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**NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: BIODIVERSITY ACT, 2004  
(ACT NO. 10 OF 2004)**

**CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT REVISED LIST OF ECOSYSTEMS THAT ARE THREATENED  
AND IN NEED OF PROTECTION**

I, Barbara Dallas Creecy, the Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, under section 52(1)(a), read with section 99 and 100 of the National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act, 2004 (Act No. 10 of 2004), publish the Draft Revised List of Ecosystems that are Threatened or in need of Protection, as set out in the Schedule, for public comment.

Members of the public are invited to submit, within 30 days of the publication of this notice in the *Gazette*, or the newspaper notice, whichever is the later publication, written representations or objections to any of the following addresses:

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**SCHEDULE****Draft Revised List of Threatened Terrestrial Ecosystems - 2021**

| ECOSYSTEM NAME                  | BIOME             | THREAT STATUS 2021    | LISTING CRITERIA | ASSESSMENT SUMMARY  |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|------------------|---|
| Buffels Valley Thicket          | Albany Thicket    | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Buffels Valley Thicket is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Gouritz Valley Thicket          | Albany Thicket    | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Gouritz Valley Thicket is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Motherwell Karroid Thicket      | Albany Thicket    | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Motherwell Karroid Thicket is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Umtiza Forest Thicket           | Albany Thicket    | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Umtiza Forest Thicket is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Namaqualand Seashore Vegetation | Azonal Vegetation | Critically Endangered | B2(i)            | Namaqualand Seashore Vegetation is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Namib Seashore Vegetation       | Azonal Vegetation | Critically Endangered | A3, B1(i), B2(i) | National land cover data show that Namib Seashore Vegetation has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 95 % since 1750. Namib Seashore Vegetation is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.           |
| Alexander Bay Coastal Duneveld  | Desert            | Critically Endangered | A3, B1(i), B2(i) | National land cover data show that Alexander Bay Coastal Duneveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 92 % since 1750. Alexander Bay Coastal Duneveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| Namib Lichen Fields             | Desert            | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B2(i)     | Namib Lichen Fields is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Agulhas Limestone Fynbos        | Fynbos            | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)          | Agulhas Limestone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |

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| Agulhas Sand Fynbos              | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)          | Agulhas Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Algoa Sandstone Fynbos           | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Algoa Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Breede Sand Fynbos               | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)          | Breede Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing  |
| Cape Flats Sand Fynbos           | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)   | Cape Flats Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species                               |
| Cape Winelands Shale Fynbos      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)   | Cape Winelands Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and altered fire regimes |
| Central Ruens Shale Renosterveld | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | A3, A3alt        | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Central Ruens Shale Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 90 % since 1750.      |
| Ceres Shale Renosterveld         | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Ceres Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Citrusdal Shale Renosterveld     | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Citrusdal Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Elgin Shale Fynbos               | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)   | Elgin Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species                                   |
| Garden Route Granite Fynbos      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Garden Route Granite Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Greyton Shale Fynbos             | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)          | Greyton Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing  |
| Groot Brak Dune Strandveld       | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Groot Brak Dune Strandveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the  |

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|                               |        |                       |                            | past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Hangklip Sand Fynbos          | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)             | Hangklip Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species  |
| Knysna Sand Fynbos            | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Knysna Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Kogelberg Sandstone Fynbos    | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)                    | Kogelberg Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Kouebokkeveld Alluvium Fynbos | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Kouebokkeveld Alluvium Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Kouebokkeveld Shale Fynbos    | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Kouebokkeveld Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Lambert's Bay Strandveld      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Lambert's Bay Strandveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Lourensford Alluvium Fynbos   | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | A2b, A3alt, B1(i), B1(iii) | Observed rates of habitat loss between 1990 and 2018 indicate that by 2040 the geographic distribution of Lourensford Alluvium Fynbos will have declined by approximately 99 %. Supplementary land cover data from provincial and metropolitan authorities show that Lourensford Alluvium Fynbos has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 94 % since 1750. In addition, this ecosystem is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species, overgrazing and altered fire regimes |
| Mossel Bay Shale Renosterveld | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Mossel Bay Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Nardouw Sandstone Fynbos      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                      | Nardouw Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |

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| Nieuwoudtville Shale Renosterveld | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i)                          | Nieuwoudtville Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Peninsula Granite Fynbos          | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)                 | Peninsula Granite Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species  |
| Peninsula Sandstone Fynbos        | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)                        | Peninsula Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Peninsula Shale Renosterveld      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B2(i), B1(iii), B2(iii) | Peninsula Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species, overgrazing and altered fire regimes  |
| Potberg Ferricrete Fynbos         | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)                        | Potberg Ferricrete Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing  |
| Saldanha Granite Strandveld       | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)                 | Saldanha Granite Strandveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing   |
| Saldanha Limestone Strandveld     | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)                        | Saldanha Limestone Strandveld is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from overgrazing   |
| South Sonderend Sandstone Fynbos  | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | B1(iii)                        | South Sonderend Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Swartland Shale Renosterveld      | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | A3, A3alt                      | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Swartland Shale Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 90 % since 1750.   |
| Swartland Silcrete Renosterveld   | Fynbos | Critically Endangered | A3alt, B2(i), B2(iii)          | Supplementary land cover data from provincial and metropolitan authorities show that Swartland Silcrete Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 93 % since 1750. Swartland Silcrete Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species, overgrazing and altered fire regimes |

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| Western Ruens Shale Renosterveld     | Fynbos          | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B1(iii)   | Western Ruens Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing |
| Egoli Granite Grassland              | Grassland       | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Egoli Granite Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Mabela Sandy Grassland               | Grassland       | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Mabela Sandy Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Vredefort Dome Granite Grassland     | Grassland       | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Vredefort Dome Granite Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                                 |
| Woodbush Granite Grassland           | Grassland       | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Woodbush Granite Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                                       |
| Muzi Palm Veld and Wooded Grassland  | Savanna         | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Muzi Palm Veld and Wooded Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                              |
| Western Maputaland Sandy Bushveld    | Savanna         | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Western Maputaland Sandy Bushveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                                |
| Zululand Coastal Thornveld           | Savanna         | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Zululand Coastal Thornveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                                       |
| Klawer Sandy Shrubland               | Succulent Karoo | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Klawer Sandy Shrubland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Piketberg Quartz Succulent Shrubland | Succulent Karoo | Critically Endangered | B1(i), B2(i)     | Piketberg Quartz Succulent Shrubland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                             |
| Richtersveld Coastal Duneveld        | Succulent Karoo | Critically Endangered | B1(i)            | Richtersveld Coastal Duneveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                                    |

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| Hartenbos Dune Thicket           | Albany Thicket    | Endangered         | B1(iii)                        | Hartenbos Dune Thicket is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Albany Alluvial Vegetation       | Azonal Vegetation | Endangered         | B1(i)                          | Albany Alluvial Vegetation is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Cape Lowland Alluvial Vegetation | Azonal Vegetation | Endangered         | B1(i)                          | Cape Lowland Alluvial Vegetation is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Muscadel Riviere                 | Azonal Vegetation | Endangered         | A3alt, B1(i)                   | Supplementary land cover data from provincial and metropolitan authorities show that Muscadel Riviere has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 83 % since 1750. Muscadel Riviere is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| Albertinia Sand Fynbos           | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(iii)                        | Albertinia Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Atlantis Sand Fynbos             | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(iii)                        | Atlantis Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing   |
| Boland Granite Fynbos            | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(i), B1(iii)                 | Boland Granite Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Breede Alluvium Fynbos           | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(i), B2(i), B1(iii), B2(iii) | Breede Alluvium Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species  |
| Breede Alluvium Renosterveld     | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(i)                          | Breede Alluvium Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Breede Shale Fynbos              | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(i), B1(iii)                 | Breede Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Breede Shale Renosterveld        | Fynbos            | Endangered         | B1(iii)                        | Breede Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing  |

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| Cape Flats Dune Strandveld            | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i), B2(i), B1(iii), B2(iii)     | Cape Flats Dune Strandveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Eastern Coastal Shale Band Vegetation | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i), B2(i)                       | Eastern Coastal Shale Band Vegetation is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Eastern Ruens Shale Renosterveld      | Fynbos | Endangered         | A2b, A3, A3alt, B1(i), B1(iii), D3 | Observed rates of habitat loss between 1990 and 2018 indicate that by 2040 the geographic distribution of Eastern Ruens Shale Renosterveld will have declined by approximately 58 %. National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Eastern Ruens Shale Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 85 % since 1750. In addition, this ecosystem is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing. Ecosystem condition data for Eastern Ruens Shale Renosterveld show severe disruption of biotic processes and interactions over more than 70% of its extent since 1750. |
| Elim Ferricrete Fynbos                | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i), B1(iii)                     | Elim Ferricrete Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Garden Route Shale Fynbos             | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i)                              | Garden Route Shale Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Humansdorp Shale Renosterveld         | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i), B2(i)                       | Humansdorp Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Langebaan Dune Strandveld             | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(iii)                            | Langebaan Dune Strandveld is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing   |
| Langkloof Shale Renosterveld          | Fynbos | Endangered         | A3alt, B1(i)                       | Supplementary land cover data from provincial and metropolitan authorities show that Langkloof Shale Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 75 % since 1750. Langkloof Shale Renosterveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |

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| Leipoldtville Sand Fynbos      | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i)  | Leipoldtville Sand Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Overberg Dune Strandveld       | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(iii)  | Overberg Dune Strandveld is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| Overberg Sandstone Fynbos      | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(iii)  | Overberg Sandstone Fynbos is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species  |
| Ruens Silcrete Renosterveld    | Fynbos | Endangered         | A2b, A3, A3alt, B1(i), B2(i), B1(iii), B2(iii), D3 | Observed rates of habitat loss between 1990 and 2018 indicate that by 2040 the geographic distribution of Ruens Silcrete Renosterveld will have declined by approximately 56 %. National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Ruens Silcrete Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 86 % since 1750. In addition, this ecosystem is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing. Ecosystem condition data for Ruens Silcrete Renosterveld show severe disruption of biotic processes and interactions over more than 70% of its extent since 1750. |
| Saldanha Flats Strandveld      | Fynbos | Endangered         | B1(i)  | Saldanha Flats Strandveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Swartland Alluvium Fynbos      | Fynbos | Endangered         | A3, A3alt, B1(i), B2(i), B1(iii)                   | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Swartland Alluvium Fynbos has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 70 % since 1750. Swartland Alluvium Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species, overgrazing and altered fire regimes  |
| Swartland Granite Renosterveld | Fynbos | Endangered         | A2b, A3, A3alt, B1(i), B1(iii)                     | Observed rates of habitat loss between 1990 and 2018 indicate that by 2040 the geographic distribution of Swartland Granite Renosterveld will have declined by approximately 55 %. National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Swartland Granite Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 83 % since 1750. In addition,   |

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|  |           |                    |                  | this ecosystem is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), and evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species and overgrazing |
| Swellendam Silcrete Fynbos             | Fynbos    | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Swellendam Silcrete Fynbos is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                     |
| Western Coastal Shale Band Vegetation  | Fynbos    | Endangered         | B1(iii)          | Western Coastal Shale Band Vegetation is narrowly distributed with evidence of ongoing biotic disruption from invasive species   |
| East Griqualand Grassland              | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | East Griqualand Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                      |
| Eastern Highveld Grassland             | Grassland | Endangered         | A3               | National land cover data show that Eastern Highveld Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 70 % since 1750.   |
| Income Sandy Grassland                 | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Income Sandy Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                         |
| KaNgwane Montane Grassland             | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | KaNgwane Montane Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                     |
| Midlands Mistbelt Grassland            | Grassland | Endangered         | A3               | National land cover data show that Midlands Mistbelt Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 71 % since 1750.  |
| Mooi River Highland Grassland          | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Mooi River Highland Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                  |
| Mthatha Moist Grassland                | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Mthatha Moist Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.                        |
| Northern Escarpment Dolomite Grassland | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Northern Escarpment Dolomite Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.         |
| Northern Zululand Mistbelt Grassland   | Grassland | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Northern Zululand Mistbelt Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat  |

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|  |                           |                    |                  | loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Paulpietersburg Moist Grassland        | Grassland                 | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Paulpietersburg Moist Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Southern KwaZulu-Natal Moist Grassland | Grassland                 | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Southern KwaZulu-Natal Moist Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Tsakane Clay Grassland                 | Grassland                 | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Tsakane Clay Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Vaal-Vet Sandy Grassland               | Grassland                 | Endangered         | A3               | National land cover data show that Vaal-Vet Sandy Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 72 % since 1750.   |
| Western Highveld Sandy Grassland       | Grassland                 | Endangered         | A3, B1(i)        | National land cover data show that Western Highveld Sandy Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 82 % since 1750. Western Highveld Sandy Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Grassland   | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Endangered         | A3, A3alt, B1(i) | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 89 % since 1750. KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Thornveld   | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Endangered         | B1(i)            | KwaZulu-Natal Coastal Belt Thornveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Maputaland Coastal Belt                | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Maputaland Coastal Belt is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Maputaland Wooded Grassland            | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Endangered         | B1(i)            | Maputaland Wooded Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |

