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Fauna (Protection and Control) Act (Chapter 154)

DECLARATION OF HOGAVE COMMUNITY CONSERVATION AREA AND THE APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS OF THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, ITS RULES AND PENALTIES

I, SIMO KILEPA, Minister for Environment and Conservation and Climate Change by virtue of the powers conferred by Sections 15 and 16 of the *Fauna (Protection and Control) Act* (Chapter 154) and all other powers me enabling, having consulted with the owners of the land described in Schedule 1, hereby—

- (a) declare the described in Schedule I to be a Protected Area to be known as "Hogave Community Conservation Area" for the purpose of that Act; and
- (b) establish the "Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee" as specified in Schedule 2 for that Protected Area; and
- (c) specify that the number of members of that Committee shall be 15; and
- (d) declare the Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee to formulate and approve the Management Rules as specified in Schedule 3 for that Protected Area, and
- (e) approve the imposition of fines, fees and/ or penalties as specified in Schedule 4 for the infringement of the Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Rules.

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Management Committee, its Rules and Panalties—*continued***

SCHEDULE 1

BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

The Hogave Conservation Area is located in Mt Michael LLG, Ward (6) Six, Lufa District, Eastern Highlands Province and it has an area of 1,229.9 hectares. From latitude 6 degrees 23 minutes 15.4 seconds south 145 degrees 15 minutes 8.8 seconds east in the Eastern Highlands Province, which is about 62 kilometers east of Goroka town, the boundary of the Hogave Conservation Area starts at the Lufa Road and follows a northwesterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 23 minutes 4 seconds south, 145 degrees 14 minutes 28.1 seconds east on the Yari river, from there the boundary further extends in a northwesterly direction to the point 6 degrees 22 minutes 36.4 seconds south 145 degrees 14 minutes 7.4 seconds east, the boundary of the Hogave Conservation Area then follows a northerly direction upwards towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 8.2 seconds south, 145 degrees 13 minutes 58.2 seconds east, from there the boundary follows the Yari river upwards towards a position at 6 degrees 21 minutes 34.2 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 30.2 seconds east, still following the Yari river the boundary extends in a northerly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 21 minutes 1.2 seconds south, 145 degrees 13 minutes 24.2 seconds east, from there the boundary follows a northwesterly direction to a position at 6 degrees 20 minutes 40.5 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 9 seconds east, the boundary of the Hogave Conservation Area then follows a northwesterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 20 minutes 19.5 seconds south 145 degrees 12 minutes 39.2 seconds east on the Tua river, from there the boundary follows the Tua river upwards to a position at 6 degrees 20 minutes 7.9 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 4.5 seconds east, from there the boundary extends along the Yari river in a southeasterly direction downwards towards a position at 6 degrees 20 minutes 37.1 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 28.6 seconds east, from there the boundary follows a southerly direction downwards to a position at 6 degrees 21 minutes 1.2 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 33.3 seconds east on the Mopa river, from there the boundary follows a southeasterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 21 minutes 34.2 seconds south 145 degrees 13 minutes 58.5 seconds east, the boundary then follows a southeasterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 21 minutes 37.8 seconds south 145 degrees 14 minutes 30.3 seconds east, from this position the boundary of the Hogave Conservation Area then follows a southeasterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 10.8 seconds south 145 degrees 15 minutes 59.3 seconds east, from there the boundary extends in a southeasterly direction to a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 10.8 seconds south 145 degrees 15 minutes 59.3 seconds east, from there the boundary follows a southeasterly direction and crosses the Lufa road towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 26.9 seconds south 145 degrees 16 minutes 17 seconds east, from there the boundary extends towards the foot of Mount Michael in a northeasterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 24.2 seconds south 145 degrees 16 minutes 35.2 seconds east, still on the direction towards the foot of Mount Michael the boundary follows a southerly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 55.6 seconds south 145 degrees 16 minutes 45.5 seconds east, from this position the boundary follows a westerly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 22 minutes 56.4 seconds south 145 degrees 16 minutes 22.6 seconds east, from there the boundary follows a southwesterly direction towards a position at 6 degrees 23 minutes 15.7 seconds south 145 degrees 15 minutes 45.6 seconds east, the Hogave Conservation Area boundary closes at 6 degrees 23 minutes 15.4 seconds south 145 degrees 15 minutes 8.8 seconds east.

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SCHEDULE 2

MEMBERS OF HOGAVE COMMUNITY CONSERVATION AREA MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

1.	David Kima - Laivolo Clan	-	(Director/Treasurer)
2.	Fero Miori — Laivolo Clan	-	(Chairman)
3.	Daniel Feto — Mula Clan	-	(Vice Chairman)
4.	David W. Vira — Kevoma Clan	-	(Secretary/HCCA Coordinator)
5.	Samuel Wagi — Kevoma Clan	-	(Liaison Officer)
6.	Sanive Job — Mula Clan	-	(Assistant Coordinator/Committee Member)
7.	Ben Lapau - Laivolo Clan	-	(Committee Member)
8.	Kumoro Kima - Laivolo Clan	-	(Committee Member)
9.	Gabriel Joseph - Mula Clan	-	(Committee Member)
10.	Kenon Navai - Mula Clan	-	(Committee Member)
11.	Job Lase - Kevoma Clan	-	(Committee Member)
12.	Pare Noruma - Kevoma Clan	-	(Committee Member)
13.	Sova Osilo - Laivolo Clan	-	(Women's Rep/Committee Member)
14.	Paliova Lemeck - Kevoma Clan	-	(Women's Rep/Committee Member)
15.	Martha Navai - Mula Clan	-	(Women's Rep/Committee Member)

SCHEDULE 3

SITE SPECIFIC MANAGEMENT RULES

The Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Area Rules are prepared and approved by the Management Committee and endorsed by the Laivolo, Mula and Kevoma Clans in recognition to the values of their traditions and customs.

