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Attention: Ntsebo Mkhize

LAND USE LISTED: THE PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON THE REMAINING EXTENT OF PORTION 129 OF THE FARM RIETFONTEIN 301 IQ, CITY OF JOHANNESBURG METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY

The request for comments received by the Department on 20 September 2019 has reference.

The proposal entails housing development on the afore-mentioned site. The site measures 73 hectares in extent and the development will cover the entire site. According to the Gauteng Conservation Plan (C-Plan) Version 3.3, the proposed site falls within an Important Area and is covered in Primary Vegetation in the form of Gauteng Grassland. The proposed site falls within Zone 1 (Urban Development Zone) according to the Gauteng Environmental Management Framework of 2015.

Based on the above and the information submitted, the proposed activity is listed in terms of Activity 15 of Listing Notice 2 of GN. R325 and Activity 12 (c)(ii) of Listing Notice 3 of GN. R324 in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014, (GN. R326) published under the National Environmental Management Act (NEMA), 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998, as amended) and therefore legally requires an environmental authorisation from the Department.

In light of the above, a Scoping and Environmental Impact Assessment process for this type of an activity must be followed. Please note that the Department can only make a decision on the proposed development once an appropriate application with supporting documentation has been received and reviewed.

Should there be any queries concerning this issue, contact the official at the details given above.

Yours faithfully

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