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Northern Nsikazi Bulk Water Supply project to bring potable water closer to communities

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Phase 1 of the Northern Nsikazi Bulk Water Supply project is nearing its completion and ensuring the realisation of reliable and sustainable purified water supply to the communities of Northern Nsikazi in the City of Mbombela in the Mpumalanga Province. The project which commenced in May 2015 is earmarked to be completed in September 2017.

Upon completion, 23 villages in the Northern Nsikazi will have uninterrupted supply of potable water. The project seeks to address the bulk water supply challenges experienced by the communities and to ensure that the livelihoods of the communities are greatly improved and socio-economic development is realised.

The project entails the upgrading of the Nyongane Pump Station which includes the building of a new pump house and four high lift pumps, the construction of an 11.5 km bulk pipeline from the Sabie River to the Numbi command reservoir and the construction of a 1 megalitre steel reservoir at the Nyongani Booster Pump Station. The project is progressing well as physical progress now stands above 70%.

A total number of 114 jobs have been created since the inception of the project with 60 local currently working and 12 subcontractors showing that the project is also playing a key role in poverty alleviation and socio-economic development of the local people.

Community members are urged and encouraged to take ownership and care for the infrastructure and prevent illegal connections and vandalism of the key water infrastructure.

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