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Ref: GeorgeMunicipality, George AIS Control Management Plan Approval

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ALIEN INVASIVE SPECIES CONTROL, MANAGEMENT AND ERADICATION PLAN OF GEORGE MUNICIPALITY, GEORGE, WESTERN CAPE

1. I refer to the following:
 - 1.1. Alien Invasive Species Control Management and Eradication Plan of George Municipality, George, submitted to the Department of Forestry, Fisheries and Environment (DFFE) on the 11 March 2021, compiled by, Paul Buchholz.
2. Having reviewed the Alien Invasive Species Control, Management and Eradication Plan of CDC, I have noted the following:
 - 2.1. The plan includes the entire property.
 - 2.2. The listed invasive plant species present on your property and their categories.
 - 2.3. The combined integrated control methods (mechanical, chemical and biological) will be used to control listed invasive plant species on your property.
 - 2.4. The Alien Invasive Species Control and eradication Plan will be implemented for **two (2) years** and all invasive plant species will be under control **by end 2025**; and there after annual follow up is recommended to keep the portion clean.

3. In view of the above background, the department is satisfied that the recommended clearing control methods will prevent further invasion by listed invasive species on the property. The submitted Alien Invasive Species Control and Eradication Plan with specified timeframe is therefore approved. The clearing methods must be implemented as set out in the approved control plan; however, any changes in the plan must be submitted to DEFF for approval prior such changes could be affected.
4. A progress report must be submitted at least every year (at the completion of each management unit) to the DFFE outline the progress that has been made. Moreover, a close out report must be submitted to the department after clearing have been completed.

The close out report must, among other things include;

- The description of the control methods implemented and the manner in which they were implemented
 - Assessments (which include photographs) of the cleared areas; and
 - Option used for the handling of the plant materials (biomass) after clearing.
5. Should you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Stiaan Kotze at the above-mentioned telephone number or e-mail address.

Yours sincerely



STIAAN KOTZE

CONTROL BIODIVERSITY OFFICER: COMPETENT AUTHORITY

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I hereby certify that this document is a true copy of the original

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