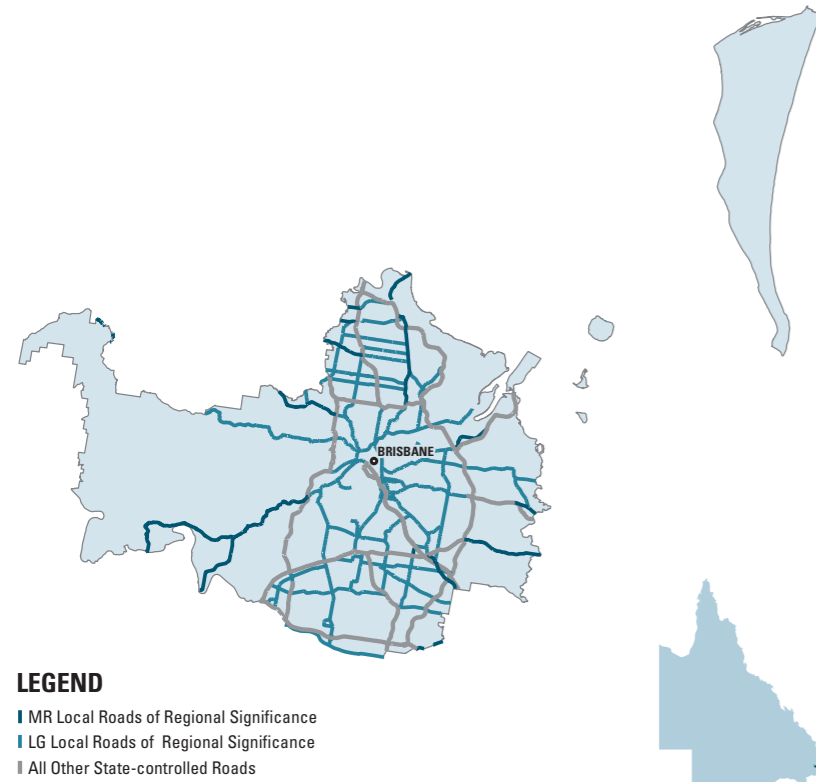


BRISBANE METRO ALLIANCE



LEGEND

- MR Local Roads of Regional Significance
- LG Local Roads of Regional Significance
- All Other State-controlled Roads

REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

The Road Management and Investment Alliance Partnership Approach between Brisbane City Council and Main Roads will be underpinned by a number of principles. These principles require both Brisbane City Council and Main Roads to:

- + Jointly manage and invest in Local Roads of Regional Significance to work towards jointly agreed strategic long-term visions for the road network
- + Focus on consistent objectives with prioritised road investment that meets local community and regional road network needs
- + Strengthen the existing partnership between Brisbane City Council and Main Roads to work towards achieving better value for money from road network investment
- + Identify the need for road investment to meet common economic, social and environmental objectives
- + Invest in high priority projects on Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) using a jointly agreed program development process.

- + Promote sound asset management practices across Brisbane City Council and Main Roads that will require a minimum set of road data inputs and outputs that are consistent across both road owners
- + Influence efficiency gains through improved system choices and improved workforce capability between both agencies
- + Influence the achievement of allocative efficiency and accountability across the entire road network.

PROGRESS

- + Developed a draft LRRS road network
- + Developed a draft Constitution in line with the needs of the Brisbane Metro Alliance
- + Holding regular Technical Committee Meetings

FUTURE ACTIONS

- + To finalise and formally adopt the LRRS network
- + To confirm both partners current project prioritisation methodologies are appropriate
- + To finalise the structure of the RRG and the Technical Committee and Alliance Constitution.

PROFILE

Brisbane is the capital of Queensland, making it Australia's third largest City and the fastest growing capital. Brisbane City Council (BCC) covers 1,327 sq km and has a resident population of over 960,000. Continuing rapid growth in South East Queensland places ongoing public transport and road infrastructure demands on BCC and the Main Roads Metropolitan District (Metro).

To ensure appropriate transport service levels are provided in the South East, BCC and Metro District have formalised a partnership approach initially called the Brisbane Metro Alliance.

The Brisbane Metro Alliance has identified a draft LRRS network. The group is putting in place a constitution with supporting principles and responsibilities that will guide the partnership over the coming years. The group is also checking current road investment strategies to consider consistency of road hierarchy.

The Brisbane Metro Alliance is working together to ensure consensus on all current projects in both planning and delivery phases. The group is also working together on longer term planning options for major infrastructure.

Brisbane City are observers at the three neighbouring RRGs (Moreton Bay Coast and Country, WesROC and SouthROC RRGs) to advise on consistency across boundaries and to aim to minimise any duplication of service provision. The Brisbane Metro Alliance Team will be supported by a Technical Committee.

