APPENDIX F

Public Participation Process
DESCRIPTION OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS

A detailed Public Participation Process (PPP) has been followed for the proposed development, in terms of the EIA Regulations 2006, before the new EIA Regulations 2010 came into effect. We therefore applied for deviation from the above mentioned requirements in terms of regulation 54 of the EIA regulations 2010 by not repeating any part of the PPP (deviation agreed to by the Department).

The PPP followed include the following:

- The addresses of all neighbours, and properties within 100 metres of the farm Groot Eiland, Farm 417/2, Worcester, were obtained from the Breede Valley Municipality records office and entered into the Interested and Affected Persons database.

- Notices describing the proposed development, expected activities to be triggered, the public participation process and including an invitation to comment, were sent via registered letters and normal postage to the neighbours and properties within 100 metres of Farm 417/2 on the 2nd of August 2010.

- In addition, notices and copies of the draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) were send to the relevant commenting authorities and state departments on the 4th of August 2010.

- An advert, in English and Afrikaans, was placed in the local newspaper, the Worcester Standard, on the 29th of July 2010. The notice described the proposed development, the expected activities to be triggered, the public participation process and included an invitation to comment.

- In addition an A1-sized notice (841mm x 594mm) was placed at the entrance to Farm 417/2 for the duration of the commenting period. This information was in both English and Afrikaans.

- A copy of the draft BAR was made available at the Worcester Public Library, the BolandEnviro offices in Worcester and on the BolandEnviro website (www.bolandenviro.co.za) for public view for the duration of the commenting period.

The comment period commenced on the 4th of August 2010 (before new EIA Regulations were promulgated) and closed on the 12th of September 2010.

- Apart from commenting authorities there were no other Interested and Affected Parties.

- Comments on the draft BAR were received from CapeNature, the Department of Agriculture Western Cape and Heritage Western Cape.
Apart from these comments received on the draft BAR, initial comments received from the Western Cape Department of Agriculture, Directorate: Sustainable Resource Management and Directorate: Sustainable Resource Management – LandCare, on the rezoning application and application to plough in terms of CARA respectively, were also considered.

Scanned copies of all comments received are included within this document. These comments are addressed in the comment and response table included (Table 2).

The final BAR (completed in terms of EIA Regulations 2006) was amended to comply with the EIA Regulations 2010 and resubmitted to all registers I&APs for a further 21 days commenting period.

Since the EIA Regulation of 2010 came into effect, there has been no change in any aspects of the proposed development, and the listed activities triggered in terms of the EIA Regulation, 2010 of NEMA is comparable to those triggered in terms of the EIA Regulation, 2006. Considering the EIA Regulations, 2010, there will also be no change in the impacts to the environment that are associated with the proposed development.
Figure 1. Cadastral map showing the farm boundaries and neighbouring properties within 100 m of Farm 417/2, Rawsonville, Worcester.
Table 1: List of Interested and Affected Parties notified of the proposed development on Farm 417/2, Worcester

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KENNISGEWING MET BETREKKING TOT ‘N GEINTEGREERDE OMGWINGSBESTUURSPROSES

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Kennis geskied hiermee van ‘n Basiese Omgwingsimpakbepalingsproses in terme van die Nasionale Omgwingsbestuurswet (Wet 107 van 1998), soos gewysig, en die Omgwingsimpakbepalingeregulasies van 2006 (GN R. 385 en 386).

Aansoek word gedoen by die Departement van Omgwingsake en Ontwikkelingsbeplanning vir die opgradering en uitbreiding van die bestaande Deetlefs Landgoed Wynkelder asook die uitbreiding van addisionele 12 ha wingerd (verwydering van inheemse plantegroei). Aansoek word oor gedaan vir goedkeuring vir die deurlopende instandhouding van die walle van die Smallblaar Rivier om toekomslike erosie en vloedskade aan die eilandom te beheer.

Gelyste aktiwiteite: GN R386 No. 1(j); 19; 12; 4; 1(m).

Ligging: Plaas 417/2 (Groot Eiland), Worcester (Portierstraat, Rawsonville)

Aansoeker: Deetlefs Famille Trust

Vind asseblief aangehê ’n digitale kopie van die voorlopende Basiese Omgwingsimpak Verslag. Graag ontvang ons u kommentaar op die voorgestelde ontwikkeling.

Kommentaarperiode: 4 Augustus tot 12 September 2010.

