



No	Item	Responsible Person	Due Date
1.	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr Surprise Letlhake welcomed everyone to the forum and also apologised for being late. 	Chairperson	
2.	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the attendees introduced themselves. 	All	
3.	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M. Tholo – Midvaal • J. Van Wyk – DWS • S. Mporetji - Rand Water • N. Van Der Walt – Rand Water • I. Main – SAVE • L. Nqelenga – DWS • N. Modumo – FDDM 		
4.	Minutes of the previous meeting (corrections) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 3: P. Mabece and S. Mporetji’s surnames were corrected. • Item 5: Refengkgotso WWTW was mistakenly referred to as a Plant. M. Hlatswayo and C. Du Preez were to be invited to the forum to give an update on the statuses of the WWTWs. • Item 7.1, bullet 3: Point KB was corrected. VD3 was also corrected the 9th bullet. • Item 7.3, last bullet: Mfanakhona was misspelled. • Item 8.12, Phillimon’s name was corrected. Phillimon was not tasked to invite COGTA to the forum but to provide Florah with contact details of COGTA officials. • Item 9, first bullet: Grootvlei amendment licence is 95% complete. • Item 10, last paragraph: CMA process was not supposed to be captured under pollution incidents as it is a standalone item as indicated in the agenda. Sibusiso’s name was also corrected on the last paragraph. • Item 10, second paragraph: CMA Gauteng had referred the pollution matter to CME and the CME 	All	

	were waiting for the required action plan.		
5.	<p>Matters arising from the previous meeting (01 March 2018).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Item 5, Paragraph 2: Ms F. Mamabolo had sent invites to M. Hlatshwayo and C. Du Preez during March and April however she did not get any response. • Item 5, paragraph 3: The Action to invite Vaalmarina Landfill to the forum was not executed and it will be carried through to the next meeting. • Item 8.6, Mr T. Nceba suggested that Goldi should present their water quality results since they reported that their Plant is operational. • Item 8.7, the challenge faced by Eskom Grootvlei power station with regards to unsuitable water for human consumption provided by Balfour Municipality had been persistent for a long time the forum should work together to intervene. • Item 8.12, Both Mr Matseba and Ms Mamabolo executed the action to invite COGTA and Municipal Managers to the forum but unfortunately they could not get correspondence from COGTA and Municipal managers. 	S. Letlhake	Before Next forum
6.	<p>Additions to the Agenda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No additions 		
7.	<p>Items for discussions</p> <p>Water Quality Monitoring and Assessment</p> <p>7.1 Rand Water</p> <p>The last quarter test results reflect as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At point VSS, the alkalinity levels were unacceptable during the last quarter but all other variables were acceptable and tolerable. • At point KP, only Alkalinity was non-compliant. • At Point KW, all variables we acceptable although the report shows two blocks that are blank and the reason there. is no data there is that no samples are taken in winter • At point KD, nitrate levels were elevated during the last two months of the quarter. • At point KSV, which is below the Vrede WWTW plant, the alkalinity, Conductivity, Nitrates and COD were unacceptable. • At point VDS, all the variables were acceptable, 	R. Hariram	

