

MEDIA RELEASE

MAJOR ROADWORKS PLANNED IN THE CENTRAL DIVISION

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Fiji Roads Authority (FRA) Chief Executive Officer Jonathan Moore says now that the weather has improved, they will be working continuously to bring the road condition under control.

Deterioration in many areas following the prolonged period of heavy rainfall has resulted in inevitable potholes. In many locations the deterioration is so progressed that we can no longer maintain the serviceable road through potholes repairs and we will now have carry out sectional carriageway repairs.

However, we cannot carry out sectional carriageway repairs on the worst affected areas until we have a clear 4-lane route along Kings Road from Rewa Bridge to Nakasi, as this would result in even worse congestion and disruption that is currently being experienced.

In addition to 4-lane project work between Rewa Bridge and Nakasi the FRA has directed its contractors to reconstruct the asphalt pavement at the Rewa Bridge approach roundabout (Suvaside) and to carry out improvement on Kings Road between Nakasi Road and Vishnu Deo Road.

He said work on the four lane project on Kings Road, Suva, between Rewa Bridge and 9-Miles was still on track for the end of June and once these works complete, the FRA will be shifting their focus on to Princes Road, where severely damaged sections will be completely renewed. This work is envisaged to start in July, in the meantime the FRA will continue to provide maintenance to the road.

Mr Moore said that during the carriageway repairs to the worst sections of the Princes Road they will be closing the worst affected sections of Princes Road in July to carry out resurfacing works, but will maintain two-way traffic for local access wherever possible. Commuters into Suva will be encouraged to use the Kings Road. Work on carriageway replacement along Princes Road is expected to be complete by October this year.

Once work has been completed on Princes Road the team will move Ratu Dovi Road to carry out similar work on the most severely damaged locations.

Mr Moore stressed that it is important the public understand that by working on individual roads sequentially the FRA is striving to minimize disruption throughout the city.

Several other locations around Suva have been severely damaged through the recent severe weather and we will continue to repair those affected areas. The FRA will also be carrying out emergency sectional carriageway repairs on severely affected portions of Ratu Mara Road.

In addition to the sectional carriageway repairs planned along Princes Road and Ratu Dovi Road the Fiji Roads Authority has awarded the SARUP 2 Contract that will see major, full width and full depth, reconstruction works in 17 locations along 15 of the key trafficked roads in Suva. Members of the public are requested to call the FRA on 5720 (toll free) or send an email to info@fijiroads.org to lodge their concerns or seek feedback about their roads. NB: List of roads in the upcoming SARUP 2 project.

Site #	Road	Length (m)
1	Amy Street	700
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Brown St intersection to Eden/Holland St intersection	
2	Foster Road	1620
	Arterial Road	
	From Edinburgh Dr Roundabout / intersection to Queens/Reservoir Rd Roundabout / intersection	
3	Karsanji Street	645
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Fletcher Road intersection to Grantham Road RAB	
4	Gordon Street (including portion of Hercules Street)	290
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Victoria Parade intersection to McArthur St intersection	(+110)
5	Ratu Mara Road	1955
	(including Bypass road and portion of Fletcher Road)	
	Arterial Road	(+140)
	From Lakeba St intersection to Mead Road RAB	
6	Ratu Sukuna Road	2705
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Queen Elizabeth Drive intersection to Laucala Bay Rd intersection	
7	Rodwell Road	240
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Edinburgh Drive Roundabout to Renown St intersection	
8	Thomson Street	220
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Usher Street intersection to Scott St intersection	
9	Waimanu Road	1660
	Arterial Road	
	From Brown St intersection to Ratu Mara/Princes Rd intersection	

10	Kings Rd A	1015
	Rural Strategic Road	
	From Wainibokasi Road / Verrier Street RAB to Verrier Street / Kings Road RAB	
11	Augustus Street	560
	Urban Secondary Collector	
	From Brown Street Intersection to Huon Street Intersection	
12	Brown Street	960
	Urban Collector Road	
	From Rewa St Intersection to Waimanu Road Intersection	
13	Milverton Road	1280
	Urban Local	
	From Rewa St Intersection to Grantham Road Intersection	
14	Kula Street	410
	Urban Secondary Collector	
	From Gaji Road Intersection to D.A.V. Girls College	
15	Kaka Street	160
	Urban Secondary Collector	
	From Belo St Intersection to Kula Street Intersection	
16	Robertson Road	805
	Urban Collector	
	From Waimanu Road Intersection to Rodwell Road Intersection	
17	Kings Road B	1305
	Rural Strategic Road	
	From Khalsa Road / Kinoya Road Intersection up to Caqiri Road connecting the new seal joint.	