

DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

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NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: AIR QUALITY ACT, 2004 (ACT NO. 39 OF 2004)

AMENDMENT AND EXPANSION OF THE BOUNDARIES OF THE DECLARED WATERBERG BONJANALA PRIORITY AREA TO INCLUDE KGETLENGRIVIER LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, MORETELE LOCAL MUNICIPALITY, AND CITY OF TSHWANE METROPOLITAN MUNICIPALITY IN TERMS OF SECTION 18(1) OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: AIR QUALITY ACT 2004, (ACT NO. 39 OF 2004)

I, Dion Travers George, Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, hereby publish a notice of my intention to amend and expand the boundaries of the declared Waterberg Bojanala Priority Area to include Kgetlengrivier Local Municipality, Moretele Local Municipality and the City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality, in terms of section 18(1) read with sections 56 and 57 of the National Environmental Management: Air Quality Act 2004, (Act No. 39 of 2004).

The Waterberg Bojanala Priority Area was declared by notice in the *Government Gazette* (Government Notice No. 495, *Government Gazette* No. 35435 of 15 June 2012). The areas identified for expansion are categorised in the National Framework for Air Quality Management in the Republic of South Africa (Government Notice No. 1144 *Government Gazette* No. 41996 of 26 October 2018) as areas of concern due to poor air quality, especially elevated levels of particulate matter. A description of the existing and proposed extended boundaries of the Waterberg Bojanala Priority Area is set out in the Schedule attached hereto.

Members of the public are invited to submit written comments within **45 days** from the date of publication of this Notice in the *Government Gazette*, or in newspapers, whichever date is the later date, to the following addresses:

By post to: The Director-General: Department of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment
Attention: Ms Ricca Marowe
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By hand at: Ground floor (Reception); Environment House 473 Steve Biko Road, Arcadia, 0083

By e-mail: Ms Ricca Marowe: RMarowe@dffe.gov.za

Copies of the notice can be accessed on the Department and the South African Air Quality Information System websites:

https://www.environment.gov.za/legislation/gazetted_notices, <https://saagis.environment.gov.za>

For any enquiries in connection with the notice, kindly contact Ms Ricca Marowe at 012 399 9207/ cell: 066-283-0235 or by e-mail: RMarowe@dffe.gov.za

Comments received after the closing date may be disregarded.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D T George', is written over the printed name.

DR D T GEORGE

MINISTER OF FORESTRY, FISHERIES AND THE ENVIRONMENT

SCHEDULE

The priority area to be known as the Waterberg Bojanala Priority Area includes the areas illustrated on the map below:

- (1) Limpopo Province
 - a. Waterberg District Municipality:
 - i. Bela-Bela Local Municipality
 - ii. Lephalale Local Municipality
 - iii. Modimolle-Mookgopong Local Municipality
 - iv. Mogalakwena Local Municipality
 - v. Thabazimbi Local Municipality
- (2) North West Province
 - a. Bojanala-Platinum District Municipality
 - i. Madibeng Local Municipality
 - ii. Moses Kotane Local Municipality
 - iii. Rustenburg Local Municipality
 - iv. Kgetlengrivier Local Municipality
 - v. Moretele Local Municipality and
- (3) Gauteng Province
 - a. City of Tshwane Metropolitan Municipality (all administrative regions).

