#### 9.2 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, CAPITAL WORKS MONTHLY REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

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Attachments: 1. Capital Works Summary - October 2025 &

2. Capital Works Highlights - October 2025 U

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to provide an update on capital works projects undertaken by the Infrastructure Services Department during the month of October 2025.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council:

- 1. Receives the Infrastructure Services Capital Works Monthly Report for the month of October 2025; and
- 2. Approves a new project, Ootann Road Upgrade Ch. 72.50 km to Ch. 77.70 km, with funding provided through the Queensland Government's Country Roads Connect Program.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Council's Capital Works program is focussed on renewal and upgrade of Council infrastructure to achieve Council's corporate vision of "A growing, confident and sustainable Shire". The program is funded through a combination of Council's own funding and external grants and subsidies.

In addition to the monthly report attached, Council approval is sought for establishment of a new project for the progressive bitumen sealing of Ootann Road, from chainage 72.50 km to 77.70 km, fully funded through the Queensland Government's Country Roads Connect Program. There is no financial impact on the 2025-26 Capital Works Program, as the projectis 100% funded by the Queensland Government.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Financial**

The capital works program is tracking within budget.

#### **Infrastructure and Assets**

Infrastructure and Assets Projects included in the current capital works program were identified through Council's Project Prioritisation Tool (PPT) which uses a risk-based, multi-criteria approach to rank projects in order of priority. The PPT is aligned with Council's Long-Term Financial Plan and Asset Management sub-plans, which focus of renewal of existing assets.

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

#### Capital

All capital works are listed in and funded by the 2025/26 Capital Works Program.

#### LINK TO CORPORATE PLAN

**Transport and Infrastructure:** The provision of quality infrastructure to service our growing community using sound asset management principles.

#### IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Monthly project highlights are to be posted on the website and shared on social media.

#### KEY COMMUNICATION MESSAGES - INTERNAL USE ONLY

CP0003896

MBA Kovacic Rd Bridge Repair Defects

	Works Summary Repor	-	Mareeba SHIRE COUNCIL
Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
Program: 01 -	Rural and Urban Roads Reseal Program (R	denewal)	
CP0003731	24/25 Bitumen & Asphalt Reseal	Rankin Street asphalt overlay complete. Line	Completed
	Program	marking to be completed weather pending.	·
CP0003915	25/26 Bitumen & Asphalt Reseal	Reseal preparation underway. Bitumen sealing of	Construction
	Program	sites programmed to commence February 2026	
		weather pending.	
Program: 02	Gravel Resheet		
CP0003732	24/25 Gravel Resheet Program	Re-sheeting complete.	Completed
CP0003732	25/26 Gravel Resheet Program	List of roads being compiled. Forecast works	Planning
	,	commencement November.	
	Urban Streets		
CP0001023	Recovery Way (WTS) Rehab Ch 0.176-	Works complete.	Completed
CP00795	0.272 TIDS 23-27 Herberton/Constance Inter	Works complete. Ergon costs to be confirmed.	Construction
Ci 00/33	1103 23-27 Herberton/Constance litter	Works complete. Ergon costs to be committed.	Constituction
CP00797	TIDS 22/23 24/25 Rankin/Walsh St	Finalising procurement documentation.	Design
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Program: 04 -		E Criminaria i madaminari, algabere ka liba andra di dad	Decima
CP0002040	KDA KIAUS Barron Falls/Masons Rd/L-out	t Survey is underway, design to be scheduled	Design
CP0002041	KDA KIA09 Barron Falls Rd Thongon-	Survey is underway, design to be scheduled	Design
	Mason		8
CP0002048	KDA Kuranda Heights Rd Intersection	Survey complete, design to be scheduled.	Design
CP0002050	MBA McIver Rd Rehab & Widen	Designs to be completed prior to end of financial	Design
		year by external consultant. Survey and soil	
CD00020F1	DIM Loadinghous Ck Dd Ch2 F00 F 2	investigations complete.	Desima
CP0002051	DIM Leadingham Ck Rd - Ch3.598-5.2	'For Review' Designs completed, preliminary works to commence early November 2025.	Design
CP0002052	TIDS 24-27 DIM Leadingham C/R 8.04-	Pavement works ongoing. Section in front of the	Construction
0.0002002	11.48	packing sheds sealed and asphalted. 1 headwall	construction.
		poured for culvert crossing and other formed.	
CP0002055	DIM Leadingham Ck Rd - Ch1.65-3.598	Culverts extended. Pavement works complete. Site	Construction
		sealed. Rock protection and signage works ongoing.	
CP0002056	DIM Loadingham Ck Rd ChE 2 6 72	Dosign undanway by oxtornal consultant	Docign
CP0002056	DIM Leadingham Ck Rd - Ch5.2-6.72 KDA Oak Forest Rd Rehab & Widen	Design underway by external consultant.  Survey complete, design to be scheduled.	Design Design
CP0002061	KOAH Koah Rd Widen & Seal to 8m	Concept plan completed, funding application	Planning
		submitted, awaiting result.	
CP0002063	DIM Leadingham Ck Rd - Ch6.72-8.04	Design underway by external consultant.	Design
CP0002066	DIM Leafgold Weir Rd Widen Curves	Design to be finalised 2025	Design
CP0002077	MBA Fassio Rd Widen & Bitumen Seal	Funding application submitted, awaiting result.	Planning
Program: 05 -	Bridges		
CP0001558	MBA Tinaroo Creek Rd Ada Creek	Project tender documentation prepared for	Design
	Causeway	procurement during November 2025.	
CP0001564	KDA Oak Forest Rd, Barron River Bridge	Construction has commenced. The old deck has	Construction
		been removed and a temporary bridge is in place.	
		The steel girders have been removed from site for	
		additional fabrication and treatment.	
CP0003706	KOAH BR-000445 Barron St Bridge	Works complete.	Completed
2. 0003700	Renairs		Completed

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Completed

Works complete.

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
Program: 06 -	Drainage		
CP0001598		Installation of heel proof grates at the corner of Hort Street and Walsh Street completed.	Construction
CP0003695	Irvinebank Jessie St/Rubina Tce Upgrade	Investigations will be scheduled	Design
CP0003914	25/26 Renew Minor Culverts & Drainage	No movement for the month of October. Scope to be determined on priority basis.	Construction
CP00844	MBA Amaroo Drainage Upgrades	Assessment & Planning.	Procurement
Program: 08 -	Parking		
CP00846	MBA Heritage Centre Carpark Connection	Works completed.	Completed
Program: 09 -	Footpaths		
CP0001026	23/24 Footpath Renewal Program	Sites being assessed and proposed to complement approved funded and capital projects.	Design
CP0001665	Mt Molloy Footpath & Furniture Refurb	Funding application to be submitted.	Design
CP0001666	KDA Barron Falls Rd Replace Footpath	Survey is Complete, design to be scheduled	Design
CP0001687	KDA WNP Arara St Footpath Missing Link	The contract has been awarded to Ikin Civil.  Construction is imminent and expected to take 2 weeks to complete, weather dependant.	Procurement
CP0001721	MBA WNP Constance St Link (Atherton St)	Design expected early November 2025.	Design
CP0001790	MBA WNP Anzac Avenue Footpath Renewal	Planning postponed to early 2026.	Planning
Program: 10	Parks and Gardens		
CP0001803	Julatten Geraghty Pk Pump Track	In procurement	Procurement
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CP0001805	MBA Bicentennial Lakes Northern	Construction is largely complete, with remaining works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.	Construction
CP0001805	MBA Bicentennial Lakes Northern	works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the	Construction
	MBA Bicentennial Lakes Northern  MUT Refurb Community Hall Park	works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.  Once the observation deck and stormwater pipes are installed, the connecting sections of footpath will be completed.  All park furniture, including the picnic shelter at the	
CP0001928		works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.  Once the observation deck and stormwater pipes are installed, the connecting sections of footpath will be completed.  All park furniture, including the picnic shelter at the carpark, has been installed.	Planning
CP0001928 CP0001931	MUT Refurb Community Hall Park	works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.  Once the observation deck and stormwater pipes are installed, the connecting sections of footpath will be completed.  All park furniture, including the picnic shelter at the carpark, has been installed.  Planning in preparation for community engagement.  Onsite preparation works commencing 5 November 2025. Construction scheduled to commence week	Planning
CP0001928 CP0001931 CP0003818	MUT Refurb Community Hall Park  MOL Bicentenary Pk Renew Bollards	works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.  Once the observation deck and stormwater pipes are installed, the connecting sections of footpath will be completed.  All park furniture, including the picnic shelter at the carpark, has been installed.  Planning in preparation for community engagement.  Onsite preparation works commencing 5 November 2025. Construction scheduled to commence week commencing 10 November 2025.  Community engagement was completed for the playground and parklands.	Planning  Construction
CP0001805  CP0001928  CP0001931  CP0003818  CP00809  CP00860	MUT Refurb Community Hall Park  MOL Bicentenary Pk Renew Bollards  KDA KIAC Kuranda Community Precinct	works pending the delivery and installation of stormwater pipes through the western bay fill and the construction of the observation deck on the south-eastern bank.  Once the observation deck and stormwater pipes are installed, the connecting sections of footpath will be completed.  All park furniture, including the picnic shelter at the carpark, has been installed.  Planning in preparation for community engagement.  Onsite preparation works commencing 5 November 2025. Construction scheduled to commence week commencing 10 November 2025.  Community engagement was completed for the playground and parklands.	Planning Construction Planning

