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# COMMITMENT AND DECLARATION OF UNDERSTANDING BY CONTRACTOR AND DEVELOPER FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A RESERVOIR ON ERF 1241 ROBERTSON

I, the undersigned, as duly authorized by the Contractor, have studied and understand the contents of this document. On behalf of the Contractor, I confirm that the Contractor undertakes to adhere to the conditions as set out herein, unless specifically otherwise agreed to in writing.
Signed aton this Day of20
For Contractor
I, the undersigned, as duly authorized by the Developer have studied and approve the contents of this document on behalf of the Developer, for implementation by all Contractors involved at the site.
Signed aton this day of20
Developer's Representative

#### **DEFINITIONS**

Auditing: A systematic and objective assessment of an organization's activities and

services conducted and documented on a periodic basis based to a (e.g.

ISO 19011:2003) standard.

Biodiversity: The variety of life in an area, including the number of different species, the

genetic wealth within each species, and the natural areas where they are

found.

Contractor: An employer, as defined in section 1 of the Occupational Health and Safety

Act 85 of 1993, who performs construction work and includes principal

contractors

Environment: A place where living, non-living and man-made features interact, and

where life and diversity is sustained over time.

Evaporation: The change by which any substance (e.g. water) is converted from a liquid

state into and carried off as vapour.

Developer: One who builds on land or alters the use of an existing building for some

new purpose

Independent: Is independent and has no interest in any business related to the

development site, nor will receive any payment or benefit other than fair

remuneration for the task undertaken

Groundwater: Subsurface water in the zone in which permeable rocks, and often the

overlaying soil, are saturated under pressure equal to or greater than

atmospheric.

Landowner: Holder of the estate in land with considerable rights of ownership or, simply

put, an owner of land

Monitoring: A systematic and objective observation of an organisation's activities and

services conducted and reported on regularly.

Natural vegetation: All existing vegetation species, indigenous or otherwise, of trees, shrubs,

groundcover, grasses and all other plants found growing on a site.

Pollution: The result of the release into air, water or soil from any process or of any

substance, which is capable of causing harm to man or other living

organisms supported by the environment.

Protected Plants: Plant species officially listed under the Threatened or Protected Species

regulations as well as on the Protected Plants List (each province has such a list), and which may not be removed or transported without a permit to

do so from the relevant provincial authority.

Red Data Species: Plant and animal species officially listed in the Red Data Lists as being

rare, endangered or threatened.

Rehabilitation: Making the land useful again after a disturbance. It involves the recovery

of ecosystem functions and processes in a degraded habitat. Rehabilitation does not necessarily re-establish the pre-disturbance condition, but does involve establishing geological and hydro logically

stable landscapes that support the natural ecosystem mosaic.

Site: Property or area where the proposed development will take place

#### **ACRONYMS**

DEA&DP: Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

DWS: Department of Water and Sanitation

ECO: Environmental Control Officer

EA: Environmental Authorisation

EIA: Environmental Impact Assessment

EM: Environmental Manager

EMPr: Environmental Management Programme

EO: Environmental Officer

ER: Engineer's Representative

I&AP: Interested and Affected Party

IEM: Integrated Environmental Management

MMP: Maintenance Management Plan

PM: Project Manager

SANS: South African National Standards

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#### **DEVELOPER'S COMMITMENT**

Langeberg Municipality ("LM") has committed itself to a set of values that include the maintenance of good relations and transparent communications with all stakeholders, and the dynamic engagement of the larger community.

LM undertakes to implement suitable management systems for all the areas and aspects of this operation. This will ensure that development itself and management of the project will comply with legal, technical, environmental and transformation policies and standards. LM, in drafting this EMPr for implementation, intends to enable continuous improvement in legal compliance and the sustainable operation of the site.

The EMPr intends to change the way in which the owners, the construction process they have commissioned and the contractor plan for and manage resources to achieve sustainability. The satisfactory implementation of the EMPr on site will require both the full support and commitment of all personnel.

#### **CHAPTER 1**

#### 1.1. Executive Summary

This EMPr has been prepared principally in compliance with the requirements of section 24N and Section 34 of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998. This document, together with the conditions in the Environmental Authorisation, must be adhered to.

The EMPr must be included as part of all contract documentation for all contractors in the construction phase of the development.

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#### 1.2. Project Description

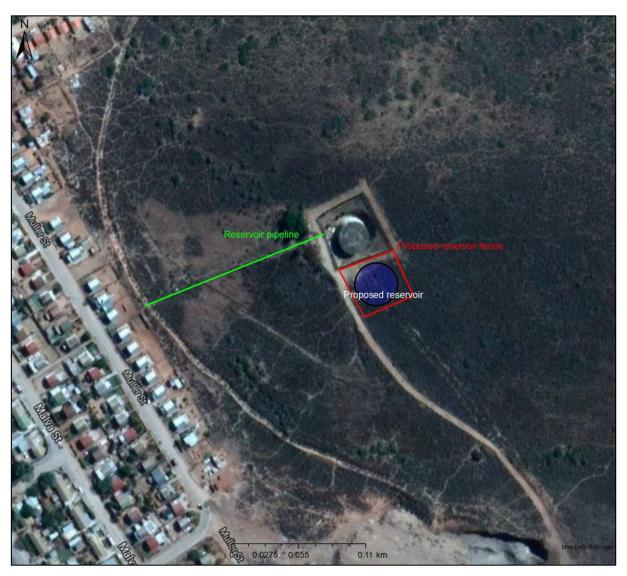
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The development is proposed on erf 1241 situated in Robertson. The property is bordered by commercial farming on the north and east boundaries and formal housing on the west boundary and south boundaries. There is an existing reservoir on the property.

