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SEVERE STORMS CAUSE EXTENSIVE DAMAGE TO PROPERTY IN MARIKANA

The severe rain and hail storms experienced in the Marikana area, in North West Province, on Saturday 9 January 2016, has resulted in widespread damage to property and the subsequent displacement of some 230 families.

“Thirty families in Segwaelane village and 60 families in Wonderkop, Nkaneng, village have lost their homes and possessions while a further 150 houses in the area have been badly damaged,” says Lerato Molebatsi, Lonmin’s executive vice president communications and public affairs.

Concerned stakeholders – Department of Health, Department of Human Settlements, Madibeng Municipality, the Bapo ba Mogale community, National Disaster Management Unit as well as Lonmin management are working together to bring immediate relief to those affected.

“This collaboration and proactive involvement by all parties is heartening,” says Lerato, “these families need immediate assistance and their voices have been heard. These families are without shelter and electricity and we expect further bad weather in the coming days.”

Displaced families are being housed at the Segwaelane Community Centre and with neighbours until alternative accommodation can be found for them. Affected Lonmin employees are being temporarily housed at the Middelkraal hostel while the Department of Human Settlements is arranging housing for the other families. At the same time, the National Disaster Management Unit is registering the displaced families for financial aid. Lonmin is providing hot meals and food packs to those affected.

The Segwaelane Clinic – built by the municipality and recently renovated by Lonmin - has been particularly hard hit. The roof needs replacing and the interior, equipment and supplies, have been damaged by the flooding. Lonmin engineers are currently onsite assessing the extent of the damage and how quickly they can restore it to full operation.

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