



BUSHMAN'S RIVER MOUTH / BOESMANSRIVIERMOND

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INVITATION TO ATTEND A WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE SEDIMENTATION OF THE BUSHMAN'S AND KARIEGA ESTUARIES AT BUSHMAN'S RIVER MOUTH

We are planning a workshop for interested persons and organisations on 22 March 2010 at 08h30 in the Bushman's town hall to discuss the future of the Bushman's and Kariega estuaries. The main purpose is to have in depth voluntary presentations by knowledgeable persons regarding their views on (the necessity of) the removal of the sediment from the Bushman's and Kariega River estuaries, Eastern Cape.

We have had many different groups attempting to address the problem in the past in some or other way, and every effort has failed, due to a lack of co-operation between the various affected parties in and around Bushman's, and/or a lack of funding. The dredging of certain channels will not address the bigger area of concern but will only serve as a temporary solution for smaller areas. The list of failed attempts to address the issue either totally or partially is long and the successes, all dealing with specific areas and not the whole problem, were of a temporary nature.

We believe that it is imperative that we take an informed position and promote a single workable plan with the appropriate authorities, as governmental involvement will in all likelihood be needed to eventually attend to the problem. One opinion is that the Bushman's River mouth is in serious danger of further and total sedimentation during the next ten years. That warrants our urgent attention.

“We make the difference / Ons maak die verskil”

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Subcommittee members: Peter Bowen, Val Bowen, Dave Chalmers, John Charter, Dirk Meiring, Annabelle Northrop, Roy Somers

We urge all interested parties who wish to attend and who can engage in meaningful debate in order to determine whether there are proposals that can be taken forward.

We trust that as many role players as possible will participate in this workshop. If you do wish to attend, please forward the attached form to fax (011) 880-6602 or 086 671 9001 or to email wepener@law.co.za by 28 February 2010. Once all the participants have registered, an agenda and venue will be finalised and forwarded to all.

Please forward all papers to wepener@law.co.za by 12 March 2010 for distribution, together with an agenda, to all participants in the workshop.

Members of our BRRAG committee can supply limited overnight accommodation in our homes. Please contact the convener. For additional accommodation in our area, visit www.boesmansriviermond.net or call Erica or Liz at Kenton/Bushman's Tourism on 046 648 2818 or visit tourism@kenton.co.za.

All participants (and partners) are invited to an informal braai afterwards.

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WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE SEDIMENTATION OF THE BUSHMAN'S AND KARIEGA RIVERS TO BE HELD ON 22 MARCH 2010 AT BUSHMAN'S RIVER MOUTH.

Name.....

Please attach CV

Email.....

Tel number

Name of organisation

would like to attend the workshop on 22 March 2010.

I would like to attend as observer

I would like to attend as participant

I would like to address the meeting forminutes

Topic:

I would like to deliver a paper..... Time required.....minutes

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I will attend the dinnerNumber of persons.....

Comments:.....

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