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PROVINCIAL NOTICE

[No. 9 of 2018]

FREE STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS

DECLARATION OF THE FREE STATE PART OF THE INGULA NATURE RESERVE IN TERMS OF THE NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT: PROTECTED AREAS ACT, 2003 (ACT NO. 57 OF 2003) (AS AMENDED)

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 Dr B. Malakoane, in terms of section 23 (1) (a) (ii) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act No. 57 of 2003) (as amended) of the declaration of the area defined in the Schedule hereto as **part of the INGULA NATURE RESERVE**.

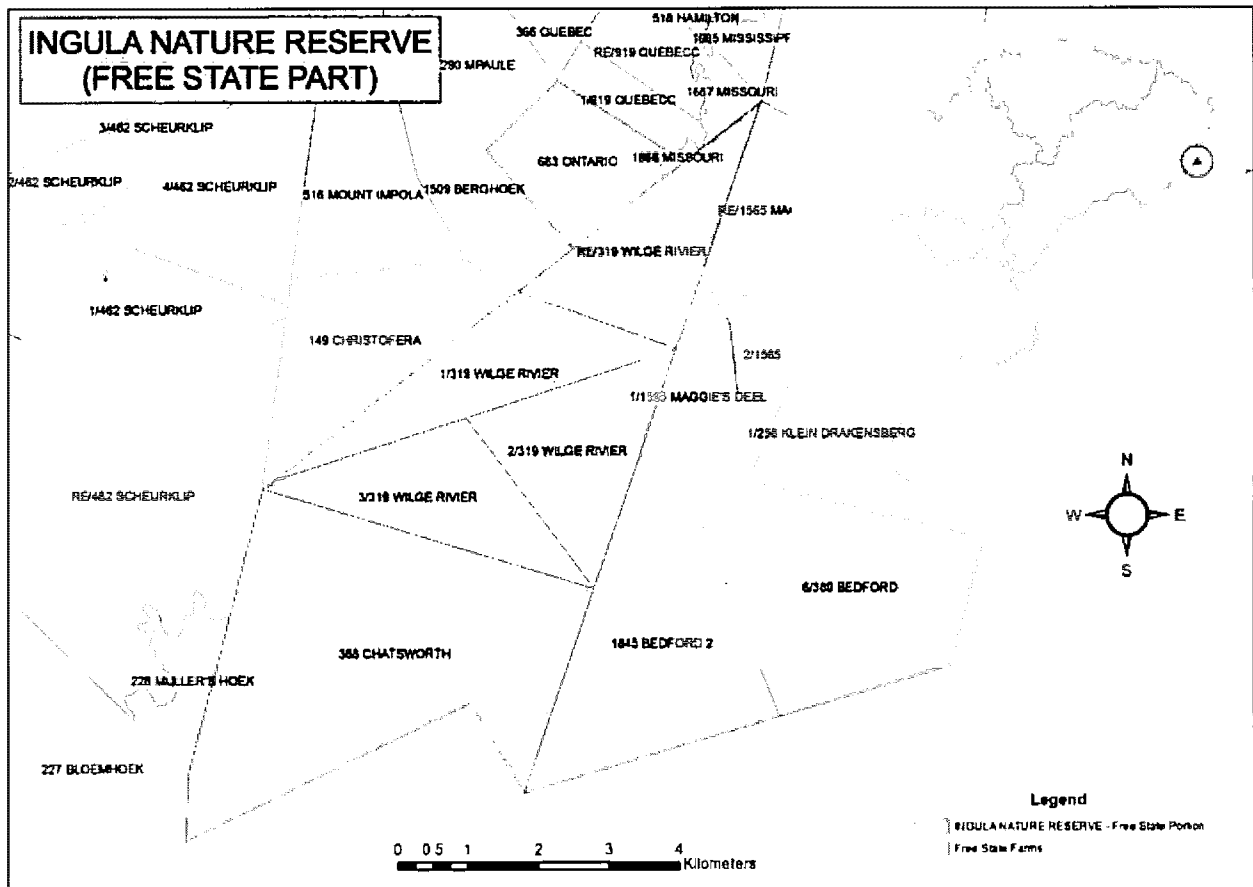
SCHEDULE

- The **Ingula Nature Reserve** (KwaZulu Natal) was declared on the 15th of March 2018 in terms of the KwaZulu-Natal Provincial Gazette (No.1935) Notice: Proclamation Notice 1 of the 15th of March 2018.
- **Name of the Protected Area** (section 23 (1) (b) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended)): **INGULA NATURE RESERVE**.
- **Category of Protected Area** (section 23 (1) (a) (ii) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended)): **PART OF AN EXISTING NATURE RESERVE**.
- **Assignment of Management Authority** (section 38 (2) (a) of the National Environmental Management: Protected Areas Act (Act 57 of 2003) (as amended)): **ESKOM HOLDINGS SOC LIMITED**, as the owner, is hereby assigned as the **MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY** for the **INGULA NATURE RESERVE**.
- **Purpose of the Declaration:**
 - to declare those properties, located in the Free State, to be a part of the Ingula Nature Reserve;
 - 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 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 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 **INGULA NATURE 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 OF PROPERTIES:** The following properties are hereby declared to part of the **INGULA NATURE RESERVE**:
 - 1) The farm Bedford 2 No. 1845, Harrismith District in the Free State province, In extent 877,7279 (*Eight hundred and seventy seven comma seven two seven nine*) hectares, first registered and still held by certificate of Consolidated title T6308/1981 with diagram LG 471/80 relating thereto.
 - 2) Portion 6 of the Farm Bedford No. 389, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 877,7273 (*Eight hundred and seventy seven comma seven two seven three*) hectares, first registered and still held by Certificate of Consolidated Title No. T6311/1981 with Diagram LG No. 472/80 relating thereto.

- 3) The Farm Chatsworth No. 388, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 1614,5628 (*One Thousand Six Hundred and fourteen comma five six two eight*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T19879/1994 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T27596/2004.
- 4) The Farm Ontario No. 663, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 331,3052 (*Three Hundred and Thirty One comma three zero five two*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T947/1915 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T5468/1961.
- 5) Portion 1 of the Farm Wilge Rivier No. 319, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 446,2189 (*Four Hundred and Forty Six comma two one eight nine*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T3684/1943 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T3821/2003.
- 6) Portion 2 of the Farm Wilge Rivier No. 319, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 446,2189 (*Four Hundred and Forty Six comma two one eight nine*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T3685/1943 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T90/1958.
- 7) Portion 3 of the Farm Wilge Rivier No. 319, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 446,2189 (*Four Hundred and Forty Six comma two one eight nine*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T3686/1943 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T9176/1974.
- 8) Remainder of the Farm Wilge Rivier No. 319, Harrismith District in the Free State province, in extent 446,3560 (*Four Hundred and Forty Six comma three five six zero*) hectares, first transferred by Deed of Transfer No. T3207/1917 with diagram relating thereto and held by Deed of Transfer No. T32246/2000

all located near the town of Harrismith within the Thabo Mofutsanyane District Municipality and the Phumelela Local Municipality of the Free State Province.

The boundaries of the Free State part of the **INGULA NATURE RESERVE** are indicated on the map hereunder.



Signed by my hand on this the 11th day of April 2018

DR B. MALAKOANE
 MEC: ECONOMIC AND SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM AND ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS