# BRIEFING TO THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON TOURISM

#### **TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS**

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### **Acronyms**

- DBSA Development Bank of Southern Africa
- **DM** District Municipality
- EC Eastern Cape
- ECPTA Eastern Cape Parks and Tourism Authority
- **EPWP** Expanded Public Works Programme
- FS Free State
- GP Gauteng
- KZN Kwa-Zulu Natal
- LM Local Municipality
- LP Limpopo
- MP Mpumalanga

- NC Northern Cape
- **NW** North West
- **PES** Presidential Employment Stimulus
- SANBI South African Nation Biodiversity Institute
- SANParks South African National Parks
- SARAO South African Radio Astronomy Observatory
- **SKA** Square Kilometre Array
- TIKZN Trade and Investment KwaZulu-Natal
- TKZN Tourism KwaZulu-Natal
- VIC Visitor Information Centre
- WC Western Cape



#### Introduction

- The purpose of the presentation is to provide information on discontinued and current tourism infrastructure projects
- The Department funds a number of tourism infrastructure projects that range from developing new facilities, maintenance and upgrading of existing facilities and implementation of universally accessible enhancements
- These projects are completed in partnership with various Provincial and National Entities and Implementing Agents
- A total of ten (10) projects have been discontinued
- Approximately a hundred and nineteen (119) infrastructure projects are currently in implementation
- These projects are primarily funded through the Expanded Public Works Programme. However some projects have been funded through the Presidential Employment Stimulus Programme and donor funding

### **Summary of discontinued projects**

Projects completed by the Owning Entity

Projects that did not proceed beyond planning

Projects that were vandalized/destroyed

Alternate site use

- 1 project (EC Kiwane) was completed by the Municipality
- 2 projects (FS Empereni and EC Mdantsane) capital outlay was too costly and posed a risk to operational sustainability
- 1 project (MP Bohlabela Cultural Village) had a number of governance, land ownership and long term viability challenges
- 2 projects (EC Tenahead Lodge, EC Quakeni) were damaged/destroyed by fire
- 1 project (FS Barolong Boo Seleka) had been vandalized and further investment was not supported
- 2 projects (LP Sekhukhune and LP 24 Rivers) alternate site use indicated a multi-purpose facility and not a tourism use
- 1 project (EC Rock Art) was found not to be self sustaining



#### **Infrastructure Projects**

#### The infrastructure projects fall into the following categories

- Community Based Tourism Projects the bulk of which are the development or upgrading of accommodation facilities
- Maintenance of National Parks or Provincial Tourism Assets this work involves maintenance, beautification and enhancement e.g. rehabilitation of terrain, landscaping, paving, painting, fencing, electrical etc.
- Destination Enhancement initiatives which include new developments, the upgrading of facilities or the implementation of universal accessibility initiatives



### **Summary of infrastructure projects**

Province	Community Based Tourism	Maintenance /Upgrading		Total
Eastern Cape	8	16	1	25
Free State	4	6		10
Gauteng	1	1		2
Kwazulu-Natal	4	5	1	10
Limpopo	13	11		24
Mpumalanga	1	5	1	7
Northern Cape	3	5		8
North West	2	8		10
Western Cape	3	20		23
Total	39	77	3	119



### **Eastern Cape (I)**

Implementing Agent and Projects	Progress
Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) community-based tourism projects, of which five (05) are in the Eastern Cape  1. Maluti Hiking Trail, Matatiele  2. Mthonsi Lodge, Nkonkobe LM  3. Qatywa Lodge, Amathole DM  4. Nyandeni Chalets, Nyandeni LM, Ward 3  5. Western Tembuland, Emalahleni LM	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed.</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage.</li> <li>Construction expected to commence in Quarter 1 2022/23</li> </ul>
Covers maintenance in forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which seven (7) sites are in the Eastern Cape.  1. Thomas Baines Nature Reserve 2. Hluleka Nature Reserve 3. Double Mouth Nature Reserve 4. Baviaanskloof Nature Reserve 5. Oviston Nature Reserve 6. Cwebe and Dwesa 7. Mpofu and Fordyce Nature Reserve	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter 1 2022/23</li> </ul>

