

Media statement
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City of Tshwane notes with great concern increasing water challenges caused by Rand Water

As the MMC for Utilities and Regional Operation, I note with great concern the water challenges faced in various regions of the city that seem to be getting worse. We are continually engaging with Rand Water on this matter, however this is without any accurate or updated information forthcoming from the side of the water utility.

It seems that Rand Water are having internal supply issue that are leading to them playing a balancing game with the city and our supply. As one reservoir recovers sufficiently another critical one in the city takes a nosedive for the worse. Garsfontein and Laudium reservoirs that were problems over the weekend have both stabilised and are in a healthy and stable state currently.

The following reservoirs are posing massive challenges for the city:

- Klapperkop North and South
- Lotus Gardens
- Heuweloord
- Mnandi South
- Bakenkop East and West and Bakenkop Tower
- Mooikloof
- Sunderland Ridge
- Salvokop
- Rooihuiskraal

As the city we are doing all we can to get accurate and updated information from Rand Water, but to no luck. The city conducted tests on incoming Rand Water lines and worryingly have tested 0% pressure in multiple problematic areas listed above.

The city is arranging water tankers for the affected areas to help ease the strain of the taps currently being dry. Please look out for information from your ward councilors on when and where the water tankers will be placed.

The city apologises for the inconvenience caused and will do all we can to resolve these challenges as soon as possible. In the meantime, we appeal to residents that do have water to please use it sparingly.



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