

# Sustainability Atlas of the Western Cape 2006

The official launch of the Sustainability Atlas on 24 May 2006 was well received during the Budget Speech of Minister Tasneem Essop, Provincial Minister of Environment, Planning and Economic Development. Each of the 42 legislative members present received a copy of the Atlas as a gift from the Minister.

The neatly packaged Atlas was produced by the Sub-Directorate Information Services (Directorate Strategic Environmental Management) using Geographic Information Systems technology and can be used as an information tool to assist and guide stakeholders in their work environment.

Following this first production, it is now being disseminated to the identified stakeholders. The Sub-Directorate has already handed over copies of the Atlas to all of the five District Municipalities (and their respective Local Municipalities) during their preliminary visits regarding the initiative to increase the GIS capabilities at Local Municipalities. Further details on the GIS Assistance Initiative will appear in the September issue of *EnD NEWS*.



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