ANNEXURE U: AREA 21

OBSERVER FORUM REVIEW OF THE RIGHTS ALLOCATION PROCESS FOR SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES PERMITS

MASTER REPORT

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The below table indicates on a high-level how each part of the process scored for this area. Detailed information for each part of the process can be found in the annexure below.

LOCATION	AREA 21
MOBILISATION COMPLIANCE RATING	56%
DISTRIBUTION COMPLIANCE RATING	80%
CATCH - ALL COMPLIANCE RATING	100%
MOBILISATION FOR RECEIPTING COMPLIANCE RATING	100%
RECEIPTING COMPLIANCE RATING	97%
VERIFICATION COMPLIANCE RATING	100%
AVERAGE COMPLIANCE RATING	89%

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GLOSSARY OF TERMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

CBO Community Bases Organisation

Comms Communications

DFFE Department of Forestry, Fisheries, and the Environment

RoD Reason of Decision

SP Service Provider

SSFM Small-Scale Fisheries Management

SSF Small Scale Fisheries

SE Stakeholder Engagement

1 INTRODUCTION

This chapter will be presented in the following sections:

- Background
- Purpose of the report
- Structure of the report.

1.1 BACKGROUND

In 2016, the former Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries verified approximately eight thousand four hundred and eighty-eight individuals in fishing communities that expressed interest in small-scale fishery. Thereafter, the Department declared two thousand eight hundred and two individual's small-scale fishers. However, after the announcement of declared small-scale fishers, the Department received several complaints implying that the process followed in the Western Cape was unjust and not transparent. The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, Ms Barbara Creecy ("the Minister"), engaged with various fishing communities and other fisheries stakeholders in the Western Cape to note the challenges faced by fishers and to respond to the concerns raised by the fishers. The fishers showed unhappiness about the entire process in the Western Cape. Subsequently to that, the Department decided to launch an audit on the entire process of verifying and registering fishers in the Western Cape. The findings proved that the process in the Western Cape was ambiguous, unfair, and not transparent and thereby recommended that the Minister should start the process afresh.

The audit report further concluded that the verification criteria used were not in line with the Small-Scale Fisheries Policy, the verification form was ambiguous, the community panel members excluded fishers unfairly and deliberately, officials assessing verification information were not consistent, the service provider did not capture information correctly, and the process followed for the Western Cape (WC) was wholly inadequate and unfair. Furthermore, the audit report concluded that the criteria on the verification form were not clear for fishers to understand. The verification form allowed for inconsistent information and confusion to fishers who were completing the form without assistance. The Criteria (SSF Regulation 4 (1)) were not defined, hence a possibility of ambiguity. In redoing the process, the Department is determined to ensure consistency; hence, the appointment of an observer committee, which will include the recognised Community-Based Organisations (CBOs).

This project involves the observation of the mobilisation, distribution, receipting and verification processes of Small-Scale Fishers in the Western Cape. The purpose of the observer forum is to observe that all processes are adhered to in the manner outlined in the implementation plan. The implementation plan with an additional checklist can be found below.

Delta Built Environment Consultants (Delta BEC) was appointed to ensure the management of the observer committee as well as the documentation, processing and reporting on any documentation that emanates from the observer committee's duties.

1.2 PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report aims to give the reader feedback as to how well the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment did with following the due procedure set out to issue individuals with small-scale fishing permits fairly. The high-level process that was followed is as follows:

- Step 1: Mobilisation
- Step 2: Distribution
- Step 3: Catch-All Distribution
- Step 4: Mobilisation for Receipting
- Step 5: Receipting
- Step 6: Verification (3 Phases).

Steps 3 and 4 were not part of the original process; these processes were added after step 2 by DFFE as a necessity. The catch-all distribution phase was implemented as DFFE noticed that the number of fishers who collected forms was a lot lower than initially anticipated. The mobilisation for receipting phase was brought in by DFFE for two reasons; firstly, the DFFE wanted to give the fishers who collected during the catch-all phase additional time to get their documentation in order, and secondly, because the fisher representative organisations requested additional time for the fishers to collate their documentation.

Delta BEC is not employed to observe the appeals and final list announcement process. The appeals process will be handled by an external department. Once the appeals process has run its course, the final list will be announced.

The report will include the purpose of each stage, methodology, types of data collected and summaries of the results from the days observed, and detailed checklists and photo evidence will be included as appendices.

1.3 STRUCTURE OF REPORT

The report comprises the following sections:

- Section 2: Approach
- Section 3: Mobilisation
- Section 4: Distribution
- Section 5: Catch-All Distribution
- Section 6: Mobilisation for Receipting
- Section 7: Receipting
- Section 8: Verification
- Section 9: Conclusion

2 APPROACH

The difficulty that the observer forum faces is that the members reside all over the Western Cape and do not have access to office space. Furthermore, the availability of the observers posed a risk as many of the observers are also fishers and, therefore, cannot commit to full-time observing. The solution implemented is one that uses WhatsApp to administer the checklist questions to the observer on the day of the observation. Delta BEC asked the observers a variety of questions throughout the day, to which the relevant observers responded and provided relevant proof for the questions asked. All these conversations and proof received are presented in this report.

3 MOBILISATION

The mobilisation phase of the process refers to the phase where the local fisherman interested in obtaining fishing rights is notified with that the distribution phase (further detailed in section 4) will commence. This communication is done via posters, bulk SMSs and radio broadcasts.

This chapter is detailed in the following sections:

- Overview
- Criteria to be met for distribution to be successful
- Data collected.

3.1 **OVERVIEW**

The table below presents the findings for the planned start date and the actual start date and elaborates on the observer responsible for this location with his/her comments.

Table 3-1: Mobilisation - Planned start vs Actual start

Item	Description
Venue	Ocean View Multipurpose Centre
Planned Start Date	12 September 2022
Actual Start date	12 September 2022, this date is not definite as the DFFE issue Delta BEC with information retrospectively, this date was deduced by looking at the file name of the photo provided. The photo file name is "IMG-20220912-WA0061 Ocean View Multipurpose Center Notice Board".
Data collector	DFFE – No specific person from DFFE observed on the day. The information was received in bulk through Sindisa Sigam.
Effect on applicants	The project is on track to be completed as committed by the department.
Additional Comments	No observer forum had been formed by the time DFFE commenced with mobilisation, therefore, all mobilisation information was received from DFFE officials through pictures which they downloaded from their WhatsApp group chat.

3.2 CRITERIA TO BE MET TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the posters put up, SMSs sent, and radio broadcasts made by DFFE to communicate the initial timelines to the fishers.

3.2.1 POSTER

The posters were put up at various locations in the vicinity of the main centre where fishers could clearly see them. The posters below (Table 3-2) were also made available online through the DFFE website.

