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CHRISSIESMEER: The Mpumalanga Department of Public Works, Roads and Transport is pleased to announce the official reopening of the road between Carolina and Chrissiesmeer following the successful completion of a new in-situ bridge structure. The previous corrugated metal culvert bridge on the P177 route had collapsed, necessitating urgent intervention by the department. In response, the reconstruction of the bridge was prioritised to ensure timely delivery and restore connectivity between the affected areas. Despite today's heavy rainfall, we were joined by Cllr Mngomezulu, the Executive Mayor of

Gert Sibande District Municipality, and local councillors to officially open the newly constructed bridge. This road plays a critical role in linking Msukaligwa Local Municipality and Chief Albert Luthuli Local Municipality. The new In-Situ bridge, which replaces the old culvert bridge structure, is part of our ongoing Provincial Culvert Bridge Replacement Programme. The new bridge has been designed to be more durable and stable, ensuring longterm functionality and safety for road users. "We are proud of this achievement and remain committed to enhancing our province's road infrastructure network for the benefit of all communities."