



Onrus River Estuary Forum

for the benefit of future generations

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Statement Regarding the Reed Removal Project in the Onrus River Estuary

When the Reed Removal Project, as envisaged in the Estuary Management Plan (EMP), was authorised by Provincial environmental authorities, the Onrus River Estuary Forum (OREF) was made the party responsible for its implementation. Funding was sourced, and OREF utilised the Onrus River Homeowners Association (ORHA), who had the required structure and other resources, to act as its implementing agent. This arrangement was in place until recently, but a simplification is now possible due to an agreed change to the authorisation. In future the Reed Removal Project will be undertaken by ORHA directly, as per an agreement with the Municipality. OREF will no longer be responsible, but will still have oversight of the implementation of the project, as with all activities envisaged in the EMP.

Please therefore kindly note that future donations towards the Reed Removal Project should be made to Onrus River Homeowners Association (Nedbank savings account number 1229409874).

Future donations to OREF (Nedbank savings account number 2011466091), on the other hand, will be gratefully received to meet the expenditure incurred in undertaking its core function - to monitor and advise on the implementation of the EMP. This involves administration costs and may include research such as water quality sampling and bathometric surveys as required.