



## PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

### PROJECT TITLE: PROPOSED SWIMMING POOL, RECREATIONAL FACILITIES AND ASSOCIATED INFRASTRUCTURE AT DIE STROOM PICNIC SITE IN THE BONTEBOK NATIONAL PARK, SWELLENDAM MUNICIPALITY– WESTERN CAPE

**DFFE REF: 14/12/16/3/3/1/3107**

Notice of a Public Participation Process (PPP) commenced by the **South African National Parks** to apply for an Environmental Authorization and Water Use License Application are hereby given in terms the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (2014, as amended) made under Section 24 (5) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), Act No. 107 of 1998 (as amended) and National Water Act. 36 of 1998. This notice serves to inform the public that the **Revised Draft Basic Assessment Report and its Appendices are available for public comment on our website: <https://enviro-eap.co.za/public-participation/>**. When landing on the Public Participation Page on the website please scroll down until you locate the project title as indicated above (valid for full duration of 30 day commenting period). **A hard copy of the Revised Draft Basic Assessment Report will also be available at the Bontebok National Park reception building for review from 4 June 2025.**

**Proposed Project Description:** The proposed swimming pool, recreational facilities and associated infrastructure at Die Stroom Picnic Site in the Bontebok National Park, Swellendam will include the following:

- Pool Backwash tank slab = 15m<sup>2</sup> for 5000liter JoJo
- Septic tank and Pump chamber = 40m<sup>2</sup>
- Pool pump room = 40m<sup>2</sup>
- Ablutions/Shower/Change Area = 105m<sup>2</sup>
- Swimming Pool = 315m<sup>2</sup>
- Terrace less Pool = 1115m<sup>2</sup>
- Fence = 210m long and 1.5m high
- Physically Disabled Ramp = 80m<sup>2</sup>
- Parking = 240m<sup>2</sup>
- Underground electrical cable = 110m long (Area measured in sewer trench calculation)
- Sewer line /Soak-away = 260m long (Area = 390m<sup>2</sup>)
- Pool back-wash and soak-away = 260m long (Area measured in sewer trench calculation)
- Water supply line = 25m long (Area 25m<sup>2</sup>) (Balance of area measured in sewer trench calculation)
- Soak-away = 150m<sup>2</sup> (15m x 10m)
- 2 x Biofilters = 64m<sup>2</sup> (4m x 8m each)

Construction footprint = 0.44ha. Construction laydown and stockpiling areas are to be located on the existing parking areas at Die Stroom picnic site. Proposed development will lead to the permanent clearance of ±0.2ha of indigenous vegetation. The final development footprint for the developments as described above = ± 0.28Ha.

**Location:** From direction Cape Town the entrance to the Bontebok National Park is located on your right-hand site off the N2 just before you enter the town of Swellendam. Directions to Die Stroom Picnic site located next to the Breede River tributary can be obtained at the park reception desk.

**Listed Activities:**

Activity No(s):	Provide the relevant <b>Basic Assessment Activity(ies)</b> as set out in <b>Listing Notice 1</b>	Describe the portion of the proposed project to which the applicable listed activity relates.
12	The development of— (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 100 square metres or more; where such development occurs— (c) if no development setback exists, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse—	Development of 240m <sup>2</sup> proposed parking areas within 32m of a non-perennial drainage line
Activity No(s):	Provide the relevant <b>Basic Assessment Activity(ies)</b> as set out in <b>Listing Notice 3</b>	Describe the portion of the proposed project to which the applicable listed activity relates.
12	The clearance of an area of 300 square metres or more of indigenous vegetation <b>(i) Western Cape</b> (i) Within any critically endangered or endangered ecosystem listed in terms of section 52 of the NEMBA or prior to the publication of such a list, within an area that has been identified as critically endangered in the National Spatial Biodiversity Assessment 2004	Clearance of 0.2ha of indigenous vegetation of Endangered – Swellendam Silcrete Fynbos
14	The development of— (ii) infrastructure or structures with a physical footprint of 10 square metres or more; where such development occurs— (c) if no development setback has been adopted, within 32 metres of a watercourse, measured from the edge of a watercourse; (i) Western Cape (i) Outside urban areas: (cc) World Heritage Sites	Development of 240m <sup>2</sup> proposed parking areas within 32m of a non-perennial drainage line.

**Procedure:** A basis assessment process will be applied to the application.

**Exemption:** No application for any exemption is sought.

**Opportunity to participate:** Interested and Affected Parties are invited to provide written comments on the Revised Draft Basic Assessment Report to Enviro-EAP [Johmandie Pienaar (EAP)] within **30 days** of this notice. The project title, your full name, contact details, plus indication of any direct business, financial, personal, or other interest you may have in this application must please be provided and fully described. The personal information and comments provided will be included in reports to be circulated and submitted to the Competent Authority to enable informed decision-making. Also, if you choose to comment as an I&AP your personal information will be made available for purposes of being informed and given access to reports and comments received. This information will be made available in terms of section 11(1)(c) and 11(1)(d) of the POPIA, without requiring consent.

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**30 DAY COMMENTING PERIOD STARTS 4 JUNE 2025 AND ENDS 4 JULY 2025 (EXCLUDING ANY PUBLIC HOLIDAYS)**