

2026-27 Operational Plan

Sealed and unsealed roads

\$6.88M capital investment sealed and unsealed roads

This fact sheet has been prepared to help the community understand what Council plans to deliver across key areas in the 2026-27 Operational Plan.

Below are the key sealed and unsealed capital projects for 2026-27:

Sealed roads

- EC.OP23: Deliver the sealed road network renewal and rehabilitation program across regional, rural and local roads including:
 - Seal Armidale Road (2.8km from end of existing seal at Pee Dee)
 - Hat Head Road safety improvements (0.7km east of South West Rocks Road)
 - Middleton Street from railway overpass to Queen Street, South Kempsey
 - Regional Gregory Street and Frank Cooper Drive, South West Rocks
 - Crescent Head Road Rehabilitation – Settlers Way to zone change
 - Armidale Road rehabilitation program (Aldavilla, Mungay Creek, Toms Gully)
 - Rehabilitation Baker Drive - Killuke Crescent to 'The Crescent roundabout', Crescent Head
 - Rehabilitation Macquarie street from Bloomfield Street to Middleton Street, South Kempsey
 - Rehabilitation, Design and Planning of Dulconghi Street, Belmore Street and Skyline Crescent, Crescent Head

Unsealed roads

- EC.OP22: Deliver the unsealed road network gravel re-sheeting program including:
 - Conversion of shingle to concrete causeway program
 - Willi Willi Road - Turners Flat to Sherwood Road – 5km gravel re-sheeting
 - Willi Willi Road - Temagog Road or Toorumbie Road – 9km gravel re-sheeting

Annual programs and operational projects

While key capital projects are outlined above, Council also delivers a range of ongoing programs and projects funded through the operating budget to undertake regular maintenance and repair works across Council's sealed and unsealed road network, including routine inspections, defect rectification and delivery of the unsealed road grading program to maintain safe and reliable access.

This also includes ongoing asset management activities such as condition monitoring, forward planning and the development of renewal and replacement programs to guide future investment in the road network.

Note: Financial investment in accordance with Appendix 2 of the 2026-27 draft Operational Plan: Capital Works Projects >\$50,000, references i.e EC.OP23 are the Operational Plan action number for 2026-27 and additional road repairs are outlined in the Natural Disaster Recovery fact sheet.

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