

LOWER SUNDAYS RIVER WATER USER ASSOCIATION

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TO: ALL WATER USERS

SUNDAYS RIVER IRRIGATION DISTRICT

NOTICE is hereby given, in accordance with the provisions of the National Water Act no. 36 of 1998 and the Constitution of the Association, that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of all the Water Users will be held in the HALL of the Lower Sundays River Water User Association, SUNLAND, at **15h00 on THURSDAY, 15th OCTOBER 2026**

AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies, if any
3. Confirmation of the Minutes of the previous Annual General Meeting held on the 16th October 2025
4. Chairman's Review
5. Audit Committee Report
6. The Financial Statements for the period ending 30th June 2026
7. Report for operations for 2025/2026 Financial Year
8. General

Yours faithfully

N VENTER
CHAIRMAN OF THE ASSOCIATION

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF WATER USERS HELD AT SUNLAND ON
16th OCTOBER 2025**

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

**N VENTER (CHAIRPERSON)
LG MULLER
W BOUWER**

STAFF:

**MW PRIMMER (CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER)
CA JONKER (OPERATIONS MANAGER)**

WATER USERS:

**MURRAY MIDDLETON
RAY PARKER
WP HUDSON
G JONES (SRVCPF)
J BANNISTER (PKF INC.)**

In terms of the POPI-Act, Mr Primmer informed all present that the meeting is being recorded and enquired whether there are any objections. No objections were received.

1. WELCOME

The Chairperson welcomed all present at the meeting and asked Mr Jonker to open with a prayer.

2. APOLOGIES

BF Joubert, D Joubert, L Greeff, J Jooste

**3. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING HELD ON
3rd OCTOBER 2024**

The minutes were circulated to all Users. Mr Venter proposed that the minutes be accepted and Mr Hudson seconded.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

The report was circulated to all Users and accepted. The chairman gave an overview of the projects the Association was involved in and also mentioned the Boards appreciation of the intensive work that has been performed in order to make the water supply system sustainable and efficient. The chairman also extended his congratulations to the LSRWUA management team for their efforts in assuring the financial sustainability and efficient control of the Associations financial affairs.

5. THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 30TH JUNE 2025

The Financial Statements were circulated to all Users and it was unanimously accepted and approved at the Management Committee Meeting held on 4th September 2025.

Ms. J Bannister from PKF Inc thanked the Association for effort and assistance with the timeous delivery of the documentation required for the audit and also stated that it was an unqualified audit with no major issues. She mentioned that the DWS Procurement and Implementing Agent set of books was handled separately with the necessary controls.

6. REPORT OF OPERATIONS FOR 2024 / 2025 FINANCIAL YEAR

The report was circulated to all Users and unanimously accepted. Appreciation for the amount of maintenance work was once again expressed.

7. GENERAL

Mr Primmer noted that he had also responded to the previous year's queries from Mr Nortje and noted that these had been distributed to all users within a week of the meeting. Mr Primmer once again emphasized that users can contact the Association at any time during the year if they have any issues and the matter will be attended to. Users are strongly encouraged to contact their ward member or the Association directly.

Mr Parker expressed his interest in the Water Use Efficiency of the Association. Mr Primmer responded by noting the quantity of electronic measuring devices owned and operated by the Association situated at strategic points along the canal system. These devices provide real time data on all flows and volumes along the system reaches. In addition, user owned monitoring and measuring devices are accessible to the Association for measurement purposes.

Mr Primmer also confirmed that all sluices are operated by the Association directly and not by the users as in some distribution systems, thus removing a large part of the reliance on external measurement accuracy. Mr Parker expressed his appreciation for the explanation.

Approved and confirmed at a meeting held 15th October 2026

NJ VENTER
CHAIRPERSON

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ANNUAL FINANCIAL & INFRASTRUCTURE REPORT

2025 / 2026

Chairperson's Overview

The 2025/2026 financial year reflects continued growth, responsible financial management and a strong focus on maintaining and improving the Association's irrigation infrastructure. The Association remains committed to supporting its members through reliable water infrastructure, planned maintenance and effective use of available resources.

Building on the progress reported in the previous financial year, the Association continued to prioritise essential maintenance and infrastructure improvements across the canal, syphon, weir and dam systems. The programme below records the key projects undertaken for the new financial year.

2025/2026 Infrastructure & Maintenance Programme

The following projects form the principal infrastructure and maintenance work recorded for the 2025/2026 financial year. The programme includes repairs, replacements, upgrades and new construction.

