

## MEDIA STATEMENT

### CALL FOR THE NOMINATIONS OF SUITABLE PERSONS TO BE APPOINTED AS BOARD MEMBERS

**26 APRIL 2021**

The Minister of Forestry, Fisheries and the Environment, Ms Barbara Creecy has extended the call for nominations of suitable persons to serve on the boards of the South African Weather Service (SAWS), the South African National Parks (SANParks) and the South African National Biodiversity Institute (SANBI) to XX April 2021.

The call for appointment of new board members comes as a result of the ending of the three-year board term of the current Boards, and is in terms of the South African Weather Service Act; the National Environment Management: Protected Areas Act, and the National Environment Management Biodiversity Act, respectively.

“Persons to be appointed on the boards will have a duty to ensure that the entities serve the interests of all South Africans, and contribute to the realization of the Constitutional right to an environment that is not harmful to their health and wellbeing,” said Minister Creecy.

In this regard, the boards will be charged with the responsibilities of steering the entities to compliance with prevailing corporate governance standards, while exercising oversight of the organizations, and making decisions about important issues the organizations face.

Therefore, nominees for each of the entities must have suitable experience or expertise in strategic management and leadership, community development, financial management, audit

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**Board Members:** Ms Nana Magomola (Chairperson), Dr Phillip Dexter (Deputy Chairperson), Adv Derick Block, Mr David Lefutso, Dr Mphokgo Maila, Ms Kelebogile Moroka-Mosia, Ms Sally Mudly-Padayachie, Dr Thuli Khumalo (DFFE Rep), Mr Itani Phaduli, Ms Feziwe Renqe. Mr Ishaam Abader (CEO).  
**Company Secretary:** Ms Thandi Zide

and risk, corporate governance, water resource management, air quality management, protected areas management, amongst other skills.

Furthermore, a member of the board must be fit and proper to hold office, and have the appropriate qualifications. As such, the appointment procedure to be employed will entail vetting of the shortlisted candidates, verification of their qualifications with the South African Qualifications Authority and cabinet consultations.

Details regarding documents required in the submission of the nomination are contained in Government Gazettes no 44490, accessible on <http://www.gpwonline.co.za/Gazettes/Pages/Published-National-Government-Gazettes.aspx>. Nominations must be submitted within 30 days of the publication of this Notice in the Government Gazette to any of the addresses contained therein.

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