

MASENO UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2015/2016

THIRD YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR SCIENCE IN EARTH SCIENCE WITH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

MAIN CAMPUS

NGA 310: IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

Date: 25th April, 2016

Time: 8.30 - 10.30 am

INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.
- Sketch maps and diagrams should be used whenever appropriate.

NGA 310: IRRIGATION SYTEMS

1. (a) Discuss five major challenges of surface irrigation systems in Kenya.

20 marks

- (b) Examine the components of an irrigation system.
- 10 marks
- 2. Examine the concept of Soil-Plant-Atmospheric Continuum (SPAC). 20 marks
- 3. Explain the process of determining the irrigation water need for a given crop.
- 20 marks 4. Discuss the merits and demerits of using wastewater to irrigate crops
- 5. Examine three methods used to produce an irrigation schedule for a crop.
- 20 marks 6. Discuss the management and conservation of water appropriate for surface irrigation systems.

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