

AGRI-PARK DISTRICT: HARRY GWALA	PROVINCE: KWAZULU-NATAL	REPORTING DATE: MARCH 2016								
 <b>KEY COMMODITIES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Vegetables (cabbage, carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, onions)</li> <li>• Soybean</li> <li>• Maize</li> </ul>	 <b>AGRIPARK COMPONENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 FPSUs to be located in: Highflats, Ndawana, Ebutha Farm and Kwa Sani LM</li> <li>• 1 Agri-Hub to be located at Ebutha Farm</li> </ul>	 <b>STATUS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DAMC established</li> <li>• The first, second and final drafts of the Master Business Plan have been submitted.</li> </ul>								
 <b>KEY CATALYTIC PROJECTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vegetables:</b> investment in the Highflats vegetable packhouse into a Value Add Centre will further develop its capacity to process vegetables, create a market for smallholder primary producers in the district and provide an opportunity for private sector investment and partnering</li> <li>• <b>Soybean:</b> investment in primary production is required to provide sufficient throughput to a soybean processing mill to make it a viable and sustainable operation</li> <li>• <b>Maize:</b> investment in primary production is required to provide sufficient throughput to a maize processing mill to make it a viable and sustainable operation</li> </ul>	 <b>AGRO-PROCESSING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Vegetables.</b> Cabbage: juicing, slicing and dicing for slaw. Carrots: washing, sorting, fresh packing, branding, freezing, juicing, slicing and dicing. Potatoes: washing, sorting, fresh packing, branding, slicing, dicing, drying, baking, powdering and canning. Tomatoes: storage, ripening, washing, sorting, fresh packing, branding, freezing, slicing, dicing, cooking, drying, canning, bottling and preserving. Onions: canning, dehydrating, storage, ripening, washing, sorting, fresh packing, branding, preserving. Other vegetables: canning, slicing, dicing, extraction, drying and juicing</li> <li>• <b>Soybean:</b> phospho-lipids, cooking oil, chemical products and industrial food products extracted from the oil; animal feed extracted from the oilcake, high quality animal feed produced from full fat soya and industrial uses for soybean meal</li> <li>• <b>Maize:</b> milling and maize meal, packaged popcorn, popped maize cakes, reconstructed maize chips, starch, corn steep liquor, glucose, glucose-fructose syrup, fermented beverages, ethanol and animal feed</li> </ul>	 <b>KEY ROLE-PLAYERS</b> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Public Sector</th> <th>Industry</th> <th>Other</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KZN DARD</li> <li>• KZN DRDLR</li> <li>• Harry Gwala DM</li> <li>• Harry Gwala Development Agency</li> <li>• Ubuhlebezwe LM</li> <li>• Kwa Sani LM</li> <li>• Umzimkhulu LM</li> <li>• Ingwe LM</li> <li>• Greater Kokstad LM</li> <li>• KZN CoGTA</li> <li>• DAFF</li> <li>• Ingonyama Trust tribal authority</li> <li>• Amakhosi</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Producers Agents Council (APAC)</li> <li>• South African Feedlot Association</li> <li>• Perishable Export Control Board</li> <li>• Fresh Produce Exporters Forum</li> <li>• Milk Producers' Organisation (MPO)</li> <li>• Forestry South Africa</li> <li>• Hlangani Farmers Association</li> <li>• Highflats Farmers Association</li> <li>• Lourdes Wool Growers Association</li> <li>• Ubuhlebezwe Emerging Farmers</li> <li>• Ingwe Farmers Association</li> <li>• Umzimkhulu Forest Growers</li> <li>• Underberg Farmers Association</li> <li>• Merensky Timber</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FNB/ Standard Bank Agriculture/ Absa Agribusiness</li> <li>• Land Bank</li> <li>• SEDA</li> <li>• DBSA</li> <li>• ARC</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>			Public Sector	Industry	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• KZN DARD</li> <li>• KZN DRDLR</li> <li>• Harry Gwala DM</li> <li>• Harry Gwala Development Agency</li> <li>• Ubuhlebezwe LM</li> <li>• Kwa Sani LM</li> <li>• Umzimkhulu LM</li> <li>• Ingwe LM</li> <li>• Greater Kokstad LM</li> <li>• KZN CoGTA</li> <li>• DAFF</li> <li>• Ingonyama Trust tribal authority</li> <li>• Amakhosi</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agricultural Producers Agents Council (APAC)</li> <li>• South African Feedlot Association</li> <li>• Perishable Export Control Board</li> <li>• Fresh Produce Exporters Forum</li> <li>• Milk Producers' Organisation (MPO)</li> <li>• Forestry South Africa</li> <li>• Hlangani Farmers Association</li> <li>• Highflats Farmers Association</li> <li>• Lourdes Wool Growers Association</li> <li>• Ubuhlebezwe Emerging Farmers</li> <li>• Ingwe Farmers Association</li> <li>• Umzimkhulu Forest Growers</li> <li>• Underberg Farmers Association</li> <li>• Merensky Timber</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FNB/ Standard Bank Agriculture/ Absa Agribusiness</li> <li>• Land Bank</li> <li>• SEDA</li> <li>• DBSA</li> <li>• ARC</li> </ul>
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 <b>INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farming equipment and mechanisation</li> <li>• Cleaning, weighing, sorting, grading, and packing machines</li> <li>• Local pack house</li> <li>• Processing, sorting, storage, agro-processing, packaging, warehousing, cold-storage, transport and logistics facilities</li> <li>• Administrative, office, rental, quality control and retail facilities</li> <li>• Training centre</li> <li>• Agricultural input distribution and sales centre</li> <li>• Water and irrigation systems</li> <li>• Greenhouses</li> </ul>	 <b>NEXT STEPS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establish governing committees</li> <li>• Develop a funding model</li> <li>• Commence technical planning of physical construction, related infrastructure, clustering of production areas</li> <li>• Identify small-holder and emergent farmers</li> <li>• Develop detailed business plans for all Agri-Park components</li> <li>• Source funding from key public/private stakeholders</li> <li>• Commence construction on all Agri-Park components</li> <li>• Begin production of selected commodities</li> <li>• Identify the employment needs for each component and advertise these positions</li> <li>• Rollout the training programmes</li> <li>• Commence agro-Processing</li> <li>• Market the products and leverage key stakeholders to enable market penetration</li> </ul>	 <b>POSSIBLE ECONOMIC BENEFIT</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Potential to create approximately <b>1400 to 5500</b> employment opportunities though the development of the Agri-Park.</li> <li>• Smallholder farmers will gain access to the value chain and will be the direct beneficiaries of primary production support activities. Of the employment opportunities, approximately 850 – 4250 will be on-farm opportunities for smallholder farmers.</li> <li>• Approximately 600 – 1300 employment opportunities are estimated to be created upstream (FPSU) and downstream (AH) of primary production activities.</li> <li>• Currently over 4 100ha of production is supported by various government departments with potential for approximately 6 800ha to be put under additional production between the 3 priority commodities (approximately 4 000ha for maize, 1 600ha for soybean and 1 000 ha for vegetables).</li> </ul>								