### Eastern Cape (2)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
ECPTA	<ul> <li>Construction of the Leopard Trail completed &amp; fully functional.</li> </ul>
Baviaanskloof World Heritage Site	<ul> <li>Construction for the interpretative centre started in December 2020 and</li> </ul>
Construction of an interpretation and VIC at the western part of the Baviaanskloof World Heritage Site	estimated practical completion is was 24 February 2022, with exhibition elements to be completed thereafter
The project also involved upgrading of 12 sleeper hikers' huts along the 3 camps of the Leopard Trail as well as existing services (i.e. concrete pool, concrete braai facilities and water pumps).	
ECPTA Six Day Hiking Trail	<ul> <li>Construction is in progress in Hluleka, Mngazana and Mpande sites.</li> <li>Construction at Mngcibe will commence once EIA approval is granted.</li> </ul>
Construction of overnight accommodation/rondavels at Mpande, Mngazana, Hluleka sites and Mngcibe camp.	onoo En tappioval is glantou.



### Eastern Cape (3)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Dwesa Nature Reserve -Universal Access Project Enhancement at the Dwesa Nature Reserve to make it universally accessible	Completed around Nov 2021
<ul> <li>ECPTA</li> <li>Beach Infrastructure Development</li> <li>Refurbishment of the Krantz Recreational area in Port Alfred</li> <li>Repair and restoration of Kowie River retaining wall</li> <li>R15</li> <li>Reurbishment of Middle Beach Public facilities in Port Alfred</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Krantz site is under construction</li> <li>Middle Beach and Kowie River banks sites works have stopped pending an Environmental Authorisation.</li> </ul>
South African National Park (SANParks)  Enhancement at the Addo National Park that includes the development of family unit chalets.	<ul> <li>Enhancement work is in progress.</li> <li>Family chalets - In the design stage.</li> </ul>

### Eastern Cape (4)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
SANParks  Infrastructure maintenance programme in 19 (nineteen) National Parks: of which four (4) Parks are in the Eastern Cape	Maintenance work is in progress
<ol> <li>Addo National Park</li> <li>Camdeboo</li> <li>Mountain Zebra</li> <li>Tsitsikamma</li> </ol>	
SANParks Tsitsikama Big Tree Gateway Project	Project completed.
The project involved the construction of an entrance gate, coffee and curio shops, picnic facilities, activity centre, class room, ablutions, offices, parking and services infrastructure	



#### **Free State**

Implementing Agent and Project14	Progress
Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which four (4) sites are in the Free State  1. Gariep Dam Resort  2. Maria Moroka Resort  3. Phillip Saunders Resort in Bloemfontein  4. Sterkfontein Dam Nature Reserve	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter 1 2022/23</li> </ul>
Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) community-based <b>Tourism</b> Projects of which three (03) are in the Free State 1. QwaQwa Guest House, Phuthaditjhaba (Accomodation) 2. Vredefort Dome Interpretation Centre, near Parys 3. Monotsha, Phuthaditjhaba (paved access road)	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Construction expected to commence in Quarter 1 2022/23</li> </ul>
SANParks  Dinosaur Centre, Golden Gate National Park  Construction of the Dinosaur Interpretative Centre  Landscaping, maintenance, terrain rehabilitation	Construction is in progress

### **G**auteng

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Constitution Hill  People's Park, Braamfontein  The construction of the 'People Park' project within the Constitution Hill Precinct to exemplify the values of the constitution - being accessible to the public and available for use as a gathering space, recreation space for the adjoining communities and for	Contractor procurement stage - It is anticipated that the contractor will be approved by the Board in 2022
DBSA  Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which one (1) site is in Gauteng  1. Suikerbosrand Nature Reserve, Gauteng	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>



#### Kwazulu-Natal

Implementing Agent and Projects	Progress
Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) the Community-based <b>Tourism</b> Projects of which three (3) are in Kwazulu-Natal  1. Muzi Pan - Jozini LM 2. Anton Lembede Museum 3. AmaHlubi Cultural Heritage	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Construction expected to commence in Quarter 2 2022/23 with the exception of Muzi Pan in Quarter 1 2022/23</li> </ul>
Upgrade & Expansion of Giant Castle Re-construction of the Meander Hut	Construction is in progress
Ezemvelo  Midmar Resort upgrades Renovations and revamp of the Midmar Dam Resort	<ul> <li>Site was handed over to the Contractor in November 2021.</li> <li>Construction is in progress.</li> </ul>
Roofing of Resorts Re-roofing of three resorts -Thendele Camp, Mthwazi Lodge and Hill Top with harvey tiles	<ul> <li>Construction work at Thendele Camp commenced in March 2021.</li> <li>Construction at Mthwazi and Hilltop has not yet commenced.</li> </ul>

