

We're upgrading our view!

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They say the grass is always greener on the other side. With sweeping views from the Broadwater to the sea, the Sundale Bridge Osprey pair are moving house!

As part of the construction of the Gold Coast light rail, GoldLinQ is building a new pedestrian and cycle bridge, just east of and parallel to the existing Sundale Bridge. To keep the Osprey safe from construction activities, they will soon be living the dream life in one of the Gold Coast's finest addresses; enjoying unobstructed views of the Broadwater in their new home only 50-metres away!

Careful planning is the key to an easy move and GoldLinQ's team is doing its part to ensure these local birds reach their new location safely.



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Osprey nest relocation

The Osprey nest relocation has been carefully planned. GoldLinQ's design and construction partner McConnell Dowell has been working closely with the Gold Coast City Council and the Queensland Government to give the Ospreys a new and improved view of the Broadwater.

As part of the project's overall environmental management process, an extensive monitoring program has been implemented to ensure the nest is relocated clear from any construction activity.

In March, McConnell Dowell will delicately relocate the existing pole and nest to the new location where the Ospreys will continue to enjoy a 360 degree view of the Broadwater and surroundings. It is expected to be completed within a day. The relocation is occurring outside the breeding season.

Similar moves happen regularly throughout Queensland, New South Wales and around the world. Other successful nest moves have taken place in the Sunshine Coast, Evans Head and Maclean. All efforts will be made to ensure the relocation goes as smoothly as possible.



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*You'll find us over here
- just 50-metres away!*

About light rail

Construction to deliver Stage One of the Gold Coast light rail commenced in January 2012. Consisting of 14 trams and 16 stations, the light rail system will service a 13-kilometre route between the Gold Coast University Hospital and Broadbeach, one of the fastest growing regions in Australia.

About GoldLinQ

In June 2011 GoldLinQ was awarded the contract by the Queensland Government to build, finance, operate and maintain Queensland's first ever light rail system.

The GoldLinQ consortium consists of McConnell Dowell Constructors (Aust) Pty Ltd, Bombardier Transportation Australia Pty Ltd and KDR Gold Coast Pty Ltd. Collectively the companies have decades of experience delivering and operating rail projects across Australia and around the world.

Keep up-to-date with the progress of Queensland's first light rail at www.goldlinq.com.au. For more information about these works, please call the project hotline on 1800 967 377.*

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Did you know?

- The Sundale Bridge Ospreys are one of the Gold Coast's star attractions with local tourist operators and boat tour companies showing off this natural attraction to tourists daily.
- Osprey generally create nests in elevated positions where they can have unobstructed views of water – they can spot a fish from 40-metres above water!
- Australian Osprey usually form a life-long bond with a breeding partner and return to the same nest every breeding season.