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MEC SIPHO HLOMUKA OFFICIALLY OPENS A R56 MILLION ROAD PROJECT IN LOSKOP – ESTCOURT

As part of connecting rural towns and improved connectivity, the KwaZulu-Natal MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka, today (30 May 2023) officially opened D1252 located in Loskop under Inkosi Langalibalele Local Municipality.

The project was upgraded from gravel to blacktop and was constructed at a value of R56 million.

The project serves as a link to the N3, which is strategic in linking eThekweni and Johannesburg.

The road also provides a link to P10, which is providing access to the Drakensburg and other tourism routes.

In addition to D1252, MEC Hlomuka also announced the maintenance of local roads at an investment value of R14 million.

The construction of these projects have created jobs for the local unemployed youth and also benefitted local emerging contractors.

Commenting after addressing thousands of community members in Nkomokazini in Ward 4 Hlomuka said:

"This road is part of the commitment to improve and develop towns. This road is important in restoring the dignity of the people and local businesses. The investment of R56 million has restored hope to the people of iNkosi Langalibalele local municipality. Young people will continue to be prioritized in our infrastructure projects. We are determined to create jobs and end poverty."

Thursday, 01 June 2023 – MEC Hlomuka will launch the construction of a major bridge linking uMsinga and iNquthu. The Buffalo river bridge will be constructed at an award value of more than R78 million. This will be coupled with the commissioning of the motor license services which the Department has approved to uMsinga local municipality to assist local motorists and dealerships.

Friday, 02 June 2023 – MEC Hlomuka will launch a massive rehabilitation project of R580 million P359 known as Marine Drive, linking Port Shepstone, Margate and other strategic tourism nodes in the area. This project will see mass employment of unemployed youth and emerging contractors are going to benefit.



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Saturday, 03 June 2023 – MEC Hlomuka will launch the construction of Cabane River bridge in the area of uMzimkhulu in Harry Gwala District. The bridge will be constructed at an investment of R34 million.

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