

NOTICE OF STAKEHOLDER PARTICIPATION PROCESS DEVELOPMENT OF AN ESTUARY MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR THE HARTENBOS ESTUARY

In line with the National Estuarine Management Protocol published in terms of section 33(2) of the National Environmental Management Integrated Coastal Management Act, 2008 (Act No. 24 of 2008) (ICMA), the Mossel Bay Municipality has appointed Anchor Environmental Consultants (Pty) Ltd to develop an Estuary Management Plan (EMP) for the Hartenbos Estuary. A Situation Assessment Report (SAR) was compiled for the Hartenbos Estuary in a participatory process involving stakeholders in 2015. Collating existing information and discussing the most pertinent issues was central in developing a vision and strategy for the management of the Hartenbos estuary. Going forward, an EMP that incorporates this vision and strategic objectives will be drafted in continued stakeholder participation (in terms of Section 53 of the ICMA) to ensure that the EMP is relevant and implementable. Interested and Affected Parties (I&As) are encouraged to register as stakeholders in this process and to attend the upcoming public meeting which will be held at the Hartenbos Library Hall, Witwatersrand Street, Hartenbos, **from 18h00-20h00 on 2 February 2016.**

The **objectives** of this meeting are to:

- introduce the consultant team responsible for the preparation of the Hartenbos Estuary EMP;
- present and discuss the content of the Draft Hartenbos Estuary EMP
- to set up the Hartenbos Estuarine Management Forum

To register as a stakeholder, please send an email or fax with your Name, Affiliation, and Contact details (telephone, email, fax, postal address) to:

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The Draft Hartenbos EMP will be available at www.anchorenvironmental.co.za or on request at any of the above contact details by 23 January 2016. Please also consult the website or contact Anchor Environmental (Pty) Ltd for the Hartenbos Estuary SAR and all relevant documentation regarding the public participation process conducted thus far.