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Dear Interested and Affected Party/Stakeholder

BY Email & Post

RE: PROPOSED ECO-CAMP ON PORTION 6 OF THE FARM 191, TIMBERLAKE, GEORGE.

(DEA reference number – To be issued)

Hilland Environmental have been appointed as the Environmental Assessment Practitioners (EAP) by the applicant, **Cape Farm Store (Pty) Ltd**, to ensure compliance with the regulations contained in the *National Environmental Management Act* (NEMA Act No. 107 of 1998) and the Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations or the proposed Eco-Camp on Portion 6 of the Farm 191, Timberlake, George (Please see attached Locality Map).

The development proposal consists of the establishment of an Eco-Camp consisting of ten (10) tented camp sites on temporary timber structures on the property. The vision of the owners is to add an accommodation element to the existing tourist activities occurring at Timberlake that will complement the existing facilities on the site.

The Eco-Camp will consist of two components:

- (i) Five (5) dome tents with communal facilities for accommodation on the first ridge;
- (ii) Five (5) luxury tents on the second ridge overlooking the lakes.

In terms of NEMA 2014, GN No. R985 (Listing Notice 3), the following activities are triggered:

6	<p>The development of resorts, lodges, hotels, [and] tourism or hospitality facilities that sleeps 15 people or more.</p> <p>i. Western Cape</p> <p>i. Inside a protected area identified in terms of NEMPAA;</p> <p>ii. Outside urban areas;</p> <p>(aa) Critical biodiversity areas as identified in systematic biodiversity plans adopted by the competent authority or in bioregional plans; or</p> <p>(bb) Within 5km from national parks, world heritage sites, areas identified in terms of NEMPAA or from the core area of a biosphere reserve; -</p> <p>excluding the conversion of existing buildings where the development footprint will not be increased.</p>	<p>The development and construction of 10 tented accommodation units on Portion 6 of the Farm 191. The property is situated adjacent to the Garden Route National Park and as such this listed activity is to be authorised by the competent authority.</p>
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The Pre-Application Basic Assessment Report will be available for comment from the 29th October 2018 on Hilland Environmental's website at www.hilland.co.za / current public processes / Timberlake Eco-Camp. Please provide us with your comments/concerns relating to the proposed activity during the time frame **(30 October 2018- 29 November 2018)** in written format via post, email or fax. Please note that you need to declare your interest in the above matter.

In order to ensure that you are registered as an Interested and Affected party, please send your details, motivation of participation and any preliminary inputs to HillLand Environmental. **Please note that only parties who register for the EIA process will be kept updated on the process.**

If you require any further information or assistance, please contact us on (044) 889 0229 (Tel) 086 542 5248 (fax) or Email: environmental@hilland.co.za

Kind Regards



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