
Appendix E:

Public Participation Process



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PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS REPORT FOR UPGRADE OF D3342 NEAR GASESE AND N14 NEAR WASHINGTON, KURUMAN DISTRICT, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

In terms of Section 56 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA Act No 107 of 1998, as amended) and Environmental Impact Regulations, 2014 (as amended)



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GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ACRONYMS

Acronym	Description
DAERL	Department Agriculture, environmental affairs, rural development and land Reform.
BAR	Basic Assessment Report
CBA	Critical Biodiversity Area
DFFE	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
DM	District Municipality
DWS	Department of Water and Sanitation
EA	Environmental Authorisation
EAP	Environmental Assessment Practitioner
ECO	Environmental Control Officer
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
EMG	Environmental Management Group (Pty) Ltd
Environmental Impact	Any environmental change, whether adverse or beneficial, wholly or partially resulting from development and or the operation thereof.
ESA	Ecological Support Area
GA	General Authorization
GN R	Government Notice Regulation
HIA	Heritage Impact Assessment
I&AP	Interested and Affected Party
IDP	Integrated Development Plan
IEM	Integrated Environmental Management
Mitigate	Activities designed to lessen/compensate for unavoidable environmental impacts.
NEM:BA	National Environmental Biodiversity Act
NEMA	National Environmental Management Act No. 107 of 1998
NHRA	National Heritage Resource Act
NWA	National Water Act No. 36 of 1998
ONA	Other Natural Areas
SAHRA	South African Heritage Resources Agency
SANBI	South African National Biodiversity Institute
WUL	Water use Licence

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1 Project description.

Environmental Management Group (Pty) Ltd (hereafter EMG) has been appointed as an independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to conduct the Basic Assessment (BA) process with regard to the proposed upgrading of the DR3342.

1.1 Status Quo:

1.1.1 Road condition status

A comprehensive assessment of the driving conditions of the DR3342 between DR3463 near Gasese and N14 near Washington reflects that several road sections are in poor conditions. The proposed road section starts at N14 north of Washington town, extending northwest towards Tsineng, with paved intersections in town that turns west towards the road between Severn (north) and Hotazel (south) and finally turns south towards Hotazel for approximately 3 km, connecting to a paved road up to the interception with the R31.

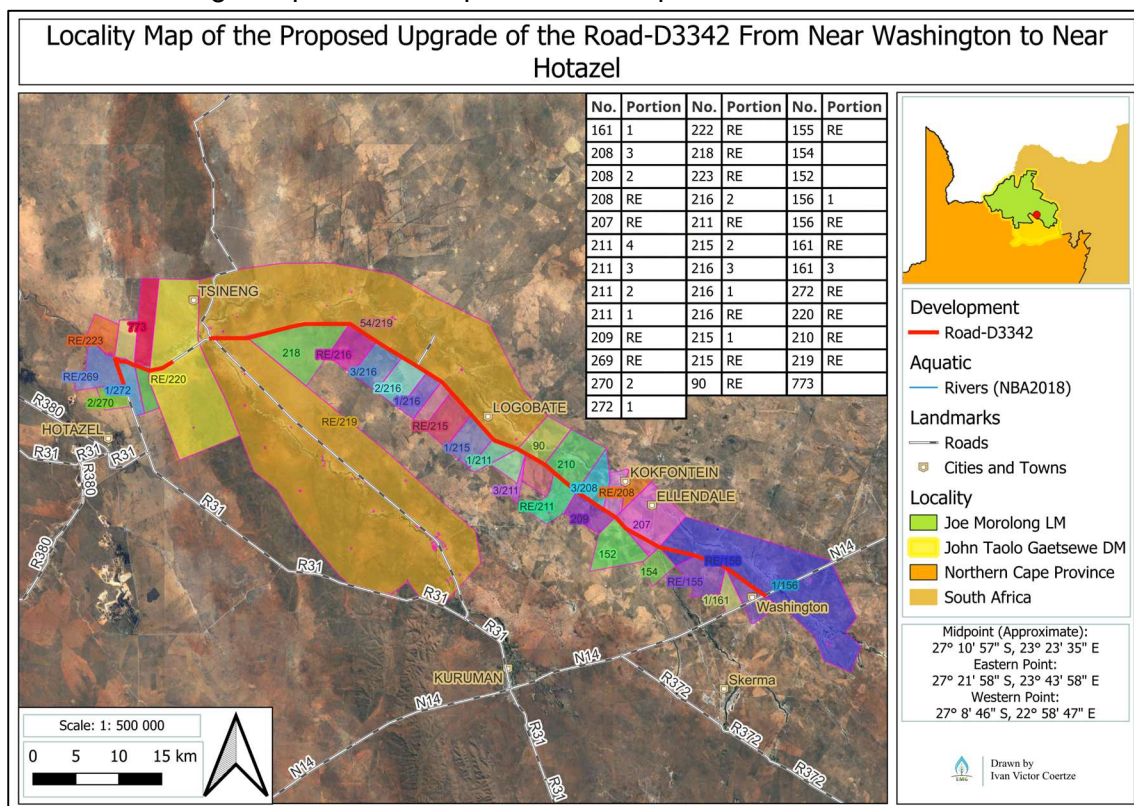


Figure 1: Locality map of the DR3342 between DR3463 near Gasese and N14 near Washington, Northern Cape Province.

This road is characterised by bumpy surfaces, rutting, coarse gravel with large stones, loose sandy sections with medium-sized stones, hard rocky terrain, and areas of exposed rock. During this evaluation, traffic was minimal, likely on account of the low density residential of the area and mode of transportation is most commonly by foot, bicycle or donkey carts. Local agricultural practises include the raising of livestock which coupled with limited fencing entails the free roaming of and grazing of livestock (sheep, cattle, donkeys, horses, goats etc.)

1.1.2 Bridges and culverts

The first bridge along the route is located at KM 19.4, spanning 89 metres and with three sets of culverts. The second bridge is situated at KM 23.7. In the final 28 km section of the evaluated road, a total of 20 culverts and one bridge were recorded, with 10 of these culverts positioned at intervals of approximately 200 metres. A total of 31 existing culverts were recorded and grouped into box culverts (3) and pipe culverts (28). Partial blockage and sediment buildup are a notable issue of the existing culverts and addressing these issues will be essential in the preliminary design stage to ensure that all culverts are fully functional and capable of managing the expected water volumes effectively. Furthermore, the current culvert designs not allowing for sufficient flow capacity act as obstructions to water flow thus affecting watercourse hydrology during rainfall. Proper maintenance, which includes the installation of necessary headwalls and regular cleaning of obstructions, will be crucial to extend.

1.2 Proposed solution

The proposed development entails the upgrading of the existing gravel road to a surfaced road. This will span a length of approximately 100 km. This upgrade will improve the safety, accessibility, and durability of the road for the benefit of the local community and travellers. The proposed development will include assessing the existing road material, for possible utilization, and importing a new base, and possibly subbase, which will be surfaced with appropriate surfacing. This will be concluded with road markings, signage and an appropriate drainage system. The improved roads will provide a smoother and more reliable transportation route for motorists and enhance the overall infrastructure of the area.



Figure 2: A graphical illustration comparing the current road conditions (left) with an illustrated image of the upgraded road (right).

The scope of work for the construction phase includes the following:

-  Clearing and grubbing of the road alignment.
-  Earthworks include excavation, filling and compaction.
-  Installation of drainage systems to manage surface water runoff.
-  Construction of road base, and possibility subbase layers to support the new surface.
-  Placement of surface layers to achieve a smooth and durable road surface.
-  Installation of road signs, markings, and safety features.
-  Conducting quality control and assurance throughout the construction process.

The existing road comprises of existing culverts, three box culverts and 28 pipe culverts, of which some are in a degraded state which would require to be upgraded, enhanced or replaced to ensure that they meet safety and performance standards. These measures are essential for preserving the road's functionality and protection from future water-related

damage. After being assessed by the design team it was determined that the upgrading of the culverts would entail 12 box culverts and 7 pipe culverts (See appendix J: Additional Information).

1.2.1 Typical road cross section

Based on evaluations and calculations (from Annual Average Daily Equivalent Vehicle Units (AADEVU)) in terms of traffic counts and design speed, the proposed cross sections range between 150 and 400 AADEVU (Figure 3) for the first stretch of road between the starting point at the N14 (27° 21' 57" S, 23° 43' 58" E) and the Maphinki to Kuruman Intersection (27° 5' 40" S, 23° 15' 57" E) and between 300 and 1 000 (Figure 4) from the Maphiniki to Kuruman intersection to the ending point (27° 8' 46" S, 22° 58' 47" E) .

