

SEQ timber bridge replacement program – construction update

Construction works are progressing on Queensland Rail's program to replace a series of rail bridges on the Ipswich to Rosewood line, in South East Queensland. Under this program, ageing timber bridges will be replaced with steel and concrete structures to improve reliability, operational safety and efficiency of services on the rail corridor.

Five timber rail bridges in the City of Ipswich – all between 100 and 150 years old – are being upgraded as part of this program. The five bridges are at:

- Kavanagh Road East, Thagoona
- Karrabin
- Guilfoyles Gully, Walloon
- Rosewood
- Sadliers Crossing – timber approaches.



Piling works, Rosewood.

Construction update

A staged construction program commenced in June this year.

Where possible, the overall schedule has been planned to deliver works simultaneously at multiple sites for greater efficiency, to minimise line closures, disruption to passenger services and impacts on the community.

JF Hull Holdings is undertaking the works at Thagoona, Karrabin, Guilfoyles Gully and Rosewood. Doval Constructions (Qld) is undertaking works at Sadliers Crossing.

For completion of works, see the project timeline over the page.

Queensland Rail has been working closely with Ipswich City Council to ensure that, where necessary, bridge replacement activities coordinate with Council's flood mitigation works program. In particular, additional consultation with Council will produce an integrated schedule that will enable Council to commence flood mitigation control works after the bridge and associated works at Kavanagh Road East are completed in January 2016.

Site access

To ensure safe access for construction personnel to and from site, temporary changes to traffic conditions are required at some bridge sites.

Queensland Rail is working with its contractors to minimise any impacts to the community as well as with Council and emergency services to ensure impacts are minimised and the health and safety of all stakeholders is maintained.

For your information



Project timeline

Weather and construction conditions permitting.

	Kavanagh	Karrabin	Guilfoyles Gully	Rosewood	Sadliers Crossing	
June 2015	Site establishment, bridge and piling works		Site establishment, bridge and piling works			
July 2015					Site establishment, piling works and abutments	Site establishment and piling works
August 2015		Site establishment				
September 2015		Culvert and bridge works				
October 2015	Track closure 3 - 5 Oct				Track closure 3 - 5 Oct	
November 2015	Civil works				Bridgeworks - Eastern approach Site office relocated from Gladstone Road to Dixon Street	
December 2015						
January 2016	Site demobilisation	Track closure 16 - 18 Jan	Track closure 16 - 18 Jan		Track closure 16 - 18 Jan	
February 2016		Reinstatement works and demobilisation	Reinstatement works and demobilisation		Bridgeworks - Western approach Dixon Street realignment	
March 2016						
April 2016						
May 2016				Track closure 7 - 9 May	Track closure 7 - 9 May	
June 2016				Reinstatement works and demobilisation	Bridgeworks - Eastern approach	
July 2016					Site demobilisation	

What to expect

Scheduled work hours are 7am – 5pm Monday to Saturday. Some night and weekend works may be required. The types of activities the local community may notice around the work zones include increased vehicle movements, materials delivery, use of heavy machinery and changed traffic conditions. As a result of works, the community may experience traffic delays, temporary access changes and increased noise levels.

Nearby residents and affected stakeholders will be given advance notification of periods of heightened activity, temporary access routes, excessive noise or night works, in accordance with Queensland Rail's community engagement guidelines.

Queensland Rail appreciates your patience and cooperation during these important works. We will continue to engage with potentially affected residents and nearby stakeholders to understand the project impacts and minimise disruption to the community during construction.

Keeping you informed

For more information about this project, telephone 1800 645 836 (free call) or email communityengagement@qr.com.au.

Contact Queensland Rail's customer feedback team on 13 16 17 between 8am and 5pm Monday to Friday or email customerfeedback@qr.com.au.

