

REPUBLIC OF KENYA THE NATIONAL TREASURY AND ECONOMIC PLANNING

PUBLIC NOTICE

DRAFT PUBLIC FINANCE MANAGEMENT (WILDLIFE CONSERVATION TRUST FUND) REGULATIONS, 2024

The State Department for Wildlife's core mandate is the provision of strategic policy, direction, and leadership in wildlife conservation and management in Kenya as provided for under Executive Order No. 2 of 2023 on the Organization of Government of the Republic of Kenya.

Section 23 (1) of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013 (as amended) establishes the Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund. These Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) were earlier published in December 2023 but are republished on the directions of Parliament to:

- ensure alignment of both Section 23 (1) and (2) of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013 (as amended) and Section 24 (4) of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012;
- include a 1 % levy of revenues realized from fees charged for entrance to parks, reserves, conservancies, and sanctuaries to support conservation activities.

The Board of the Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund and the National Treasury have now finalized the draft Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2024.

The proposed Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2024 have been posted to the National Treasury website <u>http://www.treasury.go.ke</u>.

Now, pursuant to Section 4 (a) and 5 (3) (a) and (b) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, the National Treasury & Economic Planning invites members of the public to submit any comments, inputs, or memoranda they may have on the said draft Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2023 in the format provided on the website.

The comments, inputs, or memoranda thereof from the general public may be forwarded to the Principal Secretary, National Treasury, P. O. Box 30007-00100, Nairobi or hand-delivered to the Office of the Principal Secretary, National Treasury Building, Nairobi, or emailed to <u>pstnt@treasury.go.ke</u> and copied to <u>jona.wala@treasury.go.ke</u> to be received by **6**th **December 2024** at **5.00 p.m**.

The comments inputs or memoranda from the general public once received will be considered public records and may be shared with the legislative arm of the Government. Comments are most helpful if they indicate the specific regulation or group of regulations to which they relate, contain a clear rationale, and where applicable provide a suggestion for alternative wording. Comments must be submitted in English (see format for Template for Comments). The Regulations may be modified in light of comments received before being published in the final form.

There shall be in-person meetings for public consultations on the above Public Finance Management (Wildlife Conservation Trust Fund) Regulations, 2024 as per the schedule below:

	Stakeholder	Dates for meeting	Time for meeting
1.	Kenya Wildlife Conservancies Association (KWCA)	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
2.	Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS)	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
3.	Conservation Alliance of Kenya (CAK)	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
4.	Donor Community Wildlife Issues Development Partners Conservation Working Group	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
5.	Wildlife Clubs of Kenya	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
6.	Wildlife Research and Training Institute	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
7.	The Nature Conservancy	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
8.	Council of Governors	5th December, 2024	10.00 am
9.	Members of the public	5th December, 2024	10.00 am

The invitation letters for the meetings shall be hand-delivered to the registered stakeholders before the date of the meeting. The venue of the meeting will be the National Treasury 5th floor AGDs Board room as indicated in the invitation letter.

HON. CPA JOHN MBADI NG'ONGO, EGH CABINET SECRETARY/NATIONAL TREASURY AND ECONOMIC PLANNING