

OUTPUTS AND DEVELOPMENTS 2007/2008

- Outputs during the year in the following areas of work:
 - Determination and re-determination of municipal boundaries.
 - Assessments of municipal capacity and recommendations to MEC's responsible for local government on the allocation and re-allocation of powers and functions between local and district municipalities.
 - Review of District Management Areas with a view to withdraw all DMA declaration, if feasible.
 - Assistance to all government departments who require that assistance, with the alignment of their service delivery boundaries to municipal boundaries.
 - Further enhancement of quality engagements and improved working relations with all stakeholders.
 - Various areas of work to enhance and promote good governance
 - Various areas of work to enhance and improve organisational capacity and capability.



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DETERMINATION AND RE-DETERMINATION OF MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES: OUTPUTS AND DEVELOPMENTS 2007/2008

- We continued with a programme that would ensure that we finalise 100% of the boundary changes requests during the 2007/2008 and 2008/2009 financial years.
- The programme was put together with an assumption that:
 - The next national and provincial elections will take place in April 2009
 - The next local government elections will take place in March 2011.
- In terms of the programme, we will stop receiving all submissions/requests on 31 March 2008.
- Changes to municipal boundaries with respect to cases already in process will continue until August 2008, when all boundary changes will be put on hold and we will hand over boundaries to the IEC for them to start delimitation of VD's.
- Voting districts can then be determined by the IEC for the national and provincial elections in 2009, followed by the determination of wards for the 2011 local government elections.



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DETERMINATION AND RE-DETERMINATION OF MUNICIPAL BOUNDARIES: OUTPUTS AND DEVELOPMENTS GOING FORWARD



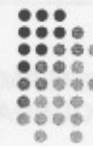
- The following timelines remain relevant:

Phases	Timeframe	Process
Phase 1	Dec 2007- Aug 2008	Finalise outer boundaries of municipalities – MDB/IEC/MECs
	Aug – Sep 2008	Align VD boundaries to municipal boundaries – IEC/MDB
	Feb – Aug 2008	Re-categorisation of selected secondary cities and review of some category C municipalities - MDB
	Sep 2008 – Mar 2009	Voter registration, certification and division of the national common voters roll into municipal segments – IEC
	March 2009	Publish formula for the number of councillors – Minister
Phase 2	March 2009	Publish number of Councillors - MECs
	Apr 2009 – Feb 2010	Public consultation process including public hearings, where necessary – MDB
Phase 3	Mar – Aug 2010	Gazette ward boundaries in provincial gazettes for objections, finalise ward boundaries and hand over to the IEC for the 2011 electoral process - MDB
Phase 4	Aug 2010 – Mar 2011	Electoral Process - IEC



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PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES EASTERN CAPE PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008

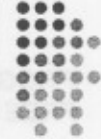


- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To close 1 case following agreement with the MEC, as a new submission that affects the area concerned has been received by the Board;
 - To refer 2 new requests to the affected municipalities and to the province for comments by 10 March 2008, failing which a section 26 notice will be published to test public opinion.
 - To regard 5 new requests received from the MEC and submitted to the affected municipalities, as cases submitted by the MEC in terms of section 22 of the Demarcation Act, and to publish a section 26 notice to test public opinion, with 15 April 2008 as a closing date for written submissions.
 - To re-determine boundaries with respect to 3 cases, and to approve the publication/re-publication of section 21 notice with 30 days for the submission of objections.
 - To confirm the re-determination of boundaries with respect to 2 cases and to approve the publication of section 21(5) notice.
- With respect to 1 case, the Board noted that the MEC must still gazette s section 23 notice to determine the effective date.



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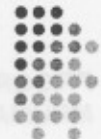
**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
KWAZULU NATAL PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**



- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - Not to re-determine with respect to one case and that the matter be closed, as the proposal will result in splitting a TA.
 - To regard 1 new requests received from the MEC and submitted to the affected municipalities, as cases submitted by the MEC in terms of section 22 of the Demarcation Act, and to publish a section 26 notice to test public opinion, and to allow 21 days for the submission of views and representations.
 - To re-determine boundaries with respect to 5 cases, and to approve the publication of section 21 notice with 30 days for the submission of objections.
 - With respect to 1 case, to afford the affected parties an opportunity to consult further on the matter, and to confirm the re-determination and publish a section 21(5) notice, if the parties do not reach agreement by 20 April 2008.



