
Remainder of the	SIYANDA DISTRICT	Comment: None to date		
erf 271	MUNICIPALITY	Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Remainder of the erf 123	Kai Garib Local Municipality	Comment: None to date		
		Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Erf 319	Arborlane Estates (Pty) Ltd Weltevreden	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was		
	Tweefontein Farm Ceres, Western Cape <u>023 317 0617</u>	forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Erf 262	Kai Garib Local Municipality	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Erf 326	BARNARD JOHANNA MARGARETHA CRAFFORD <u>mwmuse@mweb.co.z</u> <u>a</u> 0729486106 HAAKDORINGSTRAAT 27 WELGEVONDEN ESTATE STELLENBOSCH 7600	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		
Erf 273	KOUSAS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD PERSEEL 274 LUTZBURG KAKAMAS 8870 SCHRODERSTRAAT 18 UPINGTON	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.		

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Erf 37	KOUSAS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD PERSEEL 274 LUTZBURG KAKAMAS 8870 SCHRODERSTRAAT 18 UPINGTON 8801 P.O Box 204 UPINGTON 8800	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was for Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.
Erf 272	KOUSAS INVESTMENTS PTY LTD PERSEEL 274 LUTZBURG KAKAMAS 8870 SCHRODERSTRAAT 18 UPINGTON 8801 P.O Box 204 UPINGTON 8800	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.
Erf 39	Charlton James Emmanuel 7510235405082	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.
Remaining extent of the KAKAMAS NORTH SETTLEMENT	KERKRAAD VAN DIE N G SENDINGGEMEENTE KAKAMAS	Comment: None to date Response: Copies of the dBAR was forwarded to all registered IAPs.

AGRICULTURAL		
HOLDING nr 261		
Erf 313	Kai Garib Local	Comment: None to date
	Municipality	
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Erf 317	Kai Garib Local	Comment: None to date
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Erf 318	Kai Garib Local	Comment: None to date
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Erf 319	Kai Garib Local	Comment: None to date
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Erf 324	Kai Garib Local	Comment: None to date
	Municipality	
		Response: Copies of the dBAR was
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NOTE: No parties registered to date.



List of comments received

No comments received to date.

Any comments received during the PPP will be included in the fBAR.



Response to comments received

N/A as no comments received to date.

Any comments received during the PPP will be addressed in the fBAR.



Proof of submission of dBAR to registered parties

To be attached to fBAR.



The proposed construction of a new cemetery Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province

Applicant: Kai !Garib Municipality **MDA Ref No:** 40900 Date: November 2021



Physical Address: 9 Barnes Street, Westdene, Bloemfontein, 9301 Postal Address: P.O. Box 100982, Brandhof, 9324 Tel: 051 447 1583, Fax: 051 448 9839 E-mail: admin@mdagroup.co.za

1. METHODOLOGY

- 1.1. Impact assessment must take into account the nature, scale and duration of effects on the environment whether such effects are positive (beneficial) or negative (detrimental). Each issue / impact is also assessed according to the project stages from planning, through construction and operation to the decommissioning phase. Where necessary, the proposal for mitigation or optimization of an impact is noted. A brief discussion of the impact and the rationale behind the assessment of its significance has also been included.
- 1.2. A rating system is applied to the potential impact on the receiving environment and includes an objective evaluation of the mitigation of the impact. In assessing the significance of each issue the following criteria (including an allocated point system) is used:

Table: Criteria	for the classif	ication of an impact							
Nature	A brief de	brief description of the environmental aspect being							
	impacted upon by a particular action or activity is presented.								
Extent	Considering the area over which the impact will be expressed.								
(Scale)	Typically, the severity and significance of an impact have								
	different scales and as such bracketing ranges are often								
		s is often useful during the detailed assessment							
		project in terms of further defining the determined							
		or intensity of an impact.							
	Site	Within the construction site							
	Local	Within a radius of 2 km of the construction site							
	Regional	Provincial (and parts of neighbouring provinces)							
	National	The whole of South Africa							
Duration	Indicates what the lifetime of the impact will be.								
	Short-term	The impact will either disappear with mitigation							
		or will be mitigated through natural process in a							
		span shorter than the construction phase							
	Medium-	The impact will last for the period of the							
	term	construction phase, where after it will be entirely							
		negated							
	Long-term	The impact will continue or last for the entire							
		operational life of the development, but will be							
		mitigated by direct human action or by natural							
	Permanent	processes thereafter							
		The only class of impact which will be non- transitory. Mitigation either by man or natural							
		process will not occur in such a way or in such a							
		time span that the impact can be considered							
		transient							

Table: Criteria	for the classif	ication of an impact						
Intensity	Describes whether an impact is destructive or benign.							
	It is important to note that the status of an impact is assigned							
	based on the	e status quo – i.e. should the project not proceed.						
	Therefore no	t all negative impacts are equally significant.						
	Low Impact affects the environment in such a way							
		that natural, cultural and social functions and						
		processes are not affected.						
	Medium	Effected environment is altered, but natural and						
		social functions and processes continue albeit in						
		a modified way.						
	High	Natural, cultural and social functions and						
		processes are altered to extent that they						
	Varybigh	temporarily cease						
	Very high	Natural, cultural and social functions and processes are altered to extent that they						
		permanently cease						
Probability	Describes the	e likelihood of an impact actually occurring.						
Trobability	Improbable	Likelihood of the impact materializing is very low						
	Possible	The impact may occur						
	Highly	Most likely that the impact will occur						
	probable							
	Definite	Impact will certainly occur						
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Table: Criteria for the classification of an impact					
	Negative	Deleterious or adverse impact			
	Neutral	Impact is neither beneficial nor adverse			

The suitability and feasibility of all proposed mitigation measures will be included in the assessment of significant impacts. This will be achieved through the comparison of the significance of the impact before and after the proposed mitigation measure is implemented.

DESCRIPTION AND ADDRESSING OF POSSIBLE IMPACTS, ISSUES AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

Developments such as these do have, like many other types of developments, various direct but also indirect impacts on the environment. These impacts have to be managed in order to have the minimum environmental impact and the maximum benefit to man.

Issues identified during the Basic Assessment process are discussed and assessed below:

1. VEGETATION DESTRUCTION							
Assessment							
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status	
Without Mitigation	Local	Permanent	Very high	Definite	High	Negative	
With Mitigation	Site	Long term	High	Definite	Medium	Negative	
Recommendation	-						
Phase		n of recommendo					
General	• Please	refer to the Specie	alist Reports in A	ppendix D for more	e recommendation	ns	
Planning Phase	None						
Construction						ies will be removed	
phase and				efore gestation the	reof.		
operational phase	•			he required area.			
			al of protected	plant species will	be obtained before	ore the removal of	
		pecies (if any).					
				ry destruction of the	•		
					-	construction areas	
		-	cess road in ord	ler to prevent perip	pheral impacts on	surrounding natural	
	habitat						
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				e must be develope			
		-		regularly to ensure		-	
						as soon as possible.	
Post construction					-	n and operational	
phase and	-			construction and r	-		
rehabilitation		•	nted as far as po	ossible and attende	ed to, as serious er	osion may occur at	
phase	barren						
			· · ·	nal depth) over reh			
	-			blish naturally over			
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	must be	e ripped, addition	al topsoil spread	d and seeded with	indigenous grass s	pecies.	

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Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status	
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With Mitigation	Site	Long term	High	Definite	Medium	Negative	
Recommendation							
Phase	Descriptio	on of recommende	ation				
	 Species, especially grasses, trees and shrubs occurring in the region must be used to rehabilitate disturbed areas. Keep animals away from the site, at least until the vegetation has re-established sufficiently. 						

2. LOSS OF SOIL						
Assessment						
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status
Without Mitigation	Regional	Permanent	Medium	Definite	High	Negative
With Mitigation	Local	Long-term	Medium	Definite	Medium	Negative
Recommendation	-					
Phase	Description	of recommende	ation			
General	Please re	efer to the Speci	alist Reports in A	ppendix D for more	e recommendatior	ns
Planning Phase	site, as n • However	o mitigation me r, the engineer	asures are to be s, specialists an	implemented on s	ite during the plan consultants took v	various factors into
Construction phase and operational phase	 rehabilitation Bricks magnetic stockpit The gramage Speed lingeright Dust construct All humage All huma	ation process, for nay be placed of les should not be dient of stockpil mit will be enfor nated roads / por nated roads	r example: around the stock e higher than 1.3 les should not be ced on the con athways. will be implement cess road in orc be undertaken will be implement e occurrence of	piles, to limit the los 5 m. 9 greater than 1:1.5 1struction vehicles of ented if nuisance ust be contained w der to prevent perip regularly to ensure nted in order to m	ss thereof due to ro and these vehicles dust generation within designated oheral impacts on environmental co anage storm wate undertaken on a	s will only make use occurs during the construction areas surrounding natural

2. LOSS OF SOIL								
Assessment	Assessment							
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status		
Without Mitigation	Regional	Permanent	Medium	Definite	High	Negative		
With Mitigation	Local	Long-term	Medium	Definite	Medium	Negative		
Recommendation								
Phase	Description	of recommende	ation					
Post construction phase and rehabilitation phase	 Description of recommendation Erosion should be prevented as far as possible and attended to, as serious erosion may occur at barren areas. Return and spread topsoil cover (to original depth) over rehabilitated area. Vegetation should be allowed to re-establish naturally over disturbed area to be rehabilitated. Areas which show no vegetation growth nine months after completion of the rehabilitation work, must be ripped, additional topsoil spread and seeded with indigenous grass species. 							

3. POLLUTION CONT	IROL					
Assessment						
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status
Without Mitigation	Regional	Permanent	High	Definite	High	Negative
With Mitigation	Local	Long-term	Medium	Definite	Medium	Negative
Recommendation	_					
Phase	Description	of recommende	ation			
General	Please re	fer to the Speci	alist Reports in A	ppendix D for more	e recommendatio	ns
Planning Phase	site, as no • However	o mitigation me , the engineers	asures are to be s, specialists ar	implemented on s	ite during the plan consultants took	various factors into
Construction phase and operational phase	 Best pract No waster fea Suitable Waste with DWS show resources Record statistics Visual instant 	ctices should be e (general / co atures. waste bins etc. v ill be removed fr uld be notified s. should be kep on, any spillages pections should tation and erosid	implemented ir nstruction / pot will be available om site and disp of any spillage t on site durin observed, and be undertaken on.	on site for the tem posed of at an auth / pollution within g the constructior manner in which sp	ges / pollution / erc etc.) may be due porary disposal of norised landfill site. 24 hours of occur n phase to indice bill was treated. onths to investigate	osion. mped in the veld / waste. rence within water ate date of visual e the occurrence of
Post construction phase and rehabilitation phase	 Maintena All tempora Tempora No waste 	ance and repair prary infrastructu ry concrete surf	will be underta ore related to th aces (if any) wil d on site and ar	ken when necessa e construction pha I be removed and o	ry. se will be removec compacted areas	from site.

4. LOSS OF ANIMAL LIFE								
Assessment								
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status		
Without Mitigation	Local	Permanent	Medium	Definite	High	Negative		
With Mitigation	Local	Long-term	Medium	Definite	Medium	Neutral		
Recommendation								
Phase	Description	of recommendat	tion					
General	Please re	fer to the Specia	list Reports in Appe	endix D for more	e recommendatior	าร		
Planning Phase	site, as no • However	 No environmental mitigation measures is required during the planning phase on the proposed site, as no mitigation measures are to be implemented on site during the planning phase. However, the engineers, specialists and environmental consultants took various factors into consideration, to be implemented during the construction / operational phase. 						
Construction phase and operational phase	 Specialist permits st Any occur 	 No animals may be captured / harmed / killed on site. Specialists should be appointed to remove / translocate species, if required. The necessary permits should also be obtained. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be reported to the ECO, the required steps should be taken and should be recorded as such. 						
Post construction phase and rehabilitation phase	 be taken and should be recorded as such. No animals may be captured / harmed / killed on site. Specialists should be appointed to remove / translocate species, if required. The necessary permits should also be obtained. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be reported to the ECO, the required steps should be taken and should be recorded as such. 							