Kommentaar en/of besware (met redes) moet skriftelik of in digitale formaat aan BolandEnviro (adres onder) gestuur word, voor of op 12 September 2010.

Vir meer inligting, kontak Nik Wullschleger of Joehlene Krige by Boland Enviro.


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Dear Sir / Madam

NOTICE OF AN INTEGRATED ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT PROCESS
Reference: E12/2/3/1 - B2/33 - 0907/09


Application is being made to the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning for authorisation to upgrade and expand the existing Deetlefs Estate Wine Cellar and to extend the vineyard footprint by 12 ha (removal of indigenous vegetation). Application is also being made for authorisation to carry out maintenance of the Smalblaar River bank on an as-needs basis in future, to prevent flood damage and erosion to the Property.

Listed activities applied for: GN R386 No. 1(j); 18; 12; 4; 1(m).

Locality: Farm 417/2 (Groot Eiland), Worcester (Porter Street, Rawsonville)

Applicant: Deetlefs Family Trust

Attached please find a digital copy of the draft Basic Assessment Report. Your comment on the proposed development is welcome.

Comment period: (40 days) 4 August 2010 until 12 September 2010.

Written comments and/or objections (with reasons) must be forwarded to BolandEnviro, before or on 12 September 2010.

For more information: contact Nik Wullschlager or Johlene Krige from Boland Enviro.

A copy of your comments must be forwarded to: R. Isaacs, The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, Private Bag X 9086, CAPE TOWN, 8000, Tel 021 483 2773/5113. Fax 021 463 3633, Email: Risaac@ogwc.gov.za. Please use Ref. E12/2/3/1 - B2/33 - 0907/09.

Yours truly,

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Figure 2 & 3. A1 sized site notice, in English and Afrikaans, describing the proposed development, expected activities to be triggered, public participation process, and inviting comment, was erected at the proposed site (entrance to Deetlefs Estate) for the duration of the commenting period.
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DIREKTORAAT LANDBOUGROND EN HULPBRONBESTUUR
POSBUS 545
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Vir Aandag: Mnr W Alheit

Is: AANSIEKOM NUWE GROND TE BEWERK – Deetlefs Familie Trust, Gedeelte 2 van die plaas Groot Eiland Nr. 417, Worcester

Die eiennaar beplan om die totale area van 9 hektaar in 2008 te bewerk en winged onder bespreekte te vestig. (sien area in noo aangedui op meegaanse ortofoto)

Die volgende aanbevelings word gedoen na afloop van die terreinbesoek:
1. 'n Goed deklaag moet ten alle tye op die grond teenwoordig wees om sodoende enige erosie te voorkom – minimum bewerkings praktyke moet gevolg word.
2. Sorg moet gedra word dat afloopwater na 'n veilige uitgootpunt geneem word indien enige erosie ondersy word na bewaring.
3. Geen bewerking mag binne rivierlope, kloofe/natuurlike laagtes plaasvind nie soos bepaal deur die grondbewarings wet 43 van 1983 of soos deur die meegaanse brief van "Cape Nature" ontvang waarin die NEMA regulasie nagekom moet word naaft enige ontwikkeling moet ten minste 32 meter buite die rivierval plaasvind indien die 1 : 10 jaar vloedyn nie bekend is nie.
4. Na grondvoorbereiding gedoen is moet 'n daaglike grondondersoek gedoen word om te bepaal of enige dreining van die terrein nodig sal wees. L.g. sal hoofsaaklik nodig wees om hoë waletafels aan te spreek, geen verbrakking word verwag nie.
5. Aangename Cape Nature nie pertinente nie die aanstelling van 'n rivierekologe vereis net om die 1 en 10 jaar vloedlyn te dui nie, word daar wel verskyn dat die eiennaar hierdie kantoor in kennis moet stel sodra die ontwikkeling begin word. L.g. reëling sodat die 32 meter lyn vanaf die rivierbank bevestig kan word.

Die eiennaar kan hierdie kantore konlik indien hulp benodig word met die konstruksie van grondbewaringswerke soos voorgeskry volgens departementele norme.

Groetel

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RJ Rösch
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DEETLEFS ESTATE VINEYARD AND WAREHOUSE APPLICATION
PORTION 2 OF FARM 417, WORCESTER
REZONING: DIVISION WORCESTER
PORTION 2 OF THE FARM GROOT EILAND NO 417

Subsequent to your letter of 11 December 2009 an e-mail from the applicant dated 4 March 2010 reached this office and has reference.

