What is happening in the Western Cape?

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Overview

What’s working?
- SDFs
- PA expansion

What’s not working?
- Ecosystem status
- WCBF 2014
- UBRV SEA
- Sandveld EMF

Conclusion and recommendations
What’s working: SDFs

SDF review 2008
- 11 poor or entirely deficient municipalities
- 1 good municipality
- 0 excellent municipalities

SDF review 2014
- 1 poor municipality
- 7 good municipality
- 4 excellent municipalities

11 municipalities have adopted CBAs as Core 1 (extra 5 have partially adopted)

100% mention CBAs while 20% mention ecosystem status
What’s working: Protected Areas

77,500 ha gained, of which 37% (28,200 ha) are CBAs
What’s not working: Ecosystem status

- +2 new CR
- +3 new EN
- +4 new VU
What’s not working: Loss of CBAs to agriculture

16 800ha of CBAs converted (2007 to 2011)
What’s not working: UBRV SEA

Agri-WC, CapeNature and WCDoA project

Funded by TMF

Objective: easier and cheaper application process for farmers

Undertaking specialists studies required by authorization process

steering committee member cultivates without authorization
What’s not working: Sandveld EMF

DEADP and WCDoA

Objective: reduce conflict between conservation and agriculture easier and cheaper application process for farmers

Ground-truthing CBAs to id those which can be cultivated

- No need for industry to expand
- 13.3% CBAs already lost
- Aiding big farms with high transformation levels and possibly illegal fields
Concluding remarks

1994 land cover → 2005 land cover → 2014 land cover

enforce

update

protect