



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:

1. Construction and Operation of Gonsalves Hotel at Lot 14 Sheriff Street, Georgetown

The EPA has determined that this project will not significantly affect the environment, and is therefore exempt from the requirement to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). The reasons for its decision include:

1. Impacts will be medium to low since the project site is suitably located in a commercial zone where businesses of similar nature exist.
2. Impacts from noise will be low to moderate and primarily during construction. Intermittent use of equipment will be employed to mitigate noise impacts.
3. The site is drained by an underground drainage system which channels runoff to a covered drain situated at the southern extreme of the premises. At every 19 ft of the drain, 6 inches of pipes directs all runoff from the compound into the drain to prevent flooding.
4. Impacts from dust pollution will be moderate primarily during construction which will be short-term and localized. Mitigation of fugitive dust will include wet suppression of stockpiles during construction where practical. Further, since cement particles are easily dispersed by wind, the open mixing of concrete will be avoided.
5. General waste disposal will be provided by local private waste management services with assurance of safe disposal at a sanitary landfill site.
6. The project is not in close proximity to any sensitive ecosystem.

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

The reasons for our decision are available at the following links on our website:

Screening Decision- Gonsalves Hotel

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Project Summary Tab

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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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