

PUBLIC NOTICE:

8 December 2016

FINAL LIST ON THE ALLOCATION OF 2015/16 RIGHTS TO OPERATE FISH PROCESSING ESTABLISHMENTS

Cape Town: Monday; 5 December 2016: The Delegated Authority to the Fishing Rights Allocation Process (FRAP) of the Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries (the department) has concluded the allocation of rights to operate Fish Processing Establishments. The rights allocated to operate Fish Processing Establishments are for a period of 15 years.

The General Published Reasons for the decisions on the allocation of 2015/16 Rights to Operate Fish Processing Establishments is available on the Department's website and will be displayed along the coast in all Departmental Compliance Offices.

The appeals period commenced on Monday, 5 December 2016, and will close on Wednesday, 28 February 2017 at 16H00. All appeals must be received by the Department by no later than 16H00, Wednesday, 28 February 2017. Appeals in this sector must only be submitted via email and only in a PDF format to FRAP2015appeals@daff.gov.za. Appellants submitting appeals larger than 4MB

must upload such documents on the website: http://www.daff.gov.za/upload/ and forward the link to frame="fram

FISH PROCESSING ESTABLISHMENT APPEAL

APPELLANT'S FULL NAME AS IT APPEARS ON THE APPLICATION FORM APPELLANT'S FRAP2015/16 FISH PROCESSING ESTABLISHMENT APPLICATION NUMBER

Appellants <u>SHALL</u> set out all the relevant facts as well as the grounds of appeal and shall be accompanied by any relevant document. All documentation appended to the appeal must be certified by a Commissioner of Oaths as being <u>a true copy of the</u> original. Appeals **MUST** be submitted only by email in this sector.

The Delegated Authority has decided to make available to all applicants in this sector the application forms of other applicants in the manner prescribed below:

1. Access to the application forms of applicants for fishing rights. Viewing of the FRAP 2015/16 application forms will only be provided at Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town during the normal working hours. To view the FRAP 2015/16 applications, applicants are requested to contact Mr Msimelelo Mdledle and/or Ms Natasha Philander at MsimeleloM@daff.gov.za and/or Natasha P@daff.gov.za to book a date and time.

The Department will refuse access to the record of a third party in certain circumstances particularly if the record contains financial, commercial and technical information which, if disclosed, is likely to cause harm to the commercial or financial interests of the third party and disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to prejudice the third party in contractual or other negotiations. Furthermore, the Department will refuse access to confidential information of a third party specifically

where such information could reasonably be expected to prejudice the future supply of similar information. Viewing of application forms will commence on <u>Monday</u>, <u>12</u> <u>December 2016</u> until <u>Friday</u>, <u>24 February 2017</u>. The Department will not extend the closing date for the submission of appeals.

The Department is pleased to inform all FRAP2015/16 successful applicants that they are permitted to operate fish processing establishments, either land or vessel based, for the interim period, <u>07 December 2016</u> to <u>31 March 2017</u>. The Department will provide applicable conditions with the grant of right letters in due course.

Furthermore, the Department is pleased to inform all current Exemption Holders operating Fish Processing Establishments that they <u>MUST</u> submit their applications for a permit to operate Fish Processing Establishments for the year 2017.

The current Exemption Holders are encouraged to collect and submit the application forms for a right to operate Fish Processing Establishment as soon as possible as no further exemption will be granted by the Department beyond 31 December 2017.

FRAP2015/16 successful applicants and the current Exemption Holders are required to make applications at the Department's Customer Service Centre (Ground floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town; Tel: 021 402 3180) or any other designated Departmental office for a permit to operate a fish processing establishment for 2016/2017 season.

FRAP2015/16 unsuccessful applicants may either appeal the decision of the Delegated Authority or submit a new application for a right to operate a fish processing establishment, along with proof of payment of the application fee. The Department intends to grant exemptions to these applicants until such time as their

respective appeals or applications for rights to operate fish processing establishments are finalised.

Prospective fish processing establishment operators that did not submit an application to operate a fish processing establishment during FRAP2015/16 distribution phase, may collect application forms for a fish processing establishment right at the Department's Customer Service Centre (Ground floor, Foretrust Building, Martin Hammerschlag Way, Foreshore, Cape Town; Tel: 021 402 3180) or any other designated Departmental office. Completed original application forms, together with a full copy and proof of payment of the application fee, must be returned to the Customer Service Centre. These applicants will be granted exemptions to operate fish processing establishments whilst the Department is processing and assessing their applications. It shall be noted that the fish processing establishment right application process is an open-ended process and that interested parties can make application at any given time at Departmental offices.

For all FRAP Enquiries

The Call Centre number is 021 402 3727 (FRAP)

An anonymous tip-off line has been set up to deter fraudulent and unethical practices, the tip-off line is 0800 203 785