

18-10-2013: Key Suburban Roads Will Receive Priority Attention For Upgrading

More than 60 roads and streets across Johannesburg will benefit from upgrades and rehabilitation work during the current financial year. Some 435 km of road will be affected.

A recent Visual Condition Assessment undertaken by the Johannesburg Roads Agency has identified the roads that require priority attention. According to this survey the percentage of roads that are in “poor to very poor condition has grown from 20% in 2008 to 30% in 2013.

The multimillion resurfacing and rehabilitation programme announced by Executive Mayor Mpho Parks Tau in Rosebank yesterday will enable the City to reduce this only 10% in the next decade.

Construction work in all seven regions in Johannesburg has already started and the bulk of the work will be completed over a three year period. Among the major roads that have been earmarked for renewal are:

- Region A: (Diepsloot, Midrand, Fourways, Woodmead, Ivory Park) – Camelia, Kusasa and Kokolifitwe streets; Almost 9km stretch already completed in Glen Austin – total target for 2013/14 = 80km;
- Region B: (Rosebank, Northcliff, Melville, Auckland Park, Bryanston, Randburg) – Queens Road between Sloane and Waterloo; Millward; Olympia Avenue and Sturdee Avenue between Baker and Bolton roads – total target of 65km with work in Bryanston and Rosebank already underway;
- Region C: (the western suburbs, Roodepoort, Florida, Bramfischerville) – Heron street; During Road; Cornelius Street and Jan Smuts Drive in Florida Park – 20.1km already resurfaced with work currently underway in Wilgerood Avenue;
- Region D: (Greater Soweto) – Fuchsia street, Armitage, Dynamo and the Soweto Highway; a total target of 55km with resurfacing already taking place in Chris Hani Road between the Maponya Mall and Immink Road;
- Region E: - (Sandton, Alexandra, Houghton Estate, Modderfontein) – Dumbarton Avenue, Louis Botha; Devonshire, River Street; Resurfacing will start in early 2014 with 40km kilometre identified for upgrades;
- Region F: (the Inner-City, Hillbrow, Braamfontein, Parktown,) -- Nasrec Road; Turffontein Road; Webb Street and South Street in Yeoville. Work in the CBD will commence in March 2014 and expanded to cover 40km of surface;
- Region G: (Eldorado Park, Ennerdale, Lenasia, Orange Farm) – Woodpecker Street, Garam Masala Drive, Greenwich Street; More than 15km of road have already been completed in Eldorado Park and Lenasia south construction in Orange Farm, Zakariya Park, Nancefield and Mid-Ennerdale will take place between April and June 2014.

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