Traffic changes on the Pacific Highway, Devils Pulpit

Transport for NSW, Pacific Complete and its contractor partners are working together to deliver the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade.

As part of building the upgrade, traffic changes will be carried out at Devils Pulpit from late April, weather permitting. This will involve traffic moving onto about five kilometres of dual carriageway, one lane in each direction.

The north and southbound carriageways will be one lane each direction while median and temporary pavement removal work is carried out. This work is expected to take about two months to complete.

Motorists will be kept informed about dates for this traffic change through electronic message signs and on livetraffic.com.au.
Permanent changes to local road access
U-turn bays, at regular distances, are provided for north and southbound traffic. Access to local roads and private property will be maintained at all times.

Temporary signage will be in place to assist with wayfinding and residents affected by these changes will be notified.

Mororo rest area
As part of this traffic change, a new southbound rest area at Mororo will open in stages and southbound access to the Bundjalung rest area will close. Temporary facilities, including toilets will be available while construction of permanent infrastructure is completed.

Once complete the Mororo rest area, located about six kilometres south of the Bundjalung rest area, will provide parking for light and heavy vehicles (up to ten), toilets, shelters and picnic tables.

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
- fit equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly reversing alarms
- plan activities close to residents to coincide with approved construction hours, where possible
- monitor noise so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust our work, as required

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 approved work hours are allowed between 6am and 7am and 6pm and 7pm from Monday to Friday. No work will be carried out on a Sunday or public holiday.

Work outside of approved construction hours
To complete the traffic change, work is required outside approved construction hours. This work is planned between 6pm and 7am for up to five nights for traffic control, line marking and barrier relocation in each location, weather permitting.

Building next to, over and on existing roads, means traffic may be stopped or reduced to one lane while work is carried out. By working at night, delays are minimised and journey times for motorists are less affected.
Traffic changes
To manage queuing and safety, there will be some temporary traffic changes and lane closures that 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.

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