Cairns Water Security Stage 1

Mill Street, Gordonvale

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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.

On **Monday, 4 August 2025,** John Holland begun horizontal directional drilling (HDD) trenching work for the installation of the new underground pipeline on Mill Street, Gordonvale between Muir Street and Swan Street (see map overleaf).

This work will be undertaken between **6.30am** and **6.30pm Monday** to **Saturday.** The works were originally expected to take nine (9) weeks; however, due to **unforeseen circumstances with ground conditions**, they will now take an additional two (2) weeks to complete, with completion anticipated by **end of October.**

The following approved traffic diversions will be implemented along Mill Street:

Location	Traffic Condition	Time
Church St & Cannon St	One-way (southbound only)	24 hours
Muir St & Church St	Two-way under traffic control	6:30am – 6:30pm
Muir St & Church St	One-way (southbound only)	6:30pm – 6:30am (**overnight**)

What is Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD)?

HDD is a trenchless boring method for installing underground pipes along a prescribed bore path with the use of a surface-launched rig / machine, which minimises the disruption of the surrounding area.
This type of trenching method is used to minimise the impact on certain infrastructure and waterways.

What can I expect?

- During construction, the work site will be protected with traffic cones for vehicle management and temporary fencing for pedestrian management to safely delineate the work zone.
- Temporary one lane road closures, detours, and traffic controllers.
- Installation of pipes using a large drilling machine.
- Construction noise, machinery, and increased construction vehicle movement.
- Streets will be restored to original condition after works are completed.

How are we managing impacts?

- The work zone will be safely marked with traffic cones, barriers and fencing.
- John Holland will liaise with property owners if property access is impacted.
- Traffic control measures will comply with approved traffic diversion plans.
- Pedestrian crossing at St. Michael's Primary School will remain open at all times.
- Seven public car parking spaces on Mill Street near Muir Street will be closed.
- Nearby residents and businesses will be notified of key activities, including any out-of-hours work.

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

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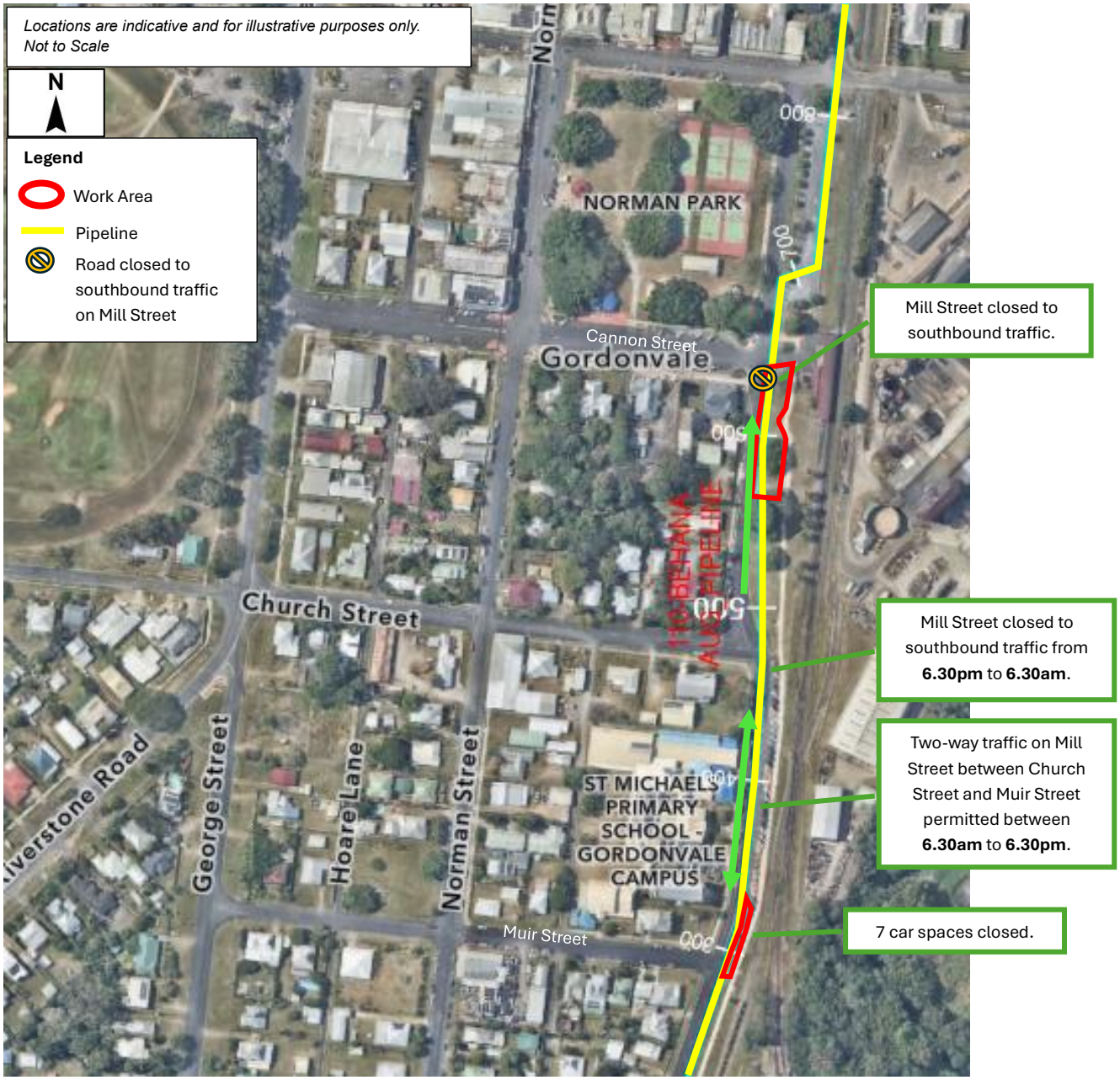
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