Table 3-2: Mobilisation – Poster criteria to be met

#	Criteria To Be Met	Yes/No						
#	Chiteria 10 de Met	Tes/NO						
1	Have posters been designed with the following information:			ENT OF FORESTRY, I	PUBLIC FISHERIES AND THE EN	IVIRONMENT ROLLIN	G OUT WESTERN	
1.1	Visitation schedule	Yes	small-scale fishers in Community member	the Western Cape. The proces	onment (DFFE) is in the process of re s will only be open to the community nal/valid temporary identity documen	members who participated in the i	nitial process in 2016.	· .
1.2	 Location of the venues 	Yes	Community member A template of the pro Notes on the verificatio Verification forms Each verification Gommunit Community memb The DEFE will coil	s must notify the DFFE prior to to xxy letter can be retrieved from the n process are not for sale, orm will have a unique sequency members will be required to via- ers will be given 31 days to com- cet/precive all verification forms	wellings, as per the schedule, valid if into the reparted as valid reasons in the meeting, on the number provided he nearest Fisheries Compliance Off se number and the form should not be it the distribution centres to collect the distribution centres to collect at the register of 1 days at the carrier at the register 31 days at the carrier, which will also be	below, to arrange the authorisation ices of the DFFE. photocopied. heir verification forms. quired documentation.	n of a proxy letter.	
	. Datas and		The process timeline will be	as follows:				
	 Dates and 		COMMUNITY	VENUE	CAPE METR	O REGION ESTIMATED DISTRIBUTION DAT	E DFFE COLLECTION DATE	REGISTRATION TIME
	times for		Gugulethu	Kwezi Hall Kwezi Hall	12 September 2022	26 September 2022	31 October 2022 1 November 2022	09:00-16:00
		.,	Crossroads Nyanga	Kwezi Hall	12 September 2022	27 September 2022	1 November 2022	09:00-16:00
1.3	distribution	Yes	Philippi	Eyethu Community Centre	12 September 2022	26 September 2022	31 October 2022	09:00:16:00
	ام مر ما		Khayelitsha Brackenfell	Bellville South Venue	12 September 2022	27 September 2022	1 November 2022	09:00-16:00
	and		Kraalfontein					
	receipting		Langa Belhar	Phandulwazi Hall Bellville South Venue	12 September 2022 12 September 2022	26 September 2022 27 September 2022	31 October 2022 1 November 2022	09:00-16:00 09:00-16:00
	receipting		Delft					
	 Documents 		Hanover Park Strandfontein	Community Centre Westridge Church Hall	12 September 2022 12 September 2022	27 September 2022 27 September 2022	1 November 2022 1 November 2022	09:00-16:00 09:00-16:00
	Documents		Mitchell's Plain	Westriage Church Hall	12 September 2022	27 September 2022	1 November 2022	09.00-16.00
	required		Retreat	Retreat Hall	12 September 2022	28 September 2022	2 November 2022	09:00-16:00
1.4	•	Yes	Steenberg Lavender Hill / Rondeviel	-				
	for		Grassy Park	Lotus River Primary School	12 September 2022	28 September 2022	2 November 2022	09:00-16:00
	rogistration		Vrygrond Hangberg/ Hout Bay	Green Church Hangberg Civic Centre	12 September 2022 12 September 2022	28 September 2022 28 September 2022	2 November 2022 2 November 2022	09:00-16:00 09:00-16:00
	registration		Imizamo Yethu	Iziko lobomi	12 September 2022	29 September 2022	3 November 2022	09:00-16:00
			Kalk Bay	Holy Trinity Church	12 September 2022	29 September 2022	3 November 2022	09:00-16:00
			Masiphumelele Ocean View	Multipurpose Centre	12 September 2022	29 September 2022	3 November 2022	09:00-16:00
			Red Hill	Red Hill Community Centre	12 September 2022	29 September 2022	3 November 2022	09:00-16:00
			Macassar Sir Lowry's Pass	Macassar Hall Library	12 September 2022 12 September 2022	30 September 2022 30 September 2022	4 November 2022 4 November 2022	09:00-16:00 09:00-16:00
			Gordon's Bay	Dr Jouberg School	12 September 2022	30 September 2022	4 November 2022	09:00-16:00
			Strand Mbekweni (Paarl)	Mbekweni Community Hall	12 September 2022	30 September 2022	4 November 2022	09:00-16:00
1.5	 That forms are free 	Yes		sase contact 021 402 3614. RTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISH	HERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT		Call centre	: +27 86 111 2468
			Fisheries and the Environmen	@ EnvironmentZA	EnvironmentZA	@Department of Environmental Affairs	www.	dffe.gov.za

2	Were the posters put up at the venue and other locations as stated?	N/A	This image was supplied retrospectively by DFFE and has been placed here under the assumption that they have supplied the correct image
3	Were the poster put up 2 weeks prior to the distribution phase date?	N/A	

3.2.2 BULK SMS'S

The SMSs were meant to be broadcast to let fishers know about the distribution and receipting process that will take place in the community. The below table indicates the criteria which the DFFE needs to meet to prove that the SMSs were sent and that the correct information was shared.

Table 3-3: Mobilisation - Bulk SMS's criteria to be met

	CRITERIA TO BE MET	YES/NO
1	Have SMSs been sent with the following information:	
1.1	Visitation schedule	No
1.2	Location of the venues	No
1.3	 Dates and times for distribution and receipting 	No
1.4	 Documents required for registration 	No
1.5	That forms are free	No

	CRITERIA TO BE MET	YES/NO
2	Was proof provided that the SMS's were sent to the applicants of the area?	No

3.2.3 RADIO BROADCAST

The radio message was to be broadcast to let fishers know about the distribution and receipting process that will take place in the community. The below table indicates the criteria which the DFFE needs to meet to prove that the radio broadcast was made and that the correct information was shared.

Table 3-4: Mobilisation - Radio broadcast criteria to be met

	CRITERIA TO BE MET	YES/NO	
1	Radio broadcast communicated the following:		
1.1	Visitation schedule	No	
1.2	Location of the venues	No	
1.3	 Dates and times for distribution and receipting 	No	
1.4	Documents required for registration	No	
1.5	That forms are free	No	
2	Was a copy of the broadcast message provided?	No	
3	Was a letter from the radio station provided stating the dates the message aired?		
4	Is there correspondence from DFFE to the radio stations?	No	

3.3 DATA COLLECTED:

This section presents the evidence collected in the form of photos and letters from various service providers.

Table 3-5: Mobilisation - Data collected

DATA COLLECTED	YES/NO
Observer forum feedback forms	No
Letters from various service providers	No

3.3.1 OBSERVER FORUM FEEDBACK FORMS

The observer forum had not yet been established when DFFE commenced with the mobilisation phase. The DFFE noted that they are comfortable to commence with mobilisation without the observer forum present and opted to provide the proof themselves. Due to this no observer forum feedback forms were generated.

3.3.2 LETTERS FROM VARIOUS SERVICE PROVIDERS

Delta BEC requested the DFFE to submit letters from the service providers of the radio station and the SMS broadcasting; these letters will serve as proof of services rendered in a certain area on a certain date and convey the relevant information. This would assist DFFE in providing evidence that protocol was followed, as the observer forum was not established by the time these services were to be rendered.

The DFFE has not retrospectively provided Delta BEC with letters or correspondence from various service providers as proof of sending out SMSs and broadcasting on the radio.

