

AGRI-PARK DISTRICT: JOE GQABI	PROVINCE: EASTERN CAPE	REPORTING DATE: MARCH 2016							
KEY COMMODITIES	AGRIPARK COMPONENTS	STATUS							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Livestock (Red meat) Wool Maize 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4 FPSUs located in: Burgersdorp, Aliwal North, Mount Fletcher and Sterkspruit 1 Agri-Hub located in Lady Grey Short term (Nelson Mandela Bay, Buffalo City) Long term (Aliwal North) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DAMC Established 25 members The final Master Business plan was submitted on 29/02/2016 							
POTENTIAL KEY CATALYTIC PROJECTS	AGRO-PROCESSING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES	KEY ROLE-PLAYERS							
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase the genetic quality of emerging farmers livestock (District wide). Develop abattoir facilities at an FPSU level that focuses on deboning and grade B and C meat for the local markets (Aliwal North/ Lady Grey). Construct shearing sheds and provide bailing facilities for farmers as well as provision of a centralised wool collection point so it can be transported for export (Gariep, Maletswai, Senqu). Develop the niche wool sector in Joe Gqabi particularly in Barkley East (Senqu). Creation of maize silos and milling facilities for maize production in Maclear. Develop training facilities for small holder and emerging farmers in order for farmers to produce livestock, maize and wool for the market (Aliwal North). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goats: meat, milk, hides and fibres Red meat: abattoirs to produce organic high-grade beef; processed low-grade beef should be strongly considered Wool: small-scale weaving may be feasible but there is limited scope for washing Maize: milling for animal feed and human consumption; storing; packaging; transport and branding of maize-based foods. Mills already exist in the area which limits the scope for constructing new mills Soya (crop pair for maize): bio-fuels Potatoes (crop pair for maize): washing and packing opportunities 	<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"> DRDLR DRDAR ECRDA DEDEAT ECDC ECSECC SEDA DAFF JGDM Joe Gqabi Economic Development Agency </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Wool Growers Association Cape Wools SA Mncunube Development Cape Mohair Wools Grain SA Red Meat Producers' Organisation SAMIC Red Meat Abattoir Association Livestock Registering Federation NERPO Red Meat Industry Forum South African Feedlot Association IMQAS SA National Halaal Authority </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ABSA, Standard Bank, Nedbank, FNB etc. Land Bank East Cape Agri Co-op Humansdorp Co-op OVK Agri-SA and Agri-EC AFASA AEASA SAAMA District Farmers' Associations of Aliwal North, Barkly East, Burgersdorp AgriBEE </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Public Sector	Industry	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DRDLR DRDAR ECRDA DEDEAT ECDC ECSECC SEDA DAFF JGDM Joe Gqabi Economic Development Agency 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Wool Growers Association Cape Wools SA Mncunube Development Cape Mohair Wools Grain SA Red Meat Producers' Organisation SAMIC Red Meat Abattoir Association Livestock Registering Federation NERPO Red Meat Industry Forum South African Feedlot Association IMQAS SA National Halaal Authority 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ABSA, Standard Bank, Nedbank, FNB etc. Land Bank East Cape Agri Co-op Humansdorp Co-op OVK Agri-SA and Agri-EC AFASA AEASA SAAMA District Farmers' Associations of Aliwal North, Barkly East, Burgersdorp AgriBEE 	
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INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS	NEXT STEPS		POSSIBLE ECONOMIC BENEFIT						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Irrigation and water storage facilities Electricity and ICT infrastructure Fencing, feedlot, auction and handling facilities Transport and logistics facilities Weighing, storage, sorting, agro-processing and packaging facilities Administrative and quality control facilities Internet and software solutions technology Retail and training centres Searing sheds Upgrades to the roads surrounding the Agri-Hub Agricultural input distribution centre 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct an agriculture land audit Identify small-holder and emergent farmers Compile a logistics plan to facilitate development projects Implement a training and mentorship plan for local farmers Compile an operational plan for the day to day running of the Agri-park components Create an infrastructure investment plan and funding model for the required infrastructure for each Agri-Park component Establish linkages with key public/private stakeholders Construction of the Agri-Park components Establish a management committee Conduct a skills audit to determine the staffing requirements for each component and subsequently advertise for the required positions Develop a project funding model for operational projects Procure mentors and/or trainers for the training programme 		<p>The Agri-Park is likely to contribute to employment in the district. The following multipliers have been used to determine the estimated number jobs that will be created for each hectare of a commodity produced. It is also important to consider downstream and value adding jobs which have been included.</p> <p>Livestock: 0.008 - 0.0143 jobs per hectare depending on livestock type (0.0071 – 0.0083 downstream jobs per hectare) Wool: 0.008 jobs per hectare (0.0071 downstream jobs per hectare) Maize: 0.01 jobs per hectare (0.005 downstream jobs per hectare)</p> <p>It is estimated up to 4000 ha of land will be farmed by emerging farmers in the district across all commodities. It is thus estimated that up to 10 000* jobs will be created in upstream and downstream activities in 10 years.</p> <p>*These numbers are estimations based on the application of employment multipliers and should be seen as a guide and not a definite amount.</p>						

