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MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

Tuesday, 10 February 2015 (at 11:30), Bird Island, Lamberts Bay

PRESENT

Members

Democratic Alliance

Lentit, RB (Chairperson)
Max, LH
Mnqasela, M

African National Congress

Beerwinkel, CF
Dijana, TM

The following persons were in attendance:

CapeNature

Dr R Omar, Chief Executive Officer
Mr A Preston, Chief Financial Officer
Dr E Baard, Chief Director: Biodiversity
Ms G Cleaver-Christie, Director: Conservation Management
Mr M Floris, Protected Area Manager
Mr W Williams, Programme Manager
Mr M Pantsi, Programme Manager
Mr A Fortuin, Programme Manager
Mr Y Chesselei, Conservationist

Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

Ms M Laros, Deputy Director: Biodiversity Management

1. Opening and Welcome

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the Members of the Committee, the Chief Executive Officer of CapeNature as well as officials.

2. Briefing by CapeNature

CapeNature provided the Committee with a briefing on its performance per programme during the first two quarters of the 2014/2015 financial year outlining budget vs actual expenditure. Further briefings included a presentation on conserving the water factories of the Western Cape with specific reference to invasive alien plants. Socio economic development interventions such as job opportunities, environmental education and youth development were highlighted as well as the economic impact of tourism on the West Coast region.

The Committee deliberated.

The Committee RESOLVED that CapeNature:

- 2.1 Be consistent when reporting on set targets so that comparative assessments in relation to actual achievements can be understood and any variances explained.

The Committee REQUESTED that Cape Nature:

- 2.2 Provide a briefing to the Committee on their five year strategic plan (2015-2020) in March 2015.

3. Briefing by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning

The Department briefed the Committee on their key priority areas relating to biodiversity and coastal management for the 2015/2016 financial year.

The meeting adjourned at 14h00.



MR RB LENTIT, MPP

CHAIRPERSON: STANDING COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND DEVELOPMENT PLANNING

Date: