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WATER RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY (WARMA)

PRESS STATEMENT

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POTENTIAL FLOOD DETECTED IN KASASYA AREA OF MWANDI DISTRICT

Pursuant to the Water Resources Management Act No 21 of 2011, the Water Resources Management Authority (WARMA), has been constantly monitoring the flow of rivers to understand the water flow behaviour and the likelihood of a flood occurring in various parts of the country. During the 2021/2022 rainy season, WARMA's countrywide surface water monitoring stations alerted and indicated a high likelihood of potential floods in the Western province of Zambia.

The Authority, therefore, wishes to notify the general public that a potential flood has been detected on the Loazamba River, a tributary of the Machile River expected to occur between 14 -16th January 2022. Affected areas are Mwandu District in Kasaya area near the Livingstone-Sesheke road. The magnitude of the flood is expected to be between mild and medium by the 16th of January 2022. Residents around the area are directly advised to take precautionary measures during this period in order to preserve lives and property.

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