

# NOTICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT PROCESS: BASIC ASSESSMENT



## **PROPOSED REGIONAL CEMETERY WITHIN THE WITZENBERG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, CAPE WINELANDS DISTRICT MUNICIPALITY, WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE.**

Notice is hereby given in terms of Regulation 41 (2) published in Government Notice No. 982 under Chapter 6 of the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA, Act No. 107 of 1998) Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations (as amended) of the submission of an application to the provincial Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, (DEADP) for an Environmental Authorisation (EA). In addition, a water use license application will be submitted to the Department of Water Affairs in terms of Section 21 of the National Water Act (Act No. 36 of 1998; NWA).

### **Proponent and Activities**

The Witzenberg Local Municipality proposes to establish a regional cemetery to service the towns and rural areas of this municipality including Ceres, Prince Alfred's Hamlet, Op-die-Berg, Tulbagh, and Wolseley if and when necessary and have a lifespan of thirty years. The proposed site is demarcated as Farm Portion 82/364, Ceres.

### **NEMA EIA Process:**

A Basic Assessment process is required as a result of the activities triggered by the proposed development. Listed activities fall under Listing Notice 1 & 3.

#### Listing Notice 1:

23 – The development of cemeteries of 2500 square meters or more in size.

27 – The clearance of an area of 1 hectare or more but less than 20 hectares or more of indigenous vegetation.

#### Listing Notice 3:

4.d.ii – The construction of a road wider than 4 meters with a reserve less than 13,5 meters

(d) Western Cape

(ii) All areas outside urban areas

### **Competent Authority:**

The competent authority for this application is the provincial Western Cape Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, (DEADP).

**CES** has been commissioned by Witzenberg Local Municipality to undertake the BA process in terms of NEMA EIA Regulations. You are hereby invited to register as an Interested & Affected Party (I&AP). Please submit your name, contact information and any comments to the contact person below.

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\*Please include the project reference in all correspondence: **Proposed Witzenberg Cemetery**