No.	Area / Project	Work Completed / Undertaken
1	Korhaans Weir	Replace damaged spill plate with concrete.
2	Korhaans Weir	Upgrade access gravel road.
3	Korhaans Weir	Upgrade Rotork actuator.
4	Canal Fencing	Install 300 m palisade fencing along Kirkwood main at Aqua Park.
5	Syphon maintenance – Addo 3.4 / Chrislin	Replace 310 mm x 80 m.
6	Syphon maintenance – Coerney	Service pre-installed mechanical seals x 25.
7	Syphon maintenance – Coerney	Service scour and air valves.
8	Syphon maintenance – Scheepersvlakte	Service scour and air valves.
9	Syphon maintenance – Enon	Replace 1 scour and 5 air valves.
10	Syphon maintenance – Kirkwood 6	Ream 200 m x 450 mm concrete pipe and replace 4 x segments.
11	Syphon maintenance – Wesbank 6	Replace 6 x 450 mm concrete pipes.
12	Syphon maintenance – Wesbank main	Replace screens x 8.
13	Syphon maintenance – Enon	Replace screen and treat frames.
14	Scheepersvlakte dam	Refurbish stop logs and install.
15	Scheepersvlakte dam	Replace long weir sluice assembly.
16	Kylermore 1B canal	Remove and replace concrete transitional concrete steps.
17	Kylermore 1B canal	Install 90 m x 710 mm HDPE pipe with new concrete tie-in chambers.
18	Darlington dam maintenance	Replace 50 x sleeve valve retaining bolts with stainless steel.
19	Kirkwood 12	Replace 180 m concrete canal with 710 mm HDPE pipe (Phase 1).
20	Enon	Construct new waterman shelter.

Key Areas of Work

- **Water control infrastructure:** Repairs and upgrades were carried out at Korhaans Weir, including the spill plate, access road and Rotork actuator.

- **Syphon maintenance:** A programme of valve, screen, pipe and mechanical-seal maintenance was undertaken at Addo, Coerney, Scheepersvlakte, Enon, Kirkwood and Wesbank.
- **Dam infrastructure:** Scheepersvlakte and Darlington dam maintenance included stop-log, sluice and sleeve-valve component work.
- **Canal rehabilitation:** Work included concrete repairs, transitional steps, HDPE pipe installation and the Phase 1 replacement of the Kirkwood 12 canal section.
- **Safety and access:** New palisade fencing and a new waterman shelter were included to improve operational access and site safety.

Financial & Operational Outlook

The continued investment in infrastructure demonstrates the Association's commitment to maintaining a dependable irrigation system for its members. Planned maintenance and targeted replacement of ageing components help reduce operational risks and support the long-term sustainability of the canal and water distribution network.

The Association also acknowledges the contribution of the management team, staff, contractors and members whose cooperation is essential to completing maintenance work efficiently and with minimal disruption to water delivery.

Conclusion

The 2025/2026 programme represents another important year of infrastructure maintenance and improvement. By continuing to invest in repairs, upgrades and new infrastructure, LSRWUA is strengthening the reliability of its water system and laying a sound foundation for future agricultural production.

Watering growth, harvesting abundance.



NICO VENTER
CHAIRPERSON

LSRWUA

AUDIT COMMITTEE REPORT

Financial Year Ended 30th June 2026

Good morning, everyone

It is my pleasure to present the Audit Committee Report for the financial year ended 30th June 2026.

The Audit Committee is appointed by the Board of the Lower Sundays River Water User Association and provides independent oversight of the Association's financial reporting, internal controls, risk management, regulatory compliance, and the work of both the internal and external auditors.

During the past financial year, the Committee focused on five key areas.

1. Financial Reporting

The Committee reviewed the quarterly and annual financial information presented to the Committee and Board, with particular attention to the accuracy, transparency and reliability of the Association's financial reporting.

The Committee also considered the annual financial statements prepared for the year ended 30th June 2026 and the external audit process associated with those statements.

2. Internal Controls and Risk Management

The Committee monitored the adequacy of the Association's internal control environment and risk-management processes and considered matters identified through management and internal audit activities.

Where areas for improvement were identified, the Committee monitored management's responses and corrective actions.

3. Internal Audit

The Committee provided oversight of the internal audit function, including consideration and approval of the annual internal audit plan, review of significant audit findings and recommendations, and monitoring of management's progress in addressing identified matters.

The Committee regards internal audit as an important component of the Association's overall governance and control framework and will continue to monitor the implementation of agreed audit recommendations.

4. External Audit

An important development during the financial year was the appointment of **Moore Auditors** in May 2026 as the Association's external auditors for the financial year under review, replacing PKF.

