PRIORITIES FOR 2006/2007

Research, Antarctica & Islands

- Draft strategy on skills development & mentoring via NORSA
- Strengthen regional cooperation on transboundary management (IBCC)

Monitoring, Control and Surveillance

- Develop information management system
- Strengthen partnerships with other Agencies
- Increase awareness

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PROGRAMME 4: TOURISM

PURPOSE OF PROGRAMME

CREATE

THE CONDITIONS FOR THE SUSTAINABLE GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT OF TOURISM FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL SOUTH AFRICANS

ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006

- · Finalised, launched and signing of the Tourism BEE Charter
- · Funded 222 SMMEs to attend Indaba
- Phase 2 of Global Competitiveness Project Completed
- · Developed first two tables of the Tourism Satellite Account
- Tourism 2010 Plan completed
- TEP linkage results: enterprises assisted=543, number of transactions=391, number of HDE transactions=245, jobs created= 5000
- · Increase in interdepartmental interventions in portfolio markets.
- · Increase in tourism awareness interventions in SA.
- · Promoted procurement from graded establishments by government
- 65 black assessors trained in accommodation grading.
- 4 500 accommodation establishment have been graded.
- Facilitated Foreign Language Training.

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MEDIUM TERM STRATEGY

- · Implementation of the tourism BEE charter and scorecard
- Tourism SMME support and development
- Focused tourism infrastructure and product development investment
- · Development of the TSA and information management systems
- · Alignment of missions with marketing campaign
- Improving visa and airlift constraints
- Improving the tourism human resource platform
- Further Increase in government procurement from graded establishments
- Promote tourism in NEPAD

PRIORITIES FOR 2006/07

- · Address the tourism skills demand
- · Facilitate tourist safety and security
- · Building a Tourism-Friendly Nation
- · Improve movement of tourists to and within South Africa
- · Promote Enterprise Development
- Support Local Government to grow the tourism sector in 9 priority areas
- · Support and develop tourism products aligned to demand
- · Developing and entrenching accurate research instruments
- · Implementation of Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment
- · Implement ASGI-SA programmes

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BENEFITS TO SOCIETY

Enterprise Development

- Access to tourism training programmes on awareness and business development;
- o Funding for attendance at local and international tourism exhibitions;
- o Creation of sustainable job opportunities
- o Increased market access
- o The facilitation of business linkages

Research

 Reliable information that can be used as the basis from which to make business development and investment decisions

Investment Promotion

- Improving the competitiveness of the tourism industry through the introduction of new tourism products
- o The creation of job opportunities

BENEFITS TO SOCIETY

TOURISM SKILLS:

- Ensure that the tourism industry has sufficient skills that will enable the industry to be competitive.
- Ensure that individuals from historically disadvantaged communities receive relevant training and are able to compete in the open labour market.

TOURIST SAFETY AND SECURITY:

 Communities will participate in the structures that will be established for tourism safety and security. Awareness will be created on the importance of tourism and the value it brings to their respective communities.

BUILDING A TOURISM FRIENDLY NATION:

- o Training will be provided to frontline staff at ports of entries
- o A volunteer programme will be developed

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PROGRAMME 5: BIODIVERSITY AND CONSERVATION

PURPOSE OF PROGRAMME

PROMOTE THE CONSERVATION AND SUSTAINABLE
UTILISATION OF NATURAL RESOURCES TO
ENHANCE ECONOMIC GROWTH AND POVERTY
ERADICATION

ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2005/2006

1. TRANSFRONTIER CONSERVATION AND PROTECTED AREAS

- · Giriyondo Access facility operational
- TFCA Strategy for 2010 endorsed by SADC Council of Ministers
- · Kids in Parks programme 5 Parks visited by 1 500 learners
- · Camdeboo National Park declared
- · Protected area estate increased by 79 000ha
- Protected Areas Amendment Act came into force on 01 November 2005 and Regulations for the proper admin of special nature reserves, national parks and world heritage sites published
- · Protected areas register framework completed in February 2006

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ACHIEVEMENTS FOR 2005/2006

2. BIODIVERSITY AND HERITAGE

- · Threatened or Protected Species list developed
- · Draft regulations developed in terms of NEMBA
- Draft Norms and Standards for the Regulation of Hunting developed.
- National Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan finalised.
- · Vredefort Dome listed as a World Heritage Site
- Makapan Valley & Taung Scull Fossil Site listed as extensions of the Cradle of Humankind World Heritage Site
- Prince Edward Islands and Richtersveld Landscape World Heritage Site proposal submitted to UNESCO

