Traffic arrangements now the new Grafton bridge is open

The new Grafton bridge opened to traffic on Thursday 12 December. Consequently, there are a number of traffic changes to the local network.

There are a number of temporary and permanent traffic changes now the new bridge is open. We have included maps on pages three and four to show the interim and permanent traffic arrangements.

Changes in Grafton:

- The traffic lights at the intersection of Pound and Clarence streets were turned on just prior to the new bridge opening to traffic. The traffic lights give priority to traffic travelling to and from the new bridge
- The section of Clarence Street between the rail viaduct and Pound Street is left-in, left-out only at the new Summerland Way
- The section of Clarence Street between Pound and Craig street is left-in, left-out and right-out only at the new Summerland Way
- Access to Bridge Street is via Pound Street
- Two-hour parking limits are in place on the section of Pound Street between Clarence and Villiers streets. Motorists travelling to Grafton over the new bridge are able to access the businesses on this section of Pound Street by travelling to the roundabout at the intersection of Villiers and Pound streets
- To access the new bridge, the nearest streets are Pound, Villiers and Clarence streets
- Greaves Street will re-open to through traffic in 2020.

In South Grafton:

- The intersection of the Pacific and Gwydir highways will continue to operate as a t-intersection until the new roundabout at this location can be opened shortly after Pacific Highway traffic is diverted onto the upgraded bypass of Grafton in mid-2020
- The northbound left-in from the Pacific Highway to Iolanthe Street temporarily remains in place until traffic is diverted onto the upgraded bypass of Grafton in mid-2020
• Iolanthe Street remains unchanged, with one lane in either direction and the median turning lane in the middle and Spring Street remains unchanged with one lane in either direction. The priority remains for the northbound left-in from the Pacific Highway to Iolanthe Street.

• The central concrete median on Iolanthe Street will be built early in 2020, at which point it will become two lanes in each direction.

• The local access road adjacent to Bunnings remains in its current configuration until traffic is diverted onto the upgraded bypass of Grafton in 2020.

• To access the new bridge, the nearest streets are Spring and Iolanthe streets and the local access road adjacent to Bunnings.

• The route for southbound over-height vehicles on the new Summerland Way wanting to access the Gwydir Highway is via the local access road adjacent to Bunnings and the Pacific Highway.

Contact us

If you would like to make an inquiry, or to register your general feedback, please contact the Community Relations Team on 1800 918 759. Alternatively you can email graftonbridgecommunity@fultonhogan.com.au; write to PO Box 546 Grafton, NSW 2460 or visit the Community Display Centre at the corner of Duke and Pound streets, Grafton.

If you need help understanding this information, please contact the Translating and Interpreting Service on 131 450 and ask them to call us on 1800 918 759.
Interim traffic arrangements in South Grafton now the bridge is open to traffic

Northbound left-in from Pacific Highway to Iolanthe Street in place until mid 2020

Iolanthe Street one lane in each direction until early 2020

Intersection of the Pacific and Gwydir highways remains a t-intersection until mid 2020

Local access road current configuration unchanged until mid 2020
Final traffic arrangement at project completion – mid-2020

- North Coast railway
- Clarence Street widened to accommodate turning movements and street parking
- Pound Street widened to accommodate two lanes of traffic in both directions
- New steel truss bridge
- New traffic lights
- Bridge approach road
- Detention basin
- Greaves Street lowered to provide suitable clearance beneath the new bridge
- Noise wall
- One lane in each direction on new bridge
- New pedestrian and cycle link to the existing bridge’s pedestrian and cycle path
- New roundabout
- New signalised pedestrian crossing
- Sugar loading facility
- Future pedestrian/cycle connection to Clarence (proposed by others)
- Diversion of existing Pacific Highway
- New roundabout
- Iolanthe Street widened to four lanes
- Pedestrian and cycle path on existing network from Bent Street and Crisp Avenue
- New signalised pedestrian crossing
- 'T' intersection for Butters Lane
- North Coast railway
- Existing Pacific Highway
- North station
- Desertion of existing Pacific Highway
- Forks of the Clarence
- Clarence River