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SUBMISSIONS: WESTERN CAPE BIODIVERSITY BILL [B 2–2021]

The Western Cape Provincial Parliament's Standing Committee on Agriculture, Environmental Affairs and Development Planning will soon consider the Western Cape Biodiversity Bill [B 2–2021].

The purpose of the Bill is to ensure ecological sustainability and biodiversity, to provide for the framework and institutions in support of this, and for matters incidental thereto.

The Bill also seeks to repeal the following:

Number and year	Title	Extent of repeal
21 of 1935	Sea Shore Act, 1935	The whole
63 of 1970	Mountain Catchment Areas Act, 1970	The whole in so far as it has been assigned to the Province by Proclamation R28 of 1995
19 of 1974	Nature Conservation Ordinance, 1974	The whole
3 of 1982	Nature Reserves Validation Ordinance, 1982	The whole
15 of 1998	Western Cape Nature Conservation Board Act, 1998	The whole

8 of 1999	Western Cape Nature and Environmental Conservation Ordinance Amendment Act, 1999	The whole
3 of 2000	Western Cape Nature Conservation Laws Amendment Act, 2000	The whole, excluding section 2 and Schedule 2.
6 of 2011	Western Cape Biosphere Reserves Act, 2011	The whole

You are hereby encouraged to participate in the public participation process.

Those interested in engaging the Committee may submit written submissions or make oral submissions by sending voice notes on WhatsApp (number: 082 8777 477), and may also request to appear before the Committee to make verbal presentations.

All submissions and requests to appear before the Standing Committee must reach the Standing Committee by no later than Tuesday, 10 August 2021.

Please direct submissions, enquiries and requests to Ms Shareen Niekerk (tel: 021 487 1992 or email: sniekerk@wcpp.gov.za).

It would be sincerely appreciated if you would extend this invitation to your Councillors in order for them to inform their ward committee members and the wider public accordingly. It would also be appreciated if you could forward this notification to any other person, institution or government structure that, in your opinion, may have an interest in the Bill.

The Bill is available on the Western Cape Provincial Parliament's website (www.wcpp.gov.za).

I look forward to receive your written and oral submissions.

Yours sincerely

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