

# Ugar Island Roads Upgrade



## Location

Ugar Island, Torres Strait,  
Queensland

## Client

Department of Main Roads

## Project Value

\$2 Million

## Start Date

2007

## Office Responsible

Cairns

## Responsibilities

Black & More provided investigation, civil engineering design and stormwater design services

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## Project Scope

Black & More completed investigations, planning and design of roads upgrades on Ugar (Stephen) Island in the Torres Strait.

The subsequent design comprises two ring roads with a running surface built from segmental concrete pavers.

Pavers were chosen for their ability to be laid and repaired by an unskilled workforce and because mobilisation of traditional road paving equipment is uneconomical on small remote islands such as Ugar.

The resulting product is a high quality road surface with high levels of visual amenity.

Black & More provided civil and stormwater design services and was also involved in the provision of construction management services.

The Ugar roads project was constructed with the assistance of the innovative Heavy Equipment Management and Training Program (HEMTP). HEMTP is a joint initiative of the Queensland and Australian Governments which provides training in civil plant operation.

Expert supervision is provided by Department of Main Roads trainers with all labour and operators provided by the local Ugar Community.

Black & More manage the HEMTP program in the Torres Strait.

