

FISH HOEK VALLEY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

(Incorporating Fish Hoek, Clovelly and Sun Valley)

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Heritage Western Cape: Conservation Body

TO: DR M MOLEFE, VPH@daff.gov.za

SUBJECT: COMMENTS ON UPDATING SCHEDULE 1 OF THE MEAT SAFETY
ACT #40 OF 2000 ¹

DUE DATE: 28 APRIL 2020

1. DISCUSSION

We submit that no protected animal included in our National Environmental Management: Biodiversity Act #10 of 2004² or placed on the International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) list of vulnerable, endangered or critically endangered species, collectively called threatened, should ever be placed on Schedule 1 of the Meat Safety Act #40 of 2000 for slaughter, consumption, sale and export. This list is also in contravention of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species (CITES) of Wild Fauna and Flora Regulations, 2010.

Species	Family	Threatened
Rhineceros, Diceros, Ceratotherium, Dicerorhinus	Rhineceros	South-western Black Rhino White Rhino
Equidae	Horse, Donkey, Mule, Zebra	Mountain Zebra
Giraffa	Giraffe	Southern Giraffe
Hippopotamus	Hippopotamus	Hippopotamus
Leporidae	Rabbit	Riverine Rabbit
Elephas	Elephant	African Bush Elephant

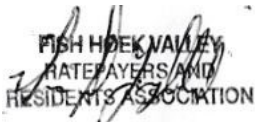
Some of the animals listed are not normally found in South Africa. Therefore, it is our conclusion that this list appears to be attempting to exonerate poachers and traffickers of threatened animals as long as they claim it was meat for the table. We should protect our threatened animals for future generations and our viewing enjoyment. Eco-tourism draws foreign capital and this income stream needs to be preserved.

¹ https://www.gov.za/sites/default/files/gcis_document/202002/43050gon201.pdf

² https://www.environment.gov.za/sites/default/files/gazetted_notices/nemba10of2004_threaten_protected_species_regulations.pdf

2. RECOMMENDATION

In the strongest terms, we oppose the passing of this list.

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