



## **Environmental Protection Agency**

### **Notice to the Public**

Pursuant to Section 11(2) of the Environmental Protection Act, Cap. 20:05, Laws of Guyana, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has screened the application for the grant of an environmental permit for the following proposed project:

#### **Road Rehabilitation (Upgrading of Palmyra to Moleson Creek Highway)- Ministry of Public Works**

The EPA has determined that this project will not have any significant impact on the environment and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment EIA. Reasons for the EPA's decision include:

1. Impacts from particulate matter and gaseous emissions, from the use of heavy-duty machines/vehicles, generators, traffic, and construction materials associated with the project, will be localised and short-term and not expected to exceed WHO standards. Wet suppression will be used to control particulate matter from construction activities, vehicle traffic, and exposed soils. Speed limit will be implemented on site to reduce vibrations and further minimise fugitive emissions caused by heavy-duty machines/vehicles.
2. Noise and vibration during construction activities will be mitigated by regular equipment maintenance, restricted work hours to minimise noise and vibration impacts to the environment. Heavy equipment will be sited away from sensitive areas to limit vibration impacts, and site speed limits will help reduce vibration from truck movement. Employees will wear relevant protective gear to minimise the impact of noise.
3. Water Quality will not be significantly impacted since fuel and chemical storage will have secondary containment and runoff control. Spill kits and trained responders will manage leaks. Waste oils will be collected and treated, and groundwater will be settled and treated before monitored discharge.
4. Hazardous and non-hazardous waste will be contained to reduce adverse risks to human health and the environment. Hazardous waste will be stored in leak-proof, secondary-contained areas and managed in compliance with the Environmental Protection (Hazardous Waste) Regulations 2000. Non-hazardous waste will be stored, transported, and disposed of at a site designated by the NDC.

5. A traffic management plan will be developed and implemented, with various diversion routes to minimise traffic congestion.

Please be advised that this decision is in no way an indication that this project is approved.

### **Project Summary Tab**

<https://epaguyana.org/download/corentyne-highway-project-summary/>

Any person who may be affected by the proposed project may lodge an appeal against the Agency's decision (EIA not required) within thirty (30) days of the publication of this Notice. *Appeals against the EPA's decision should be addressed to:*

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