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## **ROAD CONSTRUCTION**

This policy applies to the construction of non urban roads.

### **Policy Basis**

Subdivision and use and development of land in rural areas creates an additional demand on the road infrastructure or requires the construction or upgrading of new roads. New roads need to be constructed to specified standards and criteria.

### **Objective**

- To ensure that the improvement and upgrading of roads and infrastructure is commensurate with the expected impacts of proposed uses and developments.
- To ensure that proposed uses and developments do not restrict existing road access.
- To ensure that all new uses and developments are provided with two way access and that access is safe and efficient.

### **Policy**

It is policy that:

- The assessment of the appropriateness of new use and development and the proposed impacts in terms of road construction and access takes into account:
  - The need for all-weather road access and egress to the site.
  - Road alignment and safety of road users.
  - The condition of all infrastructure, including road surface and the likely impacts that the use and development of land will have on such infrastructure.
  - The impacts that may occur due to the proposed use and development of land.
  - The design and alignment of the road, its surface and the likely affects that new uses and developments of land may have on the future surface and condition of the road.
- All new roads should be constructed to the following minimum standards unless otherwise agreed by the responsible authority:
  - Formation width - 6 metres or passing bays every 200 metres.
  - Pavement width - 4 metres.
  - Pavement depth - 150mm of compacted road making gravel.
  - Maximum grade - no greater than 1 in 8 unless sealed.