

	<p>Minutes of the Wilge Forum Meeting held on 22 May 2012. At Frankfort (Mafube Municipality Offices)</p>
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No	DISCUSSION	Action
1.	<p>Welcome</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chair welcomed all attendees. 	NP Cindi
2.	<p>Introduction of attendees</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All attendees introduced themselves. 	All
3.	<p>Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> S Mpopetsi J. Jay B. Govendor J. Van Wyk ME. Matseba T. Pather J Malungani M Malebatja Smvan Schalkwyk B Malito 	All
4.	<p>Minutes of Previous Meeting</p> <p>Corrections</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> P.1.6 R Hariram will invite Gordon to give presentation of Orange – Vaal Yellow Fish at the next meeting. At Namakgadi pump station, they will install the SMS system for security and refurbish the clarifier. P3 10.4 at Namakgadi oxidation ponds, aerators have been refurbished, the project will be finished at the end of February 2012. P4 10.6 Water shortage at Makwane, currently drinking water plant is not coping with the demand and they have approached local municipality to upgrade the plant. 	All
5.	<p>Acceptance of the Minutes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The minutes were accepted as a true reflection of the previous meeting. 	All

6.	Matters Arising from the Previous Minutes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • N Malise mentioned that at Warden Landfill site – they will have a license to establish new landfill site and the old one will be closed. • The forum wanted to know if the new landfill site has been identified. • N Malise answered that a new landfill site has been identified. 	
7. 7.1	Additions to the agenda Water week celebration M Mokhele presented feedback of the Water week celebration that was held at Dihlabeng. N Radebe requested Dihlabeng to include Mafube Municipality in the presentation as they were present at the function. The forum wanted to know the criteria that were used when selecting the Schools. Representative answered that ten schools were selected but when they went to department of education to confirm the attendance, they were told that 5 schools won't attend due to other commitment.	All
8. 8.1	Items for Presentation Addressed under general.	
9. 9.1 9.2 9.3	Water Quality Status of the Wilge River Catchment. DWA DWA presented the water quality status of Wilge catchment with reference to the problematic areas. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most of the points were not complying in terms of E- coli and faecal coliform. • At sewage works most of the variables were within the standard. • Harrismith Sewage works – it was unacceptable for the past three (03) years and they have appointed the consultant to refurbish their works. Rand Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • R. Hariram presented water quality status for Rand Water that shows that most of their variables were not complying in terms of alkalinity, nitrates, chloride, ammonia and PH. It was also reported that most of the variables were not complying due to the activities that were taking place in the area. • At sewage works most of the variables were within the standard except nitrates at Qwa Qwa it went beyond the limit. Pollution Incidents <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Map Water on the 20 February 2012 cable was stolen from the transformer and they used HTH to minimize the effect of the spillage. Measures to be taken overhead power line will be installed. 	

9.4	Feedback on waste disposal sites. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Apology. 	
10 10.1	Report back from Stakeholders Phumelela Municipality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NP Cindi reported that there is a contractor on site in order to upgrade their Waste Water Treatment Plant. • The department is going to issue Warden with a pre-directive for non compliance. 	
10.2	Nketoana Municipality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative reported that they put a new face on all of their Waste Water Treatment Plant. • The forum will arrange a meeting with Meyers and Municipalities managers in order to sort out the issue of supply chain Management. 	
10.3	Dihlabeng Municipality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • M Mokhele gave presentation of the projects that they are busy with. 	
10.4	Mafube Municipality <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Namakgadi oxidation ponds, cables were stolen and it has been replaced. • At Namakgadi pump station, there was an electricity fairler, it was sorted out and everything is back to normal. • Mafube to give presentation of their Water quality status at the next meeting. 	
10.5	Thabo Mofutsanyane <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Their laboratory is not yet accredited and they are busy trying to get a consultant in order to have a credited laboratory. 	
10.6	MAP Water <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Harrismith – busy upgrading their plant, still at preliminary stage. • Biofilters that were reported not working in the previous meeting at Kestell Sewage works has been fixed. • At Tshame Sewage works, there was non compliance of E-coli and faecal coliform. Also mentioned that is because of the why the plant was designed. Busy trying to get a contractor to clean their ponds hopefully July 2012 the plant will be fully operational. 	

10.7	Free State DETEA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No representative 	
10.8	Environmental Health <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Still busy with health an hygiene campaign around the schools teaching them how to wash hands. Busy teaching principals on how to purify water especial at the rural farmers' schools. Still busy trying to supply water tanks at rural farmers schools. The forum requested DWA to check all Laboratories that are credited around Wilge catchment and report at the next meeting. 	
11.	Water Use License Status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mafube Municipality – they still need to apply for WUL. Warden Municipality- they still need to re- apply for WUL. Other municipalities' applications are still at evaluation stage. The forum requested R Shibambo to give WULA status at the next meeting. 	R Shibambo
12	Catchment Management Agency (CMA) update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apology 	
13.	Discussion of Additions to the Agenda <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Apology 	
14. 14.1	General S Makate gave Green drop progress report.	
15.	Date of Next Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 21 August 2012 Map Water 	
16.	Closure <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Chairperson thanked everyone for participating and adjourned the meeting. 	