



# EASTERN CAPE COLLABORATION AND LINKAGE TO IGR

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# BACKGROUND

- Collaboration in the province originate from year 2000
- It has been an outcome of a joint session and workshop between DHLG&TA,DWAF,SALGA and the then District Councils
- The session led to the establishment of Integrated Water Sector Management Forum (IWSMF) as a structure that facilitate and coordinate the water sector in the province
- One of the forum then objectives was to support the Water Services Authorities in fulfilling the mandate as well as fostering integration in the sector
- Subsequent to the establishment of the forum, a Multi Action Plan (MAAP) for the water services in the Province was developed and that was donor funded.
- The MAAP, which later became Masibambane is a donor funded programme that aimed to support the water sector ( more Municipalities)
- The forum provides oversights to MSB with the Technical committees doing the actual implementation. The forum then was ad hoc reporting to the Provincial Liaising Committee (PLC)
- The IWSMF implemented lot of activities and has more achievement in the sector till the proposal of its review by 2007.

# IWSMF-Review

- During 2007, the forum undergone a process of review
- The review has been triggered by several issues and those include:-
  - The Intergovernmental Relations Framework Act
  - Involvement of high level political office bearers in the water business
  - The championing of the water business by the provincial political office bearer
- The review process led to the Eastern Cape Water Committee that more function as the Forum
- A Prowaf is the a the structure of water sector in line with IGRF Act.
- The following are its key roles:-

# The Prowaf

- Its main objective is to guide the transformation of the water sector in the province

- Facilitate and support Water Services Authorities in assuming their responsibility

- To oversee the programmes of support in the water sector of the province

- Its functions may include:-

- ✓ Determining the overall strategy / strategic framework for the water sector in the province
- ✓ Setting policy for water sector in the province
- ✓ Develop and oversee the Provincial Water Sector Plan (PWSP)
- ✓ Alignment of the PWSP to the PGDP so as to achieve its objective
- ✓ Assessing budgetary requirements, sources of funds, and arrangements for making funds available
- ✓ Assisting in acquiring goods and services for the sector (e.g. necessary skills)
- ✓ Co-ordinate and integrate all water related planning, implementation and operations
- ✓ Joint decision making
- ✓ Being a structure that take water issues to the provincial political structures ( Cabinet)




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# Representation

- The Prowaf is chaired by the MEC for local government and Traditional Affairs
- Mayors and the portfolio councilors of the 6 DMs, the metro, BCM and all Cacadu Lms.
- SALGA PEC representatives of
- Senior officials from the following institutions:-
  - DMs
  - Department of Local Government and Traditional affairs
  - DWAF
  - Provincial Department of Health
  - Provincial department of education
  - Provincial department of Environmental Affairs
  - South African Local Government Association
  - Eastern Cape NGO coalition
  - Public entities and other organizations that may be identified by the forum
- The level of the representation is such that the delegates can bind their organization to decisions made in the forum.



## **Meeting Frequency and reporting**

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- **The Prowaf will be meeting once after 6 month**
  - **Where possible a special sitting may be arranged for any pressing matters or as per the view of the chairperson.**
  - **Operational task teams and low level structures facilitate the implementation of the decisions and therefore senior officials account on those matters**
  - **The forum also take matters from all the structures to PCF.**
  - **The roles, responsibilities and scope of the forum may be amended from time to time to reflect new requirements resulting from changing circumstances and priorities.**
  - **These will be accommodated by way of future updates of the terms of reference as dictated by the forum.**

# Challenges on collaboration and IGR in the water sector



- **District IGR (DMAFO) structures that are not fully functional to escalate**
- **Funds for the execution of Task Teams plans are minimal**
- **Fluidity and sensitivity of the political environment**
- **Capability and Capacity to implement some interventions**
- **Competing agendas of sector partners within the IGR structures**
- **Lack of understanding need for collaboration by senior officials of other sector departments (silo mentality)**



**THANK YOU**