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Local contractor begins temporary repair works on Rocky Creek causeway

Roper Gulf Regional Council has announced today that Borroloola-based construction company Cairns Industries will carry out the urgent temporary repairs needed to reopen the Rocky Creek causeway.

The causeway, which links the northern and southern ends of Borroloola, was closed to vehicular traffic last week after sustaining damage caused by Tropical Cyclone Alfred.

Chief Executive Officer Michael Berto said the expediency with which the works commenced were testament to commitment of the Council and Northern Territory Government to ensure remote infrastructure was repaired as quickly as possible after an extreme flood event.

“The Rocky Creek causeway represents a vital link for the Borroloola community, and Council moved quickly to get urgent temporary repair works under way,” he said.

“I met and discussed the situation with Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics CEO Andrew Kirkman on February 24, and it was agreed that the Rocky Creek causeway needed to be reopened to vehicular access to allow Borroloola to get on with business.

“The fact a contractor has already been appointed to undertake the remediation works needed is a positive result for Council, the NT Government and the people of Borroloola.”

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