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Dear Stakeholder

The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) has commenced with the Crocodile East Water Project (CEWP) – Module 1: Technical Feasibility Study towards finding the best solution for additional storage capacity in the river system to increase the yield.

The DWS has appointed the iX engineers to undertake this three-year Study which has commenced in September 2022.

The results of the Phase 1: Pre-Feasibility Study are available and the DWS would like to share it with those interested.

The DWS would like to invite you to attend the 1st Stakeholder Engagement Meeting of the CEWP Study and the meeting will be held as follows:

Date:

27 September 2023

Time:

09:00 - 12:00

Venue:

DWS offices in Mbombela

RSVP:

15 September 2023. Please email anelle@jaws.co.za with your response to this invitation.

The 1st Project Steering Committee (PSC) Meeting with DWS and other key Authorities took place on 4 August 2023 at the DWS offices in Mbombela. A Project Steering Committee was established during this meeting. The meeting included key role players from the District and Local Municipalities and representatives from relevant Irrigation Boards, Water Services Authorities, the IUCMA, National, Provincial and Regional Government.

The role of the PSC is to:

- Provide executive guidance to the direction and outcomes of the Study;
- Make available supplementary information and input from a local and regional perspective;
- Disseminate information from the Study into the relevant organisations;

A Background Information Document (BID) to provide you with further information is attached to this letter. A draft Agenda of the proposed 1st Stakeholder Engagement Meeting will follow. The uploading of the Phase 1: Pre-Feasibility Study Report on the DWS website will take place upon finalisation. Further information will be tabled at the meeting for your convenience.

Should you need more information, please do not hesitate to contact:

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We are looking forward to your participation.

Yours sincerely.

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