



**STUNNING:** The Bridal Veil Road overpass bridge, developed by Atterbury Property Development, will open at the same time as Mall of Africa on Thursday.

## All roads lead to the new Mall of Africa courtesy of its centralised location

IN THE development of southern Africa's largest single-phase shopping centre development, Mall of Africa, property developer and investor Atterbury, has ensured easy access for shoppers.

The new R5 billion 130 000m<sup>2</sup> super-regional mall in Waterfall City will have excellent access from Pretoria, Sandton and Johannesburg. In fact, it provides brilliant access for people from all over Gauteng and beyond, according to Atterbury chief executive, Louis van der Watt.

"Developing a super-regional mall in the heart of the fastest growing urban node

on the continent presented the opportunity to create an exciting modern landmark. As the heart of a growing city, its connectivity was a key consideration of Mall of Africa's development.

Atterbury Property Development's James Ehlers says easy access from Gauteng's transport network is an inherent advantage of Mall of Africa.

"Excellent accessibility is crucial for the success of any shopping centre. For a super-regional shopping centre the size of Mall of Africa, this means creating the best access for shoppers from across an

entire province and even further afield. It is a massive undertaking."

This attention to accessibility detail has successfully placed Mall of Africa at the hub of major transport routes for shoppers coming from the north, south, east and west.

Mall of Africa is located a stone's throw away from the first free-flow intersection of its size in Africa at the nearby Allandale Road exit from the N1. This provides ideal access for shoppers travelling from the north and south to this new mall. It is also mere minutes away from the major east, west, north and south highways

meeting at the Buccleuch interchange of the N1, M1 and N3.

In addition, the massive road upgrades Atterbury has undertaken as part of the Waterfall City development ensures getting to Mall of Africa is easy for shoppers and improves the infrastructure for all road users.

The new R160 million Bridal Veil Road overpass bridge, developed by Atterbury, will open at the same time as the mall on Thursday, and creates a new east-west transport route.

The new bridge crosses the N1 south of the Allandale Road interchange and north of the Buccleuch interchange. It cre-

ates a direct link between Midrand and Waterfall City with the new R40m 1km S-bend dual carriage way extension to Bridal Veil Road, which will take shoppers right to the doors of the mall.

The bridge's superstructure is 115.8m long and 22.7m wide. It will carry four lanes of traffic – two in each direction – a pedestrian walkway, a cycle lane and a raised centre median.

In addition, road infrastructure was substantially upgraded on Maxwell Drive, to the west of the mall, where increased capacity was created at the intersections. The exist-

ing traffic circles were upgraded to signalised intersections at a cost of R17m.

Together the new road and bridge infrastructure create convenient route right through Waterfall and its surrounds. The Bridal Veil Road extension begins from Allandale Road at a new signalised intersection east of the N1 and Pretoria Main Road.

Besides road transport, Mall of Africa is also minutes away from the Gautrain Midrand Station and close to OR Tambo International Airport, Midrand's Grand Central Airport and Lanseria International Airport.