

Roads

Local Government Transport and Roads Research and Innovation Program (LGTRRIP)

WALGA and NTRO have convened a series of workshops with Local Government and industry to develop the next pipeline of projects. A shortlist is being developed and WALGA will convene an operations team with Local Government representation to prioritise the list. A new LGTRRIP website is under development and will go live shortly.

Guidelines and Specifications for Residential Crossovers

WALGA's review of the Residential Crossover Guidelines and Specifications is progressing. Current work is focused on assessing and updating references to external standards, guidelines and technical documents that have changed since the publication of the existing document, to ensure all cited information remains current and relevant. Feedback from Local Governments is also being used to identify opportunities to improve the clarity, usability and overall content of the guidelines. Stakeholder input will be considered as the revisions are finalised.

Heavy Vehicle Access on Local Roads

A working group of Local Government representatives from mining, agricultural and metropolitan Local Governments, WALGA and Main Roads met to propose arrangements that could support Local Governments continue to effectively manage large freight tasks on local roads within the constraints of the *Road Traffic (Vehicles) Act 2012* and the *Road Traffic (Administration) Act 2008*. Many Local Governments have relied on RAV network access conditions (CA07) to facilitate negotiations with freight generators and carriers, that Main Roads changed in late 2025.

A model was tentatively agreed. The group is waiting on documentation from Main Roads that is required to facilitate engagement with Local Governments.

Funding

State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement

The current Agreement expires in June 2028 and WALGA has initiated discussions to inform the process towards the drafting and signing of a new Agreement.

Regional Road Safety Program

Program delivery is continuing with the next steering group meeting proposed for August. There was no Federal co-funding for the program included in the 2026/27 budget. Engagement with stakeholders and government to secure on-going and expanded support for this work is continuing.

Multi-Criteria Assessment (MCA) Model Revisions

The WALGA Infrastructure Team is continuing to work alongside Regional Road Groups to better align the MCA models used by Regional Road Groups to prioritise projects for Road Project Grant funding with the updated procedures of the State Road Funds to Local Government Agreement (Agreement). At their May 2026 meeting the State Road Funds to Local Government Advisory Committee supported the MCA models developed by Great Southern, Kimberley, and South-West regions and arrangements are being made to have these, together with Gascoyne and

Metropolitan policies and procedures to be made accessible via a website. Significant progress has been made in each of the other regions.

Transport

Active Transport and Micromobility Advocacy Plan

The Active Transport and Micromobility Advocacy Plan is progressing. The proposed advocacy actions were presented to the Infrastructure Policy Team and were well received, with constructive feedback and suggestions provided. WALGA is now reviewing and prioritising the actions to inform the next steps in the development of the plan.

Asset Management

Road Assets and Expenditure (RAE) Report Project

Progress on modernising the architecture and processes for data management, entry, and processing associated with the Road Assets and Expenditure Report continued. The Discovery and Design phases of the project are now complete and the project is in the Build phase. The project will include the development of a database, reporting interface, and dashboard and will go live in August 2026 for the data entry component of the 2025/26 report. WALGA has begun the process of informing the Local Government sector of these changes and supporting Local Governments in utilising the updated and enhanced process and outputs.

Concurrently the 2024/25 Report on Local Government Road Assets and Expenditure was finalised and distributed to stakeholders.

Review of the WALGA Road Visual Condition Assessment Manual

The final version of the WALGA Road Visual Condition Manual is ready for publication and will be released, pending several changes to the RAMM software package to accommodate the updated methodology. The Manual will be released three months ahead of a "Go Live" date, when changes to the RAMM software package will be formally integrated. An instructional webinar will be delivered in advance.

Road Safety

RoadWise Councils

As of 1 April 2026, there were 75 Local Government registered as RoadWise Councils. There is a spread of RoadWise Councils across all ten Regional Road Group regions. In the period January to March 2026, 87% (65) of registered RoadWise Councils recorded a total of 260 local road safety activities, supported by WALGA's team of road safety staff.

RoadWise Recognised

The RoadWise Recognised Advisory Committee met in February and endorsed the allocation of 3440 points to the 63 RoadWise Councils, who collectively recorded delivering actions to progress better road safety outcomes during the previous quarter (October – December 2026). Points are allocated for each road safety activity or intervention undertaken as per the RoadWise Framework. Points are based on the effectiveness, longevity and scale of the road safety activity and considers the capacity of the RoadWise Council.

Preparations were completed for the RoadWise Recognised Awards to be presented in June.

Road Safety Council

The Road Safety Council met on 6 March, primarily to consider submissions for Road Trauma Trust Account funding. The other matters considered at that meeting included: eligibility criteria for RTTA submissions, serious injuries reporting and safer speeds. The Road Safety Council meet next in June.

The Road Safety Council Communiques can viewed at [Road Safety Council Meeting Communiques](#).