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
Program: 11 -			
CP0002682	FY24/25 - Irvinebank Ibis Dam PS	Design works complete. Project now in procurement stage.	Procurement
CP0002684	FY24/25 - Smart Meters Replacement	Project completed.	Completed
CP0002686	25/26 WTP Minor Infrastructure	Awaiting contractor availability for renewal works of Dimbulah Raw Water tank.	Construction
CP0002687	25/26 Smart Meters Replacement	Smart meter replacements ongoing.	Construction
CP0002688	25/26 Water Main Replacement	Contract awarded to JR Pipelines. Construction to commence early November 2025.	Construction
CP0002689	25/26 Telemetry/SCADA Upgrades	Alarming system upgrades ongoing.	Construction
CP0002691	25/26 Hydrants & Valve Renewal	Evaluating received quotations	Procurement
CP0002692	DIM WTP Sand Filtration	Currently seeking quotes for filtration sand replacement.	Procurement
CP0002697	KDA WTP Turbidity Meters	Equipment delivered to site. Awaiting contractor availability for installation.	Procurement
CP0002698	DIM WTP Raw Water Pump Station	Awaiting contractor availability to commence renewal works.	Construction
CP0002764	MOL Replace Hunter Ck Weir	Optioneering and costing report being developed by Dam Safety Engineers	Design
CP0003667	FY24/25 Irvinebank Ibis Dam Valves	Valves mechanically fitted. Electrical works underway.	Construction
CP0003734	MBA WTP Fuel Pod For Generator	Tank ready to be installed, waiting staff availability to complete	Construction
CP0003820	KDA WTP Intake Works	Project awarded ready for construction in the new year.	Procurement
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CP0001043	- Wastewater Atherton St Pump Station Refurb	Project currently released for public tender	Procurement
CP0001043	FY24/25 - MBA Sewer CCTV & Reline	CCTV works for Kuranda Sewer network to	Construction
CD0003481	Prog	commence early December 2025.	Canatavatian
CP0002481	FY24/25 - MBA Constance St Rising Main	The project has now reached the Constance and Atherton Street intersection. While there have been	Construction
		some minor delays, progress overall continues at an efficient pace	
CP0002483	25/26 MBA Sewer CCTV & Reline Prog	Design specification for relining and patchworks to sewer lines underway. Due mid November 2025.	Design
CP0002484	25/26 WW Pump Station Ancillary	Safety signage planned for all pump stations	Construction
CP0002485	25/26 WW Reticulation Pumps Renewal	Replacement of pumps at end-of-life for critical pump stations ongoing.	Construction
CP0002487	25/26 Telemetry/SCADA Upgrades	Improvement of data analytics capabilities ongoing.	Construction
CP0002489	25/26 Manhole Rehab & Replace	Construction for remediation works to manholes continuing. Completion due late November.	Construction
CP0002490	MBA WWTP Inline Instruments	Project in procurement stage	Procurement
CP0002491	KDA WWTP Sludge Conveyor	Project in procurement stage	Procurement
CP0003722	KDA WWTP Renew 6x6m Shed	Works complete.	Completed
CP00889	22/23 MBA Sewer CCTV & Relining	Investigation works underway	Construction
Program: 13 -	- Waste		
CP0003875	KDA Weigh Bridge Surface Renewal	In construction	Construction
Program: 14 -	A consideration		
CP0003859	CHI Aerodrome Reformation	Works have commenced 23 October 2025.	

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Project Code	Project Description	Project Comment	Project Stage
CP0003899	MBA Aerodrome Drainage Improvements	Contractor engaged to commence works early November 2025. The first stage will involve works on the downstream section of Ray Road Drain, followed by the removal of excess culverts within the Aerodrome. The final stage will include cleaning the airside drain. All works to be completed prior to end of year.	Construction
Program: 15 -	- Fleet		
CP0003744	Replace Asset 637 Job Truck	Truck at body fabricators, waiting body to be built	Procurement
CP0003746	Replace Asset 1279 Toyota Hilux	Waiting delivery, Delivery expected mid December	Procurement
CP0003862	Electric Forklift 2 Ton capacity	Waiting on delivery	Procurement
CP0003924	Replace Asset 6216 Fire Fight Spray Unit	Spray Unit delivered, waiting for staff availabilty for final fit out	Procurement
CP0003926	Replace Asset 617 Job Truck	Truck delivered to fabricator, waiting for body to be fabricated	Procurement
CP0003929	Replace Asset 4061 Kubota Mower	Waiting on delivery, no confirmed date as yet	Procurement
CP0003930	Asset 6221 Forklift Forks Upgrade	Project wil start one the 2 ton electric forklift is delivered	Planning
Program: 16 -	- Depots and Council Offices		
CP0001595	MBA Kowa St Depot Emergency Generator	Electrical contract awarded to LWD Electrics, works to commence early November 2025. Generator housing structure contract awarded to JMB Building, works to commence early November 2025.	
Program: 17 -	- Community Buildings		
CP0001059	Mba/Dim Aquatic Condition Assessment	Consultant engaged to project manage assessment RFQ	Procurement
CP0001816	25/26 Shire Wide Toilet Facilities	Planning postponed to early 2026.	Planning
CP0003756	MBA Davies Park Field 1 Lighting Upgrade	Works completed.	Completed
CP0003858	JUL Geraghty Park Septic System	Works to commence early November 2025.	Construction
CP0003891	KDA Centenary Park Amenities Refurb	Contract awarded to JMB Building. Construction works to commence early November.	Construction
CP0003912	MBA Gymnasium Roof Replacement	Works to be completed early November 2025.	Construction
CP00793	MBA Women's Restroom Refurb	To be completed in conjunction with the Mareeba CBD Blueprint Project	Planning
	Non-Infrastructure Items		
CP0001085	Mba Cemetery Expansion Planning	scheduled for delivery prior end of financial year.	Planning
CP0003754	Mareeba CBD Blueprint	Stormwater Management Plan is complete. Draft masterplan is being prepared.	Planning
CP0003908	MBA New Cemetery Headstone on Beam	Plans with Contractor. Start date TBC.	Construction

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Tender Documentation being prepared.

