

**NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR BASIC ASSESSMENT ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION AND WATER USE
LICENSE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE LEBOWAKGOMO WASTEWATER
TREATMENT WORKS AND CONSTRUCTION OF BULK SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE, LEBOWAKGOMO, LIMPOPO
PROVINCE**

PROJECT ANNOUNCEMENT

Applicant: Capricorn District Municipality

Location: Farm Voorspoed 458 KS, Portions 0, 2, 6, 10, 16, 18 and 19.

Farm Zebedielas Location 123 KS, Portion 0

The Capricorn District Municipality (CDM) owns and operates the Lebowakgomo Wastewater Treatment Works (WWTW) in the Limpopo Province. CDM proposes to upgrade the existing Lebowakgomo WWTW and effluent discharge pipeline, as well as construct bulk sewer infrastructure in the greater Lebowakgomo area.

The Lebowakgomo WWTW is partially functional and overloaded to meet the water quality parameters. To ensure that the WWTW meets the compliance limits related to the effluent quality and to meet the growing demands of the area. CDM proposes to expand the current treatment capacity of 2.5ML/day to 15ML/day in two Phases. Phase 1 will include the expansion of up to 5ML/day and the upgrading of the access road to the facility. Phase 2 will include a further expansion from 5ML/day to 15ML/day. Construction of the Habakuk Pump Station and associated bulk sewer pipelines will also take place during Phase 2 of the proposed expansion

Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd (AvDE) has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the required environmental-related applications and associated public participation process. The environmental-related applications required for the proposed pipelines and associated infrastructure are:

- A Basic Assessment environmental authorisation process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations. The competent authority for this process is the Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism (LEDET).
- Comment on the Heritage Impact Assessment in terms of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act No. 25 of 1999) (NHRA). The competent authority for this application is the South African Heritage Resources Agency (SAHRA).
- A Water Use Licence Application (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998) (NWA). The competent authority for this process is the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS). The water uses applied for are as follows:
 - **21 (c)** Impeding or diverting the flow of water in a watercourse; and **21 (i)** Altering the bed, banks, course, or characteristics of a watercourse (*Construction of infrastructure within the DWS regulated area*)
 - **21 (f)** discharging waste or water containing waste into a water resource through a pipe, canal, sewer, sea outfall or other conduit (*discharging of effluent in the Chunies River via a discharge point*)
 - **21 (e)** engaging in a controlled activity (*use of effluent for irrigation*)

The Draft Basic Assessment Report will be made available for public comment for a period of 30 days (11 August until 9 September 2025), at the following places:

Public Place	Locality	Physical Address
Lebowakgomo Public Library	Lebowakgomo	R518
Alta van Dyk Environmental Consultants Office	Midstream	9 Mount Sherman Crescent Midlands Estate
Lepelle Nkumpi Local Municipality Office	Lebowakgomo	170 BA Civic Centre, Lebowakgomo,
Capricorn District Municipality Office	Polokwane	41 Biccard Street, Polokwane

All registered Interested and Affected parties will be informed of the availability of the report. The Public Participation for the Water Use License will be for a 60-day comment period (11 August until 10 October 2025). If you would like more information or comment on the proposed project, or register as an Interested and Affected Party please direct them to:

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In terms of section 11 of the Protection of Personal Information Act (POPIA), all personal information collected will be processed lawfully and explicitly for the Water Use Licence Application and Environmental Authorisation Process.