DEPARTMENT OF CO-OPERATIVE GOVERNANCE AND TRADITIONAL AFFAIRS

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NORTH WEST SPATIAL PLANNING AND LAND USE MANAGEMENTBILL, 2015

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LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS)

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BILL

To provide for land development and land use management in the province; to set out the responsibilities of the responsible Member of the Executive Council, municipalities and traditional authorities with regard to spatial planning and land use management; to provide for provincial planning; to establish a uniform system for municipal spatial planning and land use management; to provide for land use schemes; to provide for the establishment and functioning of tribunals and application procedures; to provide for the provision of engineering services and payment of development contributions; to provide for the control and enforcement of land use and development measures; and to provide for matters incidental thereto.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS the Constitution of the Republic of South Africa, 1996 has resulted in the creation of new structures and systems of national, provincial and municipal government in which existing planning and development legislation is no longer appropriate;

AND WHEREAS the Constitution has provided that regional planning and development, urban and rural development and housing are functional areas of concurrent national and provincial legislative competence;

AND WHEREAS Parliament has promulgated national legislation that provides a framework for spatial planning and land use management in the Republic within which the Province will promulgate its planning legislation;

AND WHEREAS procedures and structures need to be developed to facilitate and promote cooperative governance and intergovernmental relations in respect of spatial development planning and land use management systems between the three spheres of government as contemplated in the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS provincial planning is within the functional areas of exclusive provincial legislative competence, and municipal planning is the executive function of the local sphere of government;

AND WHEREAS various old order laws are still utilised in the Province promoting a fragmented approach to planning and new legislation is required to create an integrated, uniform and comprehensive approach to planning, development and the use of land within

the Province;

BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the Legislature of the Province of North West as follows:-

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55. Lodging of appeal

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