The change in external auditors was made in the interests of **transparency, independent oversight and sound financial governance**. The appointment provided an opportunity for an independent assessment of the Association's financial reporting and control environment for the year ended 30th June 2026.

The Audit Committee monitored the external audit process and considered the matters raised by the external auditors, together with management's responses and any corrective actions required.

The Committee also considered the independence and objectivity of the external audit function and the quality of the audit process.

5. Compliance and Governance

The Committee monitored the Association's compliance with applicable accounting requirements, legislation, the Association's Constitution and relevant governance principles.

As a Water User Association established under the National Water Act, the Association has important responsibilities towards its members and other stakeholders. The National Water Act provides for the establishment and governance of Water User Associations, while the model constitution provides for the presentation of audited financial statements and an account of the Association's activities to members at a general meeting.

The Audit Committee therefore considers sound financial management, transparent reporting, effective internal controls and appropriate oversight to be fundamental to the continued good governance of the Association.

Overall Assessment

Based on the work undertaken during the year, the Audit Committee is satisfied that **appropriate financial reporting, internal control, risk-management and audit processes are in place and provide a sound basis for the governance and financial oversight of the Association.**

The Committee will continue to monitor the implementation of audit recommendations, strengthen internal controls where necessary, and promote continuous improvement in the Association's governance, financial management and accountability.

The Committee would like to thank the Board, management, internal audit function and **Moore Auditors** for their cooperation and assistance during the year.

We submit this report to the members for noting.

Thank you


J. Jooste
Chairman: Audit Committee

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ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2025 / 2026 FINANCIAL YEAR

1. FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

The 2025 / 2026 Financial Statements have been compiled by newly appointed, independent, external Auditors, **Moore** (Jeffreys Bay Partnership, as a running business and is attached hereto.)

The income for the year was R84,979,190.00 of which R32,986,830.00 was paid to the Department of Water and Sanitation for water use charges.

The operating loss was R4,604,550.00 and the surplus after investment income was R2,412,054.00. The difference was used for daily expenses of the Association.

Budgets have been done in a conservative manner, which included the building of reserve funds for capital and major maintenance expenditure. The Association is still appointed as Procurement and Implementing Agent for DWS projects and income generated will further be used to lighten the maintenance burden of water users.

The influence of any adverse economic situation on the Association is counteracted, to a large extent, by intense management and stringent financial control.

2. POOL SYSTEM – 2025 / 2026

Into the Pool		319.2 Ha (13 Users)
Water bought		233.3 Ha (15 Users)
Amount in the Pool	R707 647.88	
Less 10 % Admin Fee	R 70 764.79	

Amount available for distribution	R636 883.09	
Amount Credited	R636 883.09	

Additional Income	R 0.00	

Income from application fees	R12 329.85
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Tariff per Ha (Sliding scale not applied)	R 2 729.89
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The water use charges for 2025 / 2026 were R3,033.21 / ha for the year, and the credit tariff paid to users who placed water in the pool amounts to R2,729.89 / ha.

Temporary Transfers

Income from application fees	R19 833.90
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Total number of transfers	17
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Total hectares transferred	458.47 Ha
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3. FINANCIAL SUSTAINABLE PROVISION

3.1 RESERVE FUNDS

The bulk of the Association's reserve funds is invested with Momentum to provide capital growth as well as interest and dividend income. These funds are available within days, should it be needed for unforeseen emergencies or capital expenses. This investment continues to provide a steady, good performance in spite of its low risk portfolio.

Sufficient funds are kept in the Association's FNB Money Market accounts to cover contingencies, day to day expenses as well as maintenance to dams, syphons, valves, computerized systems, office upgrades and housing, as budgeted. Any unused funds are invested during the year for relative short periods of time.

Interest is received on investments.

3.2 SUNDRY DEBTORS AND CREDITORS

Sundry Debtors to the amount of R2,964,620.76 (2025: R3,186,859.14) were outstanding of which R1,093,710.00 (2025: R878,998.59) were outstanding for a long time. The amount consists of a new license approved by DWS and a State Department account. Siyahluma Garden Project historic debt is being processed to be written off by DWS and the license re-issued to be utilized. R119,942.37 Billing Agent Commission was outstanding at year end.

3.3 GENERAL

The Association, some time ago, adopted a resolution that the Contingency Reserve Fund should be at least 10,0 % of the total income. In spite of unseasonable rain downpours causing emergency maintenance over and above undertaking a vast amount of maintenance work, this percentage dropped only from 83.9% to 80.3%.