5. Surface Water								
Assessment								
Mitigation Status	Extent	Duration	Intensity	Probability	Significance	Status		
Without Mitigation	Regional	Permanent	Medium	Definite	High	Negative		
With Mitigation	Local	Long-term	Medium	Definite	Medium	Neutral		
Recommendation	-							
Phase	Description	of recommenda	tion					
General	Please ret	fer to the Specia	llist Reports in A	ppendix D for more	e recommendatior	ns		
Planning Phase	site, as no • However,	 No environmental mitigation measures is required during the planning phase on the proposed site, as no mitigation measures are to be implemented on site during the planning phase. However, the engineers, specialists and environmental consultants took various factors into consideration, to be implemented during the construction / operational phase. 						
Construction phase and operational phase	 prevent e The nece obtained Daily inspundertake Best prace 	 Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water and this will also prevent erosion. The necessary authorisations (altering and impeding of beds / banks of water sources) should be obtained from DWS should any natural waterways be impacted upon. Daily inspections for the occurrence of surface water pollution and soil pollution are to be undertaken, during the construction phase. Best practices should be implemented in the case of spillages / pollution / erosion at the 						
Post construction phase and rehabilitation phase	All pollute	 waterways. Disturbed waterways (if any) should be rehabilitated according to best practices. All polluted areas should be cleaned as soon as possible. Waste to be removed from site. 						

6. VISUAL IMPACT

The visual impact of the proposed development in the landscape is the function of several factors of which the viewing distance, visual absorption capacity and landform are measurable. Other factors are difficult to categorize because they are subjective viewpoints.

The visual impact for the proposed development is largely due to:

- The topography in terms of elevation and aspect;
- The vegetative cover in terms of its extent and height;
- The extent of the proposed development;
- Distance from point of origin; and
- The low visual absorption capacity of the surrounding landscape.

Factors of visual impact

Visual character:

The visual character of an area has different elements that provide an overall perceived ambience. In the consideration of the visual character of a site, it is important to include not only the internal land use but that of the surrounding land as well.

At this site, the visual character is mainly the town of Lutzburg. The existing cemetery, church as well as agricultural activities are also located within viewing distance of the site.

Scale of landscape:

Visual scale is the apparent size relationships between landscape components and their surroundings (Smardon, et al. 1986).

Visual analysis:

In this section the intensity of the visual impact of the development on the surrounding area is described. Aspects such as viewshed, visual absorption capacity and the appearance of the development from critical viewpoints will be used to determine this impact.

The proposed construction of a new graveyard is situated in a natural area but is in close proximity to the town of Lutzburg, as well as the existing cemetery.

Site evaluation in terms of visual impact

Visual assessment ratings rates each criterion listed in the table from, high, medium to low according to specific characteristics of those criteria.

	Visual assessment criteria used to determine the degree of visual impact of the proposed activities on the environment (adapted from Klapwijk 1998)								
CRITERIA	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW						
Visibility	Very visible from many places beyond 1km	Visible from within 1km zone but partially obscured by intervening objects	Only partially visible within the 1km zone and beyond due to screening by intervening objects						
Visual quality	A very attractive setting	A setting with some aesthetic and visual merit	A setting which has little aesthetic merit						
Visible man- made structures	Buildings as a dominant visual element	Buildings as a partial visual element	Buildings as a minor visual element						
Surrounding landscape compatibility	Cannot accommodate proposed development without appearing totally out of place.	Can accommodate the proposed development without appearing totally out of place	Usually suits or matches the proposed development						
Character of site or surrounding area	Exhibits a definite character	Exhibits some character	Little or no character						
Contrast between human scale and vertical & horizontal	There is high contrast	Landscape with some contrast	Limited vertical variation. Most elements are related to human and horizontal						

Visual assessment criteria used to determine the degree of visual impact of the proposed activities on the environment (adapted from Klapwijk 1998)								
CRITERIA	HIGH	MEDIUM	LOW					
elements in the landscape			scale					
Visual absorption capacity (VAC)	Inability of landscape to visually absorb a development because of a limited vegetation cover, flat slope and uniform texture	The lower ability of the landscape to visually absorb the development due to less diverse landform, vegetation & texture	The ability of landscape to easily accept visually a particular development because of its diverse landform, vegetation and texture					
View distance (uninterrupted)	More than 5km	Between 5km & 1km	Between 1km & 500m					
Critical views	Views of the development are to be seen by many people passing on road routes and from prominent areas	Some views of the development from surrounding routes and housing	Limited views to the development from roads and housing					

Results and conclusions on visual impact of development assessment

Aspect	Result	
Visibility	HIGH	
Visual quality	MEDIUM	
Visible man-made structures	MEDIUM	
Surrounding landscape compatibility	MEDIUM	
Character of site or surrounding area		
Contrast between human scale, vertical & horizontal elements in		
the landscape		
Visual absorption capacity (VAC)		
View distance (uninterrupted)		
Critical views	MEDIUM	

The proposed development will have a medium visual impact. This is largely due to:

- The extent of the development
- The surrounding agricultural as well as residential areas, the locality of the existing cemetery.

APPENDIX G

Environmental Management Programme (EMPr)

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME

The proposed construction of a new cemetery Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province

Proponent: Kai !Garib Local Municipality **MDA Ref No:** 40900 November 2021 Date:

Town & Regional Planners, Environmental & Development

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Project and associated construction activities

The proposed project entails the construction of a new cemetery at Lutzburg.

Please refer to the map in Appendix A of the Basic Assessment Report for an indication on the locality of the proposed activities.

1.2 Objectives of the EMPr

The EMPr aims to fulfil the requirements in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998), with the following objectives:

- To identify, predict and evaluate actual and potential impacts on the environment, socio-economic conditions and cultural heritage, the risks and consequences and alternatives and options for mitigation of activities, with a view to minimizing negative impacts, maximizing benefits and promoting compliance with the principles of environmental management;
- To identify and employ the modes of environmental management best suited to ensuring that the activity is pursued in accordance with best environmental management practices;
- To be able to respond to unforeseen events; and
- To provide feedback on compliance.

1.3 Implementation of the EMPr

The proponent, namely Kai !Garib Municipality is responsible for the implementation of the EMPr. All contractors should be supplied with a copy of the EMPr and should ensure that construction staff adheres to the mitigation measures.

2. **PREPARATION OF THE EMPR**

2.1 Person(s) who prepared the EMPr

- i) Mr Neil Devenish
- ii) Me Hanlie Stander

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2.2 Expertise of the person(s) who prepared the EMPr

i) Mr Neil Devenish

Key qualifications:

• Key competencies and experience include development control applications (applications and appeals pertaining to rezoning, consolidations, subdivisions etc.) township establishment applications, environmental management and control applications.

Education:

- B. A. (Sociology, Geography) University of the Free State, SA, 1994
- Master of Town and Regional Planning, University of the Free State, SA, 1996
- Managing the Environmental Impact Assessment Process, Environmental Management Unit, PU for CHE, 2000
- Environmental Management Consulting, South African Institute of Ecologists & Environmental Scientists, 2001
- Water Law of South Africa, The South African Institution of Civil Engineers (SAICE), 2006
- ii) Me Hanlie Stander

Key qualifications:

• Key competencies and experience include environmental management and research in zoology and environmental management.

Education:

- B.Sc. (Zoology), University of the Free State, South Africa, 2005
- B.Sc. Honors (Zoology), University of the Free State, South Africa, 2006
- M.Sc. (Zoology), University of the Free State, South Africa, 2012

3. RECOMMENDED MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

ECO - Environmental Control Officer / IECO - Independent Environmental Control Officer / SO - Safety Officer

SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDED MANAGEMENT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

ECO - Environmental Control Officer / IECO - Independent Environmental Control Officer / SO - Safety Officer

		Compliance and	d Monitoring
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Record keeping of compliance and monitoring reports	Direct impacts: • Non-conformance Indirect impacts: • Non-conformance • Non-conformance	High Negative High Negative High Negative	 The applicant will ensure that the contractors adhere to the recommendations of the EMPr and conditions of the Environmental Authorisation during construction. An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. Note that the ECO may be appointed separately or can be part of the contractor's team. Regular monitoring and / or spot inspections at least every fortnight during the construction phase is recommended. Inspections should be documented, and any shortcomings addressed immediately. A report will be provided by the independent ECO to the contractor upon completion thereof. The findings thereof should be made available to the competent authority (for example NC DENC, DWS), should it be requested. Any emergency or unforeseen impact will be reported to the relevant environmental department within 24 hours after identification for telephonic approval and will be confirmed in writing. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) should be available on site. Where possible and available, MSDS should include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimize negative

Compliance and Mor			Monitoring
Activity	Impact summary	Significance	Proposed mitigation
		without	
		mitigation	
			 environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes. Procedures in the MSDS should be implemented in case of an emergency. The following documents should be available on site, and made available to the competent authority on request (if applicable): Complaints Register Environmental Incident Register Disposal Certificates of Waste and Wastewater Generated during the construction / operational phase Environmental Monitoring (Audit) Reports Written Corrective Action Instructions Environmental Authorisation DWS Permit / License Blasting Permit Removal / Transplantation of protected species permits EMPr

Planning and Design phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Planning and design	Direct impacts: None Indirect impacts: None 	Medium – High Negative Medium – High Negative	 No environmental mitigation measures are required during the planning phase on the proposed site, as no mitigation measures are to be implemented on site during the planning phase. However, the applicant, engineers, environmental
	Cumulative impacts: • None	Medium – High Negative	 consultants and specialists should take the following steps during the planning phase: Permits will be obtained for the removal / transplantation of protected species that are located within the construction area where no alternatives are possible (if any). A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction phase. The necessary Environmental Authorisation will be obtained before any activities listed in the Regulations are undertaken. In addition, the necessary DWS registrations will be obtained, before any construction activities near watercourses are undertaken. The necessary precautions regarding road safety will be implemented for construction work to be undertaken within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, potable water and waste facilities will be in place before construction activities are undertaken. A blasting permit will be obtained before blasting

	Planning and Design phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
			 activities is undertaken (if any). The design and layout of the proposed project will take the possibility of flooding, erosion and pollution into consideration. The Contractor must acquire a permit, issued by the relevant heritage resources authority, in the instance that any destruction, damage, excavation, alteration, defacing or any other disruption are to take place to any archaeological material (including infrastructures older than 60 years). 	
	environmental impo	acts associated with	nsideration during the Planning and Design Phase, the the construction and operation phase will be of high sibly be negatively affected.	

Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
General measures to consider	 Direct impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Noise Nuisance dust Indirect impacts: Possible outbreaks of fire Pollution (groundwater, surface water, soil and air) Erosion Loss of biodiversity (vegetation & animal life) Nuisance dust 	Negative High Negative	 Any construction is disruptive, and the environment must be given consideration with every activity undertaken. All relevant standards relating to legislation should be adhered to (including waste emissions, waste disposal, noise regulations, etc.) According to Section 28 of the NEMA Act 107, every person who cause, has caused or may cause significant pollution or degradation of the environment must take reasonable measures to prevent such pollution or degradation from occurring, continuing or recurring and if it can't be avoided or stopped, to minimize and rectify such pollution or degradation of the environment. The pollution control provision in Section 19(1) of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) should be adhered to at all times. ECO should be provided with a layout of the site,
 Cumulative impacts: Possible outbreaks of fire Pollution(groundwater surface water, soil and air) Erosion Loss of biodiversity 	High Negative	 indicating the position of the following prior to the site establishment, for acceptance: Ablution Facilities Storage Areas Ready-mix Areas Stockpile Areas Waste Disposal Facilities Hazardous Substances Storage Area 	

		Construction	phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	(vegetation & animal life)		 Etc. Designate the boundaries of the active construction start-up site, by erecting fencing / danger tape (where applicable). Fence off operational footprint area (if possible) to ensure all operational activities are contained within the designate area. All construction and operational activities must be contained within the demarcated construction area as determined in consultation with the ECO. Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities. The necessary precautions regarding road safety will be implemented for construction work within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, water and waste facilities will be in place for construction workers throughout the construction phase. Chemical toilets will be cleaned and serviced regularly and proof thereof will be available on site. Protable water will be made available daily to workers on site. Fire-fighting equipment will be available on site, where applicable.

