

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Flood repair works underway across the Goondiwindi Region

- Highways and major roads across the Goondiwindi region are being repaired through the Department of Transport and Main Road's (TMR) program of flood recovery works.
- Repairs will restore roads damaged by significant rainfall events between late 2021 and late 2022
- Works will take place over the coming 12 months

The department's program of flood recovery works has now commenced across the Goondiwindi region. More than 300 kilometres across 12 state roads will be restored across the region, which includes the major freight corridors of the Cunningham, Leichhardt, Gore and Barwon highways.

Assistance will be provided through the jointly funded Commonwealth-State Disaster Recovery Funding Arrangements (DRFA).

The roadworks will focus on pavement repairs, road shoulder repairs, removing silt and debris, erosion repairs, clearing table drains and culvert repairs.

This road damage was caused by multiple disaster events across Southern Queensland between November 2021 and November 2022.

Many of the major roads in the Goondiwindi region span flood-prone waterways including the Macintyre and Dumaresq rivers, and Commoran and Wyaga creeks.

The full program of flood recovery works will take place over the coming 12 months.

Quotes attributable to the Minister for Transport and Main Roads and Minister for Digital Services Minister, Bart Mellish:

"TMR is committed to restoring Queensland's extensive road network because we recognise the importance of these freight connectors between urban areas and our rural communities.

"Immediately following each major rain event, the damage was assessed and emergency repairs made so that roads could be quickly returned to a safe and trafficable condition.

"A program of over 500 restoration projects across much of the state is now underway to repair damage due to the significant weather events of 2021 and 2022.

"The works across the Goondiwindi region will be delivered through multiple contractors for better efficiencies with resources, timing and availability."

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