

**ESWATINI WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION ACCESS PROJECT
STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT PLAN
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**Annex 1: Engagement of Existing Water Schemes Beneficiaries and Funders
Report**



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ENGAGEMENT OF IMIPHAKATSI WITH EXISTING WATER SCHEMES REPORT

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1. BACKGROUND

Through the works of the projects Community Liaison Officers (CLO) on the ground it was discovered that there are existing water schemes within some of the imiphakatsi that the project intends to benefit with water supply. A meeting with the PIT and the CLO's was convened to discuss the schemes including how many are they, how far they are covering and the funders. It was from this meeting that it was concluded that these Schemes impact the project both directly and indirectly. Some of the impacts include that the pipelines are within the same network the project intends to put pipeline and are targeting same population the project is targeting (highlighting a possible duplication of efforts and resources) Some schemes were found to be non-functional and both functional and non-functional were engaged. In Hosea, there are two existing water schemes (both functioning) funded by Rural Water and World Vision servicing kaLiba umphakatsi. In Shiselweni 1 there is also two existing water schemes with one active schemes. In Zombodze Emuva there is only one existing and functional schemes funded by Rural water.

2. AGENDA OF THE MEETINGS

The main agenda of the meeting is to engage beneficiaries of the Existing Water schemes, the funders and other representatives of the community such as traditional leaders on firstly providing guidance on the existing pipelines on the ground so EWSC can know precisely where their networks are located on the ground (assist in final design) as well as to engage them on how EWSC and the existing Schemes going forward work given the agenda is one which is water access

3. OUTCOMES OF ENGAGEMENTS

3.1 First Round of Engagements

EWSC engaged the three-project area 29th September 2020 in Zombodze, 30 September 2020 in Shiselweni 1 and 01 October 2020 in Hosea Inkhundla. The outcome for the preliminary/first round of engagements with stakeholders are summarised in Table 1 below.

INKHUNDLA	UMPHAKASTI	OUTCOME	NEXT ACTION	WHEN
Zombodze Emuva	Zombodze Umphakatsi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • From the agenda and discussions made it was clear that there was a misunderstanding of the persons that should be present in the meeting which had to be the direct water Schemes beneficiaries not just general community members which was the case in this meeting. • It was decided that there is a need to reconvene another meeting that will have the direct water scheme beneficiaries. • Engagement about EWSC CLO's being shown exact location of pipelines it was agreed that the Water committee team knows better line and that the drawings and the actual laying on the ground are different 	Another meeting to be held which will have the direct scheme beneficiaries	22 October 2020

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		hence the need to go on ground identifying the network. It was concluded that this will be done, and information shared with EWSC technical for considerations in final draft.		
Shiselweni 1	Mabonabulawe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There was very poor attendance as people did not show up for the meeting only community traditional leaders and the direct beneficiaries did not. This was blamed on the weather as it was raining but it was said that they were informed well in time and reminded about the meeting. • Meetings were cancelled as there were two different imiphakatsi that were supposed to be engaged on the same day. 	Reschedule for another meeting with Bucopho to lead in the mobilisation of the scheme beneficiaries.	22 October 2020
Hosea	KaLiba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lengthy discussions were done during the meeting which were however interrupted due to another activity happening in the umphakatsi that involved royalty. The meeting was consequently adjourned indefinitely. • Part of the discussion made before interruption included Red cross and World vision taking EWSC CLO on the ground to assess the location of their existing pipelines and give feedback for the technical team use. • Highlighted to the people present in the meeting by EWSC was that the corporation works under the mandate of the government of Eswatini as so does the funders of the existing schemes which means that when the project water supply system is final constructed this means that government resources will be channelled to once umphakatsi while there are many others without water at all • It was also pointed that EWSC aims for individual connections, what then does it say if their communities all have access to water will connections be possible. • The different representative present alluded to the need for reliable clean water supply which the project is seeking to bring for them, however stated they still would not want to be selfish two have two • No conclusion was made and further engagement with all project beneficiaries was requested by the stakeholders. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Convene another meeting to continue engagement. • In fact, engagements will be at least more than three given the critically discussions and decisions that have to be made. Hence EWSC requested to be given a date for continuing engagement by the umphakatsi 	03 November 2020

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- Date set for follow up meeting