In principle the Department of Agriculture: Western Cape has no objections in terms of land use to the rezoning of a footprint area on a farm from Agriculture I to Agricultural Zone II for the purpose of establishing a wine cellar to process produce from the farm itself, as well as a support use for tourist facilities in order to add value to farming income. Seeing that the cellar was established before LUPO came into effect the deemed zoning was excepted. This is however not the issue.

The application has the intention to expand the existing zoning to an area larger than 2 hectares! It is therefore imperative to ensure that the proposed development of infrastructure does not lead to the permanent loss of an un-renewable resource which is high and unique potential agricultural land. For that purpose a soil potential study of the entire farm is requested in order to support the statement of the applicant: “Daar sal dus geen negatiewe impak op die landbou potensiaal van die eiendom wees nie.”

The application reached this office without the following information:

- Farmmap on aerial photography with the agricultural land use indicated on it, together with the production figures of the past years.
- Farmmap on aerial photography with the cadastral boundaries of the subject property as well as location of the proposed development of a 2 hectare industry indicated on it.
Aerial photographs of the subject site with contour lines indicated on it on a comfortable and workable scale.

- The infrastructure proposed on the area to be rezoned. Cut & fills together with stormwater management.
- The proposed cellar capacity (tons of grapes to be crushed)
- The proposal does not make provision for the expansion of the solid waste treatment facility.
- Approximate quantity of solid waste produced and proposed waste management
- The proposal does not make provision for the expansion of the water treatment facility.
- Approximate quantity of wastewater produced and wastewater treatment plant proposed.

In terms of location the following must be noted. The proposed development must not result in excessive expansion and encroachment of building development into the farm area. It is therefore advised that the proposed cellar is placed on a locality where it will not:

- Interfere in the daily agricultural activities (plough and harvest routes of farming implements).
- Contribute to the loss of high potential agricultural land. The Department of Agriculture therefore prefers to keep vineyards in place if a viable alternative option is available.

It is essential to ensure that contaminated water, chemical leftovers and solid waste are not discharged into the natural systems, ditches, rivers, storage dams or irrigated on the soil and crops. The Winery wastewater management plan and application for general authorization for the expansion of the facility was not included in the application. The department is therefore not in a position to comment on any recommendations.

If treated wastewater will be dispersed by means of irrigation it must comply with the standards set out in Section 21(e) of the National Water Act and it is therefore advised that:

- The cellar would have to treat its wastewater and determine the quality prior to irrigation to comply with the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry and crop requirements in the case where treated wastewater would be used for irrigation of vineyards.
- Soil analysis and classification must be done by an accredited soil scientist to determine the suitability of soils.
- Irrigation schedules will have to be calculated to ensure proper and responsible irrigation practices.
- Soil moisture measurements should be done.
- The winery must commit to implement cleaner production strategies.
- The winery must monitor the wastewater chemical composition and the soil chemistry of the irrigation site regularly.
- The winery should comply with the minimum requirements as stipulated under the Scheme for Integrated Production of Wine.

The Department further recommends that the farm implements measures that would allow them to accurately measure volumes of water used.
Please take note:

- That this is a recommendation to the relevant deciding authorities in terms of the Subdivision of Agricultural Land Act 70 of 1970, Conservation of Agricultural Resources Act 43 of 1983 and the Land Use Planning Ordinance 15 of 1985 and that the applicant must provide the National Department of Agriculture with copies of the town planning application.

- All relevant sections and regulations of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) regarding water use must be adhered to. (i.e.)
  - No additional use of surface water and/or storage of water is permitted, unless the applicant has formally obtained a licence in terms of Section 41 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 and/or formal authorisation in terms of General Authorisations issued under Section 39 as per Government Notice 399 dated 26 March 2004, where applicable, thereto.
  - The potential use of groundwater and/or increased use may only be permitted where an authorisation thereto exists as stipulated in terms of General Authorisations issued under Section 39 as per Government Notice 399 dated 26 March 2004.

- In terms of the National Environmental Management Act No 107 of 1998: Government Notice 386 the following activity is regarded as listed
  - (NEMA: Activity 19): “The development of a new facility or the transformation of an existing facility for the conducting of manufacturing processes, warehousing, bottling, packaging, or storage, which, including associated structures or infrastructure, occupies an area of 1000 square meters or more outside an existing area zoned for industrial purposes.”

- Kindly quote the above-mentioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.

- The Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on the information received.

