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PROVINCIAL NOTICE

[No. 128 of 2019]

NOTICE IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: PROTECTED AREAS ACT, 2003 (ACT 57 OF 2003 AS AMENDED)

DECLARATION OF THE WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE

Notice is hereby given by the Member of the Executive Council (MEC) for Economic and Small Business Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs for the Free State Province, the Honourable Mr M Mohale, in terms of section 23 (1) (a) (i) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended) of the declaration of a Nature Reserve; the **WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE**.

- **Name of the Protected Area** (section 23 (1) (b) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended)): **WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE**.
- **Designation of Nature Reserve as a Specific Type:** (section 25 of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended)): The Witkoppen Fish and Game Reserve is hereby designated to be a **PRIVATE NATURE RESERVE**.
- **Purpose of the Declaration:**
 - to allow for the formation of a core conservation area which will act as a catalyst for encouraging conservation principles and management in the broader ecological area;
 - to conserve an area with a high educational and scientific research value, in particular the ecological, paleontological and archaeological components;
 - to act as a catalyst for social development within the local communities thereby contributing to sustainable livelihoods in the district;
 - to provide a destination for eco-cultural tourism that contributes to social economic development in the surrounding communities;
 - to provide for the protection of extensive grassland and wetland habitats as well the maintenance of the escarpment forest connectivity along the escarpment corridor;
 - to provide for the protection of the unique indigenous biodiversity associated with the **WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE** and the region in general; and
 - to ensure that the provision of the ecosystems services deriving from the area, such as water purification, carbon sequestration and natural resources, is sustained.

SCHEDULE: Description of the properties:

The properties presented in the schedule below are hereby declared to be the **WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE**;

