Cairns Water Security Stage 1
Pine Creek–Yarrabah Road Southbound On-Ramp Reopening
Construction Works Notification #128
24 June 2026

The Bruce Highway southbound on-ramp at Pine Creek-Yarrabah Road will reopen to traffic on **Tuesday, 30 June 2026** at **3pm.**

What to expect on reopening day?
To safely remove barriers and reopen the on-ramp, traffic management will be in place at the entrance of the on-ramp between **1.00pm and 2.30pm.**

During this time:
- Traffic control will support the safe removal of temporary barriers
- Short, intermittent traffic delays may occur
- Motorists should follow signage and directions from traffic controllers.

Once these works are complete, the on-ramp will be reopened to southbound traffic.

Project Update
Cairns Regional Council and John Holland have completed critical works at this location as part of Cairns Water Security Stage 1 enabling the safe reopening of the on-ramp.

Major works included:
- Installation of large water pipelines beneath the Bruce Highway
- Construction of a new pipeline pit and connections to the existing water network
- Installation of structural supports, including piling and concrete foundations
- Construction of access tracks and reinstatement of guardrails

We acknowledge the disruption caused by this extended closure and thank the community for its patience.

What's next?
Following the reopening, some minor works will continue at this location, including:
- Installation of the pit lid
- Drainage and site reinstatement works.
- Commissioning of the new infrastructure.

Occasional lane closures may occur on the Bruce Highway, with traffic reduced to a single lane at times to safely complete the works. Traffic management will also be in place to minimise impacts.

Once complete, this critical infrastructure will integrate new pipelines with the existing system, strengthening long-term water reliability for the Cairns community.

Cairns Regional Council and John Holland thanks the community for its patience and cooperation while these works have been carried out.

Visit the project website for more information www.cairns.qld.gov.au/CWSS1 or scan the QR code.

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Work Location