**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
GAUTENG PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**



- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To close 1 case following failure by the MEC to reach agreement with the affected municipalities, and not re-determine the boundary in terms of section 21.
 - To allow more time with respect to one case, following the publication of a section 26 notice, for the province, the affected municipalities and other stakeholders to reach an agreement, and to submit further motivated inputs and proposals by no later than 30 April 2008.
- With respect to 1 case, the Board noted that the MEC must still gazette section 23 notice to determine the effective date.



**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
FREE STATE PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**

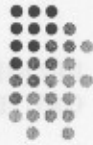


- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To approve the publication of a section 26 notice with respect to 1 case, and to allow 21 days for submission of views and representations.
 - To approve the publication of a section 21 notice with respect to 1 case, and to allow 30 days for objections.



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**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
MPUMALANGA PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**

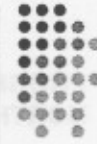


- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To approve the publication of a section 21 notice with respect to 1 case, and to allow 30 days for objections.



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**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
LIMPOPO PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**

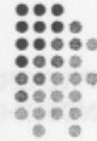


- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To approve in 1 case the re-publication of a section 21 notice, following agreement between province and affected municipalities, on a boundary change that will not split communities.
 - With respect to 4 cases, allow more time for all affected parties to consider the matter and to make a joint proposal to the Board by 30 March 2008. If no joint proposal is received, the Board will take a decision on the section 21 notice.
- With respect to 4 cases, the Board noted that the MEC's section 23 notice had an incorrect gazette cited. The office of the MEC has been informed and a corrected gazette is awaited.



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**PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES
WESTERN CAPE PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008**



- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To approve the publication of a section 21 notice with respect to 2 cases, and to allow 30 days for objections.
- With respect to 2 cases, the Board noted that the MEC must still gazette section 23 notice to determine the effective date.



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PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES NORTH WEST PROVINCE- END FEBRUARY 2008

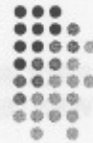


- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To allow more time with respect to 1 case on the proposed amalgamation of two municipalities, following the publication of a section 21 notice, for the province, the affected municipalities and other stakeholders to reach an agreement, and to submit further motivated inputs and proposals by no later than 20 April 2008.
 - If no mutual agreement is reached by 20 April 2008, the Board will regard the re-determination as confirmed and a section 21(5) gazetted.
- With respect to 2 cases, the Board noted that the MEC must still gazette section 23 notice to determine the effective date.



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PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES NORTHERN CAPE/NORTH WEST- END FEBRUARY 2008



- At its meeting of 29 February 2008, the Board resolved:
 - To advise the applicant – Northern Cape legislature – that the Board no longer has a mandate to deal with cross boundary matters, and that representation should be made to the Department of Justice and CD to amend Schedule 1A to the Constitution.



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PROGRESS WITH RE-DETERMINATION CASES NEW METRO CASES- END FEBRUARY 2008

- The Board has initiated new cases where it proposes that the areas of Msunduzi, Mangaung, and Buffalo City, be determined to have category A municipalities.
- The Board has also initiated a new case where it proposed to re-determine the boundaries of Tshwane, Ekurhuleni, Metsweding, Kungwini and Nokeng tsa Taamane by dividing the Metsweding District area between Tshwane and Ekurhuleni Metros.



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ASSESSMENT OF MUNICIPAL CAPACITY

- As in the past this project was outsourced.
- Various circulars were sent out to once again keep stakeholders informed of the process.
- Provinces were requested to assist where possible, often accompanying our data collectors to municipalities.
- Planning commenced in June 2007. In July 2007 questionnaires were sent out to local and district municipality, followed by field visits in August 2007.
- Once again 100% return has been achieved.
- Data capturing, verification and analyses in September and October 2007.
- 46 DC reports covering all 46 DC's and 231 locals drafted in October/November 2007.
- Recommendations were sent to MEC's in December 2007.
- Provincial overview reports and the National Report finalised in February 2008.
- For the first time, the National Report will be formally launched on 18 March 2008.



