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## **CLOSURE OF THE M2 MOTORWAY FOR BRIDGE REHABILITATION**

The Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA) will be closing the **M2 motorway between Crown Interchange and Maritzburg Street**. The implementation of the full closure will commence on Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> February at 06:00 am to allow the bridge rehabilitation to resume. The full closure will remain in force up until the end of October 2019. The closure is necessitated by the continuous monitoring and the bridge visual conditions assessment which indicated that the structural integrity of the concrete elements is severely reduced.

The JRA realised that parts of the support structure have moved and that is affecting the structural stability of some bridges on the M2 motorway. The safety of the Selby bridge cannot be guaranteed for continuous use by motorists and thus the decision for a closure of the M2 between Crown Interchange and Maritzburg street is necessary.

Managing Director, Mr Goodwill Mbatha said, "The safety of motorists and road users is of utmost importance and concern to the JRA, hence the urgent decision for the closure." The M2 Selby and Karsene bridges repairs and rehabilitation work is underway and the planned completion date is end of October 2019.

## **TRAFFIC ACCOMMODATION**

Chairman: S Tshabalala,  
Executive Directors: Managing Director - G Mbatha, Chief Financial Officer - Vacant  
Non-Executive Directors: T Magerman, S Thunzi, A Torres, X Mnyani, T Kutumela, A Mokoena, L Mayedwa  
Company Secretary: P Majola

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## **Full closure of the M2 between Crown Interchange and Maritzburg Street**

### **Crown interchange**

- The M2 eastbound will be closed between Crown Interchange and Heidelberg Road.
- No traffic will be allowed to travel eastbound past the Village Road off ramp at Crown Interchange.
- Traffic will be allowed to enter the M2 westbound at West Street travelling towards Main Reef Road and the M1 southbound.
- No access to the M1 northbound from the M2.

### **Heidelberg interchange**

- Traffic will be allowed to enter the M2 eastbound at Heidelberg Road on-ramp or Maritzburg Street on-ramp.
- The M2 westbound will further be closed between Maritzburg Street off-ramp and Crown Interchange.
- No traffic will be allowed to travel westbound passed Maritzburg off ramp.

### **The following on-ramps will be closed**

1. Main Reef Road on-ramp onto the M2 eastbound
2. M1 approaching from the south, ramp onto the M2 eastbound
3. M1 approaching from the north, ramp onto the M2 eastbound
4. Simmonds Street on-ramp onto the M2 eastbound
5. Eloff Street on-ramp onto the M2 eastbound
6. Heidelberg Road on-ramp onto the M2 westbound from the south and the north
7. Heidelberg Road on-ramp onto the M2 eastbound from the north
8. Wemmer Pan Road on-ramp onto the M2 westbound
9. Eloff Street on-ramp onto the M2 westbound
10. Booyens Road on-ramp onto the M2 westbound

11. M2 on-ramp onto the M1 travelling north

**The following access points will be available to and from the M2**

1. Village Road off-ramp
2. Heidelberg Road northern on-ramp onto the M2 eastbound
3. Maritzburg Street off-ramp
4. West Street on-ramp onto the M2 travelling west towards Main Reef or south towards Soweto.

Motorists are advised to make alternative travel plans. The following options are available for travel:

**West bound traffic travelling towards Roodepoort from the east**

Keep on the N3 and make use of the N12 to access areas to the west and south of the City.

**East bound traffic travelling towards Germiston from the west**

Keep travelling on the N1 make use of the N12 and N3 to access areas to the east of the City.

**ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO THE M2 WESTBOUND OFF-RAMPS**

**Heidelberg Road exit to travel south**

- If you have previously used the **Heidelberg Road exit to travel south** along **Heidelberg Road**.
- Take the **Vickers Road** exit to access Heidelberg Road.

**Heidelberg Road exit to travel north**

- If you have previously used the **Heidelberg Road exit to travel north** along Heidelberg Road, towards the CBD or Sandton via **Joe Slovo**.
- Drivers are advised to take the **Maritzburg Street** exit, travel along Maritzburg Street until you reach **Anderson Street**.
- Turn left to access the CBD.

#### **Joe Slovo on ramp**

- To travel towards **Joe Slovo Drive**.
- Turn right onto **Nugget Street**.
- Turn right onto **Marshall Street** to access the on-ramp onto **Joe Slovo Drive**.
- Alternatively, take the **Ruven Road exit and** travel along **Main Reef Road** until you've reached **Anderson Street**.

#### **Rissik Street off ramp**

- If you have previously used the **Rissik Street** exit to travel north into the CBD.
- Alternatively take the **Maritzburg Street** exit.
- Travel along Maritzburg Street until you reach **Anderson Street**.
- Turn left and travel along **Anderson Street** until you reach **Rissik Street**.
- Alternatively, take the **Ruven Road exit** and travel along **Main Reef Road** until you've reached **Anderson Street**.

#### **Rissik Street exit**

- If you have previously used the **Rissik Street exit** to travel south along **Eloff Street** or west along **Trump Street**.
- Alternative route; Take the **Maritzburg Street exit**.

