

Better Management Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tertiary roads (at least 3.5m wide) are used for infield access • Roads cross watercourses at right-angles • Water drained off primary roads flows through a minimum of 10 m of natural vegetation or cane field before entering the water course • Discharge points are provided to protect the upper road channel • Roadside drains are grassed or paved 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tertiary roads are used for infield access, and should not be less than 3.5 m wide. • Where it is imperative to construct unusually steep roads, special surface protection must be provided. Otherwise, re-asses the desirability of planting the catchment area. • Roads should cross watercourses at right angles. • No water is to be led off primary roads directly into watercourses, but must flow at least through 10 m of vegetation/cane field before entering the watercourse. • Protection of the road upper channel is vital and discharge points should be catered for • Roadside drains should be grassed or paved.
Legal requirement	<p>Roads are constructed to minimise soil loss</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New roads, or upgrades to existing roads, in sensitive areas or exceeding prescribed thresholds constructed after 8 September 1997, are authorised 	<p>Road Construction</p> <p>New roads, or the upgrading of existing roads, in sensitive areas or exceeding prescribed widths constructed after the 8 September 1997 may require environmental authorisation under NEMA. Furthermore, should road construction affect a watercourse in terms of section 21(c) and 21(i) of the National Water Act, 36 of 1998, it may be necessary to apply for a Water Use Licence. However, there is a provision under the General Authorisations (e.g. for altering the bed, banks, course or characteristics of a watercourse under GN 1198 of 18 December 2009) which may ease the need for licensing under certain conditions. Farmers should check these conditions before building a road.</p>
Better Management Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drifts are confined to sites where there is solid rock, or are constructed of suitable material • Cut and fills are stabilised with suitable grasses 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drifts should be confined to sites where there is solid rock, or should be constructed of suitable durable material, e.g. concrete or Reno mattress. • Cut and fills should be stabilised with suitable grasses.