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PROGRESS ON SETTLEMENT OF LAND CLAIMS

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Presentation Outline

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Background

In 2012 at the 5th People & Parks Conference:

1. The Commission reported that: there are 158 land claims on protected nature conservation areas, 45 of which had been settled (through section 42D), 3 dismissed and 3 in court;
2. The Commission reported on challenges that it faced in the settlement of claims in conservation areas and proposed to develop tools to assist its officials ;
3. The Commission committed to developing joint settlement plan (between Commission, Management Authorities and Communities) and hold joint meetings to monitor implementation of the plans;
4. The Commission committed to transferring land in 5 claims per Province.



Progress since 5th People & Parks Conference

- Guidelines for processing claims on state land were developed and a step by step process flow was developed.
- A nature conservation specific business plan was developed.
- Joint Provincial Action plans were developed and joint meetings were held to monitor the implementation of the plans.
- The Recapitalisation and Development Programme Framework was amended
- A total of 42 projects were identified where properties were to be transferred



Progress since 5th People & Parks Conference

- To date 15 projects have properties transferred
- 7 claims have been settled through financial compensation
- 2 claims have been dismissed
- 18 claims remain outstanding, however plans to have properties transferred are in place.



Breakdown:5 Priority claims per Province

Province	No. Of projects	No. transferred	No settled by fin comp	No dismissed	No of Outstanding
NW	5	5	0	0	0
Limp	5	3	0	0	2
Mpu	5	3	0	0	2
EC	5	1	0	0	4
FS	8	0	5	2	1
NC	3	0	1	0	2
KZN	5	3	0	0	2
GP	2	0	0	0	2
WC	4	0	1	0	3
Total	42	15	07	02	18



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Provincial breakdown of Conservation Claims

Prov	No. claims	research	gazette	verification	negotiations	s42d	settled	dismissal	Court cases
Ecape	18	2	0	1	4	1	7	1	2
FS	8	0	0	0	1	0	5	2	0
NC	3	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0
GP/Nw	13	0	0	0	2	0	13	0	0
KZN	26	0	0	0	8	1	17	0	0
Limp	28	0	2	0	12	0	12	0	2
Mpu	58	36	6	3	4	7	2	0	0
WC	4	0	0	0	3	0	1	0	0
Total	158	38	8	4	34	9	58	3	4



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Way Forward

- The Surveyors General are currently surveying unsurveyed and unregistered state land, especially in the former Transkei and Bophuthatswana. This will enable the registration of properties on that land.
- The communal land tenure policy will be finalised in the current calendar year, unlocking claims on Ingonyama Trust Land.
- The co-management will be implemented in line with the Rural Economy Transformation Model, the Institutional Roles and Role-Relationship referred to in that model, adopted by the Department of Rural Development and Land Reform.



North West

Ha Habedi

RKM Mankwe CPA

Welgeval CPA

Lenatong community

Jonathan community

Northern Cape

Hondeklipbay

Voolsdrift-SuidLand claim

Witsands Claim

Free State

Morokashoek

Dakpoort

Three Sisters

Ballot

Venter

Witkrans

Crowther

Golden Gate community



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Eastern Cape

Hluleka community

Mkambati community

Caguba community

Double Drift

Dwesa Cwebe

KwaZulu Natal

Bhangazi Community

Qhubekani/Mqobokazi Community

Hluhluwe Corridor of hope

Zulu Community

Buthelezi Community

Limpopo

Mangena Sekororo Mamashiane

Ga-MashungMatlala

Tale GaMorudu

Legata

Mabjaneng

Gauteng

Koppieskraal Community

Kafferskraal Community

Mpumalanga

Engelbrecht

Herring

Van huffel

Van der merwe



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Mpumalanga

Mmahlabane Trust /Moutse CPA

Mnisi Community

Moletele CPA

Setlhare Community and 25 Individual Claimants

Injaka CPA

Moutse CPA

Sisonke CPA



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Way Forward

- It is envisaged that the co-management structures shall be partly resourced, during the first 5-year period of existence, through the allocation of departmental Recapitalisation and Development Programme (RADP) funds.
- The allocation of these funds will be based on adequate needs assessments undertaken within these areas and appropriate resource allocations linked thereto.
- This will ensure that adequate institutional support is provided during the period of government assistance, and that institutions are therefore strengthened and capacitated during this same period to undertake their respective mandates post termination of support by the DRDLR.



- DRDLR will continue to engage with Environmental Affairs through joint committee meetings to prioritise the finalisation of these claims on conversation land.
- We will use the lessons learned in settling the 5 prioritised claims so that we can move South Africa forward in collaboration with communities for a sustainable vibrant equitable rural communities.



Thank You



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