

REPUBLIC OF KENYA THE NATIONAL TREASURY AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST FUND) REGULATIONS, 2023

Section 4(a) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013 provides that "the object of this Act is to provide a comprehensive regime for the making, scrutiny, publication and operation of Statutory Instruments by requiring regulation-making authorities to undertake consultation before making Statutory Instruments". In addition, Section 5 (3) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013 states that "without limiting by implication the form that consultation referred to in sub-section (1) might take, the consultation shall –

a. involve notification, either directly or by advertisement; of bodies that, or of organizations representative of persons who are likely to be affected by the proposed instrument; or

b. invite submissions to be made by a specified date or might invite participation in public hearings to be held concerning the proposed instrument.

Pursuant to Section 23 (1) of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013, the Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund was established with the objective of funding wildlife conservation initiatives, manage and restore protected areas and conservancies, protect endangered species, habitats and ecosystems, support wildlife security operations, facilitate community based wildlife initiatives, award wildlife grants among other related activities.

Accordingly, a Multi-Agency Taskforce composed of officers drawn from the Ministry of Tourism, Wildlife & Heritage, the Office of the Attorney General & Department of Justice and the National Treasury has now finalized preparing the draft Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2023.

The Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2023 have been posted to the National Treasury website <u>http://www.treasury.go.ke</u>.

Now, pursuant to Section 4 (a) and 5 (3) (a) and (b) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, the National Treasury & Economic Planning invites members of the public to submit any comments, inputs or memoranda they may have on the said draft Public Finance

Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2023 in the format provided on the website.

The comments, inputs or memoranda thereof from the general public may be forwarded to the Principal Secretary, National Treasury, P. O. Box 30007-00100, Nairobi or hand delivered to the Office of the Principal Secretary, National Treasury Building, Nairobi, or emailed to ps@treasury.go.ke and copied to jona.wala@treasury.go.ke to be received by 17th October, 2023 at 5.00 p.m.

The comments inputs or memoranda from the general public once received will be considered public record and may be shared with the legislative arm of the Government.

Additionally, there shall be in person meetings for public consultations on the above Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2023 as per the schedule below: -

| | Stakeholder | Dates for meeting | Time for meeting |
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| 1. | Kenya Wildlife Conservancies | 18 th October, 2023 | 10.00am |
| | Association(KWCA) | | 40.00 |
| 2. | | 18 th October, 2023 | 10.00am |
| | Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) | | |
| 3. | Conservation Alliance of Kenya (CAK) | 18 th October, 2023 | 10.00am |
| 4. | Donor Community | 18 th October, 2023 | 10.00am |
| 5. | Wildlife Issues Development Partners | 18thOctober, 2023 | 10.00am |
| | Working Group | | |
| 6. | The Public | 18th October, 2023 | 10.00am |

The invitation letters for the meetings shall be hand delivered to the registered stakeholders before the date of the meeting. The venue of the meeting will be at various Community Conservancies location across the country and The National Treasury 5th floor AGDs Board room as indicated in the invitation letter.

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