

APPENDIX F: COPIES OF CORRESPONDENCE FROM I&APS

Comments Received during the Project Announcement and Registration Phase

From: Sandra Wren
Sent: 03 May 2017 12:21 PM
To: 'GcinileD'
Subject: RE: PROPOSED AGRIC EXPANSION TREGARON 92 FULL SCOPING EIA

Noted Thank You Gcinile, we will ensure this documentation is forwarded to the applicant and will include a copy thereof in the Draft Consultation Scoping Report.

Regards

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From: GcinileD [<mailto:GcinileD@daff.gov.za>]
Sent: 03 May 2017 10:46 AM
To: Sandra Wren <sandy@publicprocess.co.za>
Subject: PROPOSED AGRIC EXPANSION TREGARON 92 FULL SCOPING EIA

Good Morning Sandy

Please find the attached for your consideration.

G P Dumse
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SCOPING AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT

Pre-Application Comment and Registration Form

Proponent: San Miguel Fruits SA (Pty) Ltd
Project: Agricultural Expansion on Portion 2 of Farm 92 Tregaron, known as Sylvania, Sundays River Valley Municipality.
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Complete all Relevant Sections Below and Return by: 16 May 2017

Please provide your full contact details:

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Would you like to register as an interested and affected party? (please tick the appropriate box)

NOTE: You are required to register as an I&AP in order to receive further correspondence regarding the EIA process.

YES
NO

Please clearly state any interest you may have in the project and/or list your issues and comments or questions you may have (use additional pages if required)

Please find the attached document
comments for your consideration.

(Signature)

28-04-2017

Ref: 19.7.2/Tregaron



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Proponent: San Miguel Fruits (Pty) Ltd

Dear Ms. S. Wren

DAFF-LUSM COMMENTS NOTICE OF FULL SCOPING AND EIA FOR PROPOSED AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 FARM 92 TREGARON, COMMONLY KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, KIRKWOOD, SUNDAY'S RIVER VALLEY

The provisions of Regulation 2 of CARA related cultivation of virgin or new land are applicable to the proposed expansion of the agricultural activities on the property. The land owner or applicant must obtain permission or authorization in terms of Regulation 2 of the CARA Act, before the virgin soil may be disturbed mechanically. The EAP must consider LUSM as the authority and no mechanical disturbance of any virgin soil must be cleared without obtaining an authorization from CARA Act 43 of 1983.

The soil classification, land capability report and the soil form mapping must be provided by the applicant.

The establishment of windbreakers for protecting the citrus trees from wind destruction also require a permission in terms of Regulation 15 B (2) (a) of the CARA Act, only Category 2 declared invader plants will be permitted for planting as wind breakers however the use of indigenous species for wind breakers will not require a permit from

Full Scoping and EIA process Tregaron 92 portion 2, Sylvania Kirkwood, Sunday's River Valley Municipality

the CARA Act. The applicant will need to apply for a demarcation permit to use Category 2 declared invader plants.

The LUSM office will be required to conduct a joint site inspection with Rural Development and Agrarian Reform, Resource Planning Section based in Port Elizabeth before a decision may be taken. The land user will be required to lodge an application in terms of Regulation 2 of CARA Act 43 of 1983 before an arrangement for site inspection.

Thank you

A handwritten signature in black ink, enclosed in a hand-drawn oval. The signature appears to be 'N. M. & S. B.'.

Resource Auditor: Nelson Mandela Metro & Sara Baartman

Date: 28 April 2017

From: Marisa Jacoby
Sent: Tuesday, 06 June 2017 11:54 AM
To: 'Peter Lotter'
Cc: Sandy Wren
Subject: RE: NOTICE OF SCOPING AND EIA: AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 OF FARM 92 TREGARON, KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, SRVM

Good Morning Peter

Thank you very much for your comment.

A Traffic Impact Statement (TIS) is proposed to be prepared as part of this Scoping and EIA process, by a suitably qualified Traffic Specialist, and will address the issues you have raised. The TIS will be included in the Draft EIA Report. You will be provided with an electronic copy of the Draft EIA Report on CD to enable you to provide any further comments you may have in this regard.