#### **Construction of a Reservoir**

The project proposes the construction of a 3mega litre reservoir and associated infrastructure to augment reservoir storage capacity at the Robertson no. 3 reservoir. The reservoir will be a round 30 diameter concrete structure with an estimated 50x50 fenced off area for excavations and the fence itself. The pipeline will follow the same route as the existing route and will link to existing services and infrastructure. Bulk supply pipelines and network upgrade involving the installation of new supply pipe.

#### LOCALITY MAP INDICATING THE SITES IDENTIFIED FOR THE PROPOSED ACTIVITIES: OLD HELSHOOGTE ROAD UPGRADE



Locality Map 1

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It deals with issues relating to the implementation of the EMPr.

#### 2.1 Organizational Structure

The organizational structure identifies and defines the responsibilities and authority of the various persons and organizations involved in the project. All instructions and official communications regarding environmental matters must follow the organizational structure.

The Environmental Official (EO), to whom the Engineer's Representative (ER) and/or Environmental Control Officer (ECO) must report and interact, must be the responsible client representative.

The EMPr must be an agenda item at the monthly site and operations meetings and the responsible client representative(s) may attend these meetings in order to provide input with respect to compliance with the EMPr.

#### 2.2 Responsibilities and Functions of the Environmental Control Officer

The ECO will be responsible for monitoring, reviewing and verifying compliance with the EMPr and/or EA by all contractors and site management during the initial and closure inspections.

#### The ECO duties in this regard will include the following:

With the assistance, where necessary of the ER, to ensure all necessary environmental authorizations and permits have been obtained and are available and visible on site.

- monitor and verify that the EMPr and/or EA is adhered to at all times and by taking action if the specifications are not followed;
- monitor and verify that environmental impacts are kept to a minimum;
- review and approve construction method statements, with input as appropriate from the ER;
- assist the contractor in finding environmentally responsible solutions to problems;
- report on the environmental issues at the site meetings and other meetings that may be called regarding environmental matters, if requested by ER;
- inspect the site and surrounding areas regularly with regard to compliance with the EMPr and/or EA:
- monitor the environmental awareness training for all personnel coming onto site;
- advise management on the removal of person(s) and/or equipment not complying with the specifications, after collaboration with the ER. Recommendations must be recorded by the ER in a Site Instruction Book:
- ensure that activities on site comply with known legislation of relevance to the environment;
- recommend the issuing of penalties via the developer for contraventions of the EMPr and/or EA;
- keep a photographic record of progress on site from an environmental perspective; and
- undertake a continual internal review of the EMPr and/or EA and submit a report to the developer and the responsible DEA&DP Environmental Official according to EA conditions.

#### 2.3 Agreed Work Plan and Site Visit Schedule of ECO

An ECO site visit should be scheduled for the initial pre-construction inspection and thereafter once a month.

Information recording activity on site, and any guidelines or instructions emanating there from will be routinely made available electronically to the developer and applicable contractors and a copy of the report must be available at the site office.

Clearly matters of urgency or immediate action may be channelled appropriately on an urgent basis.

#### 2.4 Site Manager

The site manager will have the following environmental control responsibilities:

- In conjunction with the ECO will present the environmental education programs to all persons employed on site.
- Consult with the ECO, landowner, developer and any contractor to resolve all environmental issues.
- Issue any instructions from the ECO to the management team via a formal site instruction book or appropriate management tool used for the purpose.
- Take responsibility for the penalty system. The ECO and developer recommendations must be considered when deciding whether or not to impose a penalty.
- The engineer will, via the ECO actions, be accountable for the overall implementation of the Environmental Management Programme.
- Keep a site diary and complaints register.

#### 2.5 Contractors

As part of any tender, the tendering contractor must submit a first draft of a contractor's programme, to the developer which must include the environmental considerations to be followed prior to appointment.

The appointed Contractor's representative will have the following responsibilities:

- Ensure that all staff is familiar with the Environmental Management Programme, which explains the environmental policy for the project.
- Allow for sufficient time between surveying the exact locations where services will be intended and
  actual construction, for the ECO to facilitate and instruct for the removal of plants, seeds and
  cuttings if necessary.
- The contractor must keep his personnel fully aware of environmental issues and ensure they show adequate consideration to all environmental aspects.
- Establish environmental signs to be erected on the construction site at locations identified by the ECO and approved by the engineer.
- Be responsible for the cost of the restoration of any damage caused, in environmentally sensitive
  areas, as a result of contractor responsibility regarding negligence. This must be done in
  accordance with the engineer / ECO's specifications.
- Take responsibility and active steps to avoid any increase in the fire hazard.
- The contractor must take responsibility for implementing all the relevant provisions of the EMPr, or
  if he encounters difficulties with the specifications, he must discuss alternative approaches with the
  ECO and engineer prior to proceeding.

Failure to comply with the EMPr may result in the application of fines as set out, and any reported non-compliance may result in the suspension of work or termination of a contract.

# 2.6 Record keeping of activities, inclusive of recording of non-compliances and corrective actions

The site must keep a record of all activities relating to environmental matters on site, including:

- meetings attended;
- method statements received and approved;
- issues arising on site;
- cases of non-compliance with the EMPr;
- corrective actions taken and penalties issued.

This information will be recorded in an appropriate manner in a site diary, registers, issues/warning book, etc.

#### 2.7 Compliance with other legislation

It is important that all on site staff are aware of other relevant legislation that may relate to the activities taking place on site, especially local authority required compliances.

