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Start of bridge work on Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade – north east of Woodburn

The Australian and NSW governments are jointly funding the \$4.36 billion Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade. Roads and Maritime Services Pacific Highway Office and Pacific Complete are working together to deliver the project.

Construction of two bridges north east of Woodburn has been underway with piling work for the bridge foundations due to be complete on Wednesday 16 August, weather permitting.

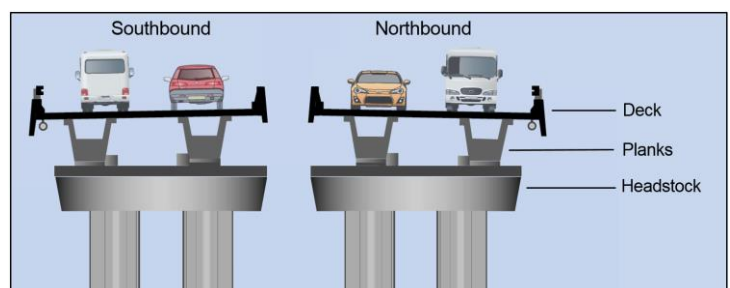
Roads and Maritime has awarded a bridge building contract for the Woolgoolga to Ballina upgrade to Bielby Hull Albem Joint Venture for work between Devils Pulpit and Richmond River.

The contractor will be starting work on the two bridges north east of Woodburn after the piling work is completed. The first bridge is located just south of Lang Hill and will be 40 metres long while the second bridge is located to the north of Lang Hill and will be 15 metres long. We have included a map to explain the location of the work.

What is involved?

There are about 170 bridges being built as part of the Woolgoolga to Ballina upgrade to improve access and flood immunity. There will be 30 bridges built between Devils Pulpit and Richmond River. Building these bridges will generally involve:

- Delivering and installing bridge precast elements for approaches, headstocks and planks
- Building the bridge approaches with fill material
- Pouring concrete on the decks
- Delivering and installing barriers and metal railings.



Cross section illustration of a twin bridge

All material for the bridges including concrete will be delivered to the required location by trucks. Overall there is expected to be regular deliveries of materials for this work, including semi-trailer trucks carrying steel reinforcing and precast concrete pieces for the new bridges.

The waterways near Lang Hill are home to a threatened species of fish called the Oxleyan Pygmy Perch (OPP). The project team can only build these bridges from 1 May to 30 September (annually) to avoid impact on the OPP breeding season. We will be returning to these locations next year to finish building the bridges once the OPP breeding season finishes.

How will this work affect you?

We will carry out noise monitoring throughout this work. We will also carry out noise mitigation to minimise the impact of our work, as much as possible by turning off machinery when not in use and fitting equipment with devices to minimise noise, including reversing vehicles.

Traffic changes

There will be temporary traffic changes to ensure safety of road users while machines including cranes move to site. This may affect travel times. Please keep to speed limits and follow signs and traffic controllers' directions. For the latest traffic updates, you can 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.

Work hours

Typically work will be carried out during the project's approved construction hours, which are **from Monday to Friday between 7am and 6pm** and on **Saturday between 8am and 5pm**.

In areas where residents live more than 200 metres from the work area, extended work hours are allowed from Monday to Friday between 6am and 7pm. Nearby residents will be notified at least five working days in advance of any activities scheduled outside of these working hours.

Contact us

For more information about the work please contact the project team on 1800 778 900, email W2B@pacificcomplete.com.au or visit the project website at www.rms.nsw.gov.au/W2B. We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this important work.



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