



Light Rail Track Laying at the intersection of Elkhorn Avenue and Surfers Paradise Boulevard

From Tuesday 29 January 2013, works to lay track along Surfers Paradise Boulevard from View Avenue to Elkhorn Avenue will begin.

To facilitate construction of the track form across Elkhorn Avenue, the intersection will be closed to traffic for up to two weeks from Tuesday 12 February 2013.

The rail, which comes in 18 metre lengths each weighing one tonne, will be laid across the western side of the intersection. Due to their size, the rail lengths must be delivered at night by an oversized vehicle.

Traffic changes:

Access to Thomas Drive will be maintained for the majority of construction. However, during trackform construction the intersection of Elkhorn Avenue and Surfers Paradise Boulevard will be closed to all through traffic for up to two weeks (see map).

During this time, southbound traffic on Surfers Paradise Boulevard will be redirected to the Gold Coast Highway at Cypress Avenue or to the Esplanade at View Avenue.

Alternative routes and redirections to Thomas Drive, for access to Chevron Island and Cronin Island, will be signed (see map). Access to the Chevron Renaissance car park will be maintained.

Please drive to the conditions at all times during construction as points of access, temporary lane closures and changes to traffic flow will occur.

What to expect:

- Installation of safety barriers and fencing to contain the construction area.
- Heavy machinery, such as excavation and crane movements to facilitate construction activities.
- Construction noise, dust and vibration at times. Every effort will be made to minimise these impacts.
- Pedestrian access routes will be maintained around the construction area (see map). Temporary footpath closures near the active work area will occur and alternative routes will be signed.
- The majority of construction work will be carried out between 6:30am and 6:30pm, Monday to Saturday.
- Timing of this work is subject to weather conditions and construction constraints.

Night works:

- Night works will be required as part of these works to minimise the impact on businesses, pedestrians and traffic. Affected businesses and residents will be notified in advance of night works.
- Rail delivery between 7:00pm and 5:00am Sunday to Thursday.
- During night works vehicles will use "quacker" (quieter) style reversing alarms to reduce noise.
- Light towers will be placed to limit glare to nearby residences.

We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience during construction.

