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DRDLR DROUGHT INTERVENTION BRIEFING TO THE PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON WATER AND SANITATION

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DRDLR Areas of Drought Interventions

Areas of Interventions were as follows:

- Identification of land for relocation of livestock
- Revitalization of feedlots
- Drilling and equipping of boreholes
- Auction sales of livestock
- Creation of firebreaks
- Provision of feed and water for livestock and
- Support to Sugarcane farmers in KZN.

Strategies of Drought Interventions Delivery

- ❑ National Disaster Management Centre(NDMC) is mandated to co-ordinate all disaster management activities in the Country.
- ❑ A National Joint Drought Co-ordinating Committee (NJDCC)was activated in November 2015.
- ❑ DRDLR became a part of the Committee which comprised of various Government Departments e.g. DAFF, DWS, DEA, SANDF & DSD.
- ❑ All Departments communicated their areas of intervention prior to delivery.
- ❑ Meetings were held every Monday mornings to provide progress reporting at the NJDCC.
- ❑ Departmental drought intervention plans were presented to all NJDCC members.

Strategies of Drought Interventions Delivery

- ❑ DAFF drought assistance scheme was adopted by DRDLR to uniform delivery as DRDLR formed part of the Agricultural sector.
- ❑ The drought assistance scheme is aimed at:
 - Assisting farming communities who have been severely affected by natural disasters and cannot cope with the effects using their own resources.
 - It also promotes implementation of disaster risk reduction measures by farming communities.
- ❑ Assessments were conducted by both DRDLR & DAFF to determine the needs and communicate to the farming community the registration requirements.
- ❑ After delivery, a verification team was formulated to assess the impact of the delivered items.

DISPERSAL OF DROUGHT RELIEF: SUMMARY OF APPROVED DROUGHT INTERVENTIONS PER PROVINCE

Summary of approved Provincial allocations for drought relief			
Province Name	Rural Development	RECAP	Total Budget
FS	R 14 451 305.00	R 70 160 000.00	R 84 611 305.00
KZN	R 67 804 160.00	R 113 050 000.00	R 177 304 160.00
LP	R 2 158 418.50	R 51 346 046.69	R 53 504 465.19
MP	R 48 329 350.00	R 0.00	R 48 329 350.00
NC	R 19 000 000.00	R 0.00	R 19 000 000.00
NW	R 22 280 000.00	R 55 119 009.09	R 77 399 009.09
Total Budget	R 174 023 233.50	R 289 675 055.78	R 463 698 289.28

Funds approved in 2015/16 FY. Some interventions implemented in 2016/17 FY

FREE STATE

Intervention	Delivery
1. Firebreaks creation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Contractor has completed creating 92km fire breaks on 10 Land Reform farms through grading.
2. Provision of feed and water for livestock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">4 commonages were identified and provided with animal feed.
3. Drilling and equipping of boreholes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Drilling, Testing and Equipping of 5 Boreholes in Thabo Mofutsanyane District was completed.



KWAZULU NATAL

Intervention	Delivery
1. Drilling and equipping of boreholes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Drilling and equipping of 50 borehole units in all declared District Municipalities completed.
2. Irrigation schemes for plantation of fodder	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Plantation of fodder as a medium term intervention was undertaken at Nsuze and Ndumo irrigation schemes (Uthungulu & Umkhanyakude Districts).• At Ndumo B 80ha maize & 80ha Lucerne was 100 %completed, while in Nsuze 40ha maize & 40ha Lucerne was 100% completed.



KWAZULU NATAL

Intervention	Delivery
3. Auction sales of livestock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Several auction sales have already taken place since January 2016 in the following areas: uMkhanyakude, uThukela, Umzinyathi, Uthungulu and Zululand Umgungundlovu, Ugu, Harry Gwala and Amajuba District Municipalities. On the 19th February and again on the 21st April 2016 auction sales at Jozini Livestock Centre took place. On the 21st April 2016 another auction sale took place in Mona Market under Zululand District. On the 14th June 2016, another livestock auction sale at Umhlomayo village in uThukela District took place.• A total of 880 tons of animal feed was been delivered at Amajuba; Harry Gwala; Umgungundlovu; Umkhanyagude; Umzinyathi & Zululand District Municipalities.
4. Sugarcane Industry	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A total number of 9,205 farmers were assisted from both land reform and small scale sugarcane farming in communal areas where 43,696 hectares was covered.• This work was carried out by a strategic partner (SAFDA).

LIMPOPO

Intervention	Delivery
1. Drilling and equipping of boreholes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3 Boreholes were drilled and equipped in Mopani, Vhembe and Waterberg District Municipalities.
2. Provision of feed and water for livestock	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Animal feed was delivered in Mopani, Vhembe and Waterberg District Municipalities.



Intervention	Delivery
1. Revitalization of feedlots	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • At Nkomazi a feedlot was constructed in Mzinti village. • Fence and cattle handling at Lekkerloop is completed. • Creation of grazing camps and establishment of cattle kraal at Paardekraal (Mount Sheba) farm was completed at Thabacweu Local Municipality. • Creation of grazing camps, boundary fence and cattle kraal at Koppieskraal farm was completed at Thabacweu Local Municipality.
2. Drilling and equipping of boreholes	Drilling and equipping of boreholes at Lekkerloop farm under Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality and Paardekraal (Mount Sheba) farm under Thaba Chweu Local Municipality were completed.
3. Firebreaks creation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 358 PLAS farms were identified at Enhlanzeni, Nkangala & Gert Sibande Districts that required creation of firebreaks. A total of 3828 km firebreaks in Land Reform farms were created.
4. Provision of feed and water for livestock	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Animal feed was delivered in Enhlanzeni; Gert Sibande and Nkangala District Municipalities.

NORTHERN CAPE

Intervention

1. Provision of feed for livestock

Delivery

- Animal feed and fire fighting equipments were delivered to Pixley Ka Seme; Frances Baard; Z.F. Mgcawu; Namakwa; John Taolo Gaetsiwe District Municipalities.



NORTH WEST

Intervention

1. Drilling & equipping of boreholes

2. Provision of feed and water for livestock

Delivery

- A total of 115 boreholes were drilled and equipped in 3 declared District Municipalities. (Bojanala, Ngaka Modiri Molema and Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti).
- Sighting, drilling & equipping of the 115 Boreholes were completed.
- Animal feed was provided to Bojanala, Ngaka Modiri Molema and Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District Municipalities.



Thank you