MEMBERS

Brisbane City Council and Main Roads Metropolitan District

CHAIR

Brisbane City Council and Main Roads Metropolitan District

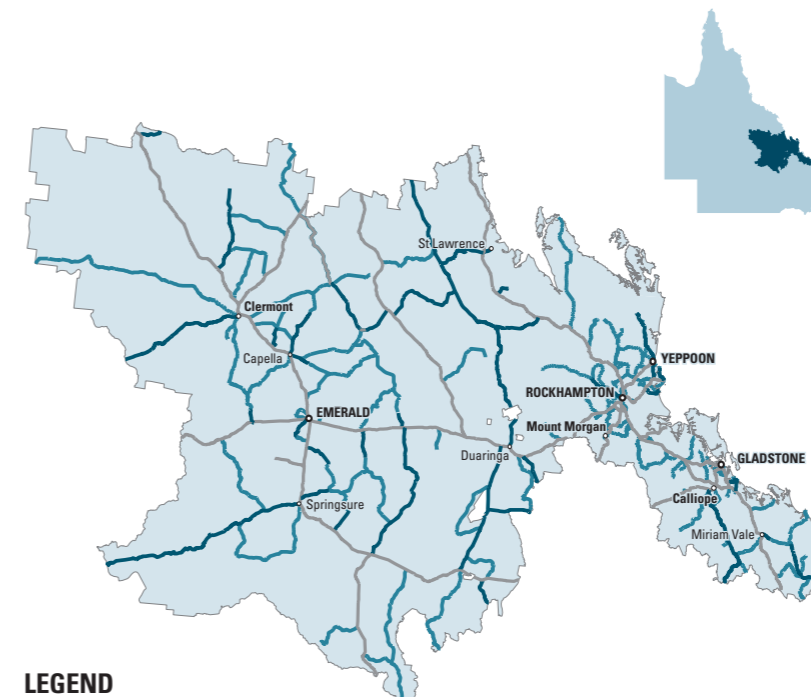
SECRETARIAT

Main Roads Metropolitan District

LRRS LENGTH

374 km

CENTRAL QUEENSLAND



LEGEND

- MR Local Roads of Regional Significance
- LG Local Roads of Regional Significance
- All Other State-controlled Roads

REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

CQRRG's major focus is reflected in the vision and objectives adopted as part of their investment strategy development for the agreed Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) network. Most notably, "to upgrade and maintain the regional network of LRRS whilst recognising their connection to adjacent regions."

CQRRG aims to develop 5 year LRRS work programs that:

- + preserve existing assets
- + enhance activity and opportunity
- + improve road safety
- + enhance wet weather access
- + promote the region
- + enhance inter-community access
- + maintain and create employment
- + protect the environment
- + deliver appropriate social and community outcomes
- + provide efficiencies with project planning and resource sharing
- + adopt a consistent approach to road classification and standards
- + deliver a fair and equitable distribution of resources to members of the CQRRG

PROGRESS

- + Most RRG members have purchased asset management systems. Some members are yet to finalise this process
- + Stage 1 of the investment strategies for LRRS are now complete
- + Completed road safety training and collected road asset condition data
- + Completed a 5 Year Regional Works Program for the LRRS for 2005-06 to 2009-10.

FUTURE ACTIONS

In June 2006, CQRRG agreed to separate into two separate groups, the Central Highlands Regional Road Partnership (CHRRP) and the remaining members of CQRRG. Over the coming 12 months both groups will need to finalise their operating arrangements and continue to improve their program development, asset management, joint purchasing and resource sharing processes and outcomes.

PROFILE

The Central Queensland Regional Road Group (CQRRG) covers 137,560 sq km and has a resident population of approximately 188,000. Transport operations and the road network have a significant impact on the region's viability and the major industries of mining, agriculture, beef cattle, forestry, tourism, manufacturing, seaport operations and retail.

CQRRG operates with three sub-groups each supported by a technical committee.

MEMBERS (OF THE RRG)

Central Highlands Regional Roads Partnership (CHRRP)

Bahinia, Belyando, Broadsound, Duaringa, Emerald, Peak Downs and Main Roads.

Rockhampton and District Regional Organisation of Councils (R&DROC)

Fitzroy, Livingstone, Mt Morgan, Rockhampton City and Main Roads.

