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Concept of accredited hunters well received

The Permit and Enforcement Planning Committee (PEPC) asked Niël Viljoen, predation specialist, and Leon de Beer, general manager of the National Wool Growers' Association (NWGA) – both representing Predation Management South Africa (PMSA) – to present a framework for predation management to ensure qualified and experienced professional support. Provincial conservation authorities will discuss the proposed framework with their constituencies. It will be discussed again at the next PEPC meeting to decide how to adopt it in future in the various provinces.



Eastern Cape Forum functions well

The Eastern Cape Predation Management Forum (PMF) hosts meetings twice a year, which are well attended by all the relevant role players. The Leopard Forum has been reinstated as part of the PMF. Some challenges are currently being attended to. The main issues discussed by the PMF at its last meeting in October, included the following:

- Finalisation of EC Hunting proclamations
- Organised dog pack hunting challenges
- The call-and-shoot accredited training course of Niël Viljoen
- Rectification of fences
- Stray buffalos
- Issuing of hunting permits by the Department
- Problem leopards





EAST CAPE PMF WANTS TO PUT PRESSURE ON FOR E-PERMIT SYSTEM

Since DEDEAT and SITA (State Information Technology Agency) are unable to finalize the Service Level Agreement between them, the successful functioning of the ePermit system is in jeopardy, much to the frustration of officials and hunters. The system can accommodate all hunting permits and eliminates human error and delays in the application.



The East Cape PMF is planning to direct a letter to the Head of Department, Department Economic Development, Environmental Affairs & Tourism in which they will express concern with the non-functionality of the system, impacting negatively on accredited hunters.

Updated leaflet on black-backed jackal



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The Predation Management Centre (PMC) is updating the series of information leaflets available on their website. New (and older) publications are sourced continuously, with information added to leaflets. For example, a leaflet in the black-backed jackal series, “Feeding ecology of black-backed jackal”, focuses on this animal’s ability to adapt its diet to different situations. It makes it one of the most successful predators in South Africa because of its ability to adapt to different environments and circumstances.

Although certain generalisations can be made, the diet and feeding behaviour of this species is situation-specific. It is important to understand the concept of black-backed jackal predation on farm level to devise a predation management plan best suited to a particular farm or area.

The leaflet is available at:

https://www.ufs.ac.za/docs/librariesprovider22/pmic-documents/01_03_2-feeding-behaviour-of-jackal_newlogo.pdf?Status=Master&sfvrsn=5da45420_4/

For the list of publications consulted to compile the black-backed jackal leaflet series, visit:

https://www.ufs.ac.za/docs/librariesprovider22/pmic-documents/bibliography_jackal-leaflets_new-logo.pdf?Status=Master&sfvrsn=aca65420_3/

For additional information on black-backed jackal, visit the PMC website:

<https://www.ufs.ac.za/pmc>



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