#### **CHAPTER 3**

#### **Applicable Legislation, Policy and Environmental Principles**

#### 3.1 Applicable Legislation Identified

- 1. National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) [NEMA]
- 2. National Environmental Management: Waste Act, 2008 (Act No. 59 of 2008) [NEMWA] and relevant regulations
- 3. National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act 10 of 2004 [NEMBA]
- 4. National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act, 39 Of 2004 [NEMAQA] and Relevant Regulations
- 5. National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998) [NWA] and relevant regulations
- 6. Conservation Of Agricultural Resources Act, 43 Of 1983 [CARA
- 7. National Health Act, 61 of 2003 [NHA]
- 8. Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996
- 9. Fencing Act, 31 of 1963
- 10. National Heritage Resources Act 25 of 1999 [NHRA]
- 11. National Veld and Forest Fire Act 101 of 1998 [NVFFA]
- 12. Langeberg Local Municipality Water By-Law
- 13. Cape Winelands District Municipality Municipal Health By-Laws

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#### Compliance

#### 4.1 Monitoring and Auditing

#### 4.1.1 Introduction

In keeping with current environmental and associated legislation, all environmental management procedures and actions must be reviewed and refined on an ongoing basis.

This is in accordance with the dynamic nature of environmental management and allows for the timeous identification and mitigation of issues as they come to light.

The process of review and refinement, built into the requirements of the EMPr, is known as monitoring and auditing.

#### 4.1.2. Roles and responsibilities

Efficient implementation of the performance specifications, effective monitoring and auditing, as well as clear responsibility and accountability allocation requires that various role-players be defined for the construction implementation project.

Depending on the nature and scale of a project, implementing teams could be composed of any number of role-players, each with their own specified responsibilities.

Therefore, for the purpose of this document, the following role-players are defined, based purely on responsibility and accountability allocation. The actual designation of role-players may vary, but the responsibilities will largely remain as stated.

#### 4.1.2.1. Developer/landowner or custodian of the land

The developer/landowner or custodian of the land is the person or organization with decision making capacity for the land in question, and thus ultimately accountable for what takes place on that land.

#### 4.1.2.2. Contractor

Contractors are appointed to undertake the works as specified in the contract. It is the responsibility of the contractor to do whatever is necessary from their side to ensure that he or an appointed advisor is well versed in environmental studies, so that they may accurately and efficiently carry out the requirements of the environmental specification.

The contractor is liable for any and all remedial work required in terms of the environmental specification, resulting from his environmental negligence, mismanagement and / or non-compliance.

#### 4.1.2.3. Environmental Control Officer

An environmental control officer will manage and undertake monthly environmental inspections for the duration of the construction phase of the project as required.

The contractors or line management are answerable to the ECO for non-compliance. Issues of non-compliance raised by the ECO/EO must be taken up by the project manager, and resolved as per the conditions of his contract.

Decisions regarding environmental procedures, specifications and requirements which have a cost implication (i.e. those that are deemed to be a variation and not allowed for in the performance specification) must be endorsed by the project manager.

#### 4.2 The Monitoring Procedure

Environmental monitoring is the continuous evaluation of the status and condition of environmental elements. Its purpose is to detect change that takes place in the environment over time and involves

the measuring and recording of physical, social and economic variables associated with development impacts.

Many techniques for environmental monitoring have been proposed, each detailing a specific protocol. Regardless of which technique is used, the ultimate aim is that each environmental management specification be checked by means of a system in which a score may be allocated for:

- Full compliance;
- Satisfactory performance;
- Unsatisfactory performance; and
- No action taken.

Completed monitoring reports will be submitted to the project engineer, developer/landowner and the contractor, who will attend to issues. These reports must be kept on file and be made available upon request by any environmental authority requesting such.

All persons employed, the contractor or his sub-contractors, must abide by the requirements of these performance specifications as they apply to the works. Any employees, the contractor or his sub-contractors found to be in breach of any of the environmental specifications, may be ordered to vacate the site forthwith and/or be subject to a disciplinary process.

The order may be given orally or in writing by the ECO. Confirmation of an oral order will be given as soon as practicable, but lack of confirmation in writing must not be a cause for the offender to remain on site, or not be subject to a disciplinary process. Supervisory staff, the contractor or his sub-contractor may not direct any person to undertake any activities which would place such person in contravention of the EMPr, legislation and specifications.

The contractor and staff are deemed not to have complied with the performance specifications if:

- There is evidence of wilful or accidental contravention of any specification included in the specification;
- There is evidence of the contractor carrying out activities not permitted in terms of the EMPr, contract and / or the specification;
- There is evidence of environmental negligence and / or mismanagement resulting in negative impacts on the environment:
- Has failed to meet with the requirements of the approved schedule.

The contractor and developer/landowner will be informed via ECO monthly reports, as well as by means of direct instruction (if necessary) as to what corrective actions are required in terms of environmental compliance.

Disregard for an instruction, and failure to respond adequately to complaints from the public will be construed as non-compliance. Non-compliance may lead to parties being penalised.

In more serious cases, the ECO may give notice, and halt operations until such a time that the corrective action is taken and the site complies with the performance specifications.

In cases of persistent non-compliance, the contractor or staff may be evicted from site after disciplinary process is followed. Only the developer/landowner may issue such instruction, retaining any costs required to remedy situations perpetuated by environmental negligence, mismanagement and / or non-compliance.

#### 4.3 The Auditing Procedure

Environmental auditing is the process of comparing the impacts predicted with those which have actually occurred during implementation.

An environmental performance audit examines and assesses practices and procedures which, in the event of failure, would cause an environmental impact or result in an environmental risk. During each

of the lifecycle phases, various issues will be monitored. The performance audit will ensure that the monitoring was correctly undertaken and that compliance was best achieved.

