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## MAJOR ROAD OPENS AFTER ROAD SLIP REINSTATEMENT

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Fiji Roads Authority (FRA) is pleased to announce that all works on the Kasavu slip is now complete and the road is fully operational.

This was after the large slip at Kasavu/Baulevu Road Junction on Kings Road had taken a great portion of the road due to the heavy rain triggered by Tropical Depression 04F in December 2016.

FRA Chief Executive Officer Jonathan Moore says they have adopted a new technique in an effort to get Kasavu slip reinstated.

“This new technique involves reinforcement of the ground and is stable and relatively quick, it is also non-intrusive as well,” Mr Moore said.

“Works included strengthening of the slip face using soil nailing, construction of geosynthetic retaining wall on micro piles, construction of cement stabilized pavement and associated drainage works.”

He said this technique had been introduced in many parts of the world and was commonly used in New Zealand.

“The FRA is committed in keeping the major arterial roads, especially the Queens and Kings Roads open at all times and we thank the public for their continuous support and patience during these important roadworks.”

Mr Moore said the new and improved road will help reduce traffic congestion, improve journey times and safety for road users and the local community.

**Before**



**After**



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