

Gold Coast Rapid Transit

Southport roadworks

18 March 2011

The following construction works are expected in the Southport roadworks area in the coming fortnight (weather and construction conditions permitting).

Zone 1: Queen Street (Wardoo Street to Nerang Street)

- From 21 March 2011, additional works will be undertaken to install pipelines and construct manholes in Carey Lane. Access to Carey Lane via Queen Street will be temporarily closed for approximately three weeks during the works. Local access will be provided via Whitby Street, through St Hilda's School.
- New water and stormwater pipelines are being installed at the Wardoo Street / Queen Street / Firestone Street intersection. Temporary partial lane closures can be expected from time-to-time.
- Works are continuing on the installation of new underground services in the northern sections of Mal Burke and Bambarra Streets. Access to these streets via Queen Street will be temporarily unavailable from time-to-time during March and April 2011.
- The installation of new wastewater pipelines in Queen Street near Loders Creek is continuing. Traffic will be maintained one-way westbound on Queen Street during these works.
- This fortnight, works to install a new gas pipeline in the northern section of Salmon Street will be completed.
- Works are underway to install new power poles along Queen Street on the cemetery side of the street. These activities are being undertaken during the day and may result in some temporary changes to pedestrian movements. Changes to pedestrian movements will be signed and traffic controllers will be in place to direct pedestrians around the works.
- The construction of several retaining walls is progressing on the cemetery side of the street between Southport State School and the Queen Street / Nerang Street intersection.

- On the residential side of the street, underground services relocations, drainage works, and works at individual properties are continuing. Drainage works are also underway outside Southport State School.

Zone 2a: Nerang Street (Queen Street to High Street)

- At the Nerang Street / High Street intersection, major upgrade works are continuing with underground services currently being relocated. The majority of these works are being undertaken at night to minimise disruptions for local businesses and to avoid peak traffic periods.

Some day works are being undertaken on the northern side of the Nerang Street / High Street intersection to repair underground services.

- Access to Cougal Street is currently available via High Street only, while new pipelines are installed at the Nerang Street / Cougal Street intersection. Left and right turns from Nerang Street into Cougal Street will be unavailable while works are conducted. These traffic changes will remain in place until mid 2011.
 - Underground electrical services relocations are continuing around Gold Coast Hospital. Pits will soon be constructed at intervals along Nerang Street to allow tunnel boring machines to be used for services installation.
- These works will result in the temporary removal of some on-street parking bays. Current pedestrian movements may also be affected. Changes to pedestrian movements will be signed and traffic controllers will be in place to direct pedestrians around the works.
- Drainage works are continuing on the corner of Nerang Street and Queen Street.

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Zone 2b: Nerang Street

(High Street to Davenport Street)

- Roadworks and services relocations between High Street and Davenport Street have been postponed until mid 2011 to maximise construction efforts in other areas of the project zone. More information will be provided to local businesses closer to the start of these works.

Zone 3: Queen Street

(Lenneberg Street to Marine Parade via Ada Bell Way) and Scarborough Street (Queen Street to Park Lane)

- Works to demolish government-owned properties on Queen Street and Swan Lane will continue throughout March and April 2011. All demolition works are scheduled to be completed by late April 2011, weather and construction conditions permitting.
- Existing centre parking and traffic islands in Scarborough Street between Park Lane and Queen Street will be removed shortly, ahead of roadworks at the Scarborough Street / Queen Street intersection. Commercial parking facilities are available in nearby streets.
- The project team has rescheduled underground services relocations in Matron and Sister Higman Park for mid May 2011.

All efforts will be made to keep disruption to a minimum.

We thank you for your patience and cooperation.

For further information:

- Call 1800 967 377 to speak to the project team
- Visit the project website
www.goldcoastrapidtransit.qld.gov.au.

To register for email and / or SMS updates, send an email with your mobile number to southport@tmr.qld.gov.au.

Please slow down – roadwork safety is your responsibility too.

Your questions answered

Services outages / disruptions

Q. I've received a notification flyer from a telecommunications company about a planned outage / disruption in my area. Are these works associated with the Gold Coast Rapid Transit project?

A. It is possible that these works are associated with the project.

As part of the services relocation works in Southport, some planned outages / disruptions are expected. These are required to enable connections between relocated / new services and existing networks.

Planned outages / disruptions will generally be managed by individual services providers, such as Telstra and Energex. This includes notifying affected households and businesses prior to the works.

While on site, all services providers will report to Seymour Whyte Constructions (the main contractor for the Southport roadworks).

Q. There was a service outage / disruption in my area and I was not notified. Why?

A. There are many reasons why service outages / disruptions occur. The reasons may include damage to services due to storm events or local construction works, or network failures.

During construction activities, working near older underground services may cause cables or pipes to fail.

Services can also be damaged if they have been installed in unknown / unidentified locations (ie. not shown in government records or on approved construction drawings).

When services outages / disruptions are related to construction works, the project team will arrange for repairs to be undertaken as soon as possible.

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