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Dear Sir

THE ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF AN OUTDOOR 4X4 TRACK FACILITY ON PORTION 221 ZOUTPANSDRIFT 415 JQ, MADIBENG LOCAL MUNICIPALITY IN NORTH WEST PROVINCE.

Your Environmental screening report for the above mentioned project received by the Department on 28th September 2016 together with the supporting information received on the 30th September 2016 via email has reference.

The site inspection conducted on the 20th October 2016 by Ms. Tshegofatso Lekgari of this Department with Mr. Cappie Linde (EAP) and Mr. Attie Rademeyer (Proponent) also refers.

The Department has reviewed all the information submitted as well as observations made during the site visit and notes the following:

- The existing and ongoing operation of the 4 X 4 trail occurs on Portion 221 Zoutpansdrift 415 JQ in Brits with the co-ordinates 25° 33' 34.18" S and 27° 43' 17.7" E (hereafter referred to as 'the property').
- The activity first commenced during 2013 making use of existing internal roads.
- The facility fall within the Aquatic Critical Biodiversity Area Level 1 (CBA 1), however existing tracks were converted for the operation, therefore, no listed activity is triggered. Listing notice 3, activity 11 of 2010 Regulations excludes the conversion of existing routes.
- No construction or expansion of structures within 32m of the watercourse (The Crocodile River) has occurred. There will be natural crossing of the river.

Based on the above information, the operation of the 4X4 track facility on Portion 221 of Zoutpansdrift 415 JQ **does not require Environmental Authorisation in terms of the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations of December 2010.**