

**Question for written answer E-004642/2025
to the Commission**
Rule 144
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Subject: Water emergency in western Sicily and delays in the revamping of the Partanna municipal wells

Western Sicily is suffering a major water crisis, with rationing affecting the Province of Trapani in particular and impacting on water, agricultural and food security. There are already several municipal wells in the municipality of Partanna which, if properly fitted out, could contribute significantly to the overall water supply. The wells are still not in operation, despite the fact that the second plan to be adopted¹ on measures to resolve the water emergency provides for a 'revamping of wells not currently in use in the municipality of Partanna' with EUR 600 000 in funding and Siciliacqua S.p.A. as the implementing partner. EU funding under the cohesion policy and common agricultural policy and from the recovery and resilience facility can be used to support water resilience investments in the regions worst affected by drought.

Could the Commission therefore answer the following questions:

1. Is it aware of this situation, of the continuing water crisis in the Province of Trapani in particular, and that the wells in Partanna are still not in operation despite the revamping provided for under Italy's national emergency measures?
2. What steps does it think should be taken to promote a timely and coordinated use of EU water resilience resources in Sicily so that priority is given to swift and workable solutions such as the harnessing of existing wells?

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¹ Pursuant to Civil Protection Order No 1084/2024.