#### Kwazulu-Natal (2)

Implementing Agent and Project	rogress	
Ezemvelo	<ul><li>Completed around 2021</li></ul>	Oct
Hluhluwe Universal Accessibility		
Enhancement at the Hluhluwe Nature Reserve to make it universally accessible to persons with disabilities and elderly		
TIKZN	<ul> <li>The contractor was appointed in Augus</li> </ul>	
Bhanga Nek, about 12 km south of the Kosi Bay	<ul> <li>Construction is und</li> </ul>	lerway.
Upgrading of existing infrastructure which includes: <b>Top Campsite:</b>		
<ul> <li>7 Accommodation units;</li> </ul>		
2 Stand-alone ablution facilities;		
2 water-heating systems		
Bottom Site includes:		
<ul><li>6 Tented camps, boma, ablution and kitchen;</li><li>Water and electrification;</li></ul>		
• Landscaping;		
Fencing and entrance facilities.		
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### Kwazulu-Natal (3)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
TIKZN	Construction is in progress.
Lilani Hotsprings, between Greytown and Kranskop	
Renovation of the chalets, kitchen, restaurant, laundry, administration block, construction of retaining walls, repairing of the fence, pool area.	
TKZN  Mandela Capture Site	<ul> <li>Tender had to be re-advertised.</li> <li>Contractor estimated be on site end of March 2022.</li> </ul>
Construction of access road, parking and entrance gate, guardhouse, landscaping and fencing.	



# Limpopo (I)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) community-based tourism Projects (accommodation development/upgrading) of which ten (10) are in Limpopo	<ul> <li>Professional Service Providers appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Construction expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>
<ol> <li>Phiphidi Waterfall, near Thohoyandou</li> <li>The Oaks Lodge, Maruleng LM</li> <li>Matsila Lodge, Makhado LM</li> <li>VhaTsonga, Makhado LM</li> <li>Ngove, about 4kms from Giyani</li> <li>Tisane, near Jane Furse</li> <li>Nandoni Dam, Vhembe DM</li> <li>Tshathogwe Game Farm, Makhado LM</li> <li>Mtititi Game Farm, Collins Chabane LM</li> <li>Mapate Recreational Social Tourism Facility, Thulamele LM</li> </ol>	
Infrastructure <b>maintenance</b> programme in 19 (nineteen) National Parks of which one (1) Park is in Limpopo 1. Mapungubwe, LP 2. Marakele LP	Maintenance work is in progress.



Limpopo (2)

Progress
<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence inQuarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Tender for contractor advertised and appointment expected to be finalised in February 2022.</li> </ul>
Tender for contractor advertised and appointment expected to be finalised in February 2022.

# Limpopo (3)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
SANParks  Shangoni Gate, at the entrance gate of the Kruger National Park  Development of new entrance Gate at the Kruger National Park on the edge of Shingwedzi River that borders Collins Chabane Municipality and Greater Giyani Municipality.	Detailed plans and bill of quantities for the road and tourism infrastructure completed, currently developing tender documentation
SANParks  Phalaborwa Wild Activity Hub, Kruger National Park Partial development of the Wild Activity Hub in the Kruger National Park Phalaborwa Gate.	<ul> <li>Detailed plans and bill of quantities finalised, currently developing tender documentation</li> </ul>
SANParks  Mapungubwe - Group accommodation  Construction of dormitories and rooms, kitchen, dinning facility & provision of external works (water, sewer, drainage & fencing).	<ul> <li>Detailed plans, bill of quantities and designs completed</li> <li>Budget shortfall to implement the full scope. SANParks is reviewing the scope to fit within the available budget.</li> </ul>

### Mpumalanga (1)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which four (4) sites are in Mpumalanga  1. Manyeleti Nature Reserve 2. Andover Nature Reserve 3. Songimvelo Nature Reserve 4. SS Skosana Nature Reserve	<ul> <li>Professional Services</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>
DBSA  Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) community-based tourism Projects of which one (01) are in Mpumalanga  1. MP Numbi Gate	<ul><li>Professional Services</li><li>Projects in the planning stage</li></ul>



# Mpumalanga (2)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
MTPA Universal Access at Blyde River Canyon	<ul> <li>Tender was advertised and lapsed.</li> <li>MTPA is in process of commencing a new procurement process.</li> </ul>
Enhancement at the Blyde River Caynon Reserve to make it universally accessible	
SANParks	Maintenance work is in progress
Infrastructure <b>maintenance</b> programme in 19 (nineteen) National Parks: of which one (01) Park is in the Mpumalanga	
1. Kruger National Park	



