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Date: 03 December 2021

Dear Sir / Madam

As per the notification sent on 22 November 2021, you are hereby reminded that the post-application Draft Basic Assessment Report (BAR) and associated specialist assessments for the above-referenced proposal are still available for a 30-day public review period until 13 January 2022. This letter serves to inform you that a **Site Sensitivity Verification Report (SSVR)** in terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No. 107 of 1998) (NEMA) "Protocols for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes" is now also available for your review and comment. The SSVR explains how the findings of the Screening Tool Report (refer to Appendix I of the BAR) have been responded to and elaborates on the information already presented in Section C.6 of the BAR.

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Should you or your organisation have any comments or queries regarding this project or the documentation, or if you would like to participate in the process, please ensure that you register as an I&AP by writing to **Claudette Muller** by no later than **13 January 2022**:

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The DEA&DP's application reference number, **16/3/3/1/B4/12/1068/21**, should be quoted in response to this correspondence.

Kind Regards,



Claudette Muller
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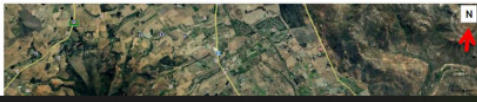
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INTRODUCTION AND SCOPE:

The "Protocols for the Assessment and Minimum Criteria for Reporting on identified Environmental Themes ("the Protocols") were published in Government Gazette No. 43110 on 20 March 2020 and Government Gazette No. 43855 on 30 October 2020. The Protocols are allowed for in terms of Sections 24(5)(a) and (h) and 44 of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998) ("NEMA").

The Protocols must be complied with for every new application for Environmental Authorisation that is submitted after 9 May 2020. According to the Protocols, the EAP must verify the current use of the site in question and its environmental sensitivity as identified by the Screening Tool to determine the need for specialist inputs in relation to the themes included in the Protocols. This document serves as the Site Sensitivity Verification Report for the proposed development of a "New Retreat" and associated infrastructure on Boshendal Estate.

The location of the proposed development is shown in the aerial image included in Figure 1. This site sensitivity verification relates to a Screening Tool Report (STR) completed for the site in March 2020 when initial site investigations in support of the environmental application commenced. The STR is attached as Appendix A.



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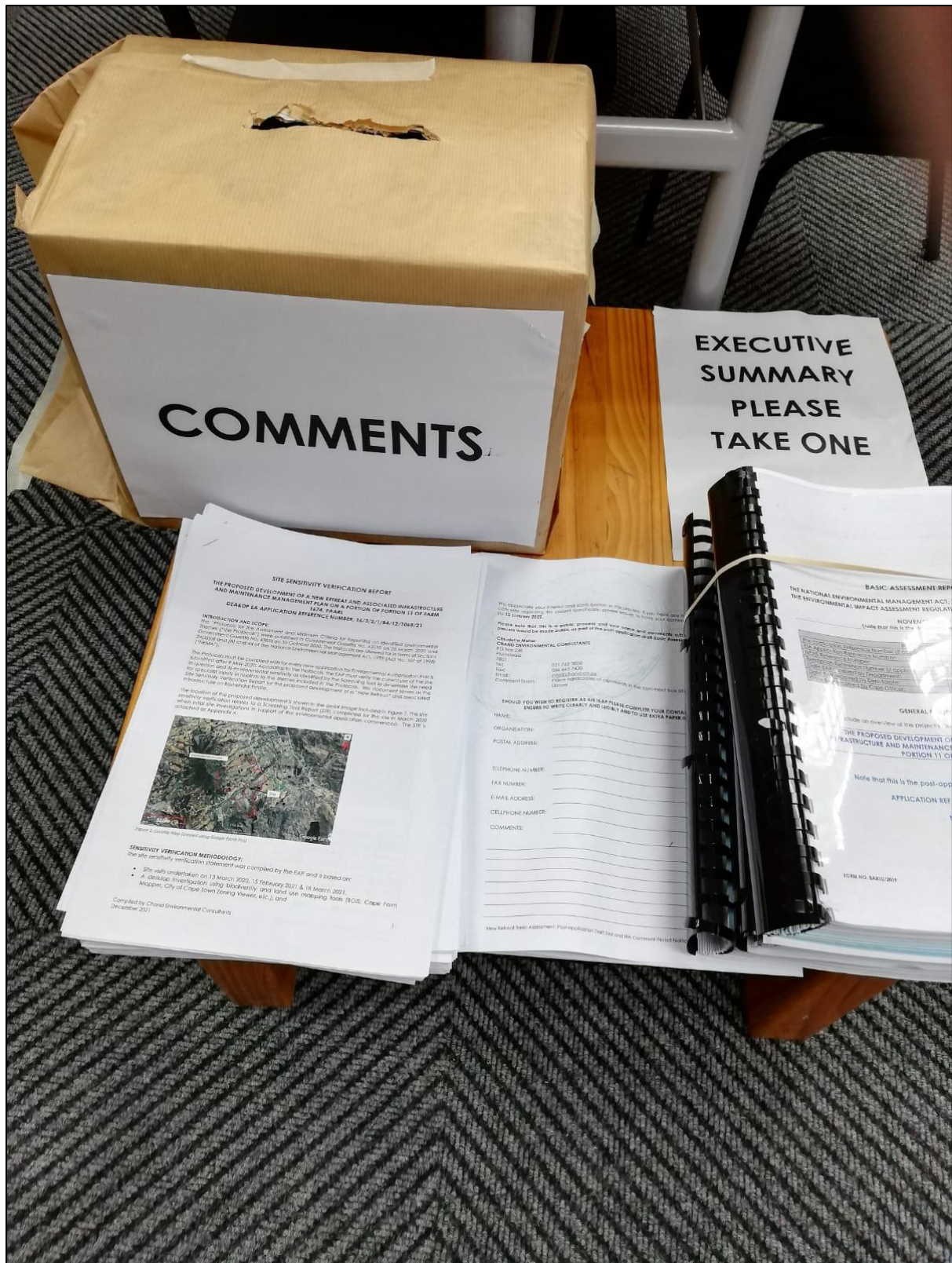


