

# Christmas and Surprise Creek bridges

## Repainting and maintenance works

### February – December 2025

Queensland Rail is undertaking general repairs and repainting of the **Christmas Creek and Surprise Creek bridges** on the **Kuranda Scenic Railway line**. A Principal Contractor will be delivering this project on behalf of Queensland Rail.

Project site compounds will be established near the bridges and worksite from February. These areas will be used for staff amenities and as laydown facilities for the storage of machinery equipment and materials.

Works will generally occur Monday to Saturday between 5am through to midnight, and resulting noise and light may be heard by nearby residents.

The project involves cleaning, sandblasting, repainting and general steel repairs to the bridge structure. Scaffolding will be erected around the bridges to provide safe working platforms.

Activities will continue on both bridges until approximately December 2025, weather and construction conditions permitting. During this time, **the Kuranda Scenic Railway service will operate as normal**.

#### Overview of work

Location	Dates and hours of work	Type of work
Christmas Creek bridge and Surprise Creek bridge, Kuranda	<u>Site establishment</u> February 2025  <u>Works</u> Works will be occurring continuously from February to December 2025 – between 5am and midnight	Repainting and maintenance activities, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• use of powered equipment and hand-held tools;</li><li>• workers in the rail corridor and in the vicinity of the bridges;</li><li>• increased work vehicles including trucks with flashing lights and reverse beepers;</li><li>• lighting towers in operation during night works; and</li><li>• establishment of scaffolding.</li></ul>

Nearby residents may experience noise associated with construction activities and an increase in project vehicles in the vicinity of the rail bridges and site compounds.

Advance notice will be given to nearby residents if project activities are likely to cause impacts, including after-hours work.

Every effort will be made to carry out these works with minimal disruption. We thank you for your understanding as we undertake these important works.

For more information, please contact Queensland Rail on **13 16 17** (during business hours) or email [communityengagement@qr.com.au](mailto:communityengagement@qr.com.au).