



INFORMATION & CALL FOR COMMENTS

1 KOO PLATEAU PROPOSED DEMARCATION

The Wine and Spirit Board will be publishing the proposed demarcation of KOO PLATEAU, as a new ward, in the *Government Gazette* and various newspapers for objections. Please see the attached application notice.

If you have any **comments or objections** in this regard please submit same in writing to the board's secretary, Olivia Poonah, at olivia@wsb.org.za, to reach her before 14 December 2020. If you have any queries please feel free to contact Olivia at +27 (0)21 889 6555.

2 UPDATE ON HEALTH WARNING REGULATIONS

In Wine Law 1 of 2018 (12 April 2018) we informed you that the Minister of Health has published amendments to above-mentioned regulations, to come into effect on 22 December 2020. These amendments changed the size of the health warning, included outer packaging and provided for the rotation of all the prescribed warnings within a 36 month cycle.

The Minister of Health has now repealed these amendments. Industry remains in consultation with Government in this regard.

3 NEW VARIETIES APPROVED

The Administering Officer of the Liquor Products Act and the Wine and Spirit Board have approved the varieties listed below for winemaking and certification.

- Bourboulenc
- Marselan
- Piquepoul blanc

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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR THE DEFINING OF A PRODUCTION AREA KOO PLATEAU (WARD)

(In terms of Section 6 of the Wine of Origin Scheme published by Government Notice No. R.1434 of 29 June 1990)

Please take note that DGB (Pty) Ltd applied to the Wine and Spirit Board to define Koo Plateau (Ward) as a production area to produce Wine of Origin.

The proposed Koo Plateau Ward is a unique mountain basin, situated between the Langeberg Mountains in the south and the Kwadousberg and Waboosberg Mountains in the north (fig. 1). It has an altitude of about 760 m at the Burgers Pass ascent in the east and 1180 m at the Rooihoogte Pass exit in the north. The crest of the Langeberg Mountains forms the southern boundary of the ward which is also part of the northern boundary of the Breede River Valley District. The western boundary follows the crest of the Dwarsberg Mountain towards the Kwadousberg and Waboosberg Mountains in the north. The eastern boundary is shared as the western boundary of the Montagu Ward.

