

RSA PRIORITIES

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Biodiversity and Conservation



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TOP PRIORITIES

1. *Expand the protected area estate across all ecosystems
2. *Strengthen capacity of Biodiversity Stewardship Programme
3. *Sufficient conservation of threatened and useful species
4. *Strengthen the contribution of the natural products sector and the National Biodiversity Economy Strategy (NBES)
5. *Strengthen the contribution of the wildlife sector to the national economy and the NBES
6. *Strengthen the land reform biodiversity stewardship initiative



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TOP PRIORITIES (Cont)

- *Strengthen the land reform biodiversity stewardship initiative
- *Facilitate settlement of land claims in protected areas and the conservation estate
- *Develop a systematic approach including methods, techniques and expertise for mapping and prioritising ecological infrastructure
- *Scale up and improve integration efforts to restore degraded ecological infrastructure and maintain ecological infrastructure in good condition
- *Develop, fund and implement an implementation plan for ecosystem based adaptation in the context of climate change adaptation and sustainable development
- *Develop new science based tools to inform planning and decision making
- *Integrate biodiversity into tools being implemented to support environmental decision-making for SIPs

REGIONAL INITIATIVES

- TFCAs
- Regional capacity building and ecosystem restoration
- Youth programme for RSA
- Youth Programme for Africa
- Important biodiversity areas, especially for migratory bird species



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