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# Robina to Tugun

Rail & Road Impact Assessment Study

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## About the Study

In March 2000, Queensland Transport commenced the Robina to Tugun Rail and Road Impact Assessment Study (IAS). This study is considering the environmental, social, and economic benefits and impacts of:



- the Queensland section of a rail extension from Robina to Coolangatta Airport; and
- the Queensland section of the proposed Tugun road bypass.

The sections of the rail extension and road bypass within New South Wales are currently being investigated through an Environmental Impact Study being undertaken by the Queensland Department of Main Roads.

Queensland Transport has engaged consultants PPK Environment & Infrastructure to carry out the IAS on its behalf.

*The March 2000 newsletter provided detailed information on the study's background. To obtain a copy, contact the study team on freecall 1800 067 929.*

## What's happened so far

To date, the study's preliminary technical work has involved:

- confirming the need for a rail and road corridor;
- reviewing previous studies and issues;
- estimating likely patronage;
- refining the route alignment; and
- looking at land use planning around stations.

Technical work is now underway to further investigate engineering, transport, economic, social and environmental issues.

## Find out more at our public displays

Public displays are being held during October to provide the community with information on planning options for the rail extension (including alignment, station locations, and station layouts) and options for the Tugun Road Bypass.

### Static displays: 9 - 23 October

- Queensland Transport Customer Service Centres at Bundall, and West Burleigh Shopping Centre
- The Pines Shopping Centre
- Department of Main Roads' Nerang Office
- Gold Coast City Council's Bundall and Nerang Administration Centres
- Gold Coast City Council libraries at Robina, Mudgeeraba, Burleigh Waters, Palm Beach, Elanora and Coolangatta

### Staffed displays: 12, 14 & 19 October

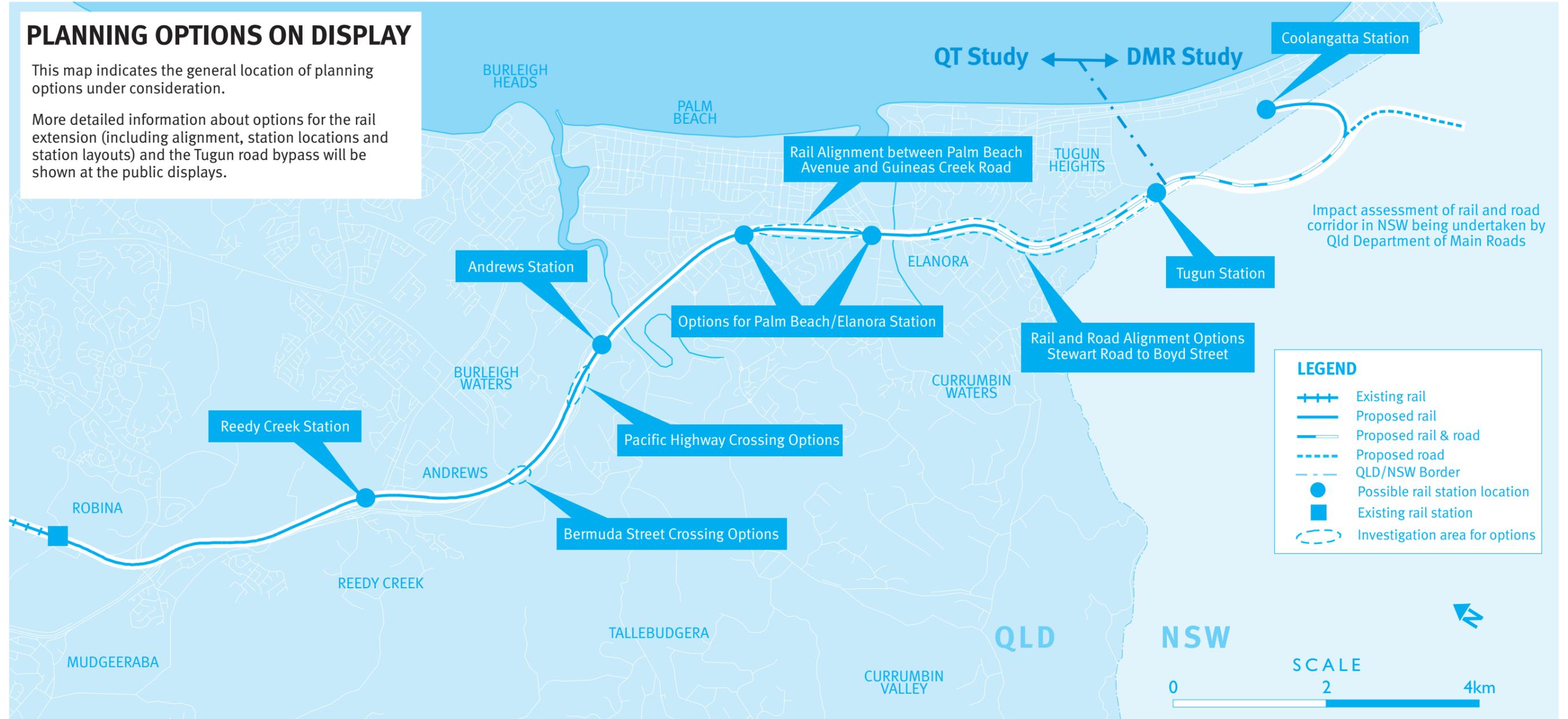
- Thurs 12 October, 2.00pm to 6.00pm, Tugun Village Community Centre, 414 Coolangatta Rd
- Sat 14 October, 10.00am to 2.00pm, Elanora State Primary School, K P McGrath Drive
- Thurs 19 October, 2.00pm to 6.00pm, Robina Library, Robina Town Centre Drive

