

Project Fact Sheet and FAQ's – July 2025

Rail bridge renewal at Friday Hut Road, Binna Burra

UGL Regional Linx (UGLRL) operates and maintains the Country Regional Network (CRN) on behalf of Transport for NSW.

About the Project

The rail bridge at Friday Hut Road, Binna Burra requires renewal to better serve the community. The existing timber bridge will be demolished and replaced with a new steel arched bridge.

As part of this project, UGL Regional Linx is consulting with the community and stakeholders to understand how the work will impact users and residents and to explain the project and its benefits.

Purpose

The project aims to:

- understand the use of the bridge
- offer benefits of a new bridge
- allow for increased use of the bridge.

Project benefits

- Widened bridge to allow for two-lane traffic.
- Improved quality and safety by meeting current engineering and road standards.

What does consultation look like?

We are speaking to internal and external subject matter experts, Byron Shire Council, key community groups and the wider community to broaden our understanding of the bridge use and possible impacts of proposed works. To obtain feedback, we have developed an online survey and invite the community and stakeholders to have their say.

When does consultation open?

Consultation is open from **23 June 2025** until **20 July 2025**.

How to provide feedback

- Submit your feedback online at <https://bit.ly/friday-hut-road-HYS>
- Email: enquiry@uglregionallinx.com.au
- Phone: 1300 661 390
- Complete a paper survey at the Community Hub at The Bowlo, Bangalow on 16 July 2025.

How will your feedback be used

Once the survey closes, feedback obtained from the consultation will be assessed and used for planning our work. UGLRL will develop and publish a consultation summary report in August 2025 which will be made available on the project website at <https://bit.ly/friday-hut-road-project>.



Frequently asked questions

Q: Why are these bridge works happening?

A: The bridge has reached the end of its functional life and no longer meets current engineering and road standards. The new design will ensure the bridge remains safe to use.

Q: What kind of work is being carried out?

A: The existing three-span timber bridge will be demolished and replaced with a new steel arch bridge. The road over the bridge will be widened to allow for two-lane traffic. This will improve the structure's performance and increase traffic capacity.

Q: Can you provide temporary access for pedestrians and cyclists during construction?

A: Unfortunately, due to the nature of the work, temporary access cannot be provided to pedestrians and cyclists. However, alternative access may be provided at the request of the site team, with a short delay, or to follow the detour over the page.

Q: How long will the work last?

A: The work is expected to be completed over an eight-month period, from August 2025 to April 2026.

Q: Will the bridge be fully closed during the work?

A: Yes, the bridge will be fully closed with a 16-minute detour in place. Electronic message signs and other signage will be in place to notify and guide road users during works. To see the proposed detour, please see the map on the next page.

Q: What is the designated detour?

A: A 21.8-kilometre detour is proposed via Friday Hut Road, Coolamon Scenic Drive, and Lismore Road, which will add up to 23 minutes to your expected travel time. A map of the detour is available on the next page. If the proposed detour will impact you, please provide your feedback using one of the methods below:

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Q: Were any other alternative detour routes considered for this project?

A: Following valuable feedback from the community and stakeholders, two alternative detour routes were considered. These were Dudgeons Lane and Possum Creek Road.

1. Dudgeons Lane: Is no longer a viable detour option. A portion of the road has been sold to a private landowner and no longer provides a through-connection to Friday Hut Road.

2. Possum Creek Road: Is prone to flooding at a causeway during some wet weather events and is not suitable as the primary detour for the full duration of works.

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Q: Will public transport and emergency services be affected?

A: Public transport and emergency services will use the proposed detour route. We will continue to work with and inform these services of our planned works.

Q: What will be the impact on residents and businesses?

A: While UGLRL aims to avoid impacts on the community, some possible impacts may include:

- Additional noise, dust and vehicle movements near the site.
- Road closures and reduced speed limits.
- No pedestrian or cyclist access.
- Additional travel time (approximately 5 minutes by proposed detour).

Q: How will you manage your impact?

