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UPDATE ON WATER SITUATION IN MAKHANDA

After the recent rain, the dam levels at Howiesonspoort is 50% and that of Settlers Dam is 5%. Although this is assisting in the Waainek Water Treatment Works being able to augment water supply from James Kleynhans, particularly to the High Level Reservoir, this does not mean that water restrictions can be lifted or that the Waainek Water Treatment Works could supply water at its maximum capacity. If the Waainek Water Works is supplying at its full capacity, the water in Howiesonspoort will only last for two months.

As it is essential that we still conserve water, water will still be rationed on a 2 days on and one day off basis. This means that there will be no water tomorrow, and water will return on Wednesday and Thursday; on Friday there will be no water, and water will return on Saturday and Sunday; and so on. This will continue until further notice.

Residents must still save water and apply the 25 litre per person (to a maximum of 4 people in a household) per day principle.

It should be noted that the above is only possible when none of the risk factors such as a major pipe burst, load shedding or a major breakdown in pumps occur. Weekly Water Joint Operations Committee meetings do take place to consider mitigating these risk factors and dealing with water supply issues.

Please continue reporting leakages at 046 603 6136; Fire Dept 046 603 6444 (after hours) or mobisam.net

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