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MODIMONG EPWP PROJECT EMPOWERS LOCALS

The First Phase of the 19,1 kilometres Road Upgrading and surfacing Project between Khibicwane, Mamashokwane and Moseja villages in Taung has created much needed job opportunities in the impoverished communities and injected life into the rural economy.

The 6,8 kilometres labour intensive road upgrading and surfacing project currently under construction between Khibicwane and Cokonyane village has thus far created two hundred and forty jobs for unemployed locals, empowered twelve local tractor owners and injected life into the local economy.

Local tractor owners earn an average of ten thousand rands per month each from the R11, 5 million projects and their involvement in the project is expected to continue into the second phase, which is expected to commence in May.

After visiting the projects recently, North West MEC for Public Works said, " Our integrated approach in the implementation of the Expanded Public Works Programme (EPWP) has given hope for sustainable livelihoods to previously marginalised rural communities ".

The Modimong EPWP Project is part of the Taung Development Programme, which is one of the North West „s Five Special High Impact Programmes that are to contribute towards Accelerated and Shared Growth Initiative for South Africa (ASGISA).

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