

Whitsunday Regional Roads and Transport Group



◀ Panorama of Airlie Beach in the Whitsundays

Whitsunday RRTG map ▼



7 projects

Total 2023–24 transport infrastructure projects



\$1,877,838

Total Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) 2023–24 allocation

Regional Roads and Transport Group Member Councils

- Mackay Regional Council
- Whitsunday Regional Council
- TMR Mackay/Whitsunday District

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Councillor Ry Collins,
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Whitsunday Regional Council

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Jason Devitt,
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Mackay Regional Council

Whitsunday Regional Roads and Transport Group (RRTG) Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (TIDS) Program Details

The following information lists the RRTG TIDS 2023–24 works program by local government, with the project name and the year-to-date TIDS expenditure.

Mackay Regional Council

Project name	Expenditure
Glenella Road, Hill End Road and Sweeney Court roundabout, construct shared path	\$77,110
Gorge Road, Boulder Road to the last causeway, construct concrete pavement	\$61,800
Heaths Road, Windmill Crossing to Reflection Street, construct shared path	\$48,900
Paradise Street and Webberley Street (Mackay), upgrade intersection	\$831,908
Webberley Street, Nebo Road to Paradise Street, construct shared path	\$361,000
Whitsunday RRTG, program development	\$18,672

Whitsunday Regional Council

Project name	Expenditure
Scottville Road (Collinsville), reconstruct and realign	\$478,448

Project Story

Mackay Regional Council, Webberley Street Shared Path

Submitted by Mackay Regional Council.

A concrete shared pathway was constructed along Webberley Street, from Nebo Road to Paradise Street, to improve connectivity for pedestrians and cyclists in the area. This pathway will link the Blue Water Trail from the Botanic Gardens to the Cross City Link. The total project cost was around \$880,000.

The shared path has improved connectivity within the local area and between key transport links and the Botanic Gardens to support the safe movement of active transport users and pedestrians.

The project was completed in 2023–24.



Webberley Road and Paradise Street ▲

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Project Story

Mackay Regional Council, Paradise and Webberley Street Intersection Upgrade

Submitted by Mackay Regional Council.

The Paradise and Webberley Street intersection upgrade is currently under construction. The previous intersection was a priority-controlled intersection (using giveaway/stop signage) at a key connection point in the local road network, that experienced significant delays. The intersection links Paradise Street, a key north-south arterial route between Mackay, South Mackay, West Mackay, and Paget, with Webberley Street, a key east-west distributor linking to the Bruce Highway, West Mackay, and northern areas of Mackay.

The upgrade project will provide additional lane capacity both northbound and southbound, implement signalised control for both vehicles and pedestrians providing for a crossing point of these busy streets, dedicated bike lanes and improved pathway connections. Other changes to underground drainage and services are also being undertaken as part of the upgrade. The project is expected to be completed by December 2024 with a total project cost of approximately \$6 million (TIDS funding of \$1.97 million)



Webberley Road and Paradise Street.
Mackay Regional Council

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Scottville Road upgrade, Whitsunday Regional Council



Project Story

Whitsunday Regional Council, Scottville Road Upgrade

Submitted by Whitsunday Regional Council.

Scottville Road is the main route between the townships of Scottville and Collinsville and provides the main access to Glencore's Collinsville Coal Mine. A previous heavy vehicle route assessment highlighted various deficiencies in both the horizontal and vertical geometry, as well as the need to widen the road to cater for the vehicles utilising it. The path network between the two townships also had a missing link of 200 metres, with a gravel pathway and a narrow, aging bridge that would benefit from replacement.

The Whitsunday Regional Council designed and constructed the new road alignment using internal staff, managing various sub-contractors to achieve the scope of works. The project commenced in May 2023 and was completed in December 2023.

The main challenges included dealing with old infrastructure, such as the oddly shaped culvert which limited the ability to widen the road. Additionally, the main water feed into Collinsville



New pavement upgrade on Scottville Road,
Whitsunday Regional Council

being significantly off the expected alignment and required relocation outside of the new pavement. Using internal staff allowed these risks and the associated costs to be managed as best as possible.

The completed project has increased safety for the variety of road users and improved accessibility on the path network.

The total project cost was approximately \$2.1 million, with TIDS funding over \$493,000.