MEDIUM TERM STRATEGY (2006-2010)

1.TRANSFRONTIER CONSERVATION AND PROTECTED AREAS

Conserve biodiversity, its components, processes and functions and mitigate threats

Fast track the process of promoting the Transfrontier Conservation and development initiatives

Expand the conservation estate to ensure representivity and viability to: 8% of the SA's land surface under protection by 2010

Alignment of strategies and plans between spheres of Government Resolution of all claims to the benefit of government and claimants Ensuring participation of communities in protected area

Protected Areas Legislation Implementation
Management plans for national parks reviewed
Protected areas register in operation
Support provinces in NEM: PA Act implementation

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MEDIUM TERM STRATEGY (2006-2010)continued

2. BIODIVERSITY AND HERITAGE

NEMBA implementation:

Norms, standards and associated regulations effected

NBSAP:

Implemented and monitored

Environmental Management Framework for GMOs:

Developed and effected

Additions to the Ramsar and World Heritage Sites:

2 new Ramsar sites and 2 new World Heritage Sites proposed

PRIORITIES FOR 2006/2007

1. TRANSFRONTIER CONSERVATION AND PROTECTED AREAS

- Put in place mechanism to operationalise TFCA 2010 Strategy
- · Improving access within the TFCAs
- Expand the conservation estate to ensure representivity and viability by 0.2% - 0.5%
- · Declaration new national parks Wild Coast, Blyde River Canyon
- Alignment of strategies and plans between spheres of Government (Land claims / people and parks)
- · Management plans for national parks reviewed
- · Protected areas register in operation
- · Support provinces in NEM: PA Act implementation

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PRIORITIES FOR 2006/2007

2. BIODIVERSITY & HERITAGE

· Regulations for :

Threatened & Protected, Alien & Invasive Species, ABS and Bioprospecting,

·Norms and standards for:

The regulation of the hunting industry in South Africa
The management of elephant in South Africa

- National Biodiversity Framework
- · Ecosystem listing in terms of NEMBA
- · Finalise Management Framework for GMOs

BENEFITS AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

- Expand the conservation estate to ensure representivity and viability and to:
- Ensure optimal health and integrity of ecosystems and their functioning, thus ensuring products and services
- Providing for effective regulation and sustainable use of biological resources
- Providing for sharing of benefits arising from use of biological resources
- · Creating cross border access for tourism expansion
- Providing infrastructure in poor and marginal areas contributing to economic development and upliftment
- · Contributing to ASGISA

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PROGRAMME 6: SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY POLICY & PROJECTS

PURPOSE

THE FORMULATION OF POLICY REGARDING THE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FUNCTION OF THE DEPARTMENT AND THE IDENTIFICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PROJECTS THAT SUPPORT THE POLICY IN THE AREA OF TOURISM, CONSERVATION AND ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND PROTECTION.

ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006

Provided co-ordination role for Environment & Culture Sector -Expanded Public Works Programme:

- · Provided project management support in all nine provinces
- · Funding for 216 projects which created
 - √ 21 241 job opportunities
 - √ 173 299 training days

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ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006 – PER LINE FUNCTION FOCUS AREA & PER PROVINCE

Focus Area: Working on Waste

Description

- Create mechanisms for the protection of environmental quality
- Create sustainable livelihoods through recycling of waste (waste collection & minimization)
- · Support use of enviro-friendly waste disposal technology
- Capacity building programme for municipalities to develop IWMP
- · Rehabilitation of polluted areas (hazardous waste, secondary asbestos pollution)

Achievements

- . Funding for 18 projects which created
 - o 730 job opportunities
 - o 5 265 training days

Focus Area: Working on Waste - Projects per province

	Eastern Cape	Free State	Gauteng	KwaZulu Natal
Number of Projects	2	2	4	6
Job Opportunities	186	59	213	168
Training Days	1,605	421	709	991

	Mpumalanga	North West	Western Cape	Total
Number of Projects	1	2	1	18
Job Opportunities	8	43	53	730
Training Days	784	348	407	5,265

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ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006 – PER LINE FUNCTION FOCUS AREA & PER PROVINCE

Focus Area: People and Parks

Description

- Focus on protected areas to conserve natural resources and cultural heritage
- Development and upgrading of infrastructure in and around protected areas
- Development of benefit sharing models for communities living around parks / protected areas
- Creation of ancillary industries and SMME / BEE development complimentary to the protected
- areas
- Achievements
- Funding for 46 projects which created
 - o 6 166 job opportunities
 - o 37 286 training days

