



DEA&DP

environmental affairs and development planning

5 Year Strategic Plan (2010 – 2015): Policy Priorities

The Western Cape Provincial Government identified ten strategic objectives for the next five years.

Of these ten objectives, the Department of Environmental Affairs and Development Planning (DEA&DP) leads the strategic objective “Mainstreaming Sustainable and Optimising Resource-use Efficiency”

Six key policy priorities were identified to ensure that the purpose of the strategic objective is realized. These six policy priorities are:



Climate Change Management

To reduce greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality management. This includes measures to promote energy efficiency, renewable energy efficiency, renewable energy production and to reduce the burning of fossil fuels.



Water Management

To improve agricultural, industrial, commercial and household water use and efficiency , planning and management.



Pollution and Waste Management

To improve pollution and waste planning and management.



Biodiversity Management

To improve biodiversity planning, management and conservation.



Land-Use Management and Agriculture

To ensure the optimal and wise management and use of land, including the utilization of land and natural resources for productive purposes, taking into consideration conservation imperatives and preventing the fragmentation of land, and to optimize the use of these resources (for example in agricultural production and to develop new and alternative crops, improved and new production practices and methodologies to support an increase in agricultural production through the optimal and sustainable utilisation of resources against the backdrop of food security in agricultural production)



Built Environment

Mainstreaming resource-use efficiency and sustainability into land-use management and development as well as into rural and built environment planning and management.