

## Mobile Phone Coverage

The North Burnett's telecommunications are essential for business, safety and innovation. A report commissioned by the Wide Bay Burnett Regional Organisation of Councils (WBBROC), undertaken by the Digital Economy Group in 2014, prioritised ten significant mobile blackspot locations across the Wide Bay Burnett (which has the largest population mass outside the South-East corner). Four out of ten of these prioritised sites are located in the North Burnett. In addition to our own local government population, the Wide Bay Burnett as a whole, along with travellers heading north and south via the inland route travel through our area.

Our community has rated improved mobile coverage as 10/10 in importance for improving life in the North Burnett.

Council is dedicated to fixing the region's black spots to ensure our community has a comparable level of service to the rest of Australia. We are seeking funding to have our top seven (7) priorities completed within twelve months.

Item	Road	Location	Justification
1	Burnett Hwy	Ceratodus to south of Monto	Already applied for
2	Burnett Hwy	North of Mundubbera (10km)	Single carrier, high traffic for tourism
3	Burnett Hwy	Ban Ban Springs to Gympie boundary (15km)	Large through traffic north and west
4	Burnett Hwy	Binjour to Mundubbera (15km)	Large through traffic
5	Burnett Hwy	South of Moonford (5km)	High tourist traffic
6	Monto-Mt Perry Road	Burnett Hwy to Mt Perry (50km)	High local traffic, no carriers
7	Mundubbera-Durong Road	South of Mundubbera to Boundary (50km)	Inland route to Dalby
8	Gayndah-Mt Perry Road	Gooroolba to Mt Perry (30km)	High local traffic, no carriers
9	Gladstone-Monto Road	Kalpowa (5km)	Small community, no carriers
10	Gladstone-Monto Road	Between Mungungo & Bancroft (8km)	No carriers
11	Eidsvold-Theodore Road	Western boundary (Banana Shire) towards Eidsvold (60km)	Main Road
12	Hawkwood Road	From Peterson's Road west (15km)	Minor Road



Improved telecommunications will not only contribute to economic growth through online services and increased regional employment, but also to safety, community cohesion and liveability. The potential to participate in future technological capability should be available to all Australians. The North Burnett is ready and willing to be a part of this journey.

**“Extremely important on properties for safety, business communication and productivity”**

**“10/10 for security in the event of a break down or accident”**

**“As a worker that travels everyday it’s a top priority”**

