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More water supply to communities of Mpofana and Greytown

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Close to 60 000 households in Greater Mpofana and Greytown Local Municipalities will have an assured supply of potable water following the completion of Bulk Water Supply projects in their respective municipalities. The Department of Water and Sanitation in KwaZulu-Natal Province is spearheading the projects with Spring Grove and Graigieburn Dams as their main sources of water supply.

The construction of bulk water supply infrastructure in Mpofana Local Municipality is being implemented by Umgeni Water. These projects include the construction of the bulk water pipelines from Nottingham Road to a new reservoir in Mount West. Different water reservoirs linked to Spring Grove Dam have also been completed. However, the construction of the Rosetta Water Treatment Works (WTW) is still ongoing and is 89% complete. The WTW will increase the supply of water from 20MI (mega litres) to 60 MI per day and is anticipated to be completed in December 2020.

The water projects of Greater Mpofana Bulk Water Scheme will provide supply of potable water to about 30 265 households in the surrounding villages of Bruntville, Vaalekop, Rosetta, Balgowan and Lidgetton.

The construction of bulk water supply infrastructure in Greytown area is also under way, with the Graigieburn Dam as the main source of water supply. This includes the upgrade of the Greytown Water Treatment Works to 6 MI per day, and the construction of water storage reservoirs in Enhlakahle and Kranskop.

The Greytown Bulk Water Projects will provide potable water supply to about 27 824 households in Greytown, Enhlalakahle and the settlements of Kranskop.

The Provincial Head of the Department of Water and Sanitation in KwaZulu-Natal, Mr. Ashley Starkey said the Department is committed to increase capacity of supply of potable water to areas which have a history of water supply challenges. He said the development of the projects is to uplift and enhance the lives of the residents of KwaZulu-Natal.

“The Department of Water and Sanitation will continue to ensure that there is fresh supply of water supply to communities. Following the completed water projects, particularly in Mpofana and Greytown areas, it is envisaged that close to 60 000 households will be assured of potable water supply. That is our primary objective as the Department of Water and Sanitation. However, the reticulation of water to communities is the responsibility of the municipalities and we hope that municipalities can also ensure that communities have water supply”, he said.





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