To these ends the project will be audited versus this EMPr for effectiveness. ISO/SANS 19011:2011 auditing standards will be applied.

Audits will be undertaken at completion of the construction phases. Audit reports will be submitted to management, who will attend to all noted issues.

These reports must be kept on record and be made available upon request by the developer/landowner/custodian of the land and any environmental authority or I&AP requesting such.

#### 4.4 Retentions and Penalties

It is recommended that a penalty retention system be combined with the penalty system to both motivate and compel the contractor to adhere to the EMPr for the duration of the contract.

In this way incentives may be created to perform (i.e. in the form of the retention amounts that will only be paid to the contractor at the end of the contract), without creating the misunderstanding that adherence to the EMPr is optional.

Persistent non-compliance will not only result in the contractor forfeiting any retention amount, but he will also be fined.

Of importance is that the contract specifies exactly how the penalty and retention system will operate, as well as how any funds resultant from retentions and penalties will be utilised.

All such funds must be used to improve environmental conditions on the site in general.

#### 4.4.1. The Retention System

For this system, a percentage value for each of the sections priced for in the environmental bill of quantities is retained until the full completion of the contract works.

If the monitoring process reveals persistent and/or wilful non-compliance with any aspect of the environmental performance specifications, then the full retention associated with that particular item will be withheld.

The project may then apply these retained funds to rectify the problem on site possibly making use of other or alternate resources at his disposal.

At the end of the contract or action, all remaining environmental retention amounts will be paid out to the contractor or staff pending approval by the ECO, after having confirmed full compliance with the relevant performance and rehabilitation specifications.

#### 4.4.2. Penalty System

A system of penalties will be introduced to reinforce environmentally sensitive and prudent behaviour. The maximum penalties that will be fined per incident that may be enforced are listed below. The penalty amount will be determined (inter alia) by the severity of the offence.

Non-compliance	R 5 000.00 (ex VAT) per non-compliant act, per day until compliance is achieved
Casual Litter on site resulting from operation	R250 / offence / day
Disposal of any litter or construction material in non-specified area or by non-compliant means	R5000 / m <sup>3</sup> / per day
Dumping of cement, concrete, fuel or oil in an area or other than that authorised and suitable	R10 000 per offence / day

Failure to use portable / toilets	R100 / observed incident
	or evidence of human
	excrement on site

In addition to the above, all costs incurred by the client / developer to remedy any damage will be the responsibility of the offender.

Should the monitoring process reveal acts of persistent and / or wilful non-compliance with the environmental performance specifications, then the contractor or staff member will be fined according to the specified value of that item.

#### 4.5 Method Statements

Contractors must provide written statements for discussion with the ECO on environmentally sensitive aspects of the contract. Environmentally sensitive aspects include by example excavations, work close to sensitive areas, collection and storage of top soil and vegetation, erosion control, wash water control, waste control, etc.

#### **CHAPTER 5**

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#### 5.1. Good Housekeeping

The developer/landowner will ensure the maintenance of "good housekeeping" practices during operations.

This will help avoid several disputes regarding responsibility and will allow for the smooth running of the operation as a whole.

Good housekeeping extends beyond the environmentally sensitive construction methods to include the care for and preservation of the surrounding environment.

#### **5.2 Record Keeping**

The developer/landowner will ensure that a filing system, identifying all documentation related to the EMPr, is established.

A list of reports likely to be generated during the project is set out below.

All applicable documentation must be included in the environmental filing system catalogue or document retrieval index.

- Approved EMPr, authorizations, licenses or permits;
- Final design documents and diagrams issued;
- All communications detailing changes of design/scope that may have environmental implications;
- Daily, weekly and monthly site monitoring reports;
- Complaints register;
- Environmental training manual;
- Environmental training attendance registers;
- Incident and accident reports;
- Emergency preparedness and response plans;
- Copies of all relevant environmental legislation;
- Permits and legal documents as part of emergency preparedness teams e.g. fire teams, etc.;
- Material data sheets of all chemicals utilised on site;
- Crisis communication manual;
- Disciplinary procedures;
- Monthly site meeting minutes during construction;
- All relevant permits;

All method statements for all phases of the project.

All registers and records should be kept on site and must be made available to the department on request.

#### 5.3 Document Control

The developer/landowner will be responsible for establishing a procedure for document control.

The document control procedure must comply with the following requirements:

Documents must be identifiable by organisation, division, function, activity and contact person; Every document must identify the person and their positions, responsible for drafting and compiling the document, for reviewing and recommending approval, and final approval of the document for distribution:

All documents must be dated, provided with a version number and reference number, filed systematically, and retained for a specified period.

The owner will ensure that documents are periodically reviewed and revised where necessary, and that current versions are available at all locations where operations essential to the functioning of the EMPr are performed. All documents will be made available to the external auditor.

#### 5.4 Reporting Requirements

All advice and recommendations made by the ECO must with the project engineer/engineers compliance be recorded on site in the site instruction book/ suitable register for his attention.

All spills will need to be documented and reported to the relevant authorities. Any event resulting in the spill or leak of fuels or any other hazardous solvents into the water courses (e.g. that of hazardous substances), must be reported to all relevant authorities, including DEA&DP Directorate: Pollution and Chemicals Management, within 14 (fourteen) days. This requirement is in terms of Section 30 (10) of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) that pertains to the control of emergency incidents and should include the reporting, containment and clean-up procedure of such incident and the remediation of the affected area. All necessary documentation must be completed and submitted within the prescribed timeframes. Containment, clean-up and remediation must commence immediately in the case of NEMA Section 30 incidents.

