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**Draft Minutes of the Northern Cape Provincial Coastal Committee (NC PCC) meeting conducted
On 24 February 2020 at Springbok (Springbok Inn)**

Chairperson- Ms. B. Mashobao (Acting HoD: DENC)

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS				
1. <u>Opening</u> Ms. B. Mashobao welcomed PCC members to the meeting.				
2. <u>Present and Apologies</u> See annexure 1 for a list of attendees. <u>Apologies from PCC members</u> <i>Apologies from PCC Members were noted as follows:</i> MEC of DENC: Ms. N. Bloem Mr. G. van Dyk-DWS Mr. M. Jezile-DAFF: Aquaculture Ms. A. Isaks-SANParks Ms. V. Cloete-DEA: Local Government Support Mr. R. Newman-CSA Mr. O. Gaoraelwe-DENC Mr. S. Pheeha-DAFF: Marine Resources Management				

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Ms. N. Van Wyk-DALRRD Mr. R. Pillay-DEA:Oceans and Coasts				
3. <u>Amendments to the Agenda</u> The PCC Terms of Reference, possible amendments, were added to the Agenda, under additional matters; 12.1 Items that did not serve due to apologies/absence of PCC members were noted. Ms. N. Van Olmen moved for adoption of the Agenda which were seconded by Mr. S. Magaqa.				
4. <u>Adoption with corrections of previous meetings minutes 03 December 2019</u> Mr. W. Sonnenberg moved for adoption of the Minutes which were seconded by Mr. S. Magaqa.				
5. <u>Declaration of Interest</u> No declarations noted.				
6. <u>Matters Arising -</u> 6.1 <u>PCC action list feedback: Ms. A. Cloete: DENC</u> <i>See Addendum</i>				

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	<p>PCC action list, was again queried.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chairperson asked that DEA specify the financial year for the conclusion of the shortfall of the funds related to the Buffels and Swartlintjies Estuarine Management Plans; as the 2019/2020 year is drawing to a close. 			
<p><u>7.3 Coastal Compliance and Enforcement:</u> <u>Mr. E. Swartbooi: DENC</u></p> <p><i>Refer to presentation.</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Swartbooi communicated that during the 2019/20 Law Enforcement Operations the DMR as well as DOT (SAMSA) was not well represented. Mr. Swartbooi asked for information w.r.t the mining taking place along the salt pan in Port Nolloth Mr. Swartbooi asked for information whether the area in Kleinzee, long beach (close to the buffels river estuary) is a mining area, if so who has the mining right and or licenses. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DMR asked that Mr. Swartbooi communicate the dates of the next operation to DMR regional office in Springbok/Ms. D. Karsen. DMR to provide feedback DMR to provide feedback 	<p>Mr. E. Swartbooi</p> <p>Ms. D. Karsten</p> <p>Ms. D. Karsten</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p> <p>ASAP</p>

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<p>7. 4 Northern Cape Estuaries Sub-Committee (Ad hoc)- Mr. B. Cornelissen-DENC</p> <p>The sub-committee was established during the development of the Buffels and Swartlinter Estuary Management Plans; the plans have been completed.</p> <p>It is an ad hoc committee, thus when the procedures for approval of the plans have been concluded, the committee will be utilised to ensure implementation of the plans.</p>		An update w.r.t the approval of the plans will be provided at the next PCC meeting.	Mr. B. Cornelissen	Next PCC meeting
<p>7. 5 Spatial Planning Sub-Committee (Ad hoc)- Mr. E. Oosthuysen-DENC</p> <p><i>Refer to Presentation on Converting Coastal Mining Rights to GIS format</i></p> <p><u>Coastal Zone Demarcation Project</u></p> <p><i>The status quo remains the same as was communicated at the previous PCC meeting:</i></p> <p>“The project proposal has been completed and the project team, within DENC, have been appointed. There will be consultation processes at specific stages of the project. Continuous feedback will be provided at the PCC meeting”.</p>	The purpose of spatially represented mining data, including validity and expiry information, was to explore the possibility of other coastal uses in the future.	Mr. Oosthuysen thus to include the mining rights data as far as the coastal zone stretches inland. Sea concessions should be included as well.	Mr. E. Oosthuysen	ASAP, it is a lengthy process

