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For attention: Divan Opperman

**RE: THE PROPOSED 160MM uPVC BULK WATER CONVEYANCE PIPELINE FROM
TESSELAARSDAL TO BETHOESKLOOF, WESTERN CAPE.**

The Overberg District Municipality's department of Environmental Management Services values to opportunity to give input on the application.

The purpose of this application is for the expansion of the potable water reticulation network of Tesselaarsdal. This Department support this proposal that the 160mm water pipeline be aligned adjacent to an existing gravel road.

Based on the Western Cape Biodiversity Spatial Plan the pipeline route abuts an area which is mapped as Western Rûens Shale Renosterveld and Overberg Sandstone Fynbos, both of which are listed as critically endangered. Even though these sites are degraded, road reserves do contribute, to some extent, as ecological corridors. Therefore, any excavation activities should be kept to a minimum as far possible and areas where ground disturbance took place should be maintained to prevent further degradation.

Yours faithfully,

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MUNICIPAL MANAGER**