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Cloncurry Saleyards are on the Road to Success, Following Recent Upgrades to the Facility

Cloncurry Shire Council has completed upgrades at the Cloncurry saleyards to enable all-weather access for heavy vehicles. The recently completed project included sealing the road access to the Clean Yards facility, drainage works and the installation of cattle loading platforms. The project was funded by the Heavy Vehicle Safety and Productivity Program and Cloncurry Shire Council.

Previously access to the Clean Yards facility was an unsealed granular road that presented access and drainage issues. Heavy vehicles were known to get bogged during wet weather when using the existing road to load and unload at the facility. The unsealed road also posed problems in dry weather, the dust from the surface presented safety concerns for traffic utilising Hensley Drive.

Following the completion of this project, the Council secured \$400,000 for the expansion of the bull sale facilities under the North Queensland Economic Diversification Fund. The planned installation of up to 50 selling pens will enable sales of stud cattle in Cloncurry.

The project will entail the construction of selling pens and associated infrastructure, which will compliment the Cloncurry saleyards facility. Council looks forward to working with Queensland Rural and Industry Development Authority (QRIDA) to deliver this project which is funded by the Australian Government.

The continued upgrades and improvements to the saleyards facility reinforces Cloncurry as one of the beef capitals of Australia.

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Cloncurry Clean Yards facility *before* road upgrades



Cloncurry Clean Yards facility *after* road upgrades



Cloncurry Clean Yards facility new all-weather road access