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IWRM II Olifants / Doorn WMA

Project Management Group Meeting

**DWAF Regional Office Bellville
12 May 2009 @ 09:00**

Welcome & Opening:

Attendance & Apologies

Adoption of the Agenda:

Purpose of Meeting

Adoption of Minutes – February 2009

1. Issues arising from the previous minutes

2. Report Back

- 2.1. IWRM Finances
- 2.2. Communication Strategy
- 2.3. Compendium – Distribution
- 2.4. National Water Act Training
- 2.5. Emerging Farmer Forums
- 2.6. Water User Association meetings
- 2.7. GARC Interventions
- 2.8. SPP Interventions
- 2.9. Sandveld Organics
- 2.10. IWRM Conflict Management Training
- 2.11. Wendy Houses
- 2.12. National PMG at Witsand
- 2.13. National Workshop – IWRM Legacy (KZN)
- 2.14. Support to IWRM KZN and IWRM Northwest/SANGOCO

3. IWRM in Service Delivery - Strand 3 Projects

- 3.1. Financial and Progress Report
- 3.2. June 2009 Project Review
- 3.3. Project Interventions
 - Vredendal Saamwerk Boere (VR21)
 - o Mr Khan's visit – measuring sustainability

- Perhaps the group is not capable to set up financial statements based on cash flows / budgets / income expenditure statements
 - Illustrates a challenge that exists everywhere
 - Possibility of applying funds out of Audit (R5000) to pay for local bookkeeper to produce financial statements – RS will investigate with KPMG (R167,000 in total available in Audit Budget for all projects)
 - RJ - SBSA “Finance and the Farmer” – illustrates record keeping required; empower the forums to do training among all member projects
 - Workshop on 10 June – Business Planning and Financial Management Tools
- Lutzville Emerging Farmers
 - Land preparation underway
 - Taraqua Emerging Farmers
 - Cederberg Municipality – Farm Manager, Access to Farm, Occupation of Farm by others
 - Langbome & Beukeskraal Pipelines
 - Both pipelines installed (helping each other)
 - Water flowing to farm lands
 - Asked to extend the pipeline to the last farm
 - Breevlei Erosion
 - Plan to install gabions, wire baskets with stones
 - Tyl Williams and Hotze Van Heerden Plan – leaves funds for substantial labour by the group
 - Need to work on the bridge as well
 - Clanwilliam Emerging Farmers
 - Installing irrigation system with Hotze van Heerden’s guidance
 - Vukani Makhosikhazi
 - Cederberg Municipality – Municipal Bill (charging for sewerage and electricity – services which do not exist on the plot; water costed at tremendous rate)
 - Klawer
 - Matsikama Municipality – Access to land allowed – Application to LORWUA is planned, Municipal water will be expensive, GARC assisting.
 - JF confirmed that LORWUA allowed for drinking water; Need to install a dam (on private land) along the canal (need to get access to the land) to supply water for crops from the canal, which LORWUA has also agreed to.
 - NW – restrictions on not allowing pumps in the canal; LORWUA and other WUAs work with “rule” that there cannot be a pump with meter installed in the canal to supply water to plots – they say this is a given from DWAF. ML-S to assist with a letter to LORWUA.
 - Vanrhynsdorp Emerging Farmers
 - Going well, Problems with Municipality displaying no respect for the lucern fields, putting a fence up in the middle of the field to extend the sewerage works.
 - Vanrhynsdorp Water User Association
 - Groundwater monitoring, want to cut budget back voluntarily, do monitoring two monthly, not monthly based on Brian Dyason’s advice, and use some of their budget to concentrate on Alien Clearing; Opportunity to perhaps transfer asset from previous alien clearing tools to VWUA – or purchase new ones with budget. (NW to write letter to EB01 project to see if tools can re-distributed to VWUA for alien clearing)
 - LL asked whether VWUA has invited Emerging Farmers to sit on their meetings; Date of the next meeting required
 - Swartruggens Climate and Groundwater
 - Drilling Artesian Borehole to cap it; Sending the project over budget (Drillers and GEOSS Geohydrological support); Problems are related to poor work on the original borehole installation
 - Weather Stations partially installed
 - Protection of springs has not taken place
 - Will attend GEOSS ground water training and be able to monitor boreholes

- DMA Forum
 - o Meetings and workshops have been held, if these things are not sorted out quickly (23 May) the project will have to be re-assessed
- Noord Sandveld & Krom Antonies WUA
 - o Dept Agri submitting quotes for the ground water monitoring pilot
- Sandveld Emerging Farmers
 - o Dept Agri tried to assist, assistance being arranged to sort out the irrigation

RS Asked: "Are the IDP Consultative processes engaging these project communities?"

