Here is what they do:

- Build cisterns to collect rainfall.
- Buy water from privately owned water tankers.
- Use natural local springs.

The IDF doesn't approve the construction of new cisterns. Water holes which are built without permits are frequently destroyed or sealed by the army.

With 43 percent of the residents living under the poverty line, plus the occasional roadblocks, water purchases are a heavy financial burden.

Many springs are deteriorating, others have been seized by settlers. The taking of the Al Qaus spring led to the ongoing, violently repressed demonstrations in the village of Nabi Saleh.

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