



SAFE ROADS TO PROSPERITY

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MEDIA RELEASE

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SUBJECT: UPDATE ON THE ROADS IN THE SOUTHERN PART OF THE COUNTRY

The Roads Authority (RA) hereby updates the public on the status of the damaged roads in the southern part of our country, after heavy rains during the past few days.

Road users are kindly requested to exercise extreme caution when travelling on the following affected roads:

- **B1 route (Trunk Road TR 1/2): Grünau to Keetmanshoop road**

TR 1/2 at kilometer (km) 121 near Guruchab River Bridge, the eastern road shoulder has been extensively damaged. The road is open to traffic but we have erected road signs to warn the road users about the damaged section. The road is narrow, kindly exercise extreme caution.

- **Main Road (MR) 27 or tourist Route C16: From Keetmanshoop to Aroab**

The Stampriet River has flooded this road and caused extensive damage to the sections near the Stampriet River Bridge, hence the road has been closed temporarily to all traffic.

- **Main Road 22 (MR 22) & District Road 271 (D271): Gravel roads from Noordoewer to Karasburg**

Both roads are closed temporary to traffic due to serious wash aways at river crossings and a collapsed culvert on MR 22. Roads users from Noordoewer to Karasburg are urged to use the tarred road via Grünau.

- **Homs River Bridge in Warmbad on District Road 210 (D210)**

D210 is closed temporary to traffic due to the damage to the bridge near Warmbad.

- **Main Road 30 (MR 30) or tourist Route C17: From Keetmanshoop to Koës**

A portion on this road was severely damaged, hence, the road has been closed temporary to all traffic.

- **Main Road 29 (MR 29): gravel road from Keetmanshoop to Mariental via Vaalgras**

The Vaalgras River has flooded the road and caused extensive damage to a portion of the road near the River, hence the road has been closed temporarily to all traffic.

- **District Roads 609 & D 511: From Keetmanshoop to Berseba**

The Fish River crosses both roads and currently it is not safe to access both roads. The roads are closed temporary to all traffic.

Alternatives safe routes to the closed roads will be communicated during the course of the day.

We would once again like to appeal to all road users to exercise extra caution and be vigilant on their journeys, especially in areas where we have received good rains. Please report any road damages at your nearest Roads Authority Office or send an email to pr@ra.org.na.

The RA is working around the clock to inspect and assess the condition of the roads and to erect warning signs at damaged sections accordingly. Where possible, we will ensure that emergency repair works are done to allow access to the public.

The public is also requested to report any road damages to their nearest Roads Authority Office or send an email to pr@ra.org.na.

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