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### MEDIA ADVISORY

#### **DWS Hosts a Provincial Water and Sanitation forum**

26 February 2018

The Eastern Cape (EC) Region of the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) will host a Provincial Water and Sanitation Forum this week.

This event will jointly be coordinated by the Provincial Member of the Executive Committee (MEC) of Cooperative Governance and Traditional Affairs, (COGTA) Fikile Xasa and DWS's Eastern Cape Provincial Head, Ms Portia Makhanya.

The gathering, known as the Eastern Cape Provincial Water Forum (PROWAF), will be held in Mthatha on Wednesday, 28 February 2018.

The purpose of PROWAF is to develop a common vision for the water sector and promote joint decision making between stakeholders in the achievement of the required goals.

Water scarcity is a worrying factor as the lack of the resources often leads to service delivery protests by the needy communities.

The EC Province is faced with water crisis due to drought, services backlogs, pollution of environment, and general lack of capacity to manage WSA function by other municipalities coupled with poor planning.

#### **The media is invited to attend as follows:**

Date : 28 February 2018

Venue : Dan's Country Lodge, **N2 Route**, Mthatha

Time : 08H30- 16H00

**For media confirmations, please contact Mr Lameki Jumba on 082 907 9713 or Mr Thandile Ngcume on 082 659 1422.**

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