Design



Project Name: Leadingham Creek Road Rehabilitation, Widen and Seal

**Program: Rural Roads** 

#### **Background**

Leadingham Creek Road is classified as a Rural Collector Road, extending approximately 13.1 km from Mareeba-Dimbulah Road (east of the Dimbulah township) to Wolfram Road in the west. The road serves a vital role in supporting regionally significant activities, including heavy agriculture, sugarcane haulage, and tourism, and also provides access to the Dimbulah Aerodrome.

The road is in need of an upgrade to address several safety concerns, including tight horizontal curves, steep vertical alignments, restricted driver sightlines, and a narrow carriageway. Additionally, the high volume of heavy commercial and private traffic has contributed to the deterioration of the road's condition, resulting in steep edge drop-offs, uneven shoulders, and damaged sealed edges that compromise the integrity of the pavement.

This project is funded by the Australian Government in association with the Queensland Government and Mareeba Shire Council.

#### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes the widening and sealing of 9.8km of Leadingham Creek Road from Chainage 1.65 to 11.48 to a consistent 2 lane, 7m wide roadway with 0.5m shoulders on either side of the roadway (excluding the single culvert at Twelve Mile Creek). The scope includes earthworks, drainage, culverts, pavement construction, bitumen sealing, road furniture and line marking.

#### **Progress Update**

Chainage 1.65 – 3.598 (Delacy Road Intersection to Braund Road Intersection)

- 1) Laying and compacting base gravel. Sealing from Delacy Road intersection to Braund Road Intersection with C130 16/10 bitumen seal.
- 2) Installation of rock check dams in the roadside drains for scour protection.
- 3) Backfill and placement of inlet/outlet rock protection and placement and grouting of rock batter protection at 600mm diameter pipe culvert crossing at Chainage 2377.





Sealing of roadway at various sections of job



#### Chainage 8.04 - 11.48

- 1) Installation of steel reinforcing, formwork and pouring of headwall at 1200mm diameter pipe culverts at chainage 9786.
- 2) Cart, lay and compact shoulder and embankment fill and road pavement gravel.
- 3) Sealing from approximately chainage 9150 to 9400 with C130 16/10 bitumen seal. Asphalting in front of packing sheds using DG14 asphalt.



Post pour of 1200mm diameter RCP headwall





Sealing and asphalting of chainage 9150 - 9400



Project Name: Mareeba Bicentennial Lakes and Parkland Upgrade

**Program: Parks and Open Spaces** 

#### **Background:**

The Mareeba Bicentennial Lakes is 1.5km of parkland located in the heart of Mareeba. As the third most visited open space in the region, the lakes sit just 350 metres from the CBD, offering convenient access for both residents and visitors.

The northern lake is located between Keeble St and Granite Creek and provides an open space recreational area for the residents and visitors of Mareeba Shire with established trees, grassy open spaces, footpaths, and a waterway backdrop.

The proposed upgrade works aim to enhance water quality in the northern lakes and improve the safety, functionality, accessibility, and overall amenity of the surrounding parklands within the northern lakes precinct. The project is funded by the Australian Government and Mareeba Shire Council.

#### Scope of Work:

The projects scope of works includes:

- Construction of a new on-street carpark on the northern side of Keeble Street.
- Reshaping of the top northern lake, narrowing it to remove stagnant areas and maximise the
  capacity of the freshwater flow, reducing areas where sediment and nutrients can deposit to
  improve the water quality and self-sustainability of the eco system;
- Construction of a viewing deck on the lake edge with the intent of providing an interpretive information node proposed to have educational signage and information maps.
- New footpaths for pedestrian connectivity on the eastern side of the lake and replacement of
  existing paver footpath sections with concrete footpaths to improve usability.
- Installation of picnic shelters, park bench seating, a litter bin and drinking fountain.
- Solar footpath lighting similar to the southern lakes' precinct.
- Some ground surface reprofiling and drainage works will also be undertaken.

#### Works Progress:

Preliminary establishment works commenced on 21 July 2025.

The contractor has completed works up to a point and is awaiting delivery of stormwater pipes and approval to proceed with the installation of the observation deck before he can proceed further.

The observation deck structural design has been received and forwarded to the contractor to price its installation. Once the deck is installed it can be connected into the pedestrian footpath network.

The park furniture has been installed including the picnic shelter at the carpark.

Topsoil has been laid of the eastern mound slope. Additional topsoiling, seeding and irrigation will be completed once the final construction elements are complete.



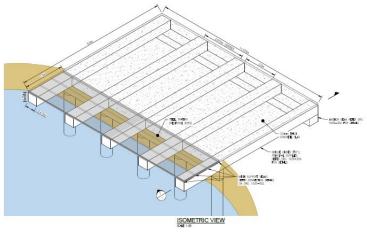




Carpark Picnic Shelter & Bollards

Footpath, Solar Light, Retaining Wall & Mound Topsoil







Project Name: Oak Forest Barron River Bridge Upgrade

**Program: Bridges** 

#### **Background**

Renewal of the timber bridge section of the Barron River crossing at Oak Forest is required due to its deteriorated condition. This bridge is a critical route for timber industry trucks, supporting current operations and enabling future business growth, with approximately 210 heavy vehicles currently using this crossing.

Replacing the bridge will maintain access to nine rural properties and provide a vital connection for three Indigenous communities—Mantaka, Kowrowa, and Mona Mona—located on either side of the river.

This project is funded by the Australian Government's Bridges Renewal Program.

#### Scope of Work

The scope of works includes the removal and replacement of the old timber decking boards and the treatment and fabrication of the existing steel I-Beam girders to form a new steel sub-structure.

#### **Progress Update**

The project commenced 7 October 2025 with the dismantling of the old bridge timbers and removal of the existing steel I-beams to Cairns for treatment and fabrication. A temporary bridge was installed to provide access for residents living on the western side of the Barron River.

Reinstatement works are scheduled to commence in mid-November and expected to take 3 days to lift in the new steel substructure and install the timber deck timbers to complete the project.







Dismantling the Bridge

**Existing Steel I-Beam Condition** 





Crane Preparing to Lift Out the Steel Girders





Temporary Bridge Installed



Project Name: 2025-2026 Manhole Refurbishment Program

Program: Wastewater

#### **Background**

As part of Council's three year Barron River Catchment Sewer Infrastructure Upgrade project, Council are continuing works to remediate sewer manholes within the Mareeba Sewerage Reticulation network to reduce inflow and infiltration.

The works have been jointly funded by the Australian Government's Reef Guardian Councils Program and the Queensland Government's 2024-27 Works for Queensland Program. The project aims to enhance the sewerage network in Mareeba and Kuranda, reducing the risk of sewage overflows into the Barron River catchment and ultimately the Great Barrier Reef.

#### Scope of Works

The scope of works includes complete remediation of 155 sewer manholes located within private and public property within Mareeba. The works will be carried out across three (3) separate locations within Mareeba, specifically along Peters Street to Atherton Street, Atherton Street to Granite Creek and the Mareeba West township area. The work to be performed under this contract comprises the provision of all materials, plant and labour and the performance of all operations necessary for the complete and proper rehabilitation of the nominated sewer manholes.

#### **Progress Update**

Works are continuing and have progressed well with no major interruptions to the scheduled program. Remediation works have commenced across the three (3) separate locations within Mareeba, specifically along Peters Street to Atherton Street, Atherton Street to Granite Creek and the Mareeba West township area. The contractor has commenced relining works to the worst affected manholes. Works are programmed for completion early December 2025.