4 DISTRIBUTION

The distribution phase of the process refers to the distribution of application forms to the interested fishers who wish to obtain small-scale fishing licenses. The distribution of the licenses is limited to the applicants who applied for fishing licenses during the 2016 process. This chapter of the reports details the findings from observing the process under the following sections:

- Overview
- Criteria to be met for distribution to be successful
- WhatsApp Messages

4.1 **OVERVIEW**

The table below presents the findings for the planned start date and the actual start date of the distribution process and elaborates on the observer responsible for this location with his/her comments.

Table 4-1: Distribution - Planned start vs Actual start

ITEM	DESCRIPTION			
Venue	Ocean View Multipurpose Centre			
Planned Start Date	29/09/2022			
Actual Start Date	29/09/2022			
Data collector	Gregg Louw – Observer Forum			
Effect on applicants	The project is on track to be completed as committed by t department			
Additional Comments	The observer had to leave early due to a personal emergency.			

4.2 CRITERIA TO BE MET FOR DISTRIBUTION TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the questions asked to the observers via WhatsApp and captures their responses in a table format.

Table 4-2: Distribution -Criteria to be met

		-Criteria to be i	
#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
1	Did the DFFE arrange a venue and date for the collection of verification forms?	Yes	
2	Did the venue open on time?	No	The observer arrived late but was informed that the venue only opened at 10:00am.
3	Has an attendance register been signed by all parties including the observer forum?	Yes	SSF REFORM AND THE PROPERTY OF

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
4	On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers how to fill in the forms?	Yes	
5	On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers that forms can be filled in on the day of verification?	Yes	GCC CCC SSA

4.3 WHATSAPP MESSAGES

A WhatsApp group was created specifically for the Ocean View Multipurpose Centre to report on the observations made during the day of the distribution process. The conversations held on the WhatsApp group is presented below (Figure 4-1, indicating the correspondence received from the observer for the distribution process.

2022/09/23, 14:42 - Messages and calls are end-to-end encrypted. No one outside of this chat, not even WhatsApp, can read or listen to them. Tap to learn more.

2022/09/23, 14:42 - Isaac created group "Ocean View OF"

2022/09/23, 14:42 - Isaac added you

2022/09/27, 15:58 - Isaac added +27 71 414 0671

2022/09/29, 08:41 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Good Morning, this group will be used for communication regarding this venue (Name of the group) and the distribution process taking place here today. We will be asking a series of Yes/No questions, please answer them accordingly. In between the questions we will be asking for photos and be giving space to raise concerns, please answer these questions when prompted.

2022/09/29, 09:05 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Hi Dezire, I see you have sent out the general message, but there is no observer. Who will be observing this venue?

2022/09/29, 09:10 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Issac add please

2022/09/29, 09:21 - Isaac added Gregg Louw

2022/09/29, 09:27 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Good Morning, this group will be used for communication regarding this venue (Name of the group) and the distribution process taking place here today. We will be asking a series of Yes/No questions, please answer them accordingly. In between the questions we will be asking for photos and be giving space to raise concerns, please answer these questions when prompted.

2022/09/29, 09:29 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Gregg are are you at the venue?

2022/09/29, 09:29 - Gregg Louw: No

2022/09/29, 09:30 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Thank you let me know when you are and I will ask key questions

2022/09/29, 09:31 - Gregg Louw: Ok

2022/09/29, 09:35 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Gregg will be at the venue in about 30-40 minutes. Please check in on him.

2022/09/29, 09:37 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Yes he informed me

2022/09/29, 10:23 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Hi Gregg, are you at the venue?

2022/09/29, 10:24 - Gregg Louw: Not yet.

2022/09/29, 10:24 - Fritz - Delta BEC: When will you be there?

2022/09/29, 10:25 - Gregg Louw: Going via Constantia over Ou Kaap drive.

2022/09/29, 11:02 - Gregg Louw: Getting into Oceanview.

2022/09/29, 11:07 - Gregg Louw: I'm here and just got told that it was open at 10h00

2022/09/29, 11:08 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Thank you for informing us

2022/09/29, 11:09 - Gregg Louw: Venue

2022/09/29, 11:09 - +27 71 414 0671: That is correct. The venue in Ocean View opened at 10am. We were told that the City of Cape Town person we spoke to to book the venue did not indicate the time to the people on the ground. So they allowed other people to use the venue until 10am.

2022/09/29, 11:10 - Gregg Louw: Ok

2022/09/29, 11:10 - Gregg Louw: I'm here

2022/09/29, 11:10 - Desire - Deltz BEC: I assume then venue was opened late? Yes or no

2022/09/29, 11:13 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/09/29, 11:14 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Gregg, What's the attendance register signed. By all including you?

2022/09/29, 11:15 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Yes or no

2022/09/29, 11:16 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/09/29, 11:18 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Can you sent me picture

2022/09/29, 11:19 - Gregg Louw: I can take a picture but will not be able to send immediately.

2022/09/29, 11:20 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Okay sent when you able

2022/09/29, 11:21 - Gregg Louw: I can only do this via my laptop.

2022/09/29, 11:22 - Desire - Deltz BEC: What do you mean? Take picture of the register and sent as picture on the grup

2022/09/29, 11:22 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Group I mean

2022/09/29, 11:25 - Gregg Louw: Phone can not download

2022/09/29, 11:45 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Please ask the DFF official to take a picture of the attendance register

2022/09/29, 11:47 - Gregg Louw: Cool

2022/09/29, 11:54 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Is the Government officials explaining how to complete the forms ? Yes or no

2022/09/29, 11:55 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/09/29, 11:57 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Can you sent me pictures

2022/09/29, 12:03 - Gregg Louw: Only later as I need to do it via my laptop. Problem is that my phone does not upload

2022/09/29, 12:23 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Okay I will advise the alternative shortly

2022/09/29, 12:25 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Please ask the Government officials to sent us pictures

2022/09/29, 12:26 - Gregg Louw: Did tel them

2022/09/29, 12:27 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Who did you speak to so we know?

2022/09/29, 12:27 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Name

2022/09/29, 12:27 - Gregg Louw: Give me 10min as they all busy

2022/09/29, 12:27 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Okay

2022/09/29, 12:28 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Is the Government officials explaining how to complete forms? Yes or no

2022/09/29, 12:28 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/09/29, 12:29 - Desire - Deltz BEC: On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers that forms can be filled on the day of verification? Yes or no

2022/09/29, 12:29 - Desire - Deltz BEC: IMG-20220929-WA0040.jpg (file attached)

2022/09/29, 12:29 - Desire - Deltz BEC: You deleted this message

2022/09/29, 12:29 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/09/29, 12:30 - Desire - Deltz BEC: On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers that forms can be filled on the day of verification? Yes or no

2022/09/29, 12:32 - Gregg Louw: There are 3 stations, 2 that explained how to complete the forms English and Xhosa and 1 station does registration.

2022/09/29, 12:42 - Gregg Louw: Luyanda, Monray and Puteng

2022/09/29, 12:45 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Thank you, we will get the attendance register and pictures from them, right ?

