



**RAND WATER**

**Quarterly Water Quality Status of the Vaal Dam Reservoir Catchment**

1 Jan 2012 - 31 Dec 2012

| Sample Points | Sample Point Description   | Ammonia | Chloride | Fluoride | Alkalinity | Nitrate | Phosphate | Sulphate | Chemical Oxygen Demand | Conductivity | pH   | E. coli |
|---------------|--|---------|----------|----------|------------|---------|-----------|----------|------------------------|--------------|------|---------|
| VSV           | Sandspruit above Volksrust<br>27°14'26.03"S<br>29°53'21.78"E                                   | 0.12    | 12       | 0.47     | 65         | 1.40    | <0.05     | 25       | 20                     | 20           | 7.00 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.30     | 91         | 0.12    | <0.05     | 20       | <10                    | 20           | 7.80 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 16       | 0.17     | 28         | 0.41    | <0.05     | 41       | 14                     | 16           | 6.40 |         |
| VSS           | Sandspruit below Vaal River @<br>Kliplaatsdrift 27°12'30.82"S<br>29°26'12.83"E                 | 0.12    | <10      | 0.18     | 84         | 0.21    | <0.05     | 37       | 24                     | 51           | 7.20 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.32     | 110        | 3.70    | <0.05     | 25       | 19                     | 33           | 7.50 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 15       | 0.41     | 255        | 0.41    | <0.05     | 32       | 18                     | 54           | 8.20 |         |
| KB            | Klip River @ Barnardskop<br>27°28'12.33"S<br>29°36'1.76"E                                      | 0.12    | 13       | 0.33     | 285        | 0.17    | 0.120     | 40       | 24                     | 53           | 8.30 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.31     | 89         | 0.20    | 0.110     | 31       | 19                     | 36           | 7.40 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.12     | 110        | 0.42    | <0.05     | 14       | 17                     | 12           | 6.90 |         |
| KW            | Klip @ Winkelhaak<br>27°14'41.55"S<br>29°23'59.91"E  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.18     | 55         | 1.90    | <0.05     | 8        | 18                     | 16           | 6.60 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.18     | 115        | 0.34    | <0.05     | 7        | <10                    | 26           | 7.60 |         |
|               |  | 4.10    | <10      | 0.20     | 100        | 1.00    | 0.690     | 22       | 14                     | 26           | 7.30 |         |
| KD            | Klip River @ De Langesdrift<br>27°10'57.77"S<br>29°14'5.54"E                                   | 0.32    | 12       | 0.20     | 90         | 0.95    | 0.270     | 43       | 20                     | 21           | 7.00 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.21     | 93         | <0.10   | <0.05     | 14       | 17                     | 24           | 7.10 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.25     | 195        | 0.27    | <0.05     | 17       | <10                    | 43           | 8.10 |         |
| KSV           | Spruitsonderdrift downstream of<br>Vrede 27°21'8.15"S<br>29°10'16.87"E                         | 0.33    | 11       | 0.30     | 170        | 0.26    | 0.100     | 27       | 12                     | 41           | 7.80 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.29     | 74         | 0.25    | 0.150     | 22       | 23                     | 26           | 7.10 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 15       | 0.27     | 185        | 0.51    | <0.05     | 33       | 27                     | 48           | 7.70 |         |
| VDS           | Vaal River downstream of<br>Standerton<br>27°05'59.97"S<br>29°1'29.30"E                        | 0.12    | 42       | 0.31     | 265        | 0.70    | 0.250     | 44       | 22                     | 71           | 8.70 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 11       | 0.27     | 110        | 0.21    | <0.05     | 44       | 49                     | 58           | 8.90 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.45     | 115        | 1.00    | <0.05     | 19       | 19                     | 31           | 7.10 |         |
| VGB           | Gladdedrft Bridge @ Villiers<br>26°59'31.24"S<br>28°43'47.18"E                                 | 0.12    | 14       | 0.30     | 180        | 0.58    | <0.05     | 25       | 21                     | 40           | 8.10 |         |
|               |  | 0.31    | 15       | 0.32     | 155        | 0.92    | 0.120     | 33       | 22                     | 38           | 7.50 |         |
|               |  | 0.25    | 12       | 0.28     | 105        | 0.39    | 0.080     | 33       | 24                     | 37           | 7.20 |         |
| VV            | Vaal @ Villiers<br>27°1'20.13"S<br>28°36'0.32"E  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.28     | 115        | 1.60    | <0.05     | 20       | 24                     | 27           | 6.70 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 15       | 0.28     | 165        | 0.28    | <0.05     | 22       | 17                     | 41           | 8.40 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | 17       | 0.30     | 185        | 0.41    | 0.100     | 31       | 19                     | 46           | 8.00 |         |
