



Media Release

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SAFETY OF STAFF PARAMOUNT ROADWORKS ONGOING THROUGHOUT THE SHIRE

While Council, like most other local governments, was considering the need to purchase or lease additional vehicles to allow road works and Parks & Gardens crews to continue normal operations, one of the workshop staff members had the brilliant idea of installing soft plastic barriers between the front and rear sections to enable 2 people to travel safely in the one vehicle.

This fantastic initiative has enabled Council to eliminate the need to hire additional vehicles and now that vehicles have been set up with this easy to install and remove plastic barrier, work crews are out and about doing their regular work, despite the COVID-19 segregation provisions.

Road works planned for the next 2-3 weeks include:

Capital Works

- Woodside Causeway replacement;
- Recommence Bruxner Way (Sunnyside Loop to New England Highway) widening and sight distance improvements;
- Plains Station Road – widening and rehabilitation;
- Urbenville Road – Unnamed Creek bridge replacement commencement (demolition works initially)
- Beaury Creek Road – Boundary Creek bridge replacement commencement (demolition works initially);
- Mt Lindesay Road (Legume to Woodenbong) – survey and ecologist works;
- Hootons road - Emu Creek Bridge replacement commencement (demolition works initially)
- Tooloom Road - Beaury Creek Bridge replacement commencement (demolition works initially)

Maintenance Grading

- Northern – Vinegar Hill Road, Patterson Road, Rivertree Road;
- Eastern – Upper Rocky River Road, Rocky River Road;
- Central & Western – Mt MacKenzie Road, Gunyah Road, Scrub Road, Mill Lane.

Drainage Maintenance Works & Storm Damage Repair Works

- Pyes Creek Road;
- New Mole Road;
- Bluff River Road;
- Paddys Flat South;
- Paddys Flat North;
- Cyril Smith Circuit;
- Bushy Drive;
- Tooloom Road;
- White Swamp Road;
- Rocky River Road.

Jet Patcher Bitumen Repairs

- Northern (Urbenville based areas) – week commencing 20 April 2020.

Mayor Peter Petty voiced his thanks to the Workshop staff for their initiative and work in installing the soft plastic segregation barriers in works vehicles.

“This has saved Council a lot of money”, the Mayor said. “Our Chief Executive has shared this information with other Councils throughout NSW and Qld and it astounding how much they are having to lay out for additional vehicles to keep their operations going”.

“Once again our staff have risen to the challenge and Tenterfield Shire Council remains open for business, albeit with social distancing requirements firmly in place”, the Mayor added.

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