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Driefontein Bulk Water Supply Project to supply rural communities

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In an effort to ensure that the communities of Emnambithi and Indaka Local Municipalities in the uThukela District Municipality (DM) have access to water, the Department of Water and Sanitation unveiled the Driefontein Bulk Water Supply to fulfil its mandate of access to water to the people.

Funded by the DWS under the Regional Bulk Infrastructure Grant (RBIG) programme, water project is also in accordance with the plans of uThukela DM's Bulk Water Plans for the Ladysmith/Ezakheni and greater Emnambithi areas aimed at making a huge beneficial impact to alleviate water backlog.

With a dramatic increase in rural development and increasing population in the areas and the surroundings of uThukela DM's, the Driefontein Bulk Water Supply project has become the key to unlock service delivery in the region in the northern part of KwaZulu-Natal.

The Driefontein Bulk Water Supply project is currently under construction and once completed it will serve potable bulk water to approximately 34 000 households which will include Peacetown, Kirkentulloch, Burford, Watersmeet, Driefontein, Matiwaneskop and Inkunzi/Steincoalspruit. The project has benefited local community through the involvement of local people on the project whilst gaining experience and training on construction and contracting aspects.

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