Works in progress



Relined manhole



Project Name: Kuranda Waste Transfer Station Weighbridge Abutments and Surface Renewal

Program: Waste

#### **Background**

Upgrading the weighbridge abutments with concrete addresses ongoing pavement repairs and ensures safe, accessible trafficable conditions for customers. Ground conditions at the Kuranda Waste Transfer Station are highly variable, with some areas extremely hard and others retaining moisture, which has contributed to pavement deterioration.

Additionally, the original coating on the weighbridge had deteriorated, leaving the steel structure susceptible to corrosion and requiring recoating.

#### Scope of Works

Excavate and reinstate the weighbridge abutment s with concrete and recoat the surface of the weighbridge to ensure longevity of the equipment and continued access for customers.

#### **Progress Update**

During October, excavation and concrete reinstatement works were carried out, along with recoating of the weighbridge.





Excavation and concrete reinstatement works









Recoating of the weighbridge



**Project Name: Kenneally Road Gravity Sewer Main Upgrade** 

**Program: Wastewater** 

#### **Background**

Most of Mareeba's sewerage network was built between the late 1960s and 1980s. The Kenneally Road and Constance Street sewer main is a critical asset servicing 129 residential properties. The original sewer main is unable to meet both existing demand and future development needs, and this has resulted in surcharging of manholes along Constance Street and Kenneally Road, with sewage ingress into the environment and properties during severe wet weather events.

Upgrading the gravity sewer main will address both current and future capacity issues within the Kenneally Road catchment. Replacing ageing sewer infrastructure is vital to reducing the risk of sewage overflows—an issue with serious implications for public health, environmental safety, and community wellbeing. This upgrade is also a key measure in protecting the Barron River, which ultimately flows into the Great Barrier Reef. This project is proudly supported by the Queensland Government through the Local Government Grants and Subsidies Program and Mareeba Shire Council.

#### Scope of Works

2.35km of gravity sewer main will be upgraded, starting from a sewer manhole located in an easement off Antonio Drive. It will run the full length of Constance Street, connecting to a manhole adjacent to Mareeba State Primary School, and discharge upstream of the Byrnes Street pump station.

The project scope includes:

- Supply, delivery and installation of the sewer gravity pipework and manholes
- Survey for set out purposes, erosion and sediment control and traffic management.
- Manhole testing and commissioning of the sewer gravity main.

#### **Progress Update**

During October, trenching works continued along Constance Street, south of the Atherton Street intersection.

Construction has remained on track. Challenges and resolutions include:

- Hard rock has now been encountered along sections of the trench alignment. Ripping and hammering were carried out as required, resulting in minor delays with no additional costs incurred.
- Manhole construction works commenced on the southern section of the project just north of the Atherton Street intersection





Sewer main construction

#### 9.4 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, TECHNICAL SERVICES OPERATIONS REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

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Attachments: Nil

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to outline Council's Fleet, Design, Soils Lab, Survey, Quality, GIS, Facilities and Investigation Services activities undertaken by Infrastructure Services during the month of October 2025.

#### RECOMMENDATION

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Technical Services Operations Report for October 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Technical Services**

#### Design, quality, and investigations:

Investigation activities undertaken in October included:

Activity	New Requests	Closed Requests	Active EOM
Lodged via CRM:			
Road Infrastructure Review	22	38	54
Drainage Investigations	2	6	30
Parks Investigations	0	1	2
Miscellaneous e.g. Planning; Local Laws	9	9	19

Routine Activities	Investigations Completed
Traffic Count / Survey's	11
As Constructed Plans	5
National Heavy Vehicle Regulator (NHVR) Permits/Investigations	20
Before You Dig Requests	178

#### **Soil Laboratory:**

Council's Soil Laboratory provides NATA-accredited soil and material testing for internal and external services. The laboratory delivered 281 tests in October, with majority of testing being delivered for external clients.

#### GIS:

Ongoing improvements to GIS data associated with water, sewerage, roads, underground stormwater and kerbs asset data sets continues, as information is received from other areas of Council.

#### **Operational Works and Subdivisions:**

To ensure ongoing compliance with development conditions, both during construction and on-maintenance, Council undertakes routine inspection and monitoring of sites. The following developments remain current:

Locality	Subdivisions Name/Description	Road	
Works Appro	Works Approved for Commencement		
Koah	Popovic Road Development	Popovic Road	
Kuranda	Jum Rum Rainforest Estate Stage 2	Fallon Road	
Kuranda	2-6 Black Mountain Road	Black Mountain Road	
Mareeba	9 Kenneally Road	Kenneally Road	
Mareeba	St Stephen's Catholic College	McIver Road	
Mareeba	Quill Street Development	Quill Street	
Mareeba	Rayfield Estate	Rayfield Road	
Mareeba	Amaroo Stage 14A	Karobean Drive	
Mareeba	Wylandra Estate	Wylandra Drive	

On-Maintenance Period		
Kuranda	Myola Heights Estate Stage 2A Christensen Road	
Kuranda	Jum Rum Rainforest Estate Stage 1 Fallon Road	
Mareeba	Mareeba Roadhouse & Accommodation Park	Williams Close
Mareeba	9 Kenneally Road	Kenneally Road
Mareeba	Emerald Creek Service Station	Malone Road
Mareeba	Prestige Gardens Stage 1-4 (Drainage)	McIver Road
Mareeba	Prestige Gardens Stage 5-6	McIver Road
Mareeba	Amaroo Stage 13a (Drainage)	Moondani Avenue
Mareeba	Amaroo Stage 13b (Drainage)	Karobean Drive
Mareeba	The Rise: Stage 3 (Drainage)	Catherine Atherton Drive
Mareeba	7 Kenneally Road	Kenneally Road
Mareeba	Country Road Estate Stage 4	Lee Sye Road

Off-Maintenance for Month		
Mareeba	Country Road Estate Stage 3	Lee Sye Road

#### <u>Facilities</u>

Operational works delivered by the team, include several highlights for the month.

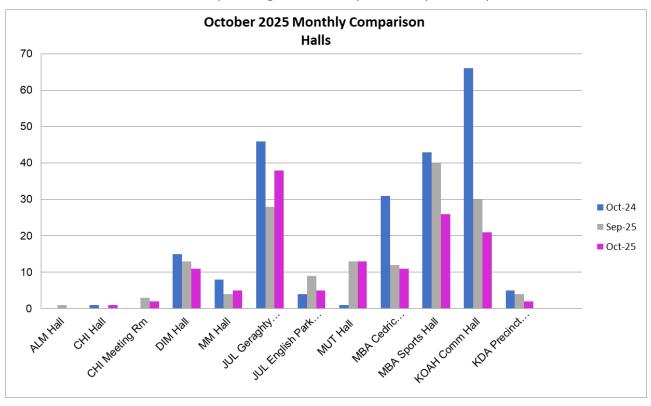
Facility	Works completed
Dimbulah Community Centre	Replace damaged carpet
Mareeba Sports Hall	Repair damaged flooring
Kuranda Community Precinct	Repaired cages for the sporting groups in Kuranda

#### **Preventative Maintenance:**

A new contractor has been appointed for the pest control services of Council buildings, with treatment commencing November 2025. Programmed servicing of air-conditioners and the testing of RCD's on all Council buildings and infrastructure now underway.

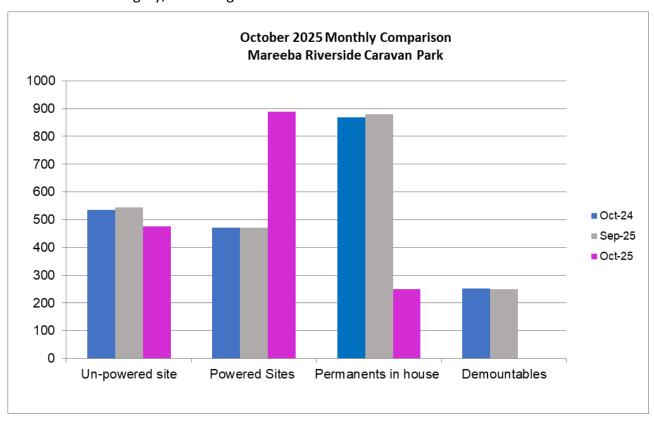
#### **Community Halls:**

Maintaining safe and efficient access to Council's Community Halls is recognised as an important aspect for the community's ongoing wellbeing. Utilisation for community managed facilities has shown reduced levels when compared against similar period for previous year.