*People are welcome to visit the staffed displays at any time during the four-hour period to discuss issues on a one-on-one basis with the study team. Representatives from both Queensland Transport and PPK will be available to answer any questions.*

## PLANNING OPTIONS ON DISPLAY

This map indicates the general location of planning options under consideration.

More detailed information about options for the rail extension (including alignment, station locations and station layouts) and the Tugun road bypass will be shown at the public displays.



## Working with the community

Since March 2000, consultation with the community has provided important feedback on the study's draft Terms of Reference and a wide range of issues related to developing the rail and road proposals.

### Public consultation activities to date

- First study newsletter distributed to 50,000 local residents & businesses
- Project updates sent to 1,800 people on the stakeholder mailing list
- Freecall hotline and study website
- Static displays at Council Offices, libraries and Queensland Transport Customer Service Centres;
- Three staffed community display days held at Robina, Elanora and Tugun



- Meetings with elected representatives, key stakeholders groups and community members

The community has shown considerable interest in the study and raised many important issues such as station and route locations, possible impacts on property and environment and timeframes for completion.

In July 2000, a community attitude survey was undertaken with 300 residents in the study area. Participants in this survey generally agreed that public transport links in the region needed to be improved, and that passenger rail is the preferred type of public transport between Robina and Coolangatta.



## Have your say...



Your views are important in helping the Study team to prepare the draft Impact Assessment Study report. Please take a moment to fill in this slip, cut it out and post it back to the reply-paid address.

**Do you think the rail extension will generally improve, reduce or have no effect on your quality of life?**

- Improve     Reduce     Have no effect

**If you were going to use the proposed train service, how would you access the nearest station option? Refer to map above.**

- By car     By bicycle  
 By bus     Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Walk

**Which of the following facilities would you or your family use the proposed train service to access?**

- Work     School  
 Shops     Airport  
 Hospital     Parks/recreational facilities  
 University     Churches  
 Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

**Will the proposed rail extension change the way you access community facilities (eg. schools, churches, parks, hospitals, shops)?**

- Yes     No  
 If yes, will your access be  improved or  reduced?

**Do you know of any important local environmental issues, landmarks or features that may be affected by the proposed rail extension?**

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**Would you like to be added to our mailing list? If so, please complete your details below:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

## Where to from here

Following the displays, the technical work will:

- refine the displayed station and alignment options, including station function, location, size and access requirements;
- investigate and evaluate construction staging and timing options;
- investigate detailed rail and road alignment options between Stewart Road and Boyd Street; and
- selection of preferred rail and road alignment option for conduct of the detailed impact assessment.

As a result of this work, a draft Impact Assessment Study report will be produced. **You can provide input into the preparation of this draft report until 14 February 2001.**



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## How to have your say

Your views about the study are important. Your comments help the study team to ensure they investigate all issues of interest and concern.

### There are several ways you can be involved:

- Visit our staffed public displays (*see front page for details*)
- **Phone:** Freecall 1800 067 929  
*People who are deaf or hearing or speech-impaired can contact the study team through ACE.NRS on 1800 555 677 (voice and TTY users) and 1800 555 727 (speech to speech users).*
- **Fax:** 07 3831 4223  
(Attention: Robina to Tugun Rail & Road IAS)
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You will be kept informed of future public consultation activities through the media and study newsletters.