# **Main**Roads

Sunshine Coast Multi-Modal Transport Corridor

October 2008

## Newsletter 2

## This newsletter:

- informs you about progress on the MMTC project
- » explains Main Roads' project planning process
- » gives dates and locations for the public displays
- » advises how to find out more information or contact the project team.



The Multi-Modal Transport Corridor (MMTC) is a transport corridor from Caloundra Road to the Sunshine Motorway. The MMTC will contain a motorway-standard road (Caloundra-Mooloolaba Road) and from Creekside north, the CAMCOS rail line.

The MMTC is included in the Queensland Government's South East Queensland Infrastructure Plan and Program 2008-2026.

Proposed elements within the MMTC, such as road, rail line, bus infrastructure and pedestrian and cycle paths, are currently being investigated.

### MMTC at a glance

To cater for the region's future transport needs, the MMTC will:

- » include a high-speed, motorwaystandard road designed to reduce travel times between Caloundra, Mooloolaba and Maroochydore and reduce congestion on Nicklin Way
- » include a new rail line between Creekside and Maroochy Boulevard, which is part of the CAMCOS link between Beerwah and Maroochydore
- » improve public transport links by integrating road, rail, bus, pedestrian and cycle infrastructure
- » enhance access to the Sunshine Coast's major commercial, residential, educational, health and sporting developments.



#### History

The need for the MMTC was identified in the mid-1990s to address future traffic needs on the Sunshine Coast.

The Sunshine Motorway: 2032 Strategic Planning Study (SM2032), completed in 2004, confirmed the need for a major upgrade of the Sunshine Motorway and Mooloolah River Interchange, along with associated service roads and local road connections.

To address the complex and changing needs brought about by the region's growth, concept planning for the MMTC has included a review of the SM2032 findings.

Ongoing investigations and input from the community and stakeholders build on the SM2032 findings to address:

- >> the region's projected growth and changed travel patterns
- changes to public transport routes and TransLink's Quality Bus Corridor (CoastConnect)
- >> requirements for the CAMCOS rail line
- development of Maroochydore City Centre and Kawana Town Centre as transit oriented developments.

The proposed Sunshine Coast University Hospital at Kawana and the identification of Maroochydore as a principal centre for the Sunshine Coast have also influenced transport network considerations for the planning area.

### **Update**

Newsletter 1, distributed in early 2007, announced the start of planning for the MMTC. Since then, work on the MMTC planning project has included investigations into the existing traffic network, environmental impacts, soil conditions, flooding, cultural heritage, future trip generation and public transport.

If you are new to the area, a copy of the project's previous newsletter is available online or by calling the project team on Freecall 1800 662 744.

The MMTC project is currently in Phase 2 of the planning process (see timeline over the page). Phase 2 continues through 2008 and into early 2009 and concentrates on identifying workable options and staging for each section of the project and through a process of consultation and analysis, identifying the preferred option.

Work after Phase 2 will involve further development of preferred options and a recommendation for possible staging of each section.

#### What is CAMCOS?

The Caboolture to Maroochydore Corridor Study (CAMCOS) defined a corridor for a future passenger rail line and station locations between Beerwah and Maroochydore. State Cabinet endorsed the corridor in 2001.



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# Transport solutions for the Sunshine Coast

The MMTC will provide improved public transport links by integrating road, rail and bus infrastructure to support the future social and transport needs of the region.

Planning of the MMTC includes rail stations, bus facilities, pedestrian and cycle access, roadways, intersections and interchanges.

The MMTC planning project allows for rail stations at Creekside (Park 'n' Ride), Kawana Town Centre (Kiss 'n' Ride), Parrearra (Kiss 'n' Ride) and Mooloolaba (Park 'n' Ride).

Main Roads is working closely with State and Local Government agencies and planners of other Sunshine Coast projects to ensure the overall needs for transport on the Sunshine Coast are considered.

A range of engagement activities will continue throughout the MMTC project planning. Community input to planning options will be welcomed at public displays and other activities in the coming months.

Wherever possible, MMTC consultation activities will be coordinated with other transport planning project events.