Table 1: First round of Engagement outcome with Water Schemes Stakeholders

Annex 2: Second Round of Engagements

Following a report on the second round of engagements were held by EWSC:

INKHUNDLA	UMPHAKAST I	OUTCOME	ACTION	WHEN
Zombodze Emuva	Zombodze Umphakatsi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This being a follow up meeting, noted was that the relevant people were present for this meeting (scheme beneficiaries) • The agenda was explained to stakeholders to which the floor was opened for them to make submissions on what their stand is. • Submissions made include 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The water scheme beneficiaries present to engage all other beneficiaries at umphakatsi level and deliberate on the issue that what should happen to the scheme now that EWSC is bringing portable water to their areas. • After having discussed amongst themselves and reach a decision, they shall call EWSC and schedule a meeting to discuss those decisions made/reached. 	When the beneficiaries are ready with an answer within a reasonable timeline from last engagement.
Shiselweni 1	Mabonabulawe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • After too few attendants from the last meeting the attendance proved to be better this time with Bethel Water Scheme beneficiaries present. • The Bethel scheme stated their dire need for EWSC water given the unreliable source of water of the scheme which in turn sees the community going days without water. • They also elaborated on how issues of maintenance also affect their water supply with the existing scheme • Their fear with EWSC is was that what if they kill their scheme and EWSC project takes forever to implement then they are stuck with no water. • Ewsc assured the community that they would not stop current supply until project is complete. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EWSC appreciated the feedback received and requested the scheme through umphakatsi to formal write a letter that states their decision (stamped from umphakatsi) and submit with EWSC • Mkhwakhweni Scheme still to enage other beneficiaries and call EWSC when decision has been made 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bethel Scheme to call EWSC to receive letter (no specific timeline placed). • Mkhwakhweni Scheme to call EWSC soon as decision is made.

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EWSC also touched on Water kiosk to be available for those that will not afford individual connections. • The Bethel beneficiaries stated clearly that due to their water need they fully welcome EWSC and resort to killing the scheme once EWSC start making connection and donate the current infrastructure elsewhere. • Mkhwakhweni Scheme was met for the first time as in prior scheduled meetings no one showed up. • Discussions of the agenda was made by EWSC to stakeholders to which they promised to show CLO the existing pipeline • In terms of decisions to be made of the scheme, the community voiced out that the scheme has not functioned well since it was completed. No water has been pumped in the reservoirs, so they have the infrastructure but never had water • The further stated their dire need for clean water that is reliable as currently they have to buy water tankers or walk distances for water. • The beneficiaries however expressed their fear with EWSC connection fees to monthly bill stating the currently community member are failing to pay E20 per month for scheme water how much more EWSC market prices. • EWSC explained to the beneficiaries that Water kiosks shall be available at community chosen locations which seek to service those that will not afford individual connections. 		
Hosea	KaLiba	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This engagement now involved the direct beneficiaries of the scheme. • The Stakeholders acknowledged that they have differing views on which water supply should the community chose as noted that govt resources cannot be used all in one place with many areas short of water supply on. 	•	

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Noted also was that while there is a little fear with change just like any human beings subject to change, they however, prefer to be supply by EWSC. • A Differing view as revived from World vision chairmen stated that Manyonyaneni community under kaLiba don't need water they are satisfied with their existing water supply. • An outcry on the scarcity of water in their community which is connected to Lushiyini was voiced out by some of the stakeholders' present. • Furthermore, apologies on behalf of communities and their authorities as well was given by the Indvuna yemphakatsi. He highlighted that they have not met to discuss this matter post EWSC first visit. He humbly requested for another opportunity as community member that benefit from the scheme to deliberate on the issue and reach once consensus • When consensus has been reached, they will contact EWSC for a meeting which will be supported by a form of written agreement stamped from umphakatsi. 		
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Table 2: Second round of Engagement outcome with Water Schemes Stakeholders

Next Overall Action

EWSC through the SS intends to engage the Regional Secretary (RS) to conclude the engagement of existing water schemes. The idea is to have all schemes beneficiary representatives, the funders, development committees as well umphakatsi representatives in one meeting and have the RS facilitate the meeting to come to one decision.



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Attendance registers

Zombodze Emuva



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Hosea



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Annex 4: Minutes of Kukhonta process Zombodze Emuva



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