

# Comments and Responses 1230 ZAS Ekurhuleni Wetland Rehabilitation Rietvlei

**Anel Hietbrink**

**Date** 2019/02/07 **Method** Email

## Comment

Good morning, Thank you for the notification and BID for the proposed Rietspruit Catchment Rehabilitation Project (Ref no. 1230). Please register the City OF Ekurhuleni as an I&AP on your database. Once the report is available for comment, please submit one (1) hard copy and one (1) CD to the contact details below. For Attention: Acting Divisional Head: Legislative Compliance  
Mr Thabang Mokoena Environmental Resource and Waste Management Department Edenvale Civic Centre cnr Hendrik Potgieter & Van Riebeeck Street Edenvale (c/o Sifiso Ndwandwe – Room 201)

## Response

Dear Anel, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that as per your email below and the email correspondence attached, that Mr Thabang has been registered on the project databases for the 3 catchment projects: Kaalspruit Catchment (1228), Rietspruit Catchment (1229) and the Rietvlei Catchment(1230). Once the report is available I will make arrangements for the report to be delivered as requested below. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Mr M T Hadebe**

**Date** 2019/02/07 **Method** Email

## Comment

For Attention: Ms Muthukarapan Your BIDs have reference. Please find the attached comments. The attached document for Kaalspruit contained the following text: "ROW Application- City of Ekurhuleni Wetland and Watercourse Rehabilitation Planning Project: Rietvlei Catchment Your Background information document dated 06 February 2019 has reference. Transnet Pipelines, a division of Transnet SOC Limited is not affected by the proposal as indication on the Tembisa/Kempton Park Locality and Site/Project Layout Plans. This wayleave period is valid for thirty-six (36) months from the date on this letter. Your awareness of the existence of Transnet's pipeline servitudes and concern for their integrity is appreciated.

## Response

Dear Thami, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above mentioned projects. Could you kindly clarify if these letters represent wayleaves as we did not apply for such. We will however, pass them onto the CoE for their information. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

**Mark Mansfield**

**Date** 2019/03/06 **Method** Email

## Comment

To Whom It May Concern, On behalf of our client, African Kingdom Holdings (Pty) Ltd, we wish to register as interested and affected persons. Kindly confirm receipt of this mail.

## Response

Good Morning Mr Mansfield, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above mentioned project. Kindly note that your client has been added to the project I&AP database for the project. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Mr Tumiso Nobody**

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## Mr Tumiso Nobody

Date 2019/03/15 Method Email

### Comment

Hi I'm looking for a job please there is a place where I fit in please help

### Response

Dear Tumiso, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that your CV has been passed on to the Client for their consideration. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

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### Comment

Thank you for your response

### Response

No response was required

## Robyn Thirion

Date 2019/03/06 Method Email

### Comment

Good afternoon, I trust you are well. The Serengeti Property Owners Association (SPOA) wishes to register as an interested and affected party. Please add the following members to your database: Yvonne Perregil – SPOA Corporate and Compliance manager – corp.spoa@serengeti.co.za Tienie Jordaan – Chairman of the SPOA Board – tjordaan@cooperses.co.za Kindly confirm receipt hereof.

### Response

Dear Robyn, Thank you for your correspondence on behalf of the SPOA. Kindly note that the below mentioned people have been added to the project database as Interested and Affected Parties. As registered I&APs they will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Reports and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Mr Johann van der Walt

Date 2019/03/11 Method Email

### Comment

Good day Please see attached document from Mr. van der Walt Extract from attached document: "Please register me as an interested and affected party"

### Response

Dear Ms Pistorius, Thank you for the correspondence regarding Mr. van der Walt's registration as an I&AP. Kindly note that he has been registered on the project database. As a registered I&AP, you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Report and Associated appendices once they become available. Should you or Mr van der Walt have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

## Mr Wilem Synman

Date 2019/02/18 Method Telephone

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## Mr Wilem Synman

### Comment

Mr Synman called to registered for the Kaalspruit and Rietvlei Wetland Rehabilitation Projects.

### Response

Dear Wilem, Thank you for your call and registering for the above mentioned projects. Kindly note that you have been registered on both project databases and will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Reports for both projects once they become available. Please could you kindly confirm receipt of this email. Should you require any further information or have any comments do not hesitate to contact me.

## Mr Deon Koch

Date 2019/02/26 Method Email

### Comment

Good day. I would like to register as a I&AP in the Rietvlei Catchment - Project 1230. Thank you

### Response

Dear Mr Koch, Thank you for your correspondence. Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project database. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Date 2019/03/15 Method Email

### Comment

Good day. I would like to register as a I&AP in the Rietvlei Catchment - Project 1230. Thank you

### Response

Dear Mr Koch, My apologies for the delay in responding to your registration. Kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP on the project database. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment report and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

## Mr Deon van Zyl

Date 2019/03/06 Method Email

### Comment

Environmental Impact Management Services (Pty) Ltd (EIMS) P.O. Box 2083 Pinegowrie 2123 Attention Cheyenne Muthukarapan The attached notice, with project reference number (1230), refers. I have been instructed by the following persons to register them as I&AP's on their behalf. Kindly record each of them as individual I&AP's and refer all future correspondence to them directly. • Witfontein X 28 (Pty) Ltd (Mr Corne Botha; email: ecb@global.co.za) • Mr Deon Koch of Avonlea Motors at deon@avonlea.co.za • Mr Marinus van Molendorf at Marinus@novar.co.za. • Mr Deon van Zyl at deon@dvz.co.za Kindly confirm their registration.

