

**ATTENTION: ALL MEDIA  
MEDIA STATEMENT**

**DATE: 03 JUNE 2020**

**MDB COMMITS TO DELIVER WARDS IN PREPARATION FOR THE 2021 LOCAL  
GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS**

As the country moves to level 3 as per the risk adjustment model, there are still restrictions prohibiting the MDB to conduct physical public consultation meetings as planned. It is within this context that the MDB encourages members of the public in Batch 2 municipalities to submit written proposals on how their wards should be configured by not later than **31 July 2020**. (See attached list)

These are all Municipalities in Limpopo, North West, Free State and Northern Cape, eight (8) in Gauteng, three (3) in Eastern Cape, seven (7) in KwaZulu Natal and one (1) in the Western Cape.

***“As we move towards the end of the ward delimitation process, we appeal to communities who fall within Batch2 Municipalities to submit their written proposals by the due date. We are available to provide necessary information and clarity to support their proposals”*** expressed Muthotho Sigidi, CEO of the Board.

In **August 2020**, the MDB will consider all written submissions (Batch 2) and determine wards for publication in provincial Gazettes. All wards will be published in provincial Gazettes in **September 2020**. Anyone aggrieved by the wards as published will be allowed 14 days to submit written objections. In **October 2020**, the MDB will consider all objections received (Batch 2) determine and publish final wards in

provincial Gazettes. Final wards for Batch 2 will be handed over to the Independent Electoral Commission (IEC) by November 2020.

Ward delimitation and public consultation information e.g. draft ward maps and submission forms has been distributed to all municipalities and are also available on the MDB website [www.demarcation.org.za](http://www.demarcation.org.za) or on request by calling the MDB at 012 342 2481 for assistance on any query related to ward delimitation.

Written proposals can be sent through the following platforms:

- [registry@demarcation.org.za](mailto:registry@demarcation.org.za)
- WhatsApp: 072 819 8220
- Online submission can be done through this link: <https://arcg.is/TfinO>
- Fax: 012 342 2480

The MDB commits to provide the second batch of wards by November 2020, to enable the IEC to prepare for the 2021 local government elections.

Stay home, wash your hands, practice physical distancing and wear a mask when in public spaces.

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