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**Agricultural Compliance Statement for the Section 24 G application on Farm 219,  
Hartenbos, Western Cape, South Africa.**

This compliance statement has been prepared by Gert Jacobus Malan, a registered SACNASP Soil Scientist (128697). In terms of the National Environmental Management Act (Act No 107 of 1998) (NEMA) and the National Web based Environmental Screening Tool (Agricultural Recourses sensitivity, gazetted on 20 March 2020) and Site Sensitivity Verification Report, an Agriculture Assessment (Compliance statement) is required.

During the development of the Garden Walk centre on Portion 58, of Farm 217, Hartenbos, boundaries was crossed on the north-eastern side (Figure 2).

This compliance statement is for the consolidation of this small portion with Portion 58 of farm 217.

**Terms of Reference**

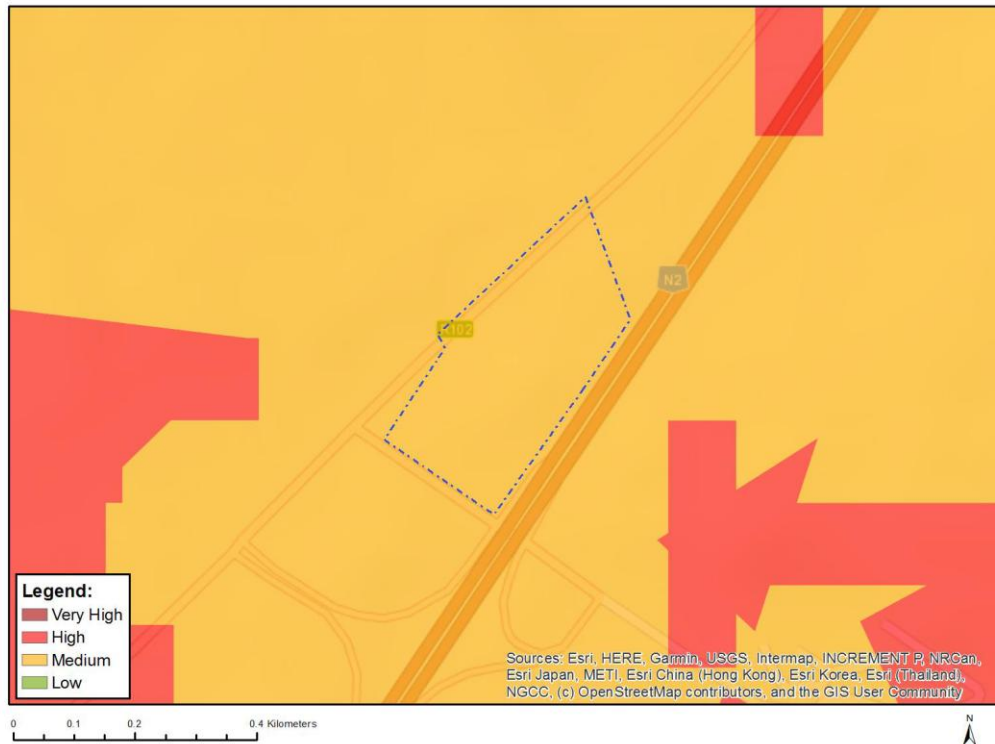
The terms of reference for this study is to fulfil the requirements of the protocol for the specialist assessment and minimum report content of environmental impact on agricultural resources.

1. The Agricultural Compliance Statement must be prepared by a soil scientist or agricultural specialist registered with the South African council for Natural Scientific Professions (SACNASP) (Appendix)
2. A) The compliance statement must be applicable to the preferred site and proposed development footprint.  
B) Confirm Agricultural sensitivity of Low or Medium  
C) Indicate whether or not the proposed development will have an unacceptable impact on the agricultural production capability of the site.

**Site Sensitivity Verification**

In terms of the gazetted agricultural protocol, a site sensitivity verification must be submitted that:

1. Confirms or disputes current use of land and the environmental sensitivity as identified by the screening tool, such as new developments or infrastructure, the change in vegetation cover etc.;
2. contains a motivation and evidence of either the verified or different use of the land and environmental sensitivity.



**Figure 1. Agriculture Sensitivity. Medium.**

Site Sensitivity is confirmed due to the fact that the land is not currently used for agriculture. The area north-east of the boundary is also considered Medium.



