










AGRI-PARK DISTRICT: VHEMBE	PROVINCE: LIMPOPO	REPORTING DATE: MARCH 2016							
 <b>KEY COMMODITIES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tomatoes</li> <li>• Avocados</li> <li>• Baby vegetables</li> </ul>	 <b>AGRIPARK COMPONENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7 FPSUs to be located in: Levubu, Waterpoort, Malamulele, Tshiombo, Dzanani, Hlanganani, and Tshilwavhusiku/ Sinthumule.</li> <li>• 1 Agri-Hub located in Nwanedi.</li> <li>• 1 RUMC located in Makhado.</li> </ul>	 <b>STATUS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DAMC Established</li> <li>• The final Master Business plan was submitted on 29/02/2016</li> </ul>							
 <b>KEY CATALYTIC PROJECTS</b> <p>The following are identified catalytic projects that can be recommended;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Refurbishment of the existing sub Agri-hub</b> which will be used as the main FPSU that is based in Levubu. There will be a need to purchase additional equipment that will accommodate packing of other vegetables types in that facility and processing machinery for avocados.</li> <li>• <b>Vegetable pack house</b> at the Agri-hub location to sort and store baby vegetables and some tomatoes that will be packed.</li> <li>• <b>Processing facility within the Agri-hub</b> to process bulk tomatoes and some baby vegetables</li> </ul>	 <b>AGRO-PROCESSING BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Tomatoes:</b> tomato puree, tomato paste, passata (creamed tomatoes), tomato sauce, canned tomatoes, tomato juice and sun-dried tomato.</li> <li>• <b>Avocados:</b> guacamole, puree and related products and avocado oil.</li> <li>• <b>Baby vegetables:</b> freezing, canning and pickling; paste, puree and soups for canning; baby food production and chutney or preserve production</li> </ul>	 <b>KEY ROLE-PLAYERS</b> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Public Sector</th> <th>Industry</th> <th>Other</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRDLR</li> <li>• DTI</li> <li>• SEDA</li> <li>• LDED</li> <li>• DBSA</li> <li>• DAFF</li> <li>• IDC</li> <li>• IDT</li> <li>• NDA</li> <li>• NEF</li> <li>• Libsa</li> <li>• Land Bank</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South African Agricultural Processors Association (SAAPA)</li> <li>• South African Vegetable Growers Association (SAVGA)</li> <li>• Tomato Growers Association.</li> <li>• South African Subtropical Growers' Association</li> <li>• Subtropical Growers' Association</li> <li>• The South African Avocado Growers Association (SAAGA)</li> <li>• Avocado certification bodies</li> <li>• SA Fruit and Vegetables Canners Organisation (SAVCO)</li> <li>• Perishable Export Control Board</li> </ul> </td> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agri Sector Unity Forum (ASUF)</li> <li>• African Farmers Association of South Africa</li> <li>• National African Farmers Union of South Africa (NAFU SA)</li> <li>• NAFU Agri Business Chamber</li> <li>• Agri SA</li> <li>• Transvaal Agricultural Union</li> <li>• Agricultural Business Chamber</li> <li>• AgriSETA</li> <li>• South African Agri Academy (SAAA)</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Public Sector	Industry	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRDLR</li> <li>• DTI</li> <li>• SEDA</li> <li>• LDED</li> <li>• DBSA</li> <li>• DAFF</li> <li>• IDC</li> <li>• IDT</li> <li>• NDA</li> <li>• NEF</li> <li>• Libsa</li> <li>• Land Bank</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• South African Agricultural Processors Association (SAAPA)</li> <li>• South African Vegetable Growers Association (SAVGA)</li> <li>• Tomato Growers Association.</li> <li>• South African Subtropical Growers' Association</li> <li>• Subtropical Growers' Association</li> <li>• The South African Avocado Growers Association (SAAGA)</li> <li>• Avocado certification bodies</li> <li>• SA Fruit and Vegetables Canners Organisation (SAVCO)</li> <li>• Perishable Export Control Board</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agri Sector Unity Forum (ASUF)</li> <li>• African Farmers Association of South Africa</li> <li>• National African Farmers Union of South Africa (NAFU SA)</li> <li>• NAFU Agri Business Chamber</li> <li>• Agri SA</li> <li>• Transvaal Agricultural Union</li> <li>• Agricultural Business Chamber</li> <li>• AgriSETA</li> <li>• South African Agri Academy (SAAA)</li> </ul>
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 <b>INFRASTRUCTURE REQUIREMENTS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Irrigation and water storage facilities</li> <li>• Electricity, ICT infrastructure and buildings</li> <li>• Pack houses</li> <li>• Mechanisation equipment</li> <li>• Transport and logistics facilities</li> <li>• Weighing, storage, sorting, and packaging facilities</li> <li>• Agro-processing facilities and related infrastructures</li> <li>• Administrative, and quality control facilities</li> <li>• Internet and software solutions technology</li> <li>• Retail and training centres</li> <li>• Upgrades to the roads surrounding the Agri-Hub</li> </ul>	 <b>NEXT STEPS</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of governing committees</li> <li>• Development of funding model</li> <li>• Technical planning: of physical construction, related infrastructure, clustering of production areas</li> <li>• Identification of small-holder and emergent farmers</li> <li>• Development of detailed business plans for the Agri-Park components</li> <li>• Sourcing for funds from key public/private stakeholders</li> <li>• Construction of the Agri-Park components (FPSU, AH, RUMC)</li> <li>• Primary production of the selected commodities</li> <li>• Training Programmes Rollout</li> <li>• Agro-Processing</li> <li>• Product Marketing</li> </ul>	 <b>POSSIBLE ECONOMIC BENEFIT</b> <p><b>Spin-offs:</b> The expected Agri-Park spin-off consist of direct and indirect benefits in the areas of skills development; agro-processing, employment and significant agriculture sector contribution.</p> <p><b>Targeted hectares:</b> Total potential fields equate to <b>177 500 ha</b>. The recommended Agri-Park target is approximately <b>3 546 ha</b>.</p> <p><b>Job Creation:</b> Over a period of 10 years, the estimated number jobs that can be created in the Agri-Park programme is 13 710.</p> <p><b>Small holder farmers:</b> It is assumed that the Agri-Park has the potential of introducing up to 2128 ha. The number of emerging farmers expected to benefit from the Agri-Park programme is 532.</p> <p>*The employment figures were estimated using the Bureau for Food and Agricultural Policy (BFAP) job multipliers per hectare/ton production.</p>							