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Daintree Coast Road Update

Cape Tribulation Road Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

Alexandra Range

- COLPO is progressing well on the remaining five sites, although there will be rain days which will push out the end of May 2025 completion date.
- The remaining five sites are the most complex repairs.
- Load and vehicle length restrictions will remain until completion of works, noting width of excavations at current sites requires strict adherence with those restrictions.



Noah Creek

• Excavator is based at the bypass for the wet season to minimize amount of time bypass is unusable.



Road Conditions 10 February 2025

Cape Tribulation Road is open to all vehicles through to just past Cape Trib Beach House. A 4WD is needed to travel through to Emmagen Creek.

There are some weight, time and length restrictions.

- Alexandra Range Open 5am to Midnight. If towing a trailer, caravan or campervan, total length cannot exceed 15.1 metres.
- Rigid vehicles cannot exceed 12.5 metres in length.
- Maximum weight of vehicles is 25 tonnes.
- Maximum width 2.7 metres. NEW
- Noah Creek Bridge has a weight restriction of 16 tonnes and a 5km/hr speed limit
- Noah Causeway Intermittent depending on weather and truck movements. An excavator has been located at the causeway to do speedy repairs as required. No load limit.
- Noah Range Open 5am to Midnight.

Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road is open to 4WDs.

- There are no weight or time restrictions, however the road is unsuitable for towing trailers, campervans or caravans.
- After the cyclone, emergency repairs were done, and it opened to 4WD vehicles in late June 2024.
- The permanent repairs have yet to be completed so the road is rough and is subject to flash flooding. Please check the weather before travelling and drive to conditions.

Zig Zag Road open to 4WD vehicles and there are no weight limits.

China Camp Road open to 4WD vehicles only. There is a 5 tonnes load limit on the concrete section from Ayton.

Ten Mile Road is open to 4WD vehicles only.

CREB Track - CLOSED for the season.

Noah Bridge

- Design of the bridge and temporary all-vehicle causeway will be finalised 14 February.
- Tenders will be called immediately one package for both the bridge and temporary 2WD bypass.
- The temporary bypass will be constructed and once approved by Douglas Shire Council, the old bridge will be removed to make way for the new bridge.
- The temporary bypass will be suitable for all vehicles. It will not be as high as the current bridge; however, it will be above high tide so vehicle will not have to pass through salt water.
- REPA submission is being prepared and QRA's assessment of Douglas Shire Council's application will occur simultaneously to the call for tenders.

Noah Landslip

- HEH is making good progress.
- Dust control was an issue in early January, and this has been rectified.
- Significant rainfall in the last week of January caused two landslips outside construction area.
- The road was blocked from ~ 8pm Thursday 30st January until ~11:30am Friday 31st January.



Holding Works

During the month holding works included:

- Rectification to McKenzie's Creek, Diwan.
- Reinstatement of Lees Bypass, Douglas Creek Road
- Reinstatement of Taylors Crossing, Stewart Creek Road.

Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

- The road was closed Tuesday 4 February.
- It was reopened at noon, Monday 10 February 2025.
- Holding Works on Collins Creek have been completed.
- Improvements to Collins Creek have been identified by Douglas Shire Council as a Betterment Project.
- Tender has closed for the road repairs and evaluation is underway.
- Contracts for geotechnical evaluation and aerial surveying for landslip repairs have been awarded.
- Tender for design and construction to repair the slips has been released and closes 23 February.
- There is an uphill section between Cape Trib Beach House and Emmagen Creek which is very slippery.
- From Cowie to Luana water has been running down the middle of the road creating erosion ruts. Repairs to patch running surface have commenced and drainage repairs will follow.
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Betterment Funding

- Queensland Reconstruction Authority has announced a \$130 million Betterment Package to rebuild infrastructure to a more resilient standard to be shared between nine eligible councils.
- The guidelines have not yet been released.
- Once released, the guidelines will provide information on eligibility criteria, application requirements and project approval processes.
- We do know only REPA approved projects can be funded for Betterment Funding and Douglas Shire Council is proactively preparing scopes for potential projects.