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MEC SIPHO HLOMUKA TO HANDOVER TO A R77 MILLION CONTRACTOR TO REPAIR FLOOD DAMAGED MAIN ROAD R74 LINKING KWADUKUZA – KWAMAPHUMULO – KRANSKOP AND GREYTOWN

As part of honouring the commitment of fixing all strategic infrastructure that were damaged by floods, the KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport led by MEC Sipho Hlomuka, will on Tuesday (06 September 2022) hand over to a contractor in KwaMaphumulo under iLembe District Municipality.

The contractor will commence work on main road R74, which is linking KwaDukuza, KwaMaphumulo, Kranskop and Greytown. The project is strategic for the provincial economy as it is used by lots of heavy vehicles to transport agricultural produce.

The project was damaged during the December 2021 floods when an Armco pipe culvert was washed-away. This resulted in a huge sinkhole and other failures.

The road had to be totally closed for the safety of motorists and an engineering investigation was commissioned by the Department. The investigation revealed a far deeper problem and recommended that a permanent structure (bridge be built in this section) as a long-term solution.

The contract value for the construction of a new structure is R77 million. Through this contract, local contractors will also benefit, and jobs will be created.

The details of the contractor handing over are as follows:

DATE : TUESDAY, 06 SEPTEMBER 2022
VENUE : MAPHUMULO TOWN HALL
TIME : 13H00

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