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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

**STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT  
PLANNING**

*Wednesday 15 March 2023 (at 09:00), Committee Room 2, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town*

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

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Murray, CA  
Van der Westhuizen, AP (Chairperson)

**African National Congress**

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**Apologies**

Mr S August, Member (GOOD)

Mr A Mohamed, Chief Director - Environmental Governance, Policy Coordination and Enforcement  
Ms C Mare, Director - Environmental Governance  
Mr G Benjamin, Director - Development Management

**The following persons were in attendance:**

**Ministry of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**

Mr A Bredell, Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

**Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**

Mr G Gerber, Head of Department  
Mr R Mosome, Chief Director – Management Support  
Ms K Shippey, Chief Director - Environmental Sustainability  
Mr G Arendse, Chief Director - Environmental Quality  
Ms F Mabusela, Chief Director - Development Planning  
Mr P Hardcastle, Acting Chief Director - Environmental Governance, Policy Coordination and Enforcement

Mr A Gaffoor, Director - Strategic and Operational Support  
Mr J Fritz, Director - Financial Management  
Mr A Bassier, Director - Environmental Law Enforcement  
Mr R Mukanya, Director - Sustainability  
Mr G Isaacs, Director - Climate Change  
Ms M Laros, Director - Biodiversity and Coastal Management  
Dr J Leaner, Director - Air Quality Management  
Mr S Haider, Director - Waste Management  
Ms C Bill, Director - Pollution Management  
Mr K Munro, Director - Development Management - Region 2  
Ms C Stone, Director - Spatial Planning  
Ms T Jordan, Director - Development Facilitation  
Ms H Jacobs, Director - Development Planning, Intelligence Management and Research  
Mr Z Toefy, Acting Director - Director - Environmental Governance

## **CapeNature**

Dr R Omar, Chief Executive Officer  
Mr M Bhayat, Chief Financial Officer

## **WCPP Officials**

Ms S Niekerk, Procedural Officer  
Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant  
Mr S Hassam, Information Technology Assistant  
Ms C Morris, information Technology Assistant

### **1. Opening and welcome**

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee, the Minister, Head of Department, Chief Executive Officer of CapeNature and officials.

### **2. Deliberation on Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2023]**

The Department briefed the Committee on Vote 9 in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2023].

The Committee deliberated after which it agreed to support the Vote. The African National Congress did not support the Vote.

### **3. Consideration and adoption of Draft Committee Report on Vote 9: Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in the Schedule to the Western Cape Appropriation Bill [B 2–2023]**

Upon conclusion of its deliberations the Chairperson submitted a Draft Report. The African National Congress requested that their minority view be included in the Report, after which the Report was considered and adopted.

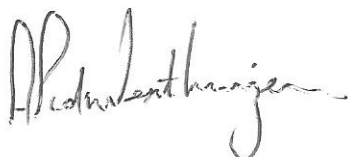
#### 4. Resolutions/Actions

- 4.1 The Committee **REQUESTED** that the Department provides it with a:
  - 4.1.1 Report on the Western Cape Biosphere Reserves with specific reference to its history, funding and the responsibility of The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) in this regard; and
  - 4.1.2 Detailed report on the R17 million that was spent on the Sustainable Water Management Plan with specific reference to the areas that have benefitted from this Plan and the amount that was spent in each area.
- 4.2 The Committee **RESOLVED** that it would, at a future date:
  - 4.2.1 Confer with the Standing Committee on Local Government to consider attending a briefing on the Sustainable Water Management Plan of the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning; and
  - 4.2.2 Undertake an oversight visit to relevant Biosphere Reserves in the Western Cape.

#### 5. Closing

The Chairperson expressed his appreciation to the members, the Minister of Local Government, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning, the Head of Department, the Chief Executive Officer of CapeNature, and officials for their contribution to the success of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 11:45.



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**MR AP VAN DER WESTHUIZEN, MPP**  
**CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING**

Date: .....11 April 2023.....