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Western Cape Provincial Parliament  
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**MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

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

*Tuesday, 9 November 2021 (at 14:00), Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams*

**PRESENT**

**Members**

**Democratic Alliance**

Baartman, DM  
Maseko, LM  
Van Der Westhuizen, AP (Chairperson)

**GOOD**

Herron, BN

**Apology**

Mr P Marran, Member - African National Congress

**The following persons were in attendance:**

**Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning**

Mr P van Zyl, Head of Department  
Ms K Shippey, Chief Director - Environmental Sustainability  
Ms M Laros, Director - Biodiversity and Coastal Management

**CapeNature**

Ms C Birss, Executive Director - Biodiversity Conservation  
Mr B Barnes, General Manager  
Mr D Hignett, Capability Manager

**South African Local Government Association**

Mr L Njamela, Advisor - Intergovernmental Relations and Strategic

## **Department of the Premier: Legal Services**

Mr L van der Schyff, State Law Advisor

### **WCPP Officials**

Adv R Maasdorp, Legal Advisor

Mr J Vermeulen, Senior Procedural Officer

Ms S Niekerk, Procedural Officer

Ms N Mshumpela, Committee Assistant

Mr S Hassan, Information Technology Assistant

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

The Chairperson opened the meeting and welcomed the members of the Committee and the officials.

#### **2. Further deliberation on the Western Cape Biodiversity Bill [B 2–2021]**

The Chairperson provided the Committee with a summary of the process that was followed to date.

The Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning provided feedback to Committee resolutions pertaining to Clauses 1, 16, 63 and 71 that emanated from a Committee meeting that took place on 14 September 2021.

The Committee deliberated.

#### **3. Consideration of possible amendments to the Western Cape Biodiversity Bill [B 2–2021]**

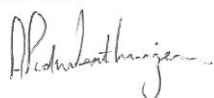
The Chairperson made reference to the Matrix document that contained all the submissions received from stakeholders, the Department's response to each submission and in some cases proposed amendments. The Committee considered each submission up to item no 136 on the Matrix, noting the Department's response and raising points of clarity.

The Committee agreed to amendments pertaining to Clauses 1, 5, 16, 40, 47, 51, 52 and 63 and was satisfied with the Department's response to the other submissions.

Due to time constraints the Committee could not complete this exercise and agreed to continue with item 137 on the Matrix at the next meeting which was scheduled for Wednesday 10 November 2021 at 09:00.

The Chairperson expressed his appreciation to the members and officials for their contribution to the success of the meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 17:12.



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

Date: .....19 November 2021.....