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Minutes of the Northern Cape Provincial Coastal Committee (NC PCC) meeting conducted on 11 December 2020 (Virtual Meeting)

Chairperson- MEC G. M. Manopole

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PROCEDURAL MATTERS				
1. <u>Opening Remarks</u> The HOM, Mr. K. Mohibidu, welcomed all members to the second virtual Provincial Coastal Committee meeting.				
2. <u>Silent Prayer/Meditation</u>				
3. <u>Confirmation of Attendance 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> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr. B. Cornelissen DENC • Mr. J. Coraizin-SAMSA • Ms. V. Cloete DEFF Local Government Support • Mr. J. Coraizin SAMSA • Mr. A. Meyer De Beers • Mr. T. Sechogela DENC • Ms. K. Nkosi DeDat 				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. N.van Wyk DALRRD 				
<p>4. <u>Opening Address</u></p> <p>The MEC welcomed PCC members and introduced the acting HoD of DENC, Mr. T. Pharasi, to the meeting.</p> <p>The MEC and HoD reflected on the past few months and reiterated the vision of the Premier of the Northern Cape; a modern, growing and successful province. The onset of Covid 19 have accelerated the importance of technology and also highlighted where improvements are necessary.</p> <p>It would be ideal if the next PCC meeting can be conducted face to face; however it will be dependent on the level of restriction and other important factors that need to be considered.</p>				
<p>5. <u>Presentation and Adoption of the Agenda</u></p> <p>Mr. A. Abrahams moved for adoption of the Agenda which were seconded by Mr. W. Sonnenberg.</p>				
<p>6. <u>Declaration of Interest</u></p> <p>No declarations noted.</p> <p>PCC members had to complete a declaration form and return it to the Secretariat. In future, the declaration form needs to be completed before every PCC meeting.</p>				

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7. <u>Presentation and Adoption of Minutes of Previous meeting: 31 August 2020</u> Mr. S. Mampe moved for adoption of the minutes which were seconded by Ms L. Swartbooi.				
8. Matters Arising from Minutes of Previous Meeting 8.1 Progress Against Action Items from Previous Meeting Mr. A. Abrahams: DENC <i>Refer to Presentation</i>				
	The PCC Secretariat sent out a call for PCC member nominations during October of 2020.	The tenure of the nominated PCC members will start during 2021. The newly appointed PCC members must attend the next meeting.	PCC Secretariat	Next PCC meeting (date to be confirmed)
8.2 Feedback on Matters Escalated/Discussed at Working Group 8 Mr. A. Abrahams: DENC <i>Refer to Presentation</i>	Mr. S. Mampe informed that tourism projects, identified in the marine and coastal tourism master plan, are being packaged for funding through the National Department of Tourism.	Progress to be presented at the next PCC meeting.	Mr. S. Mampe	Next PCC meeting (date to be confirmed)
Mr. S. Mampe moved for adoption of the action items which were seconded by Mr. W. Sonnenberg				
9. Items for Discussion				
9.1 Facilitation of Coastal Access				
9.1.1 Establishment of Public Launch Sites Ms. A. Cloete: DENC <i>Refer to presentation</i>				
Ms. L. Geldenhuys moved for adoption of the way forward for the agenda item, Facilitation of Coastal Access, which were seconded by Ms. S. Magaqa.				

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9.2 Coastal Development and Planning

9.2.1. Establishment of Coastal Development Lines

Ms. A. Cloete DENC

Refer to presentation

9.2.2. Feedback on Coastal Development Applications:

Mr. B. Fisher DENC

The DENC received no coastal development application for the last quarter. There was an enquiry from a property owner in Kleinzee; however no development application have been lodged yet.

Ms. D. Karsten DMR

Refer to presentation

The MEC queried the implementation of the Social and Labour plans of mines along the coast.

Send a request to the DMR branch responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Social and Labour Plans to provide a comprehensive report indicating the progress w.r.t implementation of these plans. If necessary the Secretariat will send a formal letter.

Ms. D. Karsten

ASAP

Mr. E. Swartbooi queried the coastal access issue at the farm Brazil, locking the gate and denying public access.

DENC Coastal Management with the support of DENC Compliance and Enforcement to investigate the issue. If the issue cannot be solved on provincial level it

Mr. B. Cornelissen/
Mr. E. Swartbooi

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<p>9.2.3 Non-Consumptive Marine Activities Ms. M. Malatje DEFF <i>Refer to presentation</i></p>	<p>Ms. Karsten responded that the DMR Regional manager is aware of the issue; there is however not clarity whether the issue have been resolved.</p> <p>Mr. B. Fisher reiterated that the DMR to ensure that the Environmental Authorization applications, particularly coastal mining applications, be send to the DENC Springbok office.</p> <p>The MEC asked about the consultation process that was followed, for the applicant, to obtain an eco-filming permit that was issued in Kleinzee.</p> <p>Ms. Malatji responded that De Beers was consulted.</p> <p>Mr. Mampe informed about the plans for the Indi-Atlantic route and possible collaborations with the National Department of Tourism.</p>	<p>needs to be referred to the WG 8. Feedback to be provided at the next PCC meeting</p> <p>In future proper consultation must be followed, including the province, in relation with the ICM Act principles.</p> <p>Extend an invitation to Ms. Malatje to attend the Provincial Operation Phakisa Oceans Economy Task Team to foster collaboration on tourism related initiatives.</p>	<p>Ms. M. Malatje</p> <p>Mr. S. Mampe</p>	<p>Continuous</p> <p>Before next Northern Cape Operation Phakisa meeting.</p>

