

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY

**FOR WRITTEN REPLY**

**QUESTION NO 1023**

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**1023. Mr L J Basson (DA) to ask the Minister of Water and Sanitation:**

(1) With reference to her statements made during the debate on the State of the Nation Address on 16 February 2016 in Parliament (details furnished) that plans were under way to drill new and refurbish existing boreholes, (a) how many boreholes will be drilled in each province during the next three financial years, (b) where will the specified boreholes be drilled, (c) which communities will benefit in each case and (d) what will the cost be (i) per meter for drilling and (ii) per borehole drilled;

 (2) Whether her department has issued any tenders for the drilling of the specified boreholes; if not, why not; if so, (a) who has been appointed to date to (i) drill and (ii) equip the specified boreholes and (b) what is the estimated costs for each province in this regard;

(3) (a)How many existing boreholes will be refurbished, (b) at what cost and (c) where are the existing boreholes situated in each case? NW1155E

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**REPLY:**

(1) Refer to the table 1 below which indicates the number of boreholes planned to be drilled in each province during the next three financial years including communities that will benefit.

 It should be noted that the drilling costs are mostly dictated by the geological and drilling conditions, diameter required, required depth, and the length and type of casing installed.

 ***Table 1: Planned Boreholes to be drilled for the financial year 2016/17-2018/19***

| **(1)(a) Number of Boreholes to be drilled** | **(1)(b) Province** | **District Municipality** | **Local Municipality** | **(1)(c) Number of villages or communities** | **(1)(d) Total Estimated costs** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 300 | Limpopo | CapriconWaterbergVhembe | AganangBluebergMolemolePolokwaneMokgalakwena | 191 | R287.6 million |
| 250 | Eastern Cape | OR TamboChris HaniAlfred NzoJoe Gqabi Amathole | MaletswaiMnqumaNyandeniSakhisizwe | 377 | R196.3 million  |
| 90 | Mpumalanga | Gert SibandeNkangalaEhlanzeni | LekwaMsukalingaThembisile HaniDr JS Moroka | 62 | R44 million |
| 200 | Northern Cape | NamakwaZF MgcawuPixley ka SemeJTG | HantamKaroo HooglandRichtersveldKammiesbergNama KhoiMierKareebergJoe Morolong | 47 | R100 million  |
| 23 | North West | Dr.Ruth Sekgomotsi MompatiBojanala | Moses KotaneMoreteleRustenburgKgetlengrivierRamotshere-MoiloaMahikengDitsobotlaRatlou | 185 | R 11.5 million  |
| 164 | Free State | Thabo- MofutsanyaneMangaung-Metro | Maluti A PhofungMangaung MetroNalediNgwatheSetsotoNketoanaXhariep | 120 | R82 million  |
| 16 | Western Cape | Cape WinelandsCentral Karoo | BergrivierWitzenbergPrince Albert | 3 | R1.6 million  |
| 190 | Kwazulu Natal | UthukelaZululandUmkhanyakudeIlembeHarry Gwala | JoziniMtubatubahlabisaUmhlabayingana | 272 | R42 million  |

(2) Tenders for drilling of the specified boreholes have not yet been issued. No service providers have been appointed to date. However my Department has advertised National Bids for Drilling, Testing, and Hydrogeological Consulting Services. The estimated costs per province are as indicated in table 1 above.

(3) Table 2 below indicates existing boreholes to be refurbished per province.

***Table 2: Existing Boreholes to be refurbished per Province***

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| **(3)(a) Number of Boreholes to be refurbished** | **Province** | **District Municipality** | **(3)(b) Local Municipality** | **Number of villages or communities** | **(3)(c) Total Estimated costs** |
| 800 | Limpopo | MopaniSekhukhune | Elias MotswalediMakhuduthamagaTubatseGreater Tzaneen | 935 | R200 million |
| 25 | Eastern Cape | AmatholeJoe GqabiChris HaniAlfred NzoOR Tambo | Ingquza HillMatatieleNtabankuluEmalahleniElundiniMbhashe | 19 | R11.1 million  |
| 96 | Mpumalanga | Gert SibandeNkangalaEhlanzeni | Chief Albert LuthuliThembisile | 67 | R34.2 million |
| 50 | Northern Cape | NamakwaJTG | KammiersbergJoe Morolong | 13 | R25 million  |
| 30 | North West | Dr Ruth Sekgomotsi MompatiBojanala | Moses KotaneMoretele | 180 | R15 million  |
| 123 | Free State | Thabo- MofutsanyaneXhariep | Maluti A PhofungNalediNgwatheSetsotoNketoanaXhariep | 18 | R61.5 million |
| 17 | Western Cape | Cape WinelandsEden | WitzenbergOudtshoorn | 2 | R3.4 million |
| 106 | Kwazulu Natal | UthukelaUmkhanyakude | JoziniMtubatubaHlabisaUmhlabayingana | 150 | R53 million  |

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