Yours sincerely

AS ROUX Pr Eng
DIRECTOR: SUSTAINABLE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
2010-05-04
DEETLEFS ESTATE VINEYARD AND WAREHOUSE APPLICATION
PORTION 2 OF FARM 417, WORCESTER

Our Ref: HM/CAPE WINELANDS/BREEDE VALLEY/RAWSONVILLE/PTN 2 OF FARM 417

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AIA: PROPOSED NEW AGRICULTURAL LANDS ON PTN 2 OF FARM 417, RAWSONVILLE, BREEDE VALLEY, CAPE WINELANDS

The above matter was discussed at the Heritage Western Cape Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Permit Committee meeting held on 08/06/2010.

It was noted that:

1. 14 hectares of land are to be developed
2. No archaeological material was identified.

It was agreed that:

1. The recommendations of the AIA were accepted.

Yours faithfully

[Signature]

Belinda Mutti
Heritage Officer: Archaeology
For: Accounting Authority: Heritage Resources Management Services.
Pp Heritage Western Cape
DEETLEFS ESTATE VINEYARD AND WAREHOUSE APPLICATION
PORTION 2 OF FARM 417, WORCESTER

OUR REFERENCE: 20/9/2/5/9/387
YOUR REFERENCE: E12/2/3/1-B2/33-0907/09
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PROPOSED DEETLEFS CELLAR; RIVERWORKS & CULTIVATION OF VIRGIN LAND
REZONING: DIVISION WORCESTER
PORTION 2 OF THE FARM GROOT EILAND NO 417

Your letter of 2 August 2010 and has reference.

The letter must be read in conjunction with our previous letter dated 4 May 2010 as addressed to the Breede Valley Municipality. In this letter a farm map and soil potential study was requested as such a large (2ha) expansion of the buildings into the farming area was planned. The information that accompanied this document however resolves the issue because no new nodes are being created. The expansion area however seems very large because it makes provision for truck loading and turning areas as well as gardens, parking areas. It is recommended that building footprint does not have a dispersed layout and be restricted as far as possible in order to prevent the further loss of high potential agricultural land.

Two areas 9ha and 3ha respectively was indicated for cultivation. Please note the Regulations of the CARA. Application in terms of CARA is also required. The local LandCare official of the Worcester Office must be informed and a written motivation is required.

- The 9ha site is located next to the Smallbaai river. Risk in terms of flooding must be assessed. Such an assessment should include a survey of the area.

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- The 3ha site forms part of an untransformed piece of vegetation. How will access to this site be obtained? A wetland is visible on the aerial photography. It approved areas must be excluded from future development. The site is also located next to the River. Risk assessment in terms of flood damage is advised. Such an assessment should include a survey of the area.

It is stated that continuous maintenance has to be performed in order to remove blockages. Application is therefore made for authorization to carry out maintenance work. It is recommended that an experienced engineer in river-works become involved with the project. Long term solutions may include the construction of groynes. Were alternatives in terms of more permanent river protection works explored?

Please take note:
- Kindly quote the above-mentioned reference number in any future correspondence in respect of the application.
- The Department reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on the information received.

Yours sincerely

AS ROUX Pr Eng
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RE: Proposed expansion of vineyards and warehouse on Farm 417/2 (Groot Eland), Rawsonville, Worcester.
DEA&D Ref: E12/2/3/1-B2/33-0907/09

CapeNature would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on this proposed activity and wish to make the following comments:

1. The site for the proposed warehouse expansion was historically covered by Breede Alluvium Fynbos, which is now considered to be an endangered vegetation type. The warehouse site has however, been completely transformed and no natural vegetation is remaining. Therefore we have no objection to the warehouse expansion component of the proposed development.

2. The proposed 9ha vineyard is covered by Breede Alluvium Fynbos with scattered aliens. Other activities in the past such as dumping have also degraded this site. Although transformation of any endangered or critically endangered vegetation is not desirable, this particular patch of alluvium Fynbos is no longer representative of the vegetation type and species diversity is relatively low.

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4. With regard to the proposed 9ha vineyard, ideally this site should be cleared of alien vegetation and assisted rehabilitation with natural vegetation (Hawejas Sandstone BLT).

The Western Cape Nature Conservation Board thanks you.

