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### **Boundary Road extension entering final stages**

A major new east-west road connection through Hervey Bay is entering its final stages.

Fraser Coast Deputy Mayor Denis Chapman said the Boundary Road extension would set up the rapidly growing Fraser Coast region for the future, reducing traffic congestion and taking the pressure off Boat Harbour Drive.

“The Boundary Road extension will provide alternative and improved access to the Hervey Bay city centre, major shopping centres, tourist destinations and the medical precinct,” he said.

“Work on this project began in November 2021, and while wet weather slowed progress in the early stages, the construction site has been a hive of activity this year.

“Construction works in Denmans Camp Road began in July and will continue until mid-2024 with the existing traffic arrangements to remain in place until the project is completed.

“A four-week closure of the Ironbark Street and Denmans Camp Road intersection is planned in early January for works in that area, while there will also be a two-week closure of Richard Charles Drive in February for the construction of a raised priority crossing.

“We urge motorists to be patient and follow the traffic control advice while this important work to deliver a major new road connection in Hervey Bay is underway.”

The Boundary Road extension includes the construction of a dual-lane two-way road along the vacant road reserve between the roundabout at the Urraween Road and Kawungan Way intersection, connecting to the intersection at Boundary Road and Denmans Camp Road.

It will include new traffic lights at the Boundary Road intersections at Grevillea Street and Denmans Camp Road, with concrete shared pathways and on-road cycle lanes.

The \$32 million Boundary Road extension project is being funded by the Australian Government (\$9.625 million) as part of the Hinkler Regional Deal initiative, the Queensland Government through the Transport Infrastructure Development Scheme (\$3.272 million) and Fraser Coast Regional Council.

More details about the project, including a flyover animated video, is available at <https://frasercoast.engagementhub.com.au/boundary-road-extension-project>

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