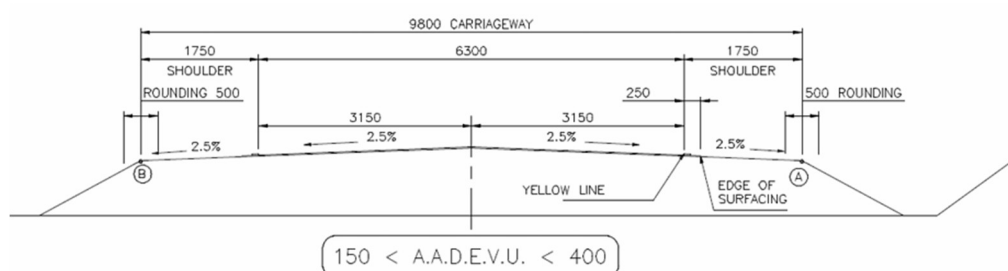


Figure 3: Typical Cross-Section for 150-400 AADEVU

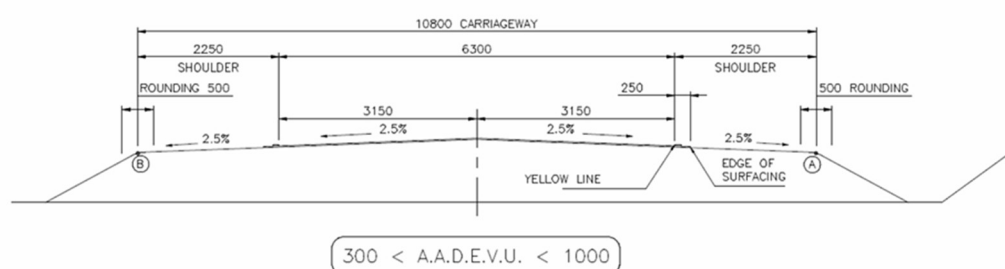


Figure 4: Typical Cross-Section for 300-1 000 AADEVU

1.2.2 Design Standards and Specifications

The design standard for the proposed development is proposed for 80-100km.hr design speed and the anticipated relevant design standards and perimeters are presented in the table below (Table 1).

Table 1 Road design standards

Design parameter	Design standard
Road reserve width	≈34m
Design speed	80-100km/hr
Minimum horizontal curve radius	350m
Minimum horizontal curve length	300m
Minimum curve radius after long	1000m
Maximum super-elevation	6%
Maximum grade: Flat terrain	3%

Maximum grade in cuttings	0.3%
Maximum grade at intersections	3%
Minimum sight distance at intersections	350m
Minimum vertical curve length	180m
Minimum crest k-value	60
Minimum sag k-value	36

1.3 Associated activities:

1.3.1 Borrow pit and quarry

A borrow pit and quarry investigation will confirm the necessity of the source of road material and appropriate applications for legislative requirements in terms of Mining Permits will be applied for in line with the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act no. 28 of 2002).

1.3.2 Water uses

On account of the numerous water course crossings as well as the need to abstract water for construction, sanitation and drinking purposes, water use licences in line with section 21 C&I as well as section 21A in accordance with the National Water Act (Act no. 36 of 1998) will be applied for.

2 Requirements of the Public Participation Process

Public Participation Process (PPP) forms an integral part of the application process. It provides people with the opportunity to raise their issues and concerns about the proposed development. The public participation process to which this **BAR** process is subjected to “*give all potential or registered interested and affected parties, including the competent authority, a period of at least 30 days to submit comments.*” In addition, the public participation process “*must provide access to all information that reasonably has or may have the potential to influence any decision with regard to an application.*”

Public participation must include “*consultation with—*

- a) *the competent authority.*
- b) *every State department that administers a law relating to a matter affecting the environment relevant to an application for an environmental authorisation.*
- c) *all organs of state which have jurisdiction in respect of the activity to which the application relates; and*
- d) *all potential stakeholders, landowners, land users, where relevant, registered interested and affected parties.*”

Section 41 of NEMA stipulates that a person conducting a public participation process is required by Section 41(2) of NEMA to adhere to the following minimum requirements as outlined in the Regulations:

-  Subsection 2(a): “*fixing a notice board at a place conspicuous to and accessible by the public at the boundary, on the fence or along the corridor of— (i) the site where the activity to which the application or proposed application relates is or is to be undertaken.*”

- **Kindly refer to Appendix C for the proof of site notices placed on the fences and entrances.**
- 🔗 Subsection 2(b): *“giving written notice, in any of the manners provided for in section 47D of the Act, to— (i) the occupiers of the site and, if the proponent or applicant is not the owner or person in control of the site on which the activity is to be undertaken, the owner or person in control of the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken ,*(and to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken; (ii) owners, persons in control of, and occupiers of land adjacent to the site where the activity is or is to be undertaken ,*(and to any alternative site where the activity is to be undertaken; (iii) the municipal councillor of the ward in which the site ,*(and alternative site is situated and any organisation of ratepayers that represent the community in the area; (iv) the municipality which has jurisdiction in the area; (v) any organ of state having jurisdiction in respect of any aspect of the activity; and (vi) any other party as required by the competent authority.”*
 - **Kindly refer to Appendix A for the circulation of the Background Information Document as notification to the relevant individual(s)/ owners/ municipal councillor/ local municipality/ organs of state/ state departments/ required by the competent authority (if applicable).**
- 🔗 Subsection 2(c) *“placing an advertisement in— (i) one local newspaper. or (ii) any official Gazette that is published specifically for the purpose of providing public notice of applications or other submissions made in terms of these Regulations;”*
 - **Kindly refer to Appendix B that depicts the proof of newspaper advertisement placed in the local newspaper.**
- 🔗 The public participation process (advertisement and site notices) was compiled according to Regulation 41 (3) –
 - *a notice board or advertisement must-*
 - (a) – *give details of the application or proposed application which is subjected to public participation, and*
 - (b) *state –*
 - (i) *whether basic assessment or S&EIR procedures are being applied to the application;*
 - (ii) *the nature and location of the activity to which the application relates;*
 - (iii) *where further information on the application or proposed application can be obtained; and (iv) the manner in which and the person to whom representations in respect of the application or proposed application may be made.*
 - **Kindly refer to Appendix B & C for the proof of site notices and newspaper advertisement for the proposed development.**

In terms of the NEMA (Act No. 107 of 1998), the public participation process provides people who may be affected by the proposed development with an opportunity to provide comment and to raise issues of concern about the project, or to make suggestions that may result in enhanced benefits for the project. Comments and issues raised during the PPP will be captured, evaluated, and included in a comments and responses register. The issues will be addressed and included in the final version of the report, submitted to the decision-making

authority, the Department Agriculture, environmental affairs, rural development and land Reform.

3 Legislative requirements

3.1 Environmental Authorisation

Prior to the commencement of the proposed development, Environmental Authorisation in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), (Act No. 107 of 1998), A Basic Assessment Report (BAR) in accordance with the Regulations as amended 7 April 2017 is required. The BAR must be submitted to the competent authority, the Department Agriculture, environmental affairs, rural development and land Reform.

According to the NEMA, as amended 7 April 2017, Listing Notice 1 (GN R327) and Listing Notice 3 (GN R324) – the following activity(s) are applicable to this proposed project:

NEMA: Listing Notice 1 (GN R983, 04 December 2014) (As amended in 2021)

Activity nr.	Description
19	The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 10 cubic metres from a watercourse.

NEMA: Listing Notice 3 (GN R985, 04 December 2014) (As amended in 2021)

Activity nr.	Description
12	The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan. (g) Northern Cape (ii) Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans;
23	The expansion of (ii) infrastructure or structures where the physical footprint is expanded by 10 square metres or more; where such expansion occurs (c) if no development setback has been adopted, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse, (g) Northern Cape (ee) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans

3.2 Water Use License

Prior to the commencement of the proposed development, A Water Use License in terms of the National Water Act (NWA), (Act No. 36 of 1998), as amended, a Water Use Licence Application, in accordance with the Regulations Regarding the Procedural Requirements for Water Use Licence Applications and Appeals (GN R 267), must be submitted to the competent authority: Department of Water and Sanitation.

According to the NWA, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) as amended, the following activity(s) are applicable to this proposed project:

NWA: Section 21 (ACT NO.34 of 1998), as amended.

Activity nr.	Description
21 (a)	Taking water from a water resource.
21 (c)	Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse
21 (i)	Altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse

4 Timeframes

4.1 Basic Assessment Report timeframe

-  Public meeting with I&APs and regulatory authorities (if required).
-  Submit application to the Department Agriculture, environmental affairs, rural development and land Reform (DAERL).
-  Submit draft BAR to the Department Agriculture, environmental affairs, rural development and land Reform (DAERL).
-  Public & authority review of draft BAR (30 calendar days) Update the draft BAR with comments received during the review period.
-  Submit updated Final BAR to the competent authority.
-  Review of the Final BAR by the competent authority.
-  Circulate decision to I&APs on the project database.
-  20-day appeal time period

Process step	Responsible party	Estimated timeframe
1. Initial communication to clarify the application process with the authorizing department	EMG	1 day
2. EAP to conduct a site investigation	EMG	1 day
3. EAP to arrange a pre-application meeting with the authorizing department.	EMG	5 days
4. EAP to compile and submit an application for environmental authorization to the competent authority	EMG	5 days
5. Authorizing authority to formally recognize the application.	Authorizing authority	10 days
6. EAP to undertake the BAR and compile a report (including specialist reports and draft EMP).	EMG	89 days
7. EAP to submit the final BAR report (inclusive of a 30-day PPP period) to the authorizing authority.	EMG	1 day
8. Authorizing authority to grant environmental authorization.	Authorizing authority	107 days
9. Environmental authorization is subjected to a 20-day appeal period	EAP	20 days

10. Final approval of the environmental authorization	Authorizing authority	1 day
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4.2 Water Use Licence Application timeframe

The WULA PPP will run concurrently with the EIA process in accordance with GN R 267, Regulations Regarding the Procedural Requirements for Water Use Licence Applications and Appeals Section 17(2) *“Where a public participation process has already been undertaken through the Environmental Impact Assessment Processes or any other public consultation process and that public participation process contains and covers all issues pertaining to water use activities, then that public participation process report may, subject to approval by the responsible authority, be submitted for the requirements of the water use licence application”*.

