

WATERVAL FORUM



MINUTES

21 August 2014

GOVAN MBEKI MUNICIPALITY, Lillian Ngoyi Center , Secunda

10:00 – 13:00

NO.	ITEM	ACTION/ FOLLOW UP
1.	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Hariram welcomed all attendees to the Waterval Catchment Forum and introduced himself as the chairperson of the forum. 	
2.	Introduction of Attendees <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the attendees introduced themselves. 	All
3.	Apologies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apologies from the following people were noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tokkie Reinecke – Afri Forum • Deon De Vries – Sasol • Chris Brooker – CBA Specialist • Karlien De Villiers – DWS • Malise Noe – DWS • Gail Nussey – Vos – Sasol Mining • Dirk Coetzee – Sasol • Ephraim Matseba – DWS • Carel Dirker – Brendan Village 	All
4.	Minutes of the previous meeting Corrections <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pg2. 9.4. Heading: changed from EMbalenhle Evander report to Govan Mbeki Municipality report. 	
5.	Matters arising from previous meeting : (22 May 2014) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Addressed per agenda 	
6.	Additions to the agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Quality Objective for Upper Vaal. • Job description and responsibilities. • Election of a chairperson. • Proposed upgrade of Albert Luthuli drive in EMbalenhle Township, Govan Mbeki Municipality Mpumalanga. 	All
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7.	Correspondence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nothing to report. 	J Linde

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8.	<p>Finance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There were no expenditures and the balance is still estimated to be twenty five thousand (R25 000). • In September 2014 to change signing right 	J Linde
9.	<p>Newsletters</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Linde mentioned that they received limited response from stakeholders however they will continue publishing the newsletter. • The forum requested J Linde to circulate the newsletter to the stakeholders for further comments. • J Linde will forward drafted newsletter for further comments. 	J Linde
10.1	<p>DWS Water Quality report :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DWS presented water quality status for the catchment from 1 March to 31 May 2014. • Waterval Balfour / Standerton Road – there was noncompliance of conductivity, sulphate and COD the past three months. • Wolwefontein U/S Vaal confluence on Waterval River – there was noncompliance of conductivity and nitrate the past three months. • LM3 – there was noncompliance of conductivity, nitrate and COD the past three months. • DWS said Rand Water monitoring report is still under discussion. Feedback will be given in the next meeting. 	J Lekoane
10.2	<p>DWS Waste Management:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • T. Pather gave an apology. 	
10.3	<p>Govan Mbeki Municipality Water Quality report :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Mangena reported: At Evander upstream – there was non-compliance of COD, ammonia and chlorine for the period of April 2014. • EMBalenhle pump station – all pump station are back on operational. • Evander Main pump station – most of the sampling points were not complying due to vandalism and theft of cables experienced the past three months. • Industrial pump station – overflowing due to theft and illegal dumping. Action taken, the municipality maintenance team they are busy installing cables at the main pump station. • Evander and EMBalenhle sewage works – refurbishment will commence October 2014 and completion date will be 15 March 2015. Evander refurbishment will be funded by DWS. 	

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10.4	<p>Evander Gold Mine</p> <p>Water Quality report :</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • B Conradie gave a water quality presentation. • Most of their variables were complying except at BM2, there was noncompliance of total dissolved solids the past three months. 	
10.5	<p>SASOL Secunda</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Steynberg reported that RESM 1 limit was exceeded on three occasions during the reporting period. The reason for each exceedance was due to burst pipeline at mining, burst pipeline SCS and pipeline leak from factory. • RESM 7 – most of the variables were complying except for conductivity the past three months. 	
10.6	<p>SASOL Mining</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Linde reported that maintenance of the pipes in the mine has been completed. • Sasol mining has submitted Water Use License Application for provision control dam. 	
10.7	<p>Farmers Union/Community</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Jankowitz mentioned that at EMBalenhle landfill site the community is dumping everywhere, the dumping site is haphazard. This is a concern to their drinking water and environment. He further requested stakeholders to accompany the farmer's union to the site. 	
11.	<p>DWS Water Use License Status</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sasol Mining Irene diary dale dam– WULA still in process. • Sasol Mining: Borrow pits – WULA still in the process. • The forum requested J Lekoane to find out whether the public cannot get the opportunity to comment on the licenses that are due for review. • J Lekoane answered that public participation is done in the process of issuing a Water Use license. • The forum indicated that DWS must allow the public to comment before they review the license. • J Lekoane will find out if the public is allowed to comment when licenses are due for review. Feedback will be given in the next meeting. 	J Lekoane
12.	<p>CMA Process</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Lekoane reported that the business case is finalized internally. It will be send to the public for comment. • The forum requested DWS to present CMA processes in the next meeting. 	J Lekoane
13.	<p>Discussion Of Additions To The Agenda</p>	
13.1	<p>Resource Quality Objective for Upper Vaal</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The forum requested DWS to give feedback on resource quality objective for Upper Vaal in the next meeting. 	

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<p>13.2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Lekoane to find out if there is any resource quality objective in Gauteng regional office. Feedback will be given in the next meeting. <p>Job description and responsibilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • J Jankowitz mentioned that everyone who is attending Waterval forum meeting must have a performance agreement that indicate clearly the responsibilities. Many people attend the forum meeting without any agreement from their organization. J Jankowitz also indicated that he will approach all attendees' organization requesting performance agreement of each employee regarding the forum meeting. 	
<p>13.3</p>	<p>Election of the chairperson</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R Hariram requested to be excused as Waterval chairperson. 	
<p>13.4</p>	<p>Proposed upgrade of Albert Luthuli Drive in Embalenhle Township, Govan Mbeki Municipality</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Purpose of the public meeting, • To provide an introduction and background; • To provide an overview of the proposed project; and to discuss the environmental authorisation • Findings; three storm water outfall (discharge) points. • Wetlands are suffering undue pressure. • Dumping of urban refuse. • Untreated sewerage effluent. 	
<p>14.</p>	<p>Next Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19 February 2015 – Govan Mbeki Municipality, Lillian Ngoyi Center • 21 May 2015 • 20 August 2015 • 19 November 2015 	
<p>15.</p>	<p>Closure of Meeting</p>	