

**Notification of Application for Environmental Authorisation and Water Use Authorisation Processes for the Proposed Provision of non-motorised and public transport facilities and improvements of intersections on National Route N18 - Section 3 from km30.0 to km48.6, N18 - Section 5 from km38.0 to km42.0 and N18 - Section 6 from km25.0 to km 38.20, in North-West Province**

Notice is hereby given that South African National Roads Agency Limited (SANRAL) (the Applicant) has applied for Environmental Authorisation (EA) for the above project. An EA is required by way of a Basic Assessment (BA) Process, from the Competent Authority, i.e. Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, 2014 (as amended), promulgated in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA). Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd is the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) for the BA process.

SANRAL proposes the provision of non-motorised and public transport facilities and improvements of intersections on National Route N18 - Section 3 from km30.0 to km48.6, N18 - Section 5 from km38.0 to km42.0 and N18 - Section 6 from km25.0 to km 38.20, in North-West Province to improve access management and pedestrian and motorist safety. Site camps are proposed close to the road upgrade. In terms of Listing Notice 1 (GNR No. 983) of the EIA regulations, 2014 (as amended) the proposed road upgrade will trigger listed activities 27 and 56 and 12 and 18 of Listing Notice 3 (GNR No. 985) The proposed road upgrade occurs within the 500m regulated area of wetlands. Water will be abstracted from the Setumo Dam during the construction phase. Therefore, a Water Use Authorisation (WUA) will be required in terms of Section 21 (a), (c) and (i) of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act No. 36 of 1998).

The Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) provides more details of the project and is available for public review and comment from 9 May 2025 to 9 June 2025 at the Vryburg Public Library, 76 Stella St, Vryburg, 8600, Setlagole Library, 1 Madibogo Delareyville Rd, Setlagole, 2773 and the Mahikeng Library, Robinson Street, Golf View, Mahikeng, 2745, and on the Zitholele Consulting's website: [www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/](http://www.zitholele.co.za/environmental/) under the heading "SANRAL N18 Road Upgrade". Should you wish to register as an Interested and Affected Party and/or comment on the draft BAR, please submit your contact details and interest on the project, to the Public Participation Process (PPP) desk as follows: Zitholele Consulting (Pty) Ltd, Ms. Natasha Lalie, P.O. Box 6002, Halfway House, 1685, Tel: 011 207 2060, Fax: 086 674 6121, E-mail: [sanraln18@zitholele.co.za](mailto:sanraln18@zitholele.co.za)