

# Mango Roads - Kentish Road Upgrade and Sealing Works.

## Tender award and construction commencing for Kentish Road

Works to upgrade and seal the section of Kentish Road between the end of the existing bitumen near Hay Road and Hopewell Road is about to commence, with the tender for the works awarded to local NT contractor, Aldebaran Contracting for \$4.5 million.

The Mango Industry Roads Upgrade program is valued at \$21 million and is jointly funded by the Australian Government, Northern Territory Government and Litchfield Council on the Alice Springs to Darwin Corridor under the Roads of Strategic Importance initiative. Kentish Road is the last of four key rural roads to undergo essential upgrades. The program has also included works completed on:

- Chibnall Road between Old Bynoe and Leonino Road (5.4km) – awarded for \$2.89 million
- Mocatto Road between Whitstone and Acacia Gap Road (3.2km) – awarded for \$4.92 million
- Horsnell Road between Elizabeth Valley Road and Alverly Road (3.4km) – awarded for \$3.69 million

Work to upgrade and seal Kentish Road is due for commencement during October 2021 and is expected to be completed in early 2022. The Northern Territory Government is responsible for delivery of the works and will work closely with Litchfield Council, local residents and businesses to minimise disruption and maintain access for local residents during construction.

Upgrade and sealing of roads under the Mango Industry Roads Upgrade program will improve access and connectivity between mango farms, packing sheds and export markets, as well as improve safety for all road users.

The Northern Territory Government and Litchfield Council encourage local residents surrounding Kentish Rd, to avoid using the road during construction where possible.

Kentish Rd will be closed between Hopewell Road and the end of unsealed section for a period of time during construction of the major culvert and floodway. More information will be provided to the local residents around the period of closure and alternative routes. Residents on Kentish Rd within the works area will be given access during the course of the road works. A map of the areas is shown on the back of this flyer.

Visit <https://dipl.nt.gov.au/projects/mango-roads-upgrade-and-seal> for more information on Mango Roads upgrade and seal and to sign up to receive project updates electronically.

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