Work outside approved construction hours between Maclean and 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 road between Maclean and Devils Pulpit, we will be working outside approved construction hours. This work is planned at various times between June and December 2020, weather permitting.

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

- **Construction hours extended during Coronavirus outbreak**
  - Monday to Sunday between 7am and 6pm
  - Public holidays between 7am and 6pm

*Additional out of hours work will continue to follow the existing approval and community notification process.*

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.

Work outside approved construction hours
There are several technical reasons why this work is required outside approved construction hours including:

- **Safety** — making it safer for motorists and workers when we are building over and next to roads by reducing interactions between these two groups.
- **Weather** — concrete cannot be poured or asphalt laid during rain, high temperatures or high wind and better environmental outcomes are achieved doing this work as early as possible in the day.
- **Quality** — when pouring concrete for culverts, it must be done in a single pour to ensure quality and integrity of the concrete as it cures. To manage the curing process, saw cutters are used to cut the pavement for no more than 30 minutes at a time. The final surface of asphalt also has to be laid in one run. Pre-heating material early in the morning allows for laying a continuous run.
- **Traffic** — 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.
- **Environment** — when rainfall has occurred, sediment basins (temporary ponds to catch water from the construction site) require maintenance and draining to ensure they meet the relevant environmental approvals. When rainfall has not occurred for extended periods of time work may be carried out to suppress dust.
Work we will do

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Legend
- Pacific Highway upgrade paving area
- Batch plant
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<td>Site wide Maclean to Devils Pulpit</td>
<td>As required</td>
<td>- Monday to Friday from 6pm to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 5am to 7am and 6pm to 8pm</td>
<td>Light Noise (low)</td>
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<td>Maintaining environmental controls</td>
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<td>- Monday to Friday from 6pm to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 5am to 7am and 6pm to 7am</td>
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<td>Road maintenance and preparing for traffic changes like, moving/installing barriers, line marking, signage and asphaltling, setting up traffic controls, resealing</td>
<td>As required up to 20 occurrences, two to five nights at a time</td>
<td>- Monday to Friday from 6pm to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 5am to 7am and 6pm to 7am</td>
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<td>Concrete and paving activities like preparation work, stabilisation, steel and formwork, pouring, monitoring, deliveries, crane lifts, and moving or cleaning paving equipment</td>
<td>Daily as required</td>
<td>- Monday to Friday from 6pm to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 4am to 7am and 6pm to 8pm</td>
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<td>Saw cutting and curing for pavement and culverts</td>
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<td>Refuelling plant and equipment</td>
<td>Daily as required</td>
<td>- Monday to Friday from 6pm to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 5am to 7am and 6pm to 8pm</td>
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<td>Temporary asphalt batch plant operation, deliveries and maintenance</td>
<td>Daily as required</td>
<td>- Monday to Friday from 3am to 7am&lt;br&gt;- Saturday from 3am to 7am and 6pm to 9pm</td>
<td>Light Traffic Noise (medium)</td>
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<td>Operating the temporary asphalt batch plant to prepare for traffic changes</td>
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We will keep you informed if there are changes to the extended construction hours due to the Coronavirus outbreak.
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 approved construction hours, where possible
- fit equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly reversing squawkers
- 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.

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. For the latest traffic updates, you can call 132 701, visit livetraffic.com or download the Live Traffic NSW app.

Keeping you informed
Work outside of approved construction hours will be carried out as outlined in the table provided. If you would like to be notified before work starts near you, please contact the project team and register for email or SMS notifications.

To speak to a member of the project team during work outside of approved hours please call 1800 778 900 (dial 1).

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