The following process was followed in accordance with GN R267:

-  Erect site notices.
-  Placing of newspaper advert in one local newspaper.
-  Public & authority review and commenting period of 60 calendar days.

Regulation	Steps in processing of WULA	Maximum Days allocated	Cumulative days	Responsible
0	Pre-application enquiry	0	0	EMG & DWS
1	Application submitted	1	1	EMG
2	Responsible authority acknowledges receipt of the application	10	11	DWS
3	Applicant confirms arrangements for site inspection with an allocated case officer	5	16	EMG
4	Site inspection to confirm water uses, determine information requirements and the need for public participation	20	36	DWS & EMG
5	Confirm requirements for water use licence application technical report based on site visit and meeting	5	41	DWS
6	Compilation, consultation and submission of water use licence application technical report by applicant	105	146	EMG
7	Reject / Accept water use licence application technical report	10	156	DWS
8	Assessment	139	295	DWS
9	Decision and communication to applicant	5	300	DWS

5 Approach and methodology – Public Participation Process

The Public Participation Process was conducted as per GN R326 chapter 6 sections 39-44 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014 (as amended 07 April 2017) and the Public Participation Guidelines, 2017 were considered. Steps, which were taken to inform the identified I&APs and surrounding community of the proposed development included:

-  Newspaper advertisement.
-  Site notices.
-  Distribution of background information document.
-  Circulation of the Draft Basic Assessment Report for review.

6 List of I&APs (a full list attached in appendix D).

The following stakeholders are registered:

-  Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform (DAERL).

Regional authority:

-  John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality

Local authority:

-  Joe Morolong Local Municipality
-  Co-operative Governance Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA)
-  Local Tribal Authorities (See full list in Appendix D)

Organs of State:

-  Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS).
-  Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works (NCDR&PW)
-  Eskom

CPAs and forums:

-  Tsineng Community Property Association (CPA)
-  Matlhwaring Community Forum

The following comments/input were received during the 30-day review and commenting period on the Draft BAR:

I&AP COMMENT REGISTER		
Date	Comment received	EAP's Response
	This will be included in the FBAR. Comments from the public information session are under appendix E.	

7 Conclusion

The Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) will be made available for public and organs of state and State Department's review and comment. I&APs will have a 30-day review and comment period to submit their comments on the proposal and a 60-day review and comment period for the Water Use License Application. All comments will be included and responded to in the Final BAR PP Report.

It is concluded that the methods incorporated in the public participation process to inform the surrounding landowners, organs of state and identified government authorities will be adequate. All the identified I&APs will be given an opportunity to give input regarding the proposed development and all comments will be included in the comments register.

8 Appendices

8.1 Appendix A Notification of Landowners

8.1.1 Notification of LM and DALRRD for state owned properties

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Subject: #338: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE LICENCES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADING OF A ROAD (D3342) LEADING FROM NEAR WASHINGTON, PAST TSINENG TO NEAR HOTAZEL.

Dear Sir/Madam

Re: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE LICENCES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADING OF A ROAD (D3342) LEADING FROM NEAR WASHINGTON, PAST TSINENG TO NEAR HOTAZEL.

We have been appointed by NEP Group (consulting engineers) on behalf of the Department of Roads and Public Works (DR&PWs).

You have been identified as a potential Interested and/or Affected Party (I&AP) who may want to be informed about the proposed development and may have comments which needs to be addressed in the application process.

The Background Information Document (BID) is attached for your perusal.

Your comments on the project will be appreciated.

Should you have any project related queries, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Kind regards,

8.1.2 Notification of landowners for privately owned properties

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Dear Mr Hauman

We have been appointed by **NEP Consulting Group** who are appointed by the **Department of Roads and Public Works (DR&PW)** for the **upgrading of the gravel road D3342 to a surfaced road, from near Washington to near Hotazel.**

You have been **identified** as an **Interested and/or Affected Party (I&AP)** who may want to be **informed** about the proposed development and may have **comments** which needs to be addressed in the environmental application process.

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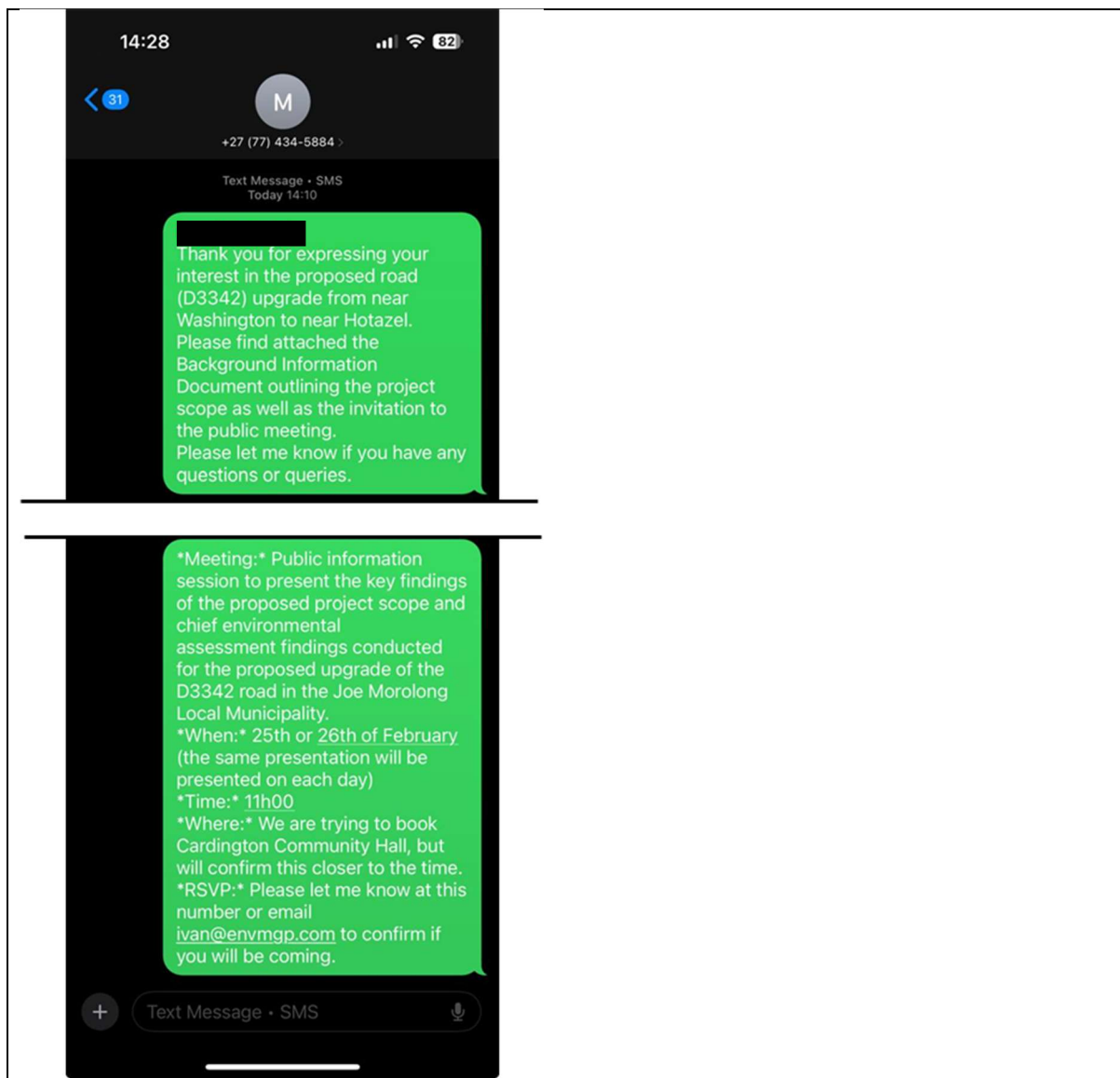
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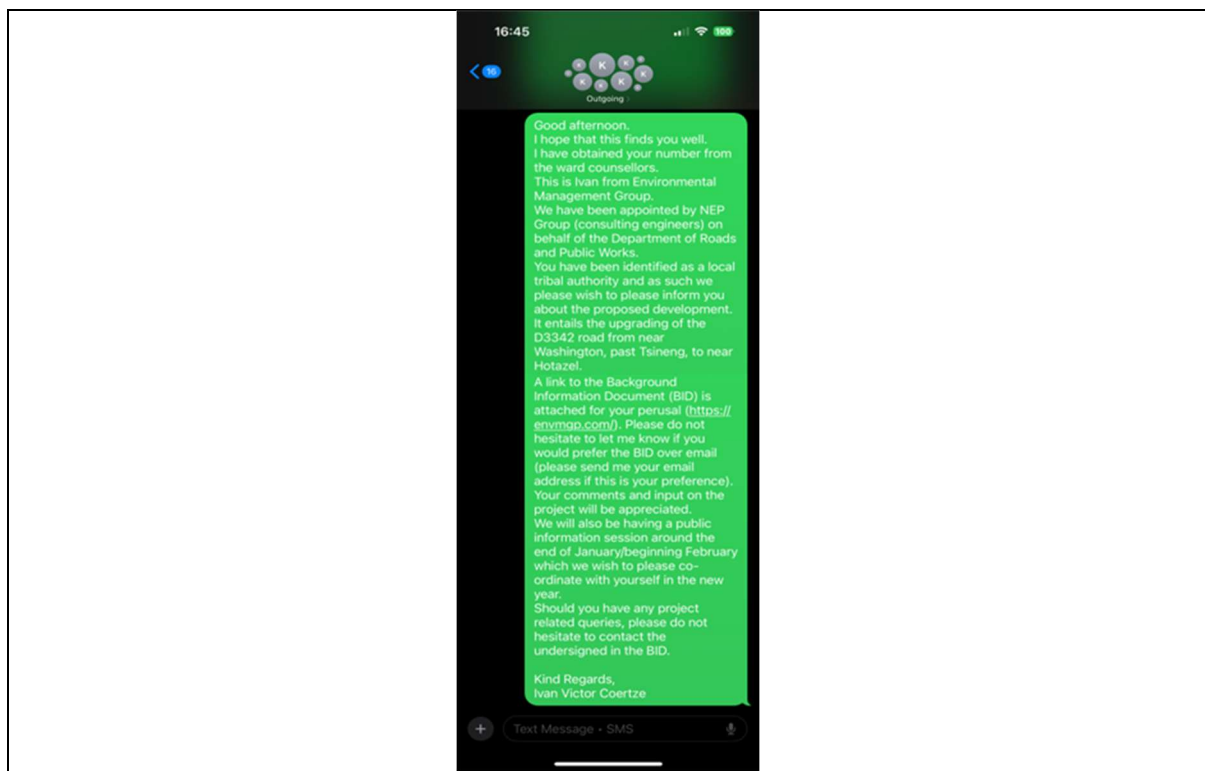
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Environmental Management Group (PTY) Ltd.

