

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Millaa Millaa-Malanda Road works to keep traffic moo-ving

Night works will start soon as part of a rehabilitation and resealing program on Millaa Millaa - Malanda Road.

Transport and Main Roads (TMR) Northern Regional Director Sanjay Ram said the \$4 million program of works was part of TMR's ongoing reseal program in the district.

"This road is a key route for deliveries to the milk factory in Malanda," Mr Ram said.

"Malanda is the centre of the Atherton Tablelands dairy industry, which produces up to 48 million litres of milk from about 42 dairies across the region.

"These works will waterproof and protect the underlying surface to prevent potholes and keep the dairy industry moving.

"The project will also support an average of 20 direct jobs over its life when they are needed most.

"Crews would be on site at three locations:

- between Merragallan Road and Malanda - Atherton Road (James Street),
- between Thiaki Creek Road and Merragallan Road, and
- near the Mahony Road intersection.

"Works started in September and are expected to be completed in late November, weather permitting.

"Some night works will be required to complete the project more quickly, reducing the impacts on traffic flow and the dairy industry."

Mr Ram said night works will start on Monday 19 October and be carried out from Monday to Saturday between 6pm and 6am.

"For the safety of road workers and motorists, changed traffic conditions including reduced speed limits and single lane closures will be in place," he said.

"Motorists should expect minor delays, plan their journeys accordingly and drive to the changed conditions.

"Thank you to motorists and residents for their patience while these important works are delivered."

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