#### **CHAPTER 6**

#### 6.1. Public Communication Protocols

This section of the report is included in compliance with Section 24N (2) (e) of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998.

The developer/landowner must be responsible for regulating public access to information and compliance reporting.

The developer/landowner must respond to third party or public queries and complaints.

The developer/landowner must also be responsible for maintaining the compliance register to record complaints received and action taken. All complaints receive by the facility must be documented.

This section of the report is included in compliance with Section 24 N 2 (d - g) and 3 (a - b) of the National Environmental Management Act, 107 of 1998.

#### Goal for Planning and Design (PD)

**Overall Goal for Planning and Design:** Undertake the planning and design phase of the construction of a reservoir in a way that:

- Ensures that the design of the reservoir responds to the identified environmental constraints and opportunities.
- Ensures that pre-construction activities are undertaken in accordance with all relevant legislative requirements.
- Ensures that adequate regard has been taken of any landowner concerns and that these are appropriately addressed through design and planning (where appropriate).
- Ensures that the best environmental options are selected for the project.
- Enables the construction of a reservoir to be undertaken without significant disruption to other land uses in the area.
- In order to meet this goal, the following objectives have been identified, together with necessary actions and monitoring requirements.

#### **OBJECTIVE PD1: PRE-CONDITIONS**

The following pre-conditions must be fully met before any construction activities commence.

A site meeting between the contractors and the representatives of the developer/landowner must take place at least 5 days prior to commencement of construction work to:

- Demarcate working boundaries and no-go areas;
- Discuss methods of stockpiling (vegetation, topsoil, sub-soil, shell-grit, etc);
- Check required toilets and fire-fighting facilities to be in place;
- Discuss and agree restricted access to construction site;
- Sign the Declaration of Understanding (Contractors);
- Discuss and agree communication channels including contact details;
- Discuss and agree areas of responsibility;
- Discuss and agree the demarcation and control of construction and building sites.

Minutes of this site meeting must be kept, and are to be distributed to all parties.

The following equipment must be on site before any construction work is due to start (**as and when required**):

- Sufficient and suitable chemical toilet facilities.
- Sufficient refuse bins, which are weather and wind proof, with proper lids.
- 1 x type ABC (all purpose) 12.5 kg fire extinguisher

This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded, reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE PD2: LAYOUT PLAN CONTROLS**

The contractor must ensure that a copy of the signed approved layout plan is available at the office on site at all times for inspection by the developer or his representative(s). Any variation to the approved layout plan must be submitted to the developer for signed approval and may only be implemented once the approved variation is available to the contractor and available on site at the office. The variation of changes to the layout must be approved by the competent authority as per the EA conditions.

This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded, reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE PD3: ADVERTISING**

The contractors may place no advertising material on the property unless prior formal written permission has been obtained from the landowner.

This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded, reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE PD4: METHOD STATEMENTS**

To ensure all construction activities are undertaken with the appropriate level of environmental awareness to minimise environmental risk, in line with the specifications of the EMPr.

The environmental specifications are required to be underpinned by a series of Method Statements, within which the contractors and service providers are required to outline how any identified environmental risks will practically be mitigated and managed for the duration of the contract, and how specifications within this EMPr will be met. That is, the contractor will be required to describe how specified requirements will be achieved through the submission of written method statements to the site manager.

A method statement is defined as "a written submission by the contractor in response to the environmental specification or a request by the site manager, setting out the plant, materials, labour and method the contractor proposes using to conduct an activity, in such detail that the site manager is able to assess whether the contractor's proposal is in accordance with the specifications and/or will produce results in accordance with the specifications".

The method statement must cover applicable details with regard to:

- Details of the responsible person/s
- Construction procedures
- Materials and equipment to be used
- Getting the equipment to and from site
- How the equipment/material will be moved while on-site
- How and where material will be stored
- The containment (or action to be taken if containment is not possible) of leaks or spills of any liquid or material that may occur
- Timing and location of activities
- Compliance/non-compliance with the specifications
- Any other information deemed necessary by the site manager

Method statements must be compiled for all activities which affect any aspect of the environment and should be applied consistently to all activities.

Specific areas to be addressed in the method statement pre, during and post construction (where applicable) include:

#### **General Administration:**

- Designate access road and the protocol on while roads are in use.
- Preparation of the site (i.e. any clearing vegetation, compacting soils and removing existing infrastructure and waste).

#### **Soil Management:**

- Soil management/stockpiling and erosion control.
- Excavations and backfilling procedure.

#### Water Management:

- Stipulate the storm water management procedures recommended in the storm water management method statement.
- Ablution facilities (placement, maintenance, management and servicing).

#### **Fire Prevention and Management:**

• Fire management protocols and procedures to be put in place on site in accordance with relevant legislature.

#### Indigenous Fauna and Flora:

• Fauna and flora protection process on and off site

#### **Environmental Reporting:**

Incident and accident reporting protocol

### **Solid Waste Management:**

- Description of the waste storage facilities (on site and accumulative).
- Management and collection of waste process.
- Recycle, re-use and removal process and procedure.

#### **Liquid Waste Management:**

• The design, establish, maintain and operate suitable pollution control facilities necessary to prevent discharge of water containing polluting matter.

#### **Dust and Noise Pollution:**

- Describe necessary measures to ensure that noise from construction activities is maintained within lawfully acceptable levels.
- Procedure to control dust at all times on the site (dust control shall be sufficient so as not to have significant impacts in terms of the biophysical and social environments). These impacts include visual pollution, decreased safety due to reduced visibility, negative effects on human health and the ecology due to dust particle accumulation.