Board Members: Prof Nolijky Ndhlovu (Chairperson), Dr Colin Johnson (Vice Chairperson), Mr David Fransen, Dr Edmond Frew, Mr Eben Marais, Mr Chris Steyn, Mr Eben Marais, Mr Johan van der Merwe, Mr. Nokwazi Maluleke, Mr. Mark Behe, Mr. Niphisa Ditha, Prof Balwant Goel
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Fynbos) should take place but unless farms upstream are also forced to remove the alien infestation of mostly black wattle, the site will probably be rapidly re-infested. The presence of vineyards may inhibit the necessary fire regime which sandstone Fynbos requires. We also have concerns regarding the crossing of the river that will need to take place to plant and access the proposed new vineyard. Therefore, we believe that this site should preferably not be planted with vineyards and should be included in an alien clearing programme which should incorporate several farms along this stretch of the Smablaar River.

5. With regard to the proposed maintenance of the Smablaar River bank on an as-needs basis, we do not have an objection as mining activities in the river have already resulted in alteration of the river banks further downstream. A river management plan needs to be drawn up which specifies the nature of activities to be undertaken in the river. Ideally, in the future, this farm will be able to participate in a river management plan for the entire river.

CapeNature reserves the right to revise initial comments and request further information based on any additional information that may be received.

Yours sincerely

Alana Duffell-Canham  
For: Manager (Scientific Services)
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<td>Noted. Noted. Recommendations incorporated into the EMP.</td>
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<td>In principle the Department of Agriculture: Western Cape has no objections in terms of land use to the rezoning of a footprint area on a farm from Agriculture I to Agriculture II for the purpose of establishing a wine cellar to process produce from the farm itself, as well as a consent use for tourist facilities in order to add value to the farming income.</td>
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<td>The application has the intention to expand the existing zoning to an area of larger than 2 ha. It is therefore imperative to ensure that the proposed development of infrastructure does not lead to the permanent loss of an un-renewable resource which is high and unique potential agricultural land. For that purpose a soil potential study of the entire farm is requested in order to support the statement of the applicant: &quot;Daar sal dus geen negatiewe impak op die landbou potensiaal van die eiendom wees nie.&quot;</td>
<td>BolandPlan (town and regional planners who are facilitating the Rezoning Application) responded to the Department of Agriculture to clarify that expansion of the buildings will not be 2 ha. This 2 ha that will be rezoned to Agriculture II makes provision for gardens, parking areas, and a truck turning area. The existing buildings will only be expanded by approximately 800 m². Only 0.3 ha vineyards will be removed which can be replanted on additional areas for vineyard expansion.</td>
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| 4 May 2010 | JH Smit       | Department of Agriculture                       | The application reached the office without the following information:  
- Farm map on aerial photography with the agricultural land use indicated on it, together with the production figures of the past years.  
- Farm map on aerial photography with the cadastral boundaries of the property as well as location of the proposed development of 2 ha industry indicated on it.  
- Aerial photography of the site with contour lines indicated on it on a comfortable and workable scale.  
- The infrastructure proposed on the area to be rezoned.  
- The proposed cellar capacity.  
- Approximate quantity of solid waste produces and proposed waste management.  
- Approximate quantity of waste water produce and waste water treatment plant produced.  
BolandPlan provided the Department of Agriculture with the relevant outstanding maps and information. The expanded wine cellar will be able to accommodate a 10% increase in production. Solid waste and effluent are described in the Basic Assessment Report which was submitted to the Department of Agriculture for comment. |
| 4 May 2010 | JH Smit       | Western Cape Department of Agriculture          | In terms of location the following must be noted. The proposed development must not result in excessive expansion and encroachment of building development into the farm area. It is therefore advised that the proposed cellar is placed at a locality where it will not:  
- Interfere in the daily agricultural activities (plough and harvest routes of farming implements).  
- Contribute to the loss of high potential agricultural land. The Department of Agriculture therefore prefers to keep vineyards in place if a viable option is available.  
The existing wine cellar will be expanded to the western side and back of the existing structures and will therefore not encroach into the farm area. The development will not interfere with daily farming activities as no new facilities will be constructed. The existing facilities will be expanded and existing infrastructure will be utilised. The rezoning of the 2 ha area will improve daily agricultural activities (truck turning area). The Applicant is applying for authorisation to clear land for cultivation of new vineyards. The 0.3 ha vineyards that need to be removed will be transplanted to one of these areas should authorisation be granted to clear land. |
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<td>It is essential to ensure that contaminated water, chemical leftovers and solid waste are not discharged into natural streams, ditches, rivers, storage dams or irrigated on the soil and crops.</td>
<td>Noted. Non-hazardous additional solid waste generated during the construction phase will be disposed of on-site (infilling of eroded areas and road maintenance). The expanded wine cellar will be able to accommodate an approximate 10% higher production which will produce a slight increase in wine effluent (non-hazardous). (135 m$^3$ in total per production cycle / 11.25m$^3$ per month). Effluent will feed into the existing waste water treatment works on site. The design of the system allows for flexible operation for an unlimited period of time provided that the maximum daily harvest does not exceed 45 tons/day and a harvesting week does not exceed a 5 day working week. This will be maid a condition in the EMP.</td>
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<td>Noted. Copies of the town planning application will be submitted to the National Department of Agriculture by BolandPlan Town and Regional Planners.</td>
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| 4 May 2010 | JH Smit     | Western Cape Department of Agriculture | All relevant sections of the National Water Act, 1998 (Act 36 of 1998) regarding water use must be adhered to. (i.e.)  
• No additional use of surface water and/or storage of water is permitted, unless the applicant has formally obtained a license in terms of Section 41 of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998 and/or formal authorisation in terms of General Authorisations issued under Section 39 as per Government Notice 399 dated 26 March 2004, where applicable thereto.  
• The potential use of groundwater and/or increased use may only be permitted where an authorisation thereto exists as stipulate din terms of General Authorisations issued under Section 39 as per Government Notice 399 dated 26 March 2004.  

