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TO ALL MAYORS, MUNICIPAL MANAGERS AND CHIEF TOWN PLANNERS

INVITATION TO PUBLIC WORKSHOP AND TO COMMENT: DRAFT WESTERN CAPE LAND USE PLANNING BILL, 2013

The Western Cape Government, Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning in collaboration with the municipalities, were, over the past couple of years, involved with the drafting of integrated Planning legislation for the Western Cape. Your municipality has continuously been invited to participate in discussions and report back on the progress made was given at Municipal Manager Forum meetings.

During last year a memorandum for discussion was circulated by the Department and a total of 56 comments were submitted by municipalities and other institutions. The Department considered all comments and the draft bill was finalised at the end of last year. The publication of the Draft Western Cape Land Use Planning Bill was approved by Cabinet on 28 November 2012.

The draft bill was advertised in the Provincial Gazette Extraordinary No 7080/2013 for comment on 18 January 2013 and is attached hereto. It is also available on the departmental web page: www.westerncape.gov.za/eadp.

You are invited to submit written comment by no later than **8 March 2013** to Chrizelle Kriel via e-mail: Chrizelle.Kriel@westerncape.gov.za or fax: 021 - 483 4527 or to the address listed below.

Note that the draft bill is currently only available in English and Afrikaans, however a copy in isiXhosa can be accessed at a later stage. In this regard, it must be kept in mind that when the draft bill is to be advertised by the Standing Committee for comment, it will be made available in all three official languages of the Western Cape.

The Department will also be conducting special workshops within the province on the draft bill during February 2013 in different towns and on the dates as listed below. Interested persons wishing to attend a workshop must communicate their details to Marlin Williams at e-mail: Marlin.Williams@westerncape.gov.za or tel: 021-483 2800. The closing date for the workshop in Moorreesburg is on **1 February 2013** and the date for the other workshops is on **12 February 2013**.

Advanced early registration is required to confirm attendance at the public workshops.

The public workshops will be held on regional level as follows:

West Coast	Friday 8 February 2013 09:00 – 16:00	Council Chambers, West Coast District Municipality 58 Langstraat MOORREESBURG
Cape Winelands	Monday 18 February 2013 09:00 – 16:00	Council Chambers, Cape Winelands District Municipality 51 Trappe Street WORCESTER
Eden and Central Karoo	Monday 25 February 2013 09:00 – 16:00	Banquet Hall, George Municipality Cnr York and Victoria Streets GEORGE
Overberg	Tuesday 26 February 2013 09:00 – 16:00	Auditorium, Overstrand Municipality Magnolia Avenue HERMANUS
Cape Town Region	Thursday 28 February 2013 09:00 – 16:00	Auditorium Training Institute ELSENBURG



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Postscript: The previous Circular 21/2012: **APPEALS ON CONSENT USES IN TERMS OF THE LAND USE PLANNING ORDINANCE, 1985 (ORDINANCE 15 OF 1985)** ", was issued to all Municipalities.