#### **Hazardous Substance Storage:**

- Ensure compliance with all national, regional and local legislation with regard to the storage of oils, fuels, lubricants, solvents, bitumen, cement, pesticides and any other harmful and hazardous substances and materials (South African National Standards apply).
- Lists of all potentially hazardous substances to be used. Appropriate handling, storage and disposal procedures.
- Prevention protocol of accidental contamination of soil at storage and handling areas. All storage areas, (i.e.: for harmful substances appropriately bunded with a suitable collection point for accidental spills must be implemented and drip trays underneath dispensing mechanisms including leaking engines/machinery).

The contractor may not commence the activity covered by the method statement until it has been approved by the site manager, except in the case of emergency activities and then only with the consent of the site manager. Approval of the method statement will not absolve the contractor from their obligations or responsibilities in terms of their contract.

Failure to submit a method statement may result in suspension of the activity concerned until such time as a method statement has been submitted and approved.

This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded, reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once construction is completed.

## OBJECTIVE PD5: ENSURE THE DESIGN RESPONDS TO THE IDENTIFIED ENVIRONMENTAL CONSTRAINTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Project Component/s	Construction of a reservoir
Potential Impact	Design fails to respond optimally to the environmental consideration.
Activities/Risk	Poor planning and design of the reservoir structure and bulk supply
Sources	structures.
	Poor consideration of the natural landscape features.
Mitigation:	Ensure that the design responds to the identified environmental
Target/Objective	constraints and opportunities.

Mitigation: Action/Control	Responsibility	Timeframe
Plan and conduct pre-construction activities in an	Developer	Pre-construction
environmentally acceptable manner.		
The holder of an environmental authorisation has the	Developer	Pre-construction
responsibility to notify the competent authority of any		
alienation, transfer and, change of ownership rights in the		
property on which the activity is to take place.		

Fourteen (14) days written notice must be given to the	Developer	Pre-construction
Department that the activity will commence. The notification		
must include a date on which the activity will commence as		
well as the reference number.		
ECO to be appointed prior to the commencement of any	Developer	Pre-construction
authorised activities. Once appointed the name and contact	·	
details of the ECO must be submitted to the DEA&DP.		

Performance indicator	Design meets objectives and does not degrade the environment.  Design responds to the mitigation measures and recommendations in the BA report.  Minimal impact on the surrounding agricultural land and residential development.
Monitoring	Ensure that the design implemented meets the objectives and mitigation measures in the BA report through review of the design by the Project Manager, Developer and the Contract or prior to the commencement of construction.

#### **CONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION PHASE**

#### Overall Goal for Construction (C):

Undertake the construction of a reservoir in a way that:

- Ensures that construction activities are properly managed in respect of environmental aspects and impacts;
- Enables construction activities to be undertaken without significant disruption to other land uses in the area, in particular concerning impacts on noise impacts, dust, traffic and road use, and effects on local residents;
- · Minimises the impact on the surrounding area;
- · Minimises impacts on fauna using the site; and
- Minimise possible health impacts.

#### **Objectives**

In order to meet this goal, the following objectives have been identified, together with the necessary actions and monitoring requirements.

#### **OBJECTIVE C1: ALIEN/INVASIVE PLANTS**

Project Component/s	Reservoir and no-go areas.		
Potential Impact	Alien/invasive plant species are allowed to spread into natural/indigenous vegetation areas.		
Activities/Risk Sources	Activities associated with facility construction.		
Mitigation: Target/Objective	To protect and mitigate impacts on the environment.		

Mitigation: Action/Control	Responsibility	Timeframe
No on-site burying, dumping or stockpiling of any weeds	Contractor	Construction
and aliens or invasive species shall occur. Such should		phase
be removed from the site to a suitable dumping site from		
which seed cannot escape.		

Performance indicator	All possible introduction and spreading of alien invasive plant species are controlled.
Monitoring	This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded, reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE C2: ARCHAEOLOGY AND PALAEONTOLOGY MANAGEMENT**

Project Component/s	Development area.	
Potential Impact	The loss of cultural or heritage resources.	
Activities/Risk Sources	Activities associated with construction of the reservoir.	
Mitigation:	To protect and mitigate the potential loss of cultural and heritage	
Target/Objective	resources.	

Mitigation: Action/Control	Responsibility	Timeframe
Should any heritage or fossil remains be exposed during any excavation or related activities, these must immediately be reported to the provincial heritage resource authority of the Western Cape, Heritage Western Cape (in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999 (Act No.25 of 1999) via the ECO.	Contractor	Construction phase
Heritage remains uncovered or disturbed during earthworks must not be disturbed until inspection and verified by the professional.		

Performance indicator	Protection of heritage resources.
Monitoring	This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded,
	reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once
	construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE C3: ANTI-EROSION MEASURES**

Project Component/s	Construction of the reservoir.	
Potential Impact	Wind/water erosion as a result of construction/clearing activities.	
	Erosion due to bare soil.	
Activities/Risk Sources	Activities associated with the construction of a reservoir.	
Mitigation:	Reduce the impact of erosion by implementing anti-erosion measures.	
Target/Objective	Areas must be left bare for the shortest time possible.	

Mitigation: Action/Control	Responsibility	Timeframe
The contractor shall take all appropriate and active	Contractor	Construction and
measures to prevent erosion, especially wind and water		operational phase
erosion, resulting from operations and activities,		
specifically of storm water control measures to the		
satisfaction of the ECO/ER. During the construction of the		
reservoir the contractor shall protect areas susceptible to		
wind and water erosion, by installing all the necessary		
temporary and permanent works. Measures can include		
brush packing, anchovy net stabilisation, etc. Where		
required erosion protection measures must be installed.		
Aspects normally covered in construction contracts in		
terms of protection of works are standard and are not to		
be confused with those under environmental legislation.		

