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## Heritage of Stompdrift Dam

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As part of the Heritage Month the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) is profiling the dams in the Western Cape. The focus this week is on Stompdrift Dam located in Southern Cape.

- Stompdrift Dam was completed in 1965
- The dam was built to supply water for irrigation
- The height of the wall of Stompdrift Dam is 37 metres
- The capacity of the Stompdrift Dam is 55 300 000 cubic metres

The dam level of Stompdrift Dam currently stands at 4.53 as compared to 38.20 at the same time last year. Given the drought prevailing in the Western Cape, all water users are encouraged to use water sparingly.

“Water is Life, Sanitation is Dignity”

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