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MEDIA ADVISORY

Department of Water and Sanitation to clean a tributary of Vygekraal River

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in the Western Cape, Langa Environmental Action Forum (LEAF), a group of 37 learners from Netherlands, Langa Community Members, Isilimela Eco Club Members and Basadi Community Enviro Members will tomorrow wrap up the Mandela Month Clear River Campaign by cleaning the Tributary of Vygekraal River in Langa.

The unnamed tributary runs through the Langa urban area and flows into Vygekraal River, a tributary of the Black River.

The need for water security, particularly in the face of global climate change and a multitude of anthropogenic impacts affecting our rivers, calls for a national and unified approach to protect our rivers, wetlands and broader catchments, such that all people can benefit from the added-value products of healthy rivers and can have access to clean water for basic human needs.

It is for this reason that the DWS would like to connect South Africans to their sources of water and the natural infrastructure that are crucial for a water secure future. The envisaged outcomes of the campaign are to ensure pollution free rivers and environmentally informed communities.

Members of the media are invited as follows:

Date : 29 July 2016

Venue : Langa Bluegum Street

Time : 09h30

Pollution of water can be reported on DWS Hotline on 0800 200 200.

“Water is Life, Sanitation is Dignity”

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