

Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to define the extent of its road network that it will undertake roadside slashing as part of routine maintenance.

Scope

This policy is applicable to rural sealed roads only (Council does not commit to slashing rural unsealed roads) adjacent to the traffic lanes and to a point 3.6 metres from the edge of the traffic lane where practical. However, this may be extended in situations where issues of sight distances or safety are compromised as determined by Council's Director of Engineering Services.

Policy Statement

Council is committed to maintaining its rural roads in a safe and usable condition. Council will undertake slashing of rural roads in the following circumstances:

- a) To maintain safety of public, considering site distances or clear vision of delineation markers and signage or to ensure the ongoing integrity of the Council asset.
- b) To provide visual amenity of the rural road network.

Applicable Legislation

Local Government Act 2009 - section 74 Roads map and register.

Whitsunday Regional Council - Local Law 4

Local Government Act 2009

Definitions

CEO refers to the Chief Executive Officer of the Whitsunday Regional Council appointed in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009*.

Council refers to the Whitsunday Regional Council

Employee refers to any employee, contractor, volunteer etc. of the Council

Formed Road refers to the constructed road either sealed or unsealed with or without kerb and channel.

Urban refer to high density residential areas which usually have a house density of approximately 10 houses per hectare.

Rural Residential refers to residential areas where the house density is 0.5 to 2 houses per hectare.

Rural Road refers to a constructed road in an area where housing density is greater than 2 houses per hectare.

Road Reserve refers to the area of land between the property boundaries either side of the road, which may contain a pathway and sealed or unsealed road.

Rural Slashing Policy

Infrastructure Services - Roads and Drainage

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Related Documents

Local Government Act 2009 - section 74 Roads map and register.

Human Rights Compatibility Statement

This Policy has been assessed as compatible with the Human Rights protected under the *Human Rights Act 2019*.

COUNCIL POLICY			
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