

## Alexandra Range

### Current Works

- Site 1 – completed
- Site 2 – completed
- Site 3 – completed

Traffic control point was moved to south of the lookout Thursday 7 November.



### Remaining Alexandra Range Sites

- COLPO commenced work 28 October 2024.
- Sites 3b, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 will be completed early in the new year.
- Sites 8a, 9, 10 and 11 will be completed late next year.

### Change to Traffic Traversing the Range

- Previously, once vehicles were released from traffic control points, vehicles moved through the range without any stops.
- With work now occurring at 11 sites, there's been a change to traffic management which will mean at times, vehicles are stopped mid-journey.
- Sometimes, the work requires a concrete truck or body truck to be in the live lane due to limited space. When this occurs traffic will be stopped mid journey.
- Stoppages will be kept to under 5 minutes.
- A pilot vehicle front and rear will chaperone the traffic queue to ensure there are no rogue vehicles in event mid journey stops are required.
- This approach reduces lost productivity and significantly reduces overall project completion times.

## Noah Creek Crossing

- Jabalbina facilitated a meeting of all relevant traditional owners 29 October, to review and sign off on the cultural heritage monitoring to occur during construction of both the Noah Creek temporary causeway and the new bridge.
- Council is aware of community concerns around the resilience of the temporary bypass and the existing bridge.
- Noah Creek Bridge is monitored regularly, usually monthly. At this stage, while requiring replacement, the existing structure will function well past the expected date when the temporary bypass is completed and trafficable.
- If during heavy rain, the existing bridge is hit by large trees or boulders, a level 1 inspection of the bridge can be done within 24 hours.
- If deemed necessary, the bridge can be "de rated" to enable standard vehicles to continue to cross the bridge, and larger vehicles directed to use the causeway.



## Noah Landslip

- HEH commenced on site 28 October 2024.
- The shipping containers replacing the concrete blocks increase protection for the road users during the works.
- The shipping containers do not have a roof, and concrete blocks are placed inside the containers.
- There is also room to put landslide material inside.
- The resulting filled containers provide a higher and sturdier barrier than the concrete blocks alone.
- There are three main stages to the landslip repair
  - Phase 1 – removal of the landslip material before the wet season. This critical phase aims to remove the bulk of the material to reduce road closures. With the increased protection, if slips occur, the clean-up time is anticipated to be between 1-2 days.
  - Phase 2 – involves removal of the debris pile on the road – estimated to be 6 to 7 metres deep. The aim is to complete this phase by May 2025.
  - Phase 3 – involves repair of the road under the debris pile.
- The midnight to 5am road closure is likely to remain in place until the completion of Phase 2, although this will be regularly reviewed.



## Captain Cook Highway

- A reconstruction contract to restore the Captain Cook Highway to its pre-cyclone state has been awarded and works will start November 2024.
- All work is scheduled for completion by mid-2026.
- You may subscribe to updates from TMR here: [Far North Queensland 2024 Cyclone Reconstruction](#)

## Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road

- The landslips on Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road are being packaged separately to the road repairs. An initial slope risk assessment has been completed, and a site visit has been completed.
- Tenders for aerial surveys and geotechnical investigations close 20 November 2024.

### Road Conditions – 12 November 2024

**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.
- Noah Creek Bridge has a weight restriction of 16 tonnes.
- Noah Causeway open for vehicles over 16 tonnes.
- Noah Range – Open 5am to Midnight.

**Cape Tribulation Bloomfield Road** is open to 4WD vehicles.

- The road has deteriorated since opening late June and travellers are advised to take care to avoid damaging their vehicle.
- There are no weight or time restrictions, however the road is unsuitable for towing trailers, campervans or caravans.

**Zig Zag Road** open to 4WD vehicles. Road is suitable for towing 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** is open to 4WDs - experienced drivers only, and please **check weather conditions** beforehand.