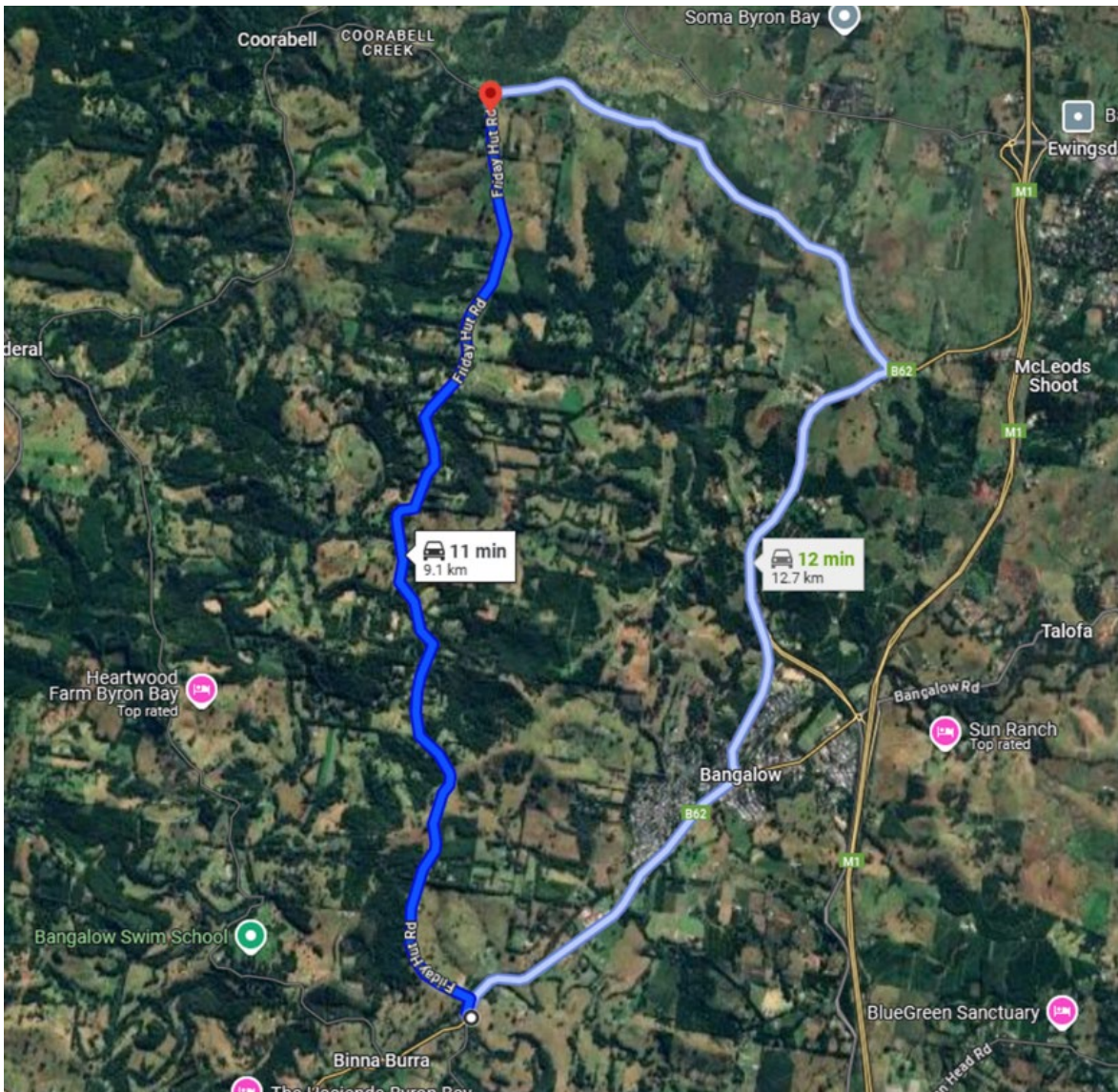
A: UGLRL is committed to minimising the impacts of its work activities on the community and the environment. To do this, UGLRL will have various measures in place to guide work activities and reduce possible impacts. These include but are not limited to:

- Work will be conducted during standard construction hours, Monday to Friday, from 7am to 6pm.
- Notifying residents and businesses within 600 metres of the site who may experience construction noise.
- Reducing our noise as much as possible by turning off machinery and vehicles when not in use.
- Signage and traffic controllers on site to direct traffic through the detour.

Q: How can I provide feedback or raise a concern?

A: Contact 1300 661 390 or email enquiries@uglregionallinx.com.au or via our website: <https://bit.ly/friday-hut-road-project>.

If we are unavailable, please leave a message, and we will get back to you between the business hours of 8.30am and 5pm.



Contact us



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