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Daintree Coast Road Update

Cape Tribulation Road Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

Alexandra Range

- Currently work on all sites is continuing.
- There were two traffic incidents over the past fortnight with vehicles hitting rocks or barriers.
- Everyone's been okay, nothing major, but just making people aware to be careful and to drive safely.
- A geotechnical inspection was completed on the range. This is triggered when the area receives more than 200 mm of rain in a 24 hour period.
- No new hazards or risks were identified.
- As has been reported before, the scope now includes three new sections which have been awarded to the existing contractor – COLPO Construction.
- Completion expected end May\early June.

Noah Bridge & Temporary Bypass

- Tender evaluations are complete, and Council expects the contract to be awarded next week pending confirmation of funding.
- Funding submission is in with QRA for approval.
- Cultural Heritage Management Plan has been signed off by all parties.
- Works to commence late May 2025.

Noah Range Landslip

- Wet weather is continuing to impact speed of work.
- The good news is the road is now open 24/7.
- Outside of work hours, the lights are on automatic triggered by vehicle arrival. Traffic controllers remain on site while work is underway.

Condition of Cape Tribulation Road

- A pothole repair crew commenced repairs north of Daintree River on 24 March 2025.
- At the Council meeting this week, Councillors resolved to contract NQ Asphalt Pty Ltd to do pavement repairs to the section of Cape Tribulation Road, starting from Tulip Oak Road and working south towards the Alexandra Lookout.
- This is outside the COLPO construction area.
- The pavement repairs have been partially funded under the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme and will include full width asphalt, linemarking and delineation (catseyes).
- Likely start date will be May and the work must be completed by 30 June 2025.

Road Conditions 28 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 24/7

Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road - 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.

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Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

- Tenders for road repairs, concrete pavement in Degarra and landslips have closed and all have been evaluated.
- Documentation is currently with the CEO and Council expects to award contracts early next week.
- Work is expected to commence after Easter 28 April 2025.

Daintree River Channel Dredging

- Dredging is scheduled to start Sunday week, at 10pm, April 6, and will conclude at 5am Thursday April 10 – a total of four nights.
- The ferry will remain operational between the hours of 10pm and midnight on these nights, but there will be small delays to traffic while dredging is underway.
- Dredging is necessary to ensure the continuation of ferry services during low tides, as sand buildup from flooding can impede operations.

Daintree River Ferry Contract

 Tenders were scheduled to close March 19, but the deadline has now been extended to April 9 at the request of tenderers waiting on costs to come through.

Daintree Ferry Cards



Daintree Ferry cards are due for renewal before 30 April 2025.

For more information, go to: https://douglas.qld.gov.au/boost-daintree-ferrycardholders/