

## Project Coordination Group (PCG) meeting

### PROJECT PROGRESS UPDATE:

(Number 1 of 2012)

PROJECT: strategic Partnerships to Improve the Financial and Operational Sustainability of Protected Areas

#### PCG 2012/1/1:

1. Objectives: 1.1. Presentation of the Southern Sua Pan Management Plan- final draft

1.2 Update the PCG on the progress of the project.

2. Date: 21<sup>st</sup> February 2012

3. Venue: DEA conference room

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#### Absent with apologies:

Portia Segomelo (Ag. Director-DEA), Kelebaone Maselesele (Director-DoT), Gaogakwe Phorano (Director-DNMM), Cyril Taolo (Ag. Director), Charles Mojalemotho (Deputy Director)

PCG 2012/1/3 Agenda

Chair – (DWNP)BotshabeloOthusitse

Secretary - (BLB)Viratkootsitse

Time	Item	Facilitator
0900	Introductions	Chair
0905	Overview - Strategic partnership project	Dr.KabeloSenyatsa
0925	Progress and challenges- strategic partnership project	MotshereganyViratkootsitse
1000	break	
1030-1130hr	Presentation- Management Plan of Southern Sua pan	Dr. Graham McCulloch
1130hrs	Closing remarks	DEA

PCG 2012/1/4 Summary of issues raised:

- 2012/1/4.01 The meeting begun at 0930hr until 1400hrs.
- 2012/1/4.02 Gender balance has to be addressed or emphasised in the strategic project implementation process where possible or applicable
- 2012/1/4.03 There has to be continued training of communities on programmes such as governance and livelihood improvement sessions where applicable.
- 2012/1/4.04 Rural Appraisal Techniques is critical for any activity/ projects that involve communities.
- 2012/1/4.05 It may be necessary to involve a legal expert to assist in issues that require legal minds, this was made with reference to establishment of the Joint Community Trust for Mosu, Mmatshumo, Mmeya and Mokubilo.
- 2012/1/4.06 The community related programmes and projects has to be facilitated, through their engagement i.e. mobilisation should be thorough.
- 2012/1/4.07 It was noted that the lead IP i.e. Birdlife Botswana may have not secured enough budget for the Community Liaison Officer and now there is a great need for a CLO with good academic background
- 2012/1/4.08 In relation to the MFMP implementation the DEA awaits the Cab. memo so as to influence other ministries and departments to implement their specific components accordingly
- 2012/1/4.09 There are very important recommendations that the Southern Sua Pan Management plan has shown and these needs to be taken up as appropriate by the relevant departments e.g. the archaeological sites that are found in the area, and some form of protection of the tourism potential sites found in the area.
- 2012/1/4.10. Regarding the structure for the Joint Management Board for the Makgadikgadi Wetland System the committee agreed that: 1: DEA will continue playing a coordinating role 2: DWNP will provide advisory role especially to the proposed co management/ joint management committee at a Southern Sua Pan site level. 3: Birdlife Botswana through the

strategic partnerships project is to support all programmes as agreed. The structure below shows what was generally agreed;