2022/09/29, 13:00 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0047.jpg (file attached)

Images from Gregg, Observing Ocean View

2022/09/29, 13:00 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0048.jpg (file attached)

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2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0049.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0050.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0051.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0052.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0053.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0054.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0055.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0056.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:01 - +27 71 414 0671: IMG-20220929-WA0057.jpg (file attached)
2022/09/29, 13:27 - Desire - Deltz BEC: Is there additional information you like to bring
to our attention?
2022/09/29, 13:27 - Gregg Louw: Not really. It's slow now.
2022/09/29, 13:57 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Hi Gregg, is there a reason you need to leave at
3:30? We would prefer if your were able to commit until the process is finished for the
2022/09/29, 14:03 - Gregg Louw: Got an emergency at home and I told them that I will
come as soon as I can.
2022/09/29, 14:08 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Noted.
2022/09/29, 14:08 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Please just let us know when you leave the venue
2022/09/29, 14:12 - Gregg Louw: I will.
2022/09/29, 15:32 - Gregg Louw: I'm leaving now. Need to go.
2022/09/29, 16:13 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Thanks Gregg
2022/09/29, 16:22 - Gregg Louw: Sorry that I could not stay till the end
2022/09/29, 16:23 - Fritz - Delta BEC: No Problem
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Figure 4-1: WhatsApp conversation, evidence for Error! Reference source not found. item 1,2,3,4 and 5

4.4 ISSUES RAISED

The table below is included to highlight any specific issued raised by the observer during this process. No issues were identified to be raised.

Table 4-3: Distribution -Data collected

ISSUES RAISED	SORTED OUT ON THE DAY (YES/NO)
Venue opened at 10:00am, the observer arrived late and was informed that the venue had opened late.	N/A

5 CATCH-ALL DISTRIBUTION

During the distribution phase DFFE noted that the number of forms collected were low compared to the number of applicants from 2016. The DFFE noted that this was due to varying reasons but wanted to give fishers another chance to collect. As a result, DFFE ran a second distribution phase, this distribution phase did not go to each venue, but went to central venues in the larger regions where fishers from surrounding areas could collect their forms. The dates of this process were advertised via SMS's. This chapter of the reports detail the findings from observing the process under the following sections:

- Overview
- Criteria to be met for distribution to be successful
- Data collected

5.1 OVERVIEW

The table below presents the findings for the venue, date, and data collector of the catch-all distribution process.

Table 5-1: Catch-All Distribution - Date and Venue

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Venue	Foretrust Building – DFFE offices
Date	17 October 2022
Data Collection	Grace Adams – Observer Forum

5.2 CRITERIA TO BE MET FOR CATCH-ALL DISTRIBUTION TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the questions asked to the observers via WhatsApp and captures their responses in a table format.

Table 5-2: Distribution -Criteria to be met

#	Criteria To Be Met	WhatsApp Evidence (Yes/No)	Photo Evidence
1	Did the DFFE arrange a venue and date for the collection of verification forms?	Yes	FORETRUST
2	Did the venue open on time?	Yes	As above in item 1 and as per the WhatsApp conversation in section 5.3
3	Has an attendance register been signed by all parties including the observer forum?	Yes	Detr. (7/E/D2) NAME DATE CONSISTE AND SET OF CONSISTE OF SHORE OF SET O

#	Criteria To Be Met	WhatsApp Evidence (Yes/No)	Photo Evidence
4	On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers how to fill in the forms?	Yes	
5	On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE members explain to fishers that forms can be filled in on the day of verification?	Yes	

5.3 WHATSAPP MESSAGES

A WhatsApp group was created specifically for the Sharon Assembly of God to report on the observations made during the day of the catch-all distribution process. The conversations held on the WhatsApp group is presented below, indicating the correspondence received from the observer for the distribution process.

Table 5-3: Catch-All Distribution - WhatsApp messages

2022/10/17, 08:49 - Messages and calls are end-to-end encrypted. No one outside of this chat, not even WhatsApp, can read or listen to them. Tap to learn more.

2022/10/17, 08:49 - You created group "Fortrust Building"

2022/10/17, 08:56 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Good Morning *Grace*, this group will be used for communication regarding this venue *Fortrust Building*, and the distribution process taking place here today. We will be asking a series of *Yes/No* questions, please answer them accordingly. In between the questions we will be asking for photos and be giving space to raise concerns, please answer these questions when prompted.

2022/10/17, 08:56 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are you at the venue?

2022/10/17, 08:58 - Grace Millicent joined using your invite

2022/10/17, 09:15 - Fritz - Delta BEC: Please give Grace a call, or go to where the process is to see if she is there

2022/10/17, 09:16 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Grace was here by us at 6th floor... she will respond. I did call her

2022/10/17, 09:20 - Grace Millicent: Good day Fritz I am here

2022/10/17, 09:21 - Grace Millicent: I was on 3rd and 6th floor.

2022/10/17, 09:21 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Good Morning *Grace*, this group will be used for communication regarding this venue *Fortrust Building*, and the distribution process taking place here today. We will be asking a series of *Yes/No* questions, please answer them accordingly. In between the questions we will be asking for photos and be giving space to raise concerns, please answer these questions when prompted.

2022/10/17, 09:21 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are you at the venue?

2022/10/17, 09:22 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 09:26 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 09:52 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0001.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 09:52 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0003.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 09:53 - Grace Millicent: I don't get signal inside

2022/10/17, 10:06 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0005.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 10:07 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:08 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 10:10 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Did the DFFE arrange a venue and date for the collection of verification forms? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:11 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 10:13 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 10:16 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0006.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 10:16 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0007.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 10:21 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:23 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 10:34 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Did the process commence on time? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:36 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 10:36 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 10:37 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0008.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 10:41 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:45 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 10:56 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Has the attendance register been signed by all parties including the observer forum? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 10:58 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 11:12 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 11:22 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0009.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 11:22 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0012.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 11:22 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0010.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 11:22 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0011.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 11:24 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 11:24 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 11:31 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Does the department have a list with all the names of all the fisher's from 2016? And are verification forms being handed out to the fisher's on the list? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 11:32 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 12:27 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 13:02 - Grace Millicent: This message was deleted

2022/10/17, 13:03 - Grace Millicent: This message was deleted

2022/10/17, 13:23 - Grace Millicent: Everyone that applied are not on this list that I send. Successful and unsuccessful. But those that applied came and fetch a form.

2022/10/17, 13:38 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Does the department have a list with all the names of all the fisher's from 2016? And are verification forms being handed out to the fisher's on the list? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:39 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0012.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 13:39 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 13:40 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:43 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 13:43 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:44 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 13:47 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE member's explain to fishers how to fill in the forms? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:48 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 13:48 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 13:49 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0014.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 13:49 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0015.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 13:50 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:50 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 13:53 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: On the date of verification form collection, did the DFFE member's explain to fishers that forms can be filled in on the day of verification? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:53 - Grace Millicent: Yes

2022/10/17, 13:53 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Please send a photo

2022/10/17, 13:55 - Grace Millicent: IMG-20221017-WA0016.jpg (file attached)

2022/10/17, 13:55 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: Are there any further comments or concerns regarding the above question? Yes or No

2022/10/17, 13:55 - Grace Millicent: No

2022/10/17, 13:58 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: IMG-20221007-WA0115.jpg (file attached)

Hi Grace if there are any changes throughout the day, kindly inform us

2022/10/17, 13:59 - Zukiswa - Delta BEC: That's the end of the session..thank you so much for taking part in the data collection process.

