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COGTA WARNS COMMUNITIES TO BE ON ALERT DUE TO THE RAIN CONDITIONS IN MPUMALANGA

The MEC for Co-operative Governance and Traditional Affairs (COGTA), Ms Refilwe Mtshweni has warned communities to be on high alert as the occasional rain causes roads to be slippery in Mpumalanga. Few incidents have occurred over the past week. In one of the incidents, a bridge was washed away on the old road between Middleburg and Witbank.

MEC Mtshweni warned motorists to use an alternative road. “We appeal to the motorists to use an alternative road whilst we are making plans to fix the bridge. We also urge our communities, to drive cautiously as most of the roads are slippery,” Mtshweni warned.

MEC Mtshweni further warned communities not to risk their lives by crossing water streams and rivers that are overflowing. “We have activated all Disaster Management Units in all the 21 municipalities to be on high alert in an attempt to save lives in life threatening emergencies. Any incident must be reported to the Disaster Toll Free number **0800 202 507**,” Mtshweni said.

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