



Water Sector Leadership Group: June 2009

Proposed Resolutions from Day 1
Discussions



POWERS AND FUNCTIONS REVIEW



Noted:



- The sector is generally very concerned about municipal performance of water services functions
- There is a need for a joint sector position on the approach, process and recommendations of the review

Proposal:

- Establish a small task team to:
 - Develop a proposal on how the sector could engage the process
 - Develop a joint sector position that will address issues such as legislative review/alignment; identifying key priority areas of commonality and difference; current proposals on developing technical hubs, competencies, municipal classifications etc
 - Develop a proposal on how to address existing problems relating to non performance (WQ, backlogs, IAM, etc) whilst awaiting the finalisation of the review



WfGD FRAMEWORK



Noted:



- The revised framework will be presented to Cabinet in December
- Consultation has begun and proposals around targets are being received
- Process of Provincial consultations to begin

Proposal:

- The Dept must include local level (districts) & provincial departments in their provincial consultation
- The inter-relationship between the WfGD and NWRS must be clarified and communicated



WSLG EFFECTIVENESS



Noted:

- Failure of some of the Task Teams to operate effectively.
- There is a need to define areas of common interest and priority to guide the content of the discussions

Proposed:

- Reconfigure and/or consolidate the task teams
- DG's to have a session with EXCO to discuss coordination issues and review of task teams (did)
- EXCO to clearly define the TOR for the skills task team



RECOMMENDATIONS: TASK TEAMS

- ✓ Reduction of Task Teams to 4
- ✓ Sector partners to chair Task Teams and DWAF to champion (drive)
- ✓ List of Proposed Task Teams:
 1. *Asset Management and Finance*
 2. *Institutional Realignment & Regulation*
 3. *Water Security? (WfGD, NWRS, WC/DM)*
 4. *Skills Development*
 5. *Sanitation*

Critical for each task team to look at issues of rural development and job creation

Task Teams are to look at coordination of initiatives and do Monitoring and Evaluation (ensuring that work gets done)



RECOMMENDATIONS: WSLG EXCO



Agenda for WSLG meetings:

- Process suggested:
 - Secretariat develops proposal with DDG-Regions
 - Proposal gets tabled to EXCO for approval
 - Proposal tabled to the DG: with proposal on presentations and areas that require DG's attention
 - EXCO meets before WSLG to discuss presentations, and approves presentations to be tabled at WSLG