Department of Transport and Main Roads

Queensland Train Manufacturing Program

Ormeau rail facility update

May 2025

The Department of Transport and Main Roads (TMR) and City of Gold Coast have progressed the design for the upgrade of Goldmine Road in Ormeau.

As part of the Queensland Train Manufacturing Program, we will deliver a section of the upgrade, including the new rail facility entrance – a new signalised intersection to be located on Goldmine Road.



Artists impression of new signalised intersection at the rail facility entrance, view travelling west on Goldmine Road

Goldmine Road upgrade design now available

In August 2024, we announced that Goldmine Road will be jointly upgraded by TMR and City of Gold Coast to meet current road standards and improve safety, traffic flow, active transport and flood resilience for the local community.

Since the announcement, the City of Gold Coast commenced the first stage of the upgrade at the intersection of Goldmine Road and Lahrs Road, which is due for completion in mid-2025.

TMR will deliver the next stage of the upgrade (known as stage two). As part of the stage two upgrade, we will provide improved road safety with dedicated turning lanes and pedestrian crossings.

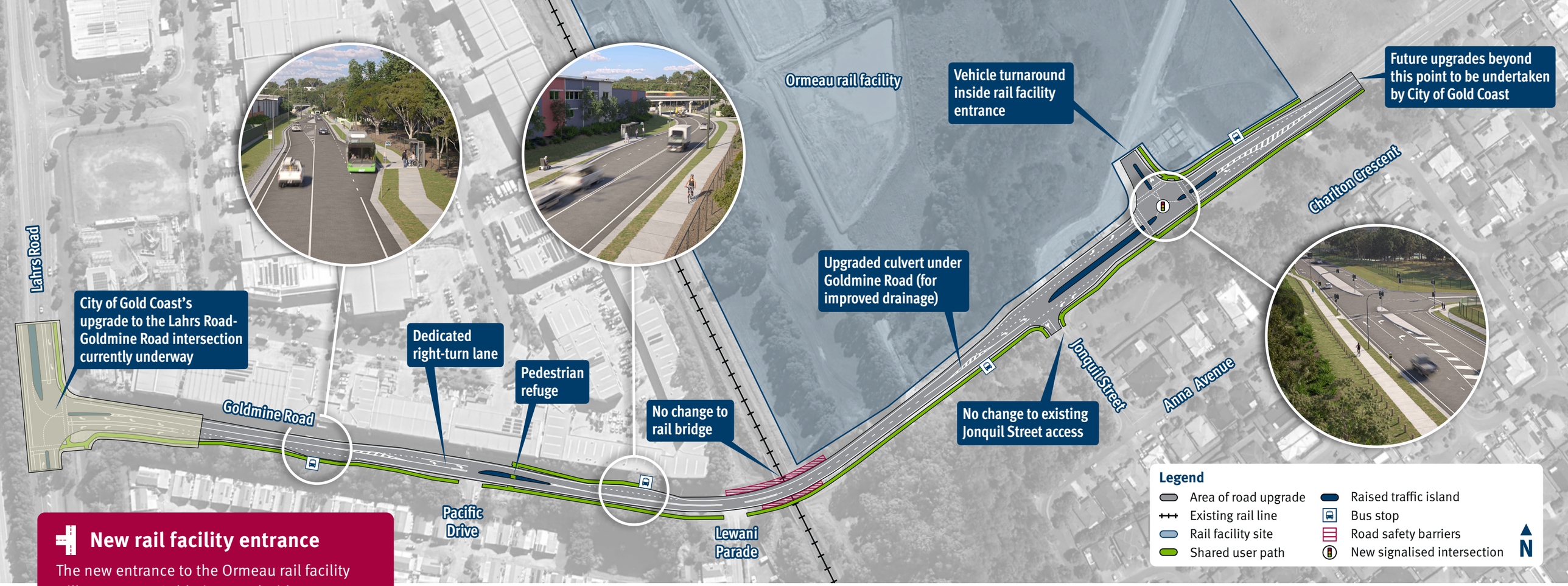
The stage two design is now available. Key stakeholder feedback and technical investigations have informed the TMR design process for the next stage.

