Cairns Water Security Stage 1

Mulgrave River HDD Works, Gordonvale

Construction Works Notification #083

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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.

October Long-weekend – Mulgrave River HDD Works

As part of the Mulgrave River Horizontal Directional Drill (HDD), works will be carried out over the long weekend on **Sunday 5 October and Monday 6 October** 2025 between **8:00am and 6:00pm**. These works form part of **Notification #77a**.

Due to the sensitive nature of the HDD works under the Mulgrave River, construction is required seven days a week to maintain the stability of the borehole. Leaving the drill idle for extended periods in challenging ground conditions can compromise its structural integrity.

To help minimise impacts on the community, Sunday works will be limited to set-up, casing clean-outs, and drilling only. No hammering of pipes for installation will take place on Sunday.

What can I expect?

- The work zones will be clearly marked with traffic cones, barriers and temporary fencing.
- Temporary one lane road closure along Rushworth Road, detours, and traffic controllers.
- Construction noise, machinery, and increased construction vehicle movement.
- Activities on Sunday and the Monday public holiday will commence at 8:00am and no hammering works will be performed.

How are we managing impacts?

- Clearly marking the work zone with traffic cones, barriers, and fencing.
- Liaising with property owners if access to properties is temporarily impacted.
- Implementing traffic control measures in accordance with approved traffic management plans.
- Providing advance notification to nearby residents and businesses about key activities, including works to be performed on the October long weekend.

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

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