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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

Wednesday, 9 March 2016 (14h00), Chamber, 6th Floor, 7 Wale Street, Cape Town

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES, TOURISM AND AGRICULTURE (*Economic Development and Tourism; Agriculture*)

ATTENDANCE

Members:

Democratic Alliance

Lentit, RB
Maseko, LM
Schäfer, BA (Chairperson)

African National Congress

Davids, S

ABSENT:

Joseph, BD (EFF)

The following persons were in attendance:

Mr A Winde, Minister of Economic Opportunities
Ms VV Njalo, Head of Ministry

Department of Agriculture

Ms JS Isaacs, Head of Department
Mr FJJ Huysamer, Chief Financial Officer
Mr DW Jacobs, Acting Deputy Director-General
Dr DP Troskie, Director
Ms R Wentzel, Director
Dr IA Trautmann, Chief Director
Mr M Paulse, Chief Director
Mr AS Roux, Director
Ms B Matoti, Director
Ms T Xaba, Acting Chief Director
Mr A Conradie, Acting Director

Mr D Chitepo, Director
Mr J Aries, Director
Mr M Sebopetsa, Acting Chief Director
Dr G Msiza, Chief Director
Ms D Zana, Manager, Budget Accounting
Ms C Levendal, Director

Casidra

Mr M Brinkhuis, Chief Executive Officer
Mr F Van Zyl, Chief Financial Officer

Provincial Treasury

Mr PR Prinsloo, Deputy Director
Mr M van Schalkwyk, Deputy Director
Mr V Bester, Deputy Director

Members of the Public

Ms U Gule Samuels, Student at University of Cape Town

Western Cape Provincial Parliament

Ms Z Adams, Committee Co-ordinator

1. Welcome and attendance

The Chairperson welcomed the Committee Members, the Minister and the officials from the Department of Agriculture and the entity, Casidra.

2. Consideration of Vote 11 : Agriculture in the Schedule of the *Western Cape Appropriation Bill, 2015*

The Minister gave a brief overview of the appropriation of funds for the Department of Agriculture as outlined in the Budget Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, 2016 book..

The Minister and the Head of Department, Ms Isaacs continued to provide a breakdown of the current challenges in the agricultural sector, including the impact of the drought on farmers and farm workers.

The Committee proceeded with a page by page discussion on the Budget Estimates of Provincial Revenue and Expenditure, 2016 for the Department of Agriculture.

The Committee deliberated and engaged the Department on its presentation.

The Chairperson thanked the Department for its preparation and responses to the questions raised by the Committee members, and commended the officials for their dedication to the sector.

The Chairperson opened the meeting for submissions from the public, no comments or submissions were received.

The Committee made recommendations which are contained in the committee report.

The meeting adjourned at 16h30.



MS BA SCHÄFER, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITIES TOURISM AND
AGRICULTURE

14 March 2016