Port Curtis Alliance of Councils (PCAC)

Calliope, Gladstone City, Miriam Vale and Main Roads

RRG CHAIR

Cr Peter Maguire, Mayor of Emerald Shire Council

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Mr Martin Crow, Rockhampton City Council
Previous Chair: Neil Fitzgerald, Fitzroy Shire Council

SECRETARIAT

Central Queensland Local Government Association

LRRS LENGTH

3285 km

COMMITTED AVERAGE ANNUAL FUNDING LEVEL FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$21,806,000

REPORTED AVERAGE ANNUAL INVESTMENT FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$28,677,000

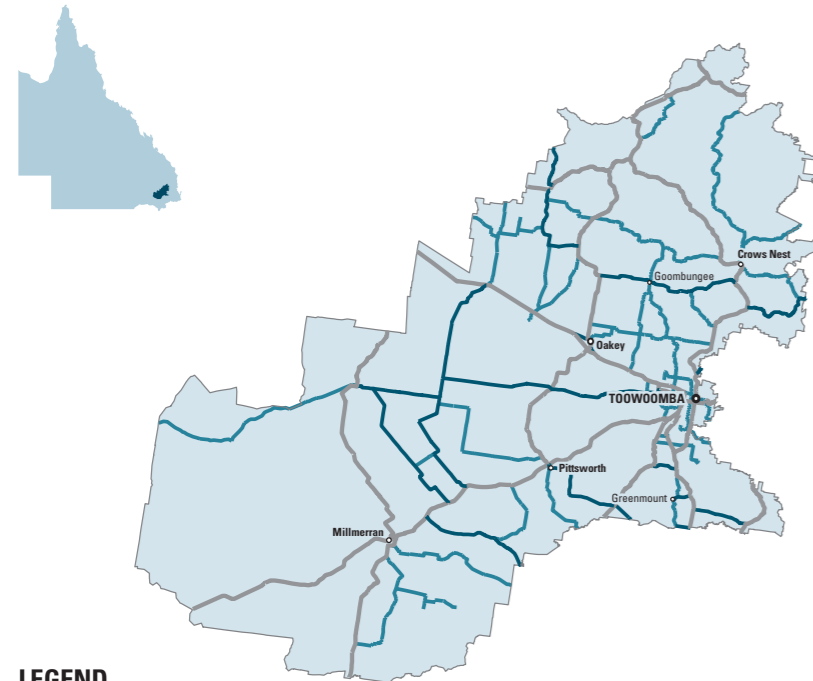


Cr Peter Macguire



Mr Martin Crow

EASTERN DOWNS



LEGEND

- MR Local Roads of Regional Significance
- LG Local Roads of Regional Significance
- All Other State-controlled Roads

REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

EDRRG's objectives include development of Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) 5 Year Works Programs that will:

- + Adequately accommodate road based transport, including road trains which utilise the LRRS network within the area
- + Align the integrated transport and economic development plans for the region
- + Accommodate the seasonal nature of use on the LRRS network, which places a high priority on improvement and preservation projects
- + Work towards delivering appropriate road configuration and condition standards that align with network visions for the region.

PROGRESS

Eastern Downs RRG continues to progress and reach milestones set by the Alliance Board. In the 2005-06 year milestones include:

- + Delivery of the 2004-05 program
- + Production of 2005-06 5 Year Works Program
- + Completion of training in new Alliance Road Safety initiatives
- + Identification of major regional road projects for investigation.

FUTURE ACTIONS

- + Improve the RRG and RRG member's skills in project prioritisation, scheduling of projects and allocation of the RRG funding to high priority projects within the 5 year regional works program
- + Fully implement Asset Management Systems
- + Maximise the benefits from the joint purchasing and resource sharing initiatives
- + Further develop the sharing of plant and equipment initiative
- + Seek alternative funding sources such as AusLink and Industry to meet future major road needs on the LRRS.

PROFILE

The Eastern Downs Regional Road Group (EDRRG) lies west of the Great Dividing Range. The group represents an area of 12,107 sq km and has a resident population of approximately 137,000. This RRG services the Darling Downs which is one of Australia's most productive exporting areas.

MEMBERS (OF RRG)

Cambooya, Crows Nest, Jondaryan, Millmerran, Pittsworth, Rosalie, Toowoomba and Main Roads.

RRG CHAIR

Cr Carol Taylor, Mayor of Cambooya Shire Council
 Previous Chair, Cr Geoff Patch, Crows Nest Shire

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Chris Rubie, Jondaryan Shire Council
 Previous Chair, Mr Gerard Brennan, Crows Nest Shire

SECRETARIAT

DDROC Executive Officer

LRRS LENGTH

949 km

COMMITTED AVERAGE ANNUAL FUNDING LEVEL FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$6,640,000

REPORTED AVERAGE ANNUAL INVESTMENT FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$10,005,000

