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RMCC progress

RMS Reform

The Roads and Maritime operating model has established three core areas of accountability: Building Infrastructure, Managing Journeys and Maintaining Assets. Regional Maintenance Delivery (RMD) is one of the branches under Asset Maintenance Division.

RMD Branch has been operating formally since 11 November 2013. RMD is accountable for the efficient development and delivery of maintenance programs and projects by direct control, Council delivery and Contract. RMD is responsible for developing and implementing delivery initiatives and procurement strategies to improve efficiency and deliver cost savings while maintaining safe and environmentally sustainable work practices, managing stakeholders and customer interactions.

New specification – M3: Routine Services

A new RMS specification is proposed to replace the existing maintenance intervention, investigatory requirements and rectification standards. The M3 will replace the specifications RMS 20, RMS 30, RMS 40, RMS 50, RMS 60, RMS 200, RMS 300, RMS 400, RMS 500, RMS 600 and RMS 700.

It is the objective that the new M3 will be effective from 01 July 2014. RMS is looking forward to working with the Councils to ensure a successful implementation of the change.

RMCC improvement

RMS will consult with the Councils to investigate the potential opportunities to enhance the operation of RMCC as recommended by The NSW Commission of Audit Report. In particular, RMS is looking forward to working with the Councils in transitioning the current RMCCs to relational or

alliance contract forms and for road maintenance purposes, building a number of adjacent Councils under single road maintenance contracts to enable pooling of capacity/capability and increase scale across Councils.

The Way Forward

Up to mid-April 2014: RMS will consult with RMCC members on RMS and RMCC reform;

March – June 2014: Working together on transitioning to new technical specification M3 by 01 July 2014;

March – June 2014: Consultation on new relationship engagement including key success areas and annual review on performance;

January 2015: New RMS-Council Relationship engagement model introduced;

Ongoing: Sharing of knowledge across RMS and Councils (eg. Workers on Foot training, Network inspectors training, etc.).

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