

Moses Kotane Local Municipality Mayor, Ralesole Diale, and MEC for Public Works and Roads, Mmule Maluleke, visited the road that is under construction in Molatedi. Photo by Rapula Mancai

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MEC for Public Works and Roads, Mmule Maluleke, visited the road that's under construction in Molatedi.

Maluleke has hit the ground running. There won't be any money spent on new projects. Time will only be given to projects signed off in the past, but were never finished.

Maluleke was visiting one of the projects in Molatedi earlier this month.

Construction on the road from Dwarsbeg to Molatedi started in September 2017 and is set to finish in February 2019.

It is currently sitting at 30% and 40% from completion. There road is 16km long from Dwarsberg to Molatedi, but only 10km is

being constructed.

The remaining 6km will follow on the second phase.

"As the department, we saw it important that we finish old projects before spending money on the new ones. This is to honour promises made in the past to communities to build roads," said Maluleke.

She said one of the challenges has been money.

"Challenges we have faced are lack of performances by contractors and sometimes there's no budget. And some of the roads are economic routes. We can't neglect roads that have already been budgeted for because they already have steering committees and design phases," she said.