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| Transkei Coastal Belt            | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Transkei Coastal Belt is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| KwaZulu-Natal Sandstone Sourveld | Savanna                   | Endangered         | A2b, A3, A3alt, B1(i) | Observed rates of habitat loss between 1990 and 2018 indicate that by 2040 the geographic distribution of KwaZulu-Natal Sandstone Sourveld will have declined by approximately 54 %. National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that this ecosystem has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 86 % since 1750. In addition KwaZulu-Natal Sandstone Sourveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| Lebombo Summit Sourveld          | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i), B2(i)          | Lebombo Summit Sourveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Legogote Sour Bushveld           | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Legogote Sour Bushveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Marikana Thornveld               | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Marikana Thornveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Sekhukhune Plains Bushveld       | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Sekhukhune Plains Bushveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Tzaneen Sour Bushveld            | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Tzaneen Sour Bushveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Western Maputaland Clay Bushveld | Savanna                   | Endangered         | B1(i)                 | Western Maputaland Clay Bushveld is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Eastern Little Karoo             | Succulent Karoo           | Endangered         | D1                    | Ecosystem condition data for Eastern Little Karoo show severe disruption of biotic processes and interactions over more than 50% of its extent in the last 50 years.  |
| Sundays Arid Thicket             | Albany Thicket            | Vulnerable         | D3                    | Ecosystem condition data for Sundays Arid Thicket show severe disruption of biotic  |

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|  |           |                    |                  | processes and interactions over more than 70% of its extent since 1750.  |
| Lowveld Riverine Forest                | Forests   | Vulnerable         | B2(i)            | Lowveld Riverine Forest is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Peninsula Shale Fynbos                 | Fynbos    | Vulnerable         | A3               | National land cover data show that Peninsula Shale Fynbos has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 56 % % since 1750.   |
| Swartland Alluvium Renosterveld        | Fynbos    | Vulnerable         | A3alt            | Supplementary land cover data from provincial and metropolitan authorities show that Swartland Alluvium Renosterveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 55 % % since 1750.  |
| Dry Coast Hinterland Grassland         | Grassland | Vulnerable         | A3, B1(i)        | National land cover data show that Dry Coast Hinterland Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 55 % % since 1750. Dry Coast Hinterland Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Eastern Free State Clay Grassland      | Grassland | Vulnerable         | A3, B1(i)        | National land cover data show that Eastern Free State Clay Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 60 % % since 1750. Eastern Free State Clay Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |
| Moist Coast Hinterland Grassland       | Grassland | Vulnerable         | A3, A3alt, B1(i) | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Moist Coast Hinterland Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 64 % % since 1750. Moist Coast Hinterland Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| Northern KwaZulu-Natal Moist Grassland | Grassland | Vulnerable         | B1(i)            | Northern KwaZulu-Natal Moist Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.   |
| Rand Highveld Grassland                | Grassland | Vulnerable         | A3, B1(i)        | National land cover data show that Rand Highveld Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 57 % % since 1750. Rand Highveld Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse.  |

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| Soweto Highveld Grassland                | Grassland                 | Vulnerable         | A3, B1(i)        | National land cover data show that Soweto Highveld Grassland has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 61 % since 1750. Soweto Highveld Grassland is narrowly distributed with high rates of habitat loss in the past 28 years (1990-2018), placing the ecosystem type at risk of collapse. |
| Pondoland-Ugu Sandstone Coastal Sourveld | Indian Ocean Coastal Belt | Vulnerable         | A3               | National land cover data show that Pondoland-Ugu Sandstone Coastal Sourveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 50 % since 1750.  |
| Ngongoni Veld                            | Savanna                   | Vulnerable         | A3, A3alt        | National land cover and supplementary provincial and metropolitan land cover data show that Ngongoni Veld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 58 % since 1750.  |
| Schweizer-Reneke Bushveld                | Savanna                   | Vulnerable         | A3               | National land cover data show that Schweizer-Reneke Bushveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 51 % since 1750.   |
| Springbokvlakte Thornveld                | Savanna                   | Vulnerable         | A3               | National land cover data show that Springbokvlakte Thornveld has experienced extensive spatial declines of approximately 55 % since 1750.   |