

MEDIA ADVISORY

FREE STATE CLIMATE CHANGE AWARENESS RAISING CAMPAIGNS 2012

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Following a pre-COP 17 summit that was held in the Free State on the 22-23 September 2011, the Department of Economic Development, Tourism and Environmental Affairs will undertake the follow-up Climate Change awareness raising campaigns in the Free State Province from the $18^{th} - 29^{th}$ June 2012.

The purpose of the campaigns is to educate, inform, and raise awareness and to engage the general public on issues around Climate Change and how their daily actions can contribute to Climate Change.

In her 2012/13 budget vote speech, MEC Mamiki Qabathe said "we honestly believe that waste management, done effectively and efficiently could not only keep our environment clean but could also create much needed jobs and contribute towards enhancement of the green economy in the Province. It also contributes towards the fight against global warming and climate change as espoused at COP17, Durban during November 2011".

More than 200 members of communities are expected to attend throughout the 5 districts. Activities include awareness raising workshops and youth sessions with a green theme.

Media is invited to attend.

Venue and dates are as follows:

18/06/2012 – Sasolburg 19/06/2012 – Trompsburg 20/06/2012 – Botshabelo 29/06/2012 – Qwaqwa

Time: 09h00 – 13h00

End!

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