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8. Presentations				
8.1 Coastal Water Quality Monitoring in Northern Cape - Mr. S. Magaqa <i>Refer to presentation.</i>	Mr. Cornelissen queried whether there are updates w.r.t mobile laboratories to be based in the Northern Cape province. ➤ Mr. Magaqa to provide an update at the next PCC meeting.			
8.2 Marine and Tourism Feasibility Studies Progress: Mr. S. Mampe-DEDaT <i>Mr. Mampe did not attend the meeting.</i>				
9. Institutional				
9.1 Forums / report back (a) Richtersveld Municipality-Mr. S. Adams <i>The municipality did not attend the meeting.</i> b) Kamiesberg Municipality-Ms. S. Cloete There are no new matters to report on since the last PCC meeting. Ms. Cloete asked PCC members on the relevance of local municipalities attending PCC meetings when the District Municipal Coastal Committee is up and running. c) Nama Khoi Municipality <i>The municipality did not attend the meeting.</i>	Local Municipalities are still very relevant and have an important role to play. The District MCC will be established in an effort to coordinate the irregular local meetings and attendance of municipalities.	Engage the NDM and provide assistance w.r.t the establishment and functioning of District MCC	PCC secretariat	End March 2020

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d) <u>Namakwa District Municipality (NDM):</u> <u>Mr. S. Abrahams</u> <i>The municipality did not attend the meeting.</i>				
9.2 <u>Working for the Coast Feedback Ms. V. Cloete-DEA</u> <i>Northern Cape Working for the Coast Namaqua National Park and Alexander Bay, Port Nolloth & Hondeklip Bay (18/21)</i> <i>Apology</i> <i>Although Ms. Cloete could not attend, a progress report was provided which will be sent to PCC members.</i>				
9.3 <u>NC Marine Aquaculture WG-Ms. N. Van Wyk-DALRRD</u> <i>Apology</i>				
9.4 <u>Namaqua National Park Feedback-Mr. P. Schreuder</u> <i>The signage for the Namaqua National Park MPA will be erected during the following weeks.</i>				
10. <u>Mining Houses Feedback</u> 10.1 <u>De Beers Namaqualand Mines-Mr. A. Meyer</u> <i>Refer to Presentation</i>	Part of Mr. Meyers feedback included the damage done to the Oubeep salt pan by illegal diggers accessing the mine by vehicles. The pan is a breeding site for the critically endangered Damara Tern. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Geldenhuys asked for feedback as DEA was looking into the possibility of declaring a Special Management Area for the saltpan at Oubeep 	Engage with DEA: Oceans and Coasts on information needed; to determine the eligibility of the mentioned areas to be declared as possible Special Management areas i.t.o the ICM Act. The DEA: Oceans and Coasts might need to do a site visit to the mentioned areas.	Ms. L. Geldenhuys	ASAP

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10. 2 <u>Trans Hex/West Coast Resources-Ms. A. Makgato</u> <i>Ms. Makgato will inform the PCC of any changes, but for now the company's operations ceased and will thus not form part of the PCC.</i>				
10.3 <u>Alexkor MC JV-Ms. L. Swartbooi</u> <i>Refer to the Alexkor RMC JV report.</i>				
11. Awareness, Education and Training Opportunities				
11. 1 <u>Environmental Education Mr. M. Farmer</u> <i>Refer to the presentation.</i> <i>In addition to the Environmental Education; feedback on the Environmental Audit done at the Port.Nolloth Salt Pan was iprovided.</i>	<u>Actions and Recommendations</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Department appointed 20 beneficiaries in Port Nolloth to specifically focus on the daily cleaning of the Salt Pan. • It is recommended that through DENC that the beneficiaries are trained on basic Bird ID for recording monthly data and do monitoring. • That the Salt Pan with other coastal and marine issues be a standing item at the local coastal committee meetings. • That vehicle control and access on and through the Salt pan by mining operators and the public be stopped. • DENC designed and will erect signage to create awareness 	Engage with the DEA: Oceans and Coasts on information needed; to determine the eligibility of the mentioned areas to be declared as possible Special Management areas i.t.o the ICM Act. The DEA: Oceans and Coasts might need to do a site visit to the mentioned areas.	Mr. Farmer	ASAP

