

Road safety audit policy

The Roads Alliance has long supported the development of regional road safety expertise and delivery of safer road outcomes. In response to a growing interest by councils in improving road safety design, the Roads Alliance has developed a road safety audit (RSA) policy to allow RRGs to fund RSAs through Roads Alliance TIDS.

A RSA is a formal examination of a future road or traffic project or an existing road, in which an independent, qualified team reports on the project's crash potential and safety performance.

Under the new policy, RRGs are able to:

- use Roads Alliance TIDS to fund RSAs on projects identified in their five year works program and claim 50% funding through the standard claims process for TIDS
- undertake RSAs in all phases of a project i.e. preconstruction, construction and post construction
- determine as a group, the percentage of TIDS to be allocated to RSAs either on an annual basis or individual project basis.

It is highly recommended that RRGs use their NetRisk data to identify high risk sites that would benefit from a detailed RSA.

RRGs are encouraged to apply for State-wide Capability Development Funding to pay for staff to undertake RSA training. RRGs could also consider developing a JP&RS project to train a regional resource/s who can undertake RSAs for RRG members on a cost recovery basis.



Road safety audit benefits

RSAs allow RRGs to:

- make informed decisions on road projects in areas with a high crash risk
- increase local expertise
- reduce the likelihood of costly remedial work in the future.

For more information

Contact: Roads Alliance Project Team on 3306 7551 (Transport and Main Roads) or 3000 2249 (LGAQ)

For information about RSA training courses

Contact: Centre for Accident Research and Road Safety-Queensland (CARRS-Q) and Queensland University of Technology (QUT) on 3138 4592 or IPWEAQ on 3632 6801