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MEDIA ADVISORY

The Department of Water and Sanitation to raise awareness of the pivotal role of wetlands on World Wetlands Day

29 January 2020

The Department of Water and Sanitation in conjunction with the Western Cape Wetlands Forum and several other stakeholders will commemorate World Wetlands Day (WWD) at Grassy Park, on Monday, 03 February 2020.

The internationally recognised day aims to raise public awareness of wetland values and benefits such as conservation.

On the day, officials will conduct education awareness activities for approximately 200 Grade 8 learners from local schools in Grassy Park and members of the public.

WWD is internationally recognised and will be commemorated under the theme “Wetlands and Biodiversity.”

Wetlands are able to reduce the severity of droughts and floods by regulating stream flow. They also help to purify water and provide habitat for different plants and animals.

Members of the media are invited as follows:

Date : Monday, 03 February 2020

Venue : Princess Vlei Eco Park, Grassy Park

Time : 08:45

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