

INTERMITTENT SEALING OF UNSEALED RURAL ROADS (COMMUNITY POLICY)

1. Scope:

This policy applies to unsealed rural roads within Rockhampton Regional Council excluding:

- New road reserves created by the re-configuration of a lot; and
- The sealing of a rural road required as a result of an application under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

2. Purpose:

Council receives requests to either seal a short section of unsealed rural road adjacent to habitable dwellings, or for an applicant to seal a short section of road at their own expense. This policy provides a framework for the consistent assessment of such requests and ensures construction is in accordance with the Design Standards for Roads Guideline.

3. Related Documents:

Primary

Nil

Secondary

Sustainable Planning Act 2009

ARRB - Unsealed Roads Manual – Guidelines to Good Practice (3rd Edition March 2009)

Design Standards for Roads Guidelines

Intermittent Sealing of Unsealed Rural Roads Procedure

4. Definitions:

To assist in interpretation, the following definitions apply:

Council	Rockhampton Regional Council
Dwelling	A building or structure which has been approved for use as a habitable building or structure.
Rural	Geographic area that is located outside of an urban area being cities and towns.
Rural Road	A road servicing allotments in a rural area, for which the majority of allotments have a road frontage in excess of 40metres.
Unsealed Road	A rough road that has no hard surface.

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5. Policy Statement:

Intermittent sealing of unsealed rural roads is concerned with minimising the effect of dust on habitable dwellings that are in close proximity to the unsealed road. While Council does not commit to the provision of intermittent seals on its unsealed road network, it may allow for such works, at the applicant's cost, subject to the requirements of the Intermittent Sealing of Unsealed Rural Roads procedure.

5.1 Exemptions

This policy does not apply to:

- New road reserves created by the re-configuration of a lot.
- The sealing of a rural road required as a result of an application under the *Sustainable Planning Act 2009*.

6. Review Timelines:

This policy will be reviewed when any of the following occur:

- 6.1.** The related information is amended or replaced; and
- 6.2.** Other circumstances as determined from time to time by the Council.

7. Responsibilities:

Sponsor	Chief Executive Officer
Business Owner	General Manager Regional Services
Policy Owner	Manager Civil Operations
Policy Quality Control	Corporate Improvement and Strategy

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