The aging canal system of the Association necessitates more frequent repairs, gradual upgrading and replacement of sections of canals. For this reason, and the fact that failures can occur unexpectedly in spite of regular inspections, it is necessary that reserves continue to be accumulated, to act immediately in such an event, as well as to counteract any sudden increases in charges to the water user.

This favorable position currently has enabled the Association to do a substantial amount of maintenance over the past seven years.



Mr LF Greeff, Chief Financial Officer

4. OPERATIONS AND INFRASTRUCTURE MAINTENANCE



4.1. **SUPPLY SYSTEM**

The Department of Water and Sanitation managed to complete the concrete lined canal at Veeplaats Main which collapsed in May 2017. The Department of Water and Sanitation sealed the downstream “tie-in section” during the May 2025 dry period. With the completion of the newly constructed canal being tied into the existing system, the canal can now be utilized to its full design capacity of 13 Cumec.

Throughout 2025/2026 water year, LSRWUA continuously monitored the canal system while delivering normal flows through the newly constructed canal section, although heavy rains had been received since May 2026, the canal infrastructure has performed well without any indications of instability.



Substantial infrastructure maintenance was conducted by the Association during the 2025/2026 water year. Maintenance activities include Concrete works, Mud and debris removal, Bush clearing and Waterproofing (sealing of joints and lateral cracks).

Canal Waterproofing

The Association extended the waterproofing to another *250-meter* section at Mistkraal Panzi main canal with new sealant technology to remedy continuous leaks that had become progressively worse as the system ages. The performance of the sealant material applied previously was monitored and performed well under severe conditions. The Association has planned to apply this proven waterproofing product on other sections of canal infrastructure in future.

New waterproofing technology has also been extended to other minor canal outlets which were in an unsatisfactory condition. The lifespan of these waterproof canals can now be extended for at least 4-5 years.

Hartmanskrans Embankment

A detailed design project has been implemented to investigate the structural stability of the **Hartmanskrans canal embankment**, this canal is utilized to supply the Summerville area.

Canal inspections have shown that the embankment had moved, and minor slippage had occurred during the monitoring period.

To avoid complete infrastructure failure and while other remedial processes were being evaluated, the Association appointed a specialized sealing contractor to apply Mapei T60 cementitious grout to the high-risk section (205 meters).

In 2025 / 2026 water year the Association budgeted to extend the initial sealing project with another (200 meters) to ensure the canal is stable while other extended methodologies were being evaluated.



Good rains received during the water year unfortunately negatively impacted the earthen embankments. Flood waters from the bordering Sundays River eroded the lower embankment walls allowing the top filled embankment to slip and open large longitudinal cracks to form. Due to this erosion factor, the Association has been forced to investigate numerous options to circumvent this issue.

Syphon Mechanical Services

The Association appointed a mechanical contractor to fully inspect and service all of the air valves and a scour valve on the Coerney syphon as a preventative planned maintenance exercise.

At the same time air valves and the scour valve on Scheepersvlakte syphon were fully inspected and serviced in a planned preventative maintenance procedure.

The McBean syphon scour (1) and air valves (2) were serviced.

Enon syphon was internally inspected and several foreign objects were found blocking the lowest scouring outlet section. The Association removed most of the objects to avoid possible blockages. This is a time-consuming exercise and entailed draining all surplus water from the syphon due to the enormous pipe size and volumes of water to be removed. The exercise will have to be repeated annually during the Winter dry period to as a preventative measure.

Canal Sealing and Waterproofing

The Association has made use of external specialist contractors to conduct necessary joint and crack seal work on the canal infrastructure. During the winter works dry period, over 57 km of joints and cracks were sealed in the systems canals. These figures exclude work done by employees of the Association and work done outside of the dry period.

Critical and high-risk sections on the canal system were sealed along the narrow contoured embankments of the system. This has prevented possible water leaks and embankment disintegration.

Syphon Maintenance

Coerney Syphon

The Association has installed mechanical seals on 25 joints in the Coerney syphon which were noted to have leaked regularly.

The Association also appointed a specialist external contractor to re-tension and inspect those seals which had previously been installed.



Addo 3.4 Syphon

The Association inspected Addo 3.4 syphon which forms part of the normal daily routine checks. The inspection revealed a ground-surface water leak along the syphon, thereafter the Association exposed the syphon in order to affect repairs.



Wesbank 6 Syphon

The Association inspected Wesbank 6 syphon as part of its normal daily routine checks. The inspection exposed a previously hidden water leak along the syphon. The exposure of the leak revealed that 3 x deteriorated segments of the 450mm concrete pre-cast pipe had been compromised. Repairs were done and water supply restored.



