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Traffic delays - Pacific Highway, Broadwater for the Woolgoolga to Ballina Pacific Highway upgrade

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

The work to build the new bridge over the Richmond River at Broadwater is progressing well with piling, piers and headstocks of the bridge nearing completion. Work to install concrete bridge girders to form the deck of the bridge started in late March 2018.

From **Thursday 14 June to Tuesday 19 June 2018**, weather permitting the project team will carry out work to install nine girders over the existing Pacific Highway at night, outside of normal construction hours.

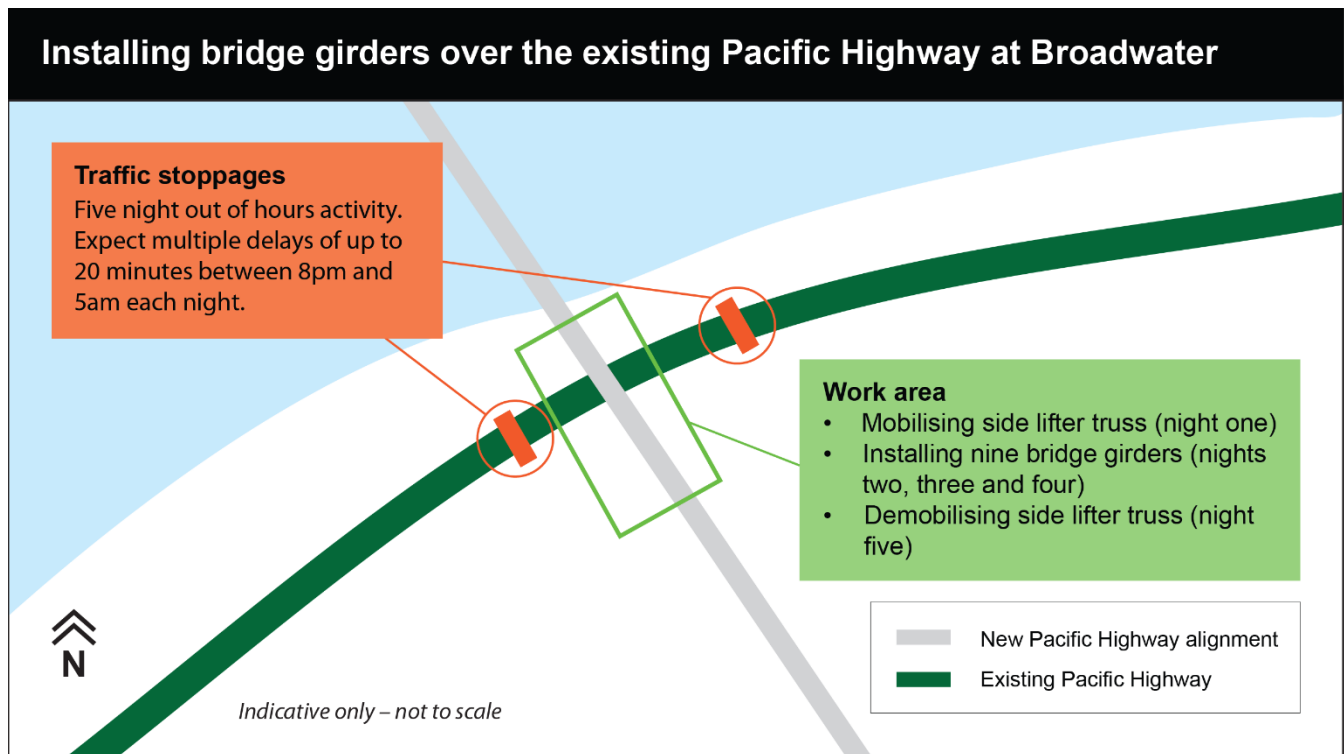
Night	Between 8pm and 11pm <i>maximum 20 minute delays</i>	Between 11pm and 4am <i>maximum 40 minute delays</i>
Thursday		3 x 40 minute delays 2 x 20 minute delays
Friday	2 x 20 minute delays	3 x 40 minute delays 3 x 20 minute delays
Saturday	3 x 20 minute delays	3 x 40 minute delays 3 x 20 minute delays
Sunday	3 x 20 minute delays	2 x 40 minute delays
Monday	Contingency night	

Why do we need to do this work?

There are a number of technical reasons why work is required outside of normal construction hours including:

- **Safety** – making it safer for motorists and workers when we are building over roads by reducing interaction between these two groups by working at night
- **Traffic** – building over roads means traffic must be stopped while work is carried out. By working at night impacts are minimised for the majority of road users and journey times of less motorists are affected.

The work will involve a specialised side-lifting truss to lift girders into place. We have provided a map to show the location of the work area.



Traffic impacts

- Road users can expect multiple delays
- Expect multiple delays of up to **20 minutes** while girders are installed between 8pm and 11pm
- Expect multiple delays of up to **40 minutes** while girders are installed between 11pm and 4am
- Road users are encouraged to seek alternate routes from **Thursday 14 June to Tuesday 19 June, 8pm to 5am**
- Emergency services access will be maintained
- Access to properties will be maintained at all times, however residents may experience some delays
- Reduced speed limits and traffic control will be in place for the duration of the work.

How will work affect you?

We will contact directly affected neighbours to confirm the timing of the activity before each period of out of hours work. Some of these activities will include using machinery that generates noise, however we will minimise impacts by:

- Shielding and directing temporary lighting away from houses
- Minimising site compound lighting where possible
- Turning off plant and machinery when it's not in use
- Locating equipment including generators as far away from houses as possible
- Fitting equipment with devices to minimise noise, particularly reversing squawkers
- Monitoring noise so we can manage any potential impacts and adjust the work activity as required.

The project team defines noise as 'unwanted sound'. Noise is perceived differently from one person to the next and actual noise levels (as provided in the table) will depend on the distance from the work.

Other potential impacts could include:

- Delays on sections of the local road network
- Traffic queuing on the road network during stoppages
- Flashing lights from machinery and vehicles.

There will be some temporary traffic changes while this work is carried out.

Reduced speed limits and stoppages may affect travel times. Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

Work hours

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



7am – 6pm Monday – Friday

8am – 5pm Saturdays

Nearby residents will be notified at least five working days in advance of any activities scheduled outside of these hours.

For more information or to subscribe to receive updates

If you have any questions or would like to subscribe to receive email and SMS updates please contact the Woolgoolga to Ballina project toll free line on 1800 778 900 dial 1, W2B@pacificcomplete.com.au or visit the project website rms.nsw.gov.au/W2B.

For the latest traffic updates during this work call 132 701, visit [livetraffic.com](https://www.livetraffic.com) or download the Live Traffic NSW App.

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

Alternate routes for out of hours girder installation over the existing Pacific Highway for the new bridge over the Richmond River at Broadwater



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