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To Whom it May Concern

Potential Interested & Affected Parties

VIA EMAIL

Notice is hereby given of a Public Participation Process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No 107 of 1998 as amended)

Cape EAPrac has been appointed as independent environmental consultants responsible for facilitating the environmental investigation and formal Basic Assessment process for the proposed Great Brak Municipal Sewer System Upgrades, Great Brak River, Mossel Bay Municipal District, Western Cape Province (Figure 1).

Great Brak River is a coastal town in the Mossel Bay Local Municipality, approximately 17km north-northeast of the town Mossel Bay.

The study area is located in the western part of the town, north of the N2 National Road and mainly follows Sandhoogte Road, Stander Street, Ebenezer Avenue, Wigget Street, Fourie Street, Van Rensburg Street, Lang Street and Kerk Street (Figure 1).

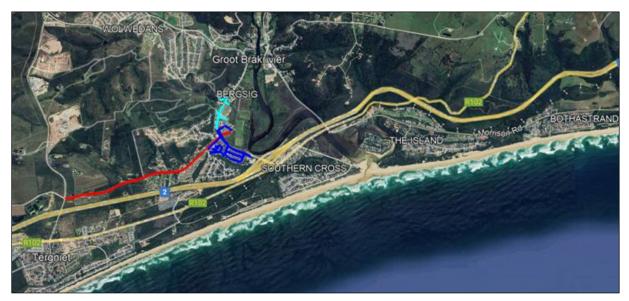


Figure 1: Locality map of the proposed Great Brak Municipal System Upgrades.

The proposed upgrades are divided into **<u>three (3) sections</u>** (Figure 2):

- <u>Section 01:</u> Replacement of the existing 200mm diameter sewer pipeline with a greater capacity sewer pipeline (new 355mm diameter sewer pipeline) along Sandhoogte Road¹, and internal upgrades at the existing Sandhoogte Pump Station.
- <u>Section 02:</u> New 160mm 200mm diameter sewer pipelines along un-serviced erven in Great Brak River, that are still using conservancy tanks, to link them to the municipal system.
- <u>Section 03</u>: Upgrade of the Cricket Field Pump Station to accommodate additional flow and address existing challenges. According to Sky High Consulting Engineers, the pump station does not have adequate pumping capacity to pump at a flowrate higher than the inflow of the sewage during wet weather (rainy conditions), thus the pump station floods. Furthermore, it was also found that the pump station does not have adequate emergency storage capacity.

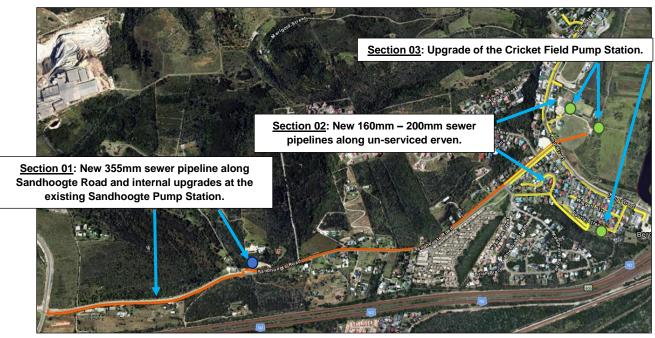


Figure 2: Locality map of the proposed three (3) Great Brak sewer system upgrade sections: (1) new 355mm sewer pipeline along Sandhoogte Road (orange solid line) and internal upgrades at the existing Sandhoogte Pump Station (blue filled circle); (2) new 160mm – 200mm sewer pipelines along un-serviced erven in Great Brak (yellow solid line); and (3) expansion / replacement of the Cricket Field Pump Station (green filled circles).

¹ Southern road reserve; between Great Brak Waste Water Treatment Works and Sandhoogte Pump Station,

Northern road reserve; between Sandhoogte Pump Station and Cricket Field Pump Station.

Listing Notice 1 (Activities 10, 12, 17, 19, 19A, 48, 54) and Listing Notice 3 (Activities 12, 14, 23) applies for which a Basic Assessment process is required.

Potential Interested & Affected Parties (I&APs) are invited to review and submit comment on the **Draft Basic Assessment Report (DBAR)**, which will be available for a 30-day commenting period, extending from <u>Monday, 19 May 2025 to Wednesday</u>, <u>18 June 2025</u>. The reports can be accessed digitally via www.cape-eaprac.co.za / Active Projects.

You are welcome to request electronic links, or alternatively we can send the reports via electronic platforms such as WeTransfer / OneDrive. Should you require a flash drive with the complete report you can request such in writing.

To be registered as an Interested and Affected Party (I&AP) for the BAR process, individuals are requested to respond to this notice by submitting their complete contact details and/or comments to *Cape EAPrac* in writing (to address below) on or before <u>18 June 2025</u>. [Correspondence throughout the remainder of the environmental process will be distributed to **registered** I&APs only].

Should you have any queries about the proposal or process you are most welcome to contact the undersigned directly.

Input from stakeholders is very important to help inform the process, as well as decision-making and we kindly do request that those with an interest or mandate, please do take the time to review the report and provide us with your comment so that we can consider and respond thereto as part of the process.

Kind Regards,

To register as an I&AP or to submit comments on the DBAR

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