

# Sunshine Motorway, Mooloolah River Interchange Upgrade

Birtinya | Mountain Creek | Mooloolaba

Project notice

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## Stakeholder Notification – site investigations

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) would like to advise design work is underway for the Sunshine Motorway, Mooloolah River Interchange (MRI) Upgrade project.

The MRI project will deliver a safe, efficient and effective transport network to meet current and future needs of the Sunshine Coast. It will also improve access for local communities in the Birtinya, Mountain Creek and Mooloolaba areas.

### Key features

Due to the complexity of the project, it will be delivered in stages to keep traffic flowing and to minimise inconvenience to road users and the community.

Stage 1 includes:

- a new road overpass to provide a more direct and efficient connection from Nicklin Way to Brisbane Road in Mooloolaba
- a new local road connection between Karawatha Drive in Mountain Creek and Brisbane Road in Mooloolaba.

Future stages to be delivered will include:

- a new crossing of the Mooloolah River, connecting the Sunshine Motorway to Kawana Way
- the MRI, with connections to the Sunshine Motorway to the west and north, Nicklin Way to the south-east, and Kawana Way to the south
- an upgrade of the Sunshine Motorway from two to four lanes between the existing Kawana Way Interchange and the MRI
- a direct, safe and efficient connection for the Sunshine Motorway, north to west
- an additional northbound lane on the Sunshine Motorway between the MRI and the Buderim/Mooloolaba Interchange.

Funding is required to progress future stages to construction.

### Current status

TMR undertook community consultation on the planning layout in July and August 2021. A copy of this layout can be viewed on the project webpage. TMR still welcomes feedback on the planning layout.

Feedback provided by the community is being considered as design work progresses. A preliminary design layout will be available to the community later in the year. Design work is expected to be completed in 2023 and construction timeframes for Stage 1 will be determined during the design phase.

### Site investigations

From **late March 2022**, on-site field investigation activities will be undertaken to technically inform the design. These will include geotechnical, road pavement, bridge, drainage structure and public utility infrastructure investigations.

Investigations will be required on land and in neighbouring river locations, with the majority of investigations being undertaken on Queensland Government land.

Some minor vegetation clearing will be required to facilitate access to site investigation locations. A wildlife spotter/catcher will be present during the activities as required to mitigate fauna impacts.

Due to the high volumes of traffic on certain roads within the investigation area, some works will need to be undertaken at night. Please see overleaf for map of the investigation area.

### What to expect

Investigation activities will be undertaken intermittently at various locations from **late March until June 2022**, weather and site conditions permitting.

Further activities will take place from **July to September 2022**. The majority of works will be carried out between **6am – 6pm, Monday to Friday**. Some night works will be required between **7pm – 5am, Sunday to Thursday**.

Some nearby residents may experience increased noise levels due to drilling machinery. Reversing beepers and flashing lights are a safety requirement and will be used during working hours.

Every effort will be made to keep disruptions and noise to a minimum while the investigations are carried out. TMR apologises for any inconvenience and thanks community members in advance for their patience.

Please contact the project team or visit the project webpage for more information (details overleaf).



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## Location of site investigations



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