Weekly Construction Update #45

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Week commencing Monday 18 February 2013

Parklands

Griffith University Starts Semester 1

Students and staff should be aware of changed traffic conditions around the campus:

- Pedestrian access to the University is via Engineering and University Drive only.
- Footpaths on both sides of Parklands Drive are currently closed between Engineering and University Drive.
- The bus stops on Parklands Drive are now located to the south near Engineering Drive and Parklands Gold Coast. Those coming by bus should access the campus from Engineering Drive.
- The roundabout at Engineering Drive has been replaced with traffic lights. A signalised pedestrian crossing is operating on the southern side of the intersection.
- The current speed limit on Parklands Drive is 40km/h.

Smith Street Bridge

There will be occasional night time lane closures east and westbound on the Smith Street Motorway between 7:00pm and 5:00am for approximately five weeks while work is carried out overhead. Single lane closures in both directions during the day will also continue.

Depot

There will be day and night works within the Depot site and to prepare for the traffic light installation at the intersection of Wardoo and Baratta Streets.

Southport

Nerang Street

Track preparation and concrete pouring continues between Davenport and Queen Streets. There will be occasional night time lane closures for this work.

Davenport Street Roundabout

Will be closed to traffic at night between 6:30pm and 6:30am from Sunday to Thursday night for traffic light installation.

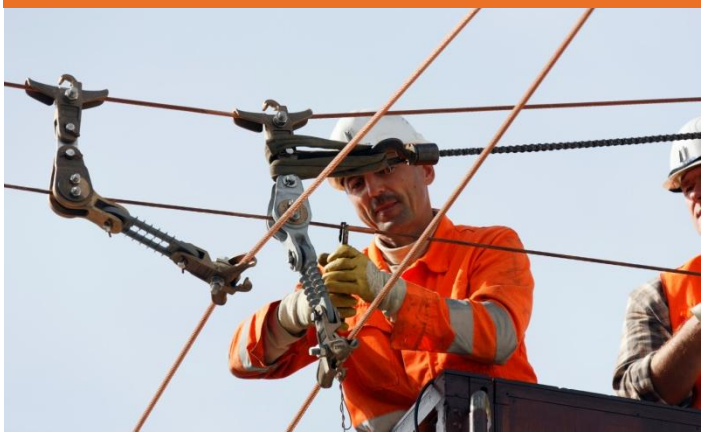
Queen Street

Overhead Line Equipment on Queen Street

From Tuesday 19 February, the installation of the first overhead line equipment will commence on Queen Street, between Wardoo and Nerang Streets.

The works will take approximately two weeks to complete and will include the installation of the masts, cantilevers and then the cables.

In addition to the overhead line equipment, the sub-surface cabling, including the reinforcing power cable will be installed underground.



There will be westbound and eastbound lane closures at night until mid week to enable track laying in Queen Street, between the cemetery and Nerang Street, to be completed including kerbing and concrete infills.

Later in the week and during the day the installation of masts will commence to carry the overhead wires.

Scarborough Street

Storm water pit installation will finish outside the medical centre later in the week. Communications conduits will continue to be laid between Lawson and Nerang Streets. An Energex pit is being constructed outside the Westpac bank.

- **Between Young and Lawson Streets**

Day and night works will continue relocating Telstra conduits and water mains on the western side, opposite Australia Fair.

- **Young Street**

Will be closed at Scarborough Street on the night of Tuesday 19 February to install a water main.

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- **Between Queen and White Streets**

Lane closures north and southbound will continue from Sunday 17 February to Thursday 21 February, between 7:00pm and 5:00am, to install new water mains and electricity cables.

- **Short Street closure**

Short Street will remain closed to through traffic at the Scarborough Street intersection for several months to allow for storm water drainage to be installed. Access is via Marine Parade. Car park access will be maintained.

Barney Street

Water main installation and telecommunications relocations are expected to be completed this week during the day.

Nerang River Light Rail Vehicle Bridge

Barney Street

Pier One is completed and construction this week will involve placing steel and formwork to prepare for pouring the headstock. Pile drilling for the start of the bridge will begin. There will be some noise and vibration as the steel liner is put into position and it will take about one week to drill into the rock to prepare for pouring of concrete piers.

Pedestrian access will be maintained with possible short stoppages for safety relating to crane movements.

Paradise Waters

Opposite Main Beach

Works, including rail delivery and track construction, along the Gold Coast Highway from the Gold Coast Bridge to Admiralty Drive continues.

Admiralty Drive

Works to install underground services in the median of the Gold Coast Highway and at Jarri Parila Cove from the council land reserve in Admiralty Drive are underway.

Commodore Drive

Night works to excavate an Energex trench across Commodore Drive at the Admiralty and Commodore Drive intersection will occur next week. Access to Commodore Drive will be maintained at all times under the direction of a traffic controller. Further work on the footpath will continue after this initial work is completed.

Surfers Paradise

Gold Coast Highway night works

Night works to install and upgrade underground services along the Gold Coast Highway at the Ferny Avenue intersection will continue for another week. Single lane closures and traffic management will be in place on the Gold Coast Highway and Ferny Avenue to facilitate these works.

