

Cuba invests millions to minimize the impact of drought

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The Cuban government has invested over 200 million pesos in recent years in investment and maintenance aimed at minimizing the effects of drought in the country, said a representative of the National Hydraulic Institute in Havana.

Javier Toledo Tapanes, representative of the Hydraulic Institute in Havana, pointed out that the impact affects 120 thousand Havana residents who currently receive water through trucks.

He pointed out almost 2 thousand 700 liters per second less enters the city due to the reduction of the precious liquid in the basins.

Among some of the priorities underway is the recovery of losses registered in the large pipes that is why work is underway in Cosculluela, El Gato, and Cuenca Sur among others, said the directive.

Mercedes Lopez Acea, First Secretary of the Communist Party in Havana said that they are attempting to recover thousands of liters of water with the current work and investment.

The measures that have been taken is aimed at a better management of the use of water and attempt to avoid the most complicated situation in the province, she said.

She also referred to the sanitation work under development to achieve better hygiene in the city and the rain drainage aimed at avoiding flooding in the low lying areas.

Lopez Acea pointed out the importance of the Meteoro exercises to follow-up the sensitive issue for the population and which is top priority for the State.