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## **Media Advisory**

## Thursday, 07 March 2024

## MEC SIPHO HLOMUKA TO HAND OVER A MULTI-MILLION RAND CONTRACTOR FOR REHABILITATION PROJECT ON MAIN ROAD P487, MPHOPHOMENI RIVER, IN KWACEZA UNDER ULUNDI LOCAL MUNICIPALITY

As part of government's ongoing efforts to rebuild infrastructure that was damaged by the KwaZulu-Natal floods, the MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Sipho Hlomuka will tomorrow, 08 March 2024 introduce a multi-million Rand contract to undertake heavy rehabilitation of Main Road P487.

P487 is located on the Mphophomeni River linking Ulundi and Vryheid townships. P487 has been affected by the ongoing heavy floods, which led to the collapse of Armco Pipes.

Following an assessment by the Department it was resolved that a Concrete Box Culvert would be built at a length of 19,3 km. The rehabilitation of this road is expected to cost R36 million and will be completed within 20 months. Over 30 job opportunities will be created with local businesses benefiting from subcontracting.

Construction, which will cost R36 million, will commence this month with the project anticipated to be completed within 20 months.

MEC Hlomuka will be accompanied by local and traditional leadership.

Members of the media are invited to cover the launch, which will take place as follows:

Date: Friday, 08 March 2024

Venue: Vungu Sports Ground - KwaCeza

Time: 11h00 am

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