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MEC CELE TO OFFICIATE THE OPENING OF TWO MASSIVE PROJECTS IN BERGVILLE

The KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Bheki Cele will officiate the opening of the Thonyelane and Okhombe vehicle bridges in Bergville on Friday (19/10/07) at Ikhombe Primary School at 09:00.

These two projects are aimed at improving infrastructural services geared towards development for 2010 readiness and furthermore to create bridge accessibility to public services in the rural areas. Approximately R17 million was spent on these two projects which also included the reconstruction of the surrounding roads.

These two bridges will serve the community of Okhombe and Sandlwana area as well as two primary schools within the area. This upgrade is subsequent to the Bergville Rural Road Transport Forum (RRTF) who identified Oqholweni and Thonyelane as one of their priorities.

"As government we are committed to providing safe bridge access for all road users, to community services such as clinics and schools and also to increase the wealth and quality of all citizens of the province" said Cele.

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