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Road maintenance and road works may be a headache for many road users but is an important part of service delivery.

This is according to the West Coast District Municipality (WCDM). As part of Transport Month this October the WCDM shared an update on their local road projects.

In the previous financial year the municipality has graded 21 870 km of gravel road. Upgrading on the Vredenburg and Stompneusbaai roads is currently underway. The last phase of the project is the construction of approximately 6 km and expected to be completed by March 2023.

In Cederberg and the Swartland municipal area 25.52 km of roads were also recently re-gravelled.

West Coast District Municipality's roads division, maintains all proclaimed main, divisional and minor roads in the region on an agency basis for the Western Cape Government Department of Transport and Public Works. Funding for maintenance and construction for these roads are provided by the Western Cape Government and during the 2021/'22 budget year an amount of R242,105 million was spent on road maintenance and construction in the region.

Roads under the jurisdiction of West Coast District Municipality covers a distance of 9 623 km and most of these roads play a key role in growing the agriculture, aquaculture and tourism industries in the region.

"Road construction projects do not only improve accessibility but plays a major part in job creation and economic development in the region," the municipality said this week in a statement.

