

# COMMUNITY NOTICE | JUNE 2024 Bayview Heights to White Rock Underground Cable Project



Dear resident,

We are writing to inform you about essential works starting along Powerlink's existing 275kV underground transmission cables that run between the Bayview Heights and White Rock transition stations in Cairns.

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. Powerlink holds an easement along the entire length of the underground cables.

Recent inspections have identified the following works are needed in the White Rock area:

- Refurbishment works at the joint bay site located on the perimeter of the Trinity Anglican School property, adjacent to Sheehy Road
- Vegetation management and selected tree removal along the underground cable easement

The refurbishment works at the joint bay site will not affect your power supply.



## **CONSTRUCTION UPDATE**

### Vegetation management activities

Vegetation management and selected tree removal along the easement will start from **Monday 24 June 2024** through to mid-July 2024, weather dependent.

On-site activities will include wood chipping and stump grinding. To minimise impacts to local residents, tree removal and chipping activities will take place during restricted work hours on **Mondays to Fridays**, between 9.00am and 3.00pm only.

An arborist and fauna spotter will also be on-site prior to and during the tree felling works, as required.

## Joint bay refurbishment works

Refurbishment works at the joint bay site will start from Monday 1 July 2024 through to late August 2024.

As the joint bays are located underground, the area above (approximately 20m x 12m) will be established as a construction site. This will involve installing fencing, excavation of the joint bays and setting up equipment in preparation for the refurbishment works.

A marquee-type structure will be erected over the sites to provide weather protection and a controlled environment for our specialised work crews to perform their activities.

The crews delivering the refurbishment works will be on-site **Mondays to Saturdays, between 6.30am and 6.30pm**. Due to the nature of the works, security will be present outside of work hours.

Residents may notice an increase in vehicles along Sheehy Road.



# **FURTHER INFORMATION**

Powerlink is committed to keeping you informed about our activities. If you would like any further information, please contact our project team on 07 4034 7600 or at <a href="mailto:fngprojects@powerlink.com.au">fngprojects@powerlink.com.au</a>.

Powerlink thanks you for your patience while we undertake this important work.

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