Kirkwood 6 Syphon

The Kirkwood 6 syphon of approximately 200 m length, had been blocked by tree roots. Trees along the syphon servitude were removed. The design stream for Kirkwood 6 syphon is $0.1592\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ and the stream was throttled to $0.1\text{m}^3/\text{s}$. The syphon was reamed with specialized equipment and flow capacity restored to the design stream of $0.1592\text{m}^3/\text{s}$.



Kylemore 1B Syphon

The Association replaced 90m of a 630mm diameter concrete syphon. The concrete pipes had deteriorated and reached the end of their useful life. Due to the complexity of the site, a diagonal drilling technology method was used for the installation. Kylemore syphon is in a high risk and densely trafficked area including rail and road traffic with heavy commercial vehicles crossing over the pipe. The project was completed with minimum disruption to traffic.



Kirkwood 12 Canal upgrade to pipe system (Phase 1)

The Association elected to replace the Kirkwood 12 open canal with a sealed pipe after contaminated sewerage water from an adjacent municipal manhole entered the system. In addition, stray cattle added to the pollution of the system leading water to nearby irrigators and general water users. Due to its age, Kirkwood 12 canal needed total replacement. Lateral cracks and several disintegrated concrete panels were discovered which could not be economically repaired.

The most economical technique was to upgrade the open concrete canal system to 710mm HDPE class 6 pipe (180m) in a phased approach. The key reason for selecting a closed pipe for the replacement piping is to prevent future sewerage spillages into the water distribution system. This will allow LSRWUA to supply and distribute an acceptable raw water quality to irrigators.

Phase (1) of the project was complete with success. Phase (2) is budgeted for during 2026 / 2027 financial year



Korhaans Weir Wall Repairs

Korhaans Weir wall 3CR12 stainless steel spill plate was damaged by flood water which reduces the weir's storage capacity by 400mm.

The Association upgraded the damaged metal spill plate to a boxed reinforced concrete structure and is a more sustainable solution in the long-term. The Department of Water & Sanitation approved the upgrade.



4.2. DAMS

Rainfall levels recorded show below average rainfall for the 2025/2026 water year over the Sundays River Valley and Kirkwood area. The Darlington Dam recorded rainfall figures are listed in *Table 5.1*.

The Association conducts quarterly visits to Darlington Dam. Inspection reports record that sleeve valves, maintenance of which is the responsibility of the Department of Water and Sanitation, remain in either a leaking or non-operational state.

Defective and leaking seals on the Stoney flood gates, limits the full supply capacity to a 44.6 %. The level of Darlington Dam is closely monitored by the Association and daily correspondence with operators at Darlington Dam is conducted to ensure satisfactory levels. The dam balance summary for Darlington Dam is listed under *Table 5.2*. Circumstances which relate to Darlington dam remain unchanged by the time of drafting this report.

The Department of Water and Sanitation has removed the butterfly valve at Scheepersvlakte Dam, but has not yet replaced it. The Association has also reported to the Department that the hydraulically operated sluice gates of the dam's outlet is not in an operational state.

On-site discussions indicated that these issues would be addressed once the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro's supply from the west was fully reinstated and Scheepersvlakte Dam could be drawn down. The situation however remains unchanged.

The stop logs which isolate released water from entering the chamber have been removed for service and repairs. Both stop logs have been refurbished (funded by the Association) and installed.

Urgent maintenance work needed to be carried out on the outlet steel pipes. Without the stop logs installed, water cannot be isolated from the concrete outlet chambers. The Association had to temporarily repair the stop logs to complete urgent maintenance repairs on the steel outlet pipes.

Lower Sundays River Water User Association have reported the situation and submitted a quote for replacement to the Department of Water and Sanitation. The Department is responsible for the replacement of infrastructure.



4.3. ORANGE RIVER WATER

Due to the limited inflows from the natural catchment of Darlington Dam via the Sundays River, the water supply system below the dam is fully dependent on the Orange/Fish transfer scheme. The scheme supplies water from the Gariep Dam to Darlington Dam and enables the Association to supply the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro, Kirkwood, Addo, Paterson and Addo National Elephant Park with bulk raw water.

The Gariep and Vanderkloof dams are both in a very healthy state and overflowed during the summer months of the year. The overflowing Gariep Dam and diversions into the inter-basin transfer scheme resulted in Darlington Dam overflowing for a significant portion of the 2025/2026 water year (see the dam balance data listed in *Table 5.2*. The levels of both these dams are listed in *Table 5.3*.

