## A LOOK BACK ON THE YEAR 2016 AT HANSLAB

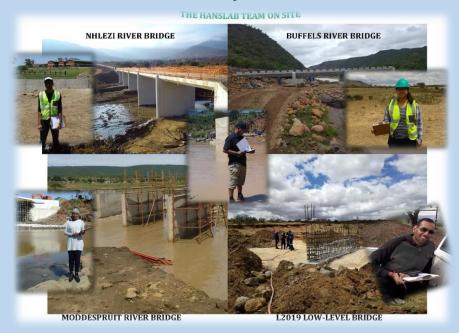
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'The environment and the economy are really both two sides of the same coin. If we cannot sustain the environment, we cannot sustain ourselves'

- Wangari Maathai (Environmental political activist)

The year end is fast approaching and everyone is winding down for the nearing *festive season*, therefore it is time to recap on this year's developments at Hanslab. In August 2016, the team was proud to celebrate Hanslab's *1st Anniversary*. The company has seen much success in its first year of operation which is due to the efforts of all staff members, and the support received from clientele.

The team is very dedicated and has been working tirelessly throughout the year on numerous civil infrastructure projects, and have obtained both WULAs and Environmental Authorisations for these projects. These projects include the construction of bridges, roads, and housing developments to name a few. Majority of the projects that Hanslab is associated with occur within deep rural areas within KwaZulu-Natal.



Therefore, as Environmental Managers our goal is to promote sustainable local development, thereby improving the socio-economic status of rural communities within KwaZulu-Natal. The team also performed ECO duties for the Nhlezi River Bridge (Keats Drift), Buffels River Bridge (Pomeroy), Moddespruit River Bridge (Ladysmith) and L2019 Low-level Bridge (Ladysmith) on behalf of our clients.



Corporate Social Responsibility projects are dear to Hanslab and the company has participated in a very successful initiative which was the Cupcake Drive to raise funds for Cancer Awareness in September this year. The team has also initiated an organic garden in 2015 with the aim of contributing the organic produce to local feeding schemes. The team was also thrilled to participate in the East Coast Radio Big Walk in May this year.

The year 2016 has presented various challenges as well as opportunities for the Hanslab team. It has indeed been a year to remember and we look forward to the **NEW YEAR in 2017**...



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