



COUNCIL MAKING ROAD REPAIR PROGRESS

Drier weather conditions during the winter months this year have allowed Dubbo Regional Council (DRC) to make good progress on its road repair program, restoring the road network that was heavily impacted by flooding in 2022.

“The flooding events of 2022 had saturated the landscape of our region which not only heavily impacted the integrity of the roads network but also the ability to be able to fix them,” Dubbo Regional Council Director Infrastructure Luke Ryan said.

“The drier conditions have meant the saturated road pavement and subsoil have been able to dry out and road repairs undertaken with minimal impacts due to wet weather.”

Road crews are currently working on a number of sections of Saxa Road to improve the road surface. Crews have been on site for the past three weeks with minor delays to local traffic in the area whilst road works take place.

The total area of road pavement proposed to be repaired for Saxa Rd is approximately 8950 square metres. This equates to 23 separate sections of road that will undergo heavy patching, mostly between the Mitchell Highway and Mitchell Creek.

Council have also undertaken heavy patching road repairs on a number of regional and rural roads this year. These roads include Bunglegumbie Road, Barbegal Road, Barden Avenue, Benolong Road, Boothenda Road, Burrendong Way, Burraway Road, Dripstone Road, Obley Road, Mogriguy Road, Troy Bridge Road and Wheelers Lane.

These road repairs are funded by the NSW Government's Regional and Local Roads Repair Program which provided funding for road repairs affected by last year's flood events. Dubbo Regional Council was allocated \$5,074, 270 in funding through the program.

"There are still a number of roads to undergo repair works in the coming months. Council is aiming to have the proposed road works allocated as part of the funding completed by February 2024."

Council has also been undertaking road works as part of the annual maintenance program with heavy patching works recently completed on Gollan Road.

"Gollan Road was another road that had been impacted by the constant wet weather last year and after three weeks of heavy patching the road is in much better condition for locals and travellers to use," Mr Ryan said.

For more information about the road repair program for Saxa Rd visit <https://yoursay.dubbo.nsw.gov.au/saxa-road-temporary-road-closure->

and-access-restrictions.

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