15 New Market Road, Bloemfontein, 9301



8.3 Appendix D Notification of local tribal authorities



From: Ivan Coertze <[REDACTED]>

Sent: 11 December 2025 16:58

To: 'pelo.toto(A)gmail.com' <pelo.toto(A)gmail.com>

Cc: [REDACTED]

Subject: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE LICENCES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADING OF A ROAD (D3342) LEADING FROM NEAR WASHINGTON, PAST TSINENG TO NEAR HOTAZEL.

Re: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE LICENCES FOR THE REFURBISHMENT AND UPGRADING OF A ROAD (D3342) LEADING FROM NEAR WASHINGTON, PAST TSINENG TO NEAR HOTAZEL.

Dear Koosi Toto

Thank you for supplying me with your email address.

Please find attached the BID as mentioned over the phone.

Please do not hesitate to email me if there are any questions or queries.

Kind regards,

8.4 Appendix D Newspaper Advertisement

8.4.1 News Advert Template (19th November 2025)

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR BASIC ASSESSMENT AND WATER USE LICENSE AUTHORISATION		
Notice is hereby given of an application for a Basic Assessment process under Chapter 6 of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, as amended. This application will be lodged with the Northern Cape Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform (DAERL) in accordance with the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act no. 107 of 1998), as amended. An Application for a Water Use License (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (NWA), 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998, as amended) and its associated Regulations will be submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) (Water uses will be confirmed through a pre-application process with DWS). The following lists are subject to confirmation.		
APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR3342 BETWEEN DR3463 NEAR GASESE AND N14 NEAR WASHINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.		
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NEMA: Listing Notice 3 (GNR. 985, 2014) (As amended in 2021). Activity 12: The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation in the Northern Cape within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans; Activity 23: The expansion of infrastructure where the physical footprint is expanded by 10 square metres or more; where such expansion occurs within a watercourse or within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse in the Northern Cape within critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans.		
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LOCATION: Washington, Tsineng, Hotazel, Near Kuruman, Northern Cape.	CONSULTANT: Environmental Management Group PO Box 37473 Langenhoven Park, 9330	CONTACT: Tel: 051 412 6350 Email: ivan@envmgrp.com / accounts@envmgrp.com Website: www.envmgrp.com
PROPOSITOR: Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works (NCDRPW)		DATE: 14 November 2025
BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENTS: A digital Background Information Document (BID) is available on the website given above.	GET REGISTERED AS AN I&AP: To be registered as an interested and affected party (I&AP) kindly email or phone the contact above.	PUBLIC INPUT: I&APs will be able to submit comments on the draft basic assessment report to be considered, addressed and implemented in the Final Basic Assessment Report.
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8.4.2 News Advert Template (18th March 2026)

<u>NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR3342 BETWEEN DR3463 NEAR GASESE AND N14 NEAR WASHINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.</u>			
Notice is given of an application for a Basic Assessment process and a Water Use License (WULA) under Chapter 6 of the EIA Regulations, 2014, National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998, as amended) and the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998, as amended). The following lists are subject to confirmation.			
Section 21 (NWA, Act 36 of 1998):			
A		C&I	
Listed Activities: GNR 327 Listing Notice 1		Listed Activities: GNR 324 Listing Notice 3	
Activity 19	Activity 56	Activity 12	Activity 18
		Activity 14	Activity 23
LOCATION: From near Washington (N14) past Tsineng to near Hotazel (DR3463).			
PROPOSITOR: Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works (NCDR&PW)			
CONSULTANT: Environmental Management Group Ivan Coertze PO Box 37473 Langenhoven Park, 9330 Tel: 051 412 6350 / 082 780 4091 Email: ivan@envmgrp.com / accounts@envmgrp.com			
DATE: 18 March 2026			
In order to ensure that you are registered as an interested and/or affected party, and that you receive all of the updated information pertaining to this project throughout the process, please submit your name, contact information and interest in the matter to the consultant given above within 30 days of publication of this notice.			

8.4.3 Proof of newspaper advertisement

Publisher name: Veldbrand Media-Kuruman

Date: 19th November 2025

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APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR3342, FROM NEAR GASESE TO NEAR WASHINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

NEMA: Listing Notice 1 (GNR. 983, 2014) (As amended in 2021).
Activity 19: The infilling or depositing, or removal of more than 10m³ of material from a watercourse.

NEMA: Listing Notice 3 (GNR. 985, 2014) (As amended in 2021).
Activity 12: The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation in the Northern Cape within a CBA.
Activity 23: The expansion of infrastructure where the physical footprint is expanded by 10 square metres or more; where such expansion occurs within a watercourse or within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse in the Northern Cape within CBAs as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans.

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LOCATION:
Washington, Tsineng, Hotazel, Near Kuruman, Northern Cape.

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DATE: 13 NOVEMBER 2025

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Nasionale Waterweek 2026 beklemtoon dringende vaardigheids- en leierskapstekorte in SA

Nasionale Waterweek (16-20 Maart) en Wêreldwaterdag (22 Maart) word op 'n kritieke oomblik in Suid-Afrika se watersektor beklemtoon.

Dekades van verouderende infrastruktuur, munisipale waterverlies en volgehoute vaardigheids- tekorte het baie plaaslike owerhede laat sukkel om betroubare, veilige waterdienste te lewer.

Onlangse data dui daarop dat munisipaliteite byna die helfte van alle behandelde water verloor weens lekkasies, diefstal en ondoeltreffendhede, wat 'n sistemiese ineenstorting beklemtoon wat bewusheid alleen nie kan regstel nie.

"Infrastruktuurbehoefte alleen is nie genoeg nie; geskoolde professionele persone is wat be- leeging in resultate omskep," sê dr. LesterGold- man, uitvoerende hoof van die Waterinstituut van

is "Water en Geslag", wat die noodsaaklikheid beklemtoon om geslagsperspektiewe in werks- magontwikkeling en leierskappylyne in te sluit.

Die verhoging van die deelname van vroue in tegniese rolle, bestuursforums en opleidingspro- gramme versterk nie net institusionele kapasiteit nie, maar verbreed ook die talentpoel wat beskikbaar is om toekomstige uitdagings die hoof te bied.

Noodvoorbereiding is nog 'n sleutelprioriteit. Baie munisipaliteite het nie gedokumenteerde Waterveiligheidsplanne en geoefende noodreak- sieprotokolle nie.

