

Fact Sheet

Stock Routes



WHAT ARE STOCK ROUTES?

The Queensland stock route network is mainly used for moving stock, pasture for emergency agistment and long-term grazing.

To use the stock route network, you need permits for:

- travelling stock on foot
- grazing (agistment) of stock
- using water facilities

Stock routes include 72,000 km of roads, reserves, and corridors on pastoral leases and unallocated state land. Together with dedicated reserves for travelling stock, they make up the 2.6 million hectare Queensland stock route network.

WHAT IS COUNCIL RESPONSIBLE FOR?

Central Highlands Regional Council is responsible for the stock route network within the Central Highlands region. This management is conducted as per the *Stock Route Management Act 2002* and the *Biosecurity Act 2014*.

Stock routes may include a route that is declared under the above legislation, or a council controlled road that is utilised for the same purpose.

HOW TO APPLY FOR A PERMIT

To obtain a permit for travelling, grazing or use of the water facilities, you are required to complete the relevant application form and lodge the application with council.

Application forms, guides to the stock route and maps can be found at – www.qld.gov.au/environment/land/stock-routes

Fees and charges will apply for use of the stock route as required by the state government. Upon receipt of your application council rangers will advise you of the relevant fees and any further information required. Please note you are required to hold public liability insurance with coverage fit for purpose prior to a permit being approved.

Council may require additional conditions on your permit, which may

include but is not limited to: number of stock hands attending cattle, fencing criteria for night time and signage requirements.

Please note you are required to lodge your application with council a minimum of 7 days prior to wanting to commence use of the stock routes. Exceptions may be made in exceptional circumstances.