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**COMMENTS ON DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED RESIDENTIAL  
 DEVELOPMENT ON ERF 19374 (REMAINDER ERF 6182, ERF 6179, ERF 6156), WITH  
 STORMWATER OUTLET ON ERF 19001 GEORGE:**

- 1 Forestry is responsible for the implementation and the enforcement of the National Forest Act (NFA), Act 84 of 1998 as amended and the National Veld and Forest Fire Act, Act 101 of 1998 as amended (NVFFA). Thank you for giving Forestry this opportunity to comment on above application.
- 2 Forestry studied the supporting documents for the above mentioned application and the following points related to Forestry's mandate i.e. the implementation of the NFA are applicable
  - a. According to the report the proposed development entails: "a private gated development with seventy (70) freehold units and forty (40) complex rental units on this property and cover an area of approximately 6.88ha. The development will consist of 79 erven, accessed by means of two new roadways, as well as one high-density complex- 70 group housing erven; 1 flats erf; 5 private open space erven; 3 private road erf." The area is disturbed- and developmental area consist mainly of grass with Eucalyptus groves along the river area and surrounds (also mixed with Black Wattle).
  - b. Forestry's mandate under the NFA is not affected.
  - c. Indigenous forest as well as protected trees are protected under the National Forest Act (NFA) (Act No. 84 of 1998) as amended.
  - d. This letter is not a NFA licence.

3 Forestry reserves the right to revise initial comment based on any additional information that may be received

Yours Faithfully

  
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