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	<p>around the sensitivity of the ecosystem.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identification of potential alien invasive plant species and the eradication thereof. • By-laws of the Richtersveld Municipality to be developed and implemented. • Ongoing research and monitoring; specifically from DEA's research team visiting estuaries and wetlands in the region to do monitoring and to outline a formal status quo of the wetland. 			
<p>12. <u>Additional matters</u></p> <p>12. 1 <u>PCC Terms of Reference; possible amendments</u> <u>Mr. B. Cornelissen</u></p> <p>The PCC ToR was sent to PCC members on 22 January 2020. The Coastal Management unit only received comments from Mr. Saasa Pheeha from DAFF/DEFF; the comments were very helpful. Comments were incorporated, however the following comments from DAFF needs inputs from the PCC members.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In relation to 6.3 the PCC members comments at the meeting was that the last part of the sentence be removed as it will be an administrative burden for the MEC to approve the alternate members before every meeting. When 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute the PCC ToR with amendments to PCC members. • PCC members need to send comments on the mentioned sections by 13 March 2020; if no comments are received the PCC ToR will be accepted at the next PCC meeting of 14 May 2020. 	<p>PCC Secretariat</p> <p>PCC Members</p>	<p>ASAP</p> <p>13 March 2020</p>

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<p><u>DAFF Comments</u></p> <p>6.3 "An appointed member of the committee is required to nominate an alternate that can attend meeting/s in their absence. This alternate must be approved by the MEC of the lead agent prior to the relevant meeting."</p> <p>6.5 "<i>The Director General of the Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF) may appoint a DEFF official as a nonvoting member of the NC PCC and appoint his/her alternate member or replacement.</i>"</p> <p>10.18 "<i>The parties in dispute shall bear the reasonable expenses of the fact-finding committee equally</i>" Mr P Pheeha's recommendation is to, to seek a mediator that will not involve direct cost, e.g Chairperson of another PCC or relevant SMS Member from one of the Member Departments of the PCC but not involved in the dispute.</p> <p><u>General Comments</u></p> <p>Section 8: Vacation of Office and Termination of Membership "A member of the Provincial Coastal Committee vacates office if he/she does not attend three consecutive meetings without tendering appropriate apologies".</p>	<p>members are nominated an alternate will also be nominated and appointed by the MEC. When neither the member nor the alternate can attend the meeting; the member will inform the Secretariat prior to the meeting, and the Chairperson of the meeting on the day will acknowledge the attendee.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In terms of 6.5 the DAFF is not the only Dept/organisation on the PCC and should not have special reference in the ToR. It is the function of the MEC to appoint members. Member organisations can only nominate members and alternates. It was recommended that this provision be deleted. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Seek a legal opinion w.r.t the possible amendments to PCC ToR Write to organisations to nominate members and alternates who will serve on the NC PCC 	<p>Mr. B. Cornelissen</p> <p>PCC Secretariat</p>	<p>After comments by PCC members have been received; on 13 March 2020.</p> <p>31 March 2020</p>

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<p>It was recommended that this provision be removed.</p> <p>PCC members did not object to the removal of this provision; it was thus removed. The following provision, still contained within the ToR (Section 8), covers the deleted provision "<i>The MEC may terminate membership of the member of the Provincial Coastal Committee where: He or she fails to perform the duties as a member of the Provincial Coastal Committee</i>".</p> <p>Section 9. Responsibilities of Members 9.4 <i>All member institutions will have a single vote at committee meetings.</i></p> <p>It was recommended that this provision be removed.</p> <p>After consideration of other sections in the PCC ToR that makes reference to voting; removal of the recommendation needs to be reconsidered. A provision might need to be included that informs PCC members beforehand that voting will take place including the matters that is going to be voted on.</p> <p>For example Section 10.14 states that <i>"A recommendation for the dissolution of the NC PCC shall be made to the MEC if two-thirds of all members present at a meeting vote in favour of such dissolution."</i></p>				

