



THE SCIENCE OF ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE: EVIDENCE - BASED ACTIONS FOR EMIS

10TH ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT LEKGOTLA

DAY 2: 19 NOVEMBER 2024: NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME FORUM (NECF)/NATIONAL COMPLIANCE FORUM (NCF)

Day DFFE Coordinators: ECF: Grant Walters/ Mzondeleli Dlulane and NCF: Wiseman Rikhotso

Day Chairs: [Grant Walters, DFFE]

Session	Topic	Content Overview	Presenters / coordinators	Venue/Scribe
08:30 – 09:30	Opening Address:	<p>A thought-provoking discussion by Mr. Yusuf Abramjee, the host of CRIME WATCH, which airs on eNCA. The presentation will provide an overview of the emergence of environmental crime and how this is perceived by South African society.</p> <p>Yusuf has won numerous awards for his journalism, and activism, and serves as a social cohesion ambassador for the South African government.</p> <p>This will set the scene for the two main compliance and enforcement coordinating initiatives in the sector.</p>	Mr. Yusuf Abramjee (Crime Watch)	



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09:30 – 12h30	2A: National Environmental Crime Forum (NECF): Moderator: Frances Craigie (Chief Director, Sector Enforcement Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment)			2B: National Compliance Forum: Moderator: Pamela Ntuli (Chief Director: Environmental Affairs-Mpumalanga)			
	<p>NECF “The Quantum Leap”</p> <p>THE QUANTUM LEAP</p> <p>Taking a closer look at the significant progress made in combatting environmental crimes</p> <p>Presentation by the following Committee Chairpersons</p> <p>1. Waste and Pollution Investigators Forum (WPIF)</p> <p>2. Eastern Cape Environmental Crime Forum</p> <p>3. National Biodiversity Investigators Forum (NBIF)</p> <p>4. DPP Environmental Prosecution Working Group (DPPEPWG)</p>	<p>Environmental Forums/ Committees were established to ensure coordinated investigations and to gain deeper insights into criminal networks and their associated modus operandi.</p> <p>This session showcases the work of these committees and evaluates the outstanding contributions made by adopting a collective thinking philosophy and leveraging off creative approaches to deal with priority and emerging environmental crimes</p> <p>Ms. Marie Louise Lume (Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment)</p> <p>Advocate Andre Symington National Prosecuting Authority)</p>	<p>Scribe:</p> <p>Portia Duma</p>	<p>NCF: “Two Years, Tangible Change”</p>	<p>Unpacking the NCF Experience: Actionable Insights for Future Projects</p> <p>Two years of action Highlights: NCF Chair Acting: Mr Wiseman Rikhotso</p> <p>Food for thoughts - Future projects: Prioritisation model (Green, Brown & Blue): Marlanie Moodley, DFFE</p> <p>Presenters:</p> <p>Green</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Large predator Breeding Project (Phillemon Mosana, DFFE)• Alien and Invasive species: (Itani Tshivhandekano, DFFE) <p>Brown: Landfill site</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Nketu Lesejane (DFFE)• Musa Luhlanga (MP)• Ian Felton (KZN)		<p>Scribes:</p> <p>Muofhe Manenzhe & Fundiswa Nkosi</p>



	<p>5.SAMLIT IWZ Financial Task Force (IWZ FTT)</p> <p>6. Initiative 5 - Operation Phakisa, Oceans and Coast</p>	<p>Ms Nomalwande Mbananga Director Enforcement: Eastern Cape Department: Economic Development, Environmental Affairs</p> <p>Mr. Juan De Beer (Mpumalanga Tourism and Parks Agency)</p> <p>Advocate Andre Symington National Prosecuting Authority)</p> <p>Ms. Shelley Brown/ CIn Johan Jooste</p> <p>Mr. Mzondeleli Dlulane (Director: Enforcement – Oceans and Coast)</p>			<p>Blue:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Integrated wastewater treatment works and discharges joint sewage operation:• (Ms Tandiswa Jacobs/ Bongumenzi Gumbi (DFFE)• Liesl Vincent (DWS)		
12h30-13h30	Lunch						
13h30-16h00	<p>NECF Breakaway A : When parallel worlds collide – identifying catalysts and forecasting challenges when investigation of environmental crimes</p>	<p>“In addition to the many challenges confronting investigators, prosecutors say that our internal decision making process’ are complex and our processes take too long. These aspects tend to compromise timely prosecutions from taking place”.</p> <p>The outcome of this session is for a horizon scan by EMIs to identify the main obstacles which influences investigations from being finalised quickly, and how these could be overcome in the blue, brown and green sectors.</p>				<p>Facilitators:</p> <p>Maanda Alidzulwi (MP) and NPA prosecutor (Andre Symington)</p>	<p>Scribe: Ederich Grieb</p>



13h30-16h00	NECF Breakaway B: Maximum impact, minimum effort - A pocketbook guide to design an effective enforcement strategy	(1) Identifying the Pressure Points – Profiling (2) Use of Open Source and Spatial Technology (3) Promoting “buy-in” from different law enforcement partners The outcome of this session is to identify key principles to include in a basic step by step guideline when dealing with the proliferation of crimes. The session will focus on best practices and lessons learnt.	Marie Louise (DFFE)/ Henry Bendeman	
13h30-16h00	NCF Breakaway C MTT Report: Captive Lion Industry: Assessing the Implementation and impact of the Ministerial Task Team Report recommendations on EMI resource utilization.	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment (DFFE) established the Ministerial Task Team (MTT) to propose voluntary exit options and pathways for South Africa’s captive lion industry. This report provides: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an extensive stakeholder engagement overview, while focussing on engagement outcomes; • the results of an industry-wide national audit of lions and facilities; • the results of a national audit of the regulatory framework pertaining to the captive lion industry; etc Presenter: Mr Thomas Mbedzi, DFFE	Facilitator: Mr Leepile Garekoe	Scribe: Mzingisi Funzo & Puleng Mokoena
13h30-16h00	NCF Breakaway D Clean up Funding Mechanism: Exploring the short & long term mechanisms for NEMA S28 and 30 clean-up funding:	Environmental incidents and their significant impacts are occurring on the daily basis and something must be done swiftly. The workshop outcome is aimed at exploring the tangible solutions for the creation of the clean-up fund. What do we do now, while exploring the long term solutions. Presenters: Victor Loate/Oarabile Magapa, DFFE	Facilitator: Ms Patience Makgoka	Scribe: Jafta Mofokeng/ Vincentia Phukubye