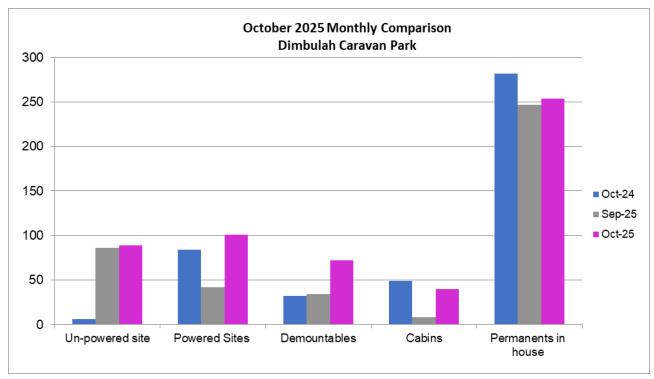


#### Caravan Parks:

Mareeba Riverside Caravan Park: utilisation for October has strengthened noticeably within the 'Powered Site' category, which aligns with the return of seasonal workers.

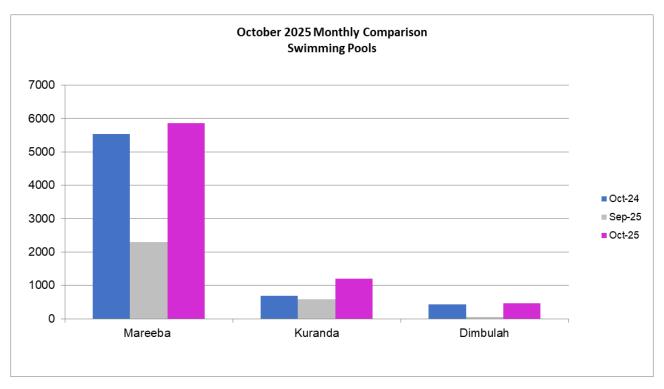


Dimbulah Caravan Park: utilisation has strengthened across all categories when compared to previous month, which aligns with the return of seasonal workers.



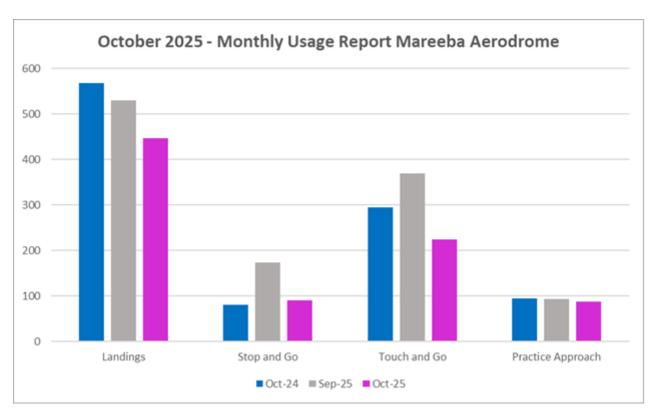
#### **Aquatic Centres**

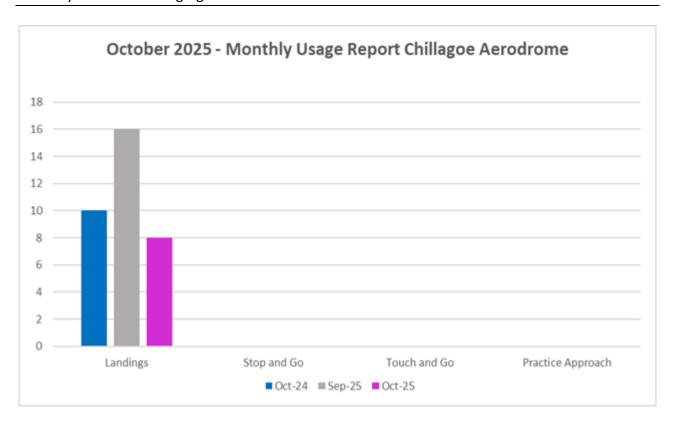
Attendance at all Aquatic Facilities has recovered (or exceeded) against similar period for previous year, with significant recovery against last month's numbers. This would be attributable to the onset of Spring / Summer heat.



#### Aerodromes:

The data recorded below is current for the month of October, however there is usually a lag of some data for each current month from the service provider, which continues to be updated into the next month.





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#### IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Nil

#### 9.7 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WORKS SECTION ACTIVITY REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

Date Prepared: 16 October 2025
Author: Manager Works

Attachments: Nil

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to summarise Council's Transport Infrastructure, Parks and Open Spaces, TMR Routine Maintenance Performance Contract (RMPC) and Land Protection operational activities undertaken by Infrastructure Services during the month of October 2025.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Works Progress Report for the month of October 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND**

A summary of works completed in October 2025 is provided below.

#### TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

The major maintenance activities carried out in October are listed below.

Activity	Location
Unsealed Road Grading	Austin Road, Barron Street, Bolton Road, Cadaga Close, Cedar Park Road, Clohesy Street, Cobra Road, Copland Road, Crothers Road, Douglas Track East, Fantin Road, Grievson Road, Harper Road, Jeffrey Road, Kanervo Road, Koah Road, Little Road, McCorry Road, Oak Forest Road, Railway Street, Speewah Road, Stoney Creek Road, Streil Road, Tapiola Road, Wright Road, Big Sands Lane, Mount Nolan Road, Two Chain Road
Bitumen Patching	Chewko Road, Fallon Road Return Lane, Mason/Fallon Road Roundabout, Warril Drive Return Lane, Arara Street, Barang Street, Barron Street, Cadagi Drive, Cathedral Street, Chewko Road, Coondoo Street, Euluma Creek Road, Fairyland Road, Fallon Road, Green Forest Road, Herberton Street, Hickory Road, Highland Drive, Jacinta Crescent, Jeffrey Road, Koah Road, Kovacic Road, Kuranda Heights Road, Leafgold Weir Road, Masons Road, McBean Road, McIver Road, Monaro Close, Mount Perseverance Road, Myola Road, Oak Forest Road, Pademelon Lane, Palm Valley Road, Queen Street, Ray Road, Rob Veivers Drive, Roiko Road, Rosewood Drive, Sides Road, Speewah Road, Springmount Road, Thongon Street, Tinaroo Creek Road, Weir Road, Wolfram Road, Black Mountain Road, Christensen Road

