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Media Statement

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Johannesburg Water deploys additional water tankers to supply critical areas

Johannesburg Water will be providing 18 water tankers to heavily impacted areas around the City.

The Entity's systems have been struggling to recover from a pump failure at Rand Water's Eikenhof pump station earlier this week.

On a positive note, Rand Water managed to repair the air valve that was vandalised on Wednesday. As a result, pumping at the Yeoville reservoir resumed just before 8am on Thursday and by mid-morning, the water levels were sitting at 5.73m. The reservoir currently has two pumps operating and water supply to high-lying areas should start improving by the afternoon.

Rahima Moosa Mother and Child Hospital water levels are full, while the Helen Joseph Hospital system is at 75% and the water flow into the hospital remains strong.

Most systems, such as Eagles Nest, Alan Manor and Naturena, are showing steady improvement, while the Commando system (which comprises the Brixton, Crosby, and Hursthill reservoirs and towers) remains the same as yesterday but is at least not deteriorating. However, the Hursthill 2 and the Brixton reservoirs are still critical. Because the Weltevredenpark reservoir is recovering – it is currently 62.35% full – this will help sustain water levels at the Waterval 2 reservoir, which feeds into the Commando system.

If there are no unplanned interruptions to the system overnight, then there should be improved water levels by Friday.

The Honeydew and Boschkop reservoirs are performing better than Wednesday, with both systems sitting at 0.42m and 1.57m respectively. As the Weltevredenpark reservoir improves, then the two systems will also improve. Furthermore, the Cosmo City reservoir (which is currently at 2.02m) inlet was closed overnight and opened at 7.30am on Thursday morning to assist Honeydew and Boschkop. Ten mobile water trucks have been provided for the Honeydew and Boshkop areas.

The Crown Gardens reservoir is currently sitting at 0.92m, tower 1 is at 2.01m, and tower 2 is at 1.81m, making the levels critical at this stage. Inflow suddenly stopped

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on Wednesday afternoon and technicians are investigating the reasons into this. Alternative water supply will be provided.

Johannesburg Water technical teams continue to monitor the system and further updates will be provided to customers.

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