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District Development Model to be launched in Waterburg District

Government has successfully piloted the District Development model at the OR Tambo District Municipality in Lusikisiki which has elements of rural spatial development and recently, eThekweni Municipality in Durban which has elements of urban spatial development.

The District Development Model is a new integrated planning model for Cooperative Governance which seeks to be a new integrated, district-based, service delivery approach aimed at fast-tracking service delivery and ensure that municipalities are adequately supported and resourced to carry out their mandate.

A final launch of the pilot phase will be held at Waterberg District on 26 November in Lephalale which has elements of mining spatial development. The Waterberg area is the largest production area of platinum in the province of Limpopo and the mining of coal and petroleum development in Lephalale has increased demand for the commodity for electricity generation. Lephalale also has a variety of agricultural activities taking place around it including game farming, livestock farming and irrigated agriculture and it contributes to the economic development of the district and province.

The District Development Model has been approved by government structures, including Cabinet to integrate service delivery that will be more practical, achievable, implementable, measurable and clearly aligned to the key priorities of the government. The model seeks to change the face of rural and urban landscapes by ensuring complementarity between urban and rural development, with a deliberate emphasis on local economic development.

Members of the media are invited to apply for accreditation to cover the Waterberg District Development Model which will be held in Lephalale on 26 November 2019.

Media applying for accreditation are required to complete the attached registration form in full and send it to Takalani Mukwevho on takalanim@gcis.gov.za or Maria Ramoshaba on mariar@gcis.gov.za.

The deadline for the submission of accreditation details is Tuesday, 19 November 2019 at 12h00.

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