Activity	Location	
Unsealed Road Maintenance	Barron Street, Fantin Road, Grievson Road, Scrub Street, Two Chain Road	
Tree Clearing	Aerodrome Road, Arara Street, Argyle Street, Armstrong Road, Atherton Street, Bakers Road, Bangalow Place, Barron Falls Road, Barron Street, Black Mountain Road, Bolton Road, Boyles Road, Butler Drive, Carr Road, Cathedral Street, Churchill Creek Road, Clacherty Road, Douglas Track, Euluma Creek Road, Fallon Road, Frew Street, Ganyan Drive, Gregory Terrace, Harper Road, High Chapparal Road, Highland Drive, Hilltop Close, Kuranda, Kanervo Road, Koah Road, LA Road, Market Street, Masons Road, Masterson Street, McLeans Bridge Road, Monaro Close, Morrish Road, Myola Road, Nine Mile Road, Oak Forest Road, Outlook Crescent, Queen Street, Raleigh Street, Shane Court, Sides Road, Speewah Road, Stewart Street, Tait Street, Tower Street, Wetherby Road, Weir Road, Windy Hollow Road, Wrights Lookout Road, Black Mountain Road, Fan Palm Place, Christensen Road	
Slashing	Barron Falls Road, Jeffrey Road, Speewah Road, Wrights Lookout Road	
Road Furniture – Repair/Replace	Springmount Road, Chewko Road, Arara Street, Bakers Road, Barang Street, Barron Falls Road, Black Mountain Road, Byrnes Street, Chettle Road, Elisa Avenue, Euluma Creek Road, Fraser Road, Kearney Street, King Street, Kovacic Road, Lerra Street, Macrae Street, Meehan Street, Monaro Close, Monty Street, Mount Haren Road, Myola Road, Oak Forest Road, Railway Street, Raintree Close, Springmount Road, Stewart Street, Thongon Street, Thooree Street, Walsh Street, Wetherby Road, Street Sign Replacement Prog, Black Mountain Road	
Illegal Dumping	Anzac Avenue, Baker Street, Koah Road, Williamson Drive	
Drainage Maintenance	Frew Street, High Street, Ootann Road, Queen Street	

#### TMR ROUTINE MAINTENANCE PERFORMANCE CONTRACT (RMPC)

The following RMPC works were carried out in October 2025.

Location	Activity	
32A - Kennedy Highway (Cairns - Mareeba)	Rest Area Servicing at Edmund Kennedy Bridge.	
34A - Mulligan Highway (Mareeba - Mount Molloy)	Provided traffic control for bush fire as required.	

Location	Activity	
34B - Mulligan Highway (Mount Molloy - Lakeland)	<ul> <li>Roadside Litter Collection - Rifle Creek and Mount Carbine Truck Stop</li> <li>Removal of illegal dumping/ household litter from Truck Bays at Mount Molloy and Mount Carbine</li> <li>Rest Area Servicing at Rifle Creek</li> <li>Yearly pipe inspections including recording co-ordinates and lengths</li> <li>Supply and Installation of signs as per 25/26 Sign Replacement Program</li> </ul>	
653 - Mossman-Mount Molloy Road	<ul> <li>Roadside litter collection - Hunter Creek, Environmental Park and Lyons Park</li> <li>Rest Area Servicing at Hunter Creek</li> <li>Yearly pipe inspections including recording co-ordinates and lengths</li> <li>Remove stopping bay sign that was destroyed by an errant vehicle</li> <li>Removal of fallen trees blocking road (callout)</li> </ul>	
664 - Mareeba- Dimbulah Road	<ul> <li>Gurneying of wombat crossings to improve pedestrian safety</li> <li>Supply and Installation of signs as per 25/26 Sign Replacement Program</li> <li>Supply and Install 2x Narrow Bridge signs to approaches at Granite Creek Bridge</li> <li>Supply and Install Road train sign</li> <li>Cleaning of drains from Rodeo Grounds to Golf Course</li> </ul>	
89B - Burke Developmental Road (BDR) 6632 - Herberton- Petford Road	<ul> <li>Medium Formation Grade from Trimbles Crossing to the boundary</li> <li>Road repairs west of Turkey Creek</li> <li>Install detour track for Longreach grid repairs</li> <li>Yearly pipe inspections including recording co-ordinates and lengths</li> <li>Eureka Creek Rest Area servicing and ground maintenance</li> <li>Medium formation grade from Watsonville to Petford</li> <li>Supply and Installation of signs as per 25/26 Sign Replacement Program</li> </ul>	

#### PARKS AND OPEN SPACES

Description	Comment	
Mowing	<ul> <li>Mareeba, Dimbulah, Kuranda, Mt Molloy/Julatten, and Chillagoe mowing is still very minimal</li> </ul>	
	1 mow in all areas this month.	
Playing fields mowing	Davies Park one (1) x week at 50mm	
	<ul> <li>Borzi Park and Firth Park one (1) x week at 25mm.</li> </ul>	
General maintenance	Continued mulching garden beds and medians.	

Description	Comment	
	Irrigation upgrades in Kuranda and garden maintenance.	
Gurney Crew	Cleaning in Mareeba three (3) hours early morning four (4) days per week.	
	Kuranda streets two (2) hours three (3) days per week after Mareeba.	
	Pressure clean footpaths Dimbulah and Playground in Dimbulah.	
Playgrounds	Replace swing seat at Centenary Park Kuranda.	
Slashing	Slashed Rail Trail McIver to Vicary, Shaban Park, Eales Park and Mooraridgi Park.	
Burials	<ul> <li>Mareeba – 1 in Lawn Plaque on Beam, 1 in the Mausoleum Wall,</li> <li>1 in Above Ground Vault</li> </ul>	
LOA	Mareeba Cemetery maintenance.	
	Dimbulah Cemetery, and around the Tennis Courts.	
Contractors	Tree loppers removed 1 dead tree in Mareeba.	
Tree Trimming	Continuing with tree trimming in all towns for ease of mowing and Street Sweeper access, also stump grinding.	
Fire Management	Responded to Wildfires at Springmount, and Mt Molloy at request of QFES.	
Footpath Maintenance	Grind trip hazards on Kenneally Road, Bi Lakes and Centenary Park Kuranda.	

#### **LAND PROTECTION**

Weed/Pest	Activity
Parthenium Weed	• Inspections carried out on all sites. All landholders are complying with their biosecurity obligation.
Amazon Frogbit	• Work along Chinaman, Atherton Creeks, hand removal and Herbicide treatment.
Kuranda Miconia	Assisting Biosecurity QLD survey and hand removal in and around Kuranda.

Weed/Pest	Activity
Thunbergia vine	<ul> <li>Foliar spray treatment of known locations in the Speewah and Julatten areas.</li> </ul>
Trap Ants (Electric and Yellow Crazy ants)	<ul> <li>Sentinel site surveys have been carried out on Council transfer stations with samples supplied to QLD DAF for identification. No positive results detected.</li> </ul>
Wild Pigs	23 pigs trapped and destroyed in Mareeba, Speewah and Kuranda areas.

#### **CUSTOMER REQUESTS**

During October, the Works Group received 169 Customer Requests (CRs) with 129 resolved (resolved requests include those received prior to October 2025). The table below shows the number of requests lodged per Works Section for the month.

Month	Roads	Parks and Gardens	Pest Management
October	125	37	7

At the time of reporting, the Works Group had 90 open requests.

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

#### **Operating**

All operational works are funded by the section specific 2025/26 maintenance budgets.

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#### IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Nil

#### 9.8 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, DISASTER RECOVERY OPERATIONS REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

Date Prepared: 10 November 2025

Author: Manager Disaster Recovery

Attachments: 1. October Major Project Summary &

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to outline to progress of Council's activities funded under the Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) during the month of October 2025.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Disaster Recovery Operations Report for October 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND**

The Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA) is a jointly funded program between the Australian Government and State Government, providing financial assistance to help communities recover from eligible disasters. Current projects and their respective weather events are provided herein.

## <u>2023 DRFA – Northern and Central Queensland Monsoon and Flooding, 20 December 2022 – 30 April 2023</u>

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Projects

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2024-09 – MSC DRFA 2023	MC Group Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Works
Western Roads Package	underway on Bulimba and Blackdown Road.

#### <u>2024 DRFA – Tropical Cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023</u>

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Projects

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2024-10 Jarawee Road Stabilisation	Civform Pty Ltd engaged to deliver contract. Works ongoing.
T-MSC2024-33 – MSC DRFA 2024 Eastern Roads Package	Contract awarded to Ikin Civil Pty Ltd. Works ongoing.
T-MSC2024-34 – MSC DRFA 2024 Western Roads Package	Contract awarded to Gregg Construction Pty Ltd. Works complete. Project to be removed from future
Western Nodas Fackage	reports.
T-MSC2024-36 – MSC DRFA 2024 Dimbulah Roads Package	Contract awarded to Cheshire Contractors Pty Ltd. Works scheduled to be completed November 2025.