### **Northern Cape**

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which four (4) sites are in the Northern Cape  1. Mc Gregor Museum, NC 2. Doornkloof Nature Reserve, NC 3. Rolfontein Nature Reserve, NC 4. Goegap Nature Reserve, NC	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>
DBSA  Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) Community-based Tourism Projects of which two (02) are in the Northern Cape  1. NC Platfontein Lodge, 17km from Kimberley 2. NC Kamiesburg, Kamiesburg LM, Roodebergskloof Farm	



### Northern Cape (2)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
SANParks  Khomani San Interpretative Centre and Narrative Development  The implementation of the exhibition and refurbishment of the interpretative centre and narrative development.	<ul> <li>Service provider appointed.</li> <li>The narrative and design planning is completed.</li> <li>Estimated to be completed in Dec 2022.</li> </ul>
SARAO (South African Radio Astronomy Observatory)  Square Kilometre Array (SKA) Visitor Interpretation Centre	<ul> <li>The project is still in the planning phase.</li> </ul>
Construction of the Carnarvon Science Exploratorium in Carnarvon, Northern Cape Province.	
This project is co-funded with the Department of Science and Innovation	



#### **North West**

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
DBSA  Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which six (6) sites are in the North West	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23</li> </ul>
<ol> <li>Molopo Game Reserve</li> <li>Mafikeng Game Reserve</li> <li>Kgaswane Nature Reserve</li> <li>Bloemhof Dam Nature</li> <li>Boskop Nature Reserve</li> <li>Botsalano Game Reserve</li> </ol>	
Support the Implementation of twenty nine (29) community-based tourism Projects of which four (04) are in the North West  1. Manyane Lodge, Mafikeng Game Reserve 2. Lotlamoreng Dam, Mafikeng 3. Sol Plaatjie Museum, NW and NC 4. Lehurutshe Liberation Heritage Museum, Zeerust	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Construction expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23 (Manyane Lodge and Lotlamoreng Dam) and Quarter 2 2022/23 (Sol Plaatjie Museum and Lehurutshe Liberation Heritage Museum)</li> </ul>

### Western Cape (I)

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Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Cape Nature	In the planning and concept stage
Goukamma	
Enhancement at the Goukamma Nature Reserve that includes Lodge complex development at Groenvlei precinct, Installation of rainwater capture and reticulation system.	
Covers forty (40) provincial state-owned assets of which seven (7) sites are in the Western Cape  1. Kogelberg Nature Reserve 2. Goukamma Nature Reserve 3. Lookout Hill Khayelitsha 4. Cape of Good of Hope 5. De Hoop Nature Reserve 6. Wolwekloof Nature Reserve 7. Cederberg Wilderness Area	<ul> <li>Professional Services appointed</li> <li>Projects in the planning stage</li> <li>Maintenance work expected to commence in Quarter1 2022/23.</li> </ul>



# Western Cape (2)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
Robben Island Museum  Enhancement at the Robben Island Museum - development of Alpha 1 Restaurant, visitor centre and craft centre. Training of crafters.	Tender was cancelled twice and will be re-advertised in early 2022.
SANParks	<ul> <li>Maintenance work is in progress.</li> </ul>
Infrastructure <b>maintenance</b> programme in 19 (nineteen) National Parks: of which five (5) Parks are in the Western Cape	
<ol> <li>Agulhas</li> <li>Bontebok</li> <li>Table Mountain</li> <li>West Coast</li> <li>Tankwa-Karoo</li> </ol>	



### Western Cape (3)

Implementing Agent and Project	Progress
SANParks  Covers fifteen (15) National Parks of which eight (08) are in the Western Cape	Maintenance work is in progress
<ol> <li>Wilderness</li> <li>Knysna</li> <li>Karoo</li> <li>West Coast</li> <li>Table Mountain</li> <li>Bontebok</li> <li>Agulhas</li> <li>Tankwa Karoo</li> </ol>	
SANParks  Agulhas Lighthouse  Development of the lighthouse, Information center and restaurant	<ul> <li>Contractor appointed. Awaiting construction permit.</li> <li>Construction estimated to start in Feb 2022.</li> </ul>



#### **Closure**

It is recommended that the Portfolio Committee on Tourism notes the report on infrastructure projects funded by the Department of Tourism

