



NOTIFICATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENTS FOR TWO PROJECTS ASSOCIATED WITH THE DUBE TRADEPORT AT THE NEW KING SHAKA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, LA MERCY, DURBAN

Notice is hereby given that Dube TradePort (DTP) intends to lodge two applications for environmental authorisation with the national Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations GNR 385, GNR 386 & GNR 387, as amended, for the following projects:

1) THE TRADEZONE WATSON HIGHWAY LINK ROAD, LA MERCY, DURBAN

The DTP proposes construct a 3 km long road to link the Tradezone within the DTP at the new King Shaka International Airport (KSIA) to Watson Highway (recently renamed Ushukela Drive). The intention is to accommodate two lanes of traffic in both directions, with a road reserve of approximately 54m. The road will largely run alongside the existing paved Sri Lanka Way from the Watson Highway and turn towards the Tradezone on its approach to the KSIA. This project triggers Activity 5 as listed in GNR 387 and Activities 1(m) and 4 as listed in GNR 386, and is therefore subject to a full Scoping and **Environmental Impact Assessment.**

2) A UMDLOTI TRUNK WASTEWATER PIPELINE

The DTP proposes to install a 500mm diameter trunk wastewater pipe of approximately 1.3km in length, extending from the Support Zone at DTP to the proposed new uMdloti Wastewater Treatment Works in uMdloti, Durban. The pipeline is also intended to service the Mount Moreland residential community and will accommodate flow under gravity from the DTP and potential flows from the surrounding developable area. This project triggers Activities 1(k), 1(m) and 4 as listed in GNR 386 and is therefore subject to a Basic **Environmental Assessment.**

Arcus GIBB (Pty) Ltd (GIBB) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the EIA process for both projects.

Public Involvement: All interested and/or affected parties (IAPs) are invited to participate by registering comments related to either of the two abovementioned projects in writing to GIBB. GIBB will distribute further information and correspondence on the project and associated EIA processes to all registered IAPs and provide further opportunities for comments. Comments including the IAPs name, contact details and an indication of any direct business, financial, personal or other interest which they have in the application, must be submitted by post, fax or email to:

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NOTIFICATION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT: DTP TRADEZONE (AT KING SHAKA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT) TO WATSON HIGHWAY (USHUKELA DRIVE) LINK ROAD LA MERCY, DURBAN DEA Reference No.: 12/12/20/1887.

Arcus GIBB (Pty) Ltd have been commissioned by Dube TradePort to undertake the Environmental Impact Assessment for the Proposed DTP Trade Zone to uShukela Drive (Watson Highway) Link Road, La Mercy, Durban.

Project details: The proposed road will be approximately 3km long with two lanes of traffic in both directions and a road reserve of 54m. It will largely run along the eastern side of the existing paved road leading to the Herrwood Homestead from the uShukela Drive (formerly Watson Highway). The proposed routing will transverse a number of wetland systems and two non-perennial streams before approaching the Trade Zone between an existing perimeter fence to the east and the waste water treatment facility to the west.

Public involvement: The Draft Scoping Report, including the ecological and wetland specialist reports, is complete and available for review at the Tongaat Central Public Library, 1 Victoria Road, Tongaat. This report is also available on the Arcus GIBB website (http://projects.gibb.co.za) for download. GIBB invites your comments on the Draft Scoping Report, which is available for comment from 15 November to the closing date on 14 December 2010.

All Interested and Affected Parties (IAPs) are cordially invited to participate in a **Public Meeting on 1 December 2010 at Tongaat Central Library from 17h30 to 19h00**. Information on the project will be presented and IAPs will be provided with an opportunity to raise issues and comment on the proposed project.

For more information please contact:

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