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<p><u>10.10 Quorum</u> <i>(i) The quorum for a meeting will be 50% of the total number of members of the NC PCC, plus one. If the Secretariat is aware, 3 days prior to the meeting, that there will not be a quorum, the members of the NC PCC should be informed in writing, and the Chairperson can postpone the meeting."</i></p> <p>It is recommended that the provision be removed from the ToR. There are members that are very committed to attending PCC meetings; and travel from afar. A long standing discussion point on the PCC agenda is the ill attendance of certain roleplayers. A few role players not attending the PCC meeting should not be allowed to hamper the purpose of the PCC meeting.</p> <p>After consideration of other sections in the PCC ToR, for example where "voting" is required; a quorum might be important.</p>				
<p>13. <u>Matters to be escalated to Working Group 8</u> <i>(from the PCC meeting of 24 February 2019).</i></p> <p>None noted</p>				
<p>14. <u>Date of next meeting</u> Tentative date is 14 May 2020.</p>				

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<u>15. Closure</u> The Chairperson expressed gratitude to PCC members for their attendance and contributions.				
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Chairperson Signature:

Date:

Secretariat Signature:

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List of Attendees – NC PCC Meeting 24 February 2020

1. Chairperson: Ms. B. Mashobao -Acting HoD of DENC
2. Mr. A. Abrahams Director: Biodiversity Management Systems
3. Ms. N. van Olmen: Director-Policy Planning and Coordination
4. Ms. A. Cloete-DENC: Coastal Management
5. Mr. B. Cornelissen-DENC: Coastal Management
6. Mr. J. Coraizin-SAMSA
7. Ms. L. Geldenhuys: DENC: Research Development and Support
8. Mr. E. Swarbooi-DENC: Compliance and Enforcement
9. Mr. M. Farmer- DENC: Environmental Empowerment Services
10. Ms. C. Jansen-Conservation South Africa
11. Mr. E. Oosthuysen-DENC: Information Management
12. Ms. L. Swartbooi-Alexkor RMC JV
13. Mr. W. Sonnenberg-DEA Northern Cape Coastal Monitor
14. Mr. S. Magaqa-DEA: Northern Cape Coastal Monitor
15. Mr. M.Mandleni -DEA: Oceans and Coasts
16. Z. Dasi-DAFF: Compliance Management
17. Ms. S. Cloete-Kamiesberg Municipality
18. Mr. G. von Mollendorf- Kamiesberg Municipality
19. Ms. D. Williams-DMR
20. Ms. L. Esterhuizen-DENC
21. Mr. P. Schreuder-Namaqua National Park
22. Mr. A. Meyer-De Beers

Action Items: PCC meeting of 24 February 2020

Heading/Agenda Item	Responsible Person	Progress
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22 August 2017-Action Items

<p><u>Funding shortfall for Swartlinterjies and Buffels Estuary Management Plans</u></p> <p>The funding shortfall have been approved within DEA's budget. As explained in previous PCC meetings, Mr. Peter reiterated the challenges DEA experienced to transfer the funds to NDM, since the MoU with Nelson Mandela University lapsed. DEA's financial officials requested treasury approval for the shortfall, however Treasury did not approve the request. None of DEA's internal processes does not allow for the money to be directly transferred to NDM; within the PFMA requirements.</p>	<p>Mr. J. Peter- DEA</p>	<p><i>Feedback on 18 October 2018:</i> The funds have not yet been paid to NDM. The MEC was clear that the issue needed to be addressed as the shortfall have been approved. A meeting was suggested between the CFO's of both NDM and DEA.</p> <p><i>Feedback on 7 February 2019</i> The status quo remains the same, DEA's internal processes does not allow for the money to be directly transferred to NDM; within the PFMA Requirements.</p> <p><i>22 August 2019</i> The MEC to engage the minister of DEA w.r.t the funding shortfall. HoD's office will escalate it to the DG of DEA.</p> <p><i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i></p> <p><i>Refer to DEA: Oceans and Coasts feedback.</i> "DEFF: Oceans and Coasts is planning a meeting with the DDG, Chief Director: Finance and DENC HOD on the issue. Tentative dates are in January/February 2019. Based on the outcome of this meeting a formal response will be sent to affected parties."</p> <p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i> <i>Refer to DEA: Oceans and Coasts feedback, item number 6</i> The Department is preparing a submission to National Treasury to request funds to be released for payment. Further developments will be communicated.</p>
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12 April 2018

