

Media statement

17 September 2026

Reminder: plan ahead for track closures from this weekend

Customers are reminded to plan ahead, with major track closures affecting the Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines from this Saturday 19 September to Sunday 11 October 2026.

The closures will support works across several major projects, helping deliver the Queensland Government's commitment to a safer, more reliable and better-connected rail network.

Track closures will affect the Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines, while timetable and travel changes will also apply to the Airport, Cleveland, Doomben and Ferny Grove lines.

Rail replacement buses will operate throughout the closure period, but customers should allow extra travel time and check their journey before leaving.

The closures will enable key works across multiple major projects, including:

- Cross River Rail works, including the installation of a pedestrian overpass at Moorooka station, major track works at Yeerongpilly and Moolabin Creek bridge build and works on the viaduct, which runs along the rail corridor and into Clapham Yard;
- Track, station, overpass and signalling works for the new Loganlea station;
- Rail corridor works between Beenleigh and Varsity Lakes, including track, signalling, cabling and drainage; and
- Piling, earthworks, drainage and station precinct works between Kuraby and Beenleigh as part of the Logan and Gold Coast Faster Rail project.

Train services on the Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines are expected to resume from the first service on Monday 12 October 2026.

Every effort will be made to carry out these works as planned. However, due to ongoing union protected industrial action by some Queensland Rail employees, there may be changes to these arrangements. Any changes will be communicated to customers as early as possible.

Head of Translink Dean Helm reminded customers to plan ahead and allow extra travel time during the closures.

"We know these closures will affect people's travel, and we thank customers in advance for their patience while this important work is carried out," Mr Helm said.

"The works will help improve reliability, accessibility and capacity across South East Queensland's rail network, particularly in some of our fastest-growing communities.

"Much of this work can only be completed safely when trains are not running, which is why these temporary closures are necessary.

“With the closures beginning this weekend, customers should plan ahead, allow extra travel time and check for changes before they travel.

“This is especially important for anyone travelling to work, appointments, major events or during the first week back at school for Term 4.

“Rail replacement buses will operate throughout the closure period, but journeys may take longer than usual.

“Customers should use the Translink app or journey planner before leaving and follow the directions of staff while travelling.”

Cross River Rail Delivery Authority CEO Graeme Newton said while multiple projects were working over the period to maximise efficiency, the Cross River Rail-related works were a clear example of why longer track closure periods are essential to enable completion of major works.

“For example, a new 93-tonne pedestrian overpass will be installed over the tracks at Moorooka station,” Mr Newton said.

“This is a complex logistical exercise that needs to take place over several days, and can only be done safely and efficiently while trains aren’t running.”

To plan your journey, use the Translink app, visit translink.com.au, or call 13 12 30.

Fast facts

The closures will enable key works across multiple major projects, including:

- Installation of a 44-metre-long pedestrian overpass at Moorooka station, weighing 93-tonnes;
- Removal and reinstatement of 750 metres of track and 1300 sleepers at Yeerongpilly, as well as removing and replacing 7500 cubic metres of material within the rail corridor;
- Replacing more than 20 overhead structures and more than 5km of overhead wiring between Yeerongpilly and Moorooka stations;
- Moolabin Creek bridge build and works on the viaduct, which runs along the rail corridor and into Clapham Yard;
- Services installation in the corridor from Yeerongpilly to Salisbury.
- Track, station, overpass and signalling works are continuing at the new Loganlea station.
- Rail corridor works between Beenleigh and Varsity Lakes, including track, signalling, cabling and drainage works as part of European Train Control System (ETCS) works.
- Logan and Gold Coast Faster Rail works between Kuraby and Beenleigh, including piling, earthworks, drainage, investigations and station precinct works.

Line-by-line impacts

19 – 20 September

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Varsity Lakes station.

Airport line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

21 – 25 September

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Varsity Lakes station, with a transfer required at Eight Miles Plains busway station or Boggo Road station for journeys towards the city.

Airport line: Airport line trains will run between Domestic Airport station and Cleveland station during peak periods, with trains terminating at Cannon Hill station or Boggo Road station outside peak periods. For Beenleigh and Gold Coast line customers travelling to Airport line stations, express rail replacement buses will run to Boggo Road station to connect with trains.

Cleveland line: Trains will link with the Airport line during peak periods, and with the Shorncliffe line outside peak periods.

Shorncliffe line: Services will run between Shorncliffe station and Roma Street station during peak periods, and link with the Cleveland line outside peak periods.

Doomben line: Services terminate at Roma Street station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

26 – 27 September

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Varsity Lakes station.

Airport line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Kippa-Ring line: Petrie to Kippa Ring track closure with services terminating at Petrie.

28 September – 2 October

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Varsity Lakes station, with a transfer required at Eight Miles Plains busway station or Boggo Road station for journeys towards the city.

Airport line: Trains run between Domestic Airport station and Cleveland station during peak periods, with trains terminating at Cannon Hill station or Boggo Road station outside peak periods. For Beenleigh and Gold Coast line customers travelling to Airport line stations, express rail replacement buses will run to Boggo Road station to connect with trains.

Cleveland line: Trains link with the Airport line during peak periods, and with the Shorncliffe line outside peak periods.

Doomben line: Services terminate at Roma Street station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Shorncliffe line: Services terminate at Roma Street station during peak periods and link with the Cleveland line outside peak periods.

3 – 5 October 2026

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Varsity Lakes station, with a transfer required at Boggo Road station for journeys towards the city.

Airport line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

6 – 9 October 2026

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Banoon station, with a transfer to a rail replacement bus required at Fruitgrove station or Bannockburn station for journeys towards the city. Beenleigh and Gold Coast line trains will run as a combined all-stops service between Varsity Lakes station and Banoon station. There will be minor timetable changes and no express trains.

Airport line: Trains run between Domestic Airport station and Cleveland station during peak periods, with trains terminating at Cannon Hill station or Boggo Road station outside peak periods.

Cleveland line: Trains link with the Airport line during peak periods, and with the Shorncliffe line outside peak periods.

Doomben line: Services terminate at Roma Street station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Shorncliffe line: Services terminate at Roma Street station during peak periods and link with the Cleveland line outside peak periods.

10 – 11 October 2026

Beenleigh and Gold Coast lines: Buses replace trains between Boggo Road station and Banoon station for journeys towards the city.

Beenleigh and Gold Coast line trains will run as a combined all-stops service between Varsity Lakes station and Banoon station. There will be minor timetable changes and no express trains.

Airport line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

Ferny Grove line: Services terminate at Boggo Road station.

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