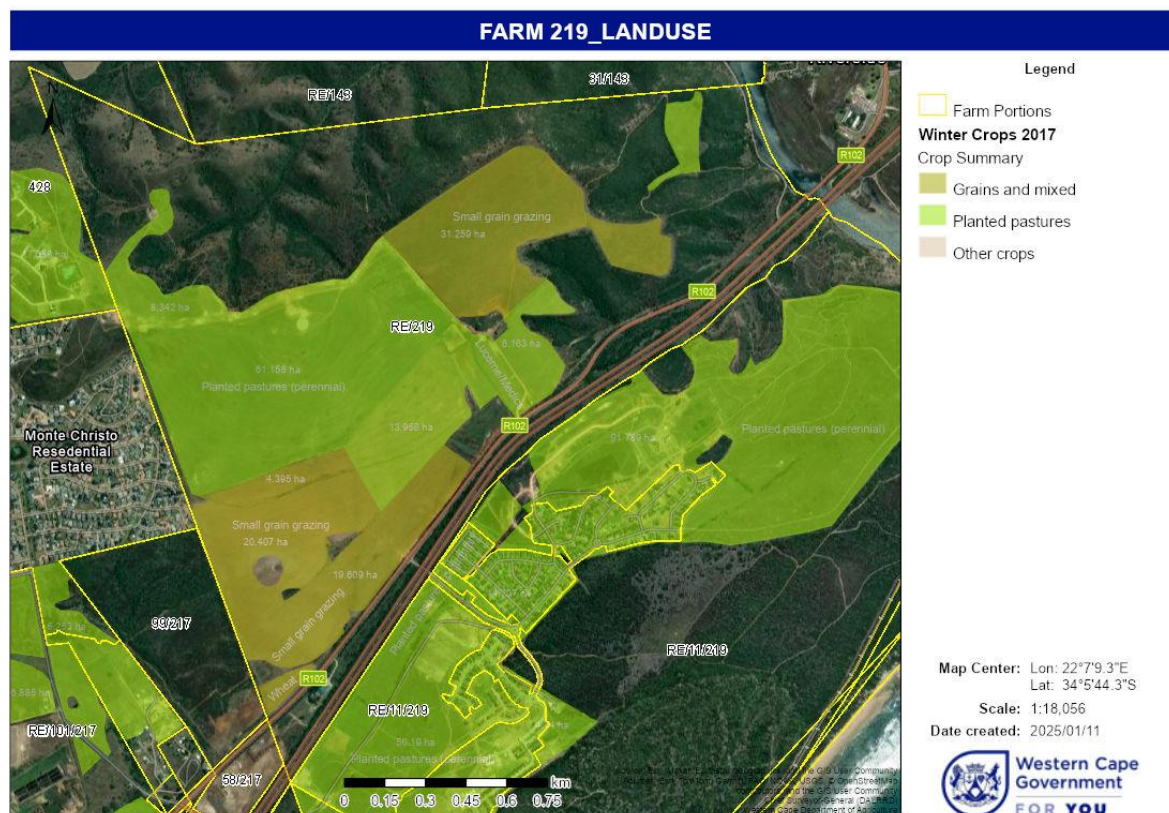
**Figure 2. Portion 58 of Farm 217 (Yellow) with the area of Farm 219 (RED) that will be consolidated with Portion 58 of farm217. Green section will be rehabilitated to natural vegetation.**

## Agricultural Impact on Farm 219

The area of 0.17 hectares will be cut off Farm 219 and consolidated with portion 58 of Farm 217. This will permanently exclude this area from farming in the future.

Farm 219 is comprised of three types of land uses, small grain & grazing, planted pastures and natural vegetation (Figure 3).

High potential soil is usually used for perennial crops while lower potential is used for planted pastures. Where landscape and soil is not suitable for agriculture production, natural vegetation is kept. This area of small grains and grazing should be preserved for agricultural production.



**Figure 3. Land use on Farm 219.**

The section that will be cut off farm 219 is 0.17 hectares and makes up 0.05% of the farm (Table 1).

**Table 1. Land use Summary**

| LANDUSE                | HECTARES | PERCENTAGE OF FARM (360ha) |
|------------------------|----------|----------------------------|
| Small grains & grazing | 71.5     | 20%                        |
| Planted Pastures       | 88.1     | 24%                        |
| S24G - Portion         | 0.17     | 0.05%                      |

The section of land being applied for consolidation with portion 58 of farm 217 is fragmented from the rest of the fields by the R102. The area is insignificantly small for any agricultural activity. The loss will not have any effect on Farm 219 agricultural output.

## **Agricultural Compliance Statement**

The site is not used for any form of agriculture, hence the site sensitivity for agriculture is Medium.

The agricultural impact of the proposed development will be to permanently exclude the section from agriculture. Due to the small size of the land that will be removed from Farm 219, making up only 0.05% of the farm area, the impact on future agriculture production on Farm 219 is negligible, whilst the current effect is zero.

The conclusion of this assessment is that the proposed development will not have an unacceptable negative impact on agricultural production of this plot, since it is not being used for agricultural production, and is of small value in terms of size and potential.

The proposed development is therefore acceptable, and from an agricultural impact point of view.

The conclusion of this assessment on the acceptability of proposed development and the recommendation for approval is not subject to any conditions. In completing this statement, no assumptions have been made and there are no uncertainties or gaps in knowledge or data that are relevant to it. No further agricultural assessments of any kind is required for this application.

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