

30 June 2026

Dear Interested and Affected Party

Ref: 14/2/4/2/3/D1/14/0002/25

ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION APPROVED IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT ACT, 1998, THROUGH THE PROCESS OF A SECTION 24G APPLICATION. APPLICANT: FOREST FARMS (PTY) LTD

Forest Farms (Pty) Ltd appointed Digital Soils Africa (Pty) Ltd (DSA) to conduct the Section 24G Report and retrospect environmental impact assessment and public participation for the above-mentioned project. Please take note that the above-mentioned project was approved by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, Western Cape on 23 June 2026.

As a registered I&AP, you are advised that a copy of the Environmental Authorisation are attached to the email. Appeals must comply the national Appeal Regulations, 2025 (Government Notice No. R. 5985 in Government Gazette No. 52269 of 13 March 2025).

Should you decide to appeal, you must submit your appeal to the Appeal Administrator and serve a copy of the appeal to the applicant, (holder of the Environmental Authorisation) within twenty (20) days from the date of this notification, as described in Regulation 4 of the National Appeal Regulations, 2014.

All appeals submitted must:

- Be in writing in the appeal form obtainable from the Departmental website;
- Include supporting documents referred to in the appeal; and
- Include proof of payment of the prescribed non-refundable appeal fee, if prescribed.

If an appeal is lodged, the applicant must notify all registered interested and affected parties, as well as juristic state departments (organ of state with interest in the matter) and make the appeal available to them within 5 calendar days after the 20-day appeal period ends. Proof of this notification must be submitted to the Appeal Administrator within 5 calendar days after sending the last notification.

Please note that appeals, responding statements and supporting documents must be submitted to the Appeal Administrator by means of one of the following methods:

- By email: DEADP.Appeals@westerncape.gov.za
- By hand, where that person submitted does not hold an electronic mail account:
Attention: Mr. Marius Venter
Room 809, 8th Floor Utilitas Building
1 Dorp Street
Cape Town
8001

A prescribed appeal form, responding statement form as well as assistance regarding the appeal processes is obtainable from the relevant website of the Appeal Authority: <http://www.westerncape.gov.za> or the office of the Minister at: Tel. (021) 483 3721 or email: DEADP.Appeals@westerncape.gov.za

The due date for submission of the appeal is 20 July 2026. Attached, please find the cover letter from the Department. Alternatively, you can view the document on the DSA website (www.dsafrica.co.za), please follow the links to Environmental, Documents and choose the 'Forest Mushroom' link.

Yours sincerely



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