

## NOTICE

### UPDATE: WATER SUPPLY CHALLENGES IN STEYTLERVILLE

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**Dear Residents/Community members of Steytlerville**

A constructive meeting was held on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 at the Royal Hotel, Steytlerville, to discuss and formulate solutions to the ongoing water supply issues in the area. The meeting was attended by Cllr D. Bezuidenhout, Mr. R. Burn, and representatives from Dr Beyers Naude Municipality, including the Director: Infrastructure Services and Manager: Water and Sanitation.

Discussions focused on identifying key challenges affecting the town's water supply. It was confirmed that while there are sufficient water available and civil and mechanical aspects have been addressed, the primary issue remains the inconsistent electrical power supply to the pumps at Erasmuskloof.

Power surges and supply fluctuations are currently overwhelming the surge protection mechanisms in place, affecting pump operations. To resolve this, an on-site review will be conducted by subcontractors to assess and, if necessary, redesign the surge protection system. The objective is to implement a reliable failsafe mechanism that ensures the pumps remain unaffected by power surges.

Cllr Bezuidenhout and Mr. Russell Burn will visit the site alongside subcontractors once the river level subsides and access to the pumps is possible. This visit is expected to take place within the week, depending on conditions in the Groot River.

Once the surge protection issue is effectively addressed, the Municipality will be able to progressively fill the reservoirs and restore a consistent 24/7 water supply to the town. A follow-up meeting is scheduled for next week, and further updates will be provided in due course.

Residents are reminded to utilize available water resources sparingly.

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