Performance indicator	All possible erosion impacts are controlled and rehabilitated.
Monitoring	This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded,
_	reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once
	construction is completed.

#### **OBJECTIVE C4: DIESEL FUEL AND LUBRICANT HANDLING PROGRAMME**

Project Component/s	Construction of a reservoir.	
Potential Impact	Contamination of soil, storm and ground water resources as a result of	
	an oil/diesel/lubricant spill/leak.	
Activities/Risk Sources	Refuelling and use of equipment and machinery.	
Mitigation:	To protect and mitigate impacts of contaminants on the environment	
Target/Objective	and hydrological features.	

Mitigation: Action/Control	Responsibility	Timeframe
Servicing of construction vehicles and machinery to take place of site. All vehicles must be in a good condition with no leakages leading to possible contamination of soil or water supplies. The following conditions related to the temporary fuel tanks must be implemented:	Contractor	Construction phase
The fuel tanks must be designed and installed in accordance with relevant Oil Industry standards and SANS codes where applicable for the aboveground storage tanks. The tanks must be located within a bund (110 % of the tanks capacity) in order to contain potential spills.		
During fuel tanker delivery, the tanker driver must be present at all times during product offloading. Should an incident occur the supply vehicle emergency cut-off switch must be activated to immediately stop fuel delivery. Flexible hoses with dry-break couplings and emergency isolation must be used. All spillage incidences and actions taken consequent thereto must be reported to the ECO and recorded in the site register.  All fuel and flammable liquids should be stored under secure and fenced conditions and in a bunded site with the volume of the bunding capable of holding 110% of the liquid.		
The applicant must ensure that effective stock inventory monitoring and regular auditing take place for the early identification of possible leaks.		
The requirements of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, 1993 (Act No. 85 of 1993), must be adhered to. Within three months of the tanks ceasing to be used the tanks must be removed at the expense of the applicant, and the site, including all associated infrastructure must be rehabilitated to the satisfaction of the relevant authority.		
Refuelling: Refuelling of equipment must be conducted from the bunded fuel tank and pump at the contractor's camp. Fuel tanks must be bunded and supplied with a concrete apron. The concreted refuelling apron will be constructed with a drain along its extremities to collect any diesel contaminated run-off and channel it to the oil trap where separated oil will be collected and disposed of in the oil recycling container and process. Any spills on the concrete apron of floor below the tank are to be treated with OT8 or Spillsolve or equivalent as per the product instructions.		
A 500 litre drawn trailer to convey diesel to the equipment for re-fuelling may also be used. Such trailer will be drawn by a specified vehicle and driver, with alternate nominated		Page <b>22</b> of <b>38</b>

as approved by the Project Engineer. Such tow vehicle may travel at 20kms per hour maximum at any time, be clearly identifiable as such, and may only tow the diesel cart should the pre-requisite drip trays and emergency equipment be on the vehicle at the time. In situ refuelling activity may only take place during a standard specified daily time slot as displayed in the construction office, unless specific per day permission has been given to refuel at any other time by the ECO. This must be pre-recorded in the site record book. Staff will require instruction in the identification of diesel and oil leaks and the use of Spillsolve (or equivalent) products.

#### On-Site emergency repairs:

Only small mobile plant and emergency repairs are to take place on site. These will require the provision of drip trays and funnels to ensure that no oil or fuel leakages occur onto the ground. Should such spill take place, then the oil saturated soil is to be placed in suitable containers and disposed of at a hazardous waste disposal site. Any contamination of soil is to be treated with Spillsolve or similar product. Contaminated water as a result of an oil or fuel spillage on the area should similarly be treated in appropriate way, and the polluted water should not be specifically removed and not allowed to merge with run-off water collected in the trap collecting all run offs from the slab.

#### Collection of contaminated spares and waste oils:

Contaminated spares, oil filters, gaskets, water, etc. will be collected in separate holders at the designated storage facility for disposal at a licensed H:h site.

Staff will require instruction in:

- Deleterious effects of oil / fuel on the environment
- · Identification of oil leaks
- Handling of oil / fuel leaks into soil
- Location and method in storage of contaminated spares
- Fire prevention and emergency drills in case of an accident

Performance indicator	Ensure that no spillages occur and if it does occur that it is handled	
	and cleaned up accordingly.	
Monitoring	This will be monitored by the ECO during site visits and recorded reported and proof included in the audit report to be submitted once	
	construction is completed.	

#### **OPERATIONAL PHASE**

There are no operational aspects of the listed activity. Operation will just include the reservoir and standard municipal maintenance and upkeep of infrastructure.

#### **CHAPTER 8**

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING**

In order to ensure that the necessary environmental issues are adequately addressed and recorded, the following environmental reporting shall be undertaken:

- Incident reporting; and
- Compliance reporting

See below for a template of an Incident Report to serve as a guideline for the recording and addressing of emergency incidents as and when they occur.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL INCIDENT REPORT

DATE:	File Ref:
NAME:	Copy to:
EXACT LOCATION OF	
INCIDENT:	
SECTION 1 : DESCRIPTION OF INCI	DENT
SECTION 2 : REMEDIAL ACTION RE	QUIRED
Remedial Action Due Date:	
Confirmation of implementation: Name	e: Date:
SECTION 3 : RELEVANT DOCUMENT	ATION
SECTION 4 : SIGNATURES	
Municipal Engineer:	
Name:	
Date:	
ECO:	n 1
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Name: Date:	
Date:	

S	SECTION 5: DRAWING/SKETCH		

#### **DECOMMISSIONING PHASE**

As the final phase in the project cycle, decommissioning may present positive environmental opportunities associated with the return of the land for alternative use and the cessation of impacts associated with operational activities. However, depending on the nature of the operational activity, the need to manage risks and potential residual impacts may remain well after operations have ceased.

