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## **Savage Street roadworks update**

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**COOKTOWN**

Hard rock has delayed the sealing of Savage Street in Cooktown, with roadworks on hold while specialists remove the obstruction to ensure a safer finished road.

Work started in early November, and was expected to be completed this week, however a thick layer of rock had proven too hard for conventional methods of removal, Council's Director of Infrastructure David Klye said. "Council is engaging specialists to break and remove the rock efficiently and cost-effectively, and it is expected that the project will now be completed by December 20, weather permitting."

Savage Street will remain closed during this time, with guided access provided to properties within the construction site. "We would like to sincerely apologise for the delay and the inconvenience this causes Savage Street residents," Mr Klye said. "However, the road is expected to service the community for many decades and the delay to allow removal of the rock will provide a much better long-term outcome. Leaving the rock in place would compromise sight lines and safety."

The road, which connects Harrigan and Mason streets, will be bitumen sealed and have kerb and channel installed. For more information contact Council's Director Infrastructure via email at [mail@cook.qld.gov.au](mailto:mail@cook.qld.gov.au) or phone on 4082 0500.

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