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TOWNSVILLE AIRPORT REPLACE TREES RAVAGED BY YASI

Townsville Airport will this week replace the trees on airport that were lost during Tropical Cyclone Yasi.

During the cyclone which ravaged the city in February, Townsville Airport lost 38 New Guinea Rosewood trees.

Townsville Airport Chief Operating Officer Kevin Gill said his team have undertaken extensive research to ensure the replacement trees will be able to withstand North Queensland weather conditions.

"The New Guinea Rosewood trees had been in place here at Townsville Airport for approximately 30 plus years, and had provided a beautiful entry into the airport so naturally we were saddened when we lost them during the cyclone.

"Rather than replace the trees with the same species we decided to do some research and came up with some alternatives, before deciding on Queensland Kauri Pines.

"This species of tree has survived Tropical Cyclone's Larry and Yasi at Paronella Park and will provide a fresh new look to the Townsville Airport entry," Mr Gill said.

The new trees will be located along Halifax Street and Stinson Avenue.

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