SCHEDULE

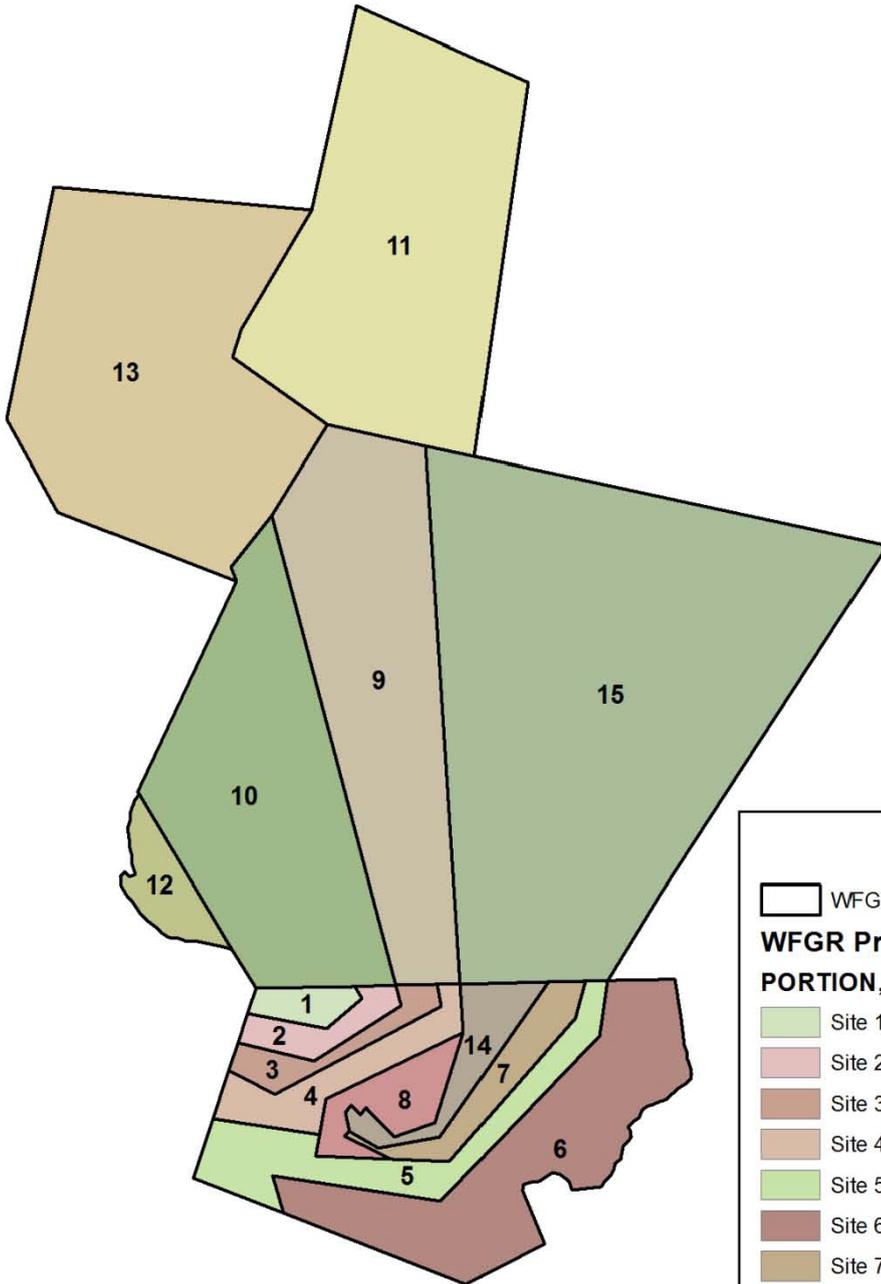
- 1) Portion 1 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 8,6228 hectares held under Title Deed T000006761/2012
- 2) Portion 2 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 12,3963 hectares held under Title Deed T000033852/2005.
- 3) Portion 3 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 13,3733 hectares held under Title Deed T000033853/2005
- 4) Portion 4 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 24,9079 hectares held under Title Deed 000033854/2005
- 5) Portion 13 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 45,0231 hectares held under Title Deed T00028269/2007
- 6) The Remainder of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 98,7022 hectares held under Title Deed T000005333/2015
- 7) The Remainder of Portion 9 of the farm Witkoppen, No. 1948, in extent 20,6640 hectares held under Title Deed T000005751/2015
- 8) Portion 17 of the farm Witkoppen, No 1948, in extent 20,0346 hectares held under Title Deed T000011522-2010
- 9) The Remainder of Portion 9 of the farm Klipdrift, No. 1386, in extent 155,9831 hectares held under Title Deed T000028563/2007.
- 10) Portion 8 of the farm Klipdrift, No. 1386, in extent 157,9761 hectares held under Title Deed T000033857/2005
- 11) Portion 1 of the farm Krantz, No. 1385, in extent 193,1014 held under Title Deed T016215/2004
- 12) The farm Draaikrantz, No. 1385, in extent 17,4518 hectares held under Title Deed T000001904/2008
- 13) The Remainder of the farm Krantz, No. 1835, in extent 211,5705 hectares held under Title Deed T016215/2004
- 14) The Remainder of Portion 12 of the farm Witkoppen, No. 1948, in extent 19,9432 hectares held under Title Deed T000012342/2011
- 15) Portion 10 of the farm Klipdrift, No. 1386, in extent 380,9309 hectares held under Title Deed T000012342/2011

all within the **District Harrismith, Free State Province**, located near the towns of Verkykerskop and Memel within the Thabo Mofutsanyane District Municipality and the Phumelela Local Municipality of the Free State Province.

The total area to which this Declaration Notice applies, per the list tabled above, is 1380,6812 hectares

The boundaries of the Witkoppen Fish and Game Reserve are indicated on the map presented as Figure 1 hereunder. The relative location of the Witkoppen Fish and Game Reserve in the Free State Province is presented in Figure 2 hereunder.

**FIGURE 1: WITKOPPEN FISH AND GAME RESERVE (WFGR)
KEY TO PROPERTIES / SITE PLAN OF PROPERTIES**



Legend

WFGR Boundary

WFGR Property Plan

PORTION, FARMNAME, FARM_NO
Site 1: 00001, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 2: 00002, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 3: 00003, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 4: 00004, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 5: 00013, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 6: 00000, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 7: 00009, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 8: 00017, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 9: 00009, KLIPDRIFT, 1386
Site 10: 00008, KLIPDRIFT, 1386
Site 11: 00001, KRANTZ, 1385
Site 12: 00000, DRAAIKRANTZ, 936
Site 13: 00000, KRANTZ, 1385
Site 14: 00012, WITKOPPEN, 1948
Site 15: 00010, KLIPDRIFT, 1386

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