

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Culvert upgrades completed on Flinders Highway

Seven culverts on the Flinders Highway between Charters Towers and Richmond have now been upgraded.

The works, part of the \$25 million Northern Australia Roads Program, were funded by the Australian and Queensland governments under an 80:20 split.

Transport and Main Roads North Queensland Regional Director Sanjay Ram said the upgrades were helping to improve the reliability and capacity of the Flinders Highway.

“It is important we sustain and continue to improve the reliability of the Flinders Highway for both the state and federal economy,” Mr Ram said.

“The link between Townsville and Mount Isa is essential to the movement of people and freight to support the North’s economic development.

“The Flinders Highway is used by key industries including the mining and agriculture sectors, playing a crucial role that strengthens trade in area.

“These culvert upgrades also benefitted the construction industry, with 65 direct jobs being supported over the life of this project.”

For more information on the Flinders Highway Culvert upgrade package, visit <https://www.tmr.qld.gov.au/Projects/Name/F/Flinders-Highway-Culvert-upgrades-Package-1>

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