

SOFT CITRUS FOCUS GROUP

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE SOFT CITRUS FOCUS GROUP HELD AT 14:00 ON THURSDAY 3 APRIL 2014

Present:

Martina Odendaal	(Patensie)
Stefan Bruwer	(Boland)
Gerrit vd Merwe (jr)	(Western Cape)
Jock Danckwerts	(Eastern Cape Midlands)
Ista Upton	(Senwes)
Graham Barry	(observer – CGA)
John Edmonds	(CGA – secretariat)

Apologies:

AJ Esser	(Nelspruit)
Andrew Cooper	(Letsitele)
Charl Tibshreany	(Sunday's River Valley)
Lawrence Mgdale	(Citrus Development Chamber).

1. Welcome

Martina Odendaal welcomed all to the meeting.

2. Apologies

As noted above.

3. Approval of Minutes of Meeting held on 17 March 2013.

The minutes were duly approved.

4. Matters Arising from Minutes

4.1. UNECE document:

The meeting agreed that John Edmonds draft a request to Billy Makafola from DAFF to request Graham Barry's involvement in negotiations at the UNECE meeting.

5. Estimates for 2014 (see Annex1)

Details can be found in Annex 1.

6. Markets

7. General

Jock Danckwerts noted that soft citrus as a category has never incurred an official cbs interception and that late season Valencias were the main culprit. The Soft Citrus Focus Group members endorsed his opinion that the CGA and South African authorities be urged to negotiate for a unique dispensation for soft citrus with regard to cbs as opposed to other citrus types i.e. that in the case of EU market closure for South African citrus, soft citrus exports be exempt. John Edmonds will communicate this message to Justin Chadwick.

8. Date of next meeting

It was decided to hold the next meeting on Thursday 24 April 2014 at 2pm.

Annex 1: 2014 Soft Citrus Estimate

Satsumas	2011	2012	2013	2014*
Boland	603 751	524 575	532 311	540 000
Patensie	302 517	288 296	304 264	357 500
W. Cape	227 064	230 405	239 536	263 490
E. Cape Midlands	198 274	267 081	223 977	250 000
S.R. Valley	178 590	167 679	136 900	125 000
Nelspruit	176 400	152 531	180 545	172 789
Senwes	6 560	11 794	13 533	15 000
Other	3 100	7 713	4 679	5 000
Grand Total	1 696 256	1 650 074	1 635 745	1 728 779

Clementine	2011	2012	2013	2014*
Boland	1 136 284	1 162 799	1 040 500	1 100 000
W. Cape	663 117	856 086	800 128	920 147
S.R. Valley	365 688	192 543	254 664	220 000
E. Cape Midlands	147 814	173 322	152 299	180 000
Nelspruit	55 821	35 211	99 822	78 876
Senwes	26 749	25 731	45 616	45 000
Patensie		127 000	114 000	135 100
Other	7 062	5 042	5 046	5 000
Grand Total	2 504 480	2 704 529	2 626 988	2 684 123

Mandarin

Novas	2011	2012	2013	2014*
S.R. Valley	440 823	396 118	387 534	425 000
Patensie	384 878	410 715	371 362	482 500
Boland	153 813	154 111	134 068	128 000
W. Cape	53 481	68 546	70 598	77 658
Nelspruit	37 537	12 399	115 148	143 064
Senwes	23 076	12 930	58 764	110 000
E. Cape Midlands	10 836	12 768	25 309	35 000
Other	7 335	2 521	3 331	3 000
Grand Total	1 111 779	1 070 108	1 166 114	1 404 222

Other Mandarins	2011	2012	2013	2014*
W. Cape	211 825	244 992	311 968	343 165
Boland	61 153	21 866	35 612	35 612
Limpopo River	739	30 770	29 470	30 000
S.R. Valley	26 185	27 032	68 264	65 000
Senwes	20 190	8 150	34 610	50 000
Patensie	6 053	27 608	59 471	37 000
Nelspruit	11 428	17 830	17 575	4 500
S-KZN	15 535	12 660	4 345	
E. Cape Midlands	6 163	14 143	10 888	10 000
Letsitele	400	4 274	4	
Other	1 925	2 375	2 532	
Grand Total	361 595	411 700	574 739	575 277

Mandarin				
Late	2011	2012	2013	2014*
Nelspruit	110 244	449 067	695 259	656 238
Boland	275 558	399 747	479 945	500 000
W. Cape	283 743	374 933	503 752	579 315
Patensie	185 351	278 127	279 019	306 400
Senwes	127 271	125 722	206 756	230 000
E. Cape Midlands	102 270	132 486	185 313	180 000
Letsitele	65 900	89 635	69 722	75 000
S.R. Valley	65 644	64 908	98 223	125 000
Other	17 764	16 676	34 630	25 000
Grand Total	1 233 745	1 931 301	2 552 619	2 676 953

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Total Mandarins	2011	2012	2013	2014*			2014*
W. Cape	549 049	688 471	886 318	77 658	343 165	579 315	1 000 137
Patensie	576 282	716 450	709 852	482 500	37 000	306 400	825 900
S.R. Valley	532 652	488 058	554 021	425 000	65 000	125 000	615 000
Boland	490 524	575 724	649 625	128 000	35 612	500 000	663 612
Nelspruit	159 209	479 296	828 075	143 064	4 500	656 238	803 802
Senwes	170 537	146 802	300 130	110 000	50 000	230 000	390 000
Limpopo River					30 000		30 000
S-KZN					-		-
Letsitele					-	75 000	75 000
E. Cape Midlands	119 268	159 397	221 510	35 000	10 000	180 000	225 000
Other	43 297	63 907	74 215	3 000	-	25 000	28 000
Grand Total	2 707 119	3 413 109	4 293 472	1 404 222	575 277	2 676 953	4 656 452

Total Soft Citrus	2011	2012	2013	Est 2014
Boland	2 230 039	2 263 111	2 263 800	2 303 612
W. Cape	1 447 820	1 774 975	1 725 000	2 277 785
S.R. Valley	1 068 875	843 636	1 011 412	1 098 490
Patensie	979 754	1 126 345	1 095 784	1 211 000
E. Cape Midlands	465 357	604 432	682 503	577 789
Nelspruit	391 396	666 756	1 061 531	1 007 678
Letsitele	68 990	98 641	97 875	75 000
Senwes	202 385	184 257	230 000	450 000
other	53 241	73 160	9 200	68 000
Grand Total	6 907 856	7 635 313	8 177 105	9 069 354

