



LAKE NAIVASHA RIPARIAN ASSOCIATION

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Introduction to the Lake Naivasha Riparian Association (LNRA)

All landowners whose land is contiguous to the lake/riparian land are automatically members of the Lake Naivasha Riparian Association. As a contiguous landowner you have stewardship over the riparian land as it is exposed by a falling lake but there are certain rules by which you are obliged to abide regarding this land. The Association thus oversees the stewardship of the land to ensure that it is looked after correctly and sustainably, and so helps and advises landowners.

The Lake Naivasha Riparian Association was founded in 1929 and is therefore one of the oldest Associations in Kenya. Its vision is of enhancing the ecological integrity of Lake Naivasha – ‘a beautiful, diverse & productive wetland of National and International importance that supports sustainable development’, and also a Ramsar Site. Its membership comprises all landowners bordering the lake who as **stewards** of the riparian land are obligated to ensure the ecological integrity of the riparian land and that the lake’s ecosystem is enhanced and maintained.

In order to enable the Association to carry out its duties there is an annual subscription of Kshs 5,000/- for noncommercial properties and Kshs 20,000/- for commercial properties. By paying the subscription this enables you to vote at the AGM and other meetings at which important decisions regarding the future of the lake are decided. It is vital that you participate in all decision-making and that we all speak with one voice. It is important that you are involved in this and we would urge you to pay your subscription as soon as possible particularly as there are big changes afoot with the laws constantly altering.

If you are a new member we would be grateful if you could ensure that the Association has all your contact details to enable us to send you information, newsletters and to invite you to meetings. The Association is also open to Associate Membership, for information please contact the secretariat at the above address.

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Higgins

Hon Secretary