4.4. WATER SUPPLY TO NELSON MANDELA BAY METRO

Several severe droughts and limited bulk water supply from the western supply system of the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro has contributed to the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro's increased reliance on the Sundaysriver canal system. Historically the abstraction from Scheepersvlakte Dam has increased every year for the past few years and the 2025/2026 water year saw the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro abstract approximately 68.145 million m³ (see Table 5.4).

In view of the increased reliance on the canal system the annual maintenance schedule has had to be adjusted to having to scour the system every 2 weeks rather than the ideal weekly interval to allow for critical maintenance and which allows LSRWUA to maintain and refill the dam to levels that allow a seamless and uninterrupted supply to Nooitgedacht water treatment works.

This has been successfully achieved and with minimum impact on the planned maintenance of the subsidiary system, albeit after a considerable period of re-scheduling, planning adjustments and re-allocation of physical and human assets.

4.5. AUTOMATED SYSTEM

The Association currently makes use of 33 remote electronic measuring devices to monitor and measure flow along the system. These devices are located along the system from Darlington Dam to Korhaans Drift Weir and Barkley Bridge and covers the system in its entirety. These devices allow the Association to accurately determine the volumes of water distributed in the system, as prescribed by the Department of Water and Sanitation and allow for a quick control and reaction response to any irregular flows in the system.

The Association budgets annually to develop the telemetry system by installing new measuring devices and to upgrade existing aged equipment.

A new measuring device was installed at Barkley Bridge reject structure. This is to assist the Association in water loss calculations at the tail-end of the scheme.



The Association regularly calibrates the electronic measuring devices to ensure accurate metering of the bulk water discharges.



The Association accumulates data from its Nooitgedacht pipeline measuring apparatus to assist with the operation of Scheepersvlakte Dam and also enables the Association to verify abstraction figures submitted by the Nelson Mandela Bay Metro.

In addition, the Association installed a telemetry logger at the Nooitgedacht Treatment bulk water meter to support NMBM flow monitoring purposes.

The Water Use Efficiency Report was generated using the remote measuring devices described above and is listed under *Table 5.5*. The report reveals an average loss of 13.9 % for the 2025/2026 water year and is well within the international standard. (15%) The report is also submitted to the Department of Water and Sanitation timeously.

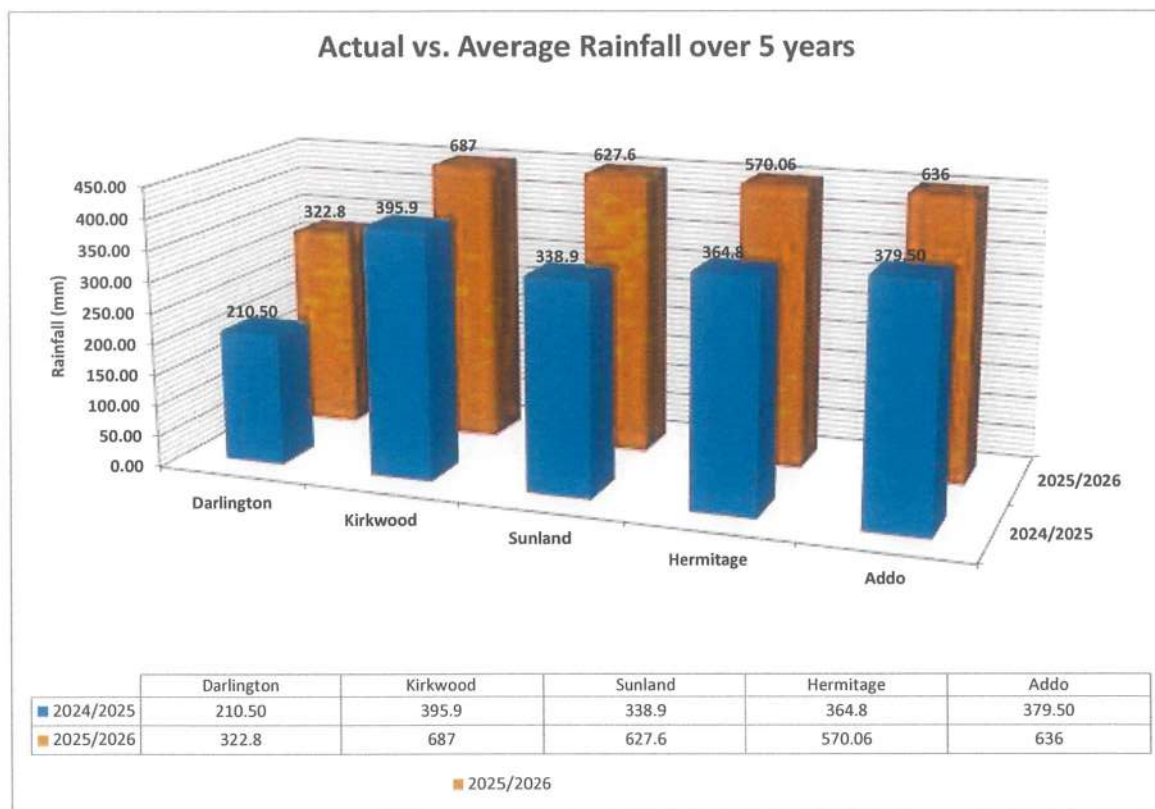
The Lower Sundays River Water User Association would like to thank our users for their assistance in canal maintenance, the reporting of faults and supply issues, and for various other contributions.

