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NATIONAL FORESTS ACT 84 OF 1998

(Gazette No. 19408, Notice No. 1388 dated 30 October 1998)

NOTICE IN TERMS OF SECTION 50(4) OF THE NATIONAL FORESTS ACT, 1998 (ACT NO. 84 OF 1998)

RELEASE OF STATE FOREST LAND AREAS NOT REQUIRED FOR FORESTRY PURPOSES FOR ALLOCATION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS AND TOURISM: GREATER ST LUCIA WETLAND PARK

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1. I, Lindiwe Hendricks, in my capacity as Minister of Water Affairs and Forestry, by virtue of the power vested in me by section 50(3) of the National Forests Act, 1998, (Act No. 84 of 1998), hereby release, with effect from **01 April 2007**, State forest land situated within the District Council area of Umkhanyakude in the Province of Kwazulu-Natal affected by the establishment of the Greater St Lucia Wetland Park in terms of the provisions of the World Heritage Convention Act, 1999 (Act No. 49 of 1999), which land areas are no longer required for forestry purposes, namely:

No.	Name of State Forest	Approx extent in ha released	Remarks
	Umfoloji State Forest	3 858.7160	a) Including the Farm Umfolozi Swamps No. 17457, 3651.2991 ha in extent; and b) Including Portion A of the Farm Dukuduku No. 14866, 207.4266 ha in extent.
	Dukuduku State Forest	4 809.1651	a) Excluding some 6 784 hectares leased by the State to Siyaqhubeka Forestry (Propriety) Limited, Registration No. 2000/022188/07 ("Siyaqhubeka") in terms of section 27(1) of the National Forests Act, 1998 for a period of 35 years with the option to renew for the same period; and b) Excluding the unsurveyed State land in extent approximately 10 125 hectares, and situated south of the Mtubatuba-St Lucia road; and c) Excluding the area known as the "Futululu

			<p>Forest Research Station" and the land area surrounding it, totalling approximately 275.01 hectares; and</p> <p>d) Excluding demarcated unsurveyed seed orchards or clonal material banks situated north and south of the Matubatuba - St Lucia national road and managed and controlled by the South African Forestry Company Limited (Reg No: 1992/005427/06) ("SAFCOL") and its subsidiary, Komatiland Forests (Pty) Ltd, registration number 2000/023152/07; and</p> <p>e) Including Portions A and B of 1 of Khula village</p>
	Nyalazi State Forest	9 626.9218	<p>a) Including unsurveyed State land under indigenous forest adjacent to Lake St Lucia, in extent approximately 1 376 hectares;</p> <p>b) Including unsurveyed State land known as the "Hell's Gate Military Base";</p> <p>c) Including the area known as the half mile strip adjacent to the Lake St Lucia, as fully described in the Government Gazette nr. 21778 of 24 November 2000; and</p> <p>d) Excluding some 7 984 hectares leased by the State to Siyaqhubeka Forestry (Propriety) Limited, Registration No. 2000/022188/07 ("Siyaqhubeka") in terms of section 27(1) of the National Forests Act, 1998 for a period of 35 years with the option to renew for the same period.</p>
	Sodwana State Forest	56 242.6510	<p>a) Including Portion 2 of the Farm St Lucia Wetlands No. 17459, some 52 742.6510 ha in extent; and</p> <p>b) Including Portion 3 of the Farm St Lucia Wetlands No. 17459, some 3 500 ha in extent</p>
	Cape Vidal State Forest	11 313.0000	a) A portion of the Remainder of the Farm St Lucia Wetlands No. 17459
	Eastern Shores State	12 873.0000	a) A portion of the Remainder of the Farm St Lucia

	Forest		Wetlands No. 17459
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(Signed)

MRS LINDIWE HENDRICKS MP

MINISTER OF WATER AFFAIRS AND FORESTRY