



The Ipswich Motorway Upgrade between Wacol and Darra includes the widening the Ipswich Motorway between Wacol and Darra and the construction of a free-flow multilevel interchange to replace the existing signalised roundabout. This upgrade will improve safety, relieve congestion and enhance reliability.

Construction of the Ipswich Motorway Upgrade from Wacol to Darra has been moving ahead at a staggering rate since the first sod was turned in March 2008.

Over 560,000 cubic metres of material has been moved, over 260 bridge piles have been driven, over 8,000 cubic metres of concrete have been poured and placement of 420,000 tonnes of asphalt has begun. The amount of material moved so far is enough to fill 220 Olympic pools and 170 times the amount of excavation undertaken to build the Story Bridge.

Other key statistics include:

- » 522 piles to be driven, over 260 already in place (if all the piles to be driven were laid end-to-end they would span 12 kilometres)
- » 1,400,000 cubic metres of bulk earthworks will be placed
- » 420,000 tonnes of asphalt will be placed
- » 14,000 square metres of noise walls to be constructed
- » 14 kilometres of portable concrete barriers will be in place
- » 800 metres of water-filled barriers are in place
- » 3,800 anti-gawk screens are in use (preventing motorists from being distracted by construction activities)
- » 1.1 million plants and 10,000 trees will be included in landscaping works
- » 25 native species have been relocated to prevent construction impacts.

The Wacol to Darra section of the Ipswich Motorway Upgrade is changing on a daily basis as part of a rapid construction program. These shots show the progress so far, and an indication of what it will look like when finished.

Contact us

The community engagement team is available to answer any queries you may have:

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We appreciate your patience during the construction period.