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JRA's SERVICE DELIVERY CAMPAIGN: REINSTATEMENT BLITZ

The MMC of Transport Cllr Nonhlanhla Makhuba will lead the service delivery campaign, on Tuesday 25th of August 2020, through the reinstatement blitz which will begin in Region B, in Bordeaux [Ward 102].

The blitz will focus on fast tracking road surface reinstatements across the City of Johannesburg to mitigate the backlog accumulated over the lockdown period.

Many of the City's roads are left open after road excavations are carried out for numerous reasons such as the installation of fibre cables, water pipe repairs, etc. This poses a safety hazard to road users, especially if the areas are not made safe after work has been carried out. The current road surface reinstatement backlog is at 589, citywide.

The Johannesburg Roads Agency's [JRA] planned road maintenance came to a halt under level 5 lockdown, resulting in an increase of the backlog road defects. Under levels 5 and 4 the JRA was not categorized as an essential service hence the high number of outstanding road related defects. However, in adherence to the National safety guidelines, only a third of the JRA's workforce returned to work, under level 3 lockdown regulations. As a result, the daily targets for road reinstatements thus had to be adjusted to suit the limited capacity. It must be stated clearly that JRA

The JRA continues to intensify efforts to ensure that the backlog of reinstatements is resolved and to continue with the proactive maintenance of storm water infrastructure ahead of the rainy season.

Head of Regional Operations, Muziwandile Nkonyane said, "Contractors have been appointed to augment the workforce and enhance service delivery. The blitz will kick off at Region B which currently has 149 outstanding reinstatements. Seven teams of contractors will work on the reinstatements across the region."

MMC Makhuba said, "I feel that it is important for residents to understand that as this administration, we want to do things right. However, we are working tirelessly to ensure that City's roads are accessible and safe."

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The reinstatement blitz will run until the mid October 2020.

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About the Johannesburg Roads Agency (JRA)

The JRA is a City-owned agency responsible for the maintenance, repair and development of Johannesburg's road network and storm water infrastructure, including bridges and culverts, traffic lights and signage. The organisation is committed to providing quality roads that are accessible, safe and liveable for our communities

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