Ocean to View Avenue

Construction continues on Surfers Paradise Boulevard between Ocean and View Avenues. Pandanus Avenue is closed to through traffic to Surfers Paradise Boulevard and the Gold Coast Highway. Surfers Paradise Boulevard is now one-way southbound from Ocean to View Avenues.

Surfers Paradise Boulevard

Major construction is taking place this year in Surfers Paradise. Surfers Paradise Boulevard is closed to all through traffic between Elkhorn and Cavill Avenue and Clifford to Thornton Street.

Local access between Elkhorn and Cavill Avenue, from Cavill Avenue will be maintained under traffic management.

East to west movements between Clifford to Thornton Street will be maintained except at Hamilton Avenue which is closed.

Through traffic should allow extra travel time, use public transport or seek alternative routes.

Continue to support Surfers Paradise traders throughout the construction period by eating, shopping, staying and playing locally.

Day closure between Staghorn and Palm Avenues

A temporary road closure of will occur between Staghorn and Palm Avenues from 6:30am to 6:30pm on Wednesday 20 February 2012. Local driveway and pedestrian access will be maintained at all times during the closure.

Timing of these works is subject to weather conditions and construction constraints.

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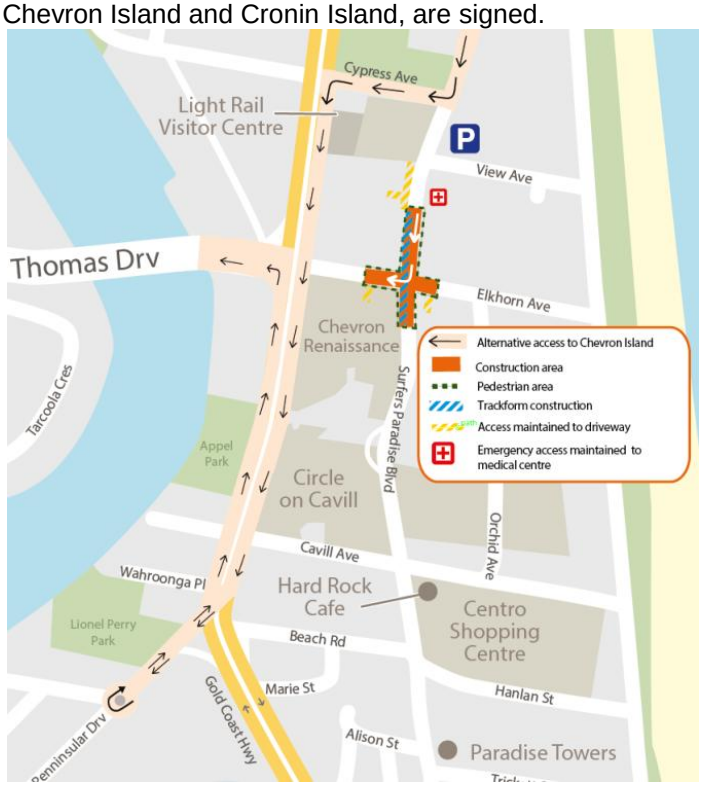
Closure of Elkhorn Avenue access to Chevron Island

To facilitate the first section of rail along Surfers Paradise Boulevard, the intersection of **Elkhorn Avenue and Surfers Paradise Boulevard has been closed to all through traffic for up to two weeks.**

Alternative routes and redirections to Thomas Drive, Chevron Island and Cronin Island, are signed.



South of Clifford Street

Works to upgrade and install water mains between Hamilton Avenue and Thornton Street continues. Changes to pedestrian access and some night works will be required to facilitate these works and adjacent stakeholders will be notified in advance.
Traffic management will be required at the intersections of Markwell and Enderley Avenues and Vista Street, however access will be maintained at all times.

Broadbeach

Second Avenue

Track form works in the centre median of the Gold Coast Highway where it intersects with Second Avenue will begin on Monday 11 February 2013. During these works access is available through the median for Emergency vehicles only.

Gold Coast Highway and Fern Street intersection

Works continue in the centre median of the Gold Coast Highway and Fern Street intersection. There will be a mixture of day and night works to minimise traffic impacts. For the duration, the 750 service bus stops in Old Burleigh Road have been temporarily relocated to Wharf Road. Rail delivery, concrete pours and track laying will continue towards Wharf Road.

Australia to Queensland Avenue

Energex service installation works are continuing on the footpath from Australia to Queensland Avenue. Pedestrian and driveway access will be maintained.

Storm water drainage works are continuing on the eastern side of the Gold Coast Highway from the Energex substation to Queensland Avenue. Pedestrian and driveway access will be maintained.

T E Peter's Drive

Energex and service relocation works are progressing on the western side of the Gold Coast Highway. Works will cross the intersection of T E Peter's Drive with periodic slow lane closures of the Gold Coast Highway to the north and south of the intersection.

Broadbeach South

Works to upgrade and relocate services continue at the intersection of Hooker Boulevard and Nerang-Broadbeach Road, Margaret Avenue and the Gold Coast Highway.

These works are anticipated to take several weeks to complete, with a combination of day and night works to minimise traffic impacts.