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## **Media Advisory**

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### **MEC NKONYENI ANNOUNCES THE RELOCATION OF ROSSBURGH LICENCING OPERATIONS TO PINETOWN DUE TO FLOODING DAMAGE**

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Ms Neliswa Peggy Nkonyeni has announced the relocation of the Rossburgh Driver License Testing Centre (DLTC) services to Pinetown after the DLTC was damaged in the recent floods.

Today (Monday, 25 April 2022), MEC Nkonyeni undertook a visit to assess the damage at Rossburgh and was briefed by the management team.

The Centre was completely damaged due to recent floods. The Information Technology equipment with the National Traffic Information System (eNaTiS) system is completely damaged. Nine patrol vehicles belonging to the Department were also damaged.

The station is the third largest in the country and is processing more than 32 000 applications a month. The most critical services offered include learner's licenses, drivers' licenses, license renewals and Professional Driving Permit (PRDP).

After conducting the inspection MEC Nkonyeni, announced that services will temporarily be relocated to the Pinetown DLTC.

"This is the biggest station in the province hence we have taken the decision to prioritize attending to its challenges. The recent floods completely destroyed many key work areas of the centre and it will remain closed. We have agreed that Pinetown will be used for issuing licences. The bookings that have already been made in Rossburgh will continue in Pinetown during the weekends. We deeply apologize for the inconvenience caused to our

applicants, but we wish to assure them that we are doing all we can to restore the services,” said Nkonyeni.

The Road Traffic Management Corporation (RTMC) will assist the department in setting up the ENATIS line in Pinetown whilst the assessment to the damage is being conducted.

The Department of Transport is engaging with the Department of Public Works in procuring temporary office accommodation to ensure that service delivery is not affected.

This is the third time in recent times where the station has been flooded. As a long-term solution, the Department is also looking at the possibilities of relocating the entire offices to an area where it will not be in a danger of always getting flooded.

Nkonyeni said the licensing section is the most important as the country is chasing the backlog after the COVID-19 and the subsequent extension by the Minister of Transport.

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