- Travel along Maritzburg Street until you reach **Anderson Street**.
- Turn left and travel along Anderson Street until you reach **Eloff or Simmonds Streets**.
- Turn left at either to access the areas south of the **M2**.

#### **Main Reef Road off ramp**

- If you have previously used the **M2 to travel towards Main Reef Road**.
- Alternatively take the **Maritzburg Street exit**, travel along **Maritzburg Street** until you reach **Anderson Street**.
- Turn left onto Anderson Street, travel along until you reach **Main Reef Road** in Fordsburg.
- Turn right and travel along **Main Reef Road**.

#### **M2 to travel towards Soweto via the M1**

- If you have previously used the **M2 to travel towards Soweto via the M1**.
- Alternatively take the **Maritzburg Street exit**, travel along **Maritzburg Street** until you reach **Anderson Street**.
- Turn left and travel along **Anderson Street** until you reach **Simmonds Street**.
- Turn left and then right onto **Scott Street**.
- Turn right onto **West Street** to access the on-ramp onto the **M1 southbound**.

#### **M2 to travel north towards Parktown, Auckland Park or Sandton via the M1**

- If you have previously used the **M2 to travel north towards Parktown, Auckland Park or Sandton via the M1**.
- Alternatively take the **Maritzburg Street exit**, travel along **Maritzburg Street** until you reach Anderson Street.
- Turn left and travel along **Anderson Street** until you reach **Ntemi Piliso**.

- Turn right and travel along the **Nelson Mandela Bridge**.
- Turn left onto **Jorrison Street** to access Auckland Park.
- Alternatively travel along **Anderson Street** until you reach **Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Street**, travel along **Queen Elizabeth Street** and take the **Smit Street** turn off to get back onto the **M1** northbound.
- To travel towards **Joe Slovo**, turn right at **Nugget** and **then Marshall Street** to access the on-ramp onto **Joe Slovo Drive**.

## **ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO THE M2 EASTBOUND OFF-RAMPS**

### **M2 to travel east from the south of Johannesburg**

- If you are coming from the south along the M1 and used the **M2 to travel east, exiting at Rissik Street, Mooi Street or Joe Slovo Drive**.
- Take the **Booyens Road exit**, travel along Booyens Road until you reach **Marshall Street**.
- Turn right and travel along **Marshall Street**.
- Use the on-ramp onto **Joe Slovo** from **Marshall Street**.
- Alternatively take the **Booyens Road** exit and turn right at **Klip River Drive**, left at **Turf Club Road** and again at **Eloff Street** to access the CBD.

### **M2 to travel east from the north of Johannesburg**

- If you are coming from the north along the M1 and used the **M2 to travel east, exiting at Rissik Street, Mooi Street or Joe Slovo Drive**.
- Take the **Village Road** exit, travel along **Village Road** to reach **Loveday, Eloff, or Mooi Street**.

- Alternatively take the **Village Road** exit.
- Turn left at **Pixley Ka Isaka Seme Street**.
- Turn right at **Marshall Street** to access CBD.
- Travel along **Marshall Street**.
- Use the on-ramp onto **Joe Slovo** from **Marshall Street**.

### **M2 to travel east of Johannesburg**

- If you are coming from the west along Main Reef Road and used the **M2 to travel east, exiting at Rissik Street, Mooi Street or Joe Slovo Drive**.
- Continue straight along **Main Reef Road**.
- Turn right at **Marshall Street** to access the CBD.
- Travel along **Marshall Street**.
- Use the on-ramp onto **Joe Slovo** from **Marshall Street**.

### **M2 travel using Heidelberg Road off-ramp**

- If you have previously made use of the **Heidelberg Road off-ramp** to **access City Deep**.
- Take the **Village Road off ramp** and travel along **Village Road** and **Wemmer Jubilee** until **End Street**.
- Turn left and right at **Meikle Street** to access **Heidelberg Road**.

### **ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO THE M2 EASTBOUND ON-RAMPS**

#### **Simmonds or Eloff Streets on-ramps**

- If you have previously made use of the **Simmonds or Eloff Streets on-ramps** onto the M2 to travel east.
- Continue straight along **Marshall Street**.

- Turn right at **Maritzburg Street** to access the **M2** eastbound.

#### **Heidelberg on-ramp onto the M2 to travel east**

- If you have previously made use of the **Heidelberg on-ramp onto the M2 to travel east**.
- Make use of **Vickers Road** to access the M2 travelling eastbound.

#### **ALTERNATIVE ROUTES TO THE M2 WESTBOUND ON-RAMPS**

##### **Joe Slovo Drive on-ramp**

- If you have previously made use of the **Joe Slovo Drive on-ramp onto the M2 to travel west**.
- Take the **off-ramp onto Anderson St** and travel west along **Anderson Street**.
- Use the **West Street** on-ramp to travel to the **M1** southbound

##### **Heidelberg on-ramp onto the M2**

- If you have previously made use of the **Heidelberg on-ramp onto the M2 to travel west**.
- **Continue straight along Heidelberg Road** and exit at **End Street** to travel along **Wemmer Jubilee Road**.
- Turn right at **Eloff Street** and use **Scott and Trump Streets** to access the **M2** at **West Street**.

**ENDS**

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