

Toowoomba Range Clearance Upgrade

Works notification – March 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 early March, 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 1 March and works will be completed by 6pm, Tuesday 5 March.

Overview of work

Location	Dates and hours of work	Type of work
Tunnel A	From 6am Saturday 2 March until 6am Monday 4 March (continuous works)	Works will include 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 a 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. Works will occur inside the tunnel and outside in areas leading to the tunnel portal.
Tunnel B	From 6pm Friday 1 March until 6pm Tuesday 5 March (continuous works)	Cut and remove existing track and ballast, installation concrete track slabs, drilling of rock bolts and supports and reinstatement of ballast and sleepers. This will involve: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• use of construction machinery including an excavator, mobile crane and drill rigs• 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 Works will occur inside the tunnel and outside in areas leading to tunnel portal.

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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