

## Banyo Stabling Facility

### Visual barrier on Royal Parade

The South East Queensland (SEQ) Rail Stabling Program involves the construction of purpose built, modern train stabling facilities across the rail network to support more passenger services.

As part of this project, the new Banyo stabling facility will accommodate four six-car trains and will be located between the existing Shorncliffe railway line and the maintenance yards on Royal Parade.

These works will also include the construction of a visual barrier between the existing rail line and residences on Royal Parade to provide screening from the new facility.

The visual barrier will be at least 2.2 metres high and approximately 490 metres long and will extend continuously from opposite the Banyo Early Learning Academy to the intersection of Royal Parade and Park Street.



*Artist impression of the visual barrier once constructed along Royal Parade, Banyo.*

# For your information



## **When will the visual barrier be installed?**

The visual barrier is scheduled to be installed in July 2016 as part of constructing the new stabling facility. Once constructed, this will provide screening of the stabling facility for residents located on Royal Parade.

## **How will the visual barrier be constructed?**

A work area will be established along the length of Royal Parade and will include:

- Installation of temporary fencing to delineate the work area for the safety of workers and pedestrians
- Removal of the existing 1.8 metre chain link boundary fence and footings
- Use of machinery, including excavators and backhoes to remove top soil and excavate new footings
- Delivery of materials to site such as barrier posts, panels and concrete
- You may also notice some changes around the local area and within the construction site including, increased construction vehicle movements and personnel.

Residents will be notified in advance of these works taking place.

## **Will trees need to be removed to construct the visual barrier?**

Construction of the visual barrier may require the removal of approximately seven existing Gum Trees located adjacent to the Queensland Rail fence line. It is anticipated that the Paper Bark Trees also at this location will not need to be removed, however some branches may need to be trimmed for constructability reasons.

Any tree removal will be undertaken in accordance with required environmental guidelines. A fauna spotter will be on site to survey trees prior to any clearing.

## **Will the visual barrier provide any noise attenuation?**

The visual barrier is designed to improve the visual amenity of the new stabling facility, particularly for residents located on Royal Parade. The barrier is not designed to reduce any noise impacts from the facility or the adjacent railway line. However, due to the positioning of the barrier and the barrier being constructed of the same materials as a noise wall, it will deliver the added benefit of providing some reduction in noise levels for residents.

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## What will the visual barrier look like?

The walls of the visual barrier will be made of timber panels and steel posts. There are three options for the appearance of the visual barrier. These include:

- Painted a solid colour
- Mural
- Shape or patterns.

## How can I provide feedback on what the visual barrier will look like?

The project team will undertake consultation on the final appearance of the visual barrier with residents along Royal Parade in late November and early December 2015. The preferred option as a result of the consultation process will be released in February 2016.

## Where can I find out more information?

If you have any questions or would like to register for more information, please contact the Project Team on **1800 783 334 (free call)** or **stabling@qr.com.au**. Visit **[www.queenslandrail.com.au/stabling](http://www.queenslandrail.com.au/stabling)** anytime for more information and updates.