Dr. Goldman en ander waterleiers pleit vir

gestandaardiseerde planne met duidelike verantwoordelikhede, roetine-noodoefeninge en koördinerende

rambestuursentrums om die impak van mislukkinge te versag. Vennootskappe tussen die regering, die nywerheid en die burgerlike samelewing is sentraal tot die oorkoming van hierdie onderling gekoppelde uitdagings.

Beleidsstabiliteit, belegging in vaardigheidsontwikkeling en deursigtige samewerkingsraamwerke sal noodsaaklik wees as Suid-Afrika van krisisbestuur na volhoubare waterbestuur wil oorskakel.

Alhoewel dit belangrik is om voort te gaan met die bevoor- dering van professionele akkreditering, maatstafstandaarde en praktiese kapasiteitsbou-inisiatiewe wat direk deur waterdiens- verskaffers aangeneem kan word, soos dr. Goldman beweer: "Sonder die regte vaardighede en professionele bevoegdheid kan selfs die beste infrastruktuur en planne tekort skiet."



Die sterkte van Suid-Afrika se toekomstige watersekerheid lê nie net in bewusheid nie, maar in veerkragtige infrastruktuur wat in die toekoms goed bestuur word.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR3342 BETWEEN DR3463 NEAR GASESE AND N14 NEAR WASHINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

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Activity 12 Activity 14 Activity 18 Activity 23

LOCATION: From near Washington (N14) past Tsingev to near Holazel (DR3463).

PROPOSER: Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works (NCDR&PW)

CONSULTANT: Environmental Management Group

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DATE: 18 March 2026

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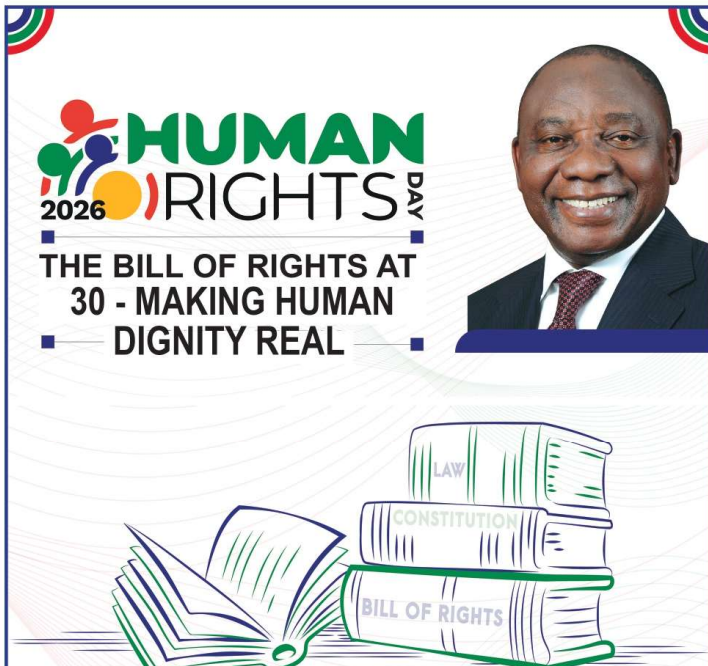
NOTIFICATION OF AVAILABILITY OF THE SITE-SPECIFIC ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROGRAMME (EMPR) FOR PUBLIC REVIEW FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE KORARA MAIN TRANSMISSION SUBSTATION (MTS) AND ASSOCIATED LOOP-IN LOOP-OUT (LIL) LINES IN THE NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE.

DDFE Reference No: 14/12/16/3/2/680/1/2/AM2

Notice is hereby given that the National Transmission Company South Africa (NTCSA) SOC Ltd (the Applicant) has granted the Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above project by the Competent Authority i.e. the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE). The EA has been amended through a Part 1 Amendment process and was issued 30 September 2025. NTCSA has appointed Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd to prepare a Site-Specific Environmental Management Programme (EMPR) in accordance with Condition 16 of the Environmental Authorisation (EA). The EMPR submitted as part of the EA is not yet approved and has been revised to reflect the final site layout, micro-siting, and the conditions of the Environmental Authorisation.

Information regarding the Site-Specific EMPR is available at the Pofadder Library, Loop St, Pofadder Library, Loop St, Pofadder, 8890, Aggenyeys Library and on Zitholele Consulting's website (www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/) under the heading "Korara MTS EA-Amendment" for public review and comment from 19 March to 18 April 2026. Information regarding the application can also be requested from the Public Participation Office at the contact details provided herein.

All stakeholders that wish to be part of this process, provide comments on the Site-Specific EMPR, and stay informed throughout the process are urged to register as an Interested and Affected Party (IAAP) by submitting your contact details and interest on the project to the Public Participation Process (PPP) desk at the contact details provided. Alternatively, SMS the word "Korara MTS" to 45776. The PPP desk can be contacted as follows: Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd, Ms. Lomdani Sibusiso, P.O. Box 6002, Halfway House, 1685, Tel: 011 207 2060, Fax: 086 674 6121, E-mail: korara-ants@zitholele.co.za



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Uitdagings benewens tegniese tekorte, ver- erger bestuursuitdaginge die krisis. Swak verantwoordbaarheid, onduidelike leierskapstrukture en onvoldoende finansiële dis- cipline kan selfs goed- bedoelde hervormings ontpoor. Om dit aan te spreek, beklemtoon kenners die waarde van professioneliserings- deuropende opleiding en effektiewe opvolg- beplanning.

"Gemeenskapsdeel- name is noodsaaklik om hierdie kosbare maar skaars hulbron te bewaar, waaronder ons nie kan oorleef nie," merkt dr. Goldman op met verwysing na die bemagtiging van plaaslike belangheb- bendes as deel van vol- houbare waterbestuur. "Hierdie projekte toon die belangrikheid van gemeenskaps- betrokkenheid, maar hulle kan slegs slaag deur goeie leierskap en professionele kundig- heid."

Die tema vir Wêreldwaterdag 2026

8.5 Appendix D Site notice

8.5.1 Site Notice Template

Site Notice 15 October 2025 Site Visit.

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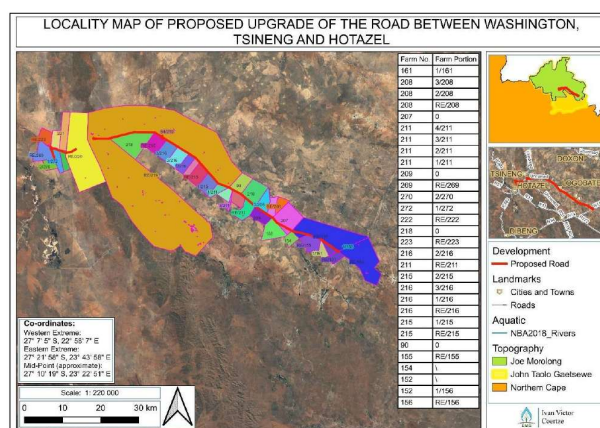
APPLICATION FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR3342 BETWEEN DR3463 NEAR GASESE AND N14 NEAR WASHINGTON, NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCE

NEMA: Listing Notice 1 (GNR. 327, 07 APRIL 2017)

19	The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 10 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 10 cubic metres from a watercourse
56	The widening of a road by more than 6 metres, or the lengthening of a road by more than 1 kilometre (i) where the existing reserve is wider than 13.5 metres; or (ii) where no reserve exists, where the existing road is wider than 8 metres; excluding where widening or lengthening occur inside urban areas.

NEMA: Listing Notice 3 (GNR. 324, 07 APRIL 2017)

12	The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation except where such clearance of indigenous vegetation is required for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan. (g) Northern Cape (h) Within critical biodiversity areas identified in bioregional plans;
14	The development of: (i) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 10 square metres or more, where such development occurs: (a) within a watercourse; (c) if no development setback has been adopted, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse; (g) Northern Cape (ii) Outside urban areas: (f) Critical biodiversity areas or ecosystem service areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans;
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NWA: Section 21 (ACT NO.34 of 1998), as amended

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(c)	Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse.
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LOCATION:
Washington, Tsineng, Hotazel, Near Kuruman, Northern Cape.

PROPOSITOR:
Northern Cape Department of Roads and Public Works
(NCDRPW)

CONSULTANT:
Environmental Management Group
PO Box 37473
Langenhoven Park, 9330

CONTACT:
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Website: www.envmgrp.com

DATE: 15 October 2025

BACKGROUND INFORMATION DOCUMENTS:

A digital Background Information Document (BID) will be available on the website given above. A physical Background Information Document will be available at the Hotazel library (Hotazel, Santoy, 8490) and the Tsineng SAPS Police Station (18013 Main Road, Tsineng, 8474).

GET REGISTERED AS AN I&AP:

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PUBLIC INPUT:

A public meeting will be held in November. Details will be provided to registered I&APs and ward councillors by the 7th of November. Online opportunity to be registered as an I&AP will continue for 30 days after acknowledgement of receipt of the BAR; registered, a notification will be sent for the availability of the Draft Basic Assessment Report for thirty day (30) commenting period (in terms of NEMA). Sixty Days (60) are given for your comments/concerns on the Water Use Licence Application (National Water Act, 1998).

