
Appendix 9:

Scoping Report Acceptance



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Dear Sir/Madam

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998 (ACT NO.107 OF 1998), AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REGULATIONS, 2014 (AS AMENDED): PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF WASTE WATER TREATMENT WORKS IN WARRENTON: MAGARENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, FRANCES BAARD DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY.

The Department has accepted the scoping report for the Environmental Impact Assessment, which you submitted in relation to the above-mentioned application and was received on 06 March 2026. You may accordingly proceed with undertaking the environmental impact assessment in accordance with the tasks that are outlined in the plan of study for environmental impact assessment and conditions as stipulated below.

COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF WASTE WATER TREATMENT WORKS IN WARRENTON: MAGARENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, FRANCES BAARD DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY

1. Scoping report

- The submitted Scoping Report contains inconsistencies regarding the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) responsible for managing the EIA process. Page ii identifies Mr Matshego Keikelame as the lead EAP, while page 23 lists Mr C.W. Vermeulen in this role. These discrepancies are further inconsistent with the details provided in the submitted application form.
- The report indicates that activities related to the decommissioning of the existing WWTW will no longer be addressed in the current EIA process. The amended application form must be submitted once all changes are finalised. On the other hand, although the EIA activities related to decommissioning of the previous WWTW will no longer be assessed, the details of the rehabilitation plan and the actual rehabilitation of the areas contaminated due to the failure of the previous WWTW will still remain relevant to the application of the new WWTW.

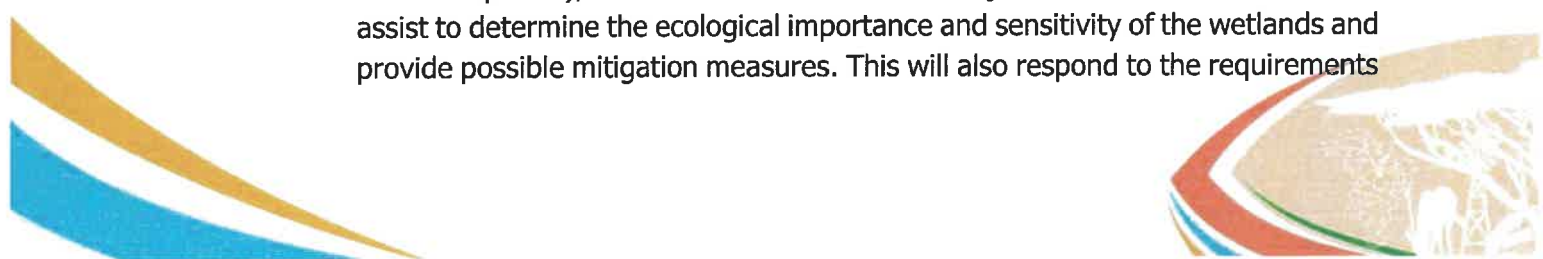
- Treated Effluent

The report states that the treated effluent from the proposed WWTW will be reused for irrigation purposes through a pivot irrigation system. The pivot is found on Doornfontein No.12, portion 7 which belongs to the Magareng Local Municipality. The municipality as the applicant and the land owner of the farm where the pivot is placed must present a management plan that will ensure control and management around the area. The management plan must address the following:

- Measures to control over-irrigation and run-off
 - Spillage control measures.
 - Access measures to prevent public exposure or animals, especially when there are failures in the system.
 - Long term soil and groundwater impacts, etc
- Specialist Studies

In addition to the suggested specialist studies, the following studies must be conducted.

- Considering that the sewer pipeline will cross a number of artificial wetland in the area and they may form part of the ecological system (e.g providing habitat to some species), a **wetland delineation study** must be conducted. This will assist to determine the ecological importance and sensitivity of the wetlands and provide possible mitigation measures. This will also respond to the requirements



of health and safety. The rehabilitation plan for the wetlands must be presented or the possibilities for decommissioning the wetlands.

- A **Geo-technical Study** must be conducted to assess the trench stability and ground water conditions throughout the application area.
 - **Cumulative Impact Study** to assess cumulative impacts.
 - **Geohydrological study**
- Specialist assessments must be conducted in accordance with the Government Notice No. 320 of 20 March 2020 and Government Notice No. 1150 of 30 October 2020.

Please note that further information may still be requested by the Competent Authority during the EIA process.

The permitting authority would like to remind you of Section 24F of the National Environmental Management Act, Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended, which states that no activity may commence prior to an Environmental Authorisation being granted by the Department.

Yours Sincerely,



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