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OPINION PIECE

Water, water, water....conserve it

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Our natural water resources have become very stretched in recent months, our dams and rivers are drying up because of the high water demand and extreme temperatures.

The North West Province is one of the provinces in the country with low dam levels. With South Africa being the 30th driest countries in the world, it is everyone's responsibility to be water efficient.

Ask yourself, what is it that I'm doing to protect this resource? Are we harvesting our rain water so that we can use and save the little water we have? Do you know that the rain water from your roof tops can be used to wash your clothes, bath with and even use it to flush your toilets?

Do you know that dams such as Madikwe dam, Wentzel dam, Lindleypoort dam, Koster dam, Sehujwane dam, Marico Bosveld, Kroomellenboog dam, Pella dam and Molatedi dam are well under the level they should at this time of the year?

We cannot afford not to take water issues serious. The time to act is now.

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