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Site Notice 2 December 2025 Site Visit.

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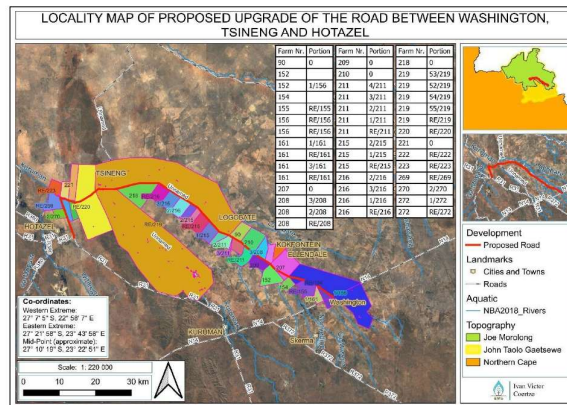
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LOCATION:
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DATE: 3 December 2025

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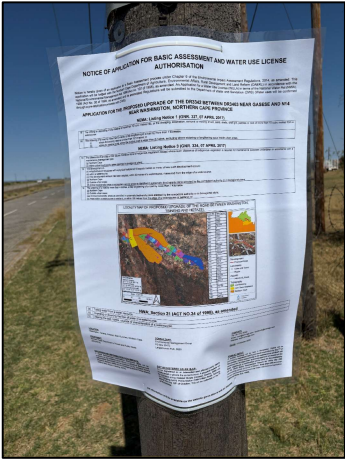
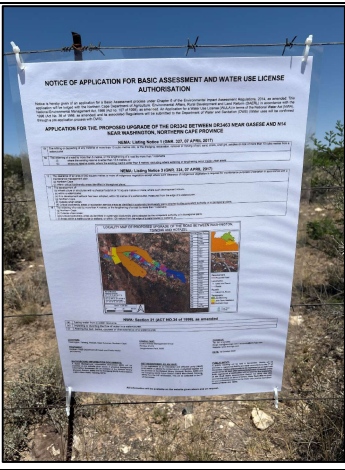
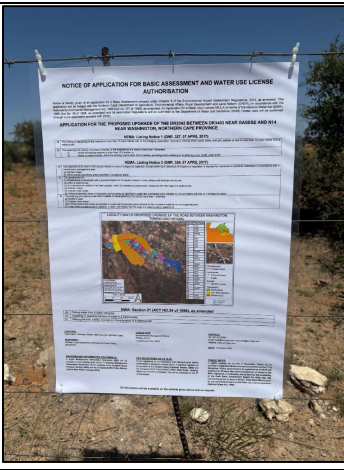
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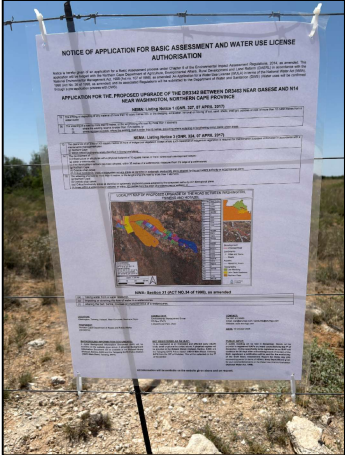
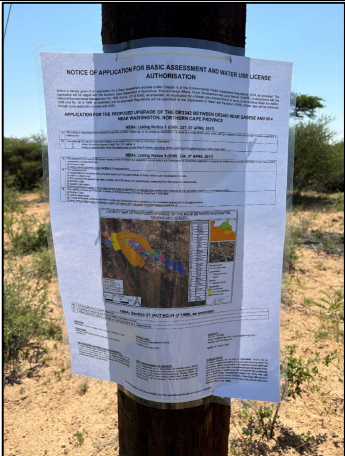
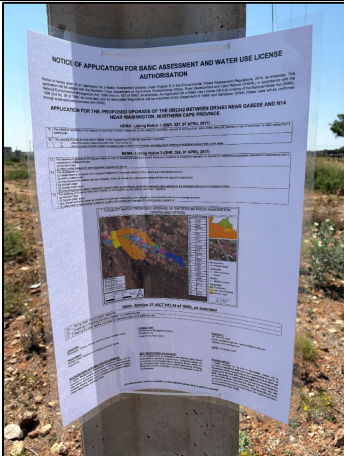
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8.5.2 Photographic proof of placements of site notices and BID documents

Date of placement: 15th of October 2025

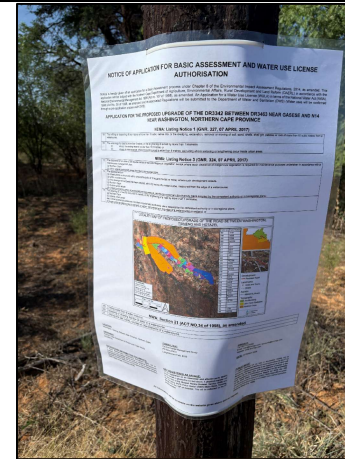
	
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Site notice 5: Placed at: 27° 12' 5" S, 23° 24' 42" E	Site notice 6: Placed at: 27° 5' 47" S, 23° 16' 0" E
	
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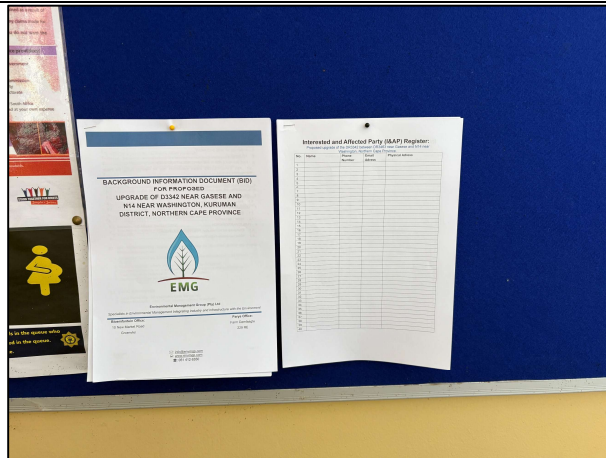
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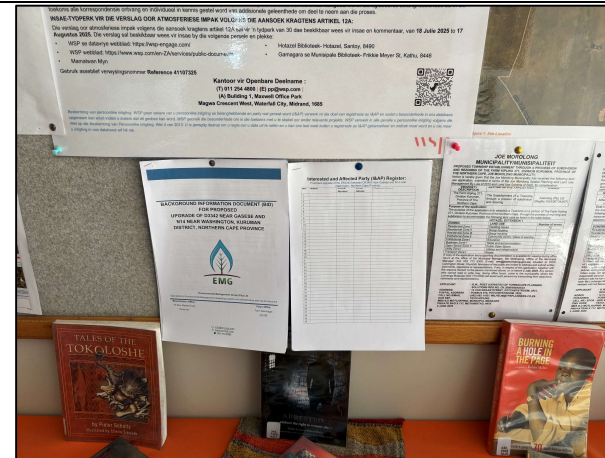
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BID document and I&AP register 1:

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BID document and I&AP register 2:

Placed at: 27° 12' 4" S, 22° 57' 41" E

Date of placement: 2nd of December 2025

					
Site notice 1: Placed at: 27° 21' 57.65" S, 23° 43' 56.96" E			Site notice 2: Placed at: 27°17' 28.07" S, 23 ° 33' 51.38" E		
					
Site notice 3: Placed at: 27° 8' 34.32" S, 23° 21' 11.60" E			Site notice 4: Placed at 27° 7' 7.29" S, 22° 58' 8.26" E		



BID Document 1:

Placed at: 27° 10' 35.14" S, 23° 24' 27.57" E



BID Document 2:

27° 16' 46.42" S, 23° 28' 39.55" E

8.6 Appendix D1: List of registered I&APs

List of Stakeholders and I&AP's				
Name / Department	Contact Person	E-Mail Address	Contact No.	Address
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality MM				
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality Head of Communication				
John Taolo Gaetsewe District Municipality Basic Services and Infrastructure				
MM of Joe Morolong Local Municipality				
HOM Department of Agriculture, Rural Development and Land Reform (DALRRD)				
Northern Cape Provincial Government HOD PA Economic Affairs				
Northern Cape Provincial Government- HOD Provincial Treasury				
Northern Cape Provincial Government-HOM				

Infrastructure and Public Works				
Northern Cape Provincial Government- HOD Social Development				
Department of Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements and Traditional Affairs (NC)				
Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform (DAERL)				
Department of Roads and Public Works				
SANRAL-South African National Road Agency (Western Region)				
SACAA Infrastructure				
Eskom				
Department of Water and Sanitation				

Spokesperson- Matlhwareing Forum				
Interested Affected Party				
Interested Affected Party				

8.7 Appendix D2: List of registered I&APs

As part of the public participation process, public information sessions were organised in four strategic locations spread out across the development footprint to maximise accessibility by local community members. These public information sessions were held at:

-  Cardington Community Hall (X2) (25-26 February 2026),
-  Mecwetsaneng Community Hall (16 March 2026) and,
-  Ga-Diboye Community Hall (17 March 2026).

