

1.3 ADMINISTRATION OF TRANSPORTATION AND TRANSPORT INFRASTRUCTURE

(1) Organizations for transportation administration

The main transport-related agency in the Paraguayan Government is the Ministry of Public Works and Communications (MOTC). Other related agencies are the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock (MAG) - which undertakes construction of agricultural roads and stock facilities for agricultural products – the National Administration of Navigation and Ports (ANNP), Paraguay National Railway (FCPCAL) and Local Governments. Besides these, there are the Ministry of National Defense (MDN), National Directorate of Civil Aviation (DINAC) and Paraguay Airline (LAPSA) for air transport administration.

Figure 31 shows the organization of MOPC. Under the Minister, there are 4 Sub-secretariats of Public Works, Transportation, Mines and Energy, and Administration and Finance. Construction and maintenance of transport infrastructure is under the responsibility of Sub-secretariat of Public Works, which is further subdivided into 4 departments. Road Department (Dirección de Vialidad) and Local Road Department (Dirección de Caminos Vecinales) are in charge of road construction and maintenance: the former for national, departmental and trunk roads and the latter for local roads as shown in Table 25.

Table 25 Road Administration Agencies in MOPC by Road Category

	National Road	Departmental Road	Local Road
Planning	Road Direction Planning and Project Department		Local Road Direction Planning and Project Department
Design	Road Direction Planning and Project Department		Local Road Direction Planning and Project Department
Financing	Road Direction Evaluation and Control Department		Local Road Direction Planning and Project Department
Construction	Road Direction Execution Department		Local Road Direction Execution Department
Maintenance	Road Direction Conservation Department 1-8 District		Local Road Direction Roads Board Operations Department