



Media Advisory

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MEC HLOMUKA HEADS TO MVOTI FOR OPERATION SIYAHLOLA OF WELISIZWE BAILEY BRIDGES AND ROLL OUT OF OPERATION SIYAZENZELA

Local communities in Kranskop under Mvoti Local Municipality in Emakhabeleni will soon be able to reach neighbouring places with ease during rainy seasons.

This is due to the ongoing rollout of the Welisizwe Rural Bridges Programme that is aimed at providing safe access to social amenities and further respond to potential disaster areas and emergency disaster situations. The intervention is done through the construction of modular steel bridges.

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison Sipho Hlomuka will tomorrow, 30 March 2023 under Operation Siyahlolela conduct assessment of four of these modular steel bridges that have been built under Mvoti Local Municipality.

These includes Nophethu Skhova, which has now been completed and is ready to be handed over to the community and Emakhabeleni Dimane which is nearing completion as it is left with backfilling on both home and away banks and planting of road signs. Two other modular steel bridges Emakhabeleni Mandlalati and Nophethu Mhlabathini are still in the early stages of construction.

The construction of these bridges is part of a partnership between the Department of Public Works and Infrastructure, Department of Defence and KwaZulu-Natal Department of Transport.

In addition, MEC Hlomuka will also lead the rollout of Operation Siyazenzela which focuses on the maintenance of our gravel roads.

MEC Hlomuka will be accompanied by local and traditional leaders.

Members of the media are invited to attend this engagement planned as follows:

DATE: 30 March 2023

VENUE: Vukaphansi Sportsfield (ward 6), uMvoti Local Municipality

TIME: 11h00

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