



**water & sanitation**

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Water and Sanitation  
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# **National Eutrophication Strategy Project: Project Inception Project Steering Committee Meeting 1 (Virtual Meeting)**

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# OBJECTIVES OF THIS MEETING

- To report on the progress of the project; and
- To present and discuss the Situation Assessment and Gap Analysis Component.

# INTRODUCTION

- The main aim of this project is to develop the National Eutrophication Strategy which provides guidance to the DWS and the water sector at large, on strategies to avoid, reduce, mitigate and manage the effects of eutrophication of SA's water resources.
- The Strategy gives effects to draft Integrated Water Quality Management (IWQM) Policy (2016) and IWQM Strategy (2017).
- The project is aimed at the development of the National Eutrophication Strategy and putting Strategy into Practice.

## **Key objectives of the NES include:**

- To promote the allocation of resources (human, financial and technical) to deal with the protection and rehabilitation of the water resources.
- To provide the country with appropriate direction on how eutrophication should be controlled and mitigated;
- To promote the development of the national Eutrophication centred capacity through activities such as training, education and awareness campaigns; and
- To support the development and giving effect to the implementation of the National Eutrophication Strategy.

# **REASONS INFORMING THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE STRATEGY**

The development of the Strategy is based on alignment with the following:

- Water Resources are now classified
- Resource Quality Objectives (RQOs) are set
- The Water & Sanitation Master Plan has been approved
- National Water Resource Strategy version 3
- A need to comply with Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) 6

## Project Focus:

# Eutrophication in all water resources

**Rivers, dams,  
wetlands,  
aquifers and  
estuaries**

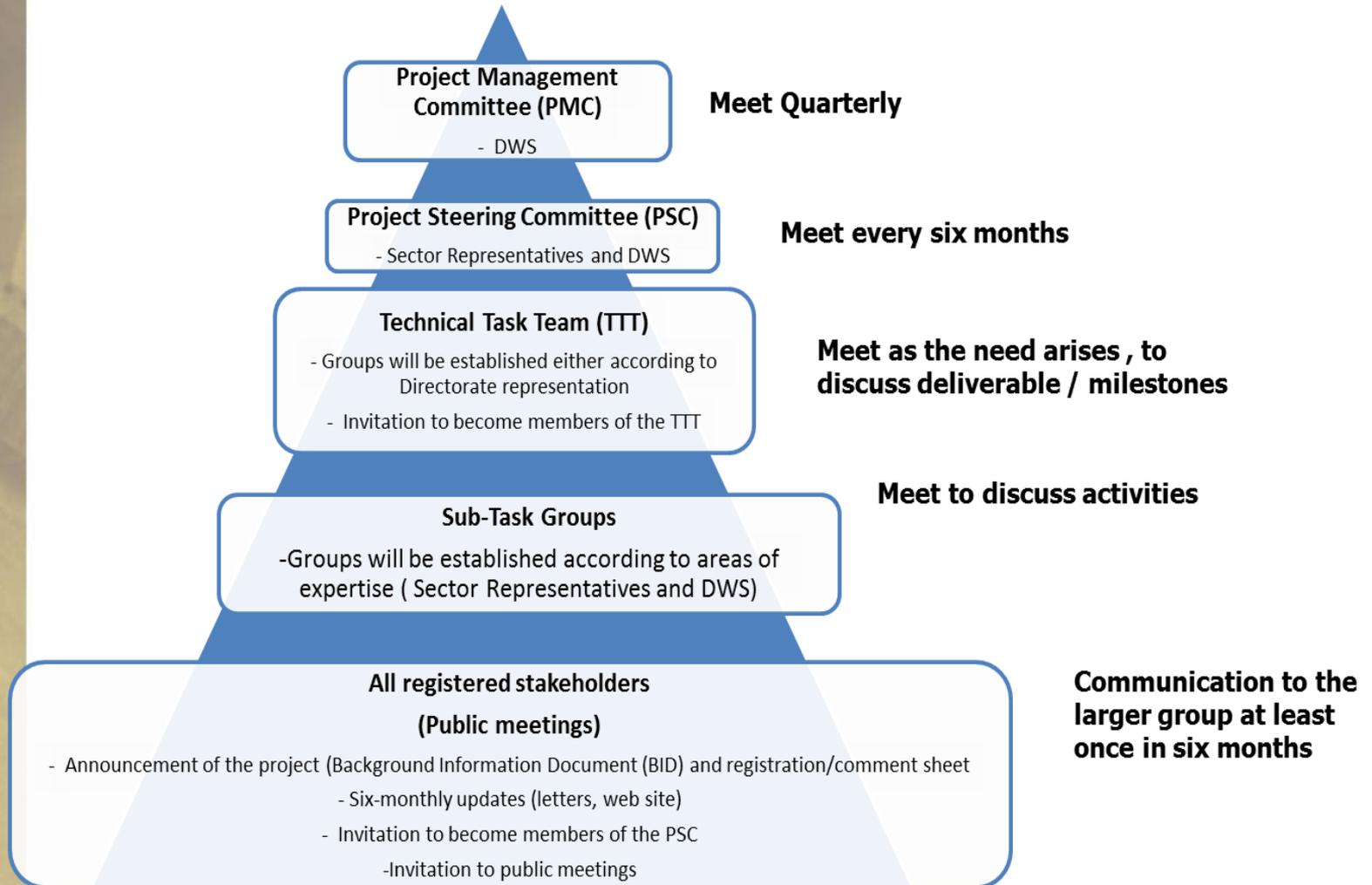
**Perennial and  
non-perennial  
systems**