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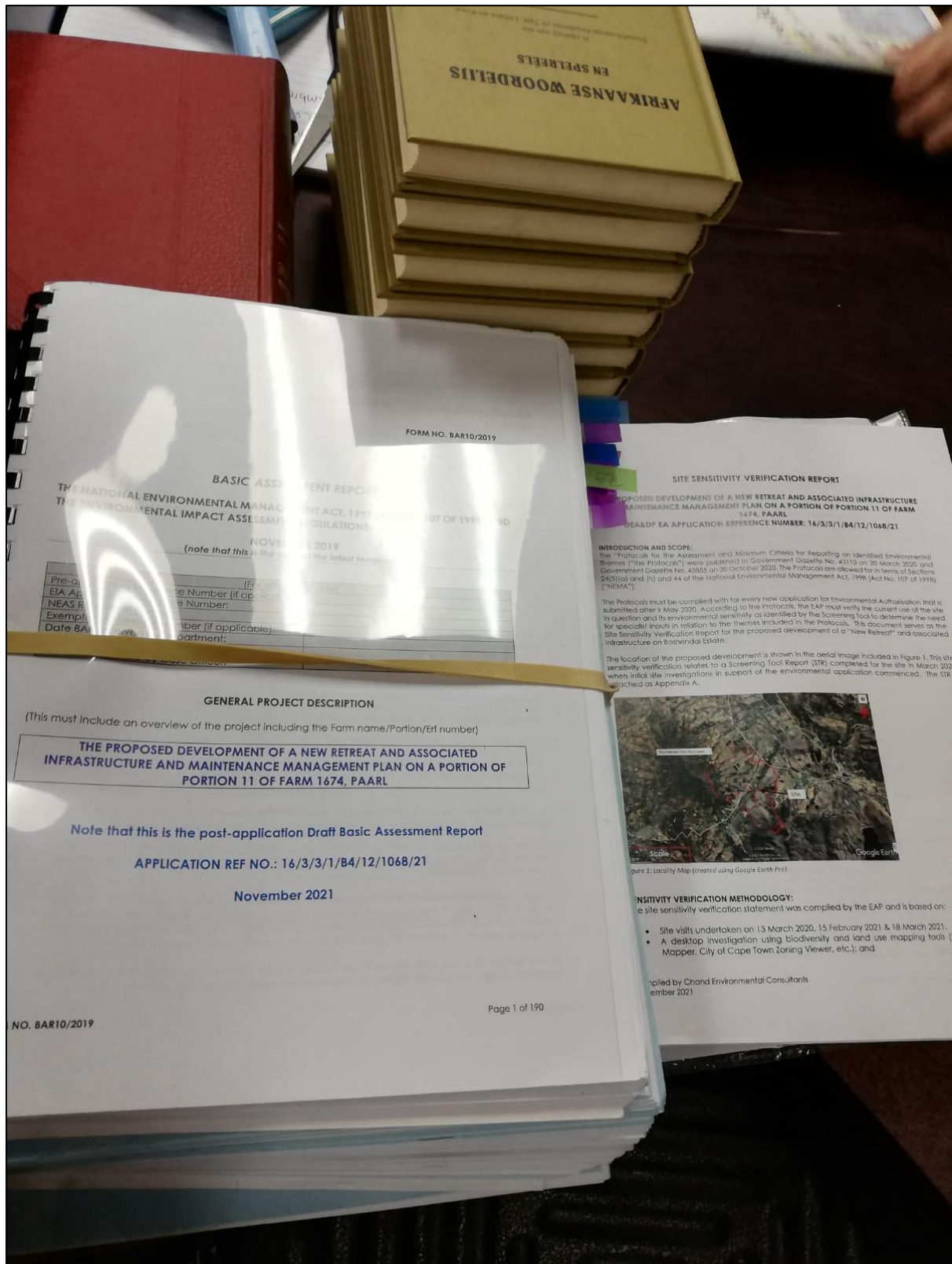


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