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MEDIA STATEMENT

DWS is still committed to finalizing the project to raise the Clanwilliam Dam wall

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Pretoria: The Department of Water and Sanitation is committed to finalise the project to raise the Clanwilliam Dam wall as planned.

The Clanwilliam Dam project could not be implemented as planned in the current financial year due to the budget cuts by National Treasury thus affecting all infrastructure projects across government over the MTEF period of which the Clanwilliam Dam is one of those. Upon the NT budget cuts, the department then took a decision not to proceed with any of the projects where the department was going to commit the state whereas there were insufficient funds to implement those affected projects.

In the case of the Clanwilliam Dam project, it would have meant that the department should stop some of the projects at which the department was already on site at the moment. This would have been more costly as the department would have had to pay for the standing time on those projects.

The Construction South team was not only appointed for the Clanwilliam project and they are currently being utilised in other projects and interventions being implemented in the southern cluster. The department is still committed to finalise funding for Clanwilliam Dam; as a result the project forms part of the list of projects that have been earmarked as potential investing projects.

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