		Construction p	bhase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 If artefacts or graves are uncovered during construction activities, work in the immediate vicinity will be stopped until the project Archaeologist and SAHRA has been consulted. Adjacent landowners will be notified of proposed blasting, 24 hours prior to blasting activities. All relevant IAPs will be notified 24 hours prior to any known potential risks associated with the site and the activities to be undertaken on site.
Site access	Direct impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Erosion • Pollution • Storm water contamination	Medium Negative	 The current access road to the existing cemetery should be improved, when required. Proper storm water measures are to be implemented to avoid run-off of water and washing of sand / soil onto the road. Erosion measures will be implemented. Removal of vegetation will be kept to the required
	Indirect impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Erosion • Surface water contamination	High Negative	area. • No animals will be hunted / captured on site (only to be undertaken by a relevant specialist).
	Cumulative impacts: • Loss of vegetation • Loss of animal life • Erosion	High Negative	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 Surface and groundwater contamination 			
Employee conduct on site	 Direct impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Storm water contamination Occurrence of waste on site Various health and safety aspects Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Storm water contamination Occurrence of waste on site 	Medium Negative High Negative	 No animals may be harmed / captured / trapped and / or hunted. This must be strictly enforced. Animals found at the construction site will be removed and relocated to an appropriate area, by a suitable, qualified person. No open fires allowed. Provision will be made that no accidental fires are started. No firewood will be collected on site or in surrounding areas, without written approval from the landowner. No smoking or open fires will be allowed near storage facilities. No waste may be dumped on site. Employees should make use of the ablution facilities provided. 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
Soil, erosion and vegetation management	 Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Erosion Pollution Storm water contamination Occurrence of waste on site Various health and safety aspects Fire outbreaks Direct impacts: Destruction of vegetation Loss of topsoil Loss of vegetative species of conservational concern Noise elevation due to construction activities Nuisance dust generation Visual impact of rock and spoil material 	High Negative Medium Negative	 Construction activities will be limited to designated construction areas to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitats. Construction vehicles will also keep to constructed roads where possible, so that natural vegetation is not destroyed unnecessarily. Access roads must be non-erosive, structurally stable and not induce flooding / safety hazard. If any access road is impaired, it will be repaired immediately to prevent any future / further damage. All human movement and activities will be contained within designated construction areas in order to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	dumps Indirect impacts: • Erosion • Establishment of alien / invader vegetation species • Possible impact on heritage artefacts • Loss of fauna on site. Cumulative impacts: • Erosion • Establishment of alien vegetation species	Medium Negative Medium Negative	 natural habitat. Erosion management is important. Rehabilitation measures must be monitored to ensure that no erosion occurs and the disturbed should be adequately re-vegetated. Concurrent rehabilitation of disturbed areas will be undertaken to help the recovery of the vegetation. Stockpiled soil will be stockpiled in an area where it will not be disturbed by vehicles. Stockpiled soil will be protected from washing away during rainstorms. For example: Bricks may be placed around the stockpiles, to limit the loss thereof due to rainy events. Stockpiles should not be higher than 1.5 m. The gradient of stockpiles should not be greater than 1:1.5. Stockpiles should be located away from drainage lines, watercourses and areas of temporary flood All soil excavated is to be separated into top- and subsoil. Subsoil must be used for backfilling and topsoil for landscaping and rehabilitation of disturbed areas. Stockpiled material will be placed on the cleared areas once construction is completed. Respreading of topsoil should be of a sufficient 	

		Construction	phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 depth. Fertilizers should be used where topsoil and subsoil was mixed or not up to original standard. Indigenous tree species in the vicinity of the operational site should be marked with danger tape. Disturbance to such species should be avoided, where possible A permit for the removal of protected plant species will be obtained before the removal of these species (if any) are undertaken. An alien control and monitoring programme will be developed starting during the construction phase and will be carried over into the operational phase. Any proclaimed weed or alien species that germinates during the contract period will be cleared by hand / approved chemicals before flowering thereof. Imported fill material will be monitored during and after construction for the presence of any alien species. Any such species will be removed immediately. Fire fighting equipment will be available on site. Species, especially grasses, trees and shrubs occurring in the region will be used to rehabilitate disturbed areas.

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
			 Compacted soils (such as dirt tracks not to be utilised during the operational phase) must be ripped to ensure the establishment of natural occurring vegetation. Concurrent rehabilitation should be undertaken, where possible. Vegetation clearance will be limited to the required area. Speed limit will be enforced on the construction vehicles and these vehicles will only make use of designated roads / pathways. Dust control measures will be implemented if nuisance dust generation occurs during the construction period. All archaeological findings (if any) should be recorded and reported to SAHRA. No construction activities in the area may proceed without the authorisation from SAHRA. Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water and this will also prevent erosion. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis. No animals may be captured (only by specialist) / harmed / killed on site. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation reported to the ECO and recorded as such.	
Minimise contamination and sterilisation of soil	 Direct impacts: Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation during the rehabilitation phase Loss of vegetation Contaminated soil Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Establishment of alien vegetation Erosion Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation Loss of animal life Establishment of alien vegetation Erosion 	Medium Negative High Negative	 Use of potentially polluting and hazardous substances should be strictly controlled. If soil is significantly contaminated by hazardous substances, then this soil is considered as hazardous and should be disposed of according to best practices. Repair / maintenance will be conducted on site, and impacts like oil spills should be appropriately mitigated. Spill response procedures must be clearly defined and well known by all staff. All threatened or protected plant species as specified by the NEM: Biodiversity Act (2004) will be identified on site. Permits are required for the removal / transplantation of these plants. 	
Construction of graves	 Direct impacts: Visual impact of rock and spoil material dumps from graves excavation Noise elevation due to 	Medium – High Negative	 Site will be kept neat and tidy. Appropriate area will be identified as a stockpiling area. Speed limit will be enforced on the construction vehicles and these vehicles will only make use of designated roads / pathways. 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 construction activities Nuisance dust generation Indirect impacts: Erosion Establishment of alien / invader vegetation species Possible impact on heritage artefacts Loss of fauna on site Cumulative impacts: Erosion Establishment of alien vegetation species 	Medium – High Negative Medium – High Negative	 Dust control measures will be implemented if nuisance dust generation occurs during the construction period. Stockpiled material will be stored in such a way to limit the loss thereof. For example: Bricks may be placed around the stockpiles, to limit the loss thereof due to rainy events. Stockpiles should not be higher than 1.5 m. The gradient of stockpiles should not be greater than 1:1.5. Noise control measures will be implemented. All employees will be provided with the correct PPE. Establishment of alien / invader vegetation will be monitored and these species will be removed by hand or by an approved chemical before gestation thereof. All archaeological findings (if any) should be recorded and reported to SAHRA. No construction activities in the area may proceed without the necessary authorisation from SAHRA. Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water, and this will also prevent erosion. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis. 	

		phase	
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 No animals may be captured (to be undertaken by a specialist) / harmed / killed on site. Any occurrences of harmed animals should be reported to the ECO and recorded as such.
Ablution Facilities	Direct impacts:• Pollution of surface water runoff• Pollution of soilIndirect impacts:• Pollution of surface water runoff• Pollution of soil• Pollution of soil• Pollution of soil• Pollution of groundwater• Odour• Unnatural enrichment of soil• Promotion of unnatural vegetation growth	Negative Medium Negative	 No open areas or the surrounding vegetation may be used as 'toilet facilities. Toilets should be available for all employees. Where waterborne sewerage is not available, the ECO must designate an area within the boundaries of the site for the erection of portable chemical toilets. Toilet facilities shall occur at a minimum ration of 1 toilet per 15 employees. Toilets shall be maintained in a hygienic state and serviced when required. Temporary toilets should be serviced regularly and the contents be removed to a licensed disposal facility.
	Cumulative impacts:Pollution of surface	High Negative	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	 water runoff Pollution of soil Pollution of groundwater Odour Unnatural enrichment of soil Promotion of unnatural vegetation growth 			
Safeguard water resources	Direct impacts: Contamination of surface water resources	High Negative	 No activities will be undertaken within 32 m of a watercourse / within the 1:100 year floodline / 500m of a wetland, without the necessary authorisations (for example from NC DENC and 	
	 Indirect impacts: Erosion Change in flow of water course Pollution (surface water, groundwater and soil) 	High Negative	 DWS). Caution will be taken to ensure that construction materials are not dumped or stored within storm water management systems. Construction activities in the storm water infrastructure will be limited through proper demarcation and appropriate environmental 	
	 Cumulative impacts: Erosion Change in flow of water course Pollution (surface 	High Negative	 awareness training. The Contractor is responsible to inform all staff of the need to be vigilant against any practice that will have a harmful effect on waterways. Infilling, excavation, drainage and hardening of 	

		Construction pl	nase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	water, groundwater and soil)		 surfaces will not occur unnecessarily in storm water infrastructure. Emergency plans will be in place in case of fuel spillages (to limit the occurrence of soil as well as groundwater pollution). A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction or operational phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills of any hazardous material be detected. Weather forecasts from the South African Weather Bureau of up to three days in advance will be monitored on a daily basis to avoid exposing soil or construction works or materials during a storm event and appropriate action will be taken in advance to protect construction works should a storm event be forecasted. All no-go areas will be demarcated under guidance of the Environmental Control Officer (ECO). The design of drainage systems will ensure there is no contamination or eutrophication. Drainage systems will be maintained regularly in order to minimize the runoff of harmful chemical

		Construction p	hase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 substances into the waterway(s). It will be ensured that the construction activities have minimal effects on the flow of water through the storm water infrastructure. No erosion or siltation may occur due to any construction or operational activities. Occurrence of erosion will be monitored. Reparations will be undertaken as soon as possible.
Workings within / near to watercourses	Direct impacts: • Temporary blockage of water • Loss of vegetation • Loss of aquatic animal life • Erosion • Scouring	Medium – High Negative	 Storm water measures will be implemented in order to manage storm water and this will also prevent erosion. Construction activities in waterways should be undertaken in such a manner that no containment of water is required, where possible. 2/3 of the waterways may be diverted at a time, if needed. The necessary authorisations should be obtained from DWS
	 Indirect impacts: Ponding of water during construction at waterways (due to blockage of waterways). Surface and groundwater pollution due to spillage of potential hazardous 	Medium – High Negative	from DWS. Visual inspections for the occurrence of erosion should be undertaken on a weekly basis.

		ase	
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	substances such as hydraulic material and untreated sewage explained above. Impact on waterways (including the natural habitat of the area), soil disturbances and including pollution. Possible change of flow of water in waterways. Erosion Scouring Loss of biodiversity		
	 Cumulative impacts: Erosion Loss of vegetation Scouring Possible change of flow of water in waterways Loss of biodiversity 	High Negative	
Handling of waste / Waste Management	 Direct impacts: Spillage of material to be utilised during the 	Medium – High Negative	 The contractor is responsible for the removal of construction waste. Suitable containers (weather and vermin proof) will

