



## water & sanitation

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### MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION

#### NATIONAL ASSEMBLY: QUESTION 879 FOR WRITTEN REPLY

A draft reply to the above mentioned question asked by Ms Z Jongbloed (DA) is attached for your consideration.

**DIRECTOR-GENERAL (Acting)**

DATE: 14/8/14

DRAFT REPLY APPROVED/AMENDED—

**MRS NP MOKONYANE  
MINISTER OF WATER AND SANITATION**

DATE: 15.08.14

**NATIONAL ASSEMBLY**

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**QUESTION NO 879**

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**879. Ms Z Jongbloed (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

Is her department aware of raw sewage that runs into any river in the Kannaland Municipality area; if so, (a) what consequence does it pose for agriculture and public health and (b) what steps (i) does her department intend to take to (aa) ensure that sewage does not run into any river in that area and (bb) remedy any existing sewage leaks in the municipality and (ii) is her department taking to prevent any possible future sewage leaks in that area?

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**REPLY:**

- (a) The Department is not aware of any raw sewage that runs and/or ran into any river within the Kannaland Municipality area derived from the respective Ladysmith, Zoar and/or Calitzdorp Waste Water Treatment Works.
- (b) Upon receiving this question, the Provincial Office: Western Cape contacted the Kannaland Municipality to confirm if there is any raw sewage runs into any river in the Kannaland Municipality area. The Kannaland Municipal Manager (MM) Mr Morne Hoogbard indicated that he is not aware of any reports of such incidents.

In addition, the Municipal Manager confirmed that Kannaland Municipal Waste Water Treatment Works (WWTW) has Operation and Maintenance Plans consisting of operations troubleshooting guide which prepares operators and staff to take action immediately when there is a spillage incident.

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