



## **environmental affairs**

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### **APPEAL RESPONSE REPORT**

#### **PROJECT NAME/TITLE:**

Quarrying of farm Doornpoort

#### **PROJECT LOCATION:**

Doornpoort, Pretoria

#### **PROJECT REFERENCE NUMBER:**

#### **DATE PROJECT/ACTIVITY AUTHORISED:**

2020

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GROUNDS OF APPEAL	RESPONDING STATEMENT	COMMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT / DMR
<p>1. The quarry is proposed for material to upgrade the R573 (Moloto rd) to accommodate the high volume of vehicel traffic thereon.</p> <p>Since the outbreak of Covid-19, the traffic on the Moloto rd is minimal (I travel the road a few times a day). The predictions from the World Health Organisation to manage Covid will be till around 2025, thus there will be no major increase in traffic on the road for the next few years.</p> <p>The nation is suffering from the effects of Covid, as is the economy of South Africa and the world. The billions spent on the upgrade of the Moloto road could and should be better spent on more telling problems at the moment, such as putting food on the table of those who have lost their jobs, and continue to lose their jobs “thanks” to the Covid crisis.</p>		

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