## MMTC planning timeline

#### Phase 1 (until early 2007)

- » Collect information
- » Review previous planning
- » Carry out traffic and flood modelling
- » Prepare broad concept layouts
- >> Identify stages and priorities for construction

#### Phase 2 (early 2007 – early 2009)

- Develop options for each stage of the project, starting with the highest priority sections
- Consult with elected representatives and government agencies
- Consult on options (meetings and public displays)
- Identify preferred options

#### Phase 3 (early 2009 – late 2009)

- » Finalise and announce preferred options
- Carry out detailed planning for funding approval for priority sections

#### Buderim-Mooloolaba Interchange to Maroochy Boulevard Interchange

Since the release of the MMTC Newsletter 1 (January 2007) the scope of the MMTC planning project has been extended approximately one kilometre further north to connect with the recently constructed Maroochy Boulevard Interchange.

Planning for the MMTC needs to integrate the traffic requirements of both the Buderim-Mooloolaba Interchange and the Maroochy Boulevard Interchange.

#### Mooloolah River Interchange

The Mooloolah River Interchange will ultimately be upgraded to achieve an efficient transport solution by providing:

- » interconnection of east-west and north-south sections of the Sunshine Motorway, and the new Caloundra-Mooloolaba Road
- » interconnection of local roads
- » for all movements between the local road network and the Sunshine Motorway
- » for the CAMCOS rail line to pass through the interchange.

The Nicklin Way will be extended through the Mooloolah River Interchange to connect to the proposed Mooloolaba Rail Station and Mooloolaba Road.

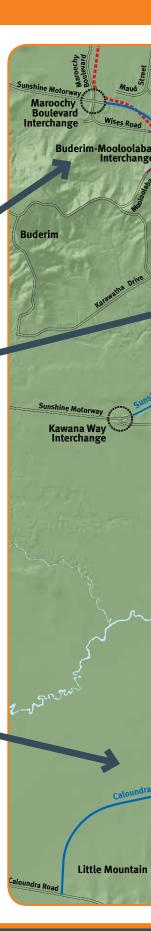
# Caloundra Road to Creekside Interchange

This section of Caloundra-Mooloolaba Road (initially two lanes, two-way) is currently under construction. It is the first section of the MMTC.

Initially, it will connect to Woodlands Boulevard and Kawana Way via signalised intersections.

Ultimately it will connect to the proposed Creekside Interchange and continue through to Kawana Town Centre.

For more information about this project, refer to the contact details on the back of this newsletter.





#### Kawana Town Centre Interchange to Mooloolah River Interchange

At the southern end of this section, Main Drive will pass over the MMTC giving access to the industrial precinct and sporting complex on the western side of the MMTC.

Further north, this section of the MMTC incorporates Parrearra Rail Station on Kawana Island and significant bridging across Mooloolah River to connect into the Mooloolah River Interchange.

Significant preliminary environmental and geotechnical investigations have been done in this location to allow bridging options to be developed.

At Parrearra, Kawana Way will pass over the MMTC.

#### Creekside Interchange to Kawana Town Centre Interchange

Detailed planning of this section of the Caloundra-Mooloolaba Road is underway.

Planning allows for staged construction which will initially include intersections with traffic signals at Creekside and Central Boulevard at Kawana Town Centre. Consideration of access to the Sunshine Coast University Hospital will be a matter of priority in this section.

Ultimately the Creekside and Kawana Town Centre Interchanges will be constructed with overpasses (grade separated roads) and will include connections to future adjacent rail stations.

Kawana Way is being constructed by the developer, Stockland. Construction will start shortly on the last section of Kawana Way from Kawana Town Centre to Creekside Boulevard.

#### **CAMCOS** Rail Line

Planning for the CAMCOS rail line between Creekside and Maroochy Boulevard Interchange is continuing in conjunction with the MMTC project's Caloundra-Mooloolaba Road planning.

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# Relevant transport planning projects on the Sunshine Coast

To support the growth of the region, the Queensland Government and others are conducting a number of integrated transport investigations.

