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TO: Miss Mariam Ramoba -North West Reginal Head South African National Roads Agency (SANRAL)

CC: MEC of Public Works – Hon Lizzy Mokua MEC of Coghsta – Hon Saliva Molapisi Mayor of Matlosana – Cllr Fikile Mahlope Matlosana DA Caucus Leader – Cllr Gerhard Strydom

From : Honourable Freddy Sonakile MPL

## RE: Urgent Request for Intervention on Flooding of the N12 Near Stilfontein

## Dear Mariam

I write to you to request urgent intervention regarding the persistent flooding of the N12 near Stilfontein during rainfall. This section of the road has become a severe hazard to motorists, leading to multiple accidents and posing a serious risk to public safety.

It is evident that the existing drainage system is inadequate to handle water runoff during heavy rains. Despite previous short-term community interventions, such as digging drainage pits alongside the road, these measures have failed to provide a sustainable solution. The only current response by the municipality is placing warning signage, which is not sufficiently visible at night and does little to prevent accidents.

Given that the N12 is a national road under SANRAL's jurisdiction, we urge your office to:

- 1. Conduct an immediate assessment of the drainage challenges on this section of the N12.
- 2. Develop and implement a permanent drainage solution to prevent recurring flooding.
- 3. Engage with local and provincial stakeholders to ensure coordination in resolving this infrastructure issue.

We trust that SANRAL will treat this matter with the urgency it deserves, as lives are at risk every time heavy rains occur. We will continue to monitor the situation and push for an immediate response.

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We look forward to your feedback on this matter and would appreciate an update on what measures SANRAL intends to implement to resolve this crisis.

Yours sincerely,

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