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Minister Mokonyane to interact with the Vaal communities on water and sanitation issues

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The Minister of Water and Sanitation (DWS) Nomvula Mokonyane will host a public engagement to address the Vaal communities falling under the Sedibeng District Municipality on the progress around the Sedibeng Regional Sewer Scheme (SRSS).

The Minister will also launch the National Sanitation Month (NSM) during this event. The NSM was initially set for a week – from 11 May 2015 to 15 May 2015 but top management, in agreement with the political principals, extended it for the entire month of May 2015.

Both events take place from 9am until 4pm on Tuesday, 12 May 2015 at the Saul Tsoetetsi Community Hall in Zone 14, Sebokeng.

The SRSS has been identified by the Presidential Infrastructure Coordinating Council (PICC) in 2005 and approved as a Strategic Infrastructure Projects (SIPs) 18 catalytic project that should bring solutions to raw sewage spillage, unlock job opportunities and improve service delivery in the Sedibeng District Municipality (DM) area.

The main aim of the public engagement is to inform the residents on the progress around the SRSS project. The project has been broken down into three stages of implementation, namely: short-term, medium-term and long-term interventions.

The short-term solution entails the refurbishment of the existing infrastructure in Emfuleni and Midvaal Local Municipalities to reduce the occurrence of spillages of raw sewage whilst consistently maintaining better effluent quality from the Waste-Water Treatment Works (WWTWs).

The Medium-term solution entails the extension of the existing Waste-Water infrastructure in both these municipalities to address under capacity of the WWTWs, while the long-term solution entails the construction of a new WWTW around the Sedibeng DM.

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