



THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A BOARDWALK FROM GRANNY’S POOL TO MAIN BEACH, ST FRANCIS BAY, EASTERN CAPE.

DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

DEDEA REF: No reference has been assigned – pre-application phase

30 DAY PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

5 February 2018

Dear Sir / Madam,

You have been identified as a possible Interested and Affected Party with regards to the following proposed activities that require Environmental Authorization from the relevant competent authority. Please refer to the notification below.

Notice is hereby provided in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (as amended by the National Environmental Management Act, Act 62 of 2008 and the National Environmental Management Laws Amendment Act, Act 25 of 2014), the National Environmental Management Act: Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2017, and the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act (Act 24 of 2008); of a Public Participation Process to be undertaken from **09/02/2018 – 09/03/2018** under the authority of the Department of Economic Development, Environmental Affairs and Tourism / DEDEAT. Please note that no Departmental Reference has been assigned to this project as this Basic Assessment Report is part of the pre-application phase.

The following EIA Listed Activities are applicable:

Government Notice No. R327: (Listing Notice 1 of 2017)	<p>Activity 12 (ii) (c) The development of— (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more; where such development occurs— (c)if no development setback exists, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse; —</p>
	<p>Activity 15 The development of structures in the coastal public property where the development footprint is bigger than 50 square metres, excluding— (i)the development of structures within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port or harbour; (ii)the development of a port or harbour, in which case activity 26 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 applies; (iii)the development of temporary structures within the beach zone where such structures will be removed within 6 weeks of the</p>

	<p>commencement of development and where coral or indigenous vegetation will not be cleared; or (iv) activities listed in activity 14 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014, in which case that activity applies.</p>
	<p>Activity 17 (iii) (v) (e) Development— (iii) within the littoral active zone; (v) if no development setback exists, within a distance of 100 metres inland of the high-water mark of the sea or an estuary, whichever is the greater; in respect of— (e) infrastructure or structures with a development footprint of 50 square metres or more —</p>
	<p>Activity 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;</p> <p>but excluding where such infilling, depositing, dredging, excavation, removal or moving— (a) will occur behind a development setback; (b) is for maintenance purposes undertaken in accordance with a maintenance management plan; (c) falls within the ambit of activity 21 in this Notice, in which case that activity applies; (d) occurs within existing ports or harbours that will not increase the development footprint of the port or harbour; or (e) where such development is related to the development of a port or harbour, in which case activity 26 in Listing Notice 2 of 2014 applies.</p>
	<p>Activity 19 A (i) (ii) The infilling or depositing of any material of more than 5 cubic metres into, or the dredging, excavation, removal or moving of soil, sand, shells, shell grit, pebbles or rock of more than 5 cubic metres from— (i) the seashore; (ii) the littoral active zone, an estuary or a distance of 100 metres inland of the high-water mark of the sea or an estuary, whichever distance is the greater;</p>
<p>Government Notice No. R324: (Listing Notice 3 of 2017)</p>	<p>Activity 12 (a) (iii) 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. a. Eastern Cape iii. Within the littoral active zone or 100 metres inland from the high water mark of the sea, whichever distance is the greater, excluding where such removal will occur behind the development setback line on erven in urban areas;</p>
	<p>Activity 14 (ii) (c) (a) (i) (hh) (ii) The development of— (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 10 square metres or more;</p>

	<p>where such development occurs—</p> <p>(c) if no development setback has been adopted, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse;</p> <p>a. Eastern Cape</p> <p>i. Outside urban areas:</p> <p>(hh) Areas within 10 kilometres from national parks or world heritage sites or 5 kilometres from any other protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core areas of a biosphere reserve, excluding disturbed areas; or</p> <p>(ii) Areas seawards of the development setback line or within 1 kilometre from the high-water mark of the sea if no such development setback line is determined.</p>
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COMMENTING PERIOD: 9 February 2018 to 9 March 2018

The Draft Basic Assessment Report may be reviewed for comment from **09/02/2018 – 09/03/2018** at the Kouga Municipality: Town Planning office, St Francis Bay. Should you wish to gain further information regarding the project or wish to register as an Interested and Affected Party please contact the Environmental Assessment Practitioner (details below). Please provide written comments with your name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which you may have in the development.

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