

# 'Bedrewe sindikate agter veediefstal'

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**Dit is nog nooit in die hoogregshof in Bloemfontein so beskryf nie, maar veediefstal in die Vrystaat is 'n georganiseerde misdaad. Dit word deur sindikate bedryf en verliese beloop tot R3 miljard per jaar.**

Só het dr. Jane Buys, risiko- en veiligheidsontleider van Vrystaat Landbou (VL), op die beraad van die Alliance of South Africa (AoSA) en die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV) in Bloemfontein gesê.

Veiligheid in gemeenskappe was die tema op die tweede dag van die beraad.

Buys het gesê daar sal op 'n geïntegreerde manier te werk gegaan moet word, en samewerking met private sekerheidsfirmas, boereverenigings, buurtwagte, AfriForum en Saai is noodsaaklik om veediefstal die hoof te bied.

"'n Private veiligheidsfirma met

40 motors het reeds hulp aangebied.

"Boere werk taamlik goed met die misdaadintelligensie van die polisie saam. Daar is ook 'n private laboratorium in Kaapstad wat geakkrediteer is om DNS-toetse te kan doen en met wie boere nou saamwerk."

Volgens Buys sê die polisie dikwels dat hulle nie die kapasiteit het wat betref mannekrag en voertuie nie.

"As elke plattelandse polisiekantoor net een of twee toegewyde polisielede vir veediefstal kan aanstel, sal dit baie help.

"R3 miljard se veeverliese weens diefstal in die Vrystaat is nie min nie.

"Baie geweldsmisdade word ook by veral die polisiekantore in Bainsvlei, Bloemspuit en Navalsig aangemeld. Daar is in baie gevalle 'n duidelike verband tussen plaasaanvalle, plaasmoorde en veediefstal. Veediefstal speel in tussen 14% en 19% van die gevalle 'n rol.



**Prof. Erwin Schwella, internasionale leierskapskenner verbonde aan die Universiteit van die Vrystaat (UV), en dr. Jane Buys, risiko-en-veiligheidsontleider van Vrystaat Landbou (VL).** FOTO: MARIETJIE GERICKE

"Van 50 tot 150 boere in die Vrystaat hou jaarliks op boer weens plaasaanvalle.

"Meer as die helfte van alle veeverliese in die Vrystaat word nie aangemeld nie."

Buys sê lede van die sindikate wat vee steel, is meestal opgeleide misdadigers wat op die boere en polisie skiet - daarom kan dit as deel van georganiseerde misdaad

beskou word.

"Die onwettige jag met honde veroorsaak groot skade en die verliese beloop sowat R10 miljoen per jaar omdat draadheininge dikwels ook geknip word.

"Die Lesotho-grens bly 'n probleem en 23% tot 35% van Vrystaatse plaasaanvalle kom in die omgewing van die 13 dorpe langs die grens voor," het sy gesê.



## Span spog-Afrikaans in

In die Rapportryerbeweging in Bethlehem se Pro-Afrikaanskompetisie vir hoërskole word voorleggings op tien prestasie-terreine takseer, waaronder suiver, verbeeldingryke en skeppende taalgebruik. Topdeelnemers in elke afdeling kry 'n sertifikaat, 'n R300-kontantprys en 'n trofee. Van die Hoërskool Voortrekker wen Mila Kotzé (senior meisie) en Liam-Lloyd Doman (senior seun). Links is Danie Eichstädt (voorsitter en projekteur van die Rapportryers) en regs Zeldi Odendaal (skakelonderwyser).

## STUUR SÓ NUUSWENKE

VrystaatKroon plaas nuus oor mense, klubs, projekte, organisasies en stokperdjies uit die dorpe en streke waarin die koerant versprei word. Skolenuus word ook ingewag. Stuur gehalte-foto's en nuus na madmedia777@gmail.com.

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The Free State Office of the Premier and the Department of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs hereby give notice, in terms of Chapter 4, Section 15, of the Spatial Planning and Land Use Management Act No 16 of 2013, (SPLUMA), that it intends to develop a Provincial Spatial Development Framework (PSDF). Herewith, the general public and all interested and affected parties are notified of the intention to develop the Provincial Spatial Development Framework.

Should you have any questions regarding the process, or want to register as a relevant stakeholder/interested party on the Free State PSDF, please contact:

The Project Steering Committee  
Email: consultation@fspdf.co.za  
Telephone Numbers/s: 087 821 3339

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**NEMA AND NWA PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PROCESS**

**THE PROPOSED SOLAR PHOTOVOLTAIC RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION PLANT AND ELECTRIC TRUCK CHARGING FACILITY, N3, HARRISMITH, FREE STATE**

Notice is hereby given of the intention to submit an application for environmental authorisation and the public participation process, in terms of the National Environmental Management Act, 1998 (Act No. 107 of 1998), as amended ("NEMA"), Environmental Impact Assessment Regulations 2014, as well as a Water Use License Application (WULA) in terms of the National Water Act (Act 36 of 1998)(NWA). The proposed solar photovoltaic (PV) plant and electric truck charging facility includes activities listed in terms of the NEMA EIA Regulations 2014.

EnviroAfrica cc has been appointed by N3 Electric Highway (Pty) Ltd. to undertake a NEMA application process for Environmental Authorisation for the proposed facility.

**Application for environmental authorisation to undertake the following listed activities\* in terms of NEMA EIA Regulations 2014:**

Government Notice R327 (Listing Notice 1): Activity No. **1, 11, 12, 19, 24, 27, 28**  
Government Notice R325 (Listing Notice 2): Activity No. **1, 15**  
Government Notice R324 (Listing Notice 3): Activity No. **4, 12, 14**

**Application in terms of NWA: Sections 21 (c) and (i)\*.**  
\*Please note that the listed activities above may change during the course of the NEMA Application process. Registered Interested and Affected Parties (I&APs) will be notified of any changes.

**Project Description & Location:** It is proposed that a solar photovoltaic (PV) plant, connected to an electric truck charging facility with a battery energy storage system, overnight parking, wash bay, lounge area with a kitchen, ablution facilities, shop and offices, including associated infrastructure, be developed on Portion 23 of Farm Dorps Gronden van Harrismith No. 131, Harrismith. The Solar PV plant will be connected to the electric truck charging facility via a distribution line with a capacity of approximately 33 kV. An area of approximately 34.3ha will be considered and assessed.

The proposed site is located off the N3, approximately 2.5km south-east of the N3 and N5 intersection, and approximately 3km south-east of Harrismith.

Site co-ordinates (approximate central point): 28° 18' 34.80" S, 29° 09' 05.10" E.

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The proposed site is located off the N3, at the corner of the N3 and Reitz/Roadside road (S589) intersection (107 turnoff), approximately 33km north of Warden, and 61km south of Villiers.

Site co-ordinates (approximate central point): 27° 33' 50.80" S, 28° 50' 16.80" E

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