

**Cochoqua Tribal  
HOUSE**




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**COCHOQUA INDIGENOUS TRIBAL ROYAL HOUSE**

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**RE: COCHOQUA INDIGENOUS ROYAL TRIBAL HOUSE'S COMMENTS ON APPEALS REGARDING HWC  
DECLARATION OF A PROTECTED AREA ERF 151832**

1. Preface and Mandate
  - 1.1. Our Cochoqua Royal Indigenous Tribal House supports and endorses the Goringhaicona Tribe's Comments and Recommendations on the Appeal regarding HWC declaration of a Protected Area Erf 151832.
  - 1.2. We support the Goringhaicona's comment to the TRUP which we understand is made on the Historical basis that this parcel of land falls within the historically ancestral land of the Goringhaicona which includes its traditional jurisdictions.
  - 1.3. We support the position of the Goringhaicona in that the following articles pertain directly to the case with TRUP in relation to the Rights of Indigenous Peoples: Article 31 (2): In conjunction with indigenous peoples, states shall take effective measures to recognize and protect the exercise of these rights.
2. Primary Reference on International Human Rights:
  - 2.1. We refer to the following UN Declaration, the United Nation's Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, signed by the Government of South Africa. This declaration was adopted by a majority of the general Assembly in New York on 13 September 2007.
3. The TRUP precinct is the nexus of the history of mankind.
4. The Ministerial Appeal Tribunal must take into consideration the following Legislation promulgated by Parliament: "Traditional Leadership and Government Frameworks Act, 2003 and the National House of Traditional Leaders Act, 2009 as well as the Traditional and Khoi-San Leadership Bill 23-2015"
5. It is highly recommended that the area in question be recognized as a National Heritage site.

  
Parliamentary Chief David Johannes

Cochoqua Indigenous Royal Tribal House