

Greater Tzaneen Municipality Mayor, Councillor Gerson Molapisane met with the Community of Ward 19, Nkowankowa today 04 October 2022.

The purpose of the meeting was to discuss about the water crisis facing the community.

The engagement session was aimed at discussing interventions that can alleviate the ongoing water shortage in Nkowankowa.

Inconsistent water supply has left the community of Ward 19's taps dry for nearly a month now leaving residents frustrated.

The Mayor said he will do everything he can to make sure that the responsible people bring back supply and added that loadshedding has thrown a spanner in Works as pumping is disrupted.

"We are doing everything we can to bring back water supply " said the Mayor.

Councillor Sefufi, the MMC for Water at Mopani District Municipality addresses the community and asked them not to destroy their own property. Destroying road because you want water, tomorrow they will be complaining about potholes tomorrow.

Residents are also complaining about water tankers in their area. Complaining that the water is not clean but Councillor Sefufi promised that water tankers are supplying clean water as inspectors do check and make sure that the community gets clean water supply from the water tankers.

"A visit to the plant will be undertaken, and we will proceed to the valves, and open the valves because it looks like some people have closed the valves because they also have water shortages. So it is going to be fixed by opening the valves that were closed.

"There will be discussions between Eskom, Greater Tzaneen Municipality and Mopani District Municipality about the possibility fixing the water crisis.

The recent round of LOADSHEDDING has adversely affected production at the Nkowankowa water treatment plant. The plant is producing between 12 mega litres and 16 mega litres instead on the 24 mega litres capacity.





