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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

NOTICE 482 OF 2017

INVITATION TO SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS ON THE PROPOSED LIST OF PARTICULAR TREES AND PARTICULAR GROUPS OF TREES "CHAMPION TREES" UNDER SECTION 12(1) (A) AND (B) OF THE NATIONAL FORESTS ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1998)

The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries intends to declare a list of particular trees "Champion Trees" as set out in the attached Schedule protected under Section 12 (1) (a) and (b) of the National Forests Act, 1998. The list in Schedule A is new nominations that will form part of the existing list of declared Champion Trees.

In terms of Section 13 (1) (a) of the said Act, interested and affected parties are invited to submit written comments on the proposed list within 60 days of the publication of this notice.

The Minister of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries also intends to delist some already declared particular trees "Champion Trees" as set out below the attached Schedule due to stated reasons.

Comments must be submitted to-

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SCHEDULE A

CHAMPION TREE REGISTER NUMBER	Tree Species / Tree Name	Other common names	General Description	Location
83	<i>Sequoia sempervirens</i> (Californian redwood) The Harkerville Giants	Kaliforniese rooihout (A)	Tall, scenic redwoods planted in 1925, offering a resting place along a popular cycle track.	Harkerville State Forest, Garden Route National Park, Western Cape
84	<i>Ficus elastic</i> (rubber tree) The Company's Garden Giant	Rubberboom (A)	Large tree forming a focal point to the entry to the Company's Gardens	Company's Gardens, Cape Town, Western Cape
85	<i>Ficus sur</i> (broom cluster fig) The Sabie River Giant	Besemtrosvy (A)	Very large tree along the Sabie River.	Sabie Park Nature Reserve, Limpopo
86	<i>Ficus burkeii</i> (common wild fig) The Whisper Tree	Gewone wildevy (A)	Very large tree in the grounds of a guest house,	Voëlroepersfontein Guest House, Albertinia, Western Cape

The following trees are delisted as Champion Trees for reasons stated:

1. The Sophiatown Oak, 8 Berthastreet, Sophiatown, Johannesburg, Gauteng
This tree died.
2. The Platland Baobab, Sunland Farm, Modjadjiskloof, Limpopo
This tree collapsed.
3. The Glencoe Baobab, Glencoe Farm, Hoedspruit, Limpopo.
This tree collapsed.