5. TABLES

5.1. RAINFALL 2025/2026

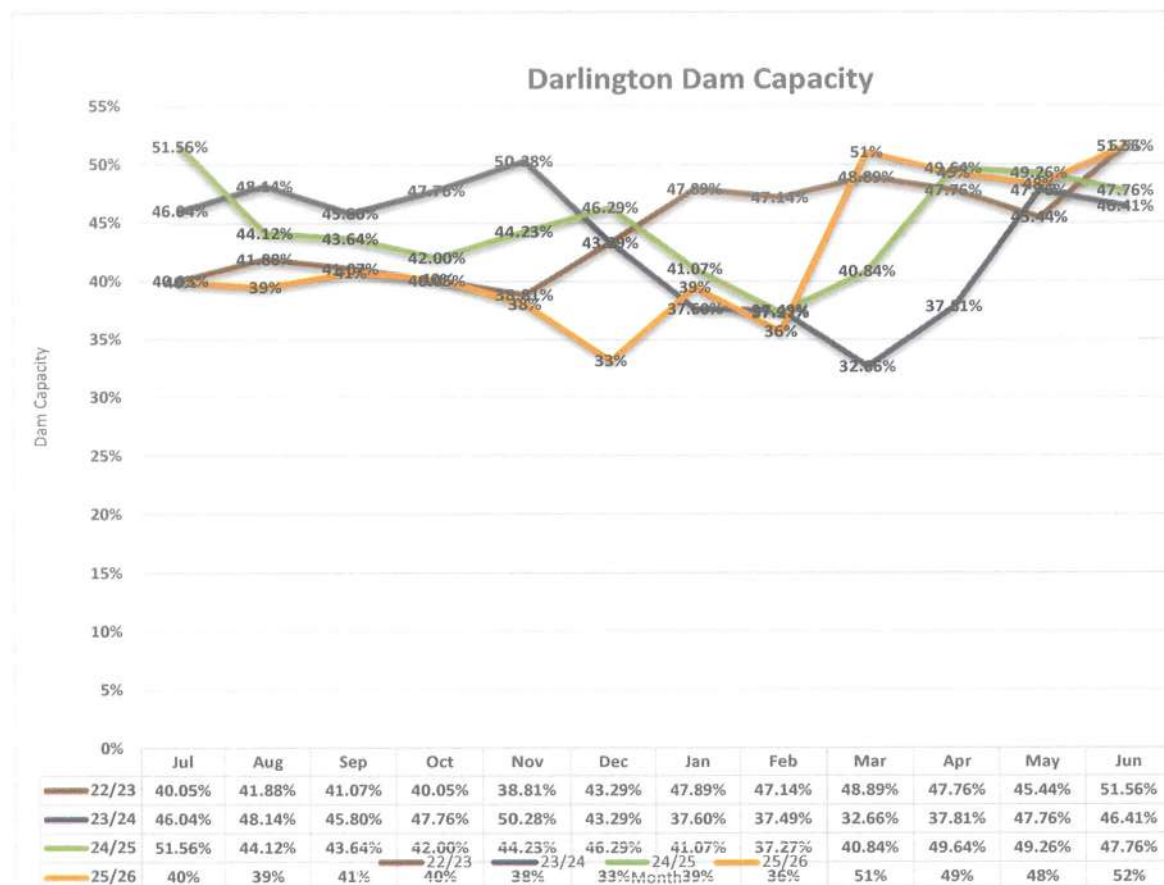
Month	DARLINGTON DAM		KIRKWOOD		SUNLAND		HERMITAGE		ADDO	
	Average	Actual	Average	Actual	Average	Actual	Average	Actual	Average	Actual
Jul	6.3	3.5	15.5	13	14.8	11.3	14.5	6.1	15.8	6.6
Aug	0.5	1.5	6.4	8	11.5	23.5	8.9	13.2	10.3	6.7
Sep	7.3	0	31.3	18.5	28.9	20	28.5	16.1	33.2	21
Oct	19.3	3	60.5	23.5	44.6	12.3	43.7	14.3	55.9	9.1
Nov	7.7	0	25.5	41	36.5	68	18.6	5.1	26.4	25.5
Dec	31.1	40	53	48	22.6	15	38.3	22.8	55.8	80.2
Jan	25.1	0	30	17	30.9	4	24.6	5.4	24.9	5.4
Feb	16.4	86.7	38.4	68	26.8	97.5	31.5	68.76	34	86.8
Mar	50.5	42.5	42.1	49	40	34	41	56.12	36.3	53.6
Apr	19.3	32.4	35.8	47	29.5	81	37.1	53.3	28.2	63.6
May	20.2	52.2	36.1	216	30.5	139	37.5	164.06	33.3	161.4
Jun	6.8	61	21.3	138	22.3	122	40.6	144.82	25.4	116.1
TOTAL^[1]	210.5	322.8	395.9	687	338.9	627.6	364.8	570.06	379.5	636