<p><u>Coastal Compliance and Enforcement feedback</u></p> <p>Mr. M. Farmer raised his concern w.r.t the multifaceted issues at the Port Nolloth salt pan. This item to be initially discussed at the Richtersveld MCC and feedback to be provided at the PCC meeting.</p>	<p>Mr. S. Adams/Mr. S. Abrahams</p>	<p><i>Feedback 18 October 2018</i> Mr. S. Adams attended the PCC of 18 October 2018 and provided feedback that Richtersveld Municipality did not conduct a MCC meeting. He provided feedback w.r.t the measures the municipality put in place at the bird park as well as challenges they experience. The NDM engagement with Municipalities will take place before the next PCC meeting this issue can be discussed in more detail at the said meeting.</p> <p><i>Feedback 7 February 2019</i> Mr. S. Adams attended but asked to be excused; feedback was thus not provided.</p> <p><i>Feedback 22 August 2019</i> <i>The Municipality attended but did not provide feedback.</i></p>
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		<p>MEC to write to the Mayor of the NDM i.t.o their facilitation of the District MCC meetings; including other action items directed at municipalities.</p> <p><i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i></p> <p>The PCC secretariat sent a letter, signed by the MEC, to the Mayor of NDM to provide feedback i.t.o their commitment to coordinate a District MCC.</p> <p>Mr. Farmer to provide supporting information on the background of the issues and possible solutions to assist with the way forward.</p> <p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>Refer to the presentation by Mr. M. Farmer, on 24 February 2020, discussing the findings of their site visit to the Port Nolloth salt pan.</p>
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12 July 2018		
<p><u>DEA: Oceans and Coasts Progress Report</u> <i>Draft National Coastal Access By-Law</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Following the PCC meeting of 12 July 2018, the decision at the Working Group 8 meeting was that, available by-laws, from other coastal municipalities in South Africa provide sufficient guidance to municipalities. At this stage there is thus no need to develop a national coastal access model by-law to assist municipalities. DENC, Coastal Management to facilitate sessions with municipalities to discuss the available by-laws with coastal municipalities before the 2018/19 financial year. 	<p>DENC Coastal Management</p>	<p><i>Feedback on 07 February 2019</i></p> <p>The by-laws of other coastal municipalities were sent to the Northern Cape municipalities on 06 December 2018. In preparation for the workshop DENC requested information from municipalities on what specific aspects they need guidance with as to prepare accordingly. Municipalities also need to indicate their capacity and resources to enforce by-laws.</p> <p><i>Feedback 22 August 2019</i> <i>Municipalities did not respond to date</i></p> <p>MEC to write to the Mayor of the NDM i.t.o their facilitation of the District MCC meetings; including other PCC action items directed at coastal municipalities. The SAPS asked to be included when the workshop takes place.</p> <p><i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i> The PCC secretariat sent a letter, signed by the MEC, to the Mayor of NDM to provide feedback i.t.o their commitment to coordinate a District MCC.</p> <p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i> Item to be discussed at the District MCC; awaiting date from NDM.</p>
<p><u>Northern Cape Estuaries Sub-Committee</u></p> <p>The MEC of DENC must approve the Buffels and Swartlinter Estuary Management Plans.</p>	<p>NDM/DENC: Coastal Management/MEC of DENC</p>	<p><i>Feedback 07 February 2019</i></p> <p>Mr. H. Steenkamp, NDM, informed that it was discussed at a council meeting; the EMP's will be sent to the MEC of DENC for approval shortly.</p> <p><i>Feedback 22 August 2019</i></p> <p>The NDM consequently asked assistance from DENC, Coastal Management, with regards to the approval procedure as set out in the Estuarine Management Protocol. The DENC: Coastal Management completed the correspondence to assist the NDM; it is currently with senior management of DENC.</p>