All these underlying rules are the elements of effective management and operations of the said Protected Area -

1. All visitors except the customary landowners and/or stakeholders may enter with "entry fee" to the Committee or the Appointee.
2. No entry is permitted to areas of "traditional taboo" and/or "Sacred Sites". Additional visitor's fees is levied upon entry to the places with guides including the burial and sacred sites at Hogave Village.
3. No clearing of any purpose is allowed in the traditional hunting grounds/forests of the Hogave Community Conservation Area.
4. Clearing for gardens and family support activities are allowed on areas marked by the customary landowners and/or the Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee.
5. Taking and killing of restricted plants and animals within creeks and streams of the Protected Area shall not be taken or killed unless consent is granted by the Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee for special occasions.
6. Prohibition and restrictions on using firearms or other dangerous substances which are harmful to the natural habitat.
7. All developments shall be considered by way of Special Resolutions by the Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee.
8. The Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee shall mediate and set penalties to breach of rules that are bound by the Laivolo, Mula and Kevoma tradition and culture and any other rules herein that the Committee feels are within its power to resolve.

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SCHEDULE 4

PENALTIES, FINES AND FEES

No.	Rules	Penalties/Fines
1	It is illegal to carry out any agricultural or gardening activities within the Protected Area.	K200.00
2	It is illegal to cut any trees or destroy plants with the boundary of the Protected Area.	K500.00
3	It is illegal to build any dwelling houses or unlawfully occupy the Protected Area.	K500.00
4	It is illegal to light forest fires within the entire boundary of the Protected Area.	K500.00
5	It is illegal for anyone to pollute any water body or soils, dump or release any chemical waste, sewage or rubbish inside the Protected Area.	K500.00
6	It is illegal to introduce any grazing stock animal or breed invasive species in the Protected Area.	K200.00
7	It is illegal to go into a Sacred Site without permission within the boundary of the Protected Area.	K500.00
8	It is illegal to destroy or deface any cultural objects or monuments of bio-cultural significance in the Protected Area.	K300.00
9	It is illegal for anyone to remove or introduce any fauna and flora within the boundary of the Protected Area -	
	(a) If species with special status.	K400.00
	(b) If species without special status.	K200.00
10	It is illegal to hunt or fish by any means within the boundary of the Protected Area -	
	(a) If species with special status.	K400.00
	(b) If species without special status.	K200.00
11	It is illegal to conduct any activities without the Management's knowledge within the Protected Area.	K200.00
12	It is illegal to use herbicides or weedicides within the boundary of the Protected Area.	K200.00
13	It is illegal to use firearms, catapults, bows and arrows within the boundary of the Protected Area.	K200.00
14	It is illegal for all natural resources' extraction (logging, gravel, sand, trees) within the entire boundary of the Protected Area.	K500.00
15	It is illegal for any person or persons including entity to undertake any development activity within the entire boundary of the protected area without permission from the Management Committee -	
	(a) Environmental impact from small scale development Activities.	K1,000.00
	(b) Environmental impact activity outside the Protected Area (industrial).	K10,000.00
	(c) Environmental impact from activity outside the Protected Area (community).	K1,000.00
	(d) Unauthorized sawmilling (wokabaut sawmill). Chainsaw sawmilling.	K5,000.00
	(f) Unauthorised large-scale logging.	K2,000.00
	(g) Unauthorised exploration.	K20,000.00
	(h) Road construction development.	K20,000.00
16	In accordance with Section 20 of <i>Fauna (Protection Control Act)</i> (Chapter 154), Hogave Community Conservation Area Management Committee in consultation with local landowners has developed and recommended to the Minister the appointment of group of Conservation Area Rangers for the purpose of ensuring compliance with the Act. The Conservation Area Management Committee will maintain the current register of Hogave Community Conservation Area Rangers.	
	For a description of the powers of a Conservation Area Ranger, please refer to Section 21 of the Act. The fine imposed for the obstruction of a Ranger is as follows:	
	A person who -	
	(a) hinders or obstructs a Ranger; or	K1,000.00
	(b) refuses or fails without lawful or reasonable excuses (proof of which is on him) to furnish information under this Act is an offence.	K1,000.00

All penalties, fines and fees are imposed by the relevant Village Court and are payable to the Chairman of the Natauka Zamu Nature Reserve Management Committee.

Dated this 16th day of April, 2025.

S. KILEPA, MP,
Minister for Environment and Conservation and Climate Change.