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9.2.4. Status of Coastal Permit Applications Mr. R. Pillay: DEFF <i>Refer to presentation DEFF presentation</i>	Mr. E. Swartbooi queried the status of Port Nolloth Abalone's Coastal Water Discharge Permit application. The question was on the legalities for them to apply for a permit while there is a pending criminal case.	The Aquaculture officials present in the meeting will forward the query to the appropriate unit within DEFF to provide feedback.	Mr K. Sankar/Mr. M. Jezile	ASAP
9.2.5 Sustainable Aquaculture Management Mr. M. Jezile: DEFF <i>Refer to presentation</i>				
Mr. W. Sonnenberg moved for adoption of the way forward of the agenda item, Coastal Development and Planning, which were seconded by Ms. L. Geldenhuys.				
9.3. Co-operative Governance and Local Government Support				
9.3.1. Establishment of Municipal Coastal Committees Namakwa District Municipality – Progress/Future Planning Mr. S. Abrahams NDM <i>Refer to presentation</i>	Mr. Sankar recommended that the NDM collaborate with the DEFF with regards to the proposed Atlantic Salmon Aquaponics system. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Noted and supported by Mr. S. Abrahams. 			

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9.4. Natural and Cultural Resources Management				
9.4.1. Buffels and Swartlintjies Estuary Management Plans Ms. A. Cloete DENC <i>Refer to presentation</i>	Mr. Pillay congratulated the province for adopting the EMP's for implementation. He reiterated that the WG 8 has a National Estuarine Management Task team that will assist and support the province with implementation of the plans.			
9.4.2. Orange River Mouth Estuary Management Plan Mr. R. Pillay DEFF <i>Refer to the DEFF presentation</i>				
Mr. S. Magaqa moved for adoption of the agenda item, Natural and Cultural Resources Management, which were seconded by Mr. E. Swartbooi.				
9.5. Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation				
None				
9.6. Compliance, Enforcement and Monitoring				
9.6.1. Coastal Compliance and Enforcement Actions Mr. E. Swartbooi DENC <i>Refer to presentation</i>				

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Ms. L. Swartbooi moved for adoption of the agenda item, Compliance, Enforcement and Monitoring, which were seconded by Mr. W. Sonnenberg				
9.7 Marine and Land-based Sources of Pollution				
9.7.1. Presidential Employment Stimulus Source to Sea Program Ms. N. Tonjeni DEFF <i>Refer to presentation</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The MEC queried whether the Province was consulted in relation to the implementation of the Program. Mr. B. Fisher reiterated the importance of appointing and implementing agent from the Northern Cape Province. <i>Ms. Tonjeni responded that the Terms of Reference have been completed but the implementing agent have not yet been appointed</i> 	Ms. Tonjeni will follow up with colleagues and respond to the concerns including whether the Province have been properly consulted and how the implementing agent will be appointed.	Ms. N. Tonjeni	ASAP
Mr. S. Mampe moved for adoption of the agenda item, Marine and Land-based Sources of Pollution, which were seconded by Ms. L. Swartbooi				
9.8 Coastal and Marine Education None				
10. Matters to be Escalated to Working Group 8 None Noted If the public access issue at Brazil is not resolved on provincial level it must be referred to the WG 8 meeting.				

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11. Date of the Next Meeting To be confirmed				
12. Closure The MEC thanked all members for their attendance and contributions to the meeting. The MEC reiterated the importance of sending PCC presentations 7 days prior to a meeting. The PCC nominations must be finalized and the newly appointed members must attend the next meeting. The DEFF should follow protocol and consult the province in relation with the principles of the ICM Act. The MEC conveyed her well wishes to PCC members for the festive season.				

List of Attendees – NC PCC Meeting 11 December 2020

1. Chairperson: MEC G. M. Manopole
2. Mr. T. Pharasi Acting HoD
3. Mr. K. Mohibidu: Head of Ministry
4. Mr. A. Abrahams Director: Biodiversity Management Systems
5. Ms. A. Cloete-DENC: Coastal Management
6. Ms. D. Karsten: DMR
7. Ms. L. Geldenhuys: DENC: Research Development and Support
8. Mr. B. Fisher: DENC Environmental Quality Management
9. Mr. E. Swartbooi-DENC: Compliance and Enforcement
10. Mr. E. Oosthuysen-DENC: Information Management
11. Mr. R. Pillay-DEFF: Oceans and Coasts
12. Mr. S. Mampe: DEDaT
13. Mr. M. Jezile: DEFF: Aquaculture
14. Ms. L. Swartbooi-Alexkor RMC JV
15. Mr. W. Sonnenberg: DEA Northern Cape Coastal Monitor
16. Ms. P. Chuene: SANParks-Namaqua National Park
17. Mr. K. Sankar: DEFF Aquaculture
18. Mr. G. von Mollendorf: Kamiesberg Municipality
19. Ms. N. Tonjeni DEFF
20. Ms. M. Malatji DEFF
21. Mr. R. Newman: Conservation South Africa
22. Mr. S. Magaqa DEFF
23. Mr. S. Abrahams: NDM
24. Mr. G. van Dyk: DWS