

Pacific Motorway Upgrade Robina Interchange (Exit 82)

Work is starting on another major upgrade that will improve road safety and traffic flow in the Robina–Mudgeeraba area.

The Robina Interchange is the fourth to be upgraded south of Nerang since the state and federal governments committed to improve the Pacific Motorway (M1) in 2007. This \$60 million upgrade is part of a comprehensive master plan for the motorway to increase capacity, improve safety and achieve smoother traffic flows.

This project will:

- replace the roundabouts on Somerset Drive and Robina Parkway with synchronised traffic signals
- realign and extend motorway on and off ramps
- upgrade and extend pedestrian and cycle paths.

Early works are underway now and major construction is expected to commence by mid-year.

The Department of Transport and Main Roads thanks you for your patience as we undertake these essential works.



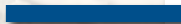
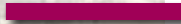

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Benefits

The upgraded interchange will cater for future traffic growth and meet modern design standards. Benefits include:

- longer on and off ramps will improve efficiency and safety by giving motorists room to speed up or slow down when entering or leaving the motorway
- traffic signals to safely control all vehicle, pedestrian and cyclist movements, and coordinate traffic flow through the interchange
- upgraded paths will improve pedestrian and cyclist connections
- noise barriers in sections beside the motorway where noise modelling shows they are required.

Legend

-  Upgrade works
-  Pedestrian and cycle facilities
-  Traffic lights



Timeline

Mid 2006

The M1 Master Plan is released and community consultation begins.

2007

State and federal governments commit to jointly fund the M1 upgrade on the Gold Coast.

Late 2010

Relocation of services completed.

Early 2011

Contractor selected for construction.

Mid 2011

Construction underway.

Late 2012

Construction complete.



What to expect during construction

Managing roadworks in a busy traffic environment is a challenge. Where possible, the department minimises disruptions to traffic by scheduling works outside of peak times and at night. However, this must be balanced against other considerations, including noise levels for nearby residents and businesses, and the need to deliver vital projects as safely and quickly as possible.

Traffic changes

- Reduced speed limits and changes to lane arrangements will occur during construction to maintain safety for road users and roadworkers. Please slow down, drive carefully and follow roadside instructions during these works.
- To minimise disruption to motorway traffic in peak times, two lanes will remain open in each direction during peak hours at a reduced maximum speed of 80 km/h.
- Access to the motorway and interchange connections will be maintained, although traffic routes will be changed at times as construction activities move around the site.
- The project team will minimise traffic impacts where possible, however motorists should always allow extra travel time and consider alternative routes during construction.

Local access

- Access to local homes, businesses and streets will be maintained. If temporary closures are required, the project team will provide information through letterbox flyers and roadside signs before they happen.
- Motorists will be notified of changes and impacts by radio traffic reports, roadside signs and the traffic and travel information line 13 19 40 or website www.131940.qld.gov.au.

Work hours

- Construction work hours will generally be from 6.30 am to 6 pm Monday to Saturday.
- For night works, local residents who may be impacted will be informed in advance by flyers in their letterboxes.

Noise, dust and vibration

- Construction will involve heavy machinery and tools that may cause noise, dust and vibrations at times around the work sites. The project team will monitor these impacts to ensure adherence with guidelines.
- The contractor will water down the work site as required to minimise dust.
- There will be regular truck movements to remove excavated materials and they will avoid residential streets where possible.
- Environmental management plans will always be in place to minimise the impact of construction on the environment.



Keeping you informed

Wet weather impacts

Project timing and schedules can change due to weather and construction conditions. Wet weather delays are unavoidable and the duration depends on what work is occurring when it rains.

If earthworks or a road base receive a significant amount of water it may completely disrupt work schedules and delay the recommencement of work.

Residents and businesses will be notified if significant changes to work schedules will impact them. Updates are also available via radio traffic reports, advertisements, roadside signage and the traffic and travel information line 13 19 40 or website www.131940.qld.gov.au.

For further information

Transport and Main Roads is committed to providing timely information through roadside signs, radio traffic reports, media advertisements, newsletters, letterbox flyers and on our website.

To contact us:

Email: ao.regions.goldcoast@tmr.qld.gov.au

SMS: subscribe to a free text service about planned traffic changes and major works on the motorway. Visit: www.M1sms.com.au.

Phone: for enquiries about a particular Gold Coast project phone (07) 5596 9500 and ask to speak to the communication officer for that project. For traffic updates phone 13 19 40.

Fax: (07) 5596 9511

Post: Department of Transport and Main Roads, PO Box 442, Nerang, Qld 4211.

Web: www.tmr.qld.gov.au for project information, or www.131940.qld.gov.au for traffic updates.

