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## **Media Advisory**

Thursday, 1 June 2023

## MULTI-MILLION UPGRADE OF P395 (MARINE DRIVE) SET TO BOOST THE BUSINESS AND TOURISM INDUSTRIES IN THE SOUTH COAST

In a massive bid to boost tourism in the South Coast the MEC for Transport, Community Safety, and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka will tomorrow (Friday, 02 June 2023) launch a massive rehabilitation project of P395 (Marine Drive).

This R580 million project is set to breathe new life into the town of Port Shepstone under the Ray Nkonyeni Local Municipality by generating revenue and uplifting the business and tourism sector.

Over 25 kilometres of the road commonly known as Marine Drive, will be rehabilitated between Southbroom and Port Shepstone over a period of 30 months.

P395 serves as an alternate route to the N2. It also connects local roads, which lead to communities and the beach.

This project will also see mass employment of unemployed youth with emerging contractors set to benefit.

MEC Hlomuka will be accompanied by Mayors, traditional leaders, leaders of the business community and members of the interfaith.

The details of the event are as follows:

Date: 02 June 2023

Venue: Port Shepstone Civic Centre

Time: 10H00

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