	<p>tolerable and ideal and this was due to dilution of rainfall. There was water parameter which was unacceptable.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At point VGB, only COD and Nitrate were unacceptable • At point VV, E.coli is also been monitored unlike the other points and there were unacceptable levels of COD, E.coli and Nitrate at this point. the E.coli levels shows that there are activities at Villiers affecting the water quality. • At point VD41, only alkalinity was non-compliant. • At point WF, there were unacceptable levels of E.coli and Nitrate and this due to the activities taking place in the Waterval catchment as well as the impact from Frankfort town. • Only Alkalinity was non-compliant at VD3I and VD3I and the rest of the variables met the required standards. • KLIPR_VDAM was added in the system from the last two years the results shows that COD, Nitrate and Phosphate were non-compliant in the last quarter. <p>WWTW Plant reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Standerton: The ammonia and Ecoli levels have been unacceptable for the whole year. The Plant is struggling. • Deneysville: There were unacceptable levels of ammonia and faecal coliforms. • Frankfort_Namaha: there had been unacceptable levels of ammonia and faecal coliforms. • Frankfort oxidation ponds: there are still unacceptable levels of E.coli • Oranjeville: ammonia and faecal coliforms levels are unacceptable. • Vaalmarina: Faecal coliform levels were very high in the last quarter. • Villiers: The water quality at Villiers is very poor. • Most of the WWTW within Vaal dam had not been performing very well only Vaalmarina had been performing consistently well. <p>7.2 DWS -Gauteng</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E.coli and faecal coliform level were very high at Spruitsoderdrift D/S of Vrede. • E.coli and faecal coliform counts were very high at Standerton sewage works due to Plants that are non-operational. 	<p>K Rapelang</p>	
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8	<p>Catchment Activities (Feedback from Stakeholders)</p> <p>8.1 Phumelela Municipality</p> <p>No representative.</p> <p>8.2 Lekwa Municipality</p> <p>No representative</p> <p>8.3 Metsimaholo Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There had been challenges at Refengkgotso WWTW for the past 10 weeks whereby the Plant was not fully operational due to damaged pumps. The pump was still waiting for the insurance approval was it to be fixed. • Metsimaholo Municipality had been struggling to comply with the required standards in terms of microbiological and chemical parameters due to pumps which were not fully functional. • It is due to this reasons that the Plant is not discharging the effluent directly but diverting into a Kwari. • The upgrading of the Plant is still in process and the upgrade progress is about 38% complete. The upgrading of the Plants is expected to be complete after 12-18 months. • There had been challenges with pumps feeding into bio filters at Orangeville Plant due to delay in the payment of the service provider which hampered with the operation of the Plant. Some of the parts which were ordered to fix the Plant were imported from USA and the delay in the payment of the Service provider caused a delay in the delivery. • N. Mofokeng further said that diverting the effluent into the Kwari only happens whenever the Plant is non-operational and it is not something which happens all the time. • K. Nceba applauded the Municipality for sharing their report with the forum members and encouraged the municipality to continue with their transparency. <p>8.4 Mafube Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No representative <p>8.5 VQA</p> <p>No representative</p>		
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	<p>8.10 Fezile Dabi DM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No samples were taken at Villiers Sewage works because the Plant was not functioning well. • Drinking Water quality results have been compliant during the last quarter. • A. Mabayi asked if there is anything that Fezile Dabi DM is doing to ensure that the Sewer Plant at Villiers gets operational because notices have already been issued. S. Kotsoane mentioned that the only thing that can be done at the moment is to apply for funds from DWS. • K. Rapelang mentioned that construction had been taking place at Villiers although he was not clear what kind of construction or upgrade is taking place. It was agreed that Nokhanya will report in the next forum regarding this project. • K. Nceba mentioned that although both District and Local Municipalities are part of the spheres of government and work hand in hand, it does not mean District municipalities should be held accountable for acts of non-compliance by local municipalities. District municipalities only assist local municipalities on a strategic level and do not oversee duties performed at local level and they only assist with smaller projects. <p>8.11 Gert Sibande DM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No representative <p>8.12 SAVE the Vaal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No representative. Ms I. Main sent an apology. 	S. Kotsoane	
9	<p>Water Use License Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Grootvlei power station amendment has been approved. • There are no other applications or upcoming developments with Vaal Dam catchment. 	F. Mamabolo	
10	<p>Pollution Incidents</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mr F. Van Heerden mentioned that the landfill site at Standerton was non-operational and it had deteriorated in the past three months. • A. Mabayi mentioned that both Green Scorpion and Blue Scorpions have exhausted all their methods and options enforcing Standerton because notices and directives were issued by different Departments to 		

	Standerton but there is no improvement or sign compliance from Standerton.		
11	CMA Process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The status regarding the CMA process is still the same as the previous forum meeting until new information arises. 	F. Mamabolo	
12	Discussion of Additions to the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No additions 		
13.	Date of next meeting Date of next meeting 30 August 2018		
14	Closure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chairperson thanked everyone for participating. 		

VAAL DAM ACTION LIST

31 May 2018

No	Action	RESPONSIBLE PERSON	Action identified	DUE DATE
1.	S. Letlhake to invite the Vaal Marina Landfill site representatives to the next forum meeting	S. Letlhake	May 18	August 18
2.	S. Letlhake to engage with Eskom and assist them to get a correspondence from Dipaleseng Municipality.	S. Letlhake	May 18	August 18
3	F. Mamabolo to continue to engage with M. Hlatswayo and C. Du Preez to invite them to the forum	F. Mamabolo	March 18	August 18
4.	S. Letlhake and DWS to contact Lekwa MM to get clarity regarding the Standerton Plant.	S. Letlhake and K. Rapelang	May 18	Before the next forum
5.	A. Mabayi to organize a meeting with Lekwa MM to make follow up on previous directives issued to Lekwa.	A. Mabayi	May 18	Before the next forum
6.	F. Mamabolo to communicate with DWS-Mpumalanga and try to get them to attend the forums.	F. Mamabolo	May 18	Before the next Forum