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REFERENCE: 4/10/2/K30C/KRAAIBOSCH 195/278 & 282, GEORGE

DATE: 21 JULY 2023

SES ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES PO Box 9087 GEORGE 7435

Attention: Mr M. Bennett

RE: NOTICE OF THE DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF MIXED-USE DEVELOPMENT ON FARM PORTION 278 AND PARTIALLY ON 282 OF FARM KRAAIBOSCH NO 195, GEORGE, WESTERN CAPE

Reference is made to the above mentioned Draft Basic Assessment Report made available to Breede-Olifants Catchment Management Agency (BOCMA) for comments.

The following are BOCMA comments relating to Draft Basic Assessment Report for the proposed construction of a Mixed-Use Development on Farm Portion 278 and 282 of Farm Kraaibosch no 195, which should be adhered to:

- 1. The proposed sewerage package plant will trigger water use(s) in terms of Section 21(g) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) which refers to disposing of waste in a manner which may detrimentally impact on a water resource and must be authorised, subject to the civil designs.
- 2. All reasonable measures shall have to be taken to prevent the potential pollution of the groundwater resources due to the proposed onsite sanitation facilities.
- 3. The irrigation of the surrounding grass/paddock with treated wastewater from the sewerage package plant will trigger water use(s) in terms of Section 21(e) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) which refers to engaging in a controlled activity and must be authorised.

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- 4. The water tariffs/charges for water for domestic use that will be supplied by the Water Services Provider (WSP) i.e. George Municipality, must be paid directly to the municipality.
- 5. No water shall be derived from a water resource and used Portion 278 & 282 of Farm Kraaibosch 195 for any purposes without prior approval by means of a water use authorisation in terms of section 22 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).
- 6. The proposed mixed use development occurs within the regulated area of watercourses (nearby wetlands & rivers), it will trigger water uses in terms of section 21(c) & (i) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) and must be authorised. These sections refer to the impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse and altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse respectively. The regulated area of a watercourse is defined as follows:
 - The outer edge of the 1 in 100-year flood line and/or delineated riparian habitat, whichever is the greatest distance, measured from the middle of the watercourse of a river, spring, natural channel, lake or dam;
 - (b) In the absence of a determined 1 in 100-year flood line or riparian area the area within 100m from the edge of a watercourse where the edge of the watercourse is the first identifiable annual bank fill flood bench (subject to compliance to section 144 of the Act); or
 - (c) A 500 m radius from the delineated boundary (extent) of any wetland or pan.
- 7. As required by section 22 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), a Water Use Authorisation is required prior to commencement with any water use activity contemplated in section 21 of National Water Act. Moreover, commencement with any water use activity without an authorisation as required by section 22 of National Water Act constitutes an offence in terms of section 151(1) (a) of the National Water Act. In terms of section 151(2) of the National Water Act, any person who contravenes is guilty of an offence and liable, on first conviction to a fine or an imprisonment of a period not exceeding five years or both such a fine and imprisonment.
- 8. In light of the above, you are advised that the onus remains with the property owner to adhere to the National Water Act, prior to commencement with any water use contemplated in section 21 of National Water Act that is associated with the proposed development.
- Kindly note that this office reserves the right to amend and revise its comments as well as to request any further information.
- 10. The BOCMA office can be contacted for further information related to the requirement for, or the application for a Water Use Authorisation.
- 11. Should you wish to apply for a water use authorisation for unregistered water uses triggered by the proposed activities, you may apply electronically by logging onto the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) website at http://www.dws.gov.za/e-WULAAS.
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