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
(Note that waste refers to all construction debris and domestic waste generated due to construction activities.)	 construction phase as well as untreated sewage to the surrounding environment Dumping of construction rubble and general waste on site Indirect impacts: Surface and groundwater pollution due to spillage of potential hazardous substances such as hydraulic material and untreated sewage. Impact on waterways (including the natural habitat of the area), including pollution. Pollution of soil 	Medium – High Negative	 be placed on site to collect all solid waste. These will be emptied regularly. No littering is permitted. During the construction and operational phase the site will be maintained in a neat and tidy condition. All solid waste produced will be disposed of at an authorized landfill site. Recyclable waste may also be sold to recycling contractors. No dumping, burning or burying of waste will be undertaken on site. All hazardous waste will be disposed of at an authorized hazardous landfill site. Recyclable hazardous waste will be re-used or sold to recycling contractors, where possible. A waste management plan will be compiled and designed to ensure adequate waste management activities. Areas used for waste storage and loading of materials should be lined and bund walls have to be erected to contain any spills that might occur. Waybills providing evidence of correct disposal procedure must be provided for the ECO's inspection. 	
	 Cumulative impacts: Pollution of downstream 	Medium – High Negative	 Waste classification should be undertaken. Visual inspections for the occurrence of pollution should be undertaken daily. 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	watercourses • Pollution of soil • Pollution of groundwater • Air pollution		 Spills should be cleaned up immediately according to best practices. DWS should be notified of any spillage / pollution of water sources (groundwater and / or surface water) within 24 hours of occurrence. Record should be kept on site to indicate date of visual inspection, any spillages observed, and manner in which spill was treated. 	
Health, safety and security	 Direct impacts: Road safety at road crossings Injuries on site Health issues on site (for example, due to pollution) Unauthorised entry 	Medium Negative	 Site should be fenced / marked with danger tape, where possible. The contractors will comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, National Building Regulations and any other national, regional or local regulations with regard to safety on site. Construction contracts will include safety and security measures for staff. Precautions to ensure that construction staff and 	
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to possible fire outbreaks Road safety issues at road crossings Injuries on site Health issues on site (for example, due to 	Medium Negative	 sites are visible and proper PPE will be provided to all employees. Suitable warning and information signage should be available at the storage facilities. In addition, telephone numbers of emergency services (including local firefighting services) must be posted conspicuously on site. Employees should be made aware of the health risks associated with any hazardous substances / 	

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	pollution) • Unauthorised entry Cumulative impacts: • Loss of vegetation and animal life due to possible fire outbreaks • Road safety issues at road crossings • Injuries on site • Health issues on site (for example, due to pollution) • Unauthorised entry	Low Negative	 dangerous goods used or stored on site. This includes soil that was contaminated with oil or diesel, etc. Employees should receive relevant safety training in handling of hazardous substances / dangerous goods associated with the proposed project. Construction work within road reserves will accommodate road users as far as possible. This includes the following: Roads will be crossed in half widths at a time to minimise the impact on vehicular traffic, where possible. Construction along and across existing roads will be executed in such a manner that both pedestrian and vehicular traffic is accommodated at all times. The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times. Construction work areas conforming to the prescribed layout and requirement of the South African Road Traffic Signs Manual and other relevant notices. 	

		Construction	phase
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Heritage	Direct impacts: • Harm to unknown heritage resources	Negative	 The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times. Speed limits of 20km/h will be enforced. All relevant IAPs will be notified prior to any blasting activities. All relevant IAPs will be notified 24 hours prior to any known potential risks associated with the site and the activities to be undertaken on site. The necessary precautions with regard to road safety will be implemented for construction work within road crossings. All injuries should be recorded. In the case of the discovery of any heritage, archaeological or palaeontological significance, the work in the area will be stopped and reported to the archaeologist and SAHRA. Any construction
	 Indirect impacts: Loss of heritage resources 	High Negative	activities in the nearby vicinity may only commence after approval is obtained from SAHRA as well as the ECO.
	Cumulative impacts: • Loss of heritage resources	High Negative	 If heritage resources are uncovered during the course of the development, a professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contracted as soon as possible to inspect the heritage resource. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
			 be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA Known heritage resources (if any) must be avoided as far as possible. Employees should be encouraged and informed of the need to be on the look-out for potential fossils / buried archaeological material. In the case of the discovery of any stone tools or other archaeological or palaentological material, the work in the immediate vicinity should temporarily cease and reported to the archaeologist and SAHRA. Should any human remains be exposed, the archaeologist as well as the local SAPS should be notified. If any evidence of archaeological sites or remains (e.g. remnants of stone-made structures, indigenous ceramics, bones, stone artefacts, ostrich eggshell fragments, charcoal and ash concentrations), fossils or other categories of heritage resources are found during the proposed development, SAHRA APM Unit (Natasha Higgitt / Phillip Hine; 021 462 5402) must be alerted. If unmarked human burials are uncovered, the SAHRA Burial Grounds and Graves (BGG) Unit (Thingahangwi Tshivhase / Mimi Seetelo; 012 320 	

Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
			 8490), must be alerted immediately. A professional archaeologist or palaeontologist, depending on the nature of the finds, must be contacted as soon as possible to inspect the findings. If the newly discovered heritage resources prove to be of archaeological or palaeontological significance, a Phase 2 rescue operation may be required subject to permits issued by SAHRA. Non-compliance with section of the NHRA is an offense in terms of section 51(1)e of the NHRA and item 5 of the Schedule. Appropriate measures should be undertaken by the ECO until the archaeologist / SAPS visits the site. This should include the following: Site should be fenced with 'danger tape' Position of finding should be recorded Depth of finding should be recorded Digital image of the findings may be made public without the consent of the archaeologist / SAPS. Construction activities in the area may only continue after approval from the archaeologist and SAHRA.
Noise and dust control	Direct impacts: • Elevation of noise	Negative	Construction activities will be limited to normal daytime hours, where possible.

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	levels Generation of nuisance dust 		 Noise levels will be kept as low as possible during the construction phase in order not to disturb adjacent landowners. Proper mitigation measures will be implemented to 	
	Indirect impacts: • Air pollution • Increase in noise levels outside of the proposed construction site may have a negative impact on surrounding landowners / occupants	Negative	 limit noise (e.g. the installation of silencers, where required). Proper mitigation measures will be implemented to limit the formation of dust (e.g. wetting of construction area, when required). The speed of the construction vehicles will be limited to avoid dangerous conditions, the formation of dust and the excessive deterioration of roads being used. 	
	Cumulative impacts: • Air pollution • Increase in noise levels outside of the proposed construction site may have a negative impact on surrounding landowners / occupants	Negative		
Handling and Storage of	Direct impacts:Soil pollution	High Negative	All chemicals used during the development, including fuel, will be stored in a proper storeroom	

		Construction p	phase
Activity		Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
materials	 Air pollution Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues 		 or protected area to prevent pollution. Vehicles will be serviced at designated areas. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere. Where applicable, the contractors will ensure that all relevant national, regional and local legislation
	Indirect impacts: • Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Surface and groundwater pollution • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative	 regarding storage, transport, use and disposal of petroleum, chemical, harmful or hazardous substances and materials are adhered to, where necessary. Cement and concrete mixing, if applicable, will only take place within the construction site. No concrete will be mixed directly on the ground. All environmental problems occurring on the site such as chemical spillage, wasteful water disposal, etc. will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should
		High Negative	 implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment. Spill response equipment must be available during the handling and loading of hazardous waste (if any) Hazardous substances are to be stored in bunded areas. Bund walls will have a capacity of at least 110% of the total capacity of the stored volume. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
			 discharged anywhere and contact with bare soil should be avoided at all cost. Drip trays will be used during the servicing of vehicles as well as the transfer of chemicals / substances from transportation vehicles. A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages during the construction phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills be detected. Material stockpiles must be stable and well secured to avoid collapse and possible injury. Material and Safety Data Sheets (MSDSs) should be readily available on site for all hazardous materials. MSDSs should additionally include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimise negative environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes. Storage areas should be kept clean and free from any accumulation of combustible matter (such as paper) and any possible source of ignition should be removed. 	
Hazardous waste management	Direct impacts:Soil pollutionAir pollution	High Negative	Hazardous wastes must be separated from general wastes, stored within secondary containment in appropriate containers.	

Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 Proper storage facilities for the storage of hazardous / dangerous goods must be provided to prevent the migration of spillage into the soil and or groundwater. Certificates / waybills of hazardous waste disposals are to be available on request as well as auditing purposes. This includes the removal of soil contaminated with hydrocarbons. Storage of hazardous substances and refuelling areas are to be bunded with an impermeable liner to protect groundwater quality and must comply with the relevant SANS codes. Areas used for the storage of hazardous materials are to be clearly indicated as such.
Hazardous and	Direct impacts:	High Negative	All deliveries (especially of hazardous nature) must

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
Flammable materials: Delivery	 Soil pollution Air pollution Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks 	High Negative	 be supervised. Subcontractors and delivery companies should be informed of the delivery procedures and made aware of restrictions as to where materials may be stored. Loads must be secured to prevent spillage during transportation thereof. Hazardous substances are to be transported in sealed drums or bags.
	 Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries 		

	Construction phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation		
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Cement and / or concrete mixing	 Health issues Direct impacts: Soil pollution Air pollution Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Air pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 		 Limit cement and concrete mixing to single sites, where possible. No mixing allowed directly onto the ground. All visible remains of excess material will be treated as hazardous waste. Solid concrete waste may be treated as inert construction rubble. However, wet cement, liquid slurry and cement powder must be treated as hazardous waste. 		
	animal life due to fire outbreaks • Soil pollution • Air pollution • Surface and				

	Construction phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 			
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Gas Storage	Direct impacts: • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Injuries • Health issues Indirect impacts: • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Injuries • Health issues Cumulative impacts: • Air pollution • Fire outbreaks • Injuries • Health issues	High Negative High Negative High Negative	 All combustible materials are to be store at least 3 m from any gas storage areas. In case of any flammable or any other gas storage areas, open flames, welding and cutting operations, smoking, etc. shall be prohibited in or near the storage area. No gas will be delivered until the site is registered with local Fire Safety. Cylinders should always be stored in a well-ventilated area away from spark, flames or any source of heat or ignition. Cylinders should always be handled, stored, used and transported in an upright position. It should not be dropped, dragged or rolled on their sides or allowed to skid. Cylinders that are too large to be carried shall be tilted and rolled on the rims of their foot rings or bases. 	
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Chemicals, Grease and Oil Storage	Direct impacts: • Soil pollution • Fire outbreaks • Surface water pollution • Injuries	High Negative	 Valves should be kept properly closed Storage areas must be bunded and hard surfaced in order to protect groundwater quality Compliance with SANS codes and hazardous substances bylaws should be adhered to All lids must be properly sealed / closed to prevent Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) and other 	

	Construction phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation		
	 Health issues Indirect impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: 	High Negative	potentially harmful gaseous compounds from escaping.		
	 Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 				
Hazardous and Flammable materials: Hydrocarbon spillages	Direct impacts: Fire outbreaks Surface water pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 Spill kits are to be made permanently available at areas which have the potential to be subjected to spillage of hazardous substances and dangerous goods. Remediation of spillages must be conducted immediately and closed out within 24 hours. 		
	Indirect impacts:	High Negative	No waste water or waste will be disposed of into		

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Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	 Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues Cumulative impacts: Loss of vegetation and animal life due to fire outbreaks Soil pollution Surface and groundwater pollution Injuries Health issues 	High Negative	 the surrounding environment at any time. Water collected in bunded areas must be collected in containers and disposed of as hazardous waste. Machinery will be kept maintained in line with manufactures specifications to minimise the risk of hydrocarbon spillages. An incident reporting system will be implemented in order to ensure incidents, where spillages has occurred, are closed out and appropriate measures are taken to prevent further incidents. Incidents must be reported to DWS within 24 hours. Contaminated soil must be disposed of in a hazardous materials skip and removed to a licensed hazardous landfill facility by a licensed contractor. Contaminated water must be decanted into drums and stored until disposal by a registered waste transported is undertaken.

