

47 critical road points and 23 bridges need repair after the quake

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Summary

La Prensa reports that, twelve days after the 9 October magnitude 7.5 earthquake, the government has identified 47 critical points on roads and 23 bridges needing repair, mainly in Azuelo, southern Veraguas and Coclé. About 9,000 homes have been assessed and 31 new houses are being built, seven of them in Chiriquí.

Details (summary of the article)

At the daily government briefing on Wednesday 21 October, Goals Secretary José Ramón Icaza said 47 critical points on highways and 23 bridges have been identified as needing repair after the 9 October magnitude 7.5 earthquake, according to La Prensa. The worst-hit areas remain the Azuelo region, southern Veraguas and Coclé, with serious road damage in the districts of Tonosí, Soná and Mariato. All 23 bridges need some degree of rehabilitation; on the Río Oria and Agua Buena bridges traffic is limited to vehicles under 10 tonnes travelling at no more than 40 km/h. Icaza said most roads have been reopened to keep affected communities connected. On housing, about 9,000 homes have been assessed and construction has begun on 31 new houses — nine in Veraguas, seven in Herrera, seven in Chiriquí, six in Coclé and two in Los Santos — with the first deliveries expected within days. SINAPROC director Omar Smith said monitoring continues in the yellow-alert areas for rain, namely Tonosí and southern Veraguas, where rain is falling and river levels are being watched.

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Terremoto en Panamá: identifican 47 puntos críticos en vías y 23 puentes que requieren reparación

Mientras la distribución de alimentos, agua y enseres llega a las comunidades golpeadas por el sismo, sigue la reconstrucción de viviendas y la reparación de vías.