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Winter has arrived and we are all holding thumbs for a “normal” rainy season. Although the rainfall forecast for the rest of the country indicates above normal precipitation, there is a caution that the Western Cape might have below-normal rainfall this year.

Whatever happens, please be careful on the water if you do go out, especially those taking the long trip out to the snoek grounds.

Keep warm and enjoy the cold temperature. It is conducive to staying at home – helping with giving Covid 19 the final “chop”.

1) Governance

- 1.1) SPEEDING IN THE MARINA: Thank you! There seems to be a much better appreciation for the benefit of going slow on the marina waterways.
- 1.2) PARKING of BOAT TRAILERS: The designated trailer park near the slipway is exclusively for TRAILERS ONLY. Please do not park trailers in the general parking area.

2) Dredging

- 2.1) The POMA Board has decided to engage a specialist consultant to help us to negotiate the final hurdle towards the award of both a dumping and discharge permit. WSP Consultants is an international company with extensive experience in dredging and the environmental demands that goes with it.

We continue formally engaging with the relevant National Government Departments in order to complete the applications submitted.

We shall keep you informed as we proceed.

- 2.2) The approval of the Berg Estuarine Management Plan is still in process.

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3) Embankments and Walkways

Planned maintenance on the walkways and embankments for 2021, as per our budgeted priority listings, is in process. Please be aware that these listings are prepared for the financial year and clients expect us to stick to the planning. Only real emergencies at areas not dealt with in the listings will be added.

If you are aware of areas that are in need of urgent attention, please alert the Marina Manager.

4) General

Please be careful out there. Be mindful of the health requirements and always be safe!

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