**Trans-boundary  
systems**

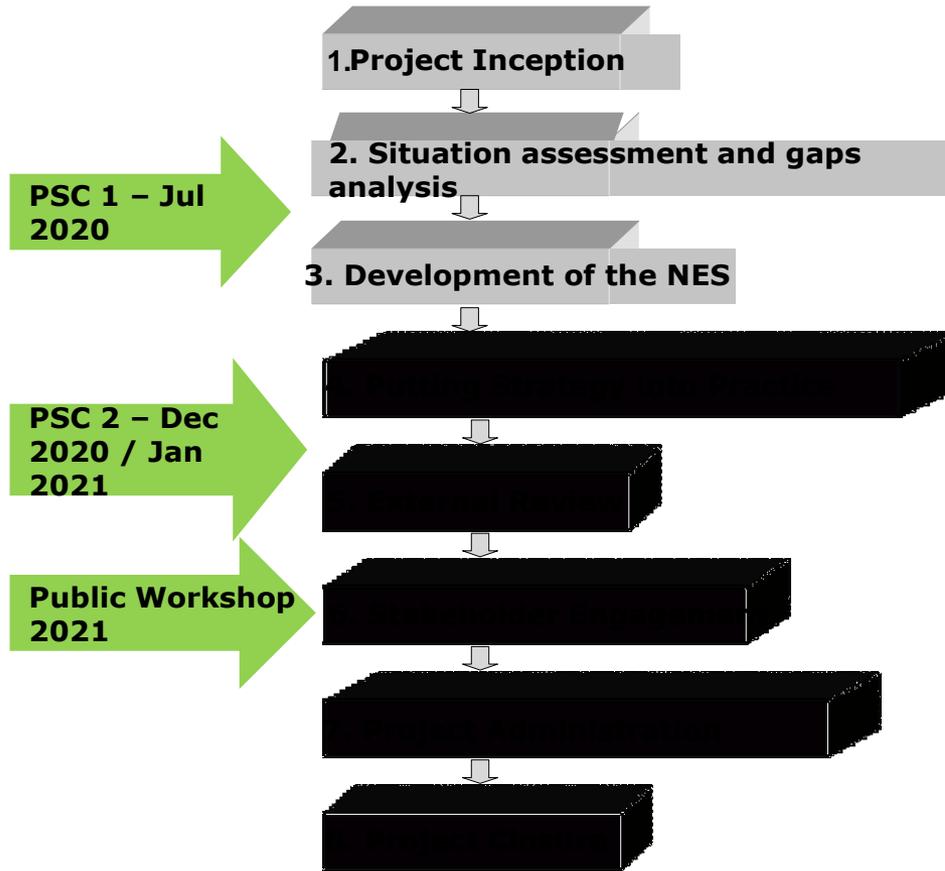
# SCOPE OF WORK

<b>COMPONENT 1</b>	Project Inception
<b>COMPONENT 2</b>	Situation Assessment and Gap Analysis
<b>COMPONENT 3</b>	Development of the National Eutrophication Strategy
<b>COMPONENT 4</b>	Putting Strategy into Practice
<b>COMPONENT 5</b>	External Review
<b>COMPONENT 6</b>	Stakeholder Consultation and Communication
<b>COMPONENT 7</b>	Project Management and Administration
<b>COMPONENT 8</b>	Project Closure

# STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION AND COMMUNICATION



# PROPOSED STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT DATES



## **PSC MEMBERSHIP REPRESENTATION UP TO DATE**

- Department of Water & Sanitation (Regional and Head Office)
- Other National Departments
  - Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development (DARD)
  - Department of Environment, Forestry and Fisheries (DEFF)
- Catchment Management Areas *i.e.* Inkomati-Usuthu CMA
- Professional Services Providers (PSPs)
- Water Research Commission (WRC)
- Minerals Council South Africa
- Mining companies (Sibanye Stillwater mining co. and Exxaro mining co.)
- Eskom Holdings SOC Limited
- Federation for a Sustainable Environment (FSE)
- Academic Institutions (North West University (NWU), University of Johannesburg, University of Cape Town (UCT) and University of Free State (UFS))
- Water Boards (Johannesburg Water)
- Nature and Environmental (SANPARKS)

# CAPACITY BUILDING

- **Due to limited budget, capacity building will be limited to 3 different levels:**
  - **Mentorship programme for newly appointed technical employees (Production Scientists) on the process of development.**
  - **Capacity building workshops (TTT platforms).**
  - **Stakeholder empowerment sessions – Stakeholder workshop.**



**THANK YOU!!**