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REFERENCE: 4/10/2/K30D/ERF 301, HOEKWIL

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Attention: Ms C. Leslie

RE: PRE-APPLICATION BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT FOR PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF ERF 301, WHITES ROAD, HOEKWIL (WILDERNESS HEIGHTS), GEORGE MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE

Reference is made to the above mentioned Pre-Application Basic Assessment Report made available to Breede-Olifants Catchment Management Agency (BOCMA) for comments.

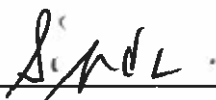
The following are BOCMA comments relating to the Pre-Application Basic Assessment Report for the proposed development on Erf 301, which should be adhered to:

1. The Breede-Olifants Catchment Management Agency notes that there are no watercourses that will be affected by the development, therefore confirms that water uses in terms of section 21(c) & (i) water uses are not triggered.
2. The applicant is advised that sewer and water services that will be provided by a Water Services Provider (WSP) i.e. Municipality, there must be an agreement between the property owner and the municipality tariffs must be paid directly to the municipality.
3. Please note that for off-grid sanitation facilities, it is recommended to dispose domestic wastewater into conservancy tanks that must be emptied on regular basis. French drains are not recommended as they are likely to impact on groundwater resources.

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4. Please note that no water shall be derived from any water resource and used on Erf 301 during the construction and operational phase of the development without prior approval by means of a water use authorisation in terms of section 22 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).
5. All reasonable measures shall have to be taken to prevent the potential pollution of the groundwater resources due to the proposed sanitation facilities i.e. a service provider must be appointed to remove domestic wastewater from septic or conservancy tanks regularly.
6. As required by section 22 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998), a Water Use Authorisation is required prior to commencement with any water use activity contemplated in section 21 of National Water Act. Moreover, commencement with any water use activity without an authorisation as required by section 22 of National Water Act constitutes an offence in terms of section 151(1) (a) of the National Water Act. In terms of section 151(2) of the National Water Act, 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.
7. In light of the above, you are advised that the onus remains with the property owner to adhere to the National Water Act, prior to commencement with any water use contemplated in section 21 of National Water Act that is associated with the proposed development.
8. The Breede-Olifants Catchment Management Agency has no objections on the proposed development.
9. Kindly note that this office reserves the right to amend and revise its comments as well as to request any further information.
10. The BOCMA office can be contacted for further information related to the requirement for, or the application for a Water Use Authorisation.
11. Should you wish to apply for a water use authorisation for unregistered water uses triggered by the proposed activities, you may apply electronically by logging onto the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) website at <http://www.dws.gov.za/e-WULAAS>.
12. Should you have further enquiries, the office can be contacted or alternatively contact Mr. SI Ndlovu at the above-mentioned contact number or on sndlovu@bocma.co.za

Yours faithfully,

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