

# Support Teams

## Expanded Public Works Programme

In March 2004 the Department of Environmental Affairs and Tourism (DEAT) granted Table Mountain National Park (TMNP) R35 million to run a three-year Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP). The aim of the programme is threefold:

- to create conservation and tourism-based training and skills development opportunities for 450 people from the townships bordering the Park,
- to develop a strong and durable infrastructure that can minimize the impact of the TMNP's annual 4.2 million visits on the Park's biodiversity,
- to create a high-quality tourism infrastructure to help realise the TMNP's goal of becoming the world's premier urban National Park by 2010.

Workers who have been trained under the EPWP will all have developed skills that will enable them to compete on the open market once the programme is complete.

## The Expanded Public Works Support Teams

The administration of a R35 million, three-year project is no easy task and involves many people working behind the scenes ensuring that everything runs smoothly and that the work standards are of the quality required.

### Financial Administration

The Financial and Administration Team is located at the Table Mountain National Park Office in Orange Kloof. These men and women are responsible for ensuring that the project functions efficiently and their tasks include wage administration, supply chain management and payment.



The Finance and Administration team

### Transport

With 450 people in training from areas as far a field as Westlake, Hangberg, Ocean View, Masiphumelele, Imizamo Yethu, Red Hill, and Loyal, it is vital to have a team of transport providers to transport them to and from work. All transport service providers were appointed via tender and are run through the Expanded Public Works Programme.



A transport bakkie

### Project Sign Off

Once a project such as a footpath upgrade is complete the maintenance becomes the operational responsibility of the relevant Section Ranger. For this reason Section Rangers approve any plans for projects that fall within their jurisdiction and sign approval on completion.



## Programme and Project Management

A project of this scale requires rigorous and meticulous management at various levels. To this end under the supervision of an overall programme manager a team of supervisors, advisors and project management oversee each phase of the programme roll out.



3-5: Careful planning is essential

## Food preparation

A ground breaking aspect of the programme is that the TMNP has managed to factor in lunch provision for the trainees and workers three times a week – a first for any public works project in the country. The meals, designed with the assistance of a Woolworths nutritionist, are RDA compliant and are prepared in kitchens located in the townships bordering the Park.



6-7: Food Preparation at Masiphumelele



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