		<p><i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i></p> <p>There have however been a delay as the document must be reviewed by the recently appointed senior manager responsible for Biodiversity Management Services in DENC. An update w.r.t the approval of the plans will be provided at the next PCC meeting.</p> <p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>DENC sent the supporting documents, to explain the steps for approval, to the NDM. .</p> <p>The NDM need to send the documents to the MEC of DENC for approval. NDM to provide feedback at the next PCC meeting.</p>
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18 October 2018		
<p><u>Richtersveld Municipality Feedback</u></p> <p>The Municipality receives no revenue from land that belongs to Public Works. The municipality wrote to COGHSTA to assist with a land audit to distinguish municipal land from land that belongs to Public Works. Provide feedback at the next PCC meeting.</p>	<p>Mr. S. Adams- Richtersveld Municipality</p>	<p><i>Feedback 07 February 2019</i></p> <p>Mr. S. Adams attended the PCC meeting but asked to be excused; feedback was thus not provided. The municipality to do a presentation at the upcoming PCC meeting.</p> <p><i>Feedback 22 August 2019</i></p> <p>The Richtersveld municipality informed that the audit has not been conducted yet. The Municipality to share the communication with the HoD of DENC to follow up with the HoD of COGHSTA.</p> <p><i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i></p> <p>There was no feedback due to absence of the Municipality.</p> <p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>There was no feedback due to absence of the Municipality.</p>

07 February 2019

DEA: Oceans and Coasts Progress Report

Ms. A. Makgato reported that during the Coastal Audit of 2018 DEA: Oceans and Coasts indicated that West Coast Resources (WCR) might need to apply for a CWDP for water overflow from and abstraction point. WCR is still awaiting feedback from DEA.

DEA-O&C

Feedback 03 December 2019

Mr. Pillay asked that a description of the process be provided; as for the relevant section in DEA to provide an appropriate response. DENC Coastal Management will liaise with the mining companies to provide the information.

Feedback 24 February 2020

Mr. W. Sonnenberg provided the description to his colleagues working with Coastal Water Discharge permits. No feedback have been received at the time of the PCC meeting.

Feedback 31 August 2020

On 27 February the pollution directorate responded as follows:

In terms of section 69 of the National Environmental Management Act : Integrated Coastal Management Act ,2008(Act No.24 of 2008) which states (1)***“no person may discharge effluent that originates from a source on land into coastal except in terms of a general discharge authorisation contemplated in subsection(2) or a coastal waters discharge permit issued under this section by the Minister after consultation with the Minister responsible for water affairs in instances of discharge of effluent in an estuary”***

In the absence of General Discharge Authorisation Regulations the facility must apply for a coastal water discharge permit in terms of section 69(3) of the National Environmental Management: Integrated Coastal Management Act (Act 24 of 2008) which states ***“any person who wishes to discharge effluent into coastal waters in circumstances that are not authorised under a general discharge authorisation in subsection (2) must apply to the Department for a coastal waters discharge permit ”.***

The GDA has not been promulgated and the regulations that are promulgated are the Coastal water Discharge permit Regulations that require any person discharging to the coastal waters to apply for a coastal water discharge permit.