2022/10/17, 14:05 - Grace Millicent: 👍



6 MOBILISATION FOR RECEIPTING

During the distribution phase, the DFFE noted that they got multiple requests from fisher Non-profit Organisation's (NPO) to extend the time between the distribution and receipting dates. The NPOs noted that the fishers required more time to get their supporting documentation together. The DFFE agreed to push the receipting dates out and, in turn, proceeded to arrange a mobilisation for receipting process. The mobilisation for the receipting process included going to the venues and putting up posters that advertised the new dates for the receipting process.

Delta BEC was put on WhatsApp groups with DFFE members who would send photos of the posters at the venues as evidence that it has been put up.

6.1 **OVERVIEW**

The table below presents the findings for the venue, the originally planned start date and the updated planned start date of the mobilisation for the receipting process.

Table 6-1: Mobilisation for Receipting - Overview of the process

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Venue	Ocean View Multipurpose Centre
Date new poster was put up	25/11/2022
Original Planned Start Date	03/11/2022
Updated Planned Start Date	06/12/2022

6.2 **NEW POSTER**

The below poster (Figure 6-1) is the new poster that advertised the updated date that receipting will take place Figure 6-1 shows the digital poster, whereas Figure 6-2 shows the physical poster in the areas.

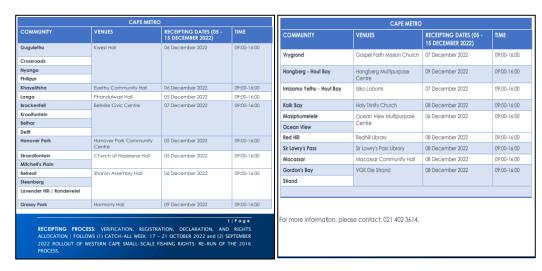


Figure 6-1: Mobilisation for Receipting - New poster



Figure 6-2: Mobilisation for Receipting – Poster at venue

7 RECEIPTING

7.1 OVERVIEW

The table below presents the findings for the planned start date and the actual start date and elaborates on the observer responsible for this location with his/her comments.

Table 7-1: Receipting - Planned start vs Actual start

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Venue	Ocean View Civic Hall
Original Planned Start Date	03/11/2022
Updated Planned Start Date	06/12/2022
Actual Start Date	06/12/2022
Data collector	Gregg Louw – Observer Forum
Effect on applicants	The project is delayed according to the original start date which means that the applicants will have to wait longer to know the outcome of the process and whether they will be receiving a permit.
	The delay was caused by fisher representing organisations requesting to have more time for the fishers to fill in the forms.
Additional Comments	Due the fisher organisations requests to move the receipting dates later, DFFE implemented a mobilisation for receipting process whereby they went to the area and put-up new posters indicating the new dates. The above "Updated Start Date" refers to the new start date according to the updated dates. On the day of receipting, the venue changed to
	the Ocean View Civic Hall.

7.2 CRITERIA TO BE MET FOR RECEIPTING TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the questions asked to the observers via WhatsApp and captures their responses in a table format.

Table 7-2: Receipting - Criteria to be met

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
1	Was the venue opened at 08:30?	Yes	DCAN VIEW Company Hall The Covers April
2	Is there an attendance register for the DFFE team and observer forum?	Yes	SSF RIGHTS ALLOCATIONS: ATTENDANCE REGISTER Date: Venue: NAME Date: CAPE LO COMPANY CAPE LO LO COMPANY CAPE LO LO COMPANY NOMEN OF 12 2022 CAPE LO LO COMPANY CAPE LO COMPANY
3	Have you signed the attendance register? (Send a Photo of the register you and the service provider signed)	Yes	See above item 2

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
4	Is there an attendance register for the fishers to sign?	Yes	Company Comp
5	Are there electronic and paper copies of the registered fishers?	Yes	See above item 4 for the paper copy
6	Is there an electronic checklist?	Yes	

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
7	Is there a stamp pad for complete or incomplete forms?	Yes	N/A
8	Are there receipt books?	Yes	See below item 22
9	Are there laptops set up?	Yes	See above item 6
10	Do the laptops have internet connection? (Ask the laptop operator to open google)	Yes	See above item 6
11	Is there a video camera set up?	Yes	N/A
12	Are there clearly labelled boxes for storing the applications?	Yes	Tidy Files Filing tolutions OCENN VIEW CM - OCM Fixerys QTY As Grey Container Copyright Ref. 07005

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
13	Has the service provider explained the procedure of the day to the fishers?	Yes	
14	Are fishers being guided to data capturers?	Yes	The state of the s
15	Are the data capturers friendly?	Yes	N/A

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
16	Are fishers' forms being marked with a big "R" if they are registered on the database?	No	N/A
17	Are the data capturers going through the applications to ensure that they are complete?	Yes	N/A
18	Are the data capturers adding a thumbprint where applicants have not signed?	Yes	N/A
19	Are the data capturers filling in the electronic checklist?	Yes	See above item 6
20	Are the data capturers stamping either "COMPLETE" or "INCOMPLETE" on fishers' forms after checking them?	Yes	N/A

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE
21	Are data capturers completing the first part of the fisher's application forms?	Yes	Small-Scale Fishers Verification Form Tick If completed. Region Commonty Diff Cutture Selection: Photo taken: Photo taken: Photo date: Photo taken: Photo of Date: Signed or thumbprine taken: This FORM is PROVIDED FREE OF CHARGE AND MUST NOT BE SOLD If you are able to do on, phase complete all accitions and bring it with you when you make your application. Application must be made in parasis on the specified day.
22	Are fishers being issued with receipts? Sporadically check that the receipt number matches the one on their form.	Yes	Forestry, fisheries & the environment Sequence Number: Se
23	Are the data capturers stapling all the fisher's documentation?	Yes	N/A

#	CRITERIA TO BE MET	WHATSAPP EVIDENCE (YES/NO)	PHOTO EVIDENCE			
24	Are the data capturers placing the stapled documentation in the labelled box next to them?	Yes	Tay Files (XENN View CM OC M Figures that 1983			
25	Are there Stowie-M and DFFE team leaders assisting and explaining to the fishers how the process work and facilitating any questions?	Yes	N/A			
26	Did the venue close at 16:00?	No	Fishers were still being assisted after 16:00			

7.3 WHATSAPP MESSAGES

A WhatsApp group was created specifically for the Ocean View Multipurpose Centre to report on the observations made during the day of the receipting process. The conversations held on the WhatsApp group is presented below (Table 7-3: Receipting - WhatsApp), indicating the correspondence received from the observer for the receipting process.

Table 7-3: Receipting - WhatsApp

2022/11/30, 09:46 - Messages and calls are end-to-end encrypted. No one outside of this chat, not even WhatsApp, can read or listen to them. Tap to learn more.

