Pacific Motorway M1 Varsity Lakes to Tugun (VL2T) upgrade
November 2021
The $1 billion Pacific Motorway VL2T upgrade is jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments.

The VL2T upgrade will widen 10 kilometres of the M1, support 850 jobs over the life of the project, and is being constructed in packages to ensure faster delivery and best value for money.

- Package A started May 2020
- Package B started November 2020
- Package C started November 2020

- 90,000+ M1 vehicles per day on average
- National freight route with almost 9000 heavy vehicles daily
- 8.5 km+ of new active transport facilities
- 570,000+ native shrubs and trees of various sizes to be planted
- 4700+ trees or 5 hectares of koala habitat tree plantings
- 570,000+ heavy vehicles daily
Package A
Varsity Lakes to Burleigh

- Relocate Exit 85 northbound off-ramp to a new signalised intersection
- Road surface regraded
- Installing smart motorway technologies to improve travel time, including ramp signal metering, variable speed limit signs and variable message signs
- A new dedicated active transport path on the western side of the M1

Indicative map only - not for construction
A new dedicated active transport path on the western side of the M1 from Exit 87 to Tugun along Pacific Mwy (M1) to Burleigh.
Installing smart motorway technologies to improve travel time, including ramp signal metering, variable speed limit signs and variable message signs.

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Package B
Burleigh to Palm Beach (Nineteenth Avenue)
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- Upgrade Exit 89 to a signalised interchange
- Install traffic signals at Township Drive
- Improved active transport connectivity around Exit 89 interchange
- Installing smart motorway technologies to improve travel time, including ramp signal metering, variable speed limit signs and variable message signs
- Realigning Oyster Creek with improved fish passages
- New fauna underpass to connect Burleigh to Springbrook bioregional wildlife corridor
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Additional Projects:
- Installing tra/uniFB03c signals at Township Drive
- Realigning Oyster Creek with improved fish passages
- Pacific Mwy (M1) to Nerang
- New fauna underpass to connect Burleigh to Springbrook bioregional wildlife corridor
- Improved active transport connectivity around Exit 89 interchange
- Installing smart motorway technologies to improve travel time, including ramp signal metering, variable speed limit signs and variable message signs
A new two-way western service road from Tallebudgera to Palm Beach

Relocate the northbound off-ramp to new western service road

Active transport path transitions to new western service road

Tallebudgera Creek looking south towards Tugun
Package C
Palm Beach (Nineteenth Avenue) to Tugun

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Nineteenth Avenue looking west
New signalised intersection connecting the western service road to Nineteenth Avenue overpass

Nineteenth Avenue looking east

Palm Beach

Palm Beach (Nineteenth Avenue) to Tugun

Japonica Drive

Pacific Mwy (M1)

to Nerang
Package C
Palm Beach (Nineteenth Avenue) to Tugun

Installing smart motorway technologies to improve travel time, including ramp signal metering, variable speed limit signs and variable message signs

New signalised intersection at KP McGrath connecting the western service road, northbound off-ramp and on-ramp and KP McGrath Drive

Northbound off-ramp relocated to KP McGrath Drive

Access to Sarawak Avenue via Exit 92

Improved active transport connectivity around Exit 92 interchange

Vista Street and Exit 92 Palm Beach Avenue/Elanora interchange (looking north towards Nerang)
Package C
Palm Beach (Nineteenth Avenue) to Tugun

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KP McGrath Drive

Access to Sarawak Avenue via one-lane service road at Exit 92 (Palm Beach)

Corner of Waikiki Avenue and Celebes Avenue - vegetation at time of planting and vegetation at maturity

Dedicated active transport path to Guineas Creek Road

Elanora State School

Pines Lane

The Pines Elanora Shopping Centre

Laguna Park

The Pines Elanora

WAikiki Avenue

Palm Beach to Nerang

Pacific Mwy (M1)

to Nerang

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