### Response

Dear Deon, Thank you for your correspondence and registration for the below mentioned I&APs. Kindly note that they have been registered on the project database and as registered I&APs will be provided with an opportunity to review and comment on the Basic Assessment report and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries do not hesitate to contact me.

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## Comment

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## Response

Dear Deon, Thank you for your correspondence and registration for the below mentioned I&AP. Kindly note that they have been registered on the project database and as registered I&APs will be provided with an opportunity to review and comment on the Basic Assessment report and associated appendices once they become available. Should you have any further comments or queries do not hesitate to contact me.

Ms Cecilia Rakgoale

Date 2019/02/07 Method Email

## Comment

The above matter refers. This email serves to acknowledge receipt of the notification for an environmental authorisation application on the proposed project. Kindly, register the Environmental Resource and Waste Management Department as interested and affected party on behalf of the City of Ekurhuleni. All corresponded pertaining to the proposed project can be forwarded to: Attention: Mr Thabang Mokoena Division Head: Legislative Governance and Compliance Environmental Resource and Waste Management Department Cnr Hendrick Potgieter and Van Riebeeck Avenue Edenvale Office no. 201/205/214 First Floor Email: cecilia.rakgoale@ekurhuleni.gov.za or Sifiso.ndwandwe@ekurhuleni.gov.za Tel: (011) 999 3316/3376/2006

## Response

Dear All, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the above mentioned project. Kindly note that Mr Mokoena and Mr Ndwandwe have been registered on the projects I&AP databases. As registered I&APs the CoE will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and associated appendices. Should you require any further information please feel free to contact me.

Ms Amanda Jacobs

Date 2019/02/11 Method Email

## Comment

Good morning, I would like to register as an Interested and Affected Party of the Rietvlei Catchment Project. I am the Chairperson of the Hennops River Catchment Forum.

## Response

Dear Amanda, Thank you for registering on the Kaalspruit Catchment Project. Kindly note that as a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and associated appendices. All comments received will be included in the Comments and Response Report (CCR) that will be submitted to the competent authority, the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD), as an appendix to the BAR.

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**Ms Amanda Jacobs**

Should you require any information or have any comments please feel free to contact me.

**Mr Hein Venter**

**Date** 2019/02/15 **Method** Email

**Comment**

Good day Cheyenne, Thank you for returning my call this morning. As discussed, please find attached more information on our on-line microbial analyser. The Coliminder has proven itself to be effective in detecting microbial contamination in various water sources. The application where it is utilised most is in WWTP's but with companies, water utilities and municipalities all over the world has installed it at drinking water plants and surface water monitoring sites. Please see the following link of published paper where the effectiveness of on-line surface monitoring is discussed - <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/abs/pii/S0043135419300211?dgcid=author>  
The big advantage of our system is the generation of data over a period of time (timeline data) that tells a story of the water system and that can be used to make informative decisions, either from a process point of view or from a contamination detection point of view. Our system can provide results in as little as 15 minutes. I have attached some specifications and brochures for your information. If you have any questions, please let me know.

**Response**

Good morning Hein, Thank you for your interest in this project. We will pass on your email to the City of Ekurhuleni for their information and consideration. Should you have any further comments please do not hesitate to contact us.

**Cllr Jacques Meiring**

**Date** 2019/02/05 **Method** Email

**Comment**

Everything, I find issues with your application & the supporting documentation provided. When and where is the public meeting scheduled?

**Response**

Dear Cllr. Meiring, Thank you for your correspondence regarding the project. Kindly note that this notification and BID is for the call to register for the project. Furthermore, kindly note that the Basic Assessment report and associated appendices, as well as, details for the public meeting(s) will be provided in the next phase of the project. As a registered I&AP you will be notified of the documents and public meeting(s) when they are available. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

**Mr Andrew Barker**

**Date** 2019/02/05 **Method** Email

**Comment**

**Response**

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## Mr Andrew Barker

Hi I refer to the notice in the Tame Times of 5 February 2019 regarding the above three projects. Please register me as an IAP for each project, my details are below. Furthermore, please provide additional information that is available, BIDs and shape files of the project areas and stream/watercourses affected for each project.

Hi Andrew, My apologies in the delay in responding to your mail. Kindly find attached the BID for all 3 projects. I currently do not have a KML of all the affected watercourses but I will send them to you in due course. I currently have our GIS specialist compiling the KMLs as per your request. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.

**Date** 2019/02/13 **Method** Email

### Comment

Thank you Cheyenne. I look forward to receiving the files from you. We can then review the areas affected more closely and provide meaningful comment.

