



MEDIA STATEMENT

The completed Highlandspan Water Supply Project to benefit more than 128 000 households

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The Highlandspan Water Supply Project in Greater Taung Local Municipality in the Dr Ruth District Municipality has been completed. The Project worth more than R13 million is already providing fresh water supply to about 128 households of Highlandspan and it is stabilizing water challenges in the area.

The project funded through the Water Services Infrastructure Grant (WSIG), of the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) was completed in July 2023 utilized.

The project also carried out hydrogeological work which included the aquifer testing of existing boreholes, as well as the drilling of 2 new production boreholes. The new borehole pumphouses are reinforced with concrete to ensure better security.

There was also a refurbishment and upgrade of existing 20 kilolitre (kl) elevated water storage tanks to 40kl.

The internal reticulation network of Highlandspan is already at a basic level of service and the upgrading of the water reticulation network includes Class12 uPVC pipes (2 000m x 75mmØ), with new 7 x communal water standpipes as well as installation of isolating and scour valves.

Eleven (11) local people were employed from the project.

The Department of Water and Sanitation has urged the community of Highlandspan to take responsibility of the water infrastructure and protect it from being vandalised. Community members were encouraged to report any vandalism or criminal activities related to water infrastructure in the area.

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