

MEDIA STATEMENT

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MEC ANNOUNCES EIGHT ROADS TO BE DESIGNED IN WATERBERG DISTRICT

Limpopo MEC for Public Works, Roads and Infrastructure, Tonny Ernest Rachoene, is advancing his commitment to improve road infrastructure across the Waterberg District following his pronouncement during the Department's 2026/27 Budget Vote. The MEC's initiative marks an important step towards addressing road infrastructure needs beyond Mogalakwena Local Municipality by initiating the design process for eight (8) road upgrade projects, each covering approximately five-kilometre stretch across five local municipalities: Modimolle-Mookgophong, Bela-Bela, Thabazimbi, Lephalale and Mogalakwena.

The identified roads to be designed are:

- Road D924: R101 towards Nylsvlei Nature Reserve
- Road D536: Vingerkraal Road
- Road D1660: Pienaars River
- Road D928: Thabazimbi towards Rooiberg
- Road D2748: R33 near Mohlaka Mothala School towards Alma
- Road D1347: R518 towards Bangalong
- Road D1754: Mmaletswi to Reabetswe
- Road D3578: Setupolane towards Ga-Mathapo

MEC Rachoene called on the Department and Roads Agency Limpopo (RAL) to work together in supporting the initiative and ensuring that the process progresses effectively. He also urged the appointed engineering professionals to deliver quality, technically sound designs while encouraging communities to cooperate with the experts and participate constructively in the consultation process.

"We must work together to ensure that these projects are properly planned and that our professionals deliver quality designs that respond to the needs of our communities. I encourage our communities to work with the experts and allow them to apply their knowledge and expertise as we lay the foundation for better roads and improved connectivity."

The Executive Mayor of Waterberg District Municipality, Cllr Jack Maeko, expressed his appreciation, welcoming the initiative and its potential to address road infrastructure needs across the district.

This initiative reinforces the Department's commitment to expanding the pipeline of road projects, improving access to essential services, connecting communities and supporting local economic development throughout Limpopo. In attendance, were the Mayors of the five Local Municipalities in the Waterberg District including the Chief Executive Officer of Roads Agency Limpopo.

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