| VD4I          | Vaal Dam 4 Integrated - Vaal<br>River upstream of Vaal Marina<br>26°53'27.99"S 28°15'0.16"E    | 0.12    | 10       | 0.30     | 85         | 0.58    | 0.120     | 27       | 22                     | 30           | 7.20 |         |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.29     | 105        | 1.50    | <0.05     | 27       | 20                     | 28           | 6.50 | 84      |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.40     | 170        | 0.16    | <0.05     | 50       | 26                     | 77           | 8.40 | 345     |
| WF            | Wilge River @ Frankfort<br>27°16'18.00"S<br>28°29'28.41"E                                      | 0.12    | 27       | 0.40     | 190        | 0.15    | <0.05     | 47       | 19                     | 53           | 8.00 | 94      |
|               |  | 0.12    | 17       | 0.34     | 95         | 0.13    | 0.110     | 45       | 22                     | 36           | 7.30 | 89      |
|               |  | 0.12    | 13       | 0.54     | 140        | <0.10   | <0.05     | 33       | 29                     | 32           | 7.60 | 2       |
| VD1I          | Vaal Dam 1 Integrated @ RW<br>intake<br>26°53'0.26"S<br>28°7'14.35"E                           | 0.12    | 12       | 0.30     | 120        | <0.10   | <0.05     | 28       | 22                     | 33           | 7.90 | 0       |
|               |  | 0.21    | 15       | 0.33     | 120        | 0.21    | <0.05     | 36       | 19                     | 32           | 7.90 | 7       |
|               |  | 0.12    | 16       | 0.38     | 135        | 0.17    | 0.070     | 45       | 17                     | 42           | 8.10 | 6       |
| S-ST_NEW      | Standerton Sewage Works<br>26°58'24.60"S<br>29°13'52.87"E                                      | 0.12    | <10      | 0.11     | 74         | 0.73    | <0.05     | 8        | 13                     | 13           | 6.40 | 275     |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.13     | 44         | 0.82    | <0.05     | 57       | <10                    | 11           | 7.30 | 69      |
|               |  | 0.21    | <10      | <0.05    | 42         | 0.50    | 0.110     | 6        | <10                    | 11           | 6.70 | 88      |
| VD3I          | Vaal Dam 3 Integrated - Wilge<br>River downstream of Oranjeville<br>26°59'1.64"S 28°13'25.08"E | 0.12    | <10      | 0.22     | 72         | 0.35    | 0.090     | 17       | 17                     | 23           | 7.30 | 95      |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.51     | 135        | 0.49    | <0.05     | 27       | 17                     | 19           | 6.90 | 3       |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.15     | 71         | 0.34    | 0.070     | 16       | 11                     | 18           | 7.30 | 1       |
| VD2I          | Vaal Dam 2 Integrated -<br>Confluence of Vaal & Wilge<br>26°53'48.81"S<br>28°11'9.92"E         | 0.10    | <10      | 0.16     | 66         | 0.48    | <0.05     | 25       | 14                     | 17           | 7.20 | 2       |
|               |  | 0.10    | <10      | 0.23     | 60         | 0.17    | 0.170     | 25       | <10                    | 26           | 7.30 | 12      |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.66     | 185        | 0.19    | <0.05     | 23       | 18                     | 20           | 6.90 | 1       |
| VD1I          | Vaal Dam 1 Integrated @ RW<br>intake<br>26°53'0.26"S<br>28°7'14.35"E                           | 0.10    | <10      | 0.17     | 82         | 0.11    | <0.05     | 25       | <10                    | 21           | 7.30 | 1       |
|               |  | 0.10    | <10      | 0.18     | 77         | <0.10   | <0.05     | 21       | 14                     | 19           | 7.20 | 1       |
|               |  | 0.10    | <10      | 0.21     | 80         | 0.13    | <0.05     | 31       | <10                    | 33           | 7.50 | 5       |
| S-ST_NEW      | Standerton Sewage Works<br>26°58'24.60"S<br>29°13'52.87"E                                      | 0.12    | <10      | 0.37     | 130        | 2.40    | <0.05     | 30       | 17                     | 20           | 6.90 | 50      |
|               |  | 0.12    | <10      | 0.22     | 82         | 0.12    | <0.05     | 25       | <10                    | 21           | 7.30 | 10      |
|               |  | 0.10    | <10      | 0.20     | 78         | 0.14    | <0.05     | 46       | 15                     | 21           | 7.20 | 30      |
| S-ST_NEW      | Standerton Sewage Works<br>26°58'24.60"S<br>29°13'52.87"E                                      | 0.11    | <10      | 0.20     | 81         | 0.10    | <0.05     | 21       | <10                    | 32           | 7.50 | 98      |
|               |  | 30.00   | 40       | 0.48     | 240        | 0.18    | 4.000     | 31       | 170                    | 75           | 6.90 | 5395670 |
|               |  | 23.00   | 42       | 0.21     | 260        | 0.22    | 3.400     | 48       | 175                    | 78           | 7.50 | 5291800 |
| S-ST_NEW      | Standerton Sewage Works<br>26°58'24.60"S<br>29°13'52.87"E                                      | 24.00   | 45       | 0.31     | 405        | 2.70    | 4.800     | 30       | 245                    | 65           | 6.80 | 5295000 |
|               |  | 18.00   | 42       | 0.38     | 265        | 0.43    | 3.400     | 50       | 285                    | 73           | 7.00 | 7538870 |

