

## Freshwater Ecosystem Network

24 - 25 November 2014

Venue: SANBI Pretoria: Herbarium Lecture Hall

### Freshwater Component of the National Biodiversity Assessment (NBA) 2017

#### AGENDA

Monday 24 November: Introductory Workshop		
12:00	Light lunch	
13:00	<b>Welcome &amp; introductions</b>	John Dini
	<b>Introductory technical session</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction to the National Biodiversity Assessment 2011, with a focus on the freshwater component</li> <li>• Relationship between National Freshwater Ecosystem Priority Areas (NFEPA) &amp; the NBA 2011</li> <li>• Explanation of key concepts and terminology from the NBA 2011 freshwater component and NFEPA</li> </ul>	Jeanne Nel & Mandy Driver
	<b>Users and uses of the NBA 2011 and NFEPA</b>	All
15:30	TEA	
17:00	<b>Wrap up for the day</b>	
Tuesday 25 November: Looking ahead to the NBA 2017		
08:30	Arrival, registration and tea	
9:00	<b>Welcome, introductions and purpose</b>	John Dini Nadene Slabbert
9:20	<b>Setting the scene</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Overview and Introduction to the NBA</li> </ul>	Mandy Driver
9:45	TEA	
10:00	<b>Review and Reflection of the Freshwater Component of NBA 2011</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Freshwater-related findings of NBA 2011</li> <li>• NFEPA and NBA</li> <li>• Impact of NBA in practice</li> </ul>	Mandy Driver & Jeanne Nel
12:30	LUNCH	
13:30	<b>Planning and coordinating of freshwater data for the NBA 2017</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Discussion on priority issues or focus of the freshwater component of NBA 2017</li> <li>2. Data priorities for the freshwater component of the NBA 2017           <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Key foundational data for the NBA (e.g. river types, wetland map, data on ecological condition of rivers and wetlands)               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ what is the current status of this data?</li> <li>○ what are the needs and realistic objectives for NBA 2017?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• What should be in place to achieve the objectives?</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	Jeanne Nel & Mandy Driver
	<b>DISCUSSION:</b> Establishing National Wetland Classification Committee and National River Classification Committee	John Dini
15:00	TEA	

15:30	<b>Report back on 2013 FEN themes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Building aquatic capacity within government</li><li>• Parallel process integration : coordinating DEA &amp; DWA processes</li><li>• Data management</li><li>• Communication</li></ul>	Working groups
16:30	<b>CLOSE</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Possible themes for future FEN workshops</li><li>• Date &amp; venue for next FEN</li></ul>	John Dini