22 August 2019		
<u>Coastal Compliance and Enforcement</u> It was requested that once a year an update be provided on EMI's designated along the Northern Cape Coast; including municipalities and the province. It was also requested that the statistics of the mentioned law enforcement operations be communicated including the outcomes of court cases related to coastal matters. Include the mentioned issues in the presentation at the next PCC meeting.	DENC: Compliance and Enforcement	<i>Feedback 03 December 2019</i> DENC: Compliance and Enforcement to provide the information by 31 January 2020; and provide feedback at the next PCC meeting. <i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i> Concluded Refer to Mr. E. Swartbooi, DENC Compliance and Enforcement presentation of 24 February 2020.
03 December 2019		
<u>DEA: Oceans and Coasts Progress Report</u> Ms. N. Van Wyk queried the timeframes for issuing of Coastal Water discharge permits. Diamond Coast Aquaculture, who applied in 2011, have not been issued a permit as yet. Ms. N. van Wyk to send an email, containing the details, to Mr. Pillay for follow up.	Ms. N. Van Wyk/Mr.R. Pillay	<i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i> Ms. N. van Wyk and Mr. R. Pillay did not attend the meeting; there have however been email discussions. Provide feedback at next PCC meeting.
<u>Boat Based Whale Watching</u> <u>Coastal Water Quality Monitoring</u> Provide feedback, as to whether the recommendations from PCC members, have been taken into account (<i>refer to PCC minutes for the recommendations</i>).	Mr. S. Magaqa: DEA	<i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i> Concluded The fee structure for BBWW operations will remain flat as contained on the BBWW Policy of 2017, as such fees were fully endorsed by stakeholders when the Draft BBWW Regulations developed under MLRA-1998 was circulated for comments. Fishermen or their co-op can apply to operate BBWW in Port Nolloth as long as the members of the co-op are South Africans in line with Reg. 69 (1) of MARTOPS Regulations, 2017. The seal colony in Kleinsee can be considered for ecotourism to complement BBWW, therefore applications for permit to operate such an activity may be made to Ocean Conservation Strategies Directorate in line with SEALS Policy of 2007. BBWW Presentation to DEDAT Meeting on 7 th of December 2019 could not be done/attended

		<p>because both DEA: OC representatives were committed elsewhere on that day.</p> <p>On coastal water quality results, the spikes in results will be discussed at anticipated National Water Quality Committee. However, the details on committee operations can be discussed with the Director: Monitoring, Ayanda Matoti so that the Province may participate.</p> <p>Scholars are the top priority of government, therefore, in future, stakeholders will be timeously sensitized so that the kids are not exposed to toxic containing waters.</p>
<p><u>Namakwa District Municipality feedback</u></p> <p>A recommendation stemming from previous PCC meetings is that the Namakwa District coordinate a MCC meeting where local issues can be discussed before PCC meetings.</p> <p>Mr. S. Abrahams suggested that the LED forum be utilised to discuss coastal issues as well. Communicate the date of the next LED meeting, to municipalities and the Coastal Management unit of DENC.</p>	<p>Mr. S. Arahams: Namakwa District Municipality</p>	<p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>Mr. Abrahams did not attend the meeting to provide feedback.</p>
<p><u>PCC Terms of Reference Mr. B. Cornelissen</u></p> <p>There are recommendations for amending certain provisions contained in the terms of reference (<i>refer to minutes for details</i>). Send the ToR, highlighting the possible amendments to PCC members for inputs.</p>	<p>DENC: Coastal Management</p>	<p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>The ToR was sent to PCC members; only DAFF provided comments.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distribute the PCC ToR with possible amendments from DAFF as well as discussions by PCC members on 24 February. • PCC members need to send comments on the mentioned sections by 13 March 2020; if no comments are received the PCC ToR will be accepted at the next PCC meeting of 14 May 2020. <p><i>Feedback 31 August 2020</i></p> <p>The meeting of 14 May did not take place. On the 1st of July an email was sent out asking PCC members to approve the PCC ToR amendments; 7 organisations approved the ToR.</p>
<p><u>Benguela Current Commission (BCC) Project: Resilience to Climate Change</u></p>		

