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Free State dam levels show improvement

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Dam levels in Free State have this week shown an increase of 8,1% from 80.3 % last week to 88.4% this week. This is according to the dam level report issued by the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) on Tuesday 03 April 2018. The rain received during the past few days has brought an improvement in some of our dams.

Despite the slight increase that has been recorded, some dams have remained below 20%. Knellpoort Dam increased from 48.3% last week to 51.3% this week, Groothoek last week was at 37.9% and currently at 53.5%, Rustfontein increased to 40.4% this week from 26,4% last week. Krugersdrift last week was at 47.9% and is currently at 90.3%, while Gariep last week was at 89.5% and currently at 99.9%, whilst Vanderkloof last week was at 56.5% and currently stands at 65.4%. The seemingly positive situation currently does not take us off the hook yet.

Residents should bear in mind that water restrictions in the province will continue being implemented until the dam levels are satisfactory.

DWS would like to urge water users to continue using water sparingly and save every little drop. The weather forecast has predicted the Free State to receive more rains in the next days.

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