

NOTICE: APPLICATION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL AUTHORISATION

Singita Lebombo (Pty) Ltd, is applying in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations, 2014 to the Chief Directorate: Integrated Environmental Authorisations of the National Department of Environmental Affairs; for environmental authorisation at the Basic Assessment level, to establish and operate an eight bed seasonal fly camp in the N'wanetsi Concession in the Kruger National Park.

When the Environmental Impact Assessment was carried out for the N'wanetsi Concession in 2001 it included a specialist study on the potential for the establishment of a fly camp as part of the Concession Agreement. This study identified three alternative sites and recommended the use of all three on a rotational basis. The Environmental Authorisation and Record of Decision issued on 20 February 2002 (Ref. No. A24/16/3/82/16/2) subsequently approved the development of an "an upmarket, luxury 40-bed ecotourism lodge and a 6-bed fly camp in the N'wanetsi concession in Kruger National Park". On 3 December 2015 an amendment to the authorisation was granted (Ref. No. A24/16/3/82/16/2/AM1). This amendment increased the bed numbers for the concession to 46, but removed the fly camp. Singita Lebombo now wishes to take up the option of operating a seasonal fly camp on two of the sites previously identified, i.e. Xinkelengane (24°18'57.55"S 31°56'43.86"E), and Ostridge Link (24°24'50.62"S 31°58'38.66"E).

The fly camp will consist of a total of 12 tents. The concept of the fly camp is to offer guests a closer contact with Nature than the Lodge provides. Though the distinctive Singita service will remain the hallmark of the fly camp experience there is a stronger emphasis at the fly camp than at the Lodge in touching the ground lightly and experiencing the wilderness atmosphere of the N'wanetsi Concession. Guests staying at the fly camp will be able to go on game drives or conducted walks. The fly camp will be set up and operated during the six cooler months of the year and will thus be a seasonal offering from April to September.

The N'wanetsi Concession in the Kruger National Park falls within the Bushbuckridge Local Municipality within the Ehlanzeni District Municipality (DC32) which is in the Mpumalanga Province.

You are invited to register as an Interested and Affected Party by contacting the Environmental Assessment Practitioner as per the details provided below:

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