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REFERENCE NO: 4/10/2/G40G/FARM 781/3, BOTRIVER

Date: 23 November 2023

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Attention: Jenna Theron

RE: NOTICE OF A PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS FOR AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT – THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW DAM, EXPANSION OF AN EXISTING DAM AND THE EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING CULTIVATION AREAS, ON PORTION 3 OF FARM 781 (ERIN DE VIGNE), BOT RIVER, WESTERN CAPE.

With reference to the above-mentioned report received by this office with DEADP reference number 16/3/3/6/7/1/E4/4/1346/23 on the 23/10/2023, requesting comments.

The Breede-Olifants Catchment Management Agency (BOCMA) has the following comments:

1. All relevant sections and regulations of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) regarding water use must be adhered.
2. The proponent has initiated the water use authorisation application process regarding the proposed construction and enlargement of the off -stream dams.
3. The application WU28950 is for section 21 (b), (c) and (i) water uses. Water for irrigational purpose for the property Portion 3 of the Farm 781, Caledon is not yet confirmed under Section 33 of the National Water Act, 1998. Until the Section 35(4) letter is issued, the status of the water use remain as unverified.
4. Please note that all the water use related issues such as impacts and mitigation measures will be addressed in the assessment process.
5. Please note that engaging in activity that triggers the National Water Act without authorisation is an offence and will result in the BOCMA taking legal action against the proponent in terms of Section 151 of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998).

This office reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on any additional information that may be received.

The onus remains with the registered property owner to confirm adherence to any other relevant legislation that any activities might trigger and/or need authorization.

Please do not hesitate to contact the above official should there be any queries.

Yours faithfully

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