Media Advisory

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TRANSPORT MINISTER OFFICIALLY OPENS MULTI-MILLION RAND NATIONAL ROAD IN LIMPOPO

PRETORIA – The Minister of Transport, Ms Sindisiwe Chikunga, will officially open the R37 national road in Burgersfort, Limpopo Province to round off the October Transport Month campaign of the Department for 2023.

The Department, through SANRAL, has invested approximately R780-million for the upgrading of the project between Burgersfort and Polokwane to address increasing traffic volumes and road safety concerns while also making connectivity possible. The 25-kilometre project is part of the 18 SANRAL-led rehabilitation projects in the Sekhukhune District Municipality.

The aim of the OTM closing initiative along the R37 is to showcase infrastructure built that connects rural areas and Central Business Districts (CBDs) thus enabling socio-economic activity for communities.

In addition to the opening of R37, Minister Chikunga will also distribute Shova Kalula bicycles to the identified learners around the Sekhukhune District Municipality.

The details of OTM 2023 closing activities are as follows:

PART A - LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATION ALONG THE R37 ROAD:

Date:	Friday, 03 November 2023
Time:	07h30
Venue: R37)	R37 Road (not far from Pulane Maroga Community Trust, along the

PART B – OFFICIAL OPENING OF R37 ROAD:

Date: Friday, 03 November 2023

Time: 12H300

Venue: R37 National Road (not far from Pulane Maroga Community Trust, along the R37)

PART C – COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND SHOVA KALULA PROGRAMME:

Date:Friday, 03 November 2023Time:11H00 AMVenue:Ga-Maroga Tribal Precinct, Fetakgomo – Tubatse Local Municipality,Burgersfort, Limpopo

Transport will be arranged for members of the media requiring transport from Polokwane.

Members of the media are requested to confirm their attendance with Hendrik Tolomo on 067 410 4329 / Hendrik.tolomo@fticonsulting.com / Ivy Masale 076 4789 5538 / masalei@dot.gov.za or Tshegofatso Maake on 063 281 9453 / maaket@dot.gov.za

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