The decommissioning phase EMPr provides specific guidance with respect to the management of the environmental risks associated with the decommissioning stage of a project.

Closure and decommissioning impacts are likely to be similar to the construction phase impacts. The management actions and control under the construction phase EMPr need to be implemented to mitigate the negative impacts on the environment and to restore the property to its natural state.

A decommissioning phase is where a structure is removed or otherwise modified to make it incapable for re-use for the original design purpose.

The results of environmental monitoring during the decommissioning phase will be used to assess the impact of the decommissioning on the surrounding environment and demonstrate compliance with regulatory requirements.

The actual scope of the decommissioning environmental monitoring will be established following consultation with the regulatory authorities. The format of decommission management strategy will probably be similar to that of earlier development phases and consist of the following:

#### Management Principles

- Develop monitoring procedures in accordance with standard protocols and the requirements of the environmental legislation.
- Undertake environmental monitoring during the decommissioning phase as shown below.

Environmental monitoring during the decommission phase will include terrestrial flora rehabilitation monitoring.

#### REHABILITATION SPECIFICATIONS AND SITE CLEAN-UP

The construction areas must be cleared, and cleaned to the satisfaction of the developer.

Stabilisation and rehabilitation must take place immediately after construction operations have been completed. No vehicles or unauthorised personnel must be allowed onto areas that have been rehabilitated.

The areas impacted during construction must be stabilised and shaped according to the natural surrounding contours. If topsoil was removed during construction the topsoil must be used to stabilise the impacted areas.

If erosion occurred the ECO must be informed immediately who will then recommend erosion mitigation measures to be implemented.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS INDUCTION COURSE MATERIAL**

This section of the report is included in compliance with Section 24N (3) (c) of the National Environmental Management Act 107 of 1998.

## WHAT IS THE ENVIRONMENT?

- Soil
- Water
- Plants
- · People
- · Animals
- · Air we breathe





# WHY MUST WE LOOK AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT?

- · It affects us all as well as future generations
- · We have a right to a healthy environment
- · A Policy and System will be signed

# HOW DO WE LOOK AFTER THE ENVIRONMENT?

- Report problems to your supervisor/ foreman
- · Team work
- · Follow the rules in the EMP



## WORKING AREAS

Workers & equipment must stay inside the site boundaries at all times



## RIVERS & STREAMS

- Do not swim in or drink from streams
- Do not throw oil, petrol, diesel, concrete or rubbish in the stream
- Do not work in the stream without direct instruction
- Do not damage the banks or vegetation of the stream



## **ANIMALS**

- Do not injure or kill any animals on the site
- Ask your supervisor or Contract's Manager to remove animals found on site



## TREES AND FLOWERS

- Do not damage or cut down any trees or plants without permission
- · Do not pick flowers



## SMOKING AND FIRE

- Put cigarette butts in a rubbish bin
- Do not smoke near gas, paints or petrol
- Do not light any fires without permission
- Know the positions of fire fighting equipment

- · Report all fires
- Do not burn rubbish or vegetation without permission

## PETROL, OIL AND DIESEL

- Work with petrol, oil & diesel in marked areas
- Report any petrol, oil & diesel leaks or spills to your supervisor
- Use a drip tray under vehicles & machinery
- Empty drip trays after rain & throw away where instructed



## DUST

Try to avoid producing dust



## NOISE

- Do not make loud noises around the site, especially near schools and homes
- · Report or repair noisy vehicles



## **TOILETS**

- · Use the toilets provided
- Report full or leaking toilets



## EATING

- Only eat in demarcated eating areas
- Never eat near a river or stream
- Put packaging & leftover food into rubbish bins



## RUBBISH

- Do not litter put all rubbish (especially cement bags) into the bins provided
- Report full bins to your supervisor
- The responsible person should empty bins regularly



## TRUCKS AND DRIVING

- · Always keep to the speed limit
- Drivers check & report leaks and vehicles that belch smoke
- Ensure loads are secure & do not spill



## **EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBERS**

Know all the emergency phone numbers:

- Ambulance:
- Fire:
- Police: 10111



## FINES AND PENALTIES

- Spot fines of between R20 and R2000
- Your company may be fined
- · Removal from site
- Construction may be stopped



## PROBLEMS - WHAT TO DO!

- Report any breaks, floods, fires, leaks and injuries to your supervisor
- · Ask questions!



ATTENDANCE REGISTER FOR	
PLACE	TRAINER
NAME & SURNAME	SIGNED
	DATE & TIME
SIGNED	

#### **COMPLIANCE WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION**

All conditions of the Environmental Authorisation must be adhered to onsite during the construction-, operational-, decommissioning- and rehabilitation phases of the proposed project. A copy of the Environmental Authorisation must be available on site together with the EMPr, MMP and all contractors on site must sign the Declaration of Understanding as proof of awareness and understanding of all the conditions to be adhered to on site in terms of the EA and EMPr.

#### **CHAPTER 13**

#### **UPDATING/ADAPTING THE EMPr**

Although care has been taken to address all known relevant environmental issues for the development, it will become necessary to add or amend certain procedures or instructions to improve the efficiency of the EMPr. Only those additions to, or amendments of, this EMPr that will either improve environmental protection or can be proven not to have any negative effects would be considered to be included, and any amendments to the EMPr must first be approved by the ECO and competent authority/ies i.e. DEA&DP.

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