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2024-35 – MSC DRFA 2024 Mid-Western Roads Package	Contract awarded to Gregg Construction Pty Ltd. Works complete. Project to be removed from future reports.
PDQ-MSC2025-10 Black Mountain Road Culvert Replacement (Julatten)	Contract awarded to Dempsey Crane and Construction.  Works due to commence November 2025 weather pending.
T-MSC2025-33 – Warril and Mount Haren Landslip Remediation	Released to tender 7 November 2025. Due to close 1 December 2025.
T-MSC2025-34 – Ivicevic Road Landslip Remediation	Tender Issue documentation received. To be tendered week commencing 10 November 2025.

#### Water & Sewer Program (exceptional circumstances package)

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2025-09 – Lloyd Street Sewer Replacement Project	Project awarded to A&B Civil.  Contract preliminary tasks underway.
T-MSC2025-10 – Kuranda WTP Intake Works Project	Project awarded to Bluewater marine QLD Pty Ltd.  Contract preliminary tasks underway. Some modifications to construction issue documentation have delayed the onsite commencement of works. Negotiations are ongoing.
Kuranda WTP Infrastructure Project (Embankment & sludge thickener)	Jacobs Group engaged for design. Design to be staged for embankment reconstruction and sludge thickener. Onsite geotechnical investigations complete.

#### Betterment Fund (exceptional circumstances package)

Assistance for the following projects under the 2024 Betterment Program, has been provided by the Australian and Queensland Governments through the jointly funded Commonwealth-state Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA):

Project Name	Update
T-MSC2025-24 - Gully Betterment Program	Project awarded to S&K Civil Contracting Pty Ltd.
	Works on Torwood and Bolwarra Concrete works complete. Ootann Road works scheduled for this year.
T-MSC2025-25 - Wolfram Road Culvert Upgrade	Survey complete.
	Geotechnical investigations underway.
T-MSC2025-26 - Lockwood Road Upgrade	Released to tender 7 November 2025. Due to close 1 December 2025.

#### Local Recovery and Resilience Grants (LRRG)

Local Recovery and Resilience Grants are available to eligible local councils significantly impacted by Tropical Cyclone Jasper, 13 - 28 December 2023 in Far North Queensland. Funding will help councils address economic, social and community recovery needs and support future resilience measures.

Approval has been received for Council's submission, which included a range of retrospective and future projects.

#### <u>2025 DRFA – North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025</u>

Reconstruction of Essential Public Assets (REPA) Projects

Project Name	Update	
Hastie Road Embankment	Approval received for geotechnical solution.	
	Onsite investigations to be scheduled.	
DRQ-MSC2025-03 – MSC DRFA	Project awarded to Pedersen Civil Pty Ltd.	
2024/25 – Hurricane Road & Karma Waters Road	Works underway.	
Kuranda Depot Access Slip	Approval received for geotechnical solution.	
	Temporary works complete to stabilise site prior to the 25/26 wet season.	
	Onsite investigations to be scheduled.	
Top Eureka Creek Culvert	Approval received for protection works of culvert crossing on Top Eureka Creek Road. Critical protection works completed.	
Fallon Road Pavement	Approval received for minor pavement works on Fallon Road.	
PDQ-MSC2025-16 – Park Avenue RCP Replacement	Approval received for replacement of stormwater line on Park Avenue. Works awarded to Gregg Construction.	
	Temporary works undertaken whilst RCPs are being sourced (extended lead times). Permanent works scheduled for early 2026.	
PDQ-MSC2025-17 – Maria Close RCP Replacement	Approval received for replacement of stormwater line on Maria Close. Works awarded to Terra Novus.	
	Works scheduled to commence early 2026 due to extended lead times.	

#### **DRFA ROPS**

Report to be tabled to council at the 19 November 2025 meeting for empanelment of suppliers under the DRFA Works Register of Pre-qualified suppliers (ROPS). ROPS to be used for procurement of delivery of future DRFA funded works.

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Financial**

Funding arrangements state that eligible expenditure is reimbursed.

Expenditure is considered eligible when:

1) Extraordinary costs are incurred that could normally not be absorbed by, or reasonably managed within, the local government or state agency's financial, human and other resource capacity, and

2) Costs are directly associated with the delivery of eligible works on eligible essential public assets that have been damaged by an activated eligible disaster.

No ineligible cost reported for active projects. Risk of ineligible expenditure is mitigated through engagement of suitably qualified consultants.

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### 2024 DRFA – Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023

#### T-MSC2025-24 Gully Betterment Program



Project Manager:ARO Industries Pty LtdContractor:S&K Civil Contracting Pty Ltd

Status: Works ongoing

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged ARO Industries Pty Ltd (ARO) for the provision of engineering design and project management services for upgrading of gully crossings which were damaged as a result of the Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023 weather event

Funding for the 2024 Betterment Program, has been provided by the Australian and Queensland Governments through the jointly funded Commonwealth-state Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA):

Major updates for the month include:

- 1) Mobilisation to Bolwarra/Torwood Road
- 2) Commencement of works and completion of sites.

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#### Infrastructure Services Disaster Recovery Operations Major Projects Summary – October 2025



Chillagoe Aerodrome Grading Works



Project Manager:ARO Industries Pty LtdContractor:Gregg Construction Pty Ltd

Status: Works Complete

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged Gregg Construction Pty Ltd to undertake grading works of sections of the Chillagoe Aerodrome that were damaged as a result of the Tropical cyclone Jasper, associated rainfall and flooding, 13 – 28 December 2023 weather event.

MSC was granted funding through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) to undertake the works.

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# Infrastructure Services Disaster Recovery Operations Major Projects Summary - October 2025

# 2025 DRFA – North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025

Kuranda Water Treatment Plant Landslip







NQ Wastetrans Pty Ltd

Contractor: Status:

Works Complete

Mareeba Shire Council (MSC) engaged NQ Wastetrans Pty Ltd to undertake temporary protection works at the Kuranda Water Treatment Plant. The slip occurred as a result of the North and Far North Tropical Low 29 January – 28 February 2025 weather event.

MSC was granted funding through the Queensland Reconstruction Authority (QRA) to undertake the works.

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#### 9.11 INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES, WATER AND WASTE OPERATIONS REPORT - OCTOBER 2025

Date Prepared: 4 November 2025

Author: Manager Water and Waste

Attachments: Nil

#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

The purpose of this report is to summarise Council's Water and Waste activities undertaken by the Infrastructure Services Department during the month of October 2025.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Council receives the Infrastructure Services, Water and Waste Operations Report for October 2025.

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Water and Wastewater Treatment:**

All treatment plants are generally performing satisfactorily. Interim measures are in place to address damage to Kuranda Water Treatment Plant intake infrastructure which resulted from Cyclone Jasper and ongoing rain.

Connections have been updated with information provided by the rates section to correspond with annual KPI reporting.

Water Treatment	Mareeba	Kuranda	Chillagoe	Dimbulah	Mt Molloy*
Water Plant Average Daily Production (kL)	9749	700	333	643	14
Number of Connections	4609	1134	174	287	126
Average Daily Water Consumption per Connection (L)	2115	617	1914	2240	110

<sup>\*</sup> Mt Molloy is an untreated, non-potable water supply

Wastewater Treatment	Mareeba	Kuranda
Wastewater Plant Average Daily Treatment (kL)	2133	166
Number of Connections	4021	385
Average Daily Inflow per Connection (L)	530	432

#### Water and Wastewater Reticulation:

Council's water reticulation crew attended two (2) water main breaks and zero (0) sewer main break/chokes this month, and average response times were within targets set out in Council's Customer Service standard for water services.

