

Weekly Construction Update # 20



Gold Coast Light Rail

Week commencing Monday 20 August 2012



Parklands to Southport

Parklands Drive asphaltting work

New asphalt has been laid between Alumni Place and the lower gate of the Parklands car park as part of the work to realign the road and build the new bus stops.

Entry 1 to Parklands Showgrounds will be open from 23 August in time for the Gold Coast Show.

GCUH Hospital shell

Wastewater and drainage works continue in the station shell.

Depot piling work

Steel reinforcement works and concreting for columns continues in the centre median of the Smith Street Motorway.

Construction is well underway on the columns for the viaduct into the valley towards the Depot. Piling works continue for the Depot maintenance facility and earthworks within the Depot also continue.

Queen Street median

Conduit laying works are in progress in preparation for track laying in early September.

The property at 24 Salmon Street will be demolished and a laydown (storage) site established.

Underground service works have begun on the corner of Wardoo Street and Olympic Circuit.

Scarborough and Nerang Streets

There will be Energex relocations and shrub clearing in Nerang Street.

Surfers Paradise

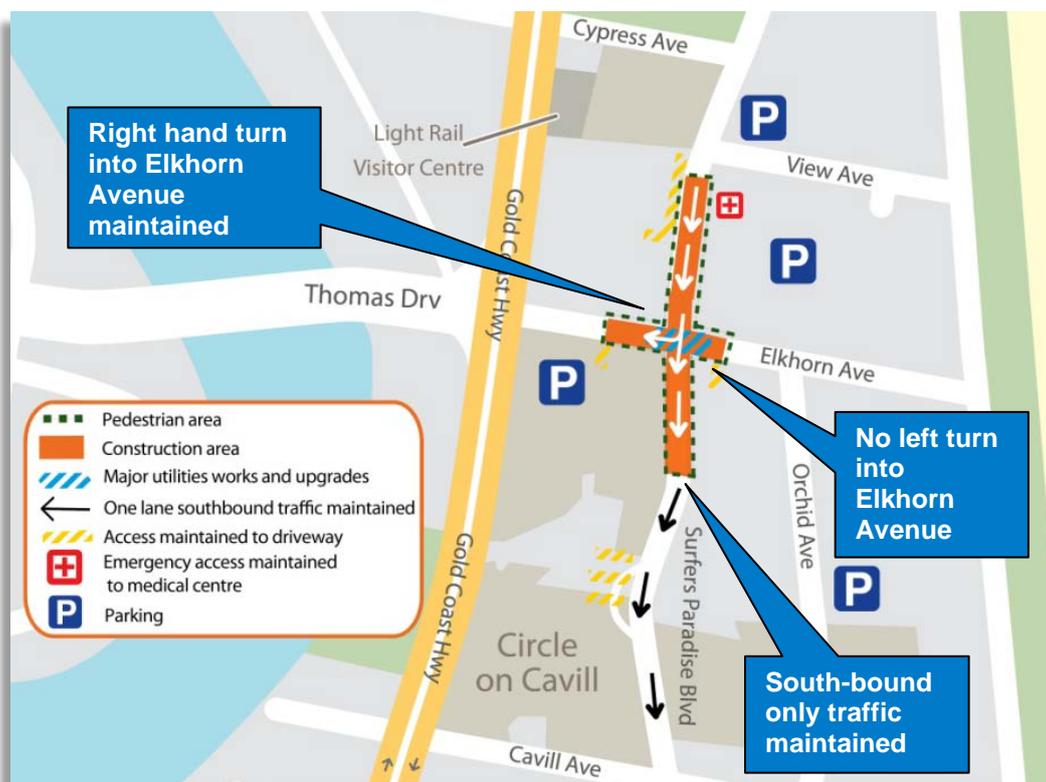
Changed traffic conditions

Construction has begun along Surfers Paradise Boulevard at the intersection of Elkhorn Avenue.

Surfers Paradise Boulevard is now one-way southbound from View Avenue to Cavill Avenue, with right turn access only into Elkhorn Avenue (see map below). Alternative routes and redirections will be signed.

Access to Thomas Drive and Chevron Island will be maintained for the majority of construction via a right hand turn from Surfers Paradise Boulevard onto Elkhorn Avenue. Local access from Chevron Island into the Chevron Renaissance car park has been maintained.

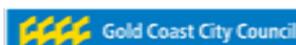
During construction, traffic management will be in place to assist pedestrians and motorists. Please drive to the conditions at all times.



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Construction at Elkhorn Avenue and Surfers Paradise Boulevard

Construction at the intersection of Elkhorn Avenue and Surfers Paradise Boulevard continues. Construction will involve heavy machinery, including excavators and vacuum trucks, and the relocation and upgrade of underground services.

Construction noise, dust and vibration will occur at times. Every effort will be made to minimise these impacts.

Night works to upgrade Gold Coast City Council water mains are scheduled to take place on Monday 20, Tuesday 21 and Wednesday 22 August between 6:30pm and 6:30am. Adjacent stakeholders have been notified of the night works.

Temporary service outages will occur from 12:00am to 5:00am and affected premises will be notified before the event by Gold Coast Water.

Works at the intersection of Ferny Avenue (Gold Coast Highway) and Surfers Paradise Boulevard

The Gold Coast Highway is currently closed to all southbound traffic from the intersection at Ferny Avenue (Gold Coast Highway) to Ocean Avenue.

Southbound traffic is diverted to Surfers Paradise Boulevard, which has become one-way southbound to Ocean Avenue. This traffic has priority turning movements into and out of Ocean Avenue to return to the Gold Coast Highway.

Northbound traffic on Surfers Paradise Boulevard is redirected to the Gold Coast Highway via Cypress Avenue or can continue north to the new signalised intersection at Ocean Avenue.

Underground service relocations and drainage upgrades will continue inside the construction boundary on the western side of the Gold Coast Highway at Jarriparrilla Cove, adjacent to the Marriott Hotel.

Paradise Waters

Site established

Most of the vegetation clearing along the western side of the Gold Coast Highway next to the Gold Coast (Sundale) Bridge has now taken place. Further localised vegetation clearing may take place in future.

Macintosh Island North Bridge Piling Works

From Monday 20 August, initial piling for the construction of the shared light rail and pedestrian bridge over the Nerang River at Macintosh Island North will begin.

Works to construct the new bridge will involve piling, excavations and crane movements. Strict environmental controls are in place.

Pedestrian access under the bridge will remain closed during these construction works. Alternative pedestrian routes connecting Paradise Waters and Macintosh Island will be signed.

To assist safe construction, marine access under the Macintosh Island North Bridge will be intermittently closed to the public. Safe access will be maintained at all other times.

Night works along the Gold Coast Highway from Sundale Bridge to Admiralty Drive

Night works are required to install temporary street lighting along the western side of the Gold Coast Highway next week between 6:30pm and 6:30am from Monday 20 August. These works may run for several nights. During this activity, single lane closures will occur northbound on the Gold Coast Highway and traffic management will be in place.

Broadbeach

Earthworks at Broadbeach South

Additional earth and other foundation material will continue to be delivered, compacted and levelled between Elizabeth Avenue and Hooker Boulevard over the next week.

A platform is being constructed in the area in preparation for a piling rig that will commence works in coming weeks.

Vegetation clearing at Broadbeach South

Further vegetation clearing will take place in the future along the western side of the Gold Coast Highway between Pacific Fair Drive and Elizabeth Avenue, weather permitting. Silt curtains will be installed as part of the project's strict environmental controls.



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