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**POST SONA MEDIA BRIEFING ON PROGRESS OF THE PROJECTS IN THE
INFRASTRUCTURE INVESTMENT PLAN**

Following the State of the Nation Address (SONA) by President Cyril Ramaphosa, Minister of Public Works and Infrastructure, Patricia de Lille and Head of Infrastructure South Africa (ISA), Dr. Kgosisentsho Ramokgopa will jointly brief the media on progress made over the past year on various projects in the Infrastructure Investment Plan.

Details of the media briefing are as follows:

Date: Tuesday, 22 February 2022

Time: 12h30

Venue: Imbizo Media Centre, 90 Plein Street, Cape Town

Virtual:

<https://gcis.zoom.us/j/91823541963?pwd=MWVzVFRVWlhSTVGBHZTTXpnOHZdZ09>

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EDITOR'S NOTES:

The Infrastructure Investment Plan was approved by Cabinet in May 2020 and forms a central part of the Economic Reconstruction and Recovery Plan (ERRP) aimed at stimulating economic growth and job creation announced by President Ramaphosa in October 2020. The Infrastructure Investment Plan was highlighted as the “flywheel to economic growth” by the President and contains 62 projects across the country in various sectors and from all three spheres of government, state-owned entities and the private sector. A number of the projects have been launched and have been progressing well especially in the human settlements and transport sectors.

The projects within the Infrastructure Investment Plan were gazetted as Strategic Integrated Projects (SIPs) in line with the Infrastructure Development Act in July 2020 enabling them to follow an expedited path to ensure implementation. The projects have been gazetted as SIPs to contribute to economic growth by reviving the construction sector and creating much needed jobs for people.

A number of transport projects have been completed such as the N1 Windburg Interchange Windburg Station: Free State, N1 Polokwane Eastern Ring Rd Phase 2: Limpopo, N1 Ventersburg to Kroonstad: Free State and the N2 Mtunzini Toll Plaza to Empangeni T-junction: KwaZulu Natal.

The Human Settlement Sector is progressing at an accelerated pace with Social Housing receiving much of the attention in the past year. The Social Housing Regulatory Authority worked closely with the Infrastructure Fund where they were able to unlock R305 million approved funding over two years for the Priority Social Housing Projects.

Minister de Lille will provide an update on progress with various human settlements projects in construction as well projects in the water and sanitation, energy and transport sectors as well as other key projects within DPWI highlighted in the 2022 SONA.

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