

## UNSEALED ROADS REOPEN AS COUNCIL CONTINUES TO REPAIR ROADS NETWORK

Unsealed roads across the Dubbo Regional Council Local Government Area network have now been reopened to the public.

The blanket closure of unsealed roads came into effect in October, due to extensive wet weather in an effort to maintain the integrity of the road given the conditions they were left in following the adverse weather events.

Until now only local residents in passenger vehicles under 3.5 tonne were able to utilise the roads, which caused some strain on the early weeks of harvest season as alternative routes were sought.

Council staff have worked hard to reopen the roads to all users and thanks residents and travellers for their patience while roads were assessed and repaired as needed in order to have them opened again.

Road users are asked to please be mindful the pavements of some

roads are still saturated and may fail under tra c. Caution should

continue to be taken when travelling on unsealed roads.

Dubbo Regional Council Manager Infrastructure Delivery Kerrie Murphy

said staff were working to 'x those roads still in disrepair, with a large

backlog of works still needing to be done.

"Roads across the Local Government Area are still needing a lot of

repairs and council staff are working hard to source funding and get

these roads |xed for our residents.

"We ask residents to please continue to drive to conditions and obey all

signage on roads across the region as we work hard to repair the roads

network," Ms Murphy said.

Council would also like to remind residents of the current risks during

the tre season.

Councils road crew staff assist the Rural Fire Service in the event of a

ire in our region. Repairs to the road network would be placed on hold

in these circumstances.

Council encourages residents to be prepared and keep informed

throughout the ire season, especially as the weather heats up.

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