The temporary solution to address the blockage of the Lloyd Street sewer in Mareeba continues to operate to mitigate wastewater discharges to the Barron River. Tender has been awarded subject to QRA approval, for the project works on a long-term solution.

Monthly statistics are shown on the water reticulation main breaks and sewerage main breaks and chokes:

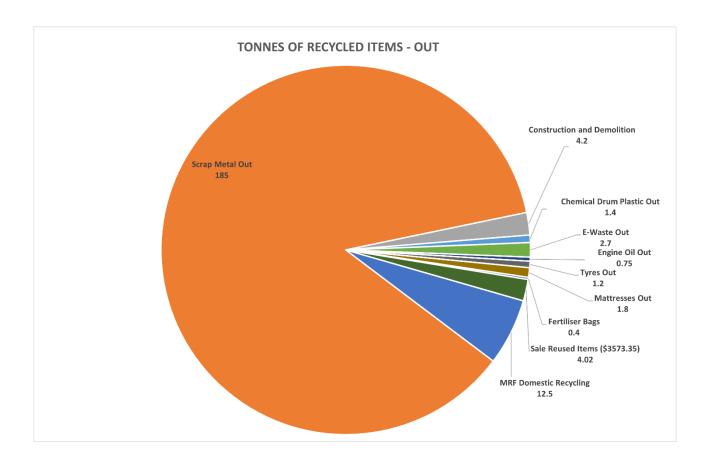


#### **Waste Operations:**

On 23 January 2025, a fire started on the tipping floor of the ARRF in Cairns, resulting in Veolia being unable to process waste material in accordance with Contract 1396.

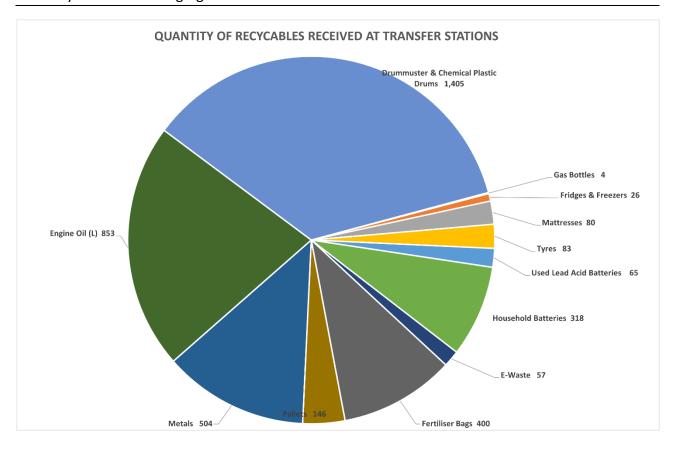
Since the fire, all waste collected in kerbside trucks has been transported directly to Springmount Waste Facility rather than being sent down to Cairns for processing. A long-term arrangement is currently being negotiated.

During October, 490.7 tonnes of waste was sent to Springmount Waste Facility, and 12.5 tonnes of domestic items were recycled at the MRF.



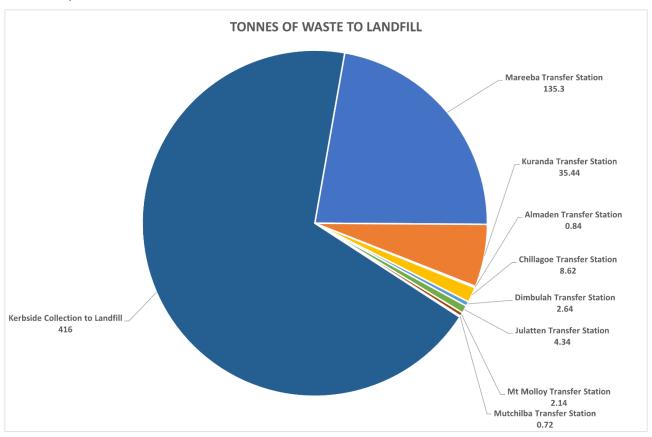
#### Recycling

Residents continue to recycle at the Transfer Stations. During October the highest count of recyclable received were 1,405 Chemical Drums, 853 L of Engine Oil and 504 Metals.



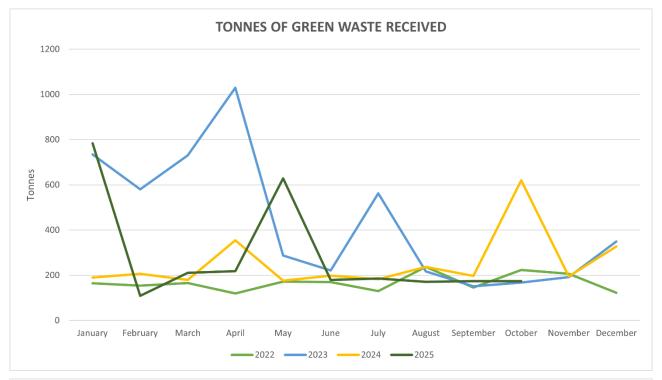
#### Kerbside Collection Waste and Transfer Station Waste

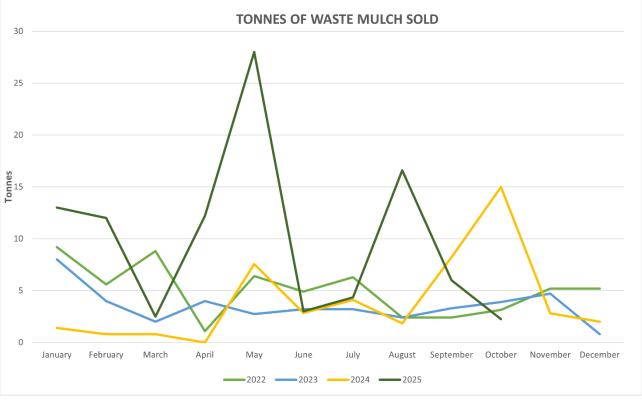
Kerbside collection waste and Transfer Station dry waste is transported off site to the Springmount Waste Facility. During October a total of 490.7 tonnes of waste was sent to landfill from transfer station dry waste and kerbside collection waste.



#### **Green Waste:**

During October, Council received a total of 174.57 tonnes of green waste and 2.25 tonnes of mulch was sold. Kuranda recorded 2.3 tonnes of green waste from locations registered as being potentially contaminated with Electric Ants.





Council holds two (2) Discount Green Waste weekends per financial year for clean uncontaminated domestic quantities of green waste, scheduled before and after the wet season to assist residents with preparation and recovery. The upcoming dates for the next discount green waste weekends are as follows:

Transfer Station	Discount Green Waste Days
Mareeba, Kuranda, Dimbulah and	Saturday, 6 December 2025,
Julatten Transfer Stations	Sunday, 7 December 2025
Almaden, Irvinebank and Mt	Saturday, 6 December 2025,
Molloy Transfer Stations	Tuesday, 9 December 2025
Mt Carbine Transfer Station	Thursday, 4 December 2025,
	Sunday, 7 December 2025
Mutchilba Transfer Station	Wednesday, 3 December 2025,
	Saturday, 6 December 2025
Chillagoe Transfer Station	Thursday, 4 December 2025,
	Saturday, 6 December 2025

#### **RISK IMPLICATIONS**

#### **Environmental**

Council holds an Environmental Authority issued under the *Environmental Protection Act 1994* to operate landfill facilities.

#### LEGAL/COMPLIANCE/POLICY IMPLICATIONS

Nil

#### FINANCIAL AND RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

#### Capital

Nil

#### **Operating**

Nil

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#### IMPLEMENTATION/COMMUNICATION

Nil