



MEDIA ADVISORY

Deputy Minister Seithloho to lead Swannies River clean-up in Grabouw

10 July 2025

Deputy Minister of Water and Sanitation, Mr Sello Seithloho, will lead a river clean-up in Grabouw alongside the Theewaterskloof Municipality and local community members as part of the Department's annual Clear Rivers Campaign on Friday, 11 July 2025.

The Clear Rivers Campaign, observed throughout the month of July, is a nationwide initiative aimed at mobilising South Africans to actively protect and restore rivers, wetlands, and streams in their communities. Under the theme, ***"South Africa is a water-scarce country – clean up and protect our water resources,"*** the campaign calls on all citizens to take ownership of their local watercourses and become agents of positive environmental change.

Healthy rivers are vital to human survival, environmental sustainability, and the socio-economic well-being of communities. The campaign seeks to raise awareness, encourage behavioural change, and promote long-term water security by inspiring collective action at grassroots level.

The Department urges all South Africans to get involved in their communities by organising clean-up activities, adopting stretches of rivers for ongoing care, and spreading awareness about the importance of safeguarding water ecosystems from pollution and degradation.

Members of the media are invited as follows:

Date: Friday, 11 July 2025

Venue: Imzamo United Church, Lampie Fick Street, Pine View

Time: 10h00 – 12h00

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