Pursuant to regulation 21 of the Environmental Management and Coordination Act (58) Regulations, 2003, the National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) has received an Environmental Impact Assessment Study Report for the above proposed project.

The Proprietor (Kenya National Highways Authority) is proposing to construct the Lamu-Garissa Road. The project road falls under the Lamu and Garissa Counties and is a section of LAPESETT corridor, having a total length of about 256 Kilometres. The road starts at Followay (GPS: 03°49’05.49"E, 03°33’30.06"S) and terminates in the eastern side of River Tana following, in some of its sections, the existing 056 Road through the riding counties of, Isiolo, Samburu, Marsabit, Turkana, Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet and Kajiado before terminating at junction A146/056. Under the Lamu County plan, the project road will be a gateway to the LAPESETT corridor and will provide connectivity to other parts of Kenya through railway and highway.

**IMPACT**

**MITIGATION MEASURES**

**Air Quality**
- Install proper and efficient drainage structures.
- Construct local-residents in vicinity of homesites.
- Proper management of water supplies.
- Parking vehicles will be at designated parking spaces and not inside the project area.
- Periodic inspection of vehicles.
- To avoid toxic fumes, exhausts should be not more than 500m from the nearest resident.
- Water should be supplied during the construction phase on excavated areas.
- Temporary access roads leading to borrow pits and asphalt mixing yards.
- Infilling sub-grade water supplies is needed to maintain the material and assist in compaction. After compaction, water supply should be regular to prevent dust.
- Regular maintenance of plant and equipment.
- Sucteur motors/notifications.

**Soil erosion**
- Construct local-residents in vicinity of homesites.
- Proper management of water supplies.
- Periodic inspection of vehicles.
- Slope development should be approved by NEMA before dumping commence.
- Use of hard core material for better access roads in the project area.

**Ground water protection**
- Special attention shall be paid to the sanitary conditions of camps.
- Sanitation campaign on toilets and hygiene shall be maintained, at the camps and in the community.
- Preventive measures like use of condoms, voluntary testing for HIV/AIDS.
- Provide sanitary programmes for markets and working areas including emergency response mechanisms.
- Awareness, prevention and training on HIV/AIDS and other social diseases such as TB.
- Provision of pre-defined health centres within the road corridor.
- Provide medical insurance and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the construction workers.
- Provide notice security to the contractors.

**Road Safety**
- Emergency response to the contractors.
- Properly sign and speed bumps on approach to towns and settlements.
- Appropriate information and warning signs shall be provided along all the deviation roads for enhanced safety.
- Enforce vehicular speed limits.
- Police road arrest.
- Enforcement of Traffic Act.

**Socio-economic/ Development Action Plan**
- Provide relevant and detailed information about the construction activities.
- The contractor to establish and manage environmental and social initiatives to oversee in situ measures developed under this contract.
- Ensure safe conditions and workability during the construction through the corridor.
- Provision for community improvement services under social responsibility including health, education, water supply, sanitation, roads, etc.
- The contractor to prepare and consult an on employment plan and implement in accordance to Kenyan labour laws.
- At least 50% of employment shall be of local the population, especially the youth and women.

**Pollution**
- Provide regular water at construction site and equipment maintenance workshops should be closed in or near any water bodies, streams or along the project road or area of influence.
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- Provide medical insurance and Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the construction workers.
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- Enforce vehicular speed limits.
- Police road arrest.
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**Public Health and Occupational safety**
- Provision of pre-defined health centres within the road corridor.
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- Enforce vehicular speed limits.
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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED LAMU-GARISSA ROAD.

The full report of the proposed project is available for inspection during working hours at:

1. Principal Secretary, Ministry of Environment, Water and Natural Resources, uHIB Building, 5/Floor, Regal Road, Upper Hill, PO Box: 61860-00080, NAIROBI
2. Director General, NEMA, P.O. Box, Off Mombasa Road, Box 61860-00080, NAIROBI
3. County Director of Environment, GARISAA COUNTY
4. County Director of Environment, LAMU COUNTY

A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at www.nema.go.ke

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA, to assist the Authority in the decision-making process for this project. Kindly quote ref no. NEMA/EIA/2/1272/12 in all your correspondence.

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