We trust you will find the above in order.

Thank you.

Regards

Marisa Jacoby (BSc Hons)

Environmental Assessment Practitioner

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From: Peter Lotter [<mailto:Peter.Lotter@ecdpw.gov.za>]
Sent: Monday, 05 June 2017 4:19 PM
To: Marisa Jacoby <marisa@publicprocess.co.za>
Subject: RE: NOTICE OF SCOPING AND EIA: AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 OF FARM 92 TREGARON, KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, SRVM

Afternoon

Registration form attached

 <p>Province of the EASTERN CAPE ROADS & PUBLIC WORKS</p> <p>Customer Care - Tel: 0800 864 951 Switch Board - 041 390 9111</p>	<p>Mr Peter Lotter Department of Roads and Public Works: Sarah Baartman Region Engineering Technologist: Roads Maintenance Tel: 041 403 6034 Cell: 083 397 6792 Fax: 041 456 1666 Email: peter.lotter@ecdpw.gov.za Web: www.ecdpw.gov.za</p> 
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Complete all Relevant Sections Below and Return by: 16 May 2017

Please provide your full contact details:

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Would you like to register as an interested and affected party? (please tick the appropriate box)

NOTE: You are required to register as an I&AP in order to receive further correspondence regarding the EIA process.

YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
NO <input type="checkbox"/>

Please clearly state any interest you may have in the project and/or list your issues and comments or questions you may have (use additional pages if required)

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From: Marisa Jacoby
Sent: Tuesday, 02 May 2017 9:45 AM
To: Attwell Citrus
Cc: Sandy Wren; Zandri Grobbelaar
Subject: RE: NOTICE OF SCOPING AND EIA: AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 OF FARM 92 TREGARON, KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, SRVM

Good Morning Mr Attwell

NOTICE OF SCOPING AND EIA: AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 OF FARM 92 TREGARON, KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, SRVM

We would hereby like to confirm receipt of the comment form completed and submitted by you for the abovementioned Scoping and EIA process.

Please note: Amendments to the EIA Regulations were published and came into effect on 7 April 2017. As a result, we are legally required to re-advertise the Scoping and EIA process and notify Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) in line with these amendments. However, based on your request to be removed from the register of I&APs, we will not provide you with any further correspondence relating to the Scoping and EIA process for the proposed agricultural expansion.

If, at any stage, you would like information on the project please don't hesitate to contact us.

Thank you for your participation in this assessment process.

Regards

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From: Attwell Citrus [<mailto:attwellcitrus@srvalley.co.za>]
Sent: Tuesday, 02 May 2017 9:23 AM
To: Marisa Jacoby <marisa@publicprocess.co.za>
Subject: Re: NOTICE OF SCOPING AND EIA: AGRICULTURAL EXPANSION ON PORTION 2 OF FARM 92 TREGARON, KNOWN AS SYLVANIA, SRVM

Groete/Regards,
Mandy Deysel



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Would you like to register as an interested and affected party? (please tick the appropriate box)

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YES
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO

Please clearly state any interest you may have in the project and/or list your issues and comments or questions you may have (use additional pages if required)

No objection

From: Sandra Wren
Sent: 30 May 2017 09:59 AM
To: 'Jesse'
Subject: RE: Agricultural Expansion on Portion 2 of Farm 92, Tregaron, known as Sylvania, Sundays River Valley Municipality

No problem Jesse. Will you also kindly forward me your postal address as we send notifications via email and normal mail. I am going to send you a general query in another email.

Regards

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From: Jesse [<mailto:jesse.jegels@gmail.com>]
Sent: 30 May 2017 09:48 AM
To: Sandra Wren <sandy@publicprocess.co.za>
Subject: RE: Agricultural Expansion on Portion 2 of Farm 92, Tregaron, known as Sylvania, Sundays River Valley Municipality

Thanks Sandy

My apologies for the brevity of the email and for any errors that may be in it as the email was sent from my phone.

