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New Minister for Agriculture - Gerrit Van Rensburg

Minister van Rensburg is a farmer from Mossel Bay in the Southern Cape. He studied Agriculture at University of Stellenbosch.

He served as Minister for Agriculture in the Western Cape Cabinet from June 1999 to December 2001. He later also took responsibility for the portfolios of Property Management and Works.

Minister van Rensburg served for 15 years as Secretary of Agricultural Societies and Unions and for 13 years as a member of the Western Cape Agriculture Executive, of which 3 years was as Vice-Chairman and 3 years as President. In June 2005 he was awarded an Honorary Presidentship for Agri Western Cape.

On the photograph Minister van Rensburg can be seen during a recent outing to investigate aspects in the honeybee industry.