

Smith Street, Southport

August 2016

Kumbari Avenue intersection improvements

About the works

Transport and Main Roads is delivering a \$158.2 million package of Gold Coast road transport infrastructure upgrades to cater for current and expected future traffic volumes. Delivery of these projects will also help ensure the road network is in good shape ahead of the Gold Coast 2018 Commonwealth Games.

As part of this package, works will be carried out at the intersection of Smith Street and Kumbari Avenue to improve access and safety for all road users.

This \$3.5 million project includes:

- Constructing an acceleration lane from Kumbari Avenue northbound to Smith Street westbound to provide free-flowing left-turn movements.
- Installing a red and amber (two-aspect) signalised pedestrian crossing across the new acceleration lane that will only activate when the pedestrian button is pushed.
- Relocating the existing bus stop a further 250 metres west of the intersection to improve safety and traffic flows.
- Constructing a 2.5 metre-wide shared pedestrian and cycle path on the southern side of Smith Street to connect to the existing path.
- Installing a northbound on-road cycle lane on Kumbari Avenue to improve cyclist safety through the intersection.

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What to expect

A **three month construction** contract will be awarded in the coming weeks, and work is expected to **start in August 2016**.

Work hours and days will be determined once a contractor is in place, however it is expected that **some night works will be required** due to high traffic volumes at the intersection.

During construction:

- Motorists can expect lane closures, reduced speed limits and increased congestion. Drive to conditions, allow extra travel time and choose alternative routes if possible.
- Residents near to the work zone may experience increased noise, dust and vibration, however every effort will be made to minimise construction impacts.
- Public transport users – the existing bus stop westbound on the Smith Street Motorway near the intersection will be closed for the duration of works. Visit www.translink.com.au for alternative bus stop locations.
- Pedestrian and cyclist detours and changed paths may be required at times during construction. Be extra vigilant and keep personal safety top of mind.

It is important to note that this work schedule depends on weather, site and contractor conditions and may change without notice.



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