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Deputy Minister Tshwete to Handover R91m Water Project in Noupoort

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The Deputy Minister of Water and Sanitation Mme Pamela Tshwete (MP) is scheduled to handover the Noupoort bulk water supply project worth R91 million to residents of Noupoort in the Umsobomvu Local Municipality.

The upgrading of the Noupoort bulk water supply project includes the construction of a 20 kilometer pipeline, a 3.5 megaliter main storage reservoir and the upgrading and refurbishment of 12 boreholes.

The water project which commenced in October 2014 was completed in December 2016, benefiting more than 2217 households and creating 66 jobs during its implementation.

The project was implemented as a result of the deteriorated existing bulk water supply infrastructure that was unable to supply sufficient water to meet the town's demands. The reservoir outlet valves had to be closed periodically to increase the reservoir water levels.

The reticulation network system also failed to supply sufficient water to the town and the water flow to households was reduced up to 80% in some areas due to the high content of calcium carbonate blocking the pipes and causing frequent water shutdowns. The water infrastructure was more than 30 years old.

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