**Sewage Works Compliance (where applicable) to General Standard (GN 1191 Oct 1999)**

| Sample Points | Sample Point Description                                  | Ammonia | Fluoride | Nitrate | Phosphate | Chemical Oxygen Demand | Conductivity | pH  | E. coli |      |         |
|---------------|---|---------|----------|---------|-----------|------------------------|--------------|-----|---------|------|---------|
| S-ST_NEW      | Standerton Sewage Works<br>26°58'24.60"S<br>29°13'52.87"E | 30.00   | 0.48     | 270     | 0.18      | 4.000                  | 15           | 170 | 75      | 6.90 | 5395670 |
|               |   | 23.00   | 0.21     | 240     | 0.22      | 3.400                  | 31           | 175 | 78      | 7.50 | 5291800 |
|               |   | 24.00   | 0.31     | 260     | 2.7       | 4.800                  | 48           | 245 | 65      | 6.80 | 5295000 |
|               |   | 18.00   | 0.38     | 405     | 0.43      | 3.400                  | 30           | 285 | 73      | 7.00 | 7538870 |

**Key**

|      |                                      |      |   |                        |
|------|--------------------------------------|------|---|------------------------|
| VD1I | Vaal Dam 1 Integrated @ RW<br>intake | 0.12 | - | 1 Jan 12 - 31 Mar 12   |
|      |                                      | 0.12 | - | 1 Apr 12 - 30 Jun 12   |
|      |                                      | 0.12 | - | 1 July 12 - 30 Sept 12 |
|      |                                      | 0.12 | - | 1 Oct 12 - 31 Dec 12   |

**Water Quality Guidelines**

|  |                                 |
|--|---------------------------------|
|  | - Ideal                         |
|  | - Acceptable                    |
|  | - Tolerable                     |
|  | - Unacceptable                  |
|  | - No sample or result available |

**In-stream Water Quality Guidelines for the Vaal Dam Catchment**

| Variables                    | Measured as            | Ideal Catchment Background | Acceptable Management Target | Tolerable Interim Target | Unacceptable |
|------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Physical</b>              |                        |                            |                              |                          |              |
| Conductivity                 | mS/m                   | < 10                       | 10 - 30                      | 30 - 45                  | > 45         |
| pH                           | pH units               | 6.5 - 8.5                  |                              |                          | < 6.5; > 8.5 |
| <b>Organic</b>               |                        |                            |                              |                          |              |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) | mg/l                   | < 10                       | 10 - 15                      | 15 - 20                  | > 20         |
| <b>Macro Elements</b>        |                        |                            |                              |                          |              |
| Ammonia (NH <sub>4</sub> )   | mg/l                   | < 0.2                      | 0.2 - 0.5                    | 0.5 - 1.0                | > 1          |
| Chloride (Cl)                | mg/l                   | < 25                       | 25 - 50                      | 50 - 75                  | > 75         |
| Fluoride (F)                 | mg/l                   | < 0.05                     | 0.05 - 0.20                  | 0.2 - 0.4                | > 0.4        |
| Alkalinity                   | CaCO <sub>3</sub> mg/l | < 40                       | 40 - 75                      | 75 - 120                 | > 120        |
| Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )   | mg/l                   | < 0.1                      | 0.1 - 0.2                    | 0.2 - 0.3                | > 0.3        |
| Phosphate (PO <sub>4</sub> ) | mg/l                   | < 0.05                     | 0.05 - 0.25                  | 0.25 - 0.50              | > 0.5        |
| Sulphate (SO <sub>4</sub> )  | mg/l                   | < 20                       | 20 - 45                      | 45 - 70                  | > 70         |
| <b>Bacteriological</b>       |                        |                            |                              |                          |              |
| Faecal coliforms             | counts/100ml           | < 10                       | 10 - 60                      | 60 - 120                 | > 120        |

**Sewage Works Compliance to General Standard (GN 1191 Oct 1999)**

| Variables                      | Measured as  | Acceptable Management Target | Unacceptable |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Physical</b>                |              |                              |              |
| Conductivity                   | mS/m         | <150                         | >=150        |
| pH                             | pH units     | 5.5 - 9.5                    | < 5.5; > 9.5 |
| <b>Organic</b>                 |              |                              |              |
| Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD)** | mg/l         | <75                          | >=75         |
| <b>Macro Elements</b>          |              |                              |              |
| Ammonia (NH <sub>4</sub> )     | mg/l         | <3                           | >=3          |
| Fluoride (F)                   | mg/l         | <1                           | >=1          |
| Nitrate (NO <sub>3</sub> )     | mg/l         | <15                          | >=15         |
| Phosphate (PO <sub>4</sub> )   | mg/l         | <10                          | >10          |
| <b>Bacteriological</b>         |              |                              |              |
| Faecal coliforms               | counts/100ml | <1000                        | >=1000       |

\*\* After removal of algae