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***NATIONAL ROAD 3 (N3): PROPOSED CAPACITY UPGRADES TO THE N3 FROM LYNNFIELD PARK (KM 30.6) TO GLADYS MANZI (FORMERLY MURRAY) ROAD (KM 6.1)***

**DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT 5 (AND ASSOCIATED WATER USE REGISTRATION DOCUMENTS) FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT**

Notice is hereby given in terms of the amended EIA Regulations (2017) published under the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended, of the availability of the Draft Basic Assessment Report for the above-mentioned project.

The South African National Roads Agency SOC Limited (SANRAL) is proposing capacity upgrades to the N2 and N3 between Durban and Pietermaritzburg, to accommodate future traffic growth, increase mobility and improve road safety.

The Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for **Basic Assessment 5** primarily deals with the proposed capacity upgrades between Lynnfield Park and Gladys Manzi (formerly Murray) Road.

The Draft BAR and EMPr for **Basic Assessment 5** will be made available for public review and comment during the statutory 30-day commenting period between **25 October 2018 – 23 November 2018** (inclusive), at the following public libraries:

Area	Venue	Street Address	Telephone Number
Camperdown	Camperdown Public Library	18 Old Main Road, Camperdown, 3720	031 785 9337
Ashburton	Ashburton Public Library	1 Wally Hayward Drive Ashburton Pietermaritzburg	033 326 1844
Msunduzi/ PMB	Bessie Head Library Msunduzi Public Library	260 Church Street, Pietermaritzburg, 3201	033 392 2634

The report is also available on ACER's website: [www.acerafrica.co.za](http://www.acerafrica.co.za) under 'Current Projects'.

The proposed development also requires water use authorisation from the Department of Water and Sanitation under the provisions of a General Authorisation. These documents form part of the suite of

documents available for public review.

Please submit written comments no later than **23 November 2018** and direct queries to Ms. Mareike Straeuli or Ms. Ashleigh McKenzie:

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Comments received on the Draft BAR, EMPr and water use authorisations will be taken into consideration and incorporated in the final reports to be submitted to the Department of Environmental Affairs for decision-making. A letter will be sent to all registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) informing them of the submission of the final reports and where they can be accessed. Once a decision is issued by the Department of Environmental Affairs, registered I&APs will be notified of the decision and their right to appeal.

On behalf of the Project Team, we should like to thank everyone who has participated in this Basic Assessment process and we look forward to your continued participation.

Yours sincerely,



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