

Shire of Lake Grace

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MEDIA RELEASE

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Shire of Lake Grace Road Network

Users of our roads are asked to exercise caution on our road network as debris and water are still lying on some roads, and some useable roads have been subject to wash out on shoulders. Areas to the South of Newdegate are still under water.

WML engineering consultants have now completed the secondary assessment of our road network, and projects have been costed for repair. This assessment has been delivered to Main Roads Western Australia (MRWA) and the Shire is now waiting for confirmation from MRWA of funding for repair works to be approved.

Once the Shire has received confirmation of funding, a Tender will be advertised for construction and repair works. Consideration will be given to the timeliness of works as well as quality of construction.

The Shire has engaged a number of grading contractors to undertake 'smoothing' works on our roads. This work does not involve any material importation, but is simply grading out ruts or damage in the road to remove washouts. Closed roads will be opened as soon as possible, in light of vehicle capacity and water across roads. If a road is graded but still missing road base, it may not be possible to access these routes with restricted access vehicles.

Please continue to monitor our Webpage for updates on current road status.

WANDRRA Day Labour Exemption

An announcement was made on Tuesday 9 May that Local Government now has a choice to use their own plant and equipment when rebuilding essential public assets damaged during the February flood event. Although the exemption has been granted there are still processes to be followed. Currently we are still waiting on MRWA approval for the funding of our recovery works. Once this is approved we then will be required to submit our individual costing for each road to MRWA for approval and be able to show value for money as opposed to using contract services.

Water over Roads

Our application submitted to the Office of Emergency Management seeking financial assistance to remove the water and restore Old Ravensthorpe, Magenta and Hatters Hill Roads, has been approved. Details of required works for Hatters Hill Road and the southern end of Old Ravensthorpe Road have been submitted to MRWA. Works to remove water from these two road sections has commenced.

Bus Routes

Bus routes have been assessed and the shire administration has worked with the Public Transport Authority (PTA), giving priority of assessment to these routes. Roads are currently being graded, and will be opened as soon as possible in consideration of overall road safety and water across road.

The Shire will notify the PTA, who will then contact bus contract operators.

Roads currently closed

- Newdegate-Pingrup Road from Newdegate-Ravensthorpe Road to Mallee Hill Road;
- Jugos Road West;
- Jugos Road East;
- Lockhart Road;
- Parsons Road from Magenta Road to Lee Road;
- Magenta Road between Newdegate Road and Wilson Road;
- Magenta Road from Morgan Road, south to the Shire of Lake Grace Boundary;
- Wilson Road;
- Old Ravensthorpe Road between Tuck Road to Taylor Road;
- Giles Road;
- Nields Road;
- Hatters Hill Road between Brookton Highway (M3) and Muncaster Road;
- Muncaster Road between Brookton Highway (M3) and Hatters Hill Road;
- Allen Road;
- Smerdon Road between Brookton Highway (M3) and Ladyman Road;
- Smith Road;
- Haigh Road;
- Watson Road; and,
- Tilbrook Road.

Main Roads

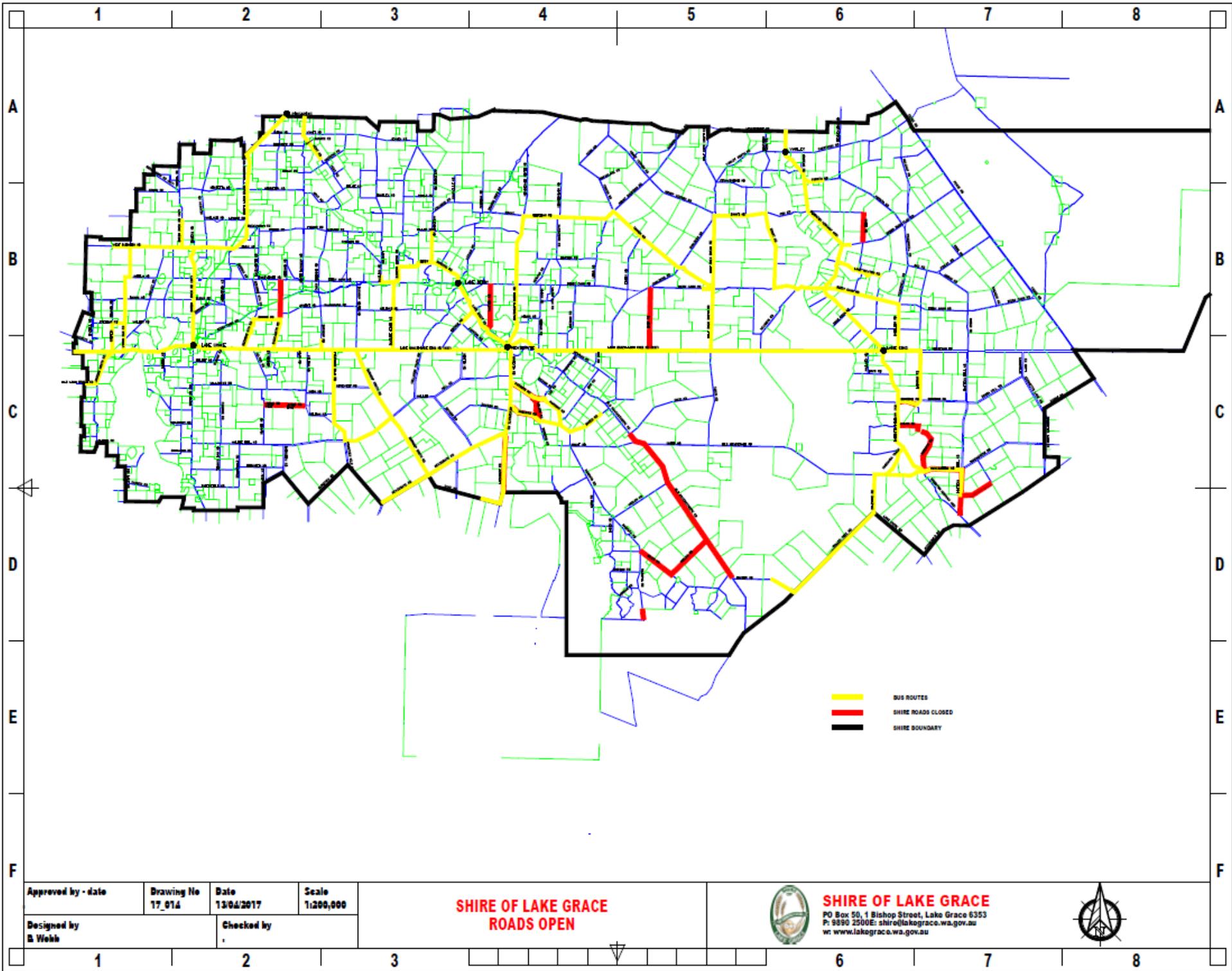
Highways are under the jurisdiction of MRWA. For Main Road conditions, please ring 138 138 or visit www.mainroads.wa.gov.au/Pages/Alerts.aspx.

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