SH: "Public processes are being attended, and a database is being set up by Cederberg Municipality"

LL: "Matsikama Municipality is supposedly updating the list they originally set up, but are not updating it"

NW: "Fair Share (UWC) and SPP assist with linking the projects to the IDP processes, will be followed up to build EF Forum responsibilities"

RJ: "Should try and resolve these things – at Provincial Department of Local Government level to ensure that the IDP processes are being completed to the benefit of the communities"; PMG and EFFs could pursue this with DPLG

4. IWRM in Service Delivery - Strand 1 Projects

- 4.1. Sandveld Groundwater Management Plan
 - 4.1.1. Vendzulu returned the TOR, Budget Proposal etc – ML-S will follow up.
- 4.2. Women Empowerment Project
 - 4.2.1. Meeting on 12 May 2009
 - 4.2.2. Additions to the TOR, Review of the Training Materials
 - 4.2.3. Due to start as soon as possible; dependent on reference group meeting which may not happen soon so one workshop will be put on ice till further notice
 - 4.2.4. Consultants are responsible for Transport
 - 4.2.5. Contract sum of R400,000 needs to be looked at with reference to IWRM Budget schedule which sets the budget available for this contract as R200,000
- 4.3. New Venture Creation – Learnership
 - 4.3.1. Discussed opportunity, faxed out to projects again today from IA, 25 Learners will be recruited, Age criteria is not critical, Schooling also not critical, but pitched as a NQF level 3 accredited course.
 - 4.3.2. In June, need to cover the costs of accommodation and transport to support the 25 under their projects.
 - 4.3.3. Sea Harvest is providing the learnerships / stipend
 - 4.3.4. TETA is providing the training

5. M&E, Training & Conferences

- Groundwater Training
 - o 19th Clanwilliam
 - o 20th Vanrhynsdorp
 - o 21st Wupperthal
 - o 18 projects will attend and take delivery of groundwater monitoring equipment
 - o Forums also involved
 - o WUA and Municipalities also invited
 - o Groups will receive data log books
- Appropriate Technology (RAM Pumps, Bio-gas, Fog Harvesting) Training
 - o Engaged Khanyisa (KZN) to test ram pumps in Wupperthal
 - o Engaged Khanyisa to install biogas digester at Lukhanyo
 - o Fog Harvesting (Cloud Mesh Concepts) presenting 13 May 2009 (Targetted for Lambertsbay, Doringbay and Elandsbay R160,000 per installation)
- Planned Monitoring & Evaluation Field Visits
 - o Start on 19 May 2009
 - o GP will meet with Informage to sort out priorities for M&E Visits
- SPP Review

- RS “SPP engaged to review lessons learned and the approaches adopted for IWRM and to come up with an implementation framework for IWRM
- RJ “Started with Informage and identified Dorcas (Health), Wupperthal Breevlei (Environ), Vukani Makhosikhazi (Food), Loeriesfontein (EF) + Cederberg Forum for case studies
- Looking at lessons, blockages, challenges, what we can draw into the implementation framework – detail would come from the people that are engaged through the review process.
- Gender picked up as a cross-cutting theme, but also including in evaluation criteria during interviews
- Full documentation by end of July
- RS “Need documentation from all service providers to be ready by October for Peer Review in advance of the Legacy Conference
- SA Irrigation Association SABI Course
 - Dept of Agric introduced the concept to look at this type of course, waiting for a costing, DWAF pay for Accommodation, IWRM pay for Transport, Projects send two people that are involved with maintaining or operating the irrigation systems

6. General

- Kaap Agri Report on IWRM Purchases
 - No feedback received yet – Our records for current IWRM projects = R1,091,999.00 spent at Kaap Agri Branches

7. Close

List of forthcoming meetings:

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