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**Provincial Minister of Infrastructure Tertuis Simmers: Updates on Road Closure Status**

**STATUS AS ON 2024/07/10 AT 11:00**

The Western Cape has been experiencing severe weather over the past couple of days. While, in many cases, roads have been reopened, there are others that remain closed. The Department of Infrastructure will only be able to assess the damage (if any) and work on repairs once water levels have subsided.

“A key route that overtopped earlier is the MR310 which links the town of Citrusdal to the N7”, said Provincial Minister for Infrastructure, Tertuis Simmers. “This is a road that has overtopped before. It is important to note that the town is not cut off and alternative routes towards Clanwilliam and Ceres that remain open are the DR2183, DR539 and DR1487. We are also cautiously optimistic that the Gydo Pass will be reopened during the course of the day which will provide another road link to Citrusdal. We are aware that these alternative routes have a number of low-water bridges which means heavy motor vehicles should not use these roads for the time being. We will monitor conditions and, when safe for public use, allowing one-way traffic through,” Minister Simmers added.

“The department is well aware of the current situation and understand that this is frustrating to residents, but we are all at the mercy of the weather. It is disheartening that some people are trying to suggest the overtopping of the MR310 is simply a road matter when they are aware that making infrastructure future-proof and climate change resilient will take time. The department has to strategically allocate its resources to routes across the entire provincial road network at a time when government has limited resources,” the Minister concluded.



MR310 earlier this morning



MR310: Single lane traffic allowed when safe



MR 310: Current situation

## Update on road closure status

### Legend for colour-coding

- **Black:** Prior to weekend damage
- **Red:** Closed
- **Orange:** One lane/Partially open
- **Blue:** Local access only
- **Green:** status changed to Open

### Cape Winelands District Municipality

- TR9/2 Du Toits Kloof Pass
- TR22/2, Theronsberg Pass (snow) - Operating with Stop/Go; being monitored may change.
- MR27, Stellenbosch to Somerset West
- MR288, Drew Bridge Breede river
- MR301 Bainskloof pass
- MR310, Gydo Pass (snow) - Operating with Stop/Go; being monitored may change.
- DR1154, Sonkwas drif
- DR1341, Die Plaat
- DR1351, Robertsvei
- DR1379, Merwe Street
- DR1398, Slanghoek low water bridge
- DR1400, Nuy
- DR1452, Bo-Swaarmoed (snow) – Bakkies and SUV's to proceed with caution.

## Overberg District Municipality

- TR27/1, (R44) Clarence drive at Rooiels
- TR29/2, Bredasdorp/Arniston
- MR261, Bredasdorp/Struisbaai
- MR264, Kars River Bridge Bredasdorp/Swellendam
- MR265, Bredasdorp Stormvlei
- DR1205, Elim/Struisbaai
- DR1209, Wiesdrift road
- DR1211, Baardskeedersbos to Pearly Beach
- DR1212, Droëmelkbos road (Arniston-Struisbaai link)
- DR1213, Kleinheuwel
- DR1218, Papiesvlei road
- DR1220, Avoca road
- DR1227, Napier station
- DR1257, Solitaire road
- DR1269, Vlakkloof
- DR1276, Dassiesfontein road
- DR1278, Protém na R317, Riviersonderend
- DR1279, Nethercourt road
- DR1288 van der Stel Pass
- DR1294, Greyton road
- DR1309, Bloemenkraal
- DR1307, De Mond
- DR1311, Spesbona / Middelpaas
- DR1313, Helderstroom / Middelpaas
- OP4032, Witwater near Stanford
- OP4033, Witwater/Klein River
- OP4037, Klein Transvaal
- OP4036, Hermanuspietersfontein road
- OP4041, Korsika at Baardskeedersbos
- OP4040, Boesman River
- OP4044, Tierfontein road at Baardskeedersbos
- OP4046, Wolwengat
- OP4047, Sandpad road
- OP4096, Pebbles
- OP4121, Dwaalhoek road
- OP4171, Boskloof/Kersgat road
- OP4416, Katlou road
- OP4430, Grashoek road
- OP4493, Voorhuis
- OP6067, Eenboom

## West Coast

- MR310, N7 to Citrusdal - Operating with Stop/Go; being monitored may change.
- MR530 Bergrivierstasie
- MR539, N7 to Algeria
- DR1111 Old Malmesbury road between Kalbaskraal and Abbotsdale
- DR1154, Sonkwas drif
- DR1487, Uitkyk pass (snow)

- DR2182 Algeria pad
- OP7608, Moravia
- OP7626, Klipbank
- OP7763, Broodkraal
- OP8099 Wuppertal to Eselbank

## Cape Town

- N1 Koeberg inbound/outbound inner lanes offramp
- N2 Borchers Quarry (full closure) offramp
- N2 Robert Sobukwe offramp

## Central Karoo

- TR58/1, Molteno Pass

## Garden Route District Municipality

- MR342, Gouritzrivier bridge
- MR369, Swartberg Pass (snow)
- MR1689, Potgieterspoort
- DR1532, Vleesbaaipad
- DR1568, De Draai
- DR1577, Riversdale, Kruisrivier
- DR1618, Gwaing
- DR1660, Pietersrivier
- DR1665, Ockertskraal
- DR1668, Kleinspoort
- DR1673, Kammanassie dam / Rooiheuvel
- DR1674, Jachtberg
- DR1675, Doornkloof
- DR1676, Vleirivier
- DR1689, Potgieterspoort
- DR1690, Gai se middelpad
- DR1692, Waaikraal
- DR1694, Le Roux Station
- DR1703, Rooiloop
- DR1835, Kouga
- DR1840, Hartbees River
- DR1843, Vaalwater
- OP4548, Slangrivier
- OP6478, Slangrivier
- OP6976, Oude Muragie
- OP7025, Buffelsdrift
- OP7243, Oshoek
- OP7263, Dwaas

## Legend for road naming conventions

Names and number of roads are linked to the **route** or **road class**.

For ease of reference, this report mentions route numbers, road number and the name it is locally known as.

### *Route numbers*

- An "N"-route is a national route
- An "R"- route is a regional/provincial route

### *Provincial Road Number*

- TR (Trunk Road/ "Grootpad")
- MR (Main Road/ "Hoofpad")
- DR (Divisional Road/ "Afdelingspad")
- OP (Minor road/ "Ondergeskikte pad") – small road and mainly connects agricultural communities