



## MEDIA STATEMENT

### **Mpumalanga dam levels record another decline this week**

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The Mpumalanga Province dam levels recorded another week of decline following last week's slight drop in water volumes.

According to the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) weekly state of reservoirs report of 12 April 2021, the average water levels in the listed dams in the Mpumalanga Province slightly dropped from 88.8% to 88.7%. This is still much better than the situation at the same time last year when the levels stood at 75.0%.

The water management areas (WMA) in the Mpumalanga Province recorded slight increases, with the Olifants WMA increasing from 80.6% to 81.1% and the Inkomati-Usuthu WMA increasing from 93.2% to 93.3%.

The Lowveld and Ehlanzeni District is the only district with some dams that recorded some improvements in water levels. Inyaka Dam increased from 87.4% to 87.7%, Kwena increased from 100.2% to 100.3%, Longmere increased from 101.1% to 102.6% and Ohrigstad Dam recorded an increase from 82.4% to 82.5%.

On the downward spiral in the Ehlanzeni District, Blyderivierpoort Dam dropped from 100.6% to 100.5%, Buffelskloof from 100.5% to 100.2%, Driekoppies from 100.5% to 100.3%, Primkop from 101.9% to 100.3% and Da Gama from 100.3% to 99.3%. Klipkopjes and Witklip dams remained unchanged at 100.8% and 100.3% respectively.

Most of the listed dams in the Gert Sibande District remained unchanged. Nootgedacht Dam remained at 98.9%, Vygeboom at 100.9%, Morgenstond at 86.1 and Heyshope at 87.2%.

In the same district, Grootdraai Dam dropped from 99.2% to 98.8%, Jericho dropped from 88.6% to 87.5% and Westoe dropped from 84.7% to 96.4%.

In the Nkangala District, Middelburg and Loskop dams remained unchanged at 95.7% to 100.1% respectively. On the decline mode, Witbank Dam dropped from 100.1% to 99.5% and Rhenosterkop Dam dropped from 10.0% to 9.9%.





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The Department of Water and Sanitation requests the public to use the available water wisely, sparingly and in a more conservative manner, especially as we approach the dry winter season. The security of water supply depends on each and every individuals appropriate behaviour, so let us all be responsible citizens.

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