2022/11/30, 09:46 - You created group "Ocean View Receipting"

2022/11/30, 10:01 - You added Sindisa

2022/11/30, 11:16 - You added Gregg Louw

2022/12/05, 10:18 - Fritz - Delta BEC: @27626043722 , we would just like to confirm your attendance in advance at Ocean View for Tomorrow @ 08:30. Thank you for your participation.

2022/12/05, 12:33 - Gregg Louw: Best 14h00

2022/12/05, 12:34 - Gregg Louw: They can just come down

2022/12/05, 12:35 - Gregg Louw: Wrong chat

2022/12/05, 13:22 - Gregg Louw: How will the costs be covered as I need to go twice through the toll gate at R57 per trip and petrol? Pls let me know asp.

2022/12/06, 08:34 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Morning Gregg

Are you at the venue? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 08:40 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 08:41 - Gregg Louw: Just arrived

2022/12/06, 08:53 - Gregg Louw: Venue has changed to Oceanview Civic hall

2022/12/06, 08:54 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 08:54 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Hi Observer Team, thank you for serving your community by agreeing to observe today. This group will be used for communication regarding the venue OCEAN VIEW MULTIPURPOSE, and the receipting process taking place here today. We will be asking a series of "Yes"/"No" questions, please answer them when prompted. In between the questions we will be asking for photos and be giving opportunity to raise concerns, please answer these questions when prompted. They are important for the adequate observation of the DFFE processes.

Please remember that you as the observer are only there to observe and not to make decisions on who gets accepted or not. Please report any concerns via the WhatsApp group so that DFFE can be notified and try rectify or address the concern as soon as possible.

2022/12/06, 08:54 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Thank you for the update

2022/12/06, 09:07 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Was the venue opened at 08:30? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 09:10 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 09:10 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:12 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:12 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:13 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:16 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:29 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:34 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there an attendance register for the DFFE team and observer forum? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 09:34 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 09:36 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Have you signed the attendance register? (Send a Photo of the register you signed) Yes or No

2022/12/06, 09:37 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 09:38 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:38 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there an attendance register for the fishers to sign? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 09:39 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 09:40 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Sent me a photo

2022/12/06, 09:42 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:42 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:44 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are there electronic and paper copies of the registered fishers? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 09:50 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 09:51 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: sent me an picture

2022/12/06, 09:56 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 09:56 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

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2022/12/06, 10:04 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there an electronic checklist? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:09 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:10 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there a stamp pad for complete or incomplete forms? Yes
or No
2022/12/06, 10:11 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:12 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are there receipt books? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:15 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:15 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are there laptops set up? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:15 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:21 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Do the laptops have internet connection? (Ask the laptop
operator to open Google) Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:23 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:25 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there a video camera set up? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:26 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:28 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are there clearly labelled boxes for storing the applications?
Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:29 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:30 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Sent me a photo
2022/12/06, 10:32 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 10:33 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Has the service service provider explained the procedure of
the day to the fishers? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:34 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:35 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Sent me and a photo
2022/12/06, 10:35 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 10:36 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are fishers being guided to data capturers? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:36 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 10:36 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Send a photo
2022/12/06, 10:37 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 10:38 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers friendly? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 10:38 - Gregg Louw: Yes
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2022/12/06, 10:40 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are fishers forms being marked with a big "R" if they are registered on the database? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 10:43 - Gregg Louw: No

2022/12/06, 10:46 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Send me the photo

2022/12/06, 10:47 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 10:57 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers going through the applications to ensure that they are complete? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 10:59 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:00 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers adding a thumbprint where applicants have not signed? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:03 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:03 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers filling in the electronic checklist? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:06 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:06 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers stamping either "COMPLETE" or "INCOMPLETE" on fishers forms after checking it? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:07 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:27 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are data capturers competing the first part of the fishers application forms? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:42 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:43 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are fishers being issued with receipts? Sporadically check that the receipt number matches the one on their form. Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:44 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:44 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: send a photo

2022/12/06, 11:44 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>

2022/12/06, 11:45 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers stapling all the fishers documentation? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:45 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:46 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Are the data capturers placing the stapled documentation in the labelled box next to them? Yes or No

2022/12/06, 11:47 - Gregg Louw: Yes

2022/12/06, 11:52 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Send a photo

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2022/12/06, 11:53 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 11:56 - Gregg Louw: Battery running low. Will put phone on charge for 30min
2022/12/06, 11:57 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: No am almost done
2022/12/06, 11:57 - Gregg Louw: Ok
2022/12/06, 11:57 - Gregg Louw: I'll hang in
2022/12/06, 11:57 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Sent me the photo of the venue onsite
2022/12/06, 11:58 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 11:59 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there any issues you want to bring under my attention?
Yes or No
2022/12/06, 12:00 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 12:00 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is there any issues you want to bring under my attention?
Yes or No
2022/12/06, 12:01 - Gregg Louw: Yes
2022/12/06, 12:02 - Gregg Louw: Do the applicants need a ID photo as on the 1st page of their
form?
2022/12/06, 12:03 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 12:03 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: No dear this is not relevant. Only Share if there is problem
you want to bring under my attention? Yes or No
2022/12/06, 12:04 - Gregg Louw: No
2022/12/06, 12:06 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: The question below you must answer this afternoon
2022/12/06, 12:06 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Did the venue close at 16:00?
2022/12/06, 12:06 - Gregg Louw: Ok
2022/12/06, 16:03 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Did the venue close at 16:00?
2022/12/06, 16:05 - Gregg Louw: No
2022/12/06, 16:07 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: You deleted this message
2022/12/06, 16:09 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
2022/12/06, 16:09 - Gregg Louw: < Media omitted>
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2022/12/06, 16:10 - Dezire - Deltz BEC: Is the venue opened or closed at 16:00

2022/12/06, 16:12 - Gregg Louw: Open

2022/12/06, 16:13 - Gregg Louw: Venue is still open at 16h00

7.4 ISSUES RAISED

Table 7-4: Distribution -Data collected

ISSUES RAISED	SORTED OUT ON THE DAY YES/NO
On the day of receipting the observer team was notified that the venue changed to the Ocean View Civic Hall	DEEF to comment
Applications were not marked with and "R" if they were registered	No, DFFE to comment

8 VERIFICATION

8.1 OVERVIEW

The verification process is where the DFFE team goes through each application to assess whether they are successful or not. The successful applicants then get placed on a list, whereas the unsuccessful applicants will receive reason of decision (RoD) letters and get the opportunity to appeal.

The protocol that the DFFE team issued to be followed was initially changed in January 2023. The updated protocol indicates that there will no longer be a moderation team and that there will only be assessment and quality control teams.

The DFFE noted that they have set out two weeks to complete the verification process and issue the successful applicants list. It should be noted that the DFFE team was not able to complete the verification process in the timeframe they had initially set out to.

Initially, the DFFE was going to have 3 teams to assess applications. On the day the process commenced, the DFFE indicated that they would have 6 teams.

8.2 OBSERVER FORUM INVOLVEMENT

DFFE specifically noted that they would prefer to have Delta BEC employees as observers due to the sensitive nature of the information that is being reviewed. Due to budgetary constraints, the Delta BEC is unable to observe after 10 February 2023.

