



GLTFCA Cooperative Agreement – Joint Management Committee

**Requirements for Application (including supporting documents) submitted to SANParks for recommendation/ support:**

1. Entities to have approved Management Plan and Elephant Management Plan (indicating which properties are covered by the Plans), including zonation description of areas where resource use is permissible.
2. Census done at the relevant time of year (i.e. applicable to offtakes)
3. Specialist studies to address species specific concerns (buffalo dynamics, rhino if required etc)
4. Specialist reports with recommendations for off-takes, including minutes of off-take committee meetings
5. Complete post season off-takes report for the reserve for all animals hunted (including all jaw bones aged for elephant, complete set of data including photos. Report on major non compliances i.e. elephant out by 10% and buffalo more than 1 year out for age). Report should include permit numbers, number per species hunted, demographics
6. Basic Report of where Revenue from Hunting is spent – wildlife management, social initiatives, counter poaching as per management plan. Management authorities would need to be in the position to submit annual reports if required by the provincial Conservation entities or the GLTFCA-Greater Kruger JMC.
7. Signed Hunting Protocol acknowledging acceptability and commitment by the Management authority/Reserve structure.
8. Up to date register of qualified reserve representatives (and data of when training completed)
- 8.1 Existing Management authorities/Reserve structures (as per Constitution), submit and approve quotas after endorsement at the APNR JOC meeting. Minutes of the meeting need to be submitted.



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### 8.2 Independents within an existing reserve

(note: can retain autonomy of management, if adequately covered by the Management Plan, Elephant Management plan and agreement e.g. of Federal Constitution)

Independents within reserves/conservation areas, need to have an agreement (e.g. co-management agreement) with the Management Authority/Reserve Structure i.t.o contribution to the Management functions of the reserve (as per Management plan). Such an agreement should ideally be formalised through a Federal Constitution arrangement and Co-management agreement, but at the very least be reflected in the Management Plan as to how these independents will retain autonomy of the areas i.t.o management, whilst contributing to the reserve/conservation areas' overall functions (as per NEMPAA and Protected Area Norms and Standards).

### 8.3 Independents open to APNR, but not a formal member

However, properties not formally part of the APNR should submit a separate request, but with consultation with the open areas/neighbours, and in consultation with the APNR cluster. All requirements as per other protocol need to be met, including conducting the necessary ecological assessments, record-keeping and compliance with the legal framework. Such areas need to be covered through a Management Plan and Elephant Management plan (if relevant), and the necessary Cooperative Arrangements need to be in place with the parties in the open system. The relevant Conservation authority need to indicate how the regularisation and regulation of such areas in the open system will take place. Such an open entity would need be regularised, should they wish to remain open to the broader Greater-Kruger.

Hence, where these requirements are not being met in the immediate situation, consultation with LEDET, SANParks and the MTPA with the land owner should indicate what requirements need to be met, and a Letter of intent to meet these, could be submitted. This should be discussed during open consultation between the Land owner, the issuing authority (LEDET or MTPA) and SANParks and presented to the APNR JOC, and GLTFCA-Greater Kruger Joint Management Committee, if not resolved at the JOC cluster level. The APNR JOC, on advice of the JMC, could then render support the intent to meet requirements with one year, pending the nature of the submission. The applicant will be required to sign the Greater Kruger/GLTFCA Cooperative Agreement as per A letter of intent to ensure that all requirements are met, should be obtained from the relevant Conservation entities (e.g. LEDET), and be supported by the APNR JOC, including the other conservation entities ( SANParks and MTPA) as per Greater Kruger Guidelines 9. The land owner submitting the application needs to be



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covered by an existing and approved elephant / species management plan . If not in place the Provincial authority will advise and take responsibility. Also refer to point 8 above