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INVITATION TO ATTEND PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE ALLOCATION OF NETFISH RIGHTS IN AREA 7

Oral hearings will be held by the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism: Branch Marine and Coastal Management concerning the allocation of beach seine rights in Area 7 (Elands Bay). The hearings will be held on Tuesday, 11 July 2006 at the Town Hall, Verlorenvlei, Elandsbay from 09h00 to 11h00.

The topic for discussion will be whether the delegated authority for the allocation of netfish rights, Ms Abeeda Mugjenkar, should allocate rights to two applicants in area 7, both named Jacob Johannes Jacobus van der Westhuizen.

A large number of comments have been received by members of the public regarding this issue when the provisionally successful lists were published for comment. Members of the public and stakeholders are invited to attend and make representations at the meeting.

The hearings will take the following form:

1. Those opposed to the allocation of netfish rights to Messrs Van der Westhuizen will be given the opportunity to make representations from 09h00 and 09h55 (“the first part”).

2. Those in favour of the allocation of netfish rights to Messrs Van der Westhuizen (including the applicants themselves) will be given the opportunity to make representations between 10h05 to 10h00 (“the second part”).

3. While members of the public are invited to attend the first and second parts of the hearings, the representations made in the first part will be summarised and put to the applicants in the second part of the hearings for their response. Those in favour of the allocation of rights to Messrs van der Westhuizen will also be given an opportunity to make representations in the second part of the hearings.

Ms Abeeda Mugjenkar: DELEGATED AUTHORITY : NETFISH SECTOR
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