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FRA TO REPAIR TWO FOOTBRIDGES; MUANIKOSO AND DIBULU IN NASINU

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Fiji Roads Authority (FRA) will be urgently repairing two footbridges; Muanikoso and Dibulu in Narere, Nasinu from tomorrow (Saturday, 27 January).

FRA Chief Executive Officer Jonathan Moore says these two crossings are not FRA assets and are old pipe-bridges which were converted by locals into footbridges due to the convenience of available access.

“Under the direction of the Ministry of Infrastructure and Transport, the FRA has arranged for upgrading of these footbridges by re-decking with new timber and bracing boards. This will include a rope guide rail to assist elderly and safety for children,” Mr Moore said.

He said work on the footbridges will take two days to complete with the first footbridge Muanikoso approximately 30m long and the second footbridge Dibulu slightly over 100m.

“Both the footbridges will be temporarily closed off and we will arrange for a boat to transfer pedestrians during the repair period.”

Mr Moore has clarified that as these structures had originated as a community initiative, they will remain a community asset and not a formal FRA asset.

“If there is a formal (if any) handover process, thereafter any new ownership would include future plans for ongoing maintenance and future full replacement accordingly.”

He said such community assets are normally considered the responsibility of the Ministry of Rural and Maritime Development, who will be approached for formal future ownership.

NB: Pictures Attached Below

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Picture Caption 1 & 2: Dibulu footbridge in Narere, Nasinu

Picture Caption 3 & 4: Muanikoso footbridge in Narere, Nasinu

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