	Operational phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
This phase consists of the use of the cemetery	 Direct impacts: Deterioration of the infrastructure in the long term. Reach its capacity Indirect impacts: Establishment of alien / invader species due to previous disturbance will also be associated with this phase. Erosion Illegal digging of new graves outside cemetery boundaries Plundering of graves & cemetery in general 	Medium – Low Negative Medium – Low Negative	 Maintenance and repair will be undertaken on the infrastructure when necessary. Soil erosion occurrences will be attended to immediately. Establishment of alien vegetation will be monitored and alien species will be removed by hand or by an approved chemical before gestation thereof. Proper monitoring of various aspects (such as monitoring of the potable water quality should the potable water not be obtained from the municipal supplies) should be undertaken on a regular basis. An emergency plan should be developed in case the potable water does not conform to the DWS standards. 	
	 Establishment of alien / invader species due to 	Medium – Low Negative		

	Operational phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation		
	previous disturbance will also be associated with this phase. • Erosion • Illegal digging of new graves outside cemetery boundaries • Plundering of graves & cemetery in general				

	Decommissioning phase				
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation		
It is not anticipated that the proposed project will cease in the nearby future. However, if decommissioning is decided upon, a rehabilitation plan will be developed and submitted for approval. The end- use of the area will be kept in mind during the compilation of the rehabilitation plan.	 Direct impacts: Rehabilitation of disturbed area Re-vegetation Limit occurrence of erosion Proper stormwater control No ponding on site Limit visual impact Indirect impacts: Rehabilitation of disturbed area 	Medium Positive	 Temporary structures and office sites (if any) will be dismantled and removed after completion of the construction phase of the project. All waste, equipment, materials, etc. used during construction will be cleared from the site. The contractors will ensure that the site is cleared and rehabilitated to the satisfaction of the ECO. An alien plant control and monitoring programme will be implemented. Re-vegetation of disturbed areas will be undertaken with site indigenous species. Hydro-seeding will be implemented if the establishment of natural occurring vegetation does not occur within reasonable time. Temporary concrete surfaces (if any) will be removed and compacted areas ripped. 		
Activities associated with the decommissioning phase discussed in this document will be limited to the rehabilitation of areas disturbed during the construction phase.	Cumulative impacts: • Rehabilitation of disturbed area	Medium Positive	 The establishment of natural occurring vegetation will be encouraged at disturbed areas. Hydroseeding will be undertaken if natural regrowth is insufficient. Establishment of extensive alien species will be monitored. 		

	Decommissioning phase			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
All disturbed areas will be rehabilitated according to best practices.				

	No-go Option			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
Keeping the status quo – limited burial spaces will be available to the	 Direct impacts: No direct environmental impacts. 	N/A High Negative	 Patrolling should be implemented by the municipality to ensure that no illegal graves are constructed onto adjacent properties. 	
community	 Community members will have to bury their loved ones at a cemetery in neighbouring towns (if space are available) The above is a costly alternative to the community members. It should also be kept in mind that cemeteries of adjacent towns are also fairly full and therefore this option cannot be seen as a reasonable alternative. 			

		No-go Opti	on
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation
	Community members will make use of adjacent property as an illegal cemetery.		
	 Cumulative impacts: Community members will have to bury their loved ones at a cemetery in neighbouring towns (if space are available) The above is a costly alternative to the community members. It should also be kept in mind that cemeteries of adjacent towns are also fairly full and therefore this option cannot be seen as a 	High Negative	

	No-go Option			
Activity	Impact summary	Significance without mitigation	Proposed mitigation	
	reasonable alternative. • Community members will make use of adjacent property as an illegal cemetery.			



Environmental Awareness Plan

ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS PLAN

The proposed construction of a new cemetery Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province

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1. Background

The aim of the current document is to make all employees, contractors, visitors, etc. aware of specific issues related to their surroundings, including biotic and abiotic elements, such as land, soil, plants, animals, air, water, as well as awareness of the built, social and economic surroundings as well as the impacts that the proposed project have on the mentioned elements.

2. Objectives for Environmental Awareness

It is important that the employees understand how each action of the project may influence the environment. It is just as important that each person understand the management strategies as it ensures that the impact on the environment is kept to a minimum.

The Environmental Awareness Plan should be sufficient to make all those involved in the proposed project aware of the risks that may occur as well as the necessary mitigation required to minimise the risks involved.

2.1. Target Groups

The target groups can be summarised as the management, administrative and general employees, as well as contractors.

2.2. Roles and Responsibility

2.2.1. Top Management

• Provide resources to ensure that the environmental awareness plan is implemented.

2.2.2. Environmental Team

- Approve all environmental awareness activities.
- Accountable for ensuring adequate resources are allocated for the effective implementation of the environmental awareness plan.
- Responsible for providing strategic direction for effective implementation of the environmental awareness plan.
- Responsible for overall establishment and implementation of environmental awareness plan.

- Ensure that environmental activities and information is communicated to the employees and contractors.
- Implement and drive the environmental awareness plan.

2.2.3. Employees and Contractors

• Adhere to and co-operate with management strategies as set out in the environmental awareness plan.

3. Implementation

The induction workshop will be conducted in order to inform all personnel (as well as contractors) that will be working on site of the Environmental Awareness Plan. During the induction, the risks for all aspects will be explained and the appropriate management options will be discussed. Monitoring programmes will also be discussed in order to identify and monitor the proposed project's impact on the environment and to discuss various remediation actions, should any deterioration be observed.

All employees will attend an induction workshop prior to the construction phase in order to ensure that all risks and mitigation measures are discussed prior to the occurrence of potential impacts. The workshop should be repeated to all new employees / contractors on site.

3.1. Induction

The Environmental Awareness Program must be implemented to:

- Develop and implement environmental education activities for all employees
- Organise environmental awareness activities on site
- Participate in environmental education

The constitution of the Republic of South Africa (1996) gives everyone the right to:

(a) An environment that is not harmful to their health or wellbeing

- (b) To have the environment protected for the benefits of present and future generations through reasonable legislation in order to:
 - (i) Prevent pollution and ecological degradation
 - (ii) Promote conservation
 - (iii) Promote justifiable economic and social development while protecting our environment.

Therefore, those who may cause pollution or other environmental degradations must take reasonable preventative measures to:

- (a) Investigate, assess and evaluate the impacts
- (b) Inform and educate employees about environmental risks associated with their work and the manner in which their tasks must be performed in order to avoid causing pollution or environmental degradation.

The induction workshop will focus on activities that carry an environmental risk, actions to be taken to reduce these risks and procedures to be followed in the event of an incident.

Environmental goals & objectives and the benefit of achieving such goals will be discussed as part of the induction workshop.

3.2. In-house training

In-house training events will be organised with relevant employees. The points to be discussed at these events will be determined by the relevant department. In addition, employees will participate in determining what environmental issues and / or concerns are relevant to their specific occupation.

The environmental incident report will also be discussed at these sessions.

3.3. Training during construction phase

3.3.1. HoD Meetings

The General Manager communicates information to senior management on environmental issues and the information is minuted.

3.3.2. SHEQ Meetings

Environmental issues are to be discussed at each of the SHEQ meetings. The responsible person for each of the environmental issues should also be appointed.

3.4. On the job training

Expected environmental issues and concerns specifically related to their occupation will be discussed with employees throughout the construction phase. Employees will be trained on how to respond to such environmental impacts.

3.5. General training & skills development

Training in basic environmental and pollution control skills will be given to employees working on site.

4. Evaluation of the Environmental Awareness Plan

The ECO will evaluate the Environmental Awareness Plan throughout the construction, operation and closure phase.

Environmental Awareness Plan		
Objective	Objective / Environmental parameter:	
Genera	l measures to consider	
Risks	Mitigation measures	
 Negative impact on Environment, such as pollution, degradation, loss of vegetation, etc. Surface and groundwater pollution. 	 Any construction is disruptive and the environment must be given consideration with every activity undertaken All relevant standards relating to legislation should be adhered to (including waste emissions, waste disposal, noise regulations, etc.) According to Section 28 of the NEMA Act 107, every person who cause, has caused or may cause significant pollution or degradation of the environment must take reasonable measures to prevent such pollution or degradation from occurring, continuing or recurring and if it can't be avoided or stopped, to minimize and rectify such pollution or degradation of the environment. The pollution control provision in Section 19(1) of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) should be adhered to at all times. 	

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
	Planning phase
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Loss of protected fauna and / or flora. Loss of natural occurring vegetation Contamination of soil / water resources No drinking water available to employees Occurrence of veld fires Loss of artefacts / heritage material Damage to nearby infrastructure Startle domestic and wild animals Damage to nearby infrastructure Undertaking unauthorised activities 	 Permits will be obtained for the removal / transplantation of protected species (if any) that are located within the construction area where no alternatives are possible. Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities. A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages / groundwater pollution during the construction and operational phase. The necessary Environmental Authorisation will be obtained before any activities listed in the Regulations (Regulations 982, 983, 984 and / or 985 of 2014) are undertaken. In addition, the necessary DWS registrations will be obtained, before any construction activities are undertaken. The necessary precautions with regard to road safety will be implemented for construction work to be undertaken within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, potable water and waste facilities will be in place before construction activities are undertaken. A blasting permit will be obtained before blasting activities is undertaken (if any).

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
	uction phase - general
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Loss of natural occurring vegetation Contamination of soil / water resources No drinking water available to employees Occurrence of veld fires Loss of artefacts / heritage material Damage to nearby infrastructure Startle domestic and wild animals Damage to nearby infrastructure 	 Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities. The necessary Water Use Authorisations will be available on site. The necessary precautions with regard to road safety will be implemented for construction work within road crossings (if any). Proper sanitation, water and waste facilities will be in place for construction workers throughout the construction phase. Chemical toilets will be cleaned and serviced regularly and proof thereof will be available on site. Potable water will be made available daily to workers on site. Fire-fighting equipment will be available on site. If artefacts or graves are uncovered during construction activities, work in the immediate vicinity will be stopped until the project Archaeologist and SAHRA has been consulted. Adjacent landowners will be notified of proposed blasting, 24 hours prior to blasting activities.

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
V	Nater resources
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Erosion Undertaking of unauthorised activities Contamination of stormwater Contamination of soil Contamination of surface and / or groundwater resources Ponding of stormwater 	 No activities will be undertaken within 32 m of a watercourse / within the 1:100 year floodline, without the necessary authorisations (for example from NC DENC and DWS). Caution will be taken to ensure that construction materials are not dumped or stored within storm water management systems. Emergency plans will be in place in case of fuel spillages (to limit the occurrence of soil as well as groundwater pollution). A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil spillages / groundwater pollution during the construction and operational phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills / groundwater pollution be detected. During the construction phase, weather forecasts from the South African Weather Bureau of up to three days in advance will be monitored on a daily basis to avoid exposing soil or construction works or materials during a storm event and appropriate action will be taken in advance to protect construction works should a storm event be forecasted. Construction activities in the storm water infrastructure will be limited through proper demarcation and appropriate environmental awareness training. The Contractor is responsible to inform all staff of the need to be vigilant against any practice that will have a harmful effect on waterways. All no-go areas will be demarcated under guidance of the Environmental Control Officer (ECO). Infilling, excavation, drainage and

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l l	Nater resources
Risks	Mitigation measures
	 hardening of surfaces will not occur unnecessarily in storm water infrastructure. The design of drainage systems will ensure there is no contamination, eutrophication or increased. Drainage systems will be maintained regularly in order to minimize the runoff of harmful chemical substances into the waterway(s). It will be ensured that the construction activities have minimal effects on the flow of water through the storm water infrastructure.

Environ	mental Awareness Plan
Objective ,	/ Environmental parameter:
	and Storage of materials
Risks	Mitigation measures
Risks • Contamination of stormwater, surface and or groundwater • Contamination of soil • Occurrence of veld fires	 Miligation measures All chemicals used during the development, including fuel, will be stored in a proper storeroom or protected area to prevent pollution. Vehicles will be serviced at designated areas. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere. Where applicable, the contractors will ensure that all relevant national, regional and local legislation regarding storage, transport, use and disposal of petroleum, chemical, harmful or hazardous substances and materials are adhered to, where necessary. Cement and concrete mixing, if applicable, will only take place within the construction site. No concrete will be mixed directly on the ground. All environmental problems occurring on the site such as chemical spillage, wasteful water disposal, etc. will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment. Spill response equipment must be available during the handling and loading of hazardous substances to be stored in a bunded area. Bund walls will have a capacity of at least 110% of the total capacity of the stored volume. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere and contact with bare soil should be avoided at all cost. Drip trays will be used during the servicing of vehicles as well as the transfer of chemicals / substances from transportation vehicles. All environmental problems occuring on the site such as chemical spillage, wasteful water disposal, etc. will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment.

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
Handling and Storage of materials	
Risks	Mitigation measures
	 the environment. A monitoring system should be implemented to determine the occurrence (if any) of any fuel / oil / groundwater pollution during the construction and operational phase. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any leakages / spills / groundwater pollution be detected.

