

Burdekin River Bridge Rehabilitation Project



Night works: Bruce Highway lane closures and width restrictions

Wednesday 30 August to Friday 1 September 2023 nightly 7.30pm – 5am

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) advises that night works to undertake general structure maintenance work on the Burdekin River Bridge will occur nightly between 7.30pm and 5am, commencing Wednesday 30 August to Friday 1 September 2023. All work is subject to weather conditions.

These important works are performed at night when traffic volumes are low, and this enables our work crews to complete the works more efficiently and safely. Traffic controllers will be onsite to minimise disruption to motorists and provide direction during these important rehabilitation works.

Works activities include:

- Removal and replacement of steel components on the bridge structure.
- Replacing corroded rivets with structural bolts, nuts and washers.
- Removal of flaking paint and red lead.
- Welding of steel components.
- Cleaning and painting of the existing protective coatings of steel components.

Additional lighting will be in place for the safety of workers.

Traffic impacts:

- The Bruce Highway will be reduced to single lane operation each night at 7.30pm.
- The bridge will reopen to normal traffic operations at 5am each day, and after the work is completed at 5am on Friday 1 September 2023.
- Temporary lane closures, speed restrictions and width restrictions will be in place.
- Motorists should expect delays of up to 10 minutes – please plan your journey ahead of time at QLDTraffic.
- Workers, heavy vehicles, and machinery will be working near traffic.
- Please drive carefully through the roadworks zone, follow direction of traffic controllers, and adhere to reduced speed limits.



ATTENTION HEAVY VEHICLE OPERATORS:
Wide load restrictions apply on the Burdekin River Bridge



Additional Information

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The following wide load restrictions will also be in place:

1. Heavy vehicles operators with an **oversize vehicle or wide loads of 3.4 m wide or greater will not be permitted** to cross the Burdekin River Bridge during these works. The existing height restriction of 4.5 m remains in place.
2. The Bruce Highway will reopen to oversize and wide loads between 5am and 7.30pm each day and after the work is completed at 5am on Friday 1 September 2023.
3. Wide load operators are advised to avoid the area and make alternative plans while the Bruce Highway is closed to loads wider than 3.4 m.

For more information about the oversize and wide load restriction please contact the onsite supervisor by telephoning 0407 690 314.

Night Works Schedule

Date	Time
Wednesday 30 August to Thursday 31 August	7.30pm – 5am
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Did you know?

1. The Burdekin River Bridge, rehabilitation program is jointly funded by the Australian and Queensland governments with a total investment of \$96.9 million over 20 years.
2. The Burdekin River Bridge is built with 300,000 high strength bolts and 7,000 tonnes of steel.
3. The alternative road route to Townsville via Collinsville-Belyando-Charter Towers is 400km longer including sections of unsealed road.

Stay informed:

For more information about these works, please contact the Department of Transport and Main Roads' Northern District Customer and Stakeholder Management team in Townsville:

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