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Department of Water and Sanitation WC to hold South African Youth Water Prize Competition

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The Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) in the Western Cape Province will hold the South African Youth Water Prize (SAYWP) Provincial Competition in George on Saturday the 13th May 2019 under the 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Programme.

SAYWP is a science and technology collaboration between the DWS and the Stockholm Water Foundation in Sweden. The objective of this competition is to promote the protection of the country's natural resources and increase awareness amongst young people.

The programme also exposes and advances the interest of youth in science and technology, while motivating them to pursue water and sanitation careers. This programme is targeted at Grades 9-11 learners who identify problems related to water in their schools and communities, conduct research and come up with innovations recommended to solve the problems.

Learners from George High, Knysna High as well as Chris Hani High will be competing for position one under the theme "Awareness and sustainability of water resource management". The winning school will represent the province during the national competition in Pretoria in May and possibly represent the country in Stockholm, Sweden; during the Stockholm Junior Water Prize competing with more than 27 countries.

Members of the media are invited as follows:

Date : 13 May 2019

Time : 08h00-13h00

Venue : DWS George office, York Street, behind Checkers.

To RSVP contact: Phetho Ntaba on 082 809 2031 and NtabaP@dws.gov.za or SekonyelaM@dws.gov.za

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