Focus Area: People and Parks - Projects per province

	Eastern Cape	Free State	Gauteng	KwaZulu Natal
Number of Projects	-11	2	1	11
Job Opportunities	975	902	101	2779
Training Days	900	13,706	48	12,823

	Limpopo	Northern Cape	Western Cape	Total
Number of Projects	5	9	7	46
Job Opportunities	468	833	108	6,166
Training Days	7,602	1,553	654	37,286

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ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006 – PER LINE FUNCTION FOCUS AREA & PER PROVINCE

Focus Area: Sustainable Land Based Livelihoods

Description

- · Rehabilitation of wetlands
- Promotion and creation of community conservancies
- Rehabilitation and revegatation of landscapes to conserve natural resources
- Fresh water farming (aquaculture)
- Creation of livelihood opportunities through the sustainable utilization of natural and cultural
- heritage

Achievements

- Funding for 33 projects which created
 - o 3 273 job opportunities
 - o 33 488 training days

Focus Area: Sustainable Land Based Livelihoods - Projects per province

	Eastern Cape	Free State	Gauteng	KwaZulu Natal	Limpopo
Number of Projects	12	5	3	3	5
Job Opportunities	1,692	491	91	538	167
Training Days	4,542	19,755	3	1,806	92

	Mpumalanga	Northern Cape	North West	Western Cape	Total
Number of Projects	2	1	1	1	33
Job Opportunities	290	2	1	1	3,273
Training Days	7,290	0	0	0	33,488

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ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006 – PER LINE FUNCTION FOCUS AREA & PER PROVINCE

Focus Area: Working for Tourism

Description

- Support the development of viable tourism products and TEP
- Creation of opportunities to increase the share of SMME/BEE involvement in tourism industry
- Development and upgrading of tourism infrastructure
- · Supporting the tourism enterprise programme
- Creation of tourism routes; establishment of tourism information centres and signage

Achievements

- · Funding for 100 projects which created
 - o 8 041 job opportunities
 - o 72 473 training days

Focus Area: Working for Tourism - Projects per province

	Eastern Cape	Free State	Gauteng	KwaZulu Natal	Limpopo
Number of Projects	19	18	8	20	5
Job Opportunities	1,219	214	585	2,491	712
Training Days	10,085	6,680	1,869	15,819	5,479

	Mpumalanga	Northern Cape	North West	Western Cape	Total
Number of Projects	8	10	4	8	100
Job Opportunities	340	1,065	360	982	8,041
Training Days	324	10,537	1,085	20,595	72,473

ACHIEVEMENTS 2005/2006 – PER LINE FUNCTION FOCUS AREA & PER PROVINCE

Focus Area: Working for the Coast

Description

- · Rehabilitation of coastal dunes & estuaries
- Cleaning up of beaches of upgrading of tourist facilities
- · Projects in the area of fish farming in a marine environment (Mari-culture)
- Development and upgrading of tourism infrastructure along the coast

Achievements

 Funding for 19 projects which created o 3 032 job opportunities o 24 787 training days

Focus Area: Working for the Coast - Projects per province

	Eastern Cape	KwaZulu Natal	Northern Cape	Western Cape	Total
Number of Projects	3	6	3	7	19
Job Opportunities	809	1,460	152	611	3,032
Training Days	8,794	3,958	7,932	4,103	24,787

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MEDIUM TERM STRATEGY

- The improvement of the web-based programme management system to make it more user friendly.
- Launching of the social impact study to determine both the general impact of the programme as well as the perception of the programme from the point of view of the beneficiaries.
- Development of a local government database that will include information on households,
- IDP's, local economies that can be used is planning the programme outputs such as skills development and sustainable enterprises
- Reviewing ways to increase the labour intensiveness of projects so as to increase the number of jobs per R1 million spent

PRIORITIES AND OUTPUTS FOR 2006/2007

- · Launch of the social impact study
- Improvement of the web-based programme management system
- · Planning of the local government database
- 12 500 job opportunities
- . 130 000 training days

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How to access the SRPP Project Management System

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- · Access to all project information through a dedicated website, www.thelapa.com
- · Steps to access project information
 - ✓ After logging-on to <u>www.thelapa.com</u>, Select DEAT link
 - ✓ Logging using VIEW for both Userld and Password
 - ✓ Search for desired project, using project name

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