

## WATER SECURITY AND ROAD INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

MOKOPANE: Mogalakwena Local Municipality wishes to inform residents and stakeholders that the Technical Services Department developed and implemented a Water Master Plan some time ago and currently, the plan is in use and is also showing positive outcomes. The Water Master Plan was developed in order to deal with the existing water supply problems, as well as future water demand in the proposed areas for extension.

Through the implementation of various water infrastructure projects under this plan, the municipality has significantly reduced the impact of water shortages across affected communities. Where necessary, the municipality continues to supplement supply through the deployment of water tanker trucks, ensuring that residents have access to water while permanent solutions are maintained and strengthened. The ongoing success of the Water Master Plan demonstrates the municipality's commitment to sustainable water provision and long-term service delivery.

In the meantime, Mogalakwena Local Municipality has also developed a new Integrated Roads Master Plan to repair, maintain and rehabilitate municipal roads and streets. As outlined by the Mayor during the State of the Municipality Address (SOMA), priority will be given to roads leading to schools, health facilities, traditional leaders' residences, main roads, cemeteries and other government facilities.

The municipality will commence with road rehabilitation work once weather conditions are favourable, as the current rainy season affects the quality and durability of roadworks. The initial phase of the plan includes roads in Masodi and Masehlaneng, which have been identified as high-priority and high-traffic routes. The programme will then extend to peri-urban areas such as Masodi, Sekgagapeng and Masehlaneng, including Dudu Madisha Street from Sekoting Tavern to the R518 Morula View, as well as other identified roads.

Furthermore, the municipality is at an advanced stage of engagements for the signing of Social and Labour Plan (SLP) agreements with local mining houses. These agreements will support the rehabilitation of existing roads and the construction of new tarred roads. One of the planned projects includes the Ga-Mitchell to Moshupsa Primary School road, as well as additional roads within mining-affected communities.

These initiatives build on previous infrastructure successes, including the rehabilitation of Dudu Madisha Street in 2021 and reaffirm the municipality's commitment to im