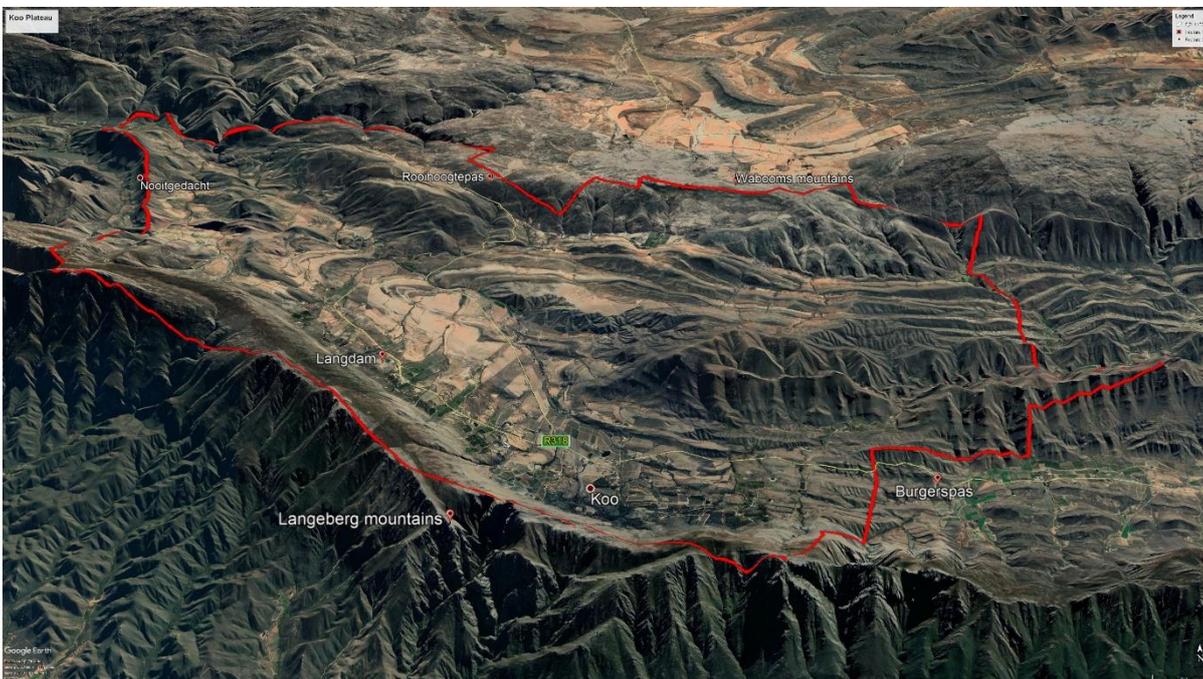


Figure 1: 3D Google Earth image of the Koo Plateau.

The geology is mainly Bokkeveld Group shales (mostly Nardouw, Ceres and Bidouw formations) and a small portion of the Witteberg Group at the eastern ascend to the plateau, bordered in the south and north by Table Mountain sandstone formations (fig 2).

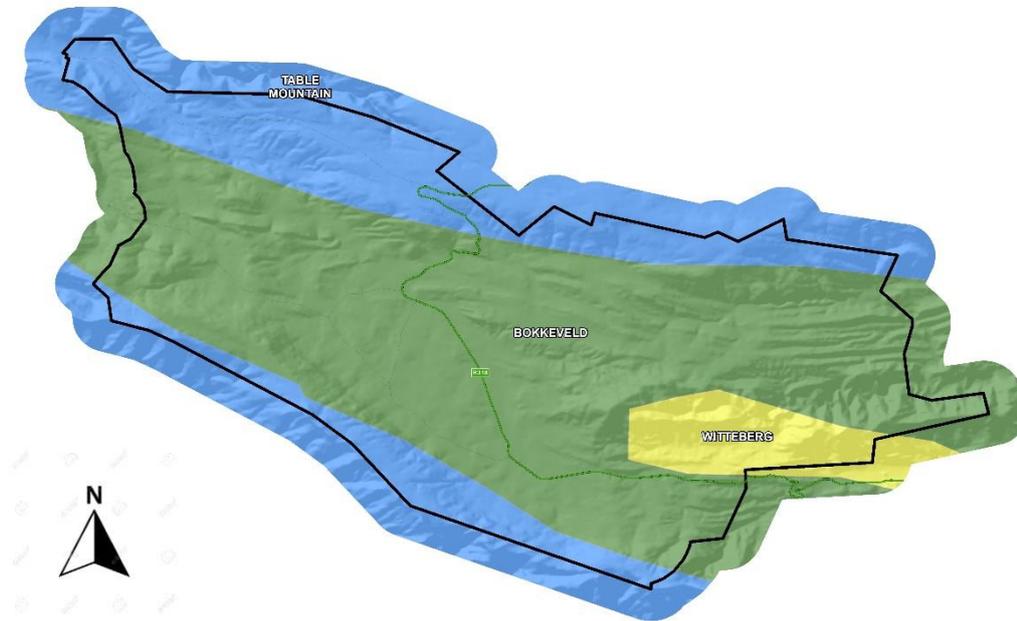


Figure 2: Broad geology of the Koo Plateau.

Because of its general high altitude, the proposed ward is one of the coldest areas in the Western Cape, with a mean February temperature of 19.0°C. Snowfall in the basin in winter is a common occurrence, as well as frost in lower-lying positions.

The proposed boundaries can be viewed at www.sawis.co.za – "Certification – News and Information" or contact Jackie Cupido at 021-807 5704.

Anyone having any objection against this application is hereby notified to lodge their objections, with motivations, in writing with Olivia Poonah (olivia@wsb.org.za), The Secretary, Wine and Spirit Board, P O Box 2176, Dennesig, Stellenbosch, 7599 within 30 (thirty) days of publication of this notice.