Cairns Water Security Stage 1
Gordonvale & Behana Gorge

Construction Works Notification #144
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, and Behana Gorge communities.

In October, the team reached another important milestone, successfully completing pipework connections at Cairns Road and at the end of Jones Road (west of the Bruce Highway). These works represent another step forward as the project moves closer to commissioning and operation.

Throughout **November 2026**, John Holland will continue construction activities across Gordonvale and Behana Gorge, with works continued to focus on final pipeline connections, reinstatement works and upgrades at the Behana Gorge Water treatment plant.

This work will take place between **6.30am to 6.30pm Monday to Saturday**. Low impact activities associated with the works such as machinery re-fueling, managing environmental controls, and traffic control may occur outside of these hours.

Out-of-hours work may also occur on Sundays on the eastern side of the Mulgrave River. Activities may include installing and connecting electrical cables and testing electrical systems. Residents will receive an SMS by the Friday prior confirming whether works will proceed. If no works are scheduled, no SMS will be sent.

Works planned for November include (weather dependent):

- Continue reinstatement works in areas where pipeline installation has been completed, including but not limited to) Swan Street and Cairns Road. Advance notice will be provided to affected properties if temporary traffic arrangements are required.
- Continue construction works on the eastern side of the Mulgrave River, opposite Greenpatch Campground.
- Undertake pressure testing of pipeline sections near the Water Treatment Plant.
- Continue key infrastructure upgrade works at the Behana Gorge Treatment plant. A separate notification (#**130a**) has been issued for these works.

What can I expect?

- Intermittent excavation and construction activities associated with final pipeline connections and value installations.
- Hydro-vac trucks, water cart operations and other heavy equipment operating in work areas and road reserves.
- Short-term, partial road closures, detours and traffic controllers, as required.
- Noise from construction machinery and increased vehicle movement.
- Trucks and vehicles entering/exiting work areas including Bruce Highway and other work sites.

How we are managing impacts

- John Holland will liaise with property owners if access to property is required or impacted and will provide advance confirmation of any out of hours works.
- Traffic control will be in place, where required.

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

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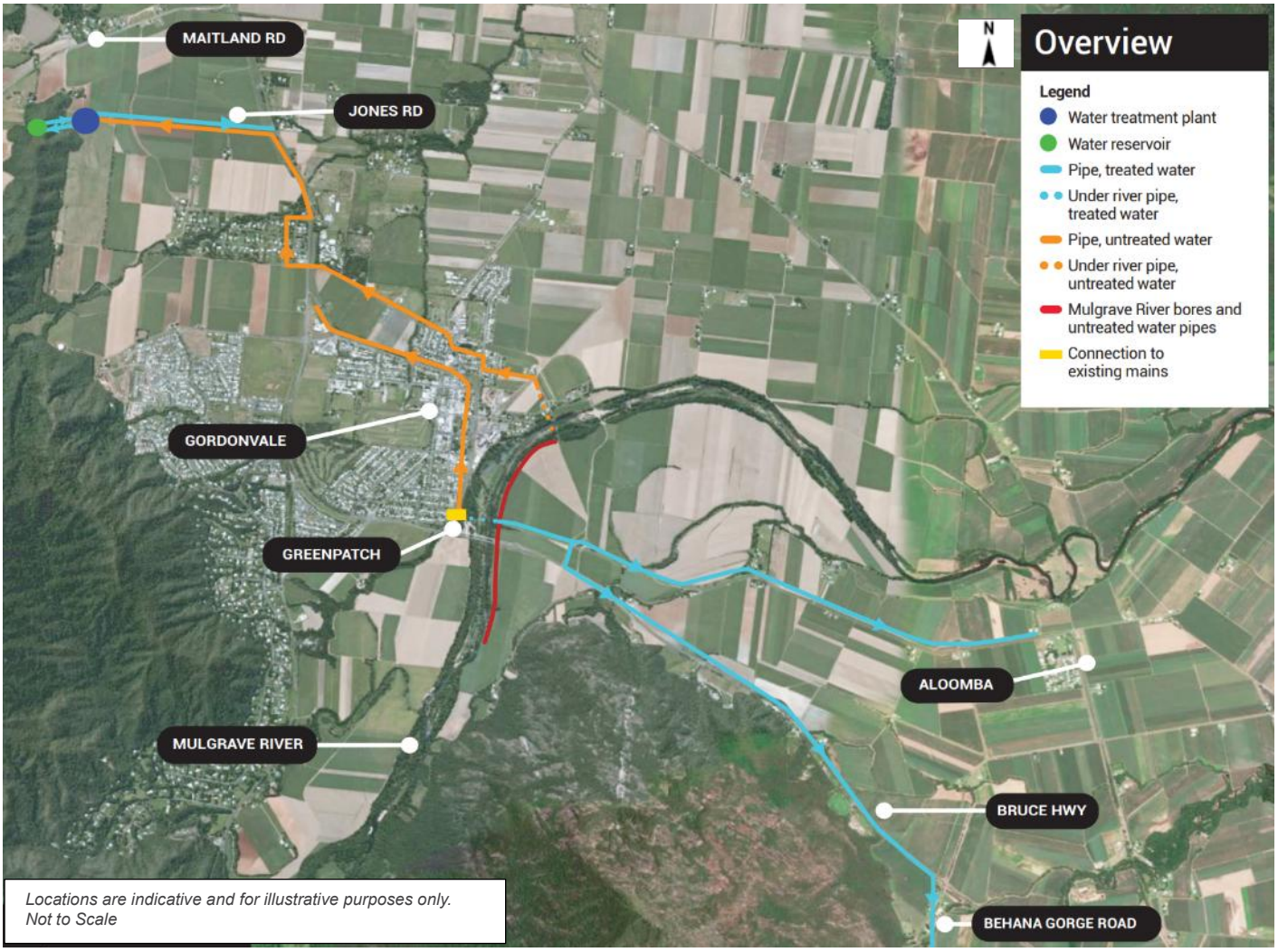
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Work Locations



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