Environmental Awareness Plan Objective / Environmental parameter: Waste Management (Note that waste refers to all construction debris and domestic waste generated due to construction activities.)	
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Contamination of stormwater, surface and or groundwater Contamination of soil Occurrence of veld fires Air pollution 	 The contractor is responsible for the removal of construction waste. Suitable containers will be placed on site to collect all solid waste. These will be emptied regularly. No littering is permitted. During the construction period the site will be maintained in a neat and tidy condition. All solid waste produced will be disposed of at an authorized landfill site. No dumping, burning or burying of waste will be undertaken on site. All hazardous waste will be disposed of at an authorized hazardous landfill site. Recyclable hazardous waste may also be reused or sold to recycling contractors. Recyclable waste will be sold / re-used, where possible. A waste management plan will be compiled and designed to ensure adequate waste management activities.

Environmental Awareness Plan		
Objective / Environmental parameter:		
Soil, erosion a	nd vegetation management	
Risks	Mitigation measures	
 Contamination of surface and groundwater resources Contamination of soil Loss of topsoil Loss of natural occurring vegetation Erosion Unsafe road Occurrence of veld fires Harm to animals Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation Establishment of alien vegetation 	 Construction activities will be limited to designated construction areas to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitats. Constructed roads where possible, so that natural vegetation is not destroyed unnecessarily. Access roads or temporary crossings must be non-erosive, structurally stable and not induce flooding / safety hazard. If any access road or temporary crossing is impaired, it will be repaired immediately to prevent any future / further damage. All human movement and activities will be contained within designated construction areas in order to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitat. Erosion management is important. Rehabilitation of disturbed areas will be undertaken to help the recovery of the vegetation. Stockpiled material will be protected from washing away during rainstorms. For example, one layer of bricks or stones can be placed around the stockpiled topsoil. Stockpiled material will be placed on the cleared areas once construction is completed. Re-spreading of topsoil is preferably to be done to the natural level, or as indicated by the specialist. An alien control and monitoring programme will be developed starting during the construction phase and will be craited over into the operational phase. Any proclaimed weed or alien species that germinates during the contract period will be cleared by hand / approved chemicals before flowering thereof. 	

Environmental Awareness Plan	
	/ Environmental parameter:
	nd vegetation management
Risks	Mitigation measures
	 during and after construction for the presence of any alien species. Any such species will be removed immediately. No open fires allowed. Provision will be made that no accidental fires are started. No firewood will be collected on site or in surrounding areas, without written approval from the landowner. Fire fighting equipment will be available on site. Species, especially grasses, trees and shrubs occurring in the region will be used to rehabilitate disturbed areas. No animals may be harmed / captured / trapped and / or hunted. This must be strictly enforced. Animals found at the construction site will be removed and relocated to a suitable area. Compacted soils (such as dirt tracks not to be utilised during the operational phase) must be ripped to ensure the establishment of natural occurring vegetation.

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter: Noise and dust control	
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Generation of nuisance noise Generation of nuisance dust 	 Construction activities will be limited to normal daytime hours. Noise levels will be kept as low as possible during the construction phase in order not to disturb adjacent landowners. Proper mitigation measures will be implemented to limit noise (e.g. the installation of silencers, where required). Proper mitigation measures will be implemented to limit the formation of dust (e.g. wetting of construction area, when required). The speed of the construction vehicles will be limited to avoid dangerous conditions, the formation of dust and the excessive deterioration of roads being used.

Environmental Awareness Plan	
Objective / Environmental parameter:	
Sa	fety and Security
Risks	Mitigation measures
 Health risks Safety risks Unsafe Road Occurrence of veld fires 	 The contractors will comply with the Occupational Health and Safety Act, National Building Regulations and any other national, regional or local regulations with regard to safety on site. Construction contracts will include safety and security measures for staff. Precautions to ensure that construction staff and sites are visible and proper PPE will be provided to all employees. Construction work within road reserves (if any) will accommodate road users as far as possible. This includes the following: Roads will be crossed in half widths at a time to minimise the impact on vehicular traffic, where possible. Construction along and across existing roads will be executed in such a manner that both pedestrian and vehicular traffic is accommodated at all times. The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times. Construction Road Traffic Signs Manual and other relevant notices. Fire extinguishers will be available on site and in the construction camp (if any). The contractor will be required to maintain adequate access to all public and private property at all times.

Environmental Awareness Plan		
Objective / Environmental parameter:		
Heritage Management		
Risks	Mitigation measures	
 Loss of heritage / archaeological / palaeontological artifacts 	 In the case of the discovery of any heritage, archaeological or palaeontological significance, the work in the area will be stopped and reported to the archaeologist and SAHRA. Any construction activities in the nearby vicinity may only commence after approval is obtained from SAHRA as well as the ECO. 	

Environmental Awareness Plan				
Objective / Environmental parameter: Site Clean-up and Rehabilitation				
Risks	Mitigation measures			
 Contamination of surface and groundwater resources Contamination of soil Loss of topsoil Loss of natural occurring vegetation Erosion Unsafe road Occurrence of veld fires Harm to animals Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation Establishment of alien vegetation 	 Temporary structures and office sites (if any) will be dismantled and removed after completion of the construction phase of the project. All waste, equipment, materials, etc. used during construction and not to be used during the operational phase will be cleared from the site. The contractors will ensure that the site is cleared and rehabilitated to the satisfaction of the ECO. An alien plant control and monitoring programme will be implemented. Re-vegetation of disturbed areas will be undertaken with site indigenous species. Hydro-seeding will be implemented if the establishment of natural occurring vegetation does not occur within reasonable time. After completion of the construction phase, a waterway monitoring program will be initiated. 			

Environmental Awareness Plan Objective / Environmental parameter:				
Operational Phase				
Risks	Mitigation measures			
 Contamination of surface and groundwater resources Contamination of soil Loss of topsoil Loss of natural occurring vegetation Erosion Unsafe road Occurrence of veld fires Harm to animals Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation Establishment of alien vegetation 	 Soil erosion occurrences will be attended to immediately. The necessary mitigation measures should be implemented immediately, should any waste / groundwater pollution be detected. Regular monitoring will be undertaken to ensure that no soil / groundwater pollution occur due to the activities associated with the operational phase. An action plan will be available and implemented immediately, in case pollution of soil / groundwater occurs to ensure that it is rectified as soon as possible. 			

Environmental Awareness Plan		
Objective / Environmental parameter:		
Decommissioning / Closure		
Risks	Mitigation measures	
 Contamination of surface and groundwater resources Contamination of soil Loss of topsoil Loss of natural occurring vegetation Erosion Unsafe road Occurrence of veld fires Harm to animals Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation Establishment of alien vegetation 	 It is not anticipated that the proposed project will cease in the nearby future. However, if decommissioning is decided upon, a rehabilitation plan will be developed and submitted for approval. The end-use of the area will be kept in mind during the compilation of the rehabilitation plan. 	

Environmental Awareness Plan				
Objective / Environmental parameter:				
Compliance and Monitoring				
Risks• Contamination of surface and groundwater resources• Contamination of soil• Loss of topsoil• Loss of natural occurring vegetation• Erosion	Mitigation measures• The applicant will ensure that the contractors adhere to the recommendations of the EMPr and conditions of the Environmental Authorisation during construction.• An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. Note that the ECO may be			
 Unsafe road Occurrence of veld fires Harm to animals Slow regrowth of natural occurring vegetation Establishment of alien vegetation Undertaking of unauthorised activities Non-compliance to EMPr / EA / DWS Authorisation 	 appointed separately or can be part of the contractor's team. Regular monitoring and / or spot inspections at least every fortnight during the construction phase is recommended. Inspections should be documented and any shortcomings addressed immediately. An independent ECO will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. A report will be provided to the contractor upon completion thereof. The findings thereof should be made available to NC DENC, should it be requested. 			
	 Any emergency or unforeseen impact will be reported to the relevant environmental department within 24 hours after identification for telephonic approval and will be confirmed in writing. Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) should be available on site. Where possible and available, MSDS should include information on ecological impacts and measures to minimize negative environmental impacts during accidental releases or escapes. 			

Appendix I

Stormwater Management Plan

STORMWATER MANAGEMENT PLAN

The proposed construction of a new cemetery Lutzburg, Northern Cape Province

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1. Project description

The proposed project entails the construction of a new cemetery at Lutzburg.

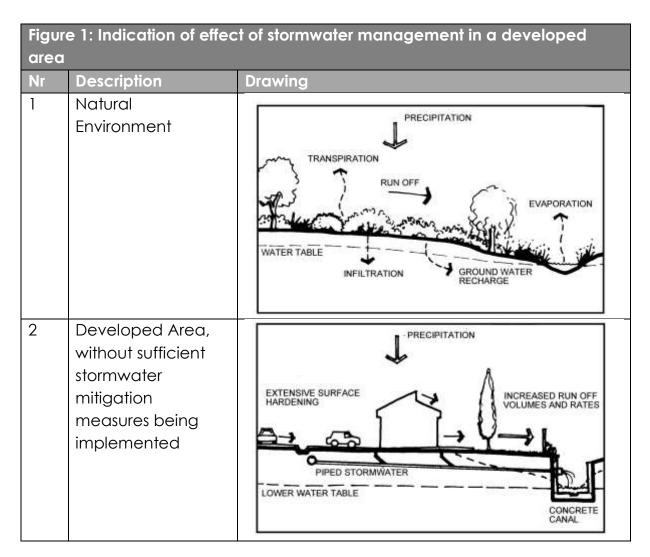
Please refer to the map in Appendix A of the Basic Assessment Report for an indication on the locality of the proposed activities.

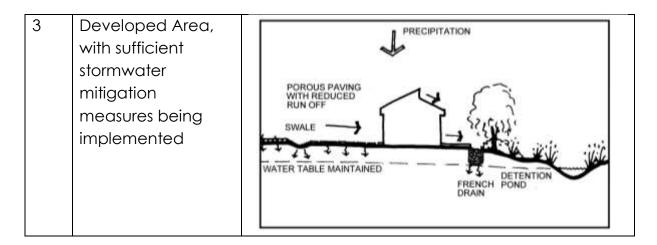
2. Stormwater Management Objectives

The main objective of the stormwater management plan is to minimise the effect of the proposed project on the environment. This objective can be divided into the following sections:

2.1 Minimising effect of proposed project on environment

The aim of the stormwater management plan is to minimise the effect of the proposed project on the environment (Figure 1).





2.2 Minimalize the possibility of flooding

The minimisation of the possibility of flooding remains a key objective of any stormwater management system. However the challenge when contemplating design of stormwater management systems is to consider the following:

- To mimic pre-development responses to storms.
- To reduce the volume of runoff by promoting infiltration.
- To reduce the peak flows and increase the time-to-peak through detaining the runoff and releasing it at a gradual rate.
- Where necessary, to construct means to contain flood waters and safely convey them out of the urban area.

2.3 Protection of Receiving Water Bodies

The receiving water body is not necessarily the system into which stormwater is discharged directly, but can also be a natural system located further downstream in the catchment. Every endeavour should be made to achieve the following as far as possible:

- Maintain natural flow regimes and seasonality
- Prevent deterioration in water quality
- Prevent erosion or sedimentation of natural wetlands or rivers.
- Preserve natural river channels, wetlands and vegetation, and preclude engineering interventions that may alter their physical and ecological characteristics.

The need to design appropriate stormwater management systems for new developments should be seen as an opportunity to preserve or, if possible,

improve natural freshwater ecosystems that have suffered degradation as a result of past activities, and in some cases to create additional freshwater habitats that will contribute to the availability of appropriate, high quality river and wetland habitat that mimics the natural condition.

2.4 Promote Multi-Functional Use of Stormwater Management Systems

Resources such as land and water are becoming increasingly scarce and multiple uses of these must be strived for. Stormwater systems provide a wide range of opportunities for multi-functionality. These can have significant implications on:

- The initial and long term costs of development (e.g. instead of constructing a detention pond and a sports field, these uses could be combined)
- The quality of the natural and urban environment [e.g. the pressure of private development requirements on land for public land use, conservation, etc. can be alleviated by combining compatible land uses such as conservation, recreation and stormwater systems (including wetlands, marshes, dams and rivers) enabling an improved natural and urban environment]
- Maintenance efficiency (e.g. instead of meeting the maintenance requirements of stormwater systems and public open space separately, they could be combined and could include walking/bicycle trails and parks).

