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**ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT  
SECTION**

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Dear Mr. Diepenaar,

Re: 1<sup>st</sup> Draft BAR: EIA Reference number: 16/3/3/6/7/1/E2/33/1031/20; Proposed construction of a sub surfaced water supply pipeline between Rooi Els and Pringle Bay, Western Cape

The Overstrand Environmental Management Services (EMS) department thanks you for the opportunity to comment on the above.

**General Comments:**

The area is frequented by at least one troop of Chacma Baboons. During the construction and rehabilitation phases all measures to ensure the baboons are not attracted to the area should be put in place. As part of the Awareness (Induction) Training (3.5. of EMP) staff must be instructed to keep food items secured out of sight and food scraps should be disposed of in animal proof waste container as indicated in the Mitigation Measure of Table 4 of the EMP and removed from the construction area daily.

**Botanical Assessment: General Ecology**

The specialist stated that Chacma baboons and porcupines may undermine the rehabilitation process by foraging in the described rehabilitation areas. The Rooiels baboon troop is not actively managed and do forage in this area.

The Pringle Bay baboon troop is managed by The Pringle Bay Baboon Action Group and Human Wildlife Solutions (HWS) contracted by the Overstrand Municipality. The troop is managed by radio collar and Baboon Monitors. Although the proposed development area is not frequented by this troop, communication between the Overstrand Environmental Management Section, the PBAG, the HWS and the project implementer can ensure effort is made to move the animals from this area should it be required.

Baboons are known to forage for bulbs and new vegetation growth in particular bulbs, sprouting geophytes, restio seeds etc.

**Alien Vegetation Management**

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An Alien Vegetation Management Plan must include follow up management for at least two years after the proposed construction is complete. Resprouting and new growth from seed banks must be managed.

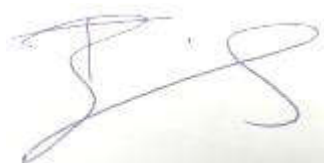
**Waste Management:**

Waste/rubbish containers must be animal (baboon) proof. Food items and discarded food containers should not be mixed with construction debris.

**Contractor Crew Camps, Stockpile & Storage Areas**

Please indicate the proposed area(s) for storage of stationary machinery and vehicles, crew camp, waste/rubbish, removed vegetation and construction materials etc.

This office reserves the right to review these comments as further information is made available.



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