

Summary Progress Report on WSLG STTs: 24 August 2009

Strategic Task Team	DWA Champion/s	Chair	Most recent meeting	Overview of Progress	Comments
Institutional Reform/Review & Regulation	Thoko Sigwaza & Vusi Kubheka	Neil McLeod	Regulation sub-task team to hold its meeting in September		Merged task team to meet for the first time within next three months.
Water Security (WCDM, NWRS, climate change, WfGD, sustainability pillars)	Harrison Pienaar	TBC	No meeting held yet	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WfGD framework is out for consultation. Provincial Indabas will be used as platforms for provincial consultation. The framework has been presented to the Parliamentary Portfolio Committee on the 19th August 2009. Task Team to meet in September • Climate Change Sector Mitigation and Adaptation Strategy is being developed • Work on the NWRS continues through the finalization of reconciliation studies in major urban centres and river basins. The current PSC will serve as a working group and will sit in the next month to agree on key activities. The DWA has asked the Minister for extension on the drafting of the NWRS. • A draft strategy on the mainstreaming of HIV/AIDS is available and a final draft will be presented at the next WSLG for comments 	This STT is composed of five working groups. Requires lots of technical support to ensure amalgamation of issues into one strategic issue. Some of the working groups are meeting but the total structure and its integration has not been completed.

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Skills Development	Portia Makhanya	TBC	22 July 2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The task team is reviewing all skills development strategies to inform a sector Skills & HRD strategy – Vision 2025 A workshop has been planned for 1-2 October 2009 to discuss these issues 	After struggling to establish itself, the STT is now developing a programme of action on skills development.
Finance and Asset Management	Nino Manus & Onesmus Ayaya	TBC	17/08/2009 (IAM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> IAM – working group considering proposals for lessons learning in Northern Cape and also working on a business case for a refurbishment grant Finance – working on a concept paper on sector financing to inform the work of the task team 	The amalgamation of the two task teams has not yet been concluded. Need to consider whether there is a need to separate the two issues – finance and asset management, or if there is sufficient scope for the two to be dealt with jointly at all levels
Sanitation	Mandisa Mangqalaza	Thami Mpotulo	20 February 2009	This group (NSTT) meets regularly and is very active. They are currently focusing on the actions emanating from the Municipal Indaba and South African Sanitation and Hygiene Implementation Plan emanating from eThekweni Declaration	<p><i>EXCO to consider:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The implications of mooted migration of the sanitation function to Human Settlements on the functioning of the STT</i> <i>Whether this STT should be reviewed to focus on universal access to basic services.</i>