2.5 Development of Sustainable Environments

The long-term involvement with the project and consideration of the sustainability of the stormwater management system that is to be implemented should be kept in mind. All relevant factors that will impact on future operation and maintenance should be taken into account. Environmental policies such as promoting the use of locally indigenous vegetation in planting programmes will also reduce the long-term maintenance requirements of the development.

3. Stormwater Planning Regarding the Proposed Project

Adequate planning is crucial to the success of the project as a whole.

3.1. Need for Multi-disciplinary Expertise

To maximise opportunities to manage stormwater, the input from various design teams are necessary (Table 1).

Tab	Table 1. Indication of the role that various team members play		
No	Tear	m member	Role
1	Civil	Engineer	An engineer skilled in the design of stormwater systems should determine runoff flows for the required recurrence intervals and proposed land uses and design appropriate measures to attenuate peak flows and safely convey the runoff.
2	2 Environmental Consultant		Alert the engineer at the conceptual stage of the development to crucial aspects of the environment, which are fulfilling an important role with respect to stormwater and should be taken into consideration, as well as opportunities for enhancement or rehabilitation of existing natural features.
3	If required	Freshwater Ecologist Landscape Architect	Provide insight regarding the functioning of natural rivers, streams and wetlands and advice regarding the ecological aspects of the design of the components of the system, including water quality enhancement and the land needed for the system to function. Provide a holistic site analysis of the existing natural and man-made landscape and advice on the opportunities, constraints and implications of the site on the development planning and design.

3.2. Incorporation of Existing Information into Planning Stage

The following information (where relevant) should be investigated, during the planning stage and used to feed into more detailed site assessment:

- Catchment area in which the site is located.
- Catchment or river management plans (overall management objectives and recommended key management actions with respect to runoff quantity, quality and other associated environmental and social issues, where such plans exist for the catchment in question, must be met in the design stage).
- Stormwater management master plan (identifies bulk infrastructure, including stormwater flow routes, required within developing areas and

may identify particular issues such as pollution which must be addressed at a local level. The existence of a stormwater management master plan which covers the area to be developed should be established and its recommendations applied to the design.

• Existing reports relating to the sensitivity of known wetlands / rivers / other natural ecosystems on or associated with the study area.

Interdependencies exist between the various water related services such as water supply, sanitation and stormwater management. Thus, consideration of the impact of effluent discharges into or water abstraction from stormwater management systems should be taken into account.

3.3. Site Analysis

The physical characteristics of the site reflect the existing course of runoff and stormwater. Working with the natural environment and environmental processes has been found to be safer, more sustainable and easier to maintain in the long term, than more traditional engineering approaches aimed at controlling these processes.

On sites that have been substantially disturbed, consideration should be made of what the natural drainage and runoff conditions would have been, as well as the existing situation. This will enable potential problems, and opportunities, to be identified.

3.3.1. Topography

The consideration of various topographical factors is important for the compilation of a stormwater management plan, due to the following:

- Gradients dictate the direction of flow and runoff/drainage routes can be plotted over land, identifying areas of ponding and concentration of loads.
- In some areas which are very flat, earthworks may be required to provide sufficient grade for drainage.
- Topography influences the potential for erosion to occur.
- Topography informs the feasibility of different locations for stormwater routes, outlets and treatment areas; the main stormwater routes should be located along natural drainage routes.
- In ecological terms, different habitats, some of higher conservation value than others, are frequently associated with changes in topography.

- Road and planning layouts should also reflect the topography of an area, to enable integrated stormwater design and management.
- The commercial (and aesthetic) value of different sections of a development area is also frequently derived from different topographical characteristics.

3.3.2. Geology, Soils and Groundwater

The infiltration potential of the site is mostly determined by the geology, soil and groundwater conditions of the area. The following factors should be considered, where possible:

- Soil types affect surface permeability and hence rate of runoff.
- The mapping of geology and soils will indicate areas of potential groundwater recharge.
- Geology and soils influence the potential for erosion to occur.
- Soil types should be identified, along with the characteristics of the different soils, such as levels of infiltration, permeability and their water-bearing capacity.
- The presence of contaminated soils, which may pose a threat to surface and groundwater quality should be identified and plotted.
- Areas of high groundwater levels can limit the possibilities and/or desirability of groundwater recharge and filtration methods.
- It should be noted that large-scale removal of certain vegetation types, such as Port Jackson (Acacia saligna) and Bluegums (Eucalyptus sp.), that consume large volumes of water, might significantly raise groundwater levels
- Need to determine seasonal and longer term trends in groundwater level fluctuation.
- Soil types indicate the likely occurrence of particular plant communities, some of which may play a role in the stormwater management plan
- Assessing soils can also indicate the presence of both existing and even historic wetlands.
- Seasonal variation of groundwater levels should be taken into account
- The geology and soils of a site will inform the feasibility of different locations for stormwater treatment areas and the potential for groundwater recharge.
- Different habitats (some with high conservation value) are associated with specific geological features and soils.

3.3.3. Climate

The following climatic factors should be considered, where necessary:

- Storm rainfall parameters are major design factors and must be carefully determined
- The general climatic characteristics of an area will also impact on the site and stormwater systems implemented, i.e. whether the site is generally waterlogged or dry and if evaporation levels are high or low
- Microclimate conditions can inform the spatial layout of water treatment and attenuation, particularly those associated with specific planting and multifunctional uses

3.3.4. Hydrology

It is essential, for successful, sustainable and integrated stormwater management, that the existing and/or natural hydrological response and functions of the site are understood. The following factors should be considered:

- The natural drainage that was characteristic of the development area, to the extent that this is possible, should be determined and both the irreversible as well as less permanent changes that have taken place should be identified
- The hydrology of the development area is a function of much of the other data, which is described under the Site Analysis section.

3.3.5. Cultural and Historical Landscapes and Archaeological Sites

Areas, routes, vegetation and landmarks that have a cultural and/or historical use or significance should be identified. Development and stormwater planning should avoid disturbing these areas where possible. Where possible they should generally be incorporated within the public open space of a development. This contributes a further function to the public open space system, and should be integrated into a network of public open space.

3.4. Development Requirements

The public open space and pedestrian access requirements of a development should be incorporated into the stormwater management planning of the site. The integration of public open space and access requirements with the spatial requirements of stormwater management not only reduces the conflict of pressure on land, but also enables the amalgamation of maintenance requirements, and maximises the use of resources. The following factors should be considered (where necessary):

- Land use planning should be done in relation to the natural context and characteristics of the site. The appropriate placement of land uses will enhance the multi-functionality of the stormwater systems and their use as an amenity by residents in the area.
- Innovative opportunities exist for future stormwater management systems to link-up and add value to educational initiatives (outdoor classroom), ownership (friends groups adopting the system), and water saving (re-use of stormwater/treated effluent for irrigation).
- These opportunities are also area specific and need to be identified up front, rather than as a nice-to-have-after-thought
- The need for a safe environment must be taken into account (e.g. avoid of potential hiding places for criminal elements; do not create unnecessary hazards in the selection of stormwater management options).
- The cost of stormwater implementation, management and maintenance, as well as flood risk, can be greatly reduced by identifying, retaining and enhancing the natural areas along which runoff and natural habitat retain ecological integrity. The advantages of this approach are not limited to stormwater, but can increase the visual, amenity and ecological value of a development.

3.5. Site Planning

3.5.1. Analysis

The developer should take the information stipulated in Section 2.3 into consideration during the Site Analysis Process.

3.5.2. Conceptual Layout

A general concept plan for the site layout should be developed, taking into account the legal and physical aspects of the site as developed through the site analysis process.

3.6. Design Phase

3.6.1. Appropriate Stormwater Management Facilities and Techniques associated with the project

Various stormwater management facilities and techniques were evaluated in terms of engineering, ecological, health, safety, aesthetic, social, construction and maintenance design objectives.

Various facilities and techniques may be utilised to manage stormwater runoff from the development.

3.6.2. Conveyance

Conveyance can be summarised as the use of natural or artificial channels, natural or artificial wetlands or pipes and culverts for stormwater conveyance as well as the prevention of erosion.

In general terms, the developer should consider the following aspects when selecting designs for stormwater conveyance:

- The slopes of the development area stormwater design on steep slopes will need to incorporate methods for reducing erosion.
- Soil type and stability in the development area the former will affect infiltration rates, as well as the potential for establishment of different kinds of plant communities in unlined conveyance structures; the latter will affect the degree of stabilisation that may be necessary.
- Seasonal changes in water table height groundwater should not be exposed by unlined conveyance structures during summer, as this will promote drainage of the groundwater resource; infiltration capacity will be reduced if the water table is above an unlined channel during winter.
- The cost of land where land is at a premium, use of large areas for stormwater conveyance may be prohibitively expensive. Nevertheless, the increase in aesthetic and other forms of amenity value that may be

gained from sensitive and imaginative stormwater designs may make the use of such space more economically feasible.

- Presence of natural water bodies that would lend themselves to the conveyance of stormwater
 - Habitat integrity, priority ranking and/or ecological importance and sensitivity of the system should be considered
 - Sensitive systems should be protected from, rather than incorporated into stormwater conveyance design.
- The volume of expected stormwater runoff, during within-year flood events, and during larger storm events.
- The availability of open space for stormwater conveyance large areas of open public or private space often lend themselves to the creation of wide, artificial waterways, which may also have ecological, recreational and aesthetic value in addition to providing a stormwater function.
- The presence of litter and sediment which would result in blockages.

Erosion is unfortunately often associated with development as areas become disturbed or as stormwater runoff is concentrated at outlets. In order avoid these problems, options such as stabilisation, energy dissipation and the design of stormwater management systems, which do not concentrate flows, are recommended. A number of structures incorporated into stormwater design play a role in the dissipation of energy required to prevent erosion at outlet and inlet points, and at various points in different conveyance structures. This section provides brief commentary on the ecological, engineering and aesthetic function of each of these.

Soil which has been disturbed or from which the vegetation has been removed, should be stabilised to prevent erosion due to wind or runoff. Such erosion could cause the stormwater system to block, thereby resulting in the flooding of properties. Stabilisation would be short term, for the duration of the construction phase, followed by long term on completion of construction. Particular care should be taken of areas where development will not take place immediately on completion of the construction phase, e.g. wide verges in the road reserve which have been acquired to accommodate future road widening, or erven reserved for unspecified local authority use.

3.7. Construction

3.7.1. Civil Engineering Specifications

All materials and workmanship should comply with the SABS Specifications.

3.7.2. Environmental Management Programme

Please refer to Appendix G of the BAR for a copy of the EMPr.

3.7.3. Protection of Stormwater Systems during the Construction Phase

The proposed construction activities will be undertaken in the dry season (winter months), where possible in order to limit impacts on the flow of stormwater. The above will also be included in the documentation to the contractor.

3.7.4. Vegetation and Stabilisation

Structures that rely on infiltration for their efficacy should not come into operation until their runoff areas have been stabilised, following construction. This will prevent the need for early and costly maintenance of structures.

If stabilisation by planting is envisaged, plants should be established before the onset of the winter rains (if possible). A phased approach to construction should be considered, where the extent of the water course is such that planting of the whole area will take too long for stabilisation to be effective, or where construction activities are likely to take longer than the period between the end of the wet season and the end of the dry season, when planting should take place.

In some cases, delays in the design or tender stages of a project result in delaying construction such that plants are unlikely to be established before the start of the rainy season. Planting during the rainy season is likely to result in the costly loss of plants, due to washout, as well as the erosion of banks, often resulting in the destruction of careful landscaping of bank slopes and profiles. In such cases, it is suggested that planting be delayed until after the end of the rainy season.

Delays in planting are likely to have cost implications for the project as a whole: survival of pre-ordered, potted plants is often not good over a whole year; in addition, regarding and shaping of eroded banks may be necessary. Nevertheless, it should also be noted that there are advantages to such delays in planting – for one thing, it allows water levels and rates of flow to be observed over one year, and these observations can be used to guide plant zonation.

