Unsealed Roads
Policy

August 2010
POLICY

The Unsealed Roads Policy supports the Council’s vision and strategic objectives of appropriately managing assets and to provide the community with a Policy for sealing of unsealed roads servicing properties within the Central Coast municipal area.

To achieve this the Council recognises that assets must be planned, provided, maintained and renewed so that they continue to meet the service delivery needs of the community, within the context of providing best value to the community.

PURPOSE OF POLICY

The purpose of this Policy is to establish a set of criteria for the assessment and selection of unsealed roads for sealing.

It provides a systematic method of prioritising the sealing or otherwise of unsealed rural roads using a measurable and transparent assessment framework.

The Policy only applies to unsealed roads in the rural areas.

PROCESS

All unsealed roads will be assessed using the numerical scoring system set out in the Unsealed Roads Guidelines.

Roads reaching the threshold score will be added to the works schedule for consideration of sealing in an appropriate year.

When a request is received to seal a road it will be re-assessed to ascertain if any changes have been made that would affect its score based on the Unsealed Roads Guidelines. If the re-assessed score reaches the threshold score it will be added to the works schedule for consideration of sealing in an appropriate year. If the threshold score is not reached, it will not be considered for sealing.

The applicant will be advised of the process and upon completion of the assessment will be advised of the outcome.

There are also “Special Circumstances” where the sealing of a section of a road may be approved. The treatment of such circumstances is outlined in the Unsealed Roads Guidelines.

COUNCIL ENDORSEMENT

This Policy was adopted by the Council on 16 August 2010.

REVIEW and EVALUATION

This Policy will be reviewed every three (3) years, unless organisational and legislative changes require more frequent modification.

STRATEGIC LINK

This Policy has the following link to the Council’s Strategic Plan 2009–2014:

Strategic Direction 4 – The Environment and Sustainable Infrastructure
- Develop and manage sustainable built infrastructure.
REFERENCES AND STANDARDS
(INCLUDING RELEVANT LEGISLATION)

Unsealed Roads Guidelines – August 2010
ARRB – Unsealed Roads Manual
Guidelines to Good Practice

APPENDIX
Nil

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