

## Meeting #17

Date: Thursday 5 September 2024  
Venue: Via Teams  
Time: 10:00am – 10:45am

### Attendees

- Gabriel Nucifora
- Gaye Scott
- Robyn Guedes

### Apologies

- Abi Ralph – internet down
- Andy Hewetson
- Brett Grainger
- Chris Jones
- Claudia Brassard
- Cole Claxton
- Jacklyn Kiernan
- Lawrence Mason
- Stephen Sponberg
- Emma Tunnock

## Road Update – North to South

Gabriel Nucifora presented the road update.

### Roads North

- Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) has approved funding for 10 Mile, Zig, Zag, China Camp Road, Idriess Close, Banabilla and Evergreen Roads.
- Tenders for this work will be released by the end of September 2024.
- Council's submission for permanent repairs to Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road under the Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets fund (REPA), has been submitted to QRA. We are now responding to information requests from QRA.
- Repairs to the many landslips along Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road are being dealt with separately and geotechnical investigations are underway to scope out the work.
- There is a reason for separating the work. Because we will be lodging several submissions, by splitting tender packages we are aiming to prevent a bottle neck.

### Noah Range Landslip

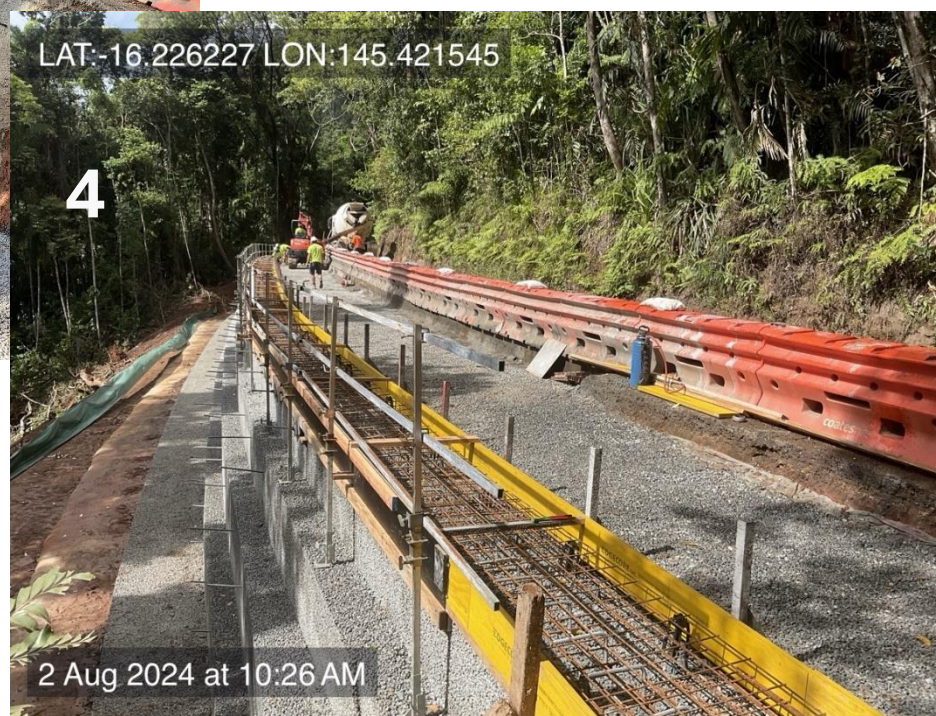
- Tenders have now closed.
- Council is taking a risk based approach in evaluating submissions. This means the proposed methodology and program safety are being given more weighting than dollar amount.
- Approval for the project has been given by National Parks.
- Potholes on the road at the base of the slip have been fixed.

### Noah Creek Bridge

- The bridge inspection report is due Monday 9 September. Interim survey indicated there has been no further movement in the structure since last inspection, which is very good news.

**Alexandra Range**

- Site 1 – aiming for completion 9 September. There were teething issues experience reopening the site to traffic and these have been resolved. Traffic control company will be resetting progressively over the weekend in preparation for Monday.
- Timeline photographs below – in order.



**Alexandra Range - continued**

- The concrete pavement shown will remain as is.
- Resealing at each site will not be done until work on all 13 sites on Alexandra Range has been completed. This is to prevent the new layer of bitumen being damage by repair machinery and trucks servicing other sites for restoration.



- Site 2 – aiming for completion 19 September.



### **Alexandra Range - continued**

- Site 3 – as advised previously, contractors have encountered fractured rock which is slowing progress as additional grouting is required. The latest estimate for completion is early October, although this is weather dependent.



- Tenders for the design and construction of sites 8a,9,10,11 close tomorrow - September 6
- Tenders for the design and construction of sites 3b, 4,5,6,7,8 tender close September 11. The extra week allows for tenderers time to consider sites 7 and 8 which are considerably more complex than the others.

### **CREB Track**

- The CREB Track safety inspection has been completed. It will be open to the public Monday 9 September.

### **Expressions of Interest open to Landowners**

- Council has invited Expressions of interest from landowners to provide sites to stockpile material.

### **Condition of Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road**

- The road is not holding up well. The journey to Cairns is taking longer now, so as to avoid car damage. About 1km either side of Collins Creek is very potholed. Gabriel advised if damaged areas could be lodged as a Customer Request (CRM), this would enable action to be taken. Robyn to send in details of those areas needing attention and Gaye will raise CRM.
- Robyn said the switch back which is in Luana Creek area is hazardous, especially now the road has been narrowed. Suggestion was made for either Give Way signs, although given there are no sight lines, this may not resolve the issue. Another suggestion is to put in a call point. Gabriel to investigate and report back.

### **Unsealed Road Contracts**

- A Welcome to Country and smoking ceremony is being arranged with the two contractors who will be repairing the gravel roads in the shire. Council has found projects always goes a little smoother when the effort is made to do this.

### **Next Meeting**

- The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 19 September 10am.