It is strongly recommended that any planting programmes carried out in stormwater management systems make use of locally indigenous plant species. Indigenous species tend to require less costly nurturing than do exotics. Moreover, they are often less prone to disease and, from an ecological perspective, can also provide areas of indigenous habitat, potentially linking areas of natural indigenous habitat, across the development area.

4. Stormwater Management Plan (Construction phase)

Given the project and site information as listed in the sections above it is possible to compile a Storm Water Management Plan in order to manage and limit possible environmental, surface and groundwater impacts associated with stormwater runoff.

4.1. Potential Pollution sources

The areas and activities that require particular attention with regard to the potential negative impacts of uncontrolled stormwater runoff need to be identified. The potential pollution sources related to the proposed project can be listed as follows:

- Construction camp
- Stockpile area
- Trench excavation
- Concrete mixing

4.2. Preventative measures and stormwater management tools

The following preventative measures and Management tools can be implemented in order to minimise and prevent the negative effects of storm water impacts for the identified pollution sources as well as other project related activities.

4.3. General preventative measures and stormwater management tools during the construction phase

• The applicant will ensure that the contractors adhere to the recommendations of the of the EMPr as well as conditions set out in the Environmental Authorisation during construction

- An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor the entire construction phase. Note that the ECO can be appointed independently or as part of the contractor's team.
- Regular monitoring and / or spot inspections must be conducted. It is recommended that the above mentioned monitoring / spot inspections occur at least every fortnight during the construction phase.
- Inspections must be documented and any shortcomings must be addressed immediately.
- An independent ECO will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. A report will be provided to the contractor upon completion thereof. This report and its findings should be made available to the environmental department if requested.

4.4. Construction camp

- Proper sanitation, portable water and waste facilities must be in place before construction activities commence.
- Care must be taken to prevent any unnecessary damage to vegetation near construction base camp and any other construction activities.
- Potable water must be made available to workers on a daily basis.
- Caution must be taken to ensure that no construction materials are stored or dumped within 32 meters of a watercourse or buffer zones.
- Emergency plans must be available in case of any spillages into or near water resources.
- All chemicals used during the development, including fuel for the construction vehicles, will be stored in a proper storeroom or protected area to prevent pollution.
- Vehicles will be serviced at designated areas. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere.
- Where applicable, the contractors will ensure that all relevant national, regional and local legislation regarding storage, transport, use and disposal of petroleum, chemical, harmful or hazardous substances and materials are adhered to, where necessary.
- Cement and concrete mixing, if applicable, will only take place within the construction site. No concrete will be mixed directly on the ground.
- All environmental problems occurring on the site such will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment.
- The contractor is responsible for the removal of construction waste.
- Construction activities will be limited to designated construction areas to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitats. Construction

vehicles will also keep to constructed roads where possible, so that natural vegetation is not destroyed unnecessarily.

- All human movement and activities will be contained within designated construction areas in order to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitat.
- The area where the construction camp will be set out should be flat in terms of surface and not situated within 32meters from existing water courses.
- A temporary impervious surface should be provided where equipment and/or any hazardous materials (cement, lime, oil and fuel) can be stored, handled and used.
- In the event of any spillage incident the spillage should be cleaned, removed and discarded at the nearest authorised disposal facility.
- Chemical toilets must be serviced and cleaned regularly by the contracted entity.
- All and any waste generated by the construction workers must be disposed of in bins provided, these bins should be emptied and taken to the nearest applicable disposal facility on a regular basis.

4.5. Stockpile area

- Removed topsoil will be stockpiled in an area where it will not be disturbed by vehicles.
- Stockpiled material will be protected from washing away during rainstorms. For example, one layer of bricks or stones can be placed around the stockpiled material.
- On-site contractors are responsible for maintaining stockpiles.
- Weather forecasts from the South African Weather Bureau of up to three days in advance must be monitored on a daily basis in order to avoid exposure of soil, construction works or other harmful materials during a possible storm event.
- Weather forecasts must also be used as a tool to ensure that appropriate actions are taken to avoid the runoff/ erosion of topsoil or other stockpiled materials.
- The temporary stockpiling of soils or any other material should preferably be stored on flat surfaces, in flat topped mounds with side slopes not exceeding an 1:2 slope.
- The stockpiling of soils or other materials should occur more than 32meters from a water course on a relative flat surface.
- In the event of a surplus material or material unsuitable for backfilling however designated to remain onsite for landscaping, shall as early as

possible be placed in its permanent position, be covered with top soil and vegetated.

- Stockpiled material will be placed on the cleared areas once construction is completed. Re-spreading of topsoil is preferably to be done to the natural depth or as indicated by the specialist.
- An alien control and monitoring programme will be developed starting during the construction phase and will be carried over into the operational phase.
- Any proclaimed weed or alien species that germinates during the contract period will be cleared by hand / approved chemicals before flowering thereof.
- Imported fill material will be monitored during and after construction for the presence of any alien species. Any such species will be removed immediately.

4.6. Mixing of concrete

- Cement mixing should take place on impermeable liners.
- The cleaning of cement mixing and related equipment will be conducted using proper cleaning trays.

4.7. Other activities related to the project

- <u>Site clearance:</u>
 - Vegetation should not be stripped for the entire construction site at project commencement.
 - Phased vegetation clearance as the project continues is advised.
- <u>Topsoil strip:</u>
 - Should only commence on areas where immediate work will commence.
 - The extent of these areas should be limited to a minimum and only commence as work progresses to new areas.
 - The period of time between completion of topsoil removal and the commencement of earthworks should be kept at a minimum.
 - The topsoil and seedbank should be stripped, and stockpiled separately and protected against weed infestation and erosion
 - Topsoil should be replaced on top of the soil surface from which it was removed as soon as possible.

5. Stormwater Management Plan (Operational phase)

It is not anticipated that the project should pose further negative potential stormwater impacts after construction, however the following Preventative measures and stormwater management tools should be implemented after the construction phase:

- After the completion of the construction phase a water way monitoring programme will be initiated to ensure the entire area is adequately rehabilitated.
- Following the completion of construction of all infrastructures, the area might be susceptible to erosion due to certain disturbances, areas should be evaluated post construction and determined.
- The areas found to be susceptible to erosion should be equipped with gabions or other geotextiles in order to prevent extensive erosion.
- Following the cessation of construction activities that took place in streams, streams should be inspected regularly for erosion and the necessary mitigation should be applied in order to rectify the situation and prevent further erosion.
- Any and / all areas that have been compacted due to construction activities must be ripped and rehabilitated to its original state.
- After the cessation of construction related activities the area must be rehabilitated and transformed to its original state, as far as possible.
- The re-establishment of natural occurring vegetation should be monitored. Hydro- seeding should be implemented if natural re-establishment methods fail.
- After construction has ceased all construction materials should be removed from site.
- Regular inspections of the site should be conducted to identify leakages, poor vegetation regrowth and or any erosion occurrences. Soil erosion occurrences will be attended to immediately.

6. Summary of stormwater mitigation measures to be implemented

- 6.1. Prevent concentration of stormwater flow at any point where the ground is susceptible to erosion.
- 6.2. Reduce stormwater flows as far as possible by the effective use of attenuating devices (such as swales, berms, silt fences). As construction progresses, the stormwater control measures are to be monitored and adjusted to ensure complete erosion and pollution control at all times.
- 6.3. Minimise the area of exposure of bare soils to minimise the erosive forces of wind, water and all forms of traffic.
- 6.4. Ensure that development does not increase the rate of stormwater flow above that which the natural ground can safely accommodate.
- 6.5. Ensure that all stormwater control works are constructed in a safe and aesthetic manner in keeping with the overall development.
- 6.6. Design culvert inlet structures to ensure that the capacity of the culvert does not exceed the pre-development stormwater flow at that point.
- 6.7. Design outlet culvert structures to dissipate flow energy. Any unlined downstream channel must be adequately protected against soil erosion.
- 6.8. Permits will be obtained for the removal / transplantation of protected species (if any) that are located within the proposed road route where no alternatives are possible. Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities.
- 6.9. The necessary Environmental Authorisation will be obtained before any activities listed in the Regulations (Regulations 982, 983, 984 and / or 985 of 2014) are undertaken.
- 6.10. Proper sanitation, potable water and waste facilities will be in place before construction activities are undertaken.
- 6.11. Care will be taken to prevent unnecessary damage to vegetation near to construction activities.
- 6.12. Potable water will be made available daily to workers on site.
- 6.13. No activities will be undertaken within 32 m of a watercourse / within the 1:100 year floodline, without the necessary authorisations (for example from DESTEA and DWS).
- 6.14. Emergency plans will be in place in case of spillages into the water resource(s).
- 6.15. All no-go areas will be demarcated under guidance of the Environmental Control Officer (ECO).
- 6.16. All chemicals used during the development, including fuel for the construction vehicles, will be stored in a proper storeroom or protected area to prevent pollution.

- 6.17. Vehicles will be serviced at designated areas. No oil, diesel or other chemicals may be spilled or discharged anywhere.
- 6.18. Where applicable, the contractors will ensure that all relevant national, regional and local legislation regarding storage, transport, use and disposal of petroleum, chemical, harmful or hazardous substances and materials are adhered to, where necessary.
- 6.19. Cement and concrete mixing, if applicable, will only take place within the construction site. No concrete will be mixed directly on the ground.
- 6.20. All environmental problems occurring on the site such will be reported to the ECO. The ECO should implement best practices to rectify the impacts thereof on the environment.
- 6.21. The contractor is responsible for the removal of construction waste.
- 6.22. Construction activities will be limited to designated construction areas to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitats. Construction vehicles will also keep to constructed roads where possible, so that natural vegetation is not destroyed unnecessarily.
- 6.23. All human movement and activities will be contained within designated construction areas in order to prevent peripheral impacts on surrounding natural habitat.
- 6.24. Erosion management is important. Rehabilitation of disturbed areas will be undertaken to help the recovery of the vegetation.
- 6.25. Removed topsoil will be stockpiled in an area where it will not be disturbed by vehicles.
- 6.26. Stockpiled material will be protected from washing away during rainstorms. For example, one layer of bricks or stones can be placed around the stockpiled material.
- 6.27. Stockpiled material will be placed on the cleared areas once construction is completed. Re-spreading of topsoil is preferably to be done to a maximum of 10 cm, depending on the natural depth.
- 6.28. An alien control and monitoring programme will be developed starting during the construction phase and will be carried over into the operational phase.
- 6.29. Any proclaimed weed or alien species that germinates during the contract period will be cleared by hand / approved chemicals before flowering thereof.
- 6.30. Imported fill material will be monitored during and after construction for the presence of any alien species. Any such species will be removed immediately.
- 6.31. The total depth of excavation will be kept to a minimum, where possible.

- 6.32. Species, especially grasses, trees and shrubs occurring in the region will be used to rehabilitate disturbed areas.
- 6.33. An alien plant control and monitoring programme will be implemented.
- 6.34. Re-vegetation of disturbed areas will be undertaken with site indigenous species.
- 6.35. Soil erosion occurrences will be attended to immediately.
- 6.36. The applicant will ensure that the contractors adhere to the recommendations of the EMPr and conditions of the Environmental Authorisation during construction.
- 6.37. An Environmental Control Officer (ECO) will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. Note that the ECO may be appointed separately or can be part of the contractor's team.
- 6.38. Regular monitoring and / or spot inspections at least every two weeks during the construction phase is recommended.
- 6.39. Inspections should be documented and any shortcomings addressed immediately.
- 6.40. An independent ECO will be appointed to monitor the construction phase. A report will be provided to the contractor upon completion thereof. The findings thereof should be made available to DESTEA, should it be requested.
- 6.41. The drainage system for the site should be designed to specifications that can adequately deal with a 1:50 year intensity rainfall event or more to ensure sufficient capacity for carrying storm waters around and away from infrastructure.
- 6.42. Procedures for storm water flow through a project site need to take into consideration both normal operating practice and special circumstances. Special circumstances in this case typically include severe rainfall events.



Additional information

APPENDIX J1

Confirmation from Kai !Garib Local Municipality

N/A, as the applicant is the said municipality.



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Details of EAP and EAP Declaration

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Specialist Declaration

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