SITE BACKGROUND

The site was selected in the early 2000s by the Ministry of Housing in Muscat and is phase 6 within the Al Khoud residential development scheme. The site plan is a rigid layout of some 380 hectares with a completion of 40% of roads completed and 25% of plots built in April 2012. In November 2012 when the first field study took place development in the area had become more dynamic as the finished roads were being developed rapidly.

PHASES OF GROWTH

Within only one year, at the end of 2011, building activities were to be observed in the new zones, along secondary roads or even along not yet paved roads. Rigorous construction work was being done but also the process. Based on the satellite images, from Al Khoud dated April 2013 shows and increase in building activity has significantly increased with evidence of both developed plots and a second phase of road construction.

PROGRESS OF BUILDING ACTIVITIES

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