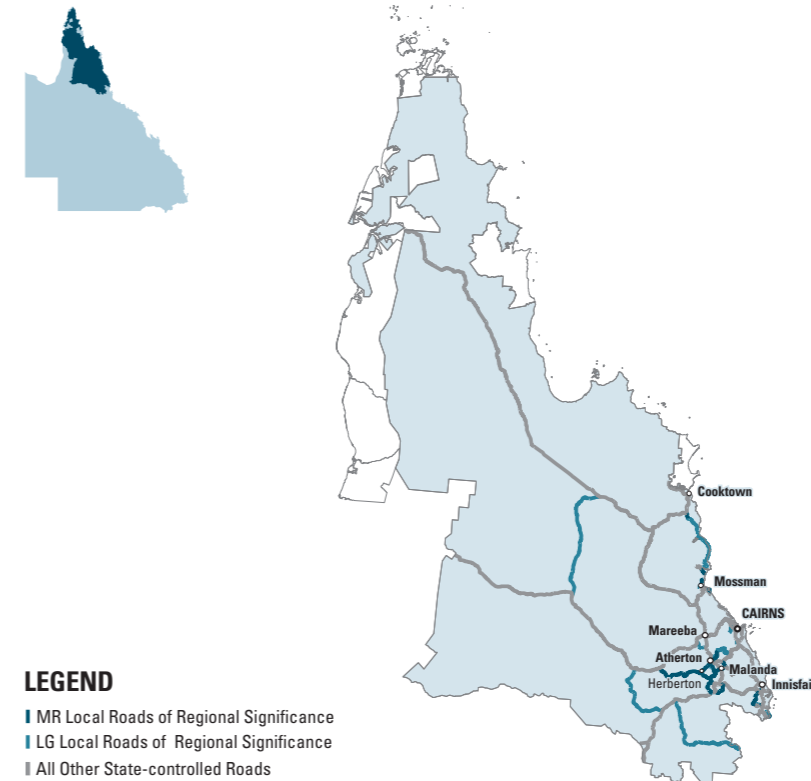


Cr Carol Taylor



Chris Rubie

FAR NORTH QUEENSLAND



LEGEND

- MR Local Roads of Regional Significance
- LG Local Roads of Regional Significance
- All Other State-controlled Roads

REGIONAL OBJECTIVES

The FNQRRG's focus is on improving the level of service and ensuring priority investment for Local Roads of Regional Significance (LRRS) in the region. This will reflect in the RRG's 5 Year Works Program that will:

- + Maintain and enhance the road network for current and future economic needs
- + Provide access to the rest of Queensland's road network and, subsequently, the nation
- + Ensure access to alternative transport nodes (rail, sea, air)
- + Ensure the road network meets the diverse social needs of the region
- + Enable accessibility during the wet season
- + Provide for bike paths
- + Accommodate driver fatigue/stress
- + Ensure road projects undertaken are environmentally sound, particularly where there may be direct or indirect impact on the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area and/or the Great Barrier Reef.

FNQRRG also has to manage works around the wet season that runs from November to May. The average annual rainfall is approximately 1,000mm 'in land' and 2,000mm on the coast. During the wet season, 75%-90% of the region's annual rainfall is recorded.

PROGRESS

- + FNQRRG have reviewed their LRRS network
- + The group is using a bureau service for the management of their asset management data. The bureau service also holds and processes data like, "Investment Strategies and Project Prioritisation Capability"
- + Completed twenty-year investment strategies and gap analysis for LRRS
- + Completed road safety training
- + Completed a 5 Year Regional Works Program for the LRRS for 2005-06 to 2009-10.

FUTURE ACTIONS

- + Further develop the sharing of plant and equipment initiative
- + Implement further joint purchasing and resource sharing opportunities
- + Improve the development process for the 5 Year Regional Works Program
- + Commence investigations into joint regional contracts and tender documents
- + Commence investigations into Aerial photographs and digital videoing of the LRRS Road network.

PROFILE

The Far North Queensland Regional Road Group (FNQRRG) covers approximately 107,000 sq km. The region encompasses the Wet Tropics World Heritage Area and one of the Seven Natural Wonders of the World – The Great Barrier Reef. Transport operations and the road network have a significant impact on the region's viability and the major industries of agriculture, forestry, fishing, tourism and trade.

MEMBERS (OF THE RRG)

Atherton, Cairns City, Cook, Douglas, Eacham, Herberton, Johnstone, Mareeba and Main Roads

RRG CHAIR

Cr Joe Paronella – Councillor, Atherton Shire Council
 Previous Chair, Cr Ivor Searston, Herberton Shire Council

TECHNICAL COMMITTEE CHAIR

Mr Ray Kirkman – Atherton Shire Council
 Previous Chair, Mr Greg Underwood, Johnstone Shire

SECRETARIAT

Far North Queensland Regional Organisation of Councils

LRRS LENGTH

1019 km

COMMITTED AVERAGE ANNUAL FUNDING LEVEL FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$6,909,000

REPORTED AVERAGE ANNUAL INVESTMENT FOR LRRS NETWORK:

\$7,474,000



Cr Joe Paronella



Mr Ray Kirkman