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Beerburrum to Nambour Rail Upgrade Project

The Queensland Government is committed to the progressive priority upgrade of the North Coast Line to improve its safety, efficiency and reliability.

An important part of this upgrade is the Beerburrum to Nambour Rail Upgrade Project (B2N project).

For the project to progress, a detailed business case must be developed to identify the project's benefits, the problems to be solved and the most appropriate way to achieve the desired outcomes. This will enable government to make an informed investment decision about the project.

The business case development will involve investigating the duplication of the North Coast Line, on an improved alignment, between Beerburrum and Landsborough.

As part of the B2N business case, the project team is considering ways to:

- increase the number and frequency of passenger and freight services
- improve transport network integration and access
- increase track capacity and remove infrastructure constraints
- reduce the cost of maintaining and operating this section of track over the life of the project.

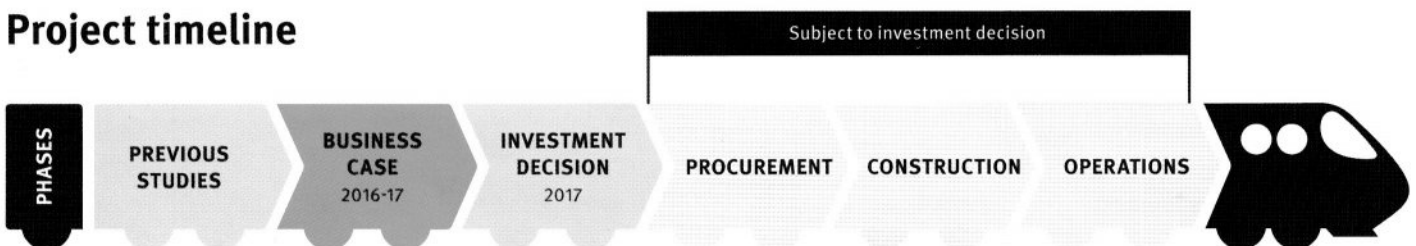
A range of upgrades to the existing infrastructure between Landsborough and Nambour are also being considered to enhance the benefits of the duplication. These upgrades may include:

- replacement of the temporary single platforms at stations with permanent dual platforms connected by lifts and overbridges
- additional passing loops.

Once finalised, the business case will be presented to government for an expected investment decision in 2017. The diagram below highlights the stages of the B2N Project.

Building Queensland is an independent statutory body leading the development of the business case, in partnership with the Department of Transport and Main Roads.

Project timeline



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The business case will build on the outcomes of previous studies undertaken by the Queensland Government, which resulted in the protection of a future rail corridor from Beerburrum to Landsborough since 2011.

In developing the reference design for the business case, the project team will seek to use the already protected rail corridor as much as possible. However, some new investigations are needed to identify any changes that may have occurred since the previous studies were undertaken. These include:

- updated population growth and transport demand analysis
- environmental assessments
- flood modelling
- traffic impact assessments
- legislative reviews.

Community feedback is required on a number of new reference design considerations which had not previously been identified. These include:

- elimination of the Barrs Road level crossing near Glasshouse Mountains
- elimination of the Caloundra Street level crossing in Landsborough
- expansion of the Park 'n' Ride facilities in Landsborough.

This feedback will assist the project team to finalise the reference design on which to base the business case assessments.

Community information sessions

The project team will hold a series of B2N Project community information sessions in Landsborough and Glass House Mountains. The information sessions will provide an opportunity for community members and stakeholders to discuss the project and ask questions of the project team.

Landsborough Sports Complex 15 Tunnel Ridge Road, Landsborough

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| Thursday 2 June | 5.30pm – 8.00pm |
| Saturday 4 June | 10.00am – 12.30pm |

Glasshouse Mountains neighbourhood centre Ryan Street, Glasshouse Mountains (opp Post Office)

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| Wednesday 8 June | 5.30pm – 8.00pm |
| Saturday 11 June | 10.00am – 12.30pm |

Community displays will also be available at key locations across the Sunshine Coast Council offices and local libraries.

You can also lodge your feedback at www.collaborativemap.com/B2N.

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