

# Environmental Authorisation Process

The proposed projects trigger various activities that may be detrimental to the environment, as provided in Listing Notice 1 (GN R. 327) and Listing Notice 3 (GN R. 324). These relate mostly to the development or expansion of infrastructure affecting watercourses and plant biodiversity, and the storage and handling of dangerous goods (e.g. diesel).

Therefore, environmental authorisation is being sought from the national Department of Environmental Affairs (DEA) in accordance with the 2014 Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations published under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998. The application for authorisation requires the undertaking of Basic Assessments which involves technical studies and a process of public participation.

## Basic Assessment Process

