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**Green - Activity completed**
Amber - In progress
Red – Still to be done

NB - Dates for activities still to be done are tentative and are subject to change
PRESENTATION TO THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND FISHERIES

ESTABLISHING THE SMALL-SCALE FISHERIES SECTOR: OVERVIEW ON PROGRESS

November 2018
Presentation Outline

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Acronyms

DAFF = Department of Agriculture, Forestry and Fisheries
EC = Eastern Cape
FAO = Food and Agricultural Organisation
KZN = Kwa-Zulu Natal
MLRA = Marine Living Resources Act
NC = Northern Cape
SSF = Small-scale Fisheries
WC = Western Cape
WCRL = West Coast Rock Lobster
Introduction and Background

- The MLRA Amendment Bill was signed into law by the President in May 2014 in order to legally recognise the small-scale fishing sector.
- The Small-Scale Fishing Regulations was drafted to prescribe the Small-Scale Fishing Policy implementation process and the management of the new sector.
- The SSF Regulations was approved by Minister and President promulgated the Amended MLRA in March 2016, which allowed the Department to proceed with the SSFP implementation process.
- DAFF conducted an expression of interest process and identified 316 communities to be part of the registration and verification process, which was conducted between March and August 2016.
Introduction and Background

Applicants were verified against 5 criteria prescribed in the Regulations relating small-scale fishing (2015) as follows:

- a) must be a South African citizen;
- b) must be 18 years and older;
- c) must have at least ten years accumulated traditional fishing experience;
- d) must reside in the relevant small-scale fishing community;
- e) must be dependent on marine resources to meet food and basic livelihood needs.

The following slides provide the progress to date per Province:
Progress in Northern Cape

- After registration and verification in NC, announcement of provisional lists of successful fishers were completed in August 2016.
- Those provisionally unsuccessful applicants were given an opportunity to appeal, and the appeals closed in September 2016.
- DAFF assessed and finalised appeals in June 2017.
- Hon. Minister signed off on the final list of successful fishers in November 2017.
- The final list of small-scale fishers was announced in November 2017 with a total of 103 recognised as small-scale fishers.
- Training of fishers and registration of co-ops was completed in February 2018.
- SSF sector was launched in NC on the 28 Sept 2018 where Hon. Minister handed over 15 year fishing rights to the two SSF co-operatives.
Progress in Western Cape

- After registration and verification in WC, announcement of provisional lists of successful fishers was completed in October 2016.

- Those provisionally unsuccessful applicants were given an opportunity to appeal and appeals closed in December 2016.

- DAFF assessed and finalised appeals in April 2018.

- DAFF received tip-off information from 15 communities regarding some of the people on the provisional list.

- Those who were affected by tip-offs were removed from provisional lists and given an opportunity to appeal.

- DAFF announced the final list of small-scale fishers (excluding the 9 in the Western Cape from 22 to 26 October 2018.

- Training and registration of co-ops will follow after the 2018/19 West Coast Rock Lobster season.
Progress in Eastern Cape

- After registration and verification in EC, announcement of provisional lists of successful fishers was completed in November 2016.
- Those applicants that were provisionally unsuccessful were given an opportunity to appeal and appeals closed in April 2017.
- DAFF assessed and finalised appeals in November 2017.
- Hon. Minister signed off on final list of successful fishers in January 2018.
- Final list was announced in communities in February 2018 with a total of 5,335 recognised as small-scale fishers.
- Training of fishers and registration of co-ops was concluded on the 15 June 2018.
- 72 co-operatives have been registered to date and rights application process commenced on the 29 October 2018.
Progress in KwaZulu-Natal

- After registration and verification, announcement of provisional lists of successful fishers were completed in July 2017.
- Those applicants that were provisionally unsuccessful were given an opportunity to submit an appeal. Appeals closed in August 2017.
- DAFF assessed and finalised appeals in November 2017.
- Hon. Minister signed off on final list in January 2018.
- The final list of successful fishers was announced in communities in February 2018 with a total of 2,184 recognised as small-scale fishers.
- Training of fishers and registration of co-ops was completed in April 2018.
- Department is waiting for lodgement and receipting of co-op registration documents before a rights application process can commence.
Progress cont...

- Important milestones:
  - Hon. Minister approved a 15 year fishing right duration for the sector.
  - Hon. Minister exempted small-scale fishing co-operatives from paying fees or levies for the sector for the next 3 fishing seasons.
  - DAFF has identified and set aside certain species, allocation and concession areas specifically for the small-scale fishing sector.
  - DAFF has been engaging with various government departments in all spheres for the purpose of facilitating support programs for the new sector.
  - DAFF to conduct a co-op needs assessment analysis in order to facilitate implementation of support programmes to specific small-scale fishing co-operatives.
Reference documents

- Status of the SSF Implementation Process.
- SSF Implementation Process Flow.
Useful Resources

- Small-Scale Fisheries Policy (2012)
- Small-Scale Fisheries Implementation Plan (2013)
- Amended Marine Living Resources Act (Promulgated March 2016)
- Small-Scale Fishing Regulations (Approved March 2016)
- A Guide to the Small-Scale Fisheries (2016)
- SSF Policy: A handbook for fishing communities in South Africa (Masifundise Development Trust)
- Voluntary Guidelines for Securing Sustainable Small-Scale Fisheries (FAO)
- Voluntary Guidelines on the Responsible Governance of Tenure (FAO)