<p>The BCC is looking at skills development for the community; for times when the fish catches are low. There is a challenge that the infrastructure in Hondeklip Bay is not in a good condition. The BCC need the following information:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Is there any plans to refurbish the facilities; specifically the harbour and storage facilities Is there plans in place to rehabilitate the road to Hondeklip Bay <p>The Kamiesberg Municipality to respond to the questions posed.</p>	<p>Ms. S. Cloete: Kamiesberg Municipality</p>	<p><i>Feedback 24 February 2020</i></p> <p>The Municipality did not yet respond to the questions in writing.</p> <p><i>Feedback 31 August 2020</i></p> <p>The municipality responded on 19 August as follows: Harbour Development; refer to Operation Phakisa Small harbour Development feedback. Rehabilitation of Road, it is a project of the Department of Public Works and consists of two phases; 30 km of the 89 km have been completed.</p>
<p align="center">24 February 2020</p>		
<p><u>Progress Report Northern Cape Operation Phakisa: Oceans Economy Ms. N. Van Olmen: DENC</u></p> <p>Engage DALRRD w.r.t attendance of Phakisa as well as PCC meetings.</p>	<p>The Acting HoD with assistance from Ms. Van Olmen and Mr. Abrahams</p>	
<p><u>DEA: Oceans and Coasts Progress Report-</u></p> <p>Communicate the list of ORV permits issued in the Northern Cape province. Refer the query to the ORV permitting section</p>	<p>Mr. M. Mandleni</p>	
<p><u>Coastal Compliance and Enforcement:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mr. Swartbooi communicated that during the 2019/20 Law Enforcement Operations the DMR as well as DOT (SAMSA) was not well represented. DMR asked that Mr. Swartbooi communicate the dates of the next operation to DMR regional office in Springbok/Ms. D. Karsten. Mr. Swartbooi asked clarity w.r.t the mining along salt pan in Port Nolloth. DMR to provide feedback. Mr. Swartbooi asked for information whether the area in Kleinzee, long beach (close to the buffels river estuary) is a mining area, if so who has the mining right and or licenses. 	<p>Mr. E. Swartbooi</p> <p>Ms. D. Karsten</p> <p>Ms. D. Karsten</p>	<p><i>Feedback 31 August 2020</i></p> <p>DMR provided feedback on 17 August 2020. The active prospecting right in Port Nolloth is Dansille Nxikwe Diamonds CC, and the saltpan is excluded from the prospecting area.</p> <p>Mining close to the Buffels River Estuary have been referred to Mr. Anton Meyer (De Beers). The area was part of the De Beers Mining right, Mr. Meyer can provide clarity regarding the areas which was excluded during the Town proclamation.</p> <p>Mr. Meyer responded that the Buffels Estuary falls within the Kleinzee town boundary, meaning that it is no longer a licensed mining area.</p>

<p><u>De Beers Namaqualand Mines</u></p> <p>Part of Mr. Meyer's feedback included the damage done to the Oubeep salt pan by illegal diggers accessing the mine in vehicles. The pan is a breeding site for the critically endangered Damara Tern.</p> <p>Ms. Geldenhuys asked DEA if there is any feedback, w.r.t the saltpan at Oubeep, as DEA was looking into the possibility of declaring a Special Management Area. Ms. Geldenhuys to engage with the DEA: Oceans and Coasts on information needed; to determine the eligibility of the mentioned areas to be declared as possible Special Management areas i.t.o the ICM Act. The DEA: Oceans and Coasts might need to do a site visit to the mentioned areas.</p>	<p>Ms. L. Geldenhuys</p>	
<p><u>Environmental Education</u></p> <p>Mr. Farmer queried the possibility of the Port Nolloth salt pan to be included in the investigation for a Special Management area.</p> <p>Mr. Farmer to engage with the DEA: Oceans and Coasts on information needed to determine the eligibility of the mentioned areas to be declared as possible Special Management areas i.t.o the ICM Act. The DEA: Oceans and Coasts might need to do a site visit to the mentioned areas.</p>	<p>Mr. M. Farmer</p>	
<p><u>PCC Terms of Reference; possible amendments</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCC members need to send comments on the mentioned sections by 13 March 2020; if no comments are received the PCC ToR will be accepted at the next PCC meeting of 14 May 2020. • Seek a legal opinion w.r.t the possible amendments to PCC ToR • Write to organisations to nominate members and alternates who will serve on the NC PCC. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PCC Members • Mr. B. Cornelissen • PCC Secretariat 	