It has been noted that the DFFE team will continue to record all the sessions through Stowie-M who is providing a recording service.

8.3 ASSESSMENT TEAM

The table below presents the findings for the region, start date, and end date and elaborates on the observer responsible for this location with his/her comments.

Table 8-1: Verification-Overview

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Region	CBD
Actual Start Date	25 January 2023
End Date	Delta BEC's appointment ends on 10 February 2023. DFFE will continue with the verification process.
Observer	Delta BEC

8.3.1 CRITERIA TO BE MET FOR THE VERIFICATION PHASE TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the questions asked to the observers via WhatsApp and captures their responses in a table format.

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DATE	TEAM	OBSERVER	ATTENDANCE*	CHECKING COMPLETENESS*	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM MARKING THE VERIFICATION FORMS AS EITHER "COMPLETE" OR "INCOMPLETE"?	SUCCESSFUL OR UNSUCCESSFUL*	RESERVED APPLICATIONS*	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM PROVIDING DETAILED REASONS FOR THE OUTCOMES OF THE APPLICATIONS?	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM CAPTURING ALL INFORMATION AND OUTCOMES ON AN ELECTRONIC DATABASE FOR EVERY APPLICANT, COMMUNITY AND REGION?
25-JAN-23	TEAM: 1, 2, 3	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
26-JAN-23	TEAM 2	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
27-JAN-23	TEAM 2	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
30-JAN-23	TEAM 2A	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
31-JAN-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
01-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
02-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
03-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
06-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
07-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B		YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

DATE	TEAM	OBSERVER	ATTENDANCE*	CHECKING COMPLETENESS*	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM MARKING THE VERIFICATION FORMS AS EITHER "COMPLETE" OR "INCOMPLETE"?	SUCCESSFUL OR UNSUCCESSFUL*	RESERVED APPLICATIONS*	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM PROVIDING DETAILED REASONS FOR THE OUTCOMES OF THE APPLICATIONS?	IS THE ASSESSMENT TEAM CAPTURING ALL INFORMATION AND OUTCOMES ON AN ELECTRONIC DATABASE FOR EVERY APPLICANT, COMMUNITY AND REGION?
		CHRISTIAAN STORM							
08-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
09-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
10-FEB-23	TEAM 2A	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES
	TEAM 2B	CHRISTIAAN STORM	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	YES

*Attendance	Are the following team members at the assessment day:						
	Team leader (SSFM Deputy Director)						
	Fisheries community development worker (FCDW)						
	Secretariat (Stowie-M)						
	• Observer						
	Ensure the Delta BEC attendance register is signed. There needs to be a new attendance register for every day of the verification process.						
*Checking completeness	Is the DFFE checking the following criteria of the applications?:						
	the verification form is signed by the applicant;						
	all Required Questions (with three asterisk ***) are completed;						
	all required supporting documents in line with the criteria are attached.						
*Successful or unsuccessful	Is the assessment team marking the verification forms as either "Successful" or "Unsuccessful" based on the 4 qualifying criteria as well as the success criteria decided in 1.2?						
	Confirm what the 4 qualifying criteria are.						

SA citizen
 18 years or older
 At least 10 years accumulative experience
 Majority of livelihood should be dependent on small scale fishing

*Reserved applications

Where the assessment team is unable to make a decision whether a verification form is "complete"/"incomplete" or "successful"/"unsuccessful", are they marking those applications as "Reserved"?

8.3.1.1 Comments/Issues

Table 8-2: Comments and Issues

#	DATE	TEAM	COMMENTS/ISSUES
01	25 JAN 2023	TEAMS 1, 2, 3	 The team did not get through the 50 pilot applications as planned. Going through the applications took a lot longer than expected and the team only got through 4. The team discussed potentially difficult scenarios and agreed on how to move forward from them, this was noted on a documented by DFFE.
02	26 JAN 2023	TEAM 1, 2, 3	There was no space for the teams to mark an application either "Complete" or "Incomplete". The observer forum raised this, and Abongile made the adjustment on the google forms.
03	02 FEB 2023	TEAM 1, 2, 3	The team agreed to go through all the applications that were previously marked as unsuccessful. The review of these applications came about due to the change in the "issues to consider" document. The changes came about during a plenary meeting.
04	06 FEB 2023	TEAM 2	Team 2A and 2B shared one FCDW.
05	07 FEB 2023	TEAM 2	Team 2A and 2B shared one FCDW.
06	08 FEB 2023	TEAM 2	Team 2A and 2B shared one FCDW.
07	09 FEB 2023	TEAM 2	Team 2A and 2B shared one FCDW.
08	10 FEB 2023	TEAM 2	Team 2A and 2B shared one FCDW.

8.3.2 DATA COLLECTED:

This section presents the evidence collected in the form of attendance registers, photos, and signed observation checklists.

Table 8-3: Verification - Data collected

#	DATA COLLECTED	YES/NO
1	Attendance register	Yes
2	Photos	Yes
3	Checklist signed by all parties involved	Yes

8.3.2.1 Attendance register

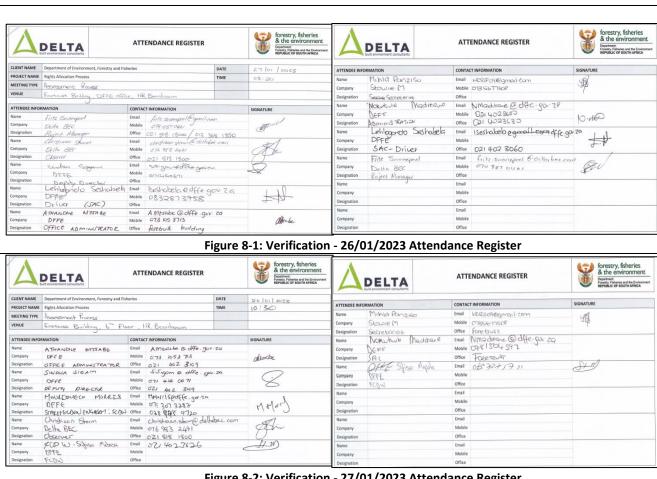


Figure 8-2: Verification - 27/01/2023 Attendance Register



Figure 8-3: Verification - 30/01/2023 Team 2A
Attendance Register



Figure 8-4: Verification - 30/01/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register



Figure 8-5: Verification - 31/01/2023 Team 2A Attendance Register

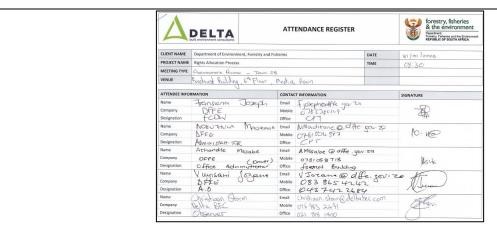


Figure 8-6: 31/01/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register

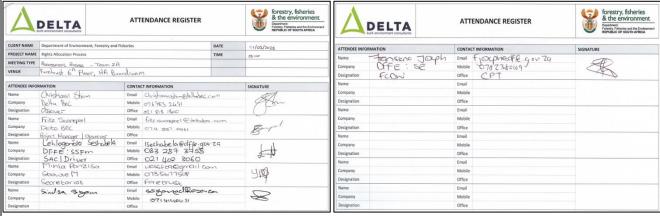


Figure 8-7: Verification - 01/02/2023 Team 2A Attendance Register



Figure 8-8: Verification - 01/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register