From: Sandra Wren
Sent: 2017-05-30 09:03
To: Jesse Jegels
Subject: RE: Agricultural Expansion on Portion 2 of Farm 92, Tregaron, known as Sylvania, Sundays River Valley Municipality

Hi Jesse

We will ensure that you are registered on the database for the above project. At the moment there is not a report for review, just the Background Information Document and first letter to I&APs, see attached. The next step in the process is a 30 day review period for the Draft Consultation Scoping Report, we will notify you of the availability of the report for review, once the comment period commences.

You don't have to fill in the attached comment and registration form unless you have specific issues/concerns you would like to raise, alternatively you can just email me.

Regards

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From: Jesse Jegels [<mailto:jesse.jegels@gmail.com>]
Sent: 29 May 2017 04:43 PM
To: Sandra Wren <sandy@publicprocess.co.za>
Subject: Agricultural Expansion on Portion 2 of Farm 92, Tregaron, known as Sylvania, Sundays River Valley Municipality

Dear Sandy,

Would you mind registering me on the above project database?
Are there reports available for review yet?

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Jesse Jegels
Ectheca Environmental Services
Environmental Scientist
MSc (Ecology)
Pr.Sci.Nat. (400164/12)
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From: Sandra Wren
Sent: 13 April 2017 09:56 AM
To: 'Habata Agri'
Cc: Marisa Jacoby; Zandri Grobbelaar
Subject: Sylvania B

Hi Hannes

With regards to the Environmental Impact Assessment for Sylvania B, this is to confirm our discussion of today.

We will ensure that you are registered on the I&AP database for the project and receive notifications regarding the commenting periods for the various reports once they are released for Public Review. We further note that you have raised the following concerns, which will be included and responded to in the Draft Consultation Scoping Report, which is submitted to the Dept of Environmental Affairs for their consideration.

- Due to the steep slopes on the site it is requested that 0.5m contours are provided in the form of a map, which should identify steep slopes which are not suitable for cultivation.
 - As discussed we are undertaking a soil suitability assessment for the site, which will make use of the 5 meter contours available from the land surveyor general's office.
 - However, the planting plan and irrigation layout for the site will require 0.5m contours. This will however be undertaken on the areas that are considered as suitable for development based on the recommendations of the specialist assessments. At this stage we are at the beginning of the Scoping Phase of the Assessment and the various specialist studies still need to be undertaken on the site.
- The Wit River runs through this site and there must be a no-go buffer around the Wit River as well as other drainage lines on the site.
 - There will be an aquatic specialist assessment which will be undertaken for the site, which must, amongst others, assess the Wit River and ALL drainage lines on the site, and make recommendations for suitable buffers around the Wit River and drainage lines on the site. These buffer areas will be considered as no-go areas for development/ the cultivation of citrus.
- How will the applicant cross the Wit River? If they intend to construct a crossing this must be properly designed by an engineer to prevent erosion.
 - There is an existing crossing of the Wit River, which will need to be assessed through the Scoping and EIA process. Presently the applicant has indicated that the existing crossing will be used to obtain access from the eastern portion of Sylvania to the newly proposed developed western section. Currently there are no proposals to upgrade the existing crossing or construct a bridge, however the approach roads on either side of this crossing will need to be graded. During high rainfall events this crossing will not be used and access to the site will be gained via existing roads and through the settlement of Enon.
- If the applicant proposes to access the site via Enon there are no formal roads which provide access to Sylvania through Enon. In addition, you will have large trucks and vehicles moving through a built up area, which present a safety risk to the residents of Enon.
 - A Traffic Impact Assessment is proposed to form one of the studies for the EIA phase of the assessment which must assess the increased vehicle traffic on the roads on the existing cultivated portion of Sylvania, as well as access through the settlement of Enon.

Hannes please feel free to contact me with any additional issues of concern so that we can ensure these included in the Scoping and EIA assessment and are adequately addressed by the various specialist.

Regards
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