



Australian Government

Roads of Strategic Importance

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Cairns to Northern Territory Border Corridor Upgrade – Burketown - Normanton Road Upgrade
Queensland

Australian Government Funding: \$16.0 million

Carpentaria Shire Council Contribution: \$4.0 million
Total: \$20.0 million

Project description

This project will progressively upgrade various high priority sections of Burketown - Normanton Road on the Savannah Way in north west Queensland. Upgrades will include sealing and associated works, such as erosion control, and will be led by Carpentaria Shire Council.

The Savannah Way is an inter-state link across the far north of Australia between Cairns and Broome. Progressing the seal on the Savannah Way will improve connectivity for local communities, improve access to tourist destinations and support exploratory gas and mining activities. This project will provide particular economic and social benefits for local Indigenous communities, where poorer and lower standards of vehicle ownership inhibit travel across unsealed sections of the road.

This project is funded under the Cairns to Northern Territory Border Corridor, under the Roads of Strategic Importance initiative. It will contribute towards corridor-level benefits by improving inter-regional connectivity and access, particularly for local Indigenous communities, and facilitate economic opportunities across northern Australia.

Jobs supported

- This project is expected to support 55 direct and indirect jobs based on Australian Government estimates.

Project benefits

- Improved connectivity between people with jobs and services, and goods with markets.
- Improved road safety for all road users.
- Improved accessibility and connectivity of road networks.

Project timelines

- This project is expected to commence construction in mid-2022 and be completed by late 2026.

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