These investigations will result in planning a more efficient transport network for the Sunshine Coast. Projects include:

#### CoastConnect: Caloundra to Maroochydore Quality Bus Corridor –

Freecall: 1800 848 000

Email: coastconnect@transport.qld.gov.au Visit: www.translink.com.au and search for "CoastConnect"

#### >> Nautilus Transport Corridor Study -

connecting Noosa, Nambour and Maroochydore. Freecall: 1800 018 775

Email: nautilus@transport.qld.gov.au

#### Caloundra South CAMCOS Realignment Study – land use and transport integration review of the CAMCOS rail alignment between the Bruce Highway and Sugar Bag Road, Caloundra.

Visit: www.transport.qld.gov.au and search for "Caloundra South Rail Corridor"

#### Caboolture to Landsborough Rail Duplication (Queensland Transport) – Stage 1, Caboolture to Beerburrum duplication, is scheduled for completion in mid-2009. Detailed design is currently underway for Stage 2, Beerburrum to Landsborough duplication. Freecall: 1800 243 982

>> Landsborough to Nambour Rail Project (Queensland Transport) – duplication of the rail line between Landsborough and Nambour. Expected completion by 2020. Freecall: 1800 221 991

For more information about the **South East Queensland Infrastructure Plan and Program** Visit: www.dip.qld.gov.au/seq

## Keeping you informed

Main Roads is committed to informing you about the MMTC planning. Public displays will provide opportunities for interested community members to view concept options and provide input to project planning.

#### Staffed displays

You may speak with a member of the MMTC project team at one of the following staffed venues:

Staffed Displays	Address	When
Lake Kawana Community Centre MMTC project – full interactive display	Lake View Room, Level 2, Sportsmans Parade, Bokarina	<ul> <li>Wed 5/11/08 to Fri 14/11/08</li> <li>Mon, Tue, Fri – 10am to 6pm</li> <li>Wed, Thu – 12noon to 8pm</li> <li>Sat – 9am to 2pm</li> <li>Closed Sunday</li> </ul>
<b>Currimundi Marketplace</b> (outside Woolworths) <i>Creekside section</i>	Cnr Nicklin Way & Bellara Drive, Currimundi	» Thu 13/11/08 – 3pm to 7pm » Sat 15/11/08 – 10am to 2pm
Sunshine Plaza (near Nutshack)	Horton Parade, Maroochydore	>> Thu 13/11/08 – 3pm to 7pm >> Sat 15/11/08 – 10am to 2pm
MMTC Project Office	131 Sugar Road, Maroochydore (former Kleenmaid office)	>> Mon 17/11/08 to Fri 21/11/08 - Mon to Fri – 9am to 4pm
Home Central Kawana (outside Spotlight) Creekside section	Building One, Lot 50 Kawana Way, Kawana Waters	» Thu 20/11/08 – 3pm to 7pm » Sat 22/11/08 – 10am to 2pm
Kawana Shoppingworld (near Stefan)	Point Cartwright Drive, Buddina	>> Thu 20/11/08 – 3pm to 7pm >> Sat 22/11/08 – 10am to 2pm

#### Static displays

MMTC planning information will also be available at the following locations:

Static Displays	Address	When
Sunshine Coast Regional Council Libraries	Maroochy: 44 Sixth Avenue, Cotton Tree Kawana: Nanyima Street, Buddina Caloundra: Omrah Avenue, Caloundra Nambour: Cnr Currie Street & Bury Street, Nambour	>> Tue 4/11/08 to Fri 21/11/08 (Library opening hours)
Sunshine Plaza (near Nutshack)	Horton Parade, Maroochydore	» Tue 4/11/08 to Fri 21/11/08
Kawana Shoppingworld (near Stefan)	Point Cartwright Drive, Buddina	» Tue 4/11/08 to Fri 21/11/08
<b>Currimundi Marketplace</b> (outside Woolworths) <i>Creekside section</i>	Cnr Nicklin Way & Bellara Drive, Currimundi	» Wed 5/11/08 to Wed 3/12/08
Sunshine Coast Regional Council Creekside section	Customer Service 1 Omrah Avenue, Caloundra	>> Wed 5/11/08 to Wed 3/12/08 (Business hours)

#### To contact us

Main Roads values your feedback. You are welcome to provide input at any time.

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