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PROHIBITION ON THE MAKING OF FIRES IN THE OPEN AIR, THE DESTRUCTION BY BURNING OF GROUND COVER, INCLUDING SLASH, AND THE EXECUTION OF BLOCKBURNS; DISTRICT OF LETABA AND PIETERSBURG.

I, Arnold Michael Muller in my capacity as the Director-General of the Department of Water Affairs and Forestry, hereby declare in terms of section 25(1), (2) and (3) of the Forest Act, 1984 (Act No. 122 of 1984), that in my opinion State Forests or Private Forests in the areas the boundaries of which are indicated in the Schedule A hereto are subject to an extraordinary fire hazards, I therefore-

- direct that in the said area no person shall from 16 August 2002 up to and including 31 October 2002 make a fire in the open air or if such a fire has been made, allow it to continue to burn or add fuel thereto, otherwise than-
 - a) fire made within a demarcated picnic or caravan park or holiday resort, but only at places within such an area which has been specifically prepared or maintained for that purpose: Provided that such fires are properly extinguished with water and / or sand;
 - b) fires for the preparation of food in the residential stand; and
 - c) fires made on residential and industrial stands in proclaimed townships
- hereby direct that in the said area no person shall from 16 August 2002 up to and including 31
 October 2002 destroy by burning any ground cover, including, or slash; and
- hereby direct that in the said area no person shall from 16 August 2002 up to and including 31
 October 2002 clear or maintain a fire belt by burning, or execute blockburns.

Arnold Michael Muller
Director-General

SCHEDULE - DISTRICTS OF LETABA AND PIETERSBURG

Beginning at the northern corner of the property Wagendrift 383 LT on the Mooketsi River in the Magisterial District of Letaba; thence along the middle of the Mooketsi River along the boundaries of the following properties so as to include them in the area. Wagendrift 383 LT, Donkerval 405 LT. Boschhoek 415 LT, Bloemfontein 414 LT, Vaalkrans 413 LT, Deelkraal 412 LT and Ramatoelas Kloof 411 LT, to point where the said river crosses the southern boundary of the property Vreedzaam 822 LS; thence along the middle of the said river over the property Ramatoelas Kloof 411 LT to where the river meets the northern boundary of the property Welgevonden 886 LS in the Magisterial District of Pietersburg so as to include the portion of Ramatoelas Kloof 411 LT to the east of the river in the area; thence north-westwards along the said boundary of the property Welgevonden 886 LS to the north-western corner beacon of the last mentioned property; thence in a general southerly direction along the boundaries of the following properties in the Magisterial District of Pietersburg so as to include them in the area: Welgevonden 886 LS, Lang en Smal 887 LS, Paardedrift 890 LS, Escatre 907 LS, Sterkloop 929 LS, Boschhoek 947 LS, Cloudlands 948 LS, Mphome 949 LS, Monte Christo 953 LS, Drinkwater 982 LS. Sterkfontein 1013 LS, Rietfontein 1029 LS, Reisigersrust 1033 LS, Driekuil 1036 LS, Good Hope 1072 LS, Birghton 1079 LS, Koorndraai 1067 LS, Annies Fortune 1068 LS, Annies Annex 206 KS (Lot 363), Paardevlei 201 KS. Mizpah 214 KS, Helen 219 KS and Rheebokvlei 123 KS, to the south-western corner beacon of the last mentioned property; thence in a general easterly direction along the boundaries of the following properties so as to include them in the area: Rheebokylei 213 KS, Lot 310 of Houtboschberg Goudvelden and Ashmole Dales 211 KS to the south-eastern corner beacon of the last-mentioned property; thence in a general northerly directorate along the eastern boundary of the property Ashmole Dales 211 KS to the south-western corner beacon of the property Klipdraai 3 KT; thence in a straight line over the property Klipdraai 3 KT to the north-eastern corner beacon of the property Ceylon 4 KT so that the portions on the western side of the straight line are included in the area; thence in a general northerly direction along the boundaries of the properties Aden 1 KT and Georges Valley 632 LT to the north-eastern corner beacon of the lastmentioned property so as to include them in the area; thence in a straight line over the property Volkberg 634 LT to the beacon common to the properties Wolkberg 634 LT and Forest Reserve 8 KT and which beacon is the first beacon common boundary north of Trig. Survey Beacon 68 (Serala) so as to include that portion of the property Wolkberg 634 LT to the north of the straight line in the area; thence in a general easterly direction along the western boundary of the property Wolkberg 634 LT to the north-eastern corner beacon to the last-mentioned property; thence along the southern boundary of the property Litswalo 642 LT to the south-western corner beacon of the last-mentioned property so as to include the property in the area; thence in a general southerly direction along the western and southern boundaries of the property Craighead 643 LT to the south - eastern corner beacon of the last-mentioned property; thence in a general northerly direction along the boundaries of the following properties in the Magisterial District of Letaba so as to include them in the area: Craighead 643 LT, Coombe Bank 649 LT, Murle Brook 651 LT, Longridge 608 LT, Vulihva 607 LT, Masimu 571 LT, Sivurahli 560 LT and Ledzee 559 LT. to the point where the Great Letaba River crosses the eastern boundary of the last - mentioned property: thence along the middle of the Great Letaba River so as to include the following properties in the area: Beaconsfield 530 LT and the western portion of the property Letabasdrift 526 LT to the tarred road bridge over the Great Letaba on the last-mentioned property; thence along road P181/1 in a northerly direction so that the portions of the following properties west of the road are included in the area: Gladstone 527 LT, Tarentaalrand 524 LT, Welverwacht 510 LT, Uitsoek 509 LT, Duplex 467 LT, Deerpark 459 LT to the northern boundary of Deerpark 459 LT. thence in the general north-westerly direction along the boundaries of the following properties so as to include them in the area: Strangers Rest 431 LT, Schoongelegen 432 LT, Mooiplaats 434 LT, Spitsrand 422 LT, Witkrans; 421 LT, Kransfontein 430 LT and Wagendrift 383 LT to the northern corner of the last-mentioned property, the point of beginning.