Figure 8-10: Verification - 02/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register

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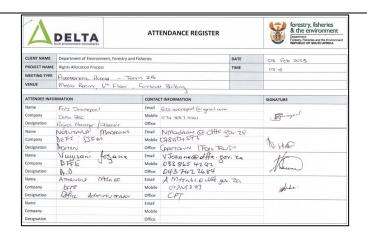


Figure 8-12: Verification - 03/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register



Figure 8-13: Verification - 06/02/2023 Team 2A Attendance Register



Figure 8-14: Verification - 06/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register



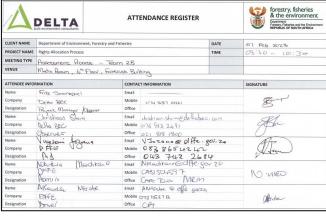


Figure 8-16: Verification - 07/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register



Figure 8-17: Verification - 08/02/2023 Team 2A Attendance Register

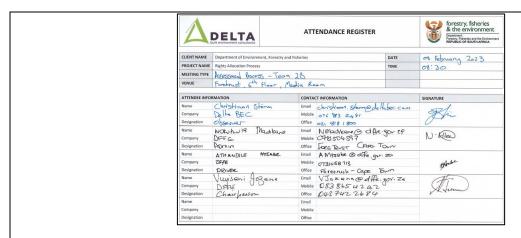


Figure 8-18: Verification - 08/02/2023 Team 2B Attendance Register

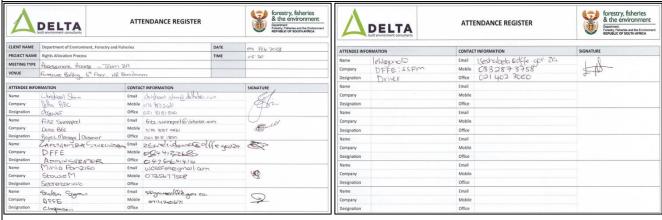
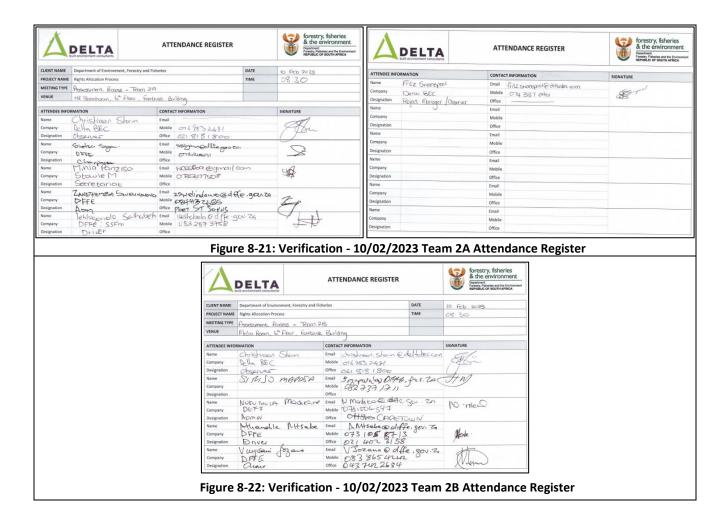


Figure 8-19: Verification - 09/02/2023 Team 2A Attendance Register





8.3.2.2 Photo's

Handed over to DFFE as part of the information pack.

8.3.2.3 Checklist signed by all parties involved

Scanned copies were handed over to DFFE as part of the information pack.

8.4 QUALITY CONTROL TEAM

The quality control process was initially meant to happen every Friday afternoon once the assessment team have finished for the day. This did not happen; on the first two Fridays, the teams had not completed enough applications to warrant the quality control team meeting. The team only met on the third Friday (10/02/2023).

8.4.1 QUALITY CONTROL TEAM

The table below presents the findings for the region, start date and end date and elaborates on the observer responsible for this location with his/her comments.

Table 8-4: Verification—Overview

ITEM	DESCRIPTION
Region	CBD
Actual Start Date	25 January 2023
End Date	Delta BEC's appointment ends on 10 February 2023. The DFFE will continue with the verification process along with Stowie-M.
Observer	Fritz Swanepoel - Delta BEC

8.4.2 CRITERIA TO BE MET FOR THE QUALITY CONTROL TO BE SUCCESSFUL

This section presents the questions asked to the observers via WhatsApp and captures their responses in a table format.

Table	e 8-5:	Verification	n – Quality	control	criteria	to be met

DATE	TEAM	OBSERVER	*ATTENDANCE	IS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM CHECKING A SMALL SAMPLE OF THE APPLICATIONS PROVIDED BY THE ASSESSMENT TEAM?	HOW MANY APPLICATIONS HAS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM BEEN GIVEN TO MAKE FINAL DECISIONS ON?	HOW MANY OF THE APPLICATIONS HAS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM MADE FINAL DECISIONS ON?	IS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM PROVIDING FINAL DECISIONS ON THE APPLICATIONS THAT THEY HAVE BEEN GIVEN?	WHERE THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAMS DECISION DIFFERS FROM THAT OF THE ASSESSMENT TEAM, HAS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM PROVIDED A DETAILED	IS THE QUALITY CONTROL TEAM COMPILING A FINAL LIST OF "SUCCESSFUL" APPLICANTS?	IS THE REASONING FOR WHY APPLICANTS ARE UNSUCCESSFUL BEING COMPILED AND STORED?
25-JAN-23	TEAM: 1, 2,	FRITZ SWANEPOEL	NO	YES	14	0	NO	EXPLANATION? NO	NO	YES

*Attendance	Are the following team members present for the quality control day:			
	Chairperson (SSFML Director)			
	Assessment team leaders (SSFM Deputy Directors)			
	Fisheries community development workers (FCDW) d. Secretariat (Stowie-M)			
	Observer Ensure the Delta BEC attendance register is signed.			
	There needs to be a new attendance register for every day of the verification process			

8.4.2.1 Comments/Issues

Table 8-6: Comments and Issues

#	DATE	TEAM	COMMENTS/ISSUES	
01	10 FEB 2023	TEAM 1, 2, 3	No FCDW's were present	
02	10 FEB 2023	TEAM 1, 2, 3	The quality control team went through the applications that were reserved by the assessment teams. They went through the applications, provided their comment, and then sent it back to the assessment teams to assess again.	

8.4.3 DATA COLLECTED

This section presents the evidence collected in the form of attendance registers, photos, and signed observation checklists.

Table 8-7: Verification - Data collected

#	DATA COLLECTED	YES/NO
1	Attendance register	Yes
2	Checklist signed by all parties involved	Yes

8.4.3.1 Attendance register



8.4.3.2 Checklist signed by all parties involved

Scanned copies handed over to the DFFE.

9 CONCLUSION

This annexure contains the summarised findings collected from the observers during all processes. The findings in this document are not Delta BEC's assumptions, but what was received from the observation teams.