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Controversial roundabout to be removed

Barkly Regional Council will remove the controversial roundabout at the corner of Peko Road and Ambrose Street next week.

Council workers will close the intersection on Tuesday, 16 October from 5.30pm until midnight with temporary road detours put in place.

CEO Steve Moore said the decision to remove the roundabout was approved by councillors earlier this year.

Mr Moore said over the years Council has received numerous negative comments from the public on the roundabout at the corner of Peko Rd and Ambrose St.

"The roundabout is too large for the intersection and restricts larger vehicles from negotiating the turn without running over the top," he said. "It's also difficult for cars towing trailers to go around due to the narrow roadway."

Two traffic management studies – one carried out in 2014 and another in 2016 – further identified that the roundabout was non-compliant and made several recommendations around its removal.

Following a public survey providing different traffic calming options to residents, Council chose to remove the roundabout and install speed humps and stop signs on Ambrose Street.

"Council acknowledges that the works carried out may cause inconvenience and requests the cooperation of road users and compliance with all traffic management signs," Mr Moore said.

Council apologies for any inconvenience caused to road users and local residents during this period.

Should you require any further information, please contact Council on 8962 0000.

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