MEDIA STATEMENT

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Peninsula Developmental Road opens after wet season

An accessibility grade of the Peninsula Developmental Road (PDR) has been completed and it will be open this afternoon following wet season closures.

Transport and Main Roads North Queensland Regional Director Sanjay Ram, said the PDR would open at 4pm today (7 May) with vehicles under the five-tonne load limit no longer requiring a permit.

"This is great news for the Cape that the Peninsula Developmental Road (PDR) is opening today," Mr Ram said.

"While some restrictions have now been lifted, I urge motorists to plan their journeys and exercise caution.

"The wet season has caused some damage and crews are working around the clock to provide the safest possible environment.

"The damaged surface and wet conditions mean motorists are encouraged to drive to the conditions.

"We know how important the PDR opening is to both locals and tourists with safety continuing to be the number one priority.

"I would like to thank all motorists for their patience while crews carry out inspections and assess damage."

Vehicles over the five-tonne load limit will still need to apply for a permit from Transport and Main Roads (TMR).

These restrictions are set to ease for heavier vehicles in coming weeks.

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