



Notice of Environmental Authorisation application process for the Proposed Northern Aqueduct Augmentation Phase 5: Durban Heights to Duffs Road Steel Pipeline, in Kwazulu-Natal

**Invitation to register as an Interested and Affected party
SEF REF NO: 505904**

**KZN DEDTEA REF NO: DM/0002/2015
NEAS REF NO: KZN/EIA/0000021/2015**

Notice is given in terms of Section 41 of Government Notice (GN) No. R.982 in Government Gazette No. 38282 (4 December 2014) and 24 J of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No.107 of 1998), as amended [NEMA], that the eThekweni Water and Sanitation (EWS) Department proposes the construction of Phase 5 of the Northern Aqueduct Augmentation Project, which comprises of a proposed new large bore 1 200mm ND welded steel pipeline from Durban Heights in Reservoir Hills to the northern side of Duffs Road.

The proposed northern aqueduct pipeline starts at Umgeni Water's valve chamber in Pridley Road, located just downstream of the Durban Heights Waterworks. From the bulk connection point in Reservoir Hills, the pipeline then descends into the Umgeni Valley, crosses the Umgeni River and traverses through the Newlands and Avoca Hills area, en-route to Duffs Road, where it will connect to the blank flange of the Phase 4 NAA pipeline which continues from Duffs Road to the Phoenix 2 Reservoir. A new bridge will be constructed across the Umgeni River and will be located outside of the 1: 100 year flood line.

The proposed pipeline will be installed on the new bridge at the Umgeni River crossing. The proposed pipeline route traverses a number of landuses including the following, viz, densely populated, built-up areas, narrow roads and road reserve widths, high traffic routes, underground existing services, major roads and railways lines, Durban Metropolitan Open Space System (D'MOSS) areas.

In terms of GN No. 983 (Listing Notice No. 1) (Activity 19) and GN No. 985 (Listing Notice No. 3) (Activities 12, 14 and 23) of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations, these listed activities require Environmental Authorisation (EA) by way of a Basic Assessment Reporting Process. Interested and/or affected parties who wish to register, or participate by contributing comments, or who would like to obtain more information, should please contact Mr. Justin Ellero at:

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