



MEDIA ADVISORY

Minister Senzo Mchunu to assess the state of water and sanitation in Maquassi Hills and Dinokana villages in North West

18 January 2023

Minister of Water and Sanitation, Mr Senzo Mchunu together with his deputies, Mr David Mahlobo and Ms Dikeledi Magadzi will on 19-20 January 2023, embark on a planned visit to the Maquassi Hills Local Municipality and the Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality in the North West, to assess the state of water and sanitation.

The Minister and Deputy Minister will be joined by the Premier of North West, Mr Bushy Maape, CoGHSTA MEC, Mr Nono Maloyi, the district and local government leadership as well as Magalies Water Board.

In Maquassi Hills tomorrow on Thursday, 19 January, Minister Mchunu will visit the Leeudoringstad Sedibeng Pump Station, Tswelelang Reservoir and engage communities of Extension 13,17,18 &19 who have been facing water challenges for the past three years.

Later in the day, the Minister will lead a multi-disciplinary meeting with all relevant stakeholders to engage and seek solutions to water and sanitation challenges that are being experienced by residents in the municipality.

The last leg of the visit will be in the jurisdiction of the Ngaka Modiri Molema District Municipality on Friday 20, January 2023, and will involve assessing progress and receiving an update on the water supply interventions that are being implemented through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG) granted by the Department. The Minister will also engage various stakeholders in the water sector.

All members of the media are invited for a Media Doorstop and to the events as follows:

Day 1:

Session 1 : **Sites visit** Time : 09h15 – 11h00

Meeting point: Leeudoringstad Sedibeng Pump Station

Session 2 : Stakeholder Engagement (closed session)

Time : 11h15

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Day 2: Friday, 20 January 2023

Session 1 : Stakeholder engagement (closed session)

Time : 10h00- 12h00

Session 2 : Stakeholder engagement meeting

Venue : Avanti Guesthouse, Zeerust

Time : 14h00

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