

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, ENVIRONMENT & TOURISM

MEDIA ALERT

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TRUCK TRANSPORTING FLAMABLE LIQUID OVERTURNED ALONG N1 - BOTLOKWA

The Limpopo Department of Economic Development, Environment and Tourism hereby notifies and warns community members of the suspected highly flammable content transported on the overturned truck along the N1 near Botlokwa.

The Departmental Environmental Compliance Team is currently at the scene of the incident to ensure safe removal of the contents carried by the capsized truck. It is important that such contents be carefully managed and safely removed from the area in order to protect both the environment and the people within the surrounding area.

However, community members have gathered around the scene with some groups intentionally stopping officials from safely managing the incident. The Department warns bystanders against approaching the scene of the accident as this can quickly escalate into a horrific scene.

Some groups have gathered at the scene causing havoc with the suspected intentions of looting the contents of the truck.

Community members are hereby urged to remove themselves from the scene and allows officials from the Department, Fire Department, Municipality, South African Police Service and Traffic Control to do their work and restore safety to the community.

Those with wrong intensions will be quickly dealt with, within the boundaries of the law.

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