Year	Darlington (mm)	Kirkwood (mm)	Sunland (mm)	Hermitage (mm)	Addo (mm)
2021/2022	89.5	199.3	209.8	215.8	248.0
2022/2023	197.2	375.3	424.9	408.4	448.7
2023/2024	137.2	463.5	336.5	457.5	399.5
2024/2025	174.9	395.5	286.1	246.2	387.0
2025/2026	322.8	687.0	627.6	570.06	636.0
$\bar{x}$	184.32	424.12	376.98	379.60	423.84



5.2. DARLINGTON DAM BALANCE

Month	Volume mil m ³ 25/26	Percentage % 25/26	Volume mil m ³ 24/25	Percentage % 24/25	Volume mil m ³ 23/24	Percentage % 23/24	Volume mil m ³ 22/23	Percentage % 22/23
Jul	72.211	40%	93.242	51.56%	83.259	46.04%	72.417	40.05%
Aug	71.394	39%	79.775	44.12%	87.045	48.14%	75.735	41.88%
Sep	73.652	41%	78.916	43.64%	82.820	45.80%	74.274	41.07%
Oct	72.621	40%	75.945	42.00%	86.370	47.76%	72.417	40.05%
Nov	68.774	38%	79.991	44.23%	90.916	50.28%	70.178	38.81%
Dec	59.976	33%	83.701	46.29%	78.275	43.29%	78.275	43.29%
Jan	71.394	39%	74.274	41.07%	67.986	37.60%	86.594	47.89%
Feb	64.491	36%	67.397	37.27%	67.789	37.49%	85.252	47.14%
Mar	92.308	51%	73.859	40.84%	59.057	32.66%	88.401	48.89%
Apr	89.083	49%	89.768	49.64%	68.379	37.81%	86.370	47.76%
May	87.269	48%	89.083	49.26%	86.370	47.76%	82.163	45.44%
Jun	93.242	52%	86.370	47.76%	83.921	46.41%	93.242	51.56%



5.3 UPSTREAM DAM LEVELS

Dam	01/07/2025	30/06/2026
Gariiep	4843.7 × 10 ⁶ m ³ (98 %)	4820.6 × 10 ⁶ m ³ (98.31 %)
Vanderkloof	3076.6 × 10 ⁶ m ³ (99.49 %)	3049.1 × 10 ⁶ m ³ (98.6 %)

5.4. NELSON MANDELA BAY METRO MUNICIPALITY - ABSTRACTION

Month	2021/2022 × 10 ⁶ m ³	2022/2023 × 10 ⁶ m ³	2023/2024 × 10 ⁶ m ³	2024/2025 × 10 ⁶ m ³	2025/2026 × 10 ⁶ m ³
Jul	5.047	5.256	5.686	4.940	5.956
Aug	5.076	5.108	5.914	4.724	5.814
Sep	4.740	4.974	5.892	5.654	5.452
Oct	5.072	5.079	5.585	5.847	5.558
Nov	4.929	4.934	5.339	5.883	5.952
Dec	5.205	4.824	5.538	5.939	6.016
Jan	5.162	5.232	5.613	6.010	5.534
Feb	4.961	4.572	5.014	5.433	4.881
Mar	5.314	4.459	6.552	5.983	5.669
Apr	5.342	5.515	6.207	5.297	5.915
May	5.213	5.532	6.220	5.591	5.744
Jun	5.050	3.784	5.801	5.531	5.654
Σ	61.111	59.269	69.361	66.832	68.145