



VAAL DAM FORUM MEETING

Date: 31 May 2012
 Time: 10:00
 Venue: Standerton

Minutes of the Vaal Dam Catchment Forum Meeting held on 31 May 2012 at Standerton.

ATTENDEES:

Name	Organisation
N Radebe	Mafube Local Municipality
M Manaka	DWA
T Khoza	DWA
N Van der Walt	Rand Water
S Kotsoane	Fezile Dabi District Municipality
B Van Der Walt	Eskom
D Ramaphosa	Eskom
Thokozani Metiso	Eskom
Bruce & I Main	SAVE (Vaaldam)
T Motaung	Dept of Health
R Hariram	Rand Water
F Mamabolo	DWA
S Kuma	
V Hlatshwayo	Lekwa Municipality
S Mporetji	Rand Water
S Schoeman	Early bird Farm
N Teba	Fezile Dabi District Municipality

	DISCUSSION	ACTION/FOLLOW UP
1.	Welcome and introduction of attendees and apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> R Hariram welcomed everyone to the forum meeting 	Chairperson

	<p>and requested everyone to introduce themselves.</p> <p>Apologies N Khumalo ME Matseba HJ Kriel</p>	
2.	Approval of Previous Meeting	
3.	<p>Matters Arising from the Previous Meeting</p> <p>Corrections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No corrections <p>Actions:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Matters arising from the meeting that was held on the 23 February 2012 will be addressed in the next meeting. 	
4.	<p>Additions to the agenda and approval of the agenda</p> <p>The following addition was made to the agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.3 Presentation WWTW Rand Water. 	
5.	<p>Water Quality in the Vaal Dam Catchment</p> <p>5.1 DWA presented the water quality status of Vaal Dam catchment with reference to the problematic areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of the points were not complying in terms of ammonia, chloride, conductivity, nitrates and faecal coliform. Most of sewage works were not complying in terms of faecal coliform and E-coli. <p>5.2 Rand Water</p> <p>N Van Der Walt presented the water quality status of Rand Water with reference to the problematic areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Most of the points were not complying in terms of ammonia, phosphate, chloride, nitrates, COD, 	

	alkalinity and conductivity	

6.	<p>Report Back from stakeholders in the Vaal Dam catchment</p> <p>Phumelela</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper report will be given at the next meeting. <p>Lekwa Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Standerton Sewage works- they appointed a consultant to assist them with the refurbishment of their plant. • They have budgeted 5.7 million in order to refurbish their aerators hopefully by the end of 2012 year both aerators will be fully operational. • F Mamabolo to give Standerton contact numbers of Paul Herbst. • Standerton Official to forward Action plan to DWA. • F Mamabolo to follow up on 59 Million that Lekwa Municipality requested for upgrading their plant and report back at the next meeting. • Standerton to present the project on refurbishment of their plant. <p>Metsimoholo Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proper report will be given at the next meeting. <p>Mafube Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N Radebe gave presentation that shows that at Villiers they have a problem of algae and currently they are looking for short term solution to minimise algae while waiting for DWA to assist them. 	<p>F Mamabolo</p> <p>S Kuma</p> <p>F Mamabolo</p> <p>S Kuma</p>
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	<p>Midvaal Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • They have WWTP contracted to Vaalmarina construction. • The project to upgrade the WWTP has been stopped because people who are working on a plant don't have the valid qualification or experience. Also the results of blue drop have been poor due to unqualified staff. <p>Early Bird Farm</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Submitted WULA to DWA still awaiting respond. 	
	<p>Grootvlei Power Station</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vaal Dam fencing project is about 60% completed. • All their ground water monitoring report has been submitted to M Manaka. • Their cooling water overflowed for eleven hours to the farmer 's land and now the farmer is complaining about the damage however they have invited ground water specialist to take sample immediately when results are back they will clean the farmer's property. 	

7.	<p>Catchment Management Agency (CMA) update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D Ristic to organise the coordinator of CMA to give presentation at the next meeting. 	D Ristic
8.	<p>General</p> <p>8.1 Water Use licence applications status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report 	
8.2	<p>Pollution Incident</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was a spillage at Deneysville pump station however it was sorted out. 	

8.3	Water Quality Report for Rand Water <ul style="list-style-type: none">• S Mporetji gave presentation of WWTW.	
9.	Closure <ul style="list-style-type: none">• R. Hariram thanked everyone for attending and participating, he then closed the meeting.	