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Media Alert

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MEC MATIBE TO UNVEIL THRILLING UPGRADES AT LIMPOPO'S BIRDWATCHING OASIS

One of South Africa's Internationally protected wetlands and renowned natural bird watching sanctuaries, the Nylsvlei Nature Reserve in Limpopo, is getting ready to unveil its world-class enhancements for visitor-experience in a much-deserved upgrade.

Announced recently during MEC for Economic Development, Environment and Tourism, Tshitereke Matibe, the infrastructural investments are meant to drive further tourist numbers and attract more bird watchers to the already highly esteemed oasis.

Located under the Mookgophong Local Municipality in the Waterberg, Nyslvlei is characterised by its unique shallow floodplains flowing from the Nyl river. This prestigious 4000 hactare offering is an internationally recognised Ramsar site, boasting over 80 000 bird species during peak rain season, and home to the endangered Roan Antelope, the rare Tsesebe and recently introduced buffalo.

The infrastructure improvements are also a part of a partnership between the department and the Development Bank of South Africa, and will stretch to other nature reserves in the 2025/26 Financial year.

Members of the Media are hereby invited to the unveiling of the reserve as follows:

Date: 16 April 2025

Time: 09:00

Venue: Nylsvlei Nature Reserve

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