

## 2022 Transport Month Launched in Sopop, Brits...

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The Department of Public Works and Roads (DPWR) today launched the `` **2022 October Transport Month**" campaign for the province with the opening of the rehabilitated section of the road from Brits to Sonop in Madibeng Local Municipality.

The provincial launch, comes at the back of the national launch of the `` **2022 October Transport Month**" by Transport Minister, Fikile Mbalula, in Pretoria a week ago.

North West has had the privilege to host back-to-back national Transport Month event launches by Minister Mbalula in 2020 and 2021.

The events coincided with the opening of the newly constructed bridge project in the rural village of Madidi outside Mabopane (2020) and followed by the labour intensive project launch of **S'hamba Sonke** on the refurbishment of three bridge projects held in Dr Kenneth Kaunda District a year later.

The provincial `` **2022 October Transport Month**" programme was on site the completed Phase II, of the Road (D1263) which is approximately 12.5km between Brits town to Sonop.

The Brits to Sonop road project, is one of the eight (8), hand-picked by the department as ready for official opening to celebrate Transport Month activities this year.

## The others are:

- Upgraded of road P66/1 (Kgomo Kgomo to P65/1) and road D614 / Z614 (P65/1 to Lebotlwaane to Tlholwe) Ga Habedi) (43km) Phase 2 (10km).
- Upgrading from gravel to surface standard of road D479 from Khunotsoana village to T-Junction of N4 and Tweefontein (27km) Phase 2 (15km)
- Upgrading of the Dwarsberg Derdepoort road P124/1 (Dwarsberg Limpopo 19km) Road D53 (P124/1 to Molatedi 18.8km) including 50% bridge widening Phase 2 Approximately 11.4km from road P124/1 to Molatedi village.



Other low-key activities will take the form of sod-turning ceremonies, expected to be coupled with the hand-over of projects to contractors appointed to do either special maintenance, pothole patching and reseal on some of the identified roads elsewhere in the province.

The department is currently in the process of finalising dates for the sod turning and introduction of contractors to communities and stakeholders for the following road projects which are expected to be awarded before end of October:

- Special Maintenance of road D109 (Bethanie) from P511 to R511 in Brits
- Pothole patching and reseal of road D980 (K8) between Brits and Rosslyn including intersection improvement and R512 approximately 21.5km (Safety Improvement)
- Special maintenance on Critical sections of Road P2/4 (R104) from Majakaneng to Hartbeespoort
- Special maintenance on sections of road D414 between Makgobistad through Logagane, Makgori to Tshidilamolomo approximately 46km

## **Ends**

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