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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Implementation of Zonal Water Rationing**

In an ongoing effort to find a workable solution to manage the limited town water supply Makana Municipality will be implementing a trial of phased zonal water rationing from 19 November 2019.

Residents will be aware that the Municipality has previously attempted to manage water usage with scheduled water shedding which involved limiting supply to the entire town at specified hours. This method has proved difficult to manage and detrimental to the balance and stability of the water system which is vulnerable to repeated pressure fluctuations and resulted in increased water losses.

It is hoped that zonal rationing, which will see smaller areas being isolated from the supply, will be more manageable and enable the water management team to protect and manage the more vulnerable areas of the reticulation network while ensuring consistent supply to the whole community.

Zonal rationing will work as follows; Makanda has been divided into 7 zones which will be rationed in turn for 24hours at a time from 07h00 each morning.

**Monday**

**Zone 1** – Transit Camp, Extensions 6 and 7, Kings Flats

**Tuesday**

**Zone 2** – Joza Street, Vukani Upper, Eluxolweni, Makanaskop, Upper Tanty

**Wednesday**

**Zone 3** - Xolani, Tanty, Hlalani, Vergenoeg, Fingo Village, Lower Makanaskop, Lower Vukani, Newtown, KwaNdancama, Scots Farm, Albany Road,

**Thursday**

**Zone 4** – Hillside, Upper Sunnyside, Lower Rhodes Campus, Ghost Town, Hoogegnoeg, Kings Heights, Upper Miles Street

**Friday**

**Zone 5** – Lower Sunnyside, Rhodes Campus 2, Graeme College, Somerset Heights, West Hill, DSG, St Andrews

**Saturday**

**Zone 6** – High Lying areas; Industrial Area, Hill 60, Cradock Heights, Spencer Chapman, Prison, Military Base, Upper Rhodes Campus

**Sunday**

**Zone 7** – Central, Fort England, Lower Kingswood,

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This is an unprecedented approach and will take some time to perfect but also may have unexpected outcomes. Residents are asked to be patient and work with the municipality while the teams working on the system refine their methods. Residents may find that they do not fall within their expected zone but are in fact fed from a different zone. The only way to determine this is to let the full cycle complete so the effects can be assessed.

Residents are asked to make note of the following important points:

- Refilling and draining of the water system cannot be timed exactly and supply may take a little bit of time to return to normal after a shutdown period.
- Residents are asked to be vigilant and ensure that taps are not left open accidentally during shut down periods
- Ensure that your household has a safe and reliable method of storing water during outages so that stored water can be used and not disposed of on the return of supply.
- The schedule may be disrupted by unexpected events such as burst pipes and electricity outages in which case the Municipality will communicate remedial plans through the standard channels.

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