

Water Research Commission adopts Moreletaspruit

In celebration of Mandela Day on 18 July, the Water Research Commission (WRC) along with its partners, the Department of Water and Sanitation, Friends of Faerie Glen Nature Reserve, Adopt Moreleta Forum, Friends of Moreletaspruit, and the City of Tshwane launched a clean-up operation on the banks of the Moreletaspruit. The river transects the eastern suburbs of Pretoria. Basic water quality tests were also performed on the river using the miniSASS method, a citizen water health monitoring tool in which the health of a river is determined by the community of macroinvertebrates sampled. As a sign of its commitment to water resource protection, the WRC has adopted the Moreletaspruit catchment, in which it now resides given its new premises at Lynnwood Bridge.



WRC Research Manager, Bonani Madikizela, leads the miniSASS process to determine the health of the Moreletaspruit.



WRC CEO, Dhesigen Naidoo, sampling the Moreletaspruit for macro invertebrates.



Some of the WRC staff who joined the clean-up for the day were Silai Malisha, Keletsang Motsepe, Mapula Mabitsela and Ndileka Nkwenkwezi.