

Toowoomba Range Clearance Upgrade

Works notification – January 2019

Queensland Rail is continuing work on the Toowoomba Range Clearance Upgrade project. This project involves increasing the clearance of 11 heritage listed tunnels by lowering the tunnel floors and approaches between Toowoomba and Brisbane to ensure more exporters can use rail services. The project will help support the growth and prosperity of Queensland's agricultural sector.

For the safety of our workers and to minimise the impacts to freight and passenger services, the majority of works will be carried out during scheduled track closures and will occur on a 24-hour basis.

In mid-January, works will occur at two locations between Ballard and Blue Mountain Heights. Please see the map overleaf for more information.

Site mobilisation will commence from 6pm, Friday 18 January and works will be completed by 9pm, Tuesday 22 January.

Overview of work

Location	Dates and hours of work	Type of work
Tunnel A	6pm Friday 18 until 6pm Tuesday 22 January (continuous works)	Works primarily within the tunnel including the removal of existing tracks, survey of track slabs to identify final alignment and securing new track on final alignment through the tunnel. This will involve: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• use of construction equipment, including mobile crane• use of generators• use of lighting towers at tunnel entrances• the delivery of materials and machinery• light vehicle and truck movements, including reversing beepers and flashing safety lights.
Tunnel B	6pm Friday 18 until 9pm Tuesday 22 January (continuous works)	Cut and remove existing track and ballast, installation of culverts, excavation of tunnel floor, drilling of rock bolts and supports and reinstatement of ballast and sleepers. Please be aware that some rock breaking activities may be required if hard rock deposits are encountered within the tunnel. This will involve: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• use of construction machinery including a profiling machine, excavator and drill rigs• potential use of rock breaking equipment, including rock hammers• excavation of materials• use of generators• use of lighting towers at tunnel entrances• the delivery of materials and machinery• light vehicle movements, including reversing beepers and flashing safety lights.

Vehicles and machines will access the rail alignment via Murphy's Creek Road, between Ballard and Blue Mountain Heights, opposite Morley's Road.

Queensland Rail is aware noise and lighting from such operations can cause temporary inconvenience to our valued neighbours. Every effort will be made to carry out these works with minimal disruption.

We thank you for your patience as we work to improve our network.

For more information, please call **13 16 17** (during business hours) or email communityengagement@qr.com.au

Work locations



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