

### **Daintree Coast Road Update**

Cape Tribulation Road
Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

### **Alexandra Range**

- Work is continuing on all sites.
- Expected completion date May 2025, weather dependent.

### **Noah Bridge & Temporary Bypass**

- Tender is now out to market for construction of bridge and bypass.
- A mandatory site briefing was attended by five potential suppliers
- Tender closes 21 March 2025.
- Queensland Reconstruction Authority [QRA] is assessing the funding submission.
- Cultural heritage meeting is planned for 17 March 2025.

### **Noah Range Landslip**

- Wet weather over last few weeks has slowed works.
- Contractors are however, still working towards completing the job by the end of September, weather permitting.
- Alternative methodology resulting from work done by Geotech Consultants, Red Fox has been accepted.
   This is a better long term solution and a much improved environmental outcome.
- Work on spoil haulage road well progressed, although hampered by wet weather.
- With the radar no longer required, Council is working with the contractor to have the road opening hours extended.
- Contractors are looking to install automatic traffic lights outside of work hours – with sensors to activate the lights when a vehicle is detected.
- It is likely traffic controllers will remain during work hours due to the level of truck movements on the site.



# Road Conditions 17 March 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.
- 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** - 4WDs. **CLOSED 17 March due to flooding.**

- 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.

### **Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road**

- Tenders for road repairs are currently being evaluated.
- Work is likely to commence in May.
- The tender requires the contractor to keep at least one lane open at all times. With that said, there may be sections where the width of the road precludes this. If that's the case, road closures will be minimised, and plenty of notice provided.
- Tenders for the repair of the 10 landslips on Cape
   Tribulation Bloomfield Road closed 12 March 2025.

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Next update 8am 18 March – or check Dashboard.

### **REPA Funding Submissions Completed**

- Douglas Shire Council reached a major milestone earlier last week with all Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets applications now lodged with QRA.
- There were 22 submissions worth over \$170 million in funding.

### **Betterment Funding**

- Douglas Shire Council in now focussing on finalising its applications for Betterment Funding.
- As a reminder, QRA provides an option to restore or replace damaged public assets to a more disasterresilient standard than its pre-disaster state.
- A list of REPA projects has been compiled.
- There's no guarantee of funds as it is a competitive process between 18 different councils.
   https://www.qra.qld.gov.au/funding-programs/event-specific-exceptional-circumstances-assistance/2023-tropical-cyclone-jasper-exceptional-circumstances-package/betterment-fund-tropical-cyclone-jasper
- The deadline for all Betterment submissions to be with the QRA is 31 March 2025.