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A Sigh of Relief for Motorists Passing Moria as Memorandum of Agreement is Signed

Motorists and pedestrians near Moria, Boyne, within the Polokwane Local Municipality will soon breathe a sigh of relief following the signing of the Memorandum of Agreement (MoA) between the Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) and South African National Roads Agency (SANRAL), for the construction of a new road interchange that leads to the St Engenas Zion Christian Church.

The signing of the milestone agreement by the two agencies which took place today, Friday, 19 August 2022, was led by the Premier of Limpopo, Mr. Chupu Stanley Mathabatha, who expressed his delight on the benefits associated with the project. Premier Mathabatha also highlighted that the project demonstrates government's commitment to changing people's lives through infrastructure delivery.

Premier Mathabatha said: "R71 is one of the busiest roads in the province as it links communities to many economic centres in the province. The completion of the project will significantly reduce road accidents and create job opportunities for the target communities."

The road interchange will connect traffic to R71 and D4020 leading to St Engenas ZCC and surrounding villages. R71 is owned by SANRAL whereas the D4020 is under RAL. The implementation of the project is planned to commence in 2023/24 financial year for a period of 15 months.

In his words of support, Mr Themba Mhambi, Chairperson of the SANRAL Board, conceded: "RAL is one of the best road agencies in the country that we have worked with. Together with RAL we have overseen many projects that have had major impact in the province. We are in support of this St Engenas ZCC project, which will bring a major change to the church and nearby villages."

Speaking on behalf of the St Engenas ZCC, Mr Piet Lekganyane, assured both RAL and SANRAL of the church's unwavering support to ensure successful completion of the project. "The construction of the interchange will go a long way in facilitating the safe movement of traffic adjacent into the Holy City which we have been grappling with for a long time," Lekganyane added.

Amongst those who witnessed this august occasion were the MEC for Limpopo Department Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Ms Nkakareng Rakgoale, MEC

for Provincial Treasury, Mr Seaparo Sekoati, Chairperson of the RAL Board of Directors, Mr Matome Ralebipi and CEO of RAL, Mr Gabriel Maluleke.

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