

Gold Coast Rapid Transit

Southport roadworks

1 April 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)

- Additional works are underway in Carey Lane to install water and stormwater pipelines, and construct manholes. Access to Carey Lane via Queen Street is temporarily closed during these works. Local access is available via Whitby Street, through St Hilda's School.
- Works to install new underground services in the northern sections of Mal Burke Street and Bambarra Street are progressing. Access to these streets via Queen Street will be temporarily unavailable from time-to-time during April 2011.
- 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.
- 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.
- Works to install new power poles along Queen Street on the cemetery side of the street are progressing. These activities are being undertaken during the day and may result in some temporary changes to pedestrian movements. Changes 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)

- Major upgrade works are continuing at the Nerang Street / High Street intersection, with underground services currently being relocated. Upcoming works will include the installation of services on High Street between Nerang Street and Cougal Street (beside the existing carpark).
Some upgrade works are being undertaken at night to minimise disruptions for local businesses and to avoid peak traffic periods. Any changes to traffic or pedestrian movements will be signed and traffic controllers will be in place to direct pedestrians around the works.
- 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.
- Wastewater pipelines are being installed in Nerang Street between Queen Street and Cougal Street.
- Works are continuing on the installation of new underground electrical services on Queen Street between Nerang Street and Tweed Street.
- Access pits will soon be constructed at intervals along Nerang Street to allow tunnel boring machines to be used for telecommunications 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 and the installation of new retaining walls 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 are continuing. These works are scheduled to be completed in 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.

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 Infrastructure design changes

Q. I was told that a new underground service was to be constructed in the road verge but now it's being installed in the roadway itself. Why?

A. There are many reasons why the design of new infrastructure can change. One common reason is that there may be conflicting underground services that prevent construction from occurring in a desired location. Some of these services may not have been previously identified (ie. not shown in government records or on approved construction drawings).

Q. I have received conflicting information about what the light rail stations will look like. What is the final design?

A. While the Gold Coast Rapid Transit project team has identified the light rail corridor, station locations and associated infrastructure, the detailed design is yet to be finalised.

The detailed design includes items such as footpath finishes, bus stop / parking locations, landscaping and design of the light rail stations.

The detailed design will be undertaken by the Operator Franchise Public Private Partnership (PPP). This group will be appointed in mid 2011.

If you have any questions about detailed design, please refer them to the GCRT Southport Place Manager, Bruce Miller at southport@tmr.qld.gov.au.

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