### Response

Dear Andrew, Kindly find find attached the KML for all three catchments indicating the catchment boundaries and the prioritized wetlands/watercourses within them. Furthermore, kindly note that you have been registered as an I&AP on all three projects. As a registered I&AP you will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment Reports (BARs) and associated documents when they become available. All comments received will be included in the Comments and Response Report that will be submitted to the competent authority, the Gauteng Department of Agriculture and Rural Development (GDARD) as an appendix to the BAR. Should you have any queries with regards to the KML or to the projects please do not hesitate to contact me.

**Date** 2019/03/11 **Method** Email

### Comment

Hi Cheyenne. Please correct your database. My KlipSA postal address is PO Box 1725, Mondeor, 2110. I only received your registered letters for all three projects today as you used PO Box 770.

### Response

Dear Andrew, Thank you for the information. I will correct the I&AP databases for all three projects. Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

## Mr Thato Maila

**Date** 2019/03/18 **Method** Email

### Comment

Good day Cheyenne Muthukarapan, Thank you for writing to SANBI. I am writing this email to respond to a notification letter sent to SANBI as a potential Interested and Affected Party (The Environmental Authorisation application and water use licencing for the city of Ekurhuleni: wetland and watercourse rehabilitation planning project within the Rietvlei Catchment). Kindly find the attached response letter. Extract from attached letter: "Thank you for your invitation to the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) to register as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for the application EIMS reference number: Bw/cm1228. However, please note that SANBI only participates in applications for Environmental Authorisation as an I&AP if

### Response

Dear All, Thank you for your correspondence and apologies for the delay in responding to you. EIMS acknowledges your letter distributed as per the email below. Please could you advise if SANBI would like to be removed from the I&AP database for the project or if you would like to continue receiving notifications regarding the project? Should you have any further comments or queries please do not hesitate to contact me.

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### Mr Thato Maila

the application is for a development on a SANBI property or a property adjacent to a SANBI property, or if the application would impact on an area that has been highlighted as a priority implementation area within one of SANBI's Bioregional Programmes. SANBI thus kindly declines to participate in this application as an I&AP at this point in time. SANBI is a public entity mandated to act in an advisory or consultative capacity on matters relating to biodiversity to the Department of Environmental Affairs (i.e. the 'competent authority'). The Department and its provincial counterparts are welcome to engage SANBI for advice and/or comment on specific matters related to biodiversity information relevant to this application, if such input is required. Such advice or comment is not equivalent, however, to the comment required as per the NEMA regulations from commenting authorities. SANBI restricts its comment to the accuracy and relevance of the biodiversity information that should inform the Environmental Assessment. SANBI thus also declines to participate as a commenting authority in this application. For comment on the biodiversity impacts of the development, please consult the relevant provincial conservation agency. I also encourage you to visit our web portal <http://biodiversityadvisor.sanbi.org> for free access to spatial biodiversity information relevant for land-use planning and decision-making processes. Referencing the spatial biodiversity resources found on the Biodiversity Advisor in the early stages of project development can support informed planning and decision-making while helping to timeously 'iron out' obstacles that might otherwise result in delays and additional costs to the project proponent. Such a proactive approach can:

- Show the decision-making authority that potential conflict between biodiversity priorities and other landuses has been identified and resolved by well-informed project planning;
- Allow the proponent to take an informed decision about the biodiversity (and administrative and, by implication, financial) risks of proceeding with a particular project;
- and Identify the scope, type and intensity of environmental assessment that is likely to be required if an application were to proceed. This approach also supports best practice in environmental assessment and planning by:

- Ensuring that a project is consistent with the 'Duty of Care' principle (i.e. that the project proponent has taken reasonable measures to prevent significant degradation of the environment);
- Emphasising the fundamental role of alternatives in selecting the best practicable environmental option;
- Giving effect to the mitigation hierarchy, i.e. the sequential avoidance, minimising, mitigating and remedying of impacts that may result in loss of biodiversity or disturbance to ecosystems; and
- Supporting the principle that environmental management must pay specific attention to planning procedures pertaining to sensitive, vulnerable, highly dynamic or stressed ecosystems.

Please feel free to contact me should you require any assistance or have any queries re: using the resources on our <http://biodiversityadvisor.sanbi.org> web portal."

### Ms Melanie Birch

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Ms Melanie Birch

## Comment

Good day Ms. Muthukarapan, I refer to the Rietvlei catchment project (1230) and request that the following landowners be registered as interested and affected parties : 1. Trans-Acht (Pty) Ltd 2. Tridevco (Pty) Ltd Kindly advise if you require any additional information of the above I& AP's, and kindly forward all correspondence in this regard to myself. Kindly confirm receipt of this mail.

## Response

Dear Ms Birch, Thank you for your correspondence and registration of the below mentioned I&APs. Kindly note that I have registered them on the project database as landowners. Please can you confirm the properties that are owned by the respective landowners and what means of communication is preferred. Further to the above, kindly note that as registered I&APs you all will be provided with an opportunity to comment on the Basic Assessment report and associated appendices once they become available. I have attached the Background Information Document to this email for your convenience and information. Should you have any further comments or queries please feel free to contact me.