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Bayview Heights to White Rock Underground Cable Project

Dear resident,

We are writing to provide you with an update on the essential works being delivered along Powerlink's existing 275kV underground transmission cables that run between the Bayview Heights and White Rock transition stations in Cairns.



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The 2.7km underground cables are critical to maintaining a reliable and secure power supply for residents and businesses in Cairns and the Far North Queensland region. Essential works are being delivered along sections of the underground cables and easement located in Mount Sheridan's Forest Gardens Estate and include:

- vegetation management along the easement, including selected removal of approximately 385 trees identified as being a high or future risk to the underground cables
- easement restoration, including replanting with compatible vegetation
- refurbishment works at two cable joint bay sites located near Alpinia Terrace and Amazon Close.

We thank you for your continued patience as we deliver these essential works.



VEGETATION MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES AND TIMINGS

Further vegetation management and selected tree removal along the easement is starting from **Monday 16 June 2025, weather dependent.**

These works are required to remove the remaining trees posing a future risk to the underground cables.

Local contractors, ETS Infrastructure Management, are undertaking the vegetation management works which will now commence at the Alpinia Terrace end of the easement.

Work crews will be on-site **Mondays to Fridays, between 7.30am and 5.00pm.**

On-site equipment may include wood-chippers, tipper trucks, chainsaws, pole saws, blowers, an excavator and a specialist harvesting machine. Tree removal, stump grinding and chipping activities will take place during restricted work hours between 9.00am and 3.00pm only.

To minimise impacts to the local environment, an arborist and a fauna spotter will be on-site during the vegetation removal process.

Residents may notice an increase in vehicle movements on local roads and traffic control will be in place to ensure residents can safely access their properties during the works.

Spotters on-site will manage the safety and access of pedestrians using the Crowley Creek walking path.



WORKS UPDATE

Crowley Creek walking path realignment works

The works to permanently realign two sections of the Crowley Creek walking path are nearing completion. The section near Alpinia Terrace is complete, and the works near Amazon Close are scheduled for completion by late May, weather dependent.

By realigning these two sections, we can safely deliver the maintenance works at the joint bay sites without impacting walking path users.

Cable joint refurbishment works

The cable joint refurbishment works are underway at the joint bay site near Alpinia Terrace. These works are being performed by a specialist crew and a security provider is patrolling the joint bay site outside the crew's working hours.

When works at the site near Alpinia Terrace are completed in late June 2025, the crew will start at the joint bay site near Amazon Close.

These works will not result in any impacts to electricity supply.



KEEPING THE COMMUNITY INFORMED

We remain committed to keeping residents and the community updated on our activities and the timings of works.

If you have questions or would like further information, please contact our project team on 07 4034 7600 or fnqprojects@powerlink.com.au.

Our project website now includes a 'Community Hub' with information on upcoming works, new amenities for the easement, community feedback and frequently asked questions.

Visit the website at powerlink.com.au/bayviewheightswhiterock or by scanning this QR code.



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