

**Virdus Works Environmental  
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**NOTICE OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS AND AVAILABILITY OF DRAFT BASIC ASSESSMENT REPORT AND DRAFT HERITAGE IMPACT ASSESSMENT:  
THE PROPOSED DECOMMISSIONING OF AN AQUACULTURE FACILITY ON FARM NO. 1259,  
MALMESBURY DIVISION (DEA&DP CASE REFERENCE: 16/3/3/1/F4/15/3042/24)**

Notice is hereby given of a combined public participation process in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998, Act 107 of 1998) (NEMA), and the National Heritage Resources Act, 1999, Act 25 of 1999) (NHRA) regarding the proposed decommissioning of the existing aquaculture facility. The farm has an area of 3,12 ha that is inside of the delineated urban edge of Paternoster, and is accessed through Erf 2063, Paternoster. Paternoster Groepbelange wishes to redevelop the existing buildings on the site and to integrate it with the existing waterfront attraction on the abutting property (Erf 2063, Paternoster).

The activity that triggers the environmental authorization application in terms of the NEMA Environmental Impact Study Regulations, 2017 is:

- Listing Notice 1 (Basic Assessment process):
  - Activity 31: Decommissioning of a facility for which authorisation is required in terms of the Regulations.

Dupré Lombaard (Mobile: +27 82 895 6362 // Email: [dupre.lombaard@virdus.com](mailto:dupre.lombaard@virdus.com)) of Virdus Works Environmental (Pty) Ltd has been appointed as the independent Environmental Assessment Practitioner (EAP) to undertake the Basic Assessment environmental authorisation process on behalf of the applicant (Paternoster Group Ltd). Any person wishing to register, or participate in the process, or submit comment on the DBAR may submit written comment by email to the EAP. All correspondence must refer to the subject and DEA&DP case reference number, and must contain the name, address, preferred contact details, and sufficient details regarding the subject matter to allow for a rational response.

The DBAR, inclusive of a full description of the proposed development, specialist reports, and proposed draft environmental management programme (EMPr) and the HIA can be accessed on the Virdus website: <https://www.virdus.com>. If alternative access to the DBAR is required, then special arrangements can be made with the EAP or Nico Williams (Mobile: +27 76 564 8569 // Email: [nico.williams@virdus.com](mailto:nico.williams@virdus.com)). The DBAR will be available for a period of 40 days for public access and comment, from 15 August – 27 September 2024. Virdus Works Environmental respects the right to privacy of all I&AP's and will comply with the requirements of the Protection of Personal Information Act, 2013, Act 4 of 2013. By registering as an I&AP, and participation in the process, I&AP's agree that their names, limited details, and comments may be made available in the public domain.