



Public Consultation – Draft 2.0 of the Namibian National Forest Stewardship Standard

The Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) is an international organization devoted to promoting responsible management of the world's forests. FSC National Forest Stewardship Standards (NFSS) provide a basis for Land Owners and Managers wanting to make claims that their forests are responsibly managed.

The NFSS for Namibia provides requirements (indicators) for certificate holders to manage their forests (encroacher bush) in an environmentally appropriate, socially beneficial and economically viable manner. The Standard Development Group (SDG) is a chamber balanced working group tasked with the development of the locally relevant Standard. This working group consists of Namibian nationals representing the economic, social and environmental interest groups within Namibia.

The Namibian SDG is seeking comments on the field tested Draft of NFSS for Namibia. Public consultation will be open for comment for 60 days from 23 August – 22 October 2018. You may access the Draft and Consultation Form via the [FSC Africa website](#)

All formal comments received will be acknowledged, reviewed by the SDG and where applicable, incorporated into the subsequent Draft.

Should you require further information on the process followed, please contact Ms. Manushka Moodley via m.moodley@fsc.org

In addition, FSC Southern Africa and the SDG will be hosting 2 workshops in Namibia to explain the contents of Draft 2.0

25 September 2018 - Windhoek (Venue to be confirmed, 09:00 -15:30)

26 September 2018 – Otjiwarongo (NCA office, 09:00- 15:30)

Please RSVP your attendance by **17 September 2018** with Ms. Manushka Moodley via m.moodley@fsc.org or via telephone with the Namibian Charcoal Association via 067 304 220