

# **Coffs Harbour bypass**

January 2024







Transport for NSW acknowledges the Gumbaynggirr people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we work and pays respect to Elders past and present.

The Australian and NSW Governments are funding the \$2.2 billion, 14-kilometre Coffs Harbour bypass project. The bypass will boost the regional economy and improve connectivity, road transport efficiency and safety for all motorists.

As part of major construction, the Coffs Harbour bypass project is removing the median on the Pacific Highway between James Small Drive southern entrance and Kororo Nature Reserve, Korora. This work is being carried out so the Pacific Highway traffic can temporarily be moved east and enable the new western lanes for the bypass to be built.

#### What work are we doing?

This work will be carried out at night and will include:

- Removing the median, wire ropes and vegetation on a section of the Pacific Highway between James Small Drive southern entrance and Kororo Nature Reserve
- Relocating concrete barriers
- Rebuilding pavement in the median and installing line marking and signs for new lane configuration between James Small Drive southern entrance and Kororo Nature Reserve.

#### When and where we'll be working

To minimise disruption and ensure the safety of motorists, community and our workers, this work will be carried out for up to four nights per week (unless otherwise agreed) from **Monday 8 January 2024** until **April 2024** between **7pm and 6am**. If weather interrupts, work will continue through the following month.

#### What will this mean for you?

During the work, the Pacific Highway northbound and southbound will have single temporary lane closures between James Small Drive southern entrance and Old Coast Road.

Equipment to be used for this work includes:

- Excavators, tipper trucks, semi-trailers, cranes and rollers for removing the median and vegetation plus relocating concrete barriers
- Concrete saws until midnight to remove concrete
- Excavators, chainsaws, light vehicles and heavy vehicles to remove vegetation from the median and within the project boundary
- Excavators, tipper trucks, semi-trailers and rollers to remove the median strip and placing road foundation
- A smooth drum roller, road profiler, asphalt paver, rigid body trucks, spray seal truck for rebuilding pavement
- Waterblast and line marking trucks to remove existing lines on the highway and to mark new lane configurations
- Street sweeper for cleaning the road prior to marking out new lines

All night work will involve light towers, light vehicles and traffic control when we are working along the Pacific Highway. Materials required for and removed from the median will also be hauled to locations adjacent to the Pacific Highway and stockpiled within the project boundary. The predicted noise level for this night work is expected to be quiet to moderate. A comparison of noise levels is included in this notification.

During this work there will be speed reductions, lane closures and traffic control on the highway to ensure the safety of workers and motorists.

Please keep to speed limits and follow the direction of traffic controllers and signs.

#### Managing our impacts

To minimise noise impacts, we will switch off vehicles and equipment when not in use and undertake work closer to residential properties or noisier work earlier in the night where possible.

The project's Environment Protection Licence (EPL) sets strict limits for construction noise and we undertake regular noise monitoring to ensure compliance.

### Looking ahead

Upcoming construction work in this area includes:

- Out of hours truck deliveries to working areas on James Small Drive, Bruxner Park Road, and West Korora Road
- Periodic out of hours street sweeping to remove debris from the Pacific Highway's shoulder lane between 7pm and 6am
- Out of hours refuelling and plant and machinery maintenance
- Out of hours internal haulage route and environmental controls maintenance
- Out of hours work along the Pacific Highway between Charlesworth Bay Road and Solitary Island Way including building pavement, removing vegetation and median, relocating barriers, installing signs and line marking and geotechnical investigations
- Out of hours traffic changes on the Pacific Highway between Bruxner Park Road and Sapphire Interchange
- Out of hours concrete deliveries and pouring
- Changing pedestrian and cycle access near Old Coast Road
- Building the Luke Bowen Footbridge and other bridges in this area
- Demolishing buildings
- Carrying out bulk earthworks and installing culverts and drains

- Controlled blasting
- Installing and relocating fencing
- Revegetating areas in the project boundary
- Building and maintaining environmental controls.

#### Upcoming traffic changes

To enable construction, there will be traffic changes on the Pacific Highway and local roads in Korora in coming months.

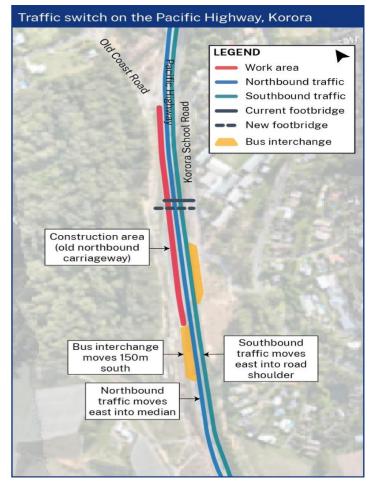
Bruxner Park Road, Old Coast Road and Campbell Close are left in and left out. West Korora Road is left in and left out only with limited times when right out turns onto the Pacific Highway can be made.

The Pacific Highway between Charlesworth Bay Road and Solitary Islands Way will continue to have a reduced 60km/h road work speed limit.

These changes are in place for the safety of road users and workers due to increased traffic volumes and changes in the road environment. Motorists should always obey road signage and drive to conditions.

These changes mean motorists may need to allow more time to reach their destination.

The project team will make further traffic changes in this area in 2024.



## Location



## Comparison in noise levels

Threshold of hearing		Almost silent		Quiet		Moderate				Very noisy		Extreme		Threshold of pain
0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100	110	120	130	140
		Bedroom	Library	Living	Business office	Average street traffic at 40km/h 7m away		Heavy truck 7m away		Pneumatic drill 7m away	Concert in confined space	Jet plane taking off 100m away		Jet engine 25m away

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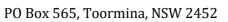


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