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MEC YAWA TO ENGAGE WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

North West MEC for Public Works, Honourable Howard Yawa and Executive Managers in his department are to engage with women in construction at 8H30 -14H00 on 4 August 2006 at the Institute of Hotel and Tourism Management (Hotel School-near Mmabatho Tusk) in Mafikeng.

The Dialogue convened in partnership with the North West Chapter of the South African Women in Construction and North West Women's Chamber is aimed at evaluating women involvement and participation in the construction sector and to highlight opportunities available for women in the construction industry through programmes of the North West Department of Public Works.

Among issues to be discussed are progress report on implementation of Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Act and the Preferential Procurement Framework Act, Provincial Growth and Development Strategy, benefits for women in ASGISA, material supply, financial support and contractor incubator programme and requirements for Construction Industry Development Board registration.

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