

Douglas Shire Council
CAPE TRIBULATION ROAD
STATEMENT OF INTENT

Link Classification	3	
Link Description	Road Number	2831002
	Road Length	40.0km
	Locality	Kimberly, Cow Bay, Diwan, Thornton Beach and Cape Tribulation
	Start Location	Mossman – Daintree Road
	End Location	Cape Tribulation (intersection of road to Cape Tribulation carpark)
Link Function	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The corridor reflects a rural cross section with a 2 lane sealed pavement; • Sections are flat and allow for higher speeds and some sections are steep and mountainous with low speed limits; • Forms part of a coastal regional link between Mossman and Cooktown; • Alternative access to Wujal Wujal Aboriginal Shire Council 	
Link Vision	To maintain the sealed pavement from Mossman to Cape Tribulation. Control traffic volumes at the current level and there are no plans to replace the ferry at the Daintree River with a bridge.	
Current Link Status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Generally meets current needs; • Some safety improvements need to be incorporated around the bridges; • Wildlife safety (cassowaries) awareness improvements need to be incorporated. 	
External Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Serving as an alternative remote community access; • Need to meet Wet Tropics Management Authority (WTMA) World Heritage Listing standards; • All work required WTMA approval; • Need to control traffic volumes (road volumes are seasonal due to large tourist numbers). 	
Internal Factors	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maintain the road at its current standard; • Protection and enhancement of the environment; • Traffic management improvements at the ferry approaches; • Introduction of presale tickets for ferry; • Establish maintenance gravel source at the northern end of the road. 	
Configuration & Condition Standards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sections of road pavement and surfacing in need of repair / reconstruction; • Sections of the steep & mountainous areas needs widening, stabilising and improved delineation. 	
Gap Analysis	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Surface improvements to improve safety; • Widening at some bends; • Improved speed controls and awareness of wildlife; • Improved safety around bridge structures. 	
Scope of Works	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guardrail on Alexandra Range is a high priority; • 	
Development Strategy		
Projected Outcomes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road safety; • Improved environmental outcomes 	
Projected Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improved road safety for all road users; • Improved flood immunity at structures. 	
Projected Investment		

Desirable (photos & maps)