These locations were chosen on account of:

-  anticipated number of people in attendance,
-  distribution of communities (locations predominantly more Eastward were chosen as the Western stretch of the road approaches private properties),
-  input from community representatives and ward counsellors.

During the public information session, the following points were discussed:

-  The project scope,
-  The environmental authorisation application process,
-  The water use license application process,
-  The mining permit application process,
-  The public participation process including the 30-day commenting period,
-  Chance was also given to ask questions which were answered (and recorded in appendix E of this report).

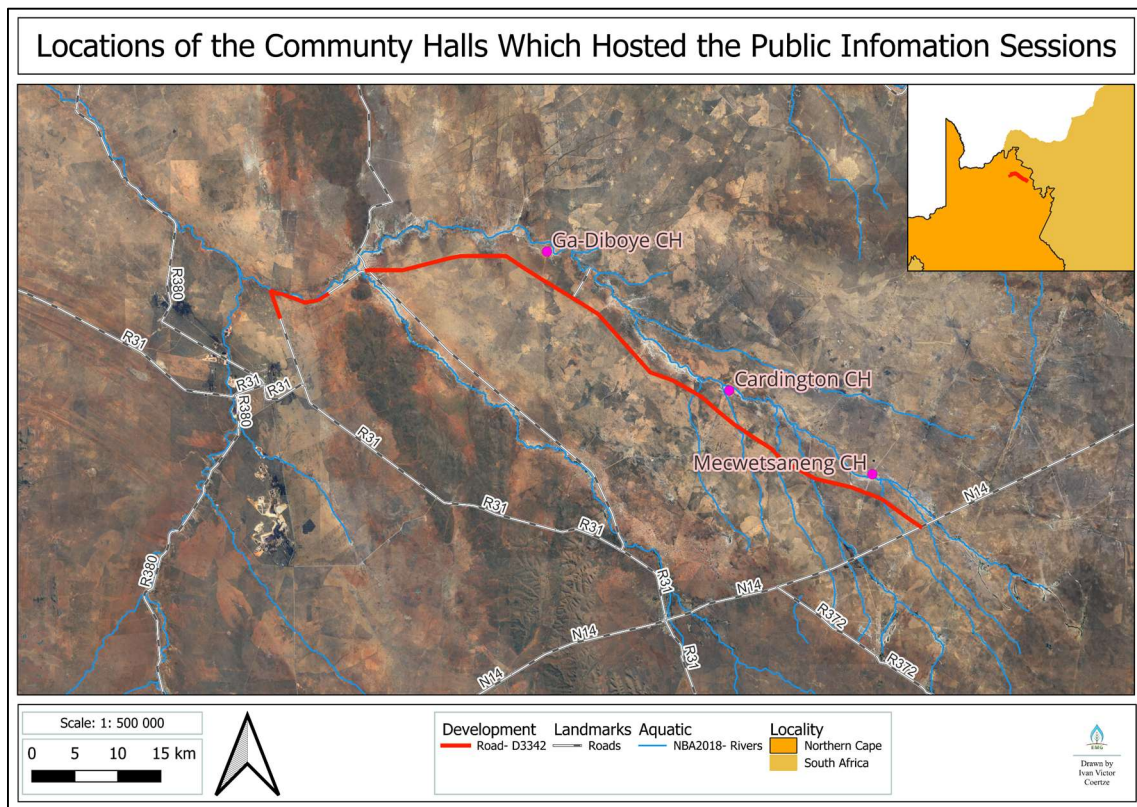


Figure 6: Locations of the community halls (CH) at which the public participation sessions were held.

Identity	Contact information			Location					Attendance
Name & Surname	Contact number	E-mail	Company details	Live in the area?		Address/closest village	Landowner or lessee?		Signature
				✓	X		✓	X	
This has been redacted to protect the privacy of all in attendance.									

8.8 Appendix E Comments and correspondences (prior to the Draft BAR)

I&AP COMMENT REGISTER- Public Information Session Questions (repeat questions have been omitted).		
Date	Comment received	EAP's Response
25/02	Concerning historical land: A concern was raised enquiring as to what say the communities might have in the land use, as their land was used in the past without their input.	While the environmental authorisation may be obtained without the express consent of the landowners (on account of it being a linear development), development may not begin without the consent of the landowners. Contracts are being drafted to present to the landowners to request their consent and agree on compensation for land use. The public information sessions are held to engage with community members and landowners to also provide input into the development.
25/02	Clarity was requested concerning the construction material.	The road will be a tarred road comprising of three layers. <i>The top layer will be a 20 mm Cape seal, which provides a durable and weather-resistant surface. Beneath this will be a 150 mm base layer, followed by a 150 mm subbase layer.</i> Around watercourse crossings prefabricated (as far as possible) box and pipe culverts will be utilised to ensure that there are no long-term interruptions to surface water flow of the ephemeral watercourses.
25/02	It was enquired whether the 20 (+/-) stream crossings would affect the WUL process.	The water use licence process will include applying for section 21 C&I water use licences for each of the areas where the road crosses watercourses or regulated areas of watercourses. So the WUL process will be largely dedicated to licencing the construction in those very stream crossings. The other component of the water use licencing will entail licencing boreholes (preferably already existing) to ensure that the development does not abstract more water than can be supplied. This will be co-ordinated with the respective landowners and owners of the boreholes.
25/02	Clarification was requested concerning the 34m road reserve. What is the width of the road.	The 34m reserve is the total area which will be cleared of all vegetation. It is not, however, the breadth of the road. The road itself is anticipated to be 7m wide (with 3.5m for each lane). The breadth of the shoulders will vary depending on the slope of the land. In areas where a lot of material needs to be filled because the road is considerably higher than the land, the road and shoulders will

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		be about 12m wide (7m + 2.5m shoulders on each side). Most of the road will be a total of 7.6m wide. (7m + 0.3m shoulders on each side). The remaining area in the servitudes will eventually be naturally revegetated. If natural revegetation is too slow, by the environmental compliance officer's discretion, active revegetation will need to take place.
25/02	It was enquired why the specialists and their reports were not included in the meeting.	The meeting addressed the scope of the project, the intended licencing processes and the rights of the community to register as Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs). The Draft Basic Assessment Report which will include the specialist's findings as well as the impact assessment, proposed mitigations of the specialists and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) which must be followed by the contractors, should the EA be approved will be made available to all I&APs at the inception of the 30-day commenting period.
25/02	It was enquired why the department has more time to comment than the community.	The department also only has 30 days to comment. They do have 106 days to assess the report (and conduct a site visit) to determine whether they will approve the EA. This, is not, however to lodge comments but assess the Final Basic Assessment Report.
25/02	It was observed that with a road reserve of 34m grassing camps would be taken (less grazing potential).	While the re-establishment of the 34m servitude will entail clearing of vegetation. The road itself will not be extended significantly (maximally is some places approximately a total of 4m). A significant stretch of the current gravel road extends beyond what is anticipated to be occupied by the tar road. The 34m servitude will be naturally revegetated and actively rehabilitated wherever possible. Where natural revegetation is too slow by the discretion of the ECO, active revegetation measures will need to be implemented.
25/02	Explanation was sought concerning the safety principles which would be implemented for the communities and what it was that EMG would do for the communities.	Safety measures in the road will include adequate signage, speed reduction measures in built up area approaching the communities, and guardrails where the height of the road is significantly raised. Any fences disturbed in the re-establishment of the servitude will be replaced. The community will actively benefit from the road development itself, in terms of ease of

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		transport, easier accessibility to vital services (ease for police, firefighting, medical vehicles etc). Compensation will also be paid out to the landowners (in areas that fall within tribal land this will be paid out to the chiefs). Access to borrow pits and boreholes will also be compensated.
25/02	Clarification was requested concerning what the rehabilitation of the borrow pits entails.	The rehabilitation of the borrow pits will be outlined in much greater detail in the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) dedicated to the borrow pits themselves, which will have to be drawn up in line with the environmental authorisation (EA) for the borrow pits. Typical rehabilitation measures may, however, include: • Restoration of topsoil to facilitate revegetation. • Breaking down steep slopes into gentler gradients to prevent collapse. • Potential active revegetation. • Removing alien and invasive vegetation. Etc.
25/02	Clarification was requested to confirm whether EMG would be constructing the road.	EMG will not be constructing the road. EMG are the environmental consultants who will be facilitating the licencing processes which includes co-ordinating the specialist studies required. Contractors have not yet been appointed but this will be facilitated by the consulting engineers.
25/02	It was requested whether there would be new boreholes.	It is not certain yet. Ideally existing boreholes would be used as far as possible. The landowners/owners of the boreholes will be compensated accordingly.
25/02	It was requested where the Department of Roads and Public Works (DR&PW) obtains the money from and whether sufficient allocation would be provided for the roads.	A high-level cost estimate was conducted in which, budgeting for the project (minus compensation and rehabilitation) was drawn up to assess the budgetary requirements of the development and ensure that sufficient fund allocation be provided.
25/02	It was requested what the expiry date of the EA is, as it was noted that the EAs expiry date was lapsed in past projects. It was enquired what the next steps would be from this point.	The EA's expiry date has not yet been confirmed. EMG will, however, motivate in the application that given the number of variables that can realistically cause delays in the development, that the EA gets awarded an expiry date which is sufficiently late to ensure

