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### Minister Mchunu to visit the Clanwilliam Dam project

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The Minister of Water and Sanitation, Mr Senzo Mchunu will conduct an oversight visit to the Clanwilliam Dam infrastructure project in the Western Cape on Friday, 02 November 2023.

The Raising of the Clanwilliam Dam Wall project in the West Coast is one of the biggest government infrastructure investments in the Western Cape, which involves raising the dam wall by 13 meters. The direct economic benefit of the project is the additional yield water for resource poor farmers of West Coast; creation of the much-needed jobs for the locals and generally, unlock the economy of the West Coast corridor.

During his visit, Minister Mchunu will engage the project managers, listen to communities of the West Coast and report progress on the project which will have a significant and positive impact for the West Coast and Province

Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) has carried out its first trial blasting at the Clanwilliam Dam construction site on 24 October 2023, triggering hard rock excavations and formally activating construction activity at the dam. The blasting which resulted to about 1253 m<sup>3</sup> signifies the start of the construction work of raising the dam wall after some years of unprecedented delays.

DWS is committed to accelerate infrastructure for the provision of basic services.

“Water is Life, Sanitation is Dignity”

**Malusi Rayi**

