Traffic change on Broadwater Evans Head Road, Broadwater

Roads and Maritime Services, Pacific Complete and its contractor partners are working together to deliver the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade.

Traffic will be permanently moved onto the new overpass bridge at Broadwater Evans Head Road in October, weather permitting. This traffic change will allow us to continue building the carriageway and the future Broadwater interchange.

When traffic is moved onto the new overpass bridge, work will continue to connect the new road to the existing road at the eastern end of the roundabout. This work will require a temporary one lane arrangement under traffic lights for up to four weeks, weather permitting.

Motorists will be kept informed about dates and traffic change through electronic message signs and on livetraffic.com.au
The project team is committed to reducing the potential for koala road strikes along the Pacific Highway. As part of the Koala Management Plan and Connectivity Strategy for the upgrade, two koala grids will be installed across Broadwater Evans Head Road and Rifle Range Road, Broadwater.

The grids will connect into fauna fencing, controlling koala movements near the highway towards safe fauna connectivity structures. The project team will also install a self-closing gate next to the grid on Broadwater Evans Head Road, maintaining pedestrian and cyclist access while creating a fully closed system. Koala grids are like standard cattle grids, however, they are modified with round steel pipes.

How we manage our work
The project team will use machinery that generates noise, light and vibration. To manage this work, we will:

- turn-off machinery when not in use
- direct temporary lighting down and away from homes
- plan activities close to residents to coincide with normal construction hours, where possible
- fit equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly reversing squawkers

All work will be carried out in line with the project’s Conditions of Approval and Construction Environmental Management Plan.

Work hours
Typically work will be carried out during the project's approved construction hours, which are:

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In areas where residents live more than 200 metres from the work, extended work hours are allowed between 6am and 7am and 6pm and 7pm from Monday to Friday. No work will be carried out on Sunday or a public holiday.

Work outside of approved construction hours
To complete the temporary traffic changes, work is required outside approved construction hours. Pavement finishing work is planned between 6am and 6pm on Sunday 27 October, weather permitting. For safety reasons lighting towers will be installed on each roundabout and will operate seven days a week for up to three months. Lighting towers are also required near temporary traffic lights.

Traffic changes
Temporary traffic changes and lane closures may affect travel times.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs. Motorists are encouraged to remember PAC – Plan, Awareness, Caution. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW app.

We apologise for any inconvenience and thank you for your patience during this important work.