Cairns Water Security Stage 1

Behana Gorge Water Treatment Plant

UPDATED Construction Works Notification #130a

27 October 2026

Welcome to the latest localised update for the Cairns Water Security Stage 1 project. These construction works notifications will continue to be distributed to keep you informed of upcoming construction activities within the Gordonvale, Aloomba and Behana Gorge communities.

On **Monday, 20 July 2026,** John Holland commenced upgrades of key infrastructure associated with the Behana Gorge Water Treatment plant (see map overleaf). The works include the removal of redundant assets and critical upgrades to essential systems including valves, strainers, pipes and electrical components to enable the transfer of raw water to the Draper Road Treatment Plant for future treatment.

The works were originally scheduled to be completed within **sixteen (16) weeks**; however, due to additional work requirements, the construction program has been extended. As a result, an additional **six (6) weeks** has been added to the schedule. Subject to weather conditions, the works are now expected to be completed by **Friday, 18 December 2026**.

This work will be undertaken between **6.30am** and **6.30pm Monday** to **Saturday.**

During the works, temporary changes to the car parking area will be required. Clear signage will be installed to guide recreational users and visitors to the Behana Gorge walking track, and parking options

As part of these activities, the existing water supply will need to be shut down at various stages throughout the upgrade works. Cairns Regional Council will notify residents directly of any water supply disruptions.

What can I expect?

- During construction, temporary changes in public vehicle, pedestrian access and parking arrangements will be required. These will be clearly signed and delineated.
- Temporary partial road closures for construction activities with traffic control.
- Earthworks, welding of pipes, testing of connections.
- Construction activities contributing to increased construction noise, machinery, and vehicle movement.
- Short term access restrictions to individual driveways
- Temporary water outages to residents at various stages. Advance notice will be provided to those affected.
- The area will be restored to original condition after works are completed.

How are we managing impacts?

- The work zone will be clearly delineated with traffic cones, barriers and temporary fencing.
- Traffic control measures will comply with approved traffic management plans.
- John Holland will liaise with property owners if individual property access will be impeded in order to conduct the construction works.
- Notify residents, businesses and emergency services of key activities, including any out-of-hours works.

Thank you for your patience and cooperation while we conduct this important work.

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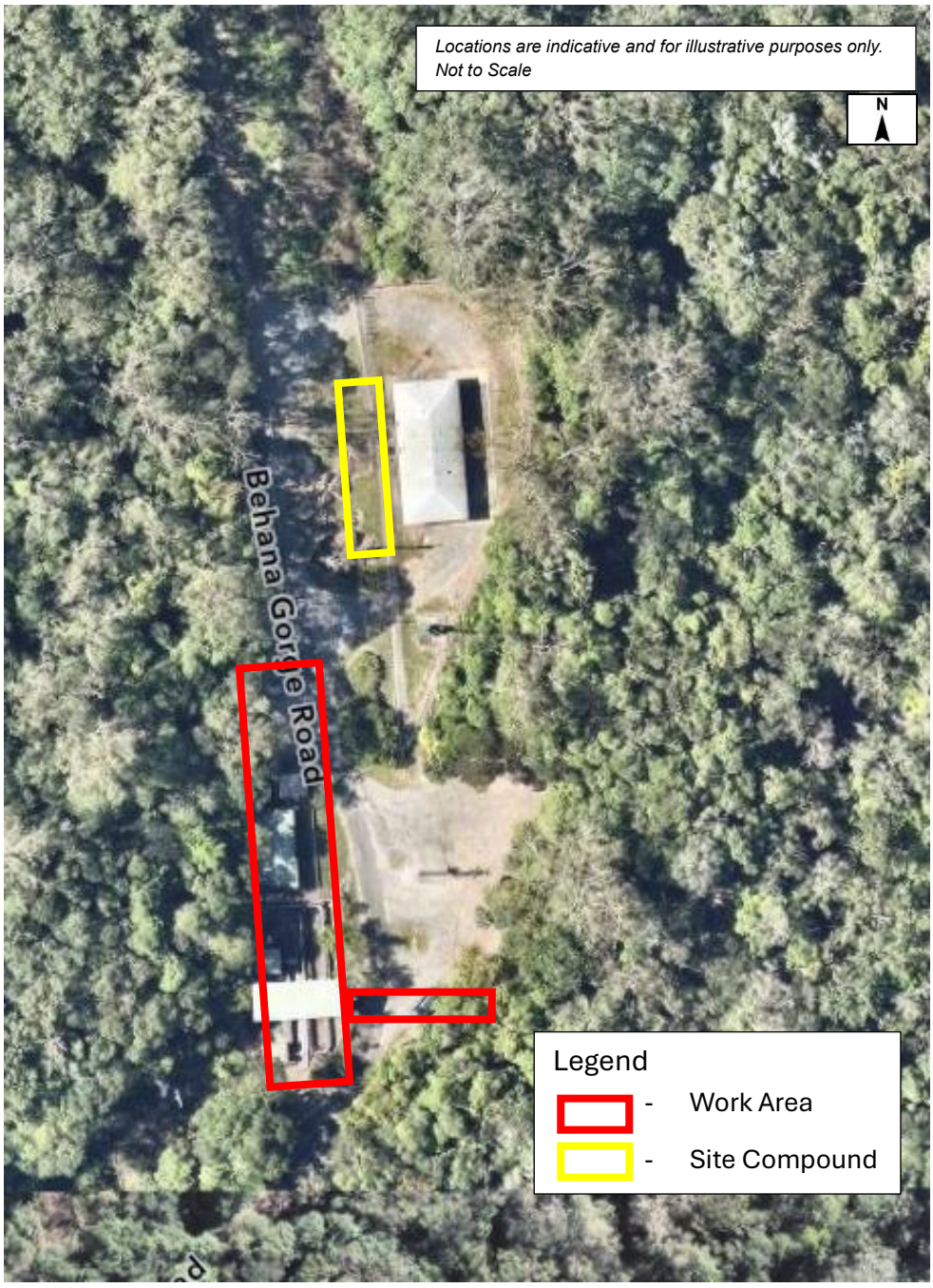
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Work Location

Behana Gorge Road, Aloomba



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