

Heavy rain, hail, and strong winds triggered by the cut-off low-pressure system have affected several road networks and human settlements in various parts of KwaZulu-Natal: Duma receives updates about the implementation of the Flood Response Plan and requests motorists and members of the public to be vigilant.

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Inkosi Mhlabunzima Maphumulo House: We have roving teams from Human Settlements, the Road Traffic Inspectorate and Operation Shanela monitoring road networks and human settlements in various parts of the province.

In particular, various areas in eThekweni Municipality have already been hit by severe thunderstorms accompanied by hail, rain, and strong winds. These severe weather patterns have been triggered by the cut-off low-pressure system.

Being a payday, the 15th of September, we understand that there will be an increase in traffic volumes and movement of members of the public. We request motorists to exercise extra caution. Motorists must reduce speed and maintain the following distance.

We are cautioning road users about slippery roads and poor visibility during such severe weather patterns.

Our highly efficient RTI team has been deployed in various strategic routes to monitor and directing traffic where necessary.

Working with municipalities and other relevant government departments, Human Settlements teams are monitoring high-risk areas and will also intervene quickly, where necessary, to assist communities in distress.

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