

MEC & MAYOR TURN THE SOD OF 43 KM ROAD IN TIBERIUS

TIBERIOUS: Community members of Tiberius and surrounding villages in Mogalakwena Municipality have witnessed the official Sod Turning ceremony for the construction of Road D3556 from the N11 to D3537 at Bashitwa Sports ground.

The Mogalakwena Municipal Council led by Mayor Cllr Andrina Matsemela were hosting Limpopo Department of Public Works, Roads & Infrastructure MEC Honourable Jerry Ndou and RAL CEO Maselaganye Matji for the ceremonial handover/Sod Turning Project of the above mentioned road. The sod turning follows a promise made by MEC Ndou during the last financial year budget speech.

Mogalakwena Mayor Cllr Andrina Matsemela indicated that the significant milestone and multi-million rand project will see the reconstruction of the 43 kilometre road which will serve more than 10 villages that are currently subjected to run-down road conditions in their area.

The villages that will benefit from the upgraded Rietfontein Road (D3556 to D3537) are Mphehello, Kgopeng, Dipeach, Ramosesane, Malapile, Matebeleng, Taolome, Clermont, Vlakfontein and Pudiakgopa.

“We would like to thank the Limpopo Department of Public Works, Roads & Infrastructure led by MEC Ndou and RAL CEO Mr Matji for reaching consensus about this road we are about to start constructing. The construction of this road will obviously create jobs for our people,” said Mayor Matsemela.

MEC Ndou indicated that the road construction will start sometime in September 2017 and thanked the Tiberius community for their patience.

“We appeal to the community not to stop the project, if there are problems in this project we advise you to take the matter up with the Project Steering Committee PSC's which will escalate the matter to the relevant authorities,” said MEC Ndou.

“Contractors should consider unemployed community members when the project starts. We have budgeted 382 million for this project for the tar road, to benefit the local business people to supply the contractor and to train youth in different skills,” added MEC Ndou.

Roads Agency Limpopo's (RAL) responsibilities are to plan, design, upgrade, maintain, own and control the usage of Limpopo Provincial roads and their reserves.