The proposed wine cellar expansion will not have a significant impact on the current water use. The vineyard will only be watered for 4 months per year at an application rate of 3.072 m3/ha (G. Griessel, pers com, 2010). Existing sources will be used for the vineyard expansion (G. Griessel, pers com, 2010).  

Deetlefs Estate is currently registered for 668160 m3/yr groundwater (equivalent to 103 ha at an application rate of 6500 m3/ha/yr) and has scheduled water from the Groot-Eiland Klapdrift Irrigation Board for a total of 183956 m3/yr (equivalent to 31.1 ha water at 6500 m3/ha/yr) (see Appendix E).  

The total area currently cultivated under vineyards is 103 ha (G. Griessel, pers com, 2010). |
| 4 May 2010 | JH Smit     | Western Cape Department of Agriculture | In terms of NEMA: Government Notice 386, Activity 19 is regarded as listed.  
The proposed development triggers a number of activities listed under the EIA Regulations 2006, GNR 386(now repealed) that require a Basic Assessment. The draft Basic Assessment Report has been amended (this report) to comply with the EIA Regulations of 2010, also refer to the listed activities triggered in terms of the new EIA Regulations GNR 544 & GNR 546 requiring a Basic Assessment. |
| 8 June 2010 | Belinda Mutti | Heritage Western Cape | It was noted that 14 hectares of land are to be developed and no archaeological material was identified.  
It was agreed that the recommendations of the AIA were accepted.  

Noted, recommendations are incorporated into the final BAR and into the EMP. |
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<td>The letter must be read in conjunction with our previous letter dated 4 May 2010 as addressed to the Breede Valley Municipality. In this letter a farm map and soil potential study was requested as such a large (2ha) expansion of the buildings into the farming area was planned. The information that accompanied this document however resolves the issue because no new nodes are being created. The expansion area however seems very large because it makes provision for truck loading and turning areas as well as gardens, parking areas. It is recommended that building footprint does not have a dispersed layout and be restricted as far as possible in order to prevent the further loss of high potential agricultural land.</td>
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<td>Application was made in terms of CARA to plough the 9 ha site in 2008. Comments were received from the local LandCare official of the Worcester Office (RJ Röscher) on the 17th of June 2008 (see comments and recommendations above). Application in terms of CARA will be made by the Applicant for both the 9 ha and 3 ha sites once the proposed development is approved by the DEA&amp;DP.</td>
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<td>An initial River Management Plan is included in the Environmental Management Program developed for the proposed warehouse expansion and new vineyard developments. Once a river management plan gets in place for the entire Smalblaar River, the Applicant will get involved with the program and apply the appropriate long term river management practices. Permanent river protection works, such as the installation of permanent structures may trigger additional listed activities. However, the Applicant has already put much effort in stabilizing and protecting the banks of the Smalblaar River by encouraging <em>Prionium serratum</em> (<em>Palmiet</em>) to establish where the banks of the Smalblaar River is exposed. It is the Applicants intention to continuo with these practices, which constitutes a more permanent solution, where possible.</td>
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