



DIRECTOR SHIRE SERVICE'S REPORT

9th August 2005

DSS2 STATE BLACK SPOT FUNDING PROGRAM FILE: 211 (299372) NJT

SUMMARY:

Reporting on advice received on the State Black Spot Program Funding.



Council has received advice from the RTA that it has been successful in obtaining funding under the State Black Spot Funding Program in the 2006/2007 financial year. This funding is a result of concerted efforts in seeking additional funding under the various RTA programs and meets goal 4 of Council's Corporation Strategic Plan.

\$40,000 has been provided this financial year to carry out investigation and design, with the remainder of the funding provided next financial year (2006/2007). The preliminary estimated cost of the project is in the vicinity of \$404,000. The final funded amount will be subject to a detail design and final estimate. The project will be fully funded by the RTA.

The project approved is for the reconstruction of a section of Armidale Rd, from 13.84km to 14.44 km west of Pacific Highway towards the bottom of Mooneba Hill at the eastern end of Skillion Flat.

This section of road has a bad accident history, including a recent fatality.

Council is presently finalising another State Black Spot project on Armidale Road west of Turners Flat Road for \$250,000. That again was fully funded by the RTA.

Council now needs to formally accept the funding in line with the standard funding arrangements.

REPORT IMPLICATIONS

- ***Environmental Implications***

There are no environmental implications from the following recommendation.

- *Social Implications*

Road Improvements will be made to seek to eliminate a significant traffic accident black spot on the Armidale Road.

- *Economic (Financial) Implications*

There are no economic implications from the following recommendation, as the project is fully funded by the RTA.

- *Policy or Statutory Implications*

There are no policy or statutory implications.

- *Director's Review*

Additional funding for road works is essential to maintain the road network and it is recommended that Council accept the funding offered.

RECOMMENDATION

That \$40,000.00, allocated under the 2005/2006 State Black Spot Program for the detailed investigation and design of the reconstruction of a section of Armidale Rd, from 13.84km to 14.44 km west of Pacific Highway, be accepted.

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