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Strategic Plan 2006/7 Policy and Regulation Branch

Presentation to Select Committee
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Presentation

- Overview
- Forestry
- Water Services
- Water Resources

Overview

- Forestry
 - One Chief Directorate
 - Budget R41 m
 - P&R and Regions to be combined into one branch
- Water Services
 - One Chief Directorate
 - Budget 68.7 m

Overview

- Water Resources
 - 6 Chief Directorates
 - Strategic Co-ordination
 - Water Use
 - Water Resource Information Management
 - Integrated Water Resource Planning
 - Resource Directed Measures
 - Institutional Oversight
 - Budget R391 407

Forestry

- Forestry oversight
 - National Certification Initiative launched
 - 2005 State of Forests report published
 - National system for regulation of sustainable forest management developed and regulations published
 - Policy developed for provision of financial support under the NFA
 - Forest sector research strategy in place
 - Lease plantation and natural forests managed in terms of leases

Forestry

- Forestry Development
 - Forest Sector Charter
 - To be completed and Gazetted by September 2006
 - Implementation to begin during 2006/7
 - Includes development of sawlog strategy, and FED strategy and institutional arrangements
- Regional collaboration on sustainable forest management
- Sector growth strategy developed
- Report on forestry potential in SADC

Forestry

- Fire regulation and oversight
 - 60 registered FPAs reporting to DWAF
 - National Veld Fire Information System operational
 - MoUs with SAWS and dplg operational
 - Effective compliance with Act
 - Fire awareness campaigns implemented
 - Negotiations begun on cross-border fire management

Water Services

- Provisioning policies
 - Regular and reliable reporting on MIG, service delivery and FBS
- Water Sector Policies
 - Water Services Act revised
 - Free basic sanitation strategy completed
 - Regulatory strategy completed and monitoring system in place
 - WSDPs submitted and evaluated
 - Drinking water quality management system implemented
 - Annual sector assessment report

Water Services

- Institutional policies
 - Institutional Reform strategy in place by October 2006
 - Improved functioning of WSAs, WSPs and WBs measured against agreed KPIs
 - Advocacy and training programmes implemented
- Africa initiative
 - Regular reporting to Water Water Assessment Programme
 - Annual MDG progress report
 - Promote establishment of water services forums in SADC countries

Water Resources

- Equitable supply
 - Water Allocation Reform programme implementation begun in Mhlatuze, Olifants and Nkomati WMAs
 - Streamlining of licence application processes
 - Allocation of financial support to new black farmers
 - Implementation of rainwater harvesting pilots
 - Promotion of water conservation and demand management
 - Support to illegal water use programme
 - Pre-feasibility and feasibility studies on water reconciliation
 - Dam safety legislation administered

Water Resources

- Protection policies
 - Comprehensive reserve determinations begun in 4 priority catchments
 - Classification system promulgated
 - Ad hoc reserve determinations
 - Agreement with DEAT on joint procedure to licence landfill sites
 - Waste discharge charging system implemented (requires amendment of NWA)

Water Resources

- Institutional Regulation
 - 4 CMAs established (Thukela, Usutu-Mhlatuze, Gouritz, Olifants/Doorn)
 - Revised Pricing Strategy promulgated
- Strategic Alignment
 - Framework for capacity building in the water sector developed
 - State of water resources reporting in annual report
 - ISPs reviewed where necessary
 - Guidelines developed for Catchment Management Strategies
 - Information systems developed and maintained

Water Resources

- Africa Co-operation
 - Orange River Basin Commission and Limpopo Basin Commission operationalised
 - Agreements in place for basin commissions for Maputo and Nkomati
 - Development proactive international programme

Cross-cutting

- Gender mainstreaming training for managers
- Address scarce skills shortages

