

Western Cape Department of Agriculture

Management Improvement Plan

Western Cape Agricultural Land Reform Reform Evaluation (Performance Evaluation)

> Mogale Sebopetsa September 2014

TITLE: Western Cape Agricultural land reform reform Evaluation (Performance Evaluation)

MANAGEMENT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

1. MANAGEMENT RESPONSE ON RECOMMENDATIONS

Re	commendation	Record of agreement or disagreement	Reasons for disagreement
1	Utilise agricultural economists to investigate potential for viability at project start-up.	We agree with the recommendation	
2	Support formalisation and organisation of businesses prior to rollout of further support.	We agree with the recommendation, however, we do have a Unit already responsible for providing support in this regards, i.e. Unit for Technical Assistance (UTA)	
3	Match beneficiaries own capital and physical contribution to the department's financial and non-financial support	We agree, however, this is outside our control as we inherit settled farmers through the Land Reform programmes.	
4	Greater focus on environmental sustainable patterns of production	Agree	
5	Greater partnership among support providers	Agree and the commodity approach is an attempt in this regard	
6	Encourage a multiplicity of income sources at project start-up	Agree, however this is an area that farmers themselves can decide upon.	
7	Monitoring progress of projects and that of FSD officers and other support service providers:	Agree, we will strengthen Gantt Chart as this is the basis for monitoring progress in project delivery	
8	Business plans and regular business planning	Agree, this will be done through the UTA.	

2. IMPROVEMENT OBJECTIVES

Recommendation	Utilise agricultural economists to investigate potential for viability at project start-up.
Recommendation	Greater partnership among support providers
Recommendation	Business plans and regular business planning
Improvement Objective 1:	Improved collaboration with other experts in planning of projects, major focus on whole farm planning, i.e. involvement of other Programmes within the Department.

Recommendation	Support formalisation and organisation of businesses prior to rollout of further support.
Recommendation	Greater focus on environmental sustainable patterns of production
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Improvement Objective 2:	Support formalisation of businesses and strengthen sustainable use of resources

Recommendation	Monitoring progress of projects and that of FSD officers and other support service providers:
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Improvement Objective 3:	Strengthen advisory support within commodity workgroup programmes (Multi-disciplinary teams)

3. IMPROVEMENT PLAN

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Output	put	Priority	Activity		Deliverable	Person/s	Deadline	Budget	Progress
<u>F</u>	Facilitate the participation of AES at the CPAC level to support the planning process	:		.1	Attendance of commodity project allocations committees (CPAC) and Departmental Project Allocations Committee (DPAC) meetings by the all AES	Mogale Sebopetsa and Ms. Bongiswa Matoti	Continuous	Part of the Agricultural Economics Services (AES) operations budget	AES, is already attending the DPAC and will be engaged to start attending the CPAC's

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Output	out	Priority	Activity	Deliverable	Person/s	Deadline	Budget available	Progress
1.2	Facilitate UTA involvement in the planning of projects.	-	1.2.1	Improved and bankable business plans developed	Ms. Quinty Moroaswi - UTA Manager at CASIDRA	Existing Continuous UTA Budget	Existing UTA Budget	Already happening
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2.1	Introduce smallholder farmers to the Symphony programme in collaboration with AES	2	2.1.1	April 2015	Mr. Mfusi Mjonono and Ms. Carol Levendal	31 March 2016	R 2m	Budget still to be approved at the DPAC
2:2	Targeted training interventions focussing on enterprise governance, operations and management (informed by detailed skills		2.2.1	June 2015	Outside service provider, specialising in agriculture and business venture start-up, CASIDRA and DEDAT to help identify service	March 2016	Training budget	To start effectively in 2015

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<u>-</u>	training to extension	ო	1.1.1	trained on extension	Carol Levendai	31 Dec 2015	existing operational	programme with staff scheduled for the	
	officers in collaboration			approaches and conflict			budget	4	
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Improve support farmers, progress farmers	Improve advisory support delivered to farmers, to monitor progress made by farmers								
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:	with SAET – BIG 5, PROGRAMME.			resolutions issues					
1.2	Offer bursaries to extension officer for qualification upgrading	-	1.2.1	Better qualified extension officers	Mogale Sebopetsa	30 Nov 2016	Existing Extension Recovery Budget	Already happening and will be expanded	
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4. COMMUNICATION PLAN

Target audience	Message	Media vehicle	Deadline	Person	Budget available	Progress
Decision makers	Results of the land reform evaluation and its implications	Internal reports	30 September 2014	Mogale Sebopetsa	N/A	Done
People in the Department	Presentations – on the results	Power point presentations	30 September 2014	Mogale Sebopetsa	N/A	Done
Stakeholder clients	Report	Coordination structures, i.e. Work groups and summit	30 September 2014	Management	N/A	Continuous
Other departments	Results and implications	Reports	31 December 2014	Management	N/A	Continuous
General public	Results and implications	Newspaper and magazine articles	31 December 2104	Management	N/A	Continuous

Approved / Notapproved

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