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Damage to Western Cape agri infrastructure estimated at R 1.053 billion

The Western Cape Department of Agriculture (WCDoA) has released an updated assessment of the estimated financial cost of the damages due to the recent severe floods in the Western Cape. An assessment conducted during the period 26 to 30 June 2023 considered damage to primary agriculture sites in the West Coast, Cape Winelands and the Overberg.

Total losses due to damage to Western Cape agriculture infrastructure are being estimated at R 1.053 billion; crop losses alone are estimated at R 278 million. Loss of income (seasonal workers) stands at R 18.7 million.

Officials will, together with the Department of Agriculture, Land Reform and Rural Development, approach the National Disaster Management Centre with the aim of having the flood-damaged areas declared a disaster and unlocking the relevant funding and support that could be provided.

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