The stage two upgrade design addresses the following key features:

- the rail facility entrance
- local roads and driveways off Goldmine Road
- bus stops
- active transport
- improved flood resilience.

Further information can be found on the map overleaf. The design presented on the map is illustrative and is subject to further detailed planning and approvals.

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Artists impression - for illustration purposes only, subject to change

New rail facility entrance

The new entrance to the Ormeau rail facility will connect to Goldmine Road with a new signalised intersection.

The new rail facility entrance will include:

- new signalised intersection to improve safety and control the flow of vehicles accessing the rail facility. Priority will be given to through traffic on Goldmine Road. Vehicles exiting the rail facility will be held within the facility entrance.
- dedicated turning lanes for vehicles entering the rail facility, keeping through traffic moving on Goldmine Road.
- new signalised pedestrian crossings at the intersection.
- shared user path at the intersection with connections to bus stops and the residential area.

The design of the rail facility will include a safe turnaround point for vehicles that may have accidentally entered the facility.

Local roads and driveways off Goldmine Road

The upgrade will connect to the City of Gold Coast's upgrade of the Lahrs Road-Goldmine Road intersection (stage one underway). Access to all existing driveways and locals roads will be maintained.

The design considers feedback provided by Lewani Palms Resort, which has two entrances located on Goldmine Road. Although the entry/exit points to the resort will remain the same, the design of the upgrade includes:

- installing a new dedicated right-turn lane at the western entrance, also known as Pacific Drive, to provide safer conditions for turning motorists and keep through-traffic moving.
- retaining the existing access arrangement at the eastern entrance, also known as Lewani Parade.

Bus stops on Goldmine Road

For safer passenger and traffic movements there will be minor changes to the location of two bus stops nearby Lewani Palms Resort on Goldmine Road. The bus route and timetables will remain the same.

These bus stops will be relocated to facilitate better pedestrian connectivity and improve traffic flow on Goldmine Road. The bus bays will be constructed within the existing road reserve.

Active transport

We will install a new shared user path for all active transport users. The new off-road shared path will support active transport, including pedestrians, cyclists, people with prams, mobility scooters and wheelchairs.

The new two metre wide path will extend along the southern side of Goldmine Road, between Lahrs Road to the extent of the rail facility entrance.

Improved flood resilience

The existing culvert on Goldmine Road (between the railway overpass and Jonquil Street) will be upgraded to improve road flood resilience.

The design of the upgrade considers the natural waterway (Bridge Creek) and the road positioning in a low-lying area. To improve the flood resilience of Goldmine Road we will install new drainage including additional culverts under the road.

We will increase the number of culverts for improved water flow following severe rain events.

Get in touch

If you would like to speak with a member of the project team about the Goldmine Road upgrade or Ormeau rail facility, please contact us via the details overleaf.



Goldmine Road facing south-east towards residential area, with Ormeau rail facility in foreground — November 2024

Next steps

Design finalisation

Site investigations to inform the design are now complete. The design of the Goldmine Road upgrade is subject to change based on future design work.

Construction to commence early 2026

Construction of the upgrade is anticipated to commence from early 2026. During construction we anticipate there will be changed traffic conditions on Goldmine Road. Motorists, pedestrians and cyclists may experience detours, intermittent closures and other traffic control measures in and around the work area. Nearby residents and businesses may experience impacts including, noise, vibration, dust and an increase in workers, construction vehicles and machinery.

As further details on the construction schedule are defined, TMR will provide further information to the local community on what to expect in advance of works commencing.

Future upgrades

Any further upgrades of Goldmine Road to the east of the new rail facility entrance are outside the current project scope and would be managed by the City of Gold Coast.

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