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REVIEW OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AREAS



- Work to review the future of DMA's continued during the period under review.
- We engaged provinces to assist us in gathering information regarding DMA's in their areas.
- We collected data on the performance of local government functions in DMA's during the capacity assessment survey.
- A framework document was developed for a discussion document on the future of DMA's.
- The idea was to have a discussion document ready for consultation with stakeholders with a view to finalising such a document during the current financial year (2007/2008).
- July 2007 DMA report released for comments.
- Oct 2007 notices published to withdraw declarations.



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REVIEW OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AREAS



- As indicated in the Board's July 2007 DMA report and subsequent circulars, correspondence, press releases and legal notices the Board intends to withdraw declarations of all DMAs.
- Advantages of the withdrawals are that:
 - They will result in the full territory of the country being covered by local municipalities.
 - A separate electoral system will no longer be required for DMAs. Voters will be included into existing or new wards in local municipalities.
 - The confusion around service delivery in DMAs and the division of powers and functions between district and local municipalities will be rectified.
 - There will be spatial stability at municipal level which will enhance planning and service delivery by municipalities.
 - The confusion around the boundaries of conservation/protected areas vis-à-vis the boundaries of DMAs will be overcome.



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REVIEW OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AREAS

- The Board has resolved to confirm the withdrawal of the declaration of the following DMA's, and to approve the publication of section 21(5) notices:
 - Eastern Cape: ECDMA10 and ECDMA13
 - Gauteng: GTDMA48
 - Free State: FSDMA19
 - Mpumalanga: MPDMA32
 - Western Cape: WCDMA1
 - Northern Cape: NCDMA6, NCDMA8
- The Board has resolved to withdraw the declaration of the following DMAs, by re-determining the boundaries of the following DMAs, and to approve the publication of section 21 notices:
 - Western Cape: WCDMA2,
 - Northern Cape: NCDMA7, NCDMA9
 - Limpopo: LIMDMA33



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- The Board has resolved to hold the publication of a section 21(5) notice in abeyance, pending further or revised comments from stakeholders/MEC:
 - Western Cape: WCDMA4
 - KwaZulu Natal: KZNDMA22, KZNDMA23, KZNDMA27, KZNDMA43
- The Board has resolved not to re-determine the boundaries in the following cases, and to request for arrangement of meetings convenient for all affected municipalities and stakeholders, and send Board Members to Chair the meetings, with staff providing technical assistance:
 - Western Cape: WCDMA3, WCDMA5
 - Northern Cape: NCDMA45



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REVIEW OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AREAS: TIMEFRAMES



July- Nov 2007	Report sent to all stakeholders and commencement of consultations with affected municipalities, MEC's, Minister of PLG, SALGA, etc.
Dec 2007	Board decision on future of DMAs.
January 2008	Publication of section 26 notices in terms of the demarcation act, and section 6 of the structures act if necessary.
January-February 2008	Period for submissions, analysis and consideration of views (sections 24 and 25 refer) and representations received in terms of section 26 of the Demarcation Act.
February 2008	Board to consider all the submissions received in the terms of section 26 and decide whether to approve the re-determination and publish section 21 notices for objections.
March 2008	Publication of section 21 notices inviting objections.
March – April 2008	Period for submissions, analysis and consideration of all objections (section 24 and 25 refer) and representations received in terms of section 21 of the demarcation act.
April 2008	Board meeting to consider sec 21 objections, approve section 21(5) notices,
May 2008	Finalise outer boundaries of municipalities – section 21(5) notices published before the elections and IEC informed.



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REVIEW OF DISTRICT MANAGEMENT AREAS: TIMEFRAMES



June 2008	IEC publishes all outstanding section 23 notices.
July 2008	MECs publish all outstanding section 23 notices.
July 2008	MECs publish notices in terms of section 12 and/or 17 of the structures act
August 2008	Municipal boundaries provided to the IEC to start preparations for the elections.



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