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		that all conceivable delays do not cause the lapse of the EA.
25/02	It was requested that consultation was extended to Esparanza.	Consultation was extended to Esparanza.
25/02	It was requested that gates be included into the designs to allow for the passage of cattle. It was requested that the road be protected with fencing to protect the cattle.	No new areas that were unfenced will be established as part of the project. However, wherever there is any movement of fencelines, fencelines will be replaced by the contractors without cost to the communities or landowners.
25/02	It was enquired as to how long the road is.	The road is approximately 100km.
25/02	It was enquired whether there will be other session.	An additional three sessions were held. 26 th of February, 16 th of March and 17 th of March 2026.
26/02	It was enquired what the feasibility of the project was, i.e. the likelihood of the project going ahead in terms of authorisation and financial provision.	While nothing can definitively be confirmed, as it is ultimately the competent authority's decision based on their assessment of our assessment, an assessment of feasibility was undertaken in compiling an inception report.
26/02	It was enquired what the benefits of the borrow pits were to the community.	While the material in the borrow pits technically belong to the state per the Mineral and Petroleum Resources Development Act (Act 28 of 2002), compensation for access will be provided to the landowners. Furthermore, its placement within the larger project entails that access to the borrow pits also confers the benefits of the larger project. i.e. job creation, skills development, improved infrastructure etc.
26/02	It was enquired whether the boreholes would remain after the completion of the project.	While the currently anticipated process entails the utilisation and licencing of existing boreholes in which the owners of the boreholes are remunerated for access. Any new boreholes sunk will be left over to the benefit of the community. It must be cautioned, however, that should the communities wish to abstract any volume in excess of that outlined in the GA thresholds as outlined in GN R. 40243 in line with section 22(1) of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) that they will need to apply for a water use license for the abstraction of water.
26/02	It was enquired whether there would be fencing and whether animal crossing would be possible.	The project scope is not going entail the construction of new fencing for the entire length of the road, but where fencing and gates need to be moved to re-establish the road servitude, the fences and gates will be re-established outside of the 34m servitude area without cost to the communities or landowners.

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16/03	Clarify whether there will be financial compensation for land that will be taken for construction of the road and borrow pits.	There will be financial compensation for the land implicated in re-establishing the servitudes. There will also be compensation for the access to boreholes and borrow pits.
16/03	What will the social and environmental impacts (such as dust) be? How will this be mitigated?	As part of the environmental impact assessment process a thorough assessment of projected risks is conducted. This contextualises the risks in terms of the anticipated surface area, duration and severity by integrating the findings of the specialists' investigations. Furthermore, mitigations are proposed (also informed by the specialist investigations) which become integrated into the environmental management programme (EMPr). Please find attached the full report as Appendix F.
16/03	Does the design include safety of animals?	While no new fences are anticipated to be implemented in the project the replanting of fences and gates which need to be moved to re-establish the 34m servitude will be incorporated into the contractor's scope of works. Further, road signage to warn of the potential presence of livestock will be implanted into the roadworks in line with the South African Road Traffic Safety Management Association (SARTSMA) Standards.
16/03	Can surface water be used for construction?	All of the watercourses in the area are ephemeral watercourses only yielding water during the rain-season. Furthermore, some rivers in the area such as the Kuruman River is a critically endangered habitat. As such, it would be very unlikely, that we should be able to sustainably abstract a sufficient amount of water for construction and also very unlikely that we would be able to obtain the required water use licenses required for abstraction. By utilising boreholes across the entire project area allows us with pump tests to reliably determine how much water can be safely abstracted without depleting the underground aquifer. It also provides us with a more reliable source of water throughout the year, and more readily allows us multiple potential points to abstract less water at each, rather than abstracting more water at fewer points (being determined largely by access to flowing watercourses).

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16/03	Where is construction going to start? Which side?	This is still being assessed and can unfortunately not be definitively confirmed yet. It could, however, start in the middle of the total length of the stretch of road proposed to be upgraded.
16/03	Is the road going to take 231 days to construct?	The 231 days were an estimate of how long the licensing process would take. The actual construction process is anticipated to take longer than that. The current planning is that it should take approximately 36-48 months, however, unexpected delays to the project schedule could result in a longer project timeframe.
16/03	To which department do the applications go?	The environmental authorisations are processed by the Department of Agriculture, Environmental Affairs, Rural Development and Land Reform (DAERL). The water use licenses applications are processed by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). The Mining Permits applications are processed by the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy (DMRE).
16/03	Is there anybody from the community to form part of the assessment?	The community, community forums, landowners and lawful occupiers of land are consulted as part of the public participation process which includes the four public information sessions which this public engagement forms part of. Community members who signed the registers will further be able to submit their comments during the 30-comment period after the submission of the draft Basic Assessment Report.
16/03	Will the development destroy the camps? <i>(Asked in the context of grazing)</i>	Vegetation clearance will be required in the 34m servitude to re-establish the servitude and allow for temporary bypasses during construction. However, the 34m does not indicate a region which will be permanently disturbed. Rather, the footprint of the tar road itself is anticipated to, (in most parts) fall within the current gravel road surface area. The remaining area in the servitude will be rehabilitated by re-establishing the topsoil which will initiate natural revegetation. If revegetation is found to be too slow per the discretion of the environmental compliance

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		officer, active rehabilitation measures will need to be implemented.
16/03	Does the 231 days include all the specifications for constructions?	The 231-days is an approximation given of how long the application for an environmental authorisation (following a basic assessment) may take. As mining permits follow a similar methodology to the EA process, this was also provided as an indication of the application for mining permits. This estimate is, however, dependent on a number of variables and may vary. The submission of the Draft Basic Assessment Report to all I&APs will give an indication of when we can anticipate a finding from the competent authority i.e. 30 days public participation process, 2 days printing and submission of the Final Basic Assessment Report, 107 days for the environmental authority to review the application and final basic assessment report, conduct a site visit and coming to a finding.
16/03	Are there going to be financial problems for compensation of the community?	There is not anticipated to be any financial problems for compensation of the community. The understanding that compensation of landowners will be a requirement has been integrated and reflected from the inception phases of the project ensuring that sufficient room for planning is provided to ensure that sufficient funds will be made available. The project funders will also be integrated into the conversation to determine compensation rates to ensure that sufficient funding will be available.
16/03	What if there is no water?	The proposed approach is to stagger the boreholes across the development footprint to ensure that strain is not placed on the underground aquifers, to ensure that the boreholes are not over-abstracted from. The volumes that can be safely abstracted from without putting strain on the water resources will be determined by a geohydrological investigation. Therefore, using this conservative approach it is unlikely that there will not be sufficient water across the development footprint. In the incidence that there indeed is not, commercial sources of water will need to be utilised.

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16/03	Are they going to do circles or stop signs at T-Junctions? What about gates?	Appropriate road signage will be implemented in line with the South African Road Traffic Safety Management Agency's (SARTSMA) standards. The road geometry will comply with the Technical Recommendations for Highways standards (TRH 16 and 26). Speed reduction measures will be implemented approaching intersections communities and built-up areas.
17/03	When is the project going to start?	At the moment it is planned that the project starts by the end of 2026 or the beginning of 2027.
17/03	Are the boreholes going to benefit the community?	The boreholes will benefit the community in a number of ways. The most direct benefit will be the direct compensation of land/borehole owners for access to the boreholes. The project itself which is dependent on access to water for construction (and site camp usage) will also confer a number of benefits to the community (increased mobility of goods and services, job creation, skills development). Thus, the community will also be benefitted by the boreholes in an indirect manner through its role in bringing about the broader project.
17/03	Who checks if the borrow pits going to be closed?	This needs to be checked initially by the environmental representative that must form part of the construction team. This also needs to be checked by auditors from the Department of Mineral Resources and Energy, in order to determine whether a financial provision paid by the applicant must be either repaid to the client (if adequately rehabilitated) or utilised for rehabilitation (if not adequately rehabilitated).
17/03	When are the borrow pits going to be rehabilitated?	Rehabilitation measures which can be implemented during construction must be ongoing alongside the utilisation of the borrow pits (measures such as ensuring that alien and invasive species are prevented from establishing). The borrow pits must be completely rehabilitated before the contractors leave site. Realistically this may only occur after construction has terminated, as vehicles and indeed borrow pits might be required until the very end of the development.
17/03	How are we going to deal with the impact on the properties?	The landowners of the properties will be consulted. Where properties are on tribal land, chiefs will be approached first after which the

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		lawful occupiers on the relevant land implicated will be approached. Where the implication of the development entails the re-establishment of the road servitude and fenceline without any implications to other permanent structures, the land occupied by the servitude will be measured and remunerated to the landowners. In the instance that permanent structures are implicated, additional costs and conditions will be co-ordinated with the landowners and owner of any permanent structures. As this is not envisioned be a common occurrence, this will be dealt with on a case-case basis.