

Water zoning, water losses and alternative water sources

Water remains a scarce resource that needs to be managed responsibly.

With level 1 water restrictions in place, a loss of 28% and erratic rainfall, Greater Knysna currently has sufficient water for 3 months.

During a Special Council Meeting held on 14 May, Council resolved that the Municipal Manager be given the authority to source funding for any water projects and that Council prioritise water projects when approving the capital and operating budgets.

Council will also apply for funding from the Department of Water Affairs.

A total of R33.1 million is needed to commence with or complete the following projects:

- CBD pipe replacement;
- water pressure management;
- water meter installation;
- bulk meter and zoning;
- building to house the reverse osmosis plant;
- registration of boreholes;
- water augmentation projects; and
- dam feasibility study.

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