Traffic delays - Pacific Highway, Broadwater for the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade

Roads and Maritime Services’ Pacific Highway Project Office, Pacific Complete and its contractor partners are working together to deliver the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade.

The work to build the new bridge over the Richmond River at Broadwater is progressing well with piling, piers and headstocks of the bridge nearing completion

From Thursday 14 June to Tuesday 19 June 2018, weather permitting the project team will carry out work to install nine girders over the existing Pacific Highway at night, outside of normal construction hours.

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Heavy vehicles may consider possible alternate routes for these dates (Bruxner Highway and Summerland Way between Grafton and Ballina) to avoid delays.

We will keep road users informed through:

- Regular messages through UHF channel 29 about activity progress each night
- The Live Traffic NSW website and App
- Variable message signage (VMS) updates along the Pacific Highway.

Restricted access vehicles considering an alternative route are encouraged to check the relevant network map at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/hv-maps.

Plan your rest breaks to avoid delays

Use our improved interactive map to find heavy vehicle rest area locations to help plan your journey.

To view the map please visit http://www.rms.nsw.gov.au/roads/using-roads/trip-information/rest-areas/
The work will involve a specialised side-lifting truss to lift girders into place. We have provided a map to show the location of the work area.

### Why do we need to do this work?

There are a number of technical reasons why work is required outside of normal construction hours including:

- **Safety** – making it safer for motorists and workers when we are building over roads by reducing interaction between these two groups by working at night
- **Traffic** – building over roads means traffic must be stopped while work is carried out. By working at night impacts are minimised for the majority of road users and journey times of less motorists are affected.

### Traffic impacts

- Road users can expect multiple delays
- Expect multiple delays of up to **20 minutes** while girders are installed between 8pm and 11pm
- Expect multiple delays of up to **40 minutes** while girders are installed between 11pm and 4am
- Road users are encouraged to seek alternate routes from **Thursday 14 June** to **Tuesday 19 June, 8pm to 5am**
- Emergency services access will be maintained
- Access to properties will be maintained at all times, however residents may experience some delays
• Reduced speed limits and traffic control will be in place for the duration of the work.

**How will work affect you?**

We will work with heavy vehicle industry bodies and local sugar cane organisations to confirm the timing of the activity before each period of out of hours work.

Other potential impacts could include:

• Delays on sections of the local road network
• Traffic queuing on the road network during stoppages.

There will be some temporary traffic changes while this work is carried out.

Reduced speed limits and stoppages may affect travel times. Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

**Work hours**

Typically work will be carried out during the project’s approved construction hours, which are:

- 7am – 6pm Monday – Friday
- 8am – 5pm Saturdays

Nearby residents will be notified at least five working days in advance of any activities scheduled outside of these hours.

**For more information or to subscribe to receive updates**

If you have any questions or would like to subscribe to receive email and SMS updates please contact the Woolgoolga to Ballina project toll free line on 1800 778 900 dial 1, W2B@pacificcomplete.com.au or visit the project website rms.nsw.gov.au/W2B.

For the latest traffic updates during this work call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this important work.