



EcoFlash

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Board of management induction held

The NEMA board of management held an induction workshop for newly appointed board members in Sawela Lodge, Naivasha from between 30th July to 3rd August 2018.

The departmental and sectional heads made their presentation to the board on the progress reports, opportunities and challenges being experienced where the board advised accordingly.

The board pledged to support the management team in discharging their duties to ensure the mandate of the Authority is achieved.

The board also constituted the following committees; Audit, Governance and Risk Management; Environment management and Technical; Strategy, Legal and Resource mobilization and Finance and Human Resource to facilitate policy decisions within the Authority.



The NEMA board meeting in progress at Sawela Lodge, Naivasha [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]



The board of management in a group photo during the workshop [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]

Securing of riparian reserves begins

Demolition of structures on riparian reserves began on 6th August 2018. The exercise aims at clearing Nairobi River and its tributaries of illegal structures that have been built on the riparian reserve. The exercise is under the inter-ministerial and multiagency activity under the Nairobi Regeneration Initiative.

In a press release, NEMA Director General Prof. Geoffrey Wahungu urged the public who have encroached on the riparian reserves in contravention of the Environment Management and Coordination Act (EMCA) to move back to the legal setback distance stipulated in law or/as stated, as a condition in the EIA licence where this has been issued.

Some of the structures that have been demolished includes Java Restaurant and Shell Petrol Station, South End Mall, Ukay

Centre, part of Oshwal Centre among others. “The activity will continue for facilities where the notices issued have lapsed and at a cost to the proponent of these structures,” Prof. Wahungu stated.



NEMA DG Prof. Geoffrey Wahungu speaking during a live interview on Citizen TV [PHOTO: COURTESY]

Speaking in an interview with Citizen TV, Prof Wahungu stated that the Authority in collaboration with other agencies were working within the law to bring structures that have encroached on riparian reserves. Prof. Wahungu observed that all buildings marked for demolition were sanctioned in 2016 as they had encroached on the riparian zones. He added that the aim of the exercise is to clear Nairobi of any illegal buildings.

AF members trained on social audit



The training in progress at DRSRS boardroom [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]

The Adaptation Fund held a workshop on 15th August 2018 to induct the NIE Entities and Sub-entities on Adaptation Funds social audit. The training was undertaken by

Transparency International Kenya and NEMA.

Climate change competition launched

The National Climate Change Art and Essay Competition was launched on 1st August 2018 at Kilimani Primary Primary School. The event was officiated by Environment Principal Secretary Ministry of Environment and forestry, Susan Mochache and Chief Administrative Secretary, Mohammed Elmi.

The ministry of Environment and Forestry invites participants to share their creativity and artistic talent by showcasing their level of awareness, knowledge, skills and activities on climate change by drawing, painting or writing. The competition is open to public and private, primary and secondary schools. Winners will walk home with Ipads, laptops and a fun edutainment trip. Submission deadline is 30th August 2018.



NEMA's Anne Theuri receives PS Environment and Forestry, Susan Mochache at NEMA Exhibition booth during the launch [PHOTO: S. IRUNGU/NEMA]

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