

MORE VILLAGES TO BENEFIT FROM WATER PROJECT

BAKENBERG: In a bid to address water challenges in some part of the local villages, the Mogalakwena Local Municipality has on Thursday handed over Bulk Water Supply Project at Bakenberg Tribal hall.

The project scope of work was confirmed and presented by Contractor Mr Henk Gladynhuis at Bakenberg Traditional Council Hall in the presence of the Mogalakwena Municipality Mayor Her Worship Cllr Andrina Matsemela, Planning and Developmental Services Chairperson Cllr Pheladi Oliphant, Ward Councillors, officials, engineers and contractors as they formed part of the meeting.

The R300 million two phase water supply project will supply 38 villages and serve 66 806 to households upon project's completion which is expected to be in June 2020 (two years) provided there are no disruptions. Three contractors being MIS Pipelines, Salani Sinapi JV and Easyway Tarmac Projects have been appointed.

Some of the villages to benefit from this project are: Basterspad, Bokwidi, Buffelhoek, Dikgokgopeng, Diphichi, Galakwenastroom, Harmasdaal, Jakkalskuil, Kabeane, Kaditshwene, Kgopeng, Kromkloof, Lesodi, Leyden, Lusaka Ngoru, Mabula, Mabuladihlare 1, Makekeng, Malapile, Mamatlakala, Matebeleng, Nelly, Raadslid, Ramosesane, Rantlakane, Skilpadskraal, Skrikfontein A and B, Vlakfontein, Wydhoek.

The project not only brings water to the above mentioned villages but also create job opportunities throughout the villages. Three community liaison officers are currently employed and more people to be employed to assist contractors in making the project a success.

The project will be executed to six contractors with each of the main contractor taking responsibility of selected local sub-contractor who will be identified and selected as part of the project to ensure that a minimum of 30% of the contract value is executed by local sub-contractors.

One clerk of work will be provided per contract under the appointment of the engineers who will be directly responsible for daily full time construction supervision and liaison with the contractor. The part-time supervision will be fulfilled by the relevant consultant responsible for the specific portion of the work, who will also take ownership of the technical designs and specification and/or any technical enquiries relating to the scope of works.

The proposed works will include the building of precast pump house and installation of mono and submersible pumping equipment for 17 boreholes, two bulk PVC-M lines from borehole pump stations to the Water Treatment Works.

The infrastructure consist of three clearly identifiable and defined portions with the technical acceptance and details falling under the responsibility of various engineers as per the contract

data namely: borehole development, pumping mains, and associated infrastructure; Storage reservoirs and associated works; and lastly bulk gravity supply pipelines and associated works.

This project was submitted and approved by Department of Water and Sanitation in March 2017.