

## Keeping the trams on time

Construction of Stage One of Queensland's first light rail system has now commenced.

Stage One of the Gold Coast light rail system will travel a 13-kilometre dedicated route, stopping at 16 stations using 14 light rail vehicles (trams). Operations are scheduled to commence in 2014.



Artist's impression of the Gold Coast light rail vehicle (tram).



## Improving your travel experience

In addition to well-trained drivers, the signaling system keeps the trams running on time. GoldLinQ will be working with the Department of Transport and Main Roads to identify how we can optimise the traffic light sequence for all road users. The trams signals will use the same road traffic signal system as the rest of the travelling public use, and as such is fully integrated into the existing road network. Pedestrians will also continue to cross with the same signals as they do now; ensuring safety at signals is maintained.

## Gold Coast light rail scheduling

- The light rail service will run from 5am to 11:50pm, Monday to Thursday, and 24 hours throughout Friday and Saturday until 11:50pm Sunday night.
- Throughout the peak time of 7am to 7pm there will be a tram every 7.5 minutes. Outside of the peak from 5am to 7am, and 7pm to 11:50pm there will be a tram every 15 minutes. At the weekend trams will run half hourly all night on a Friday and Saturday night (00:15am to 5am)
- The end-to-end journey time from Gold Coast University Hospital to Broadbeach South will be around 37 minutes. An indication of journey times are:
  - Gold Coast University Hospital to Southport – 11 minutes
  - Southport to Cavill Avenue – 14 minutes
  - Cavill Avenue to Broadbeach South – 12 minutes
  - Southport to Broadbeach South – 26 minutes
  - Gold Coast University Hospital to Cavill Avenue – 25 minutes

## About GoldLinQ:

In June 2011 GoldLinQ was awarded the contract to design, build and operate Stage One of the light rail system. In partnership with the State Government and Gold Coast City Council, GoldLinQ will deliver a \$1 billion world-class public transport system for the Gold Coast. McConnell Dowell and Bombardier Transport Joint Venture are the design, construct and delivery arm of the GoldLinQ consortium. Once the light rail is built KDR Gold Coast will operate and maintain the system for a period of 15 years. KDR currently operates the Melbourne tramway and is a company partnership between Keolis and Downer EDI Ltd. Keolis is one of Europe's leading public transport operators. Downer EDI is a well known Australian company that provides management services within the Rail and Road market sectors as well as other market sectors.

Stage One is the 13-kilometre light rail corridor connecting Griffith University to Broadbeach, passing through the key activity centres of Southport and Surfers Paradise. You can keep up-to-date with the progress of the light rail works through the website at [www.goldlinq.com.au](http://www.goldlinq.com.au) or call the project hotline on 1800 967 377\* and select the GoldLinQ option. Email us at [information@goldlinq.com.au](mailto:information@goldlinq.com.au) \* Free call within Australia. Call charges may apply from mobile phones.

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