

# Smallholder Farmers Cross Visit DAY

## Community Engagement in Local Natural Resource management

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> August 2024

Area: Ezibomvini village and Costone village

Time: 09:00 am Phumelele Homestead

**Purpose:** cross visit day for small holder farmers learning and sharing of community engagement activities in Local Natural resource management.

**Meeting point** at Ezibomvini station before the community hall or Winterton spar at 08:00am for a convoy. Contact person Lungelo Buthelezi at 0632318239 OR Nqobile Mbokazi at 0724636405. Reminder: bring your hat, walking shoes and water.....

### PROGRAMME OUTLINE

Time	Activity	Description
09:00-09:20am	Arrival and introduction	Introduction from both Organisation. All participants will introduce themselves.
09:20am- 09:30am	Opening and Welcome	Prayer and programme description: Thabani Madondo (MDF) Welcome: Phumelele Hlongwane (household head)
09:30am – 09:45am	Speaker: Samson Phakathi	Description of Endangered wild life trust and main purpose for their visitation
09:45am- 10:10am	Speaker: Lungelo Buthelezi (MDF)/ Erna Kruger (MDF DIRECTOR)	Progress in smallholder farmers in Bergville over the last 5 years
10:15am-11:00am	Speaker: Lungelo Buthelezi (MDF)/ Mama Mabizela (Farmer)	Leading the walk about to: - -Spring protection - Alien clearing site Farmers: description of their work as Ezibomvini learner group.

11:00am- 11:10am	Speaker: Samson and kwaMkhize farmers	Overview of the Ezibomvini area and Questions
11:10am-11:30am	Speaker: Lungelo (MDF), Farmers	Leading the walk about to Phumelele homestead for field cropping- CA trial maize stover for organic matter and Gardens, tunnel and farmer centre. Overview and questions.
11:30am-12:00am	Field visit to Stulwane -rehabilitation sites, Wattle funeral forest, Lantana clearing, fodder experiment bales and protein block and Spring protection	Vehicles depart for: from Ezibomvini to Stulwane at Rehabilitation sites as the first station
12:00am-12:15am	Introductions all, main purpose: Nqobile Mbokazi (MDF) and Nothile Zondi welcoming	Short introduction and welcoming. Description of rehabilitation sites
12:15am 12:40am	Speaker: Farmers (Nothile and Lizzy) Rehabilitation site view, funeral forestry and Lantana clearing	Overview of the site and question from Endangered wild life trust
12:40am-13:00pm	Field visits to Nothile Zondi homestead	Vehicles depart to Nothile and park next to the homestead roadside
13:00pm- 13:20pm	Speaker: Nothile Zondi	Demonstration of baler making and description of fodder experiment feeding and protein block.
13:20pm-13:30pm	Overview and questions	Adding information on fodder experiment and questions.
13:30pm-13:40pm	Overview water access	Description of water access looking at the mountains overview of the water system for village A and Village B.
13:40pm-13:50pm	Field visit to spring MDF spring protection	Vehicles depart to the spring
13:50pm-14:30pm	Spring water system	Overview the main fenced spring and tank storage near to spring 2
14:30pm-15:00pm	Speakers: Erna Kruger, Samson Phakathi and farmers. closure	Report backs, question and answers. Vote of thanks from Both organisations.

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