## DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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## NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: PROTECTED AREAS ACT, 2003 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2003)

## NOTICE OF INTENTION TO WITHDRAW A PORTION OF AN AREA SITUATED IN THE EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE AS PART OF THE EXISTING CAMDEBOO NATIONAL PARK IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: PROTECTED AREAS ACT, 2003 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2003)

I, Dion Travers George, the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby, in terms of section 21(1)(b), 21(2), read with sections 31 and 33 of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act, 2003 (Act No. 57 of 2003), give notice of my intention to withdraw a portion of an area situated in the Eastern Cape Province as part of the existing Camdeboo National Park, as set out in the Schedule hereto.

South African National Parks (SANParks) acquired Erf 3908 situated in the district municipality of Graaff-Reinet in the Eastern Cape Province through a donation from the World Wide Fund for Nature South Africa (WWF-SA) for inclusion into the existing Camdeboo National Park. Erf 3908 was then declared as part of the existing Camdeboo National Park in terms of section 2C(1) of the National Parks Act, 1976 (Act No. 57 of 1976) by notice in the Government *Gazette* (Government Notice No. 1070, Government *Gazette* No. 28185 of 28 October 2005).

WWF-SA acquired the area from the Dr. Beyers Naude Local Municipality (the Municipality), subject to a title deed condition that requires the owner of the land to sell a portion of the land back to the Municipality should it ever be required that there be an extension of an aerodrome on a neighbouring property. The Municipality now intends to buy a portion of Erf 3908 known as Erf 7616 back from SANParks to extend the existing aerodrome. The parties (SANParks and the Municipality) have agreed to withdraw a portion of Erf 3908 known as Erf 7616 from declaration as part of the existing Camdeboo National Park.

Members of the public are invited to submit, **within sixty (60) days** from date of publication of this Notice in the *Gazette*, or in the newspaper, whichever date is the last date, written comments on my intention to withdraw the land specified in the Schedule from being declared as part of the existing Camdeboo National Park, to the following addresses:

By post to:	The Director-General
	Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
	Attention: Mr Sydney Nkosi
	Private Bag X447
	PRETORIA
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By hand to:	473 Steve Biko Street, Arcadia, PRETORIA, 0083
By mail to:	smampe@dffe.gov.za

Any enquiries in connection with the notice can be directed to Mr Sydney Nkosi at 012 399 9065, or through email: <u>shnkosi@dffe.gov.za</u>.

Comments received after the closing may be disregarded.

DR DION TRAVERS GEORGE MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

## SCHEDULE

Title Deed No	Description of Property: Erf	Ownership	District	Extent (ha)
Not available	Erf 7616 (a portion of Erf 3908)	WWF-SA	Graaff- Reinet	3.7713

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