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Gauteng Government officially opens the revamped R114 Road

Gauteng Premier David Makhura together with the MEC for Public Transport and Roads and Infrastructure, Jacob Mamabolo, today officially opened the revamped R114 Road (P39 Road) project located between the cities of Johannesburg and Mogale.

The R114 Road serves as a major artery between the City of Joburg and the North West Province and provides an alternative to the N14 freeway.

Works included the rehabilitation of the road surface and reconstruction of its intersection with Cedar Road to improve safety in the area.

Other works included the construction of edge beams; reinstating road markings and damaged signs, repairing guardrails; cleaning the road reserve; cleaning and repairing drainage structures as well as constructing new ones.

Speaking at the ribbon cutting event, Premier David Makhura said roads are important catalysts for investment and unlocking economic growth.

"We remain committed to providing good quality roads across the province. The West Rand is one of the regions with infrastructure backlogs and we have intensified efforts to deliver infrastructure projects that will drive economic growth in the area. We also need renewable energy sources and smart technologies that will assist us to boost the economy, attract investors and create jobs," Makhura said.

The Premier cautioned against project stoppages, saying they only serve to delay service delivery and job creation opportunities.

MEC Mamabolo said that the refurbished road will provide relief to roads users, improve mobility, reduce travel times, enhance driving experience as well as facilitate easy access to business, residential and agricultural estates.

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