



Ref: TPW/CFS/RP/LUD/REZ/SUB-01/42 (Job 30235)

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Attention: Ms Megan Govender

Dear Madam

RE: NOTICE OF THE PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT OF THE MURA PHOTOVOLTAIC DEVELOPMENT BETWEEN LOXTON AND BEAUFORT WEST IN THE WESTERN CAPE AND NORTHERN CAPE PROVINCES

1. Your letter 41103930 dated 6 March 2023 refers.
2. This Branch offers no objection to the issuing of an Environmental Authorisation in favour of the proposed Mura Photovoltaic Facilities, provided that this Branch is offered the opportunity to comment on the land use application, at which stage this Branch will issue its approvals in terms of Act 21 of 1940 (building restrictions, if applicable) and Roads Ordinance 19 of 1976 (accesses and construction activities within the road reserves and adjacent building lines).
3. The proposed facility affects Trunk Road 58, Section 1 (R381), Divisional Road 2317, and Minor Road 8881 of which this Branch is the Road Authority. (Other roads may be affected as well, depending on the final routes taken and accesses used, and the plans will need to be adapted to take this into account).
4. All the abovementioned Provincial Roads' Public accessibility must be retained (if not closed / de-proclaimed to become private or servitude roads) and they must be evaluated for the purposes of construction, operation, and decommissioning.
5. This Branch, for now, will ultimately require the following:
 - a. A geotechnical and geometric design report, including improvement proposals, must be compiled to ensure that all the roads that will be affected by these developments during the construction phase are adequately improved and maintained before any other construction activity may commence on any of the farm portions. This is to ensure that no more than

normal deterioration and additional maintenance costs are experienced by the Road Authority during the construction and operating phases. It will be required that any design affecting any Proclaimed Provincial Road must carry this Branch's Chief Directorate Road Design's (Ms M Hofmeyr – tel: 2721-4833999) approval before implementation thereof may commence.

- b. Confirmation that a similar geotechnical proposal (as per paragraph 5.a) will be compiled, and approval obtained prior to commencing with any major upgrade or decommissioning phase; whenever that may be.
- c. Indication of all the access(es) to each respective farm portion, ownership thereof and application for any changed access to the provincial road network - in line with this Branch's Access Management Guidelines, 2020. It will be required to clearly state which access will serve what purpose (e.g., energy and / or farming).
- d. Construction applications, including wayleaves for third party services, when building restrictions, building lines and road reserves are affected.
- e. Abnormal load transportation implications, which will require a route clearance report and prior application for any geometric and materials designs for approval before construction. It is recommended to commence with planning in this regard once detail of energy infrastructure and transportation equipment are known.
- f. If any accesses are to be upgraded, it must be submitted to this Branch's Chief Directorate Road Design's approval before implementation thereof may commence.

Yours Sincerely



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For DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: ROADS

DATE: 25 APRIL 2023

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