

# POLICY REGISTER

*Warren Shire Council*

## ROAD ACCESS

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## ***I OBJECTIVES***

1. To improve and maintain all roads to at least the existing standard.
2. To carry out maintenance and construction works in accordance with the Guidelines for Rural Roads Services within the limitations of the budget.

## ***II POLICY STATEMENT***

### **A. GUIDELINES FOR RURAL ROAD SERVICES**

These Guidelines for Rural Road Services form Council's Access Policy as a guide to dedication, improvement and maintenance of the road network, recognising the need to distribute increasingly scarce financial resources in an orderly manner and any construction by Council take place after all landholders have been notified in writing of their obligations.

<b>GUIDELINES FOR RURAL ROAD SERVICES</b>				
	Condition or Class	Works provided by Landholder	Works provided by Council	
			Improvement	Maintenance
1.	One property with no resident	Gates locked	Nil - remain as Crown Road	Nil
2.	Two or more properties with no residents	Gates to DLWC requirements	Nil - remain as Crown Road	Nil
3.	One property with resident	- Single width stock grids* - Clearing - Supply culverts	Nil Private access road	Nil
4.	Two properties with residents	- Fenced road reserve - Clearing - Existing stock grids may be maintained*	Eligible for formation. Supply and installation of culverts. Eligible for natural surface improvement program.	AGRP 3 years
5.	Three properties with residents	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids may be maintained*	Eligible for formation. Supply and installation of culverts. Eligible for natural surface improvement program.	AGRP 3 years

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			Improvement	Maintenance
6.	Irrigation Development over 2,000 acres	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids may be maintained*	Eligible for formation. Eligible for natural surface improvement program.	AGRP 3 years
7.	Greater than three properties AADT greater than 50	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids to be 7.32m wide or fenced out*	Formation. Eligible for natural surface improvement program. Eligible for minimum 3.66m wide seal	AGRP 2 years Patching
8.	Through Roads AADT less than 50	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids to be 7.32m wide or fenced out*	Formation. Supply and installation of culverts. Eligible for natural surface improvement program	AGRP 3 years
9.	Access Roads #  Sealed  Unsealed - Gravel - Loam - Black Soil	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids to be 7.32m wide*	AADT < 50 Formation only  AADT 50><100 Formation plus minimum 100mm pavement. Eligible for minimum 3.66m wide seal  AADT 100><200 Formation, minimum 300mm pavement and minimum 7.0m wide seal.	USCS 2 years  AGRP 3 years AGRP 3 years AGRP 3 years
10.	Sub-Arterial Roads  Sealed  Unsealed	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids to be removed.	AADT 100><200 Formation, design pavement, minimum 7.0m wide seal	USCS 2 years  AGRP 2 years

<b>GUIDELINES FOR RURAL ROAD SERVICES</b>				
	Condition or Class	Works provided by Landholder	Works provided by Council	
			Improvement	Maintenance
11.	Collector Roads  AADT over 300  AADT 100-300  Unsealed	- Fenced road reserve - Existing stock grids to be removed	AADT 100><200 Formation, design pavement, minimum 7.0m wide seal  AADT 200><300 Formation, design pavement, minimum 8.0m wide seal	USCS 1-2 years  USCS 2-3 years  AGRP 1 year

**NOTES:**

- \* **Maintenance is to be in accordance with Council's Stock Grids Policy.**
- # **Greater than 3 properties on through roads**
- USCS = Unsealed Shoulders Condition Score**
- AGRP = Average Grading Return Period (Years)**
- School Bus Routes to receive priority.**

**B. ROAD CLOSURES**

1. The following conditions 2 and 3 are made as a guide only to intending applicants and to preserve the road network for future access.
2. Road reserves are to be retained to service the following agricultural activities at specified locations as nominated:

Land Use Activity		Road network to service minimum area of:
a)	Pastoral and dryland farming	2,000 ha
b)	Irrigation broadacre	400 ha
c)	Horticulture (between or fronting Ellengerah Road and Wambianna Road)	100 ha
d)	Rural Residential	10 ha

3. To provide continuity of access across a creek or river:
  - i. Existing road reserves at right angles to the river and lining up across the river should be retained;
  - ii. Applications adjoining a river or creek and more than 3 km from an existing crossing, the existing road or proposed road should be retained.

4. Land Parcels adjoining the road closure and denied legal access by the closure shall be tied by Restrictive Covenants to the Lot(s) created by road closure.
5. No objections being received from immediate neighbouring landholders.
6. Any requested variation to the road closure conditions is to be submitted for Council's determination.

**NOTE:**

**Application for Road Closure must be made on Form CL31A-2 from the Department of Land and Water Conservation.**

**Council will not consider applications unless Page 4 CONSENT is completed showing adjoining landholders.**

***III REVIEW DETAILS***

Nil.