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REFERENCE: 4/10/2/K60C/DR1797, PLETTENBERG BAY

Date: 29/09/2020

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Good day

RE: PROPOSED UPGRADE OF THE DR1797 FROM KM 0.00 TO KM 4.87 (REDFORD) ROAD IN THE PLETTENBERG BAY

Reference is made to the Executive Summary Document (ESD) dated August 2020, received by the Breed-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency (BGCMA) in respect of the above mentioned project.

The following are BGCMA comments on the project which should be adhered to:

1. It is stated in page 14, paragraph 4.7 of the ESD that the road DR 1797 crosses over tributaries of the Whiskey Creek River, as well as a tributary of the the Keurbooms River Keurbooms River. Further, paragraph 2.3.6 in page 6 of the ECD, states that the upgrade work will include the replacement of minor culverts and construction of a major culvert at km 705; and paragraph 2.3.6.2 in page 7 of the ESD informs that the major culvert is required at km 0.705 where a tributary of the Whiskey Creek River crosses the DR1797. These activities will trigger the requirement for a Water Use Authorisation as they are regarded as the use of water, in terms of section 21 (c) & (i) of the National Water Act 36 of 1988 (NWA), within the regulated area of a watercourse.

"regulated area of a watercourse" means or refers to:

- (a) 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

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2. A Risk Matrix (Based on the Department of Water and Sanitation 2015 publication: section 21 (c) & (i) water use Risk Assessment Protocol) must be undertaken in respect of the project by a suitably qualified professional registered with the South African Council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP). The Risk Matrix will inform the type of Water Use Authorisation that will be required for this project. It must include a Mitigation report and a Rehabilitation report.
3. As required by section 22 of NWA, a Water Use Authorisation is required prior commencement with any water use activity contemplated in section 21 of NWA. Moreover, commencement with any water use activity without a authorization as required by section 22 of NWA constitute an offence in terms of section 151(1)(a) of NWA. In terms of section 151(2) of NWA, 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.
4. In light of the above, you are advised that the onus remains with the Western Cape Government to adhere to the NWA prior to commencement of the water use activities related to the upgrade of DR1797.
5. This office can be contacted for further information related to the application for and/or requirements for a Water Use Authorisation.

This office reserves the right to amend and revise its comments as well as to request any further information.

Yours Faithfully



Mr Van Staden: Chief Executive Officer (Acting)
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Attention: Michelle Miles

RE: BASIC ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED DR1797 (REDFORD) ROAD UPGRADE PROJECT, GARDEN ROURE DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, WESTEN CAPE

Reference is made to the Draft Basic Assessment received by the Breed-Gouritz Catchment Management Agency (BGCMA) on the 02 October 2020, in respect of the above mentioned project

The following are BGCMA comments relating to the project, which should be adhered to:

1. BGCMA has no further comments or concerns with regards to the project. However, the comments dated 29/09/2020, already made by BGCMA on this project still stand and must be adhered to.
2. This office reserves the right to amend and revise its comments as well as to request any further information.

Yours faithfully

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Chief Executive Officer (Acting)