The $55M Western Freeway Upgrade stretches from Indooroopilly to Toowong. The upgrade will improve road capacity and safety to meet the needs of future traffic within the Western Brisbane suburbs.

Busy motorists travelling on one of Brisbane’s busiest roads now have three lanes of traffic in both directions to help make their journey smoother and safer.

Main Roads and Road Safety Minister Mark Bailey said the completion of the $55 million upgrade of the Western Freeway from Indooroopilly to Toowong would deliver travel time savings and ease the traffic flow for motorists.

“At around 64,000 motorists and commuters travel daily along this section of the Western Freeway. Three lanes in both directions means more space for motorists, less merging and weaving, and a safer journey.”

As part of the upgrade, a 1.5 kilometre section of the Western Freeway, from the Moggill Road ramps at Indooroopilly to the Legacy Way Tunnel Portal at Toowong has been widened to accommodate an extra lane of traffic.

“The Western Freeway is a vital link in Brisbane’s road network and this upgrade is an important step in easing congestion and improving the traffic flow for drivers in the western suburbs.”

“It made sense for Brisbane City Council’s contractor Transcity to deliver this upgrade given they were building the nearby Legacy Way tunnel. Works were able to be carried out during the construction of the tunnel to lessen the impact on the local community.”

“It’s a great example of what can be achieved when two levels of government work together in partnership. I thank the local residents and businesses for their patience while these works were being undertaken.”

“I understand the project team has worked closely with the local community while work was underway to ensure they were kept up-to-date with construction impacts.”

“The construction of noise barriers through this section is also an important part of these works. Timber barriers have been replaced with stronger concrete barriers, which are higher and longer to meet required standards,” he said.

The road upgrade was completed in just over 12 months, with landscaping works to be finalised in the coming months.

For more information contact Transport and Main Roads Qld or visit www.qld.gov.au/Projects/Name/W/Western-Freeway Upgrade-Indooroopilly-to-Toowong.aspx
JUST LOVE TREES
Established in 1988, Just Love Trees is a Brisbane-based tree service owned and operated by Colin Saul. With over 25 years' experience working around Brisbane with some of Queensland's most prestigious Tier 1 and Tier 2 Contractors, Just Love Trees has proven itself in the industry as being well experienced and able to provide absolute quality and care in all sized projects.

Just Love Trees employs 4 experienced team members who are capable of delivering high quality services, knowledge and skills to ensure all aspects of tree management services are covered utilising some of the following specialised equipment:
- 2006 Kobelco SK200 Excavator with Tree Grabs, & Tree Shears
- 1998 Mack R600 Prime mover 90t Road Train Road Train
- White Bogie Safety Tipper 50m³ Capacity
- 2005 Isuzu FRR Crew Cab Tree Care Truck 5 Ton Tipper
- 2005 Vermeer BC1000XL Wood Chipper with Winch
- 2011 Vermeer BC1000XL Wood Chipper with Winch
- 2010 Mitsubishi Fuso 3 Ton Tipper
- 2007 Vermeer BC1000XL Wood Chipper
- 2008 Kanga Skid Loader with Tree Grab
- 2008 Kanga Terminator Stump Grinder

We advise our customers how to gain the most benefit from their existing trees through management of proper pruning, lopping, ground conditioning and the removal of problem trees.” – Said Colin. After 25 years Just Love Trees (JLT) has built a solid and respected reputation in the tree care industry, particularly around the Brisbane and Gold Coast region by assisting customers in making realistic, prudent decisions and providing consistently high quality tree advice, expertise and services. Their services and expertise is also sought by large developers, Councils, Governments and community organisations.

Just Love Trees was responsible for assisting the Transcity Joint Venture in clearing the way for the new Legacy Way Tunnel upgrade in Brisbane City. This included realignment of the link pipe water delivering Brisbane city’s water supply, The Widening of a 1.5km section of Centenary Highway to 6 lanes, The Upgrade of Moggill Road; Centenary HWY, Intersection, Botanical Gardens Realignment and the Mount Cootha Road Upgrade between 2011 and 2015.

“We Just Love Trees” endorsed Colin. “And ensuring our customers assets grow to their fullest potential is paramount.”

“There is No Substitute for Experience.”

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LIFTING AUSTRALIA TO NEW HEIGHTS
Cutting-edge solutions from Universal Cranes, Australia’s most awarded crane hire company, ensured their heavy lift work on the Western Freeway $55 million upgrade project was delivered effortlessly and on schedule. The Universal team worked collaboratively with Transcity—the contractor delivering the Brisbane City Council’s Legacy Way tunnel, Moggill Road interchange and Western Freeway upgrade from 2 to 3 lanes both ways between Indooroopilly and Toowong—producing innovative and timely responses for the assembly and erection of 4 sign gantries.

“The gantries weighed up to 63 ton and varied in length from 18 to 62 metres,” informed General Manager Joachim Schalck. “Once the supports were installed, a single night shift transported and erected the gantry.”

Both inbound and outbound freeway lanes were closed to traffic while the gantry transport moved into position and lifted into position by two cranes, then hoisted securely into place. “The planning had to be perfect between Universal Cranes and Transcity to achieve these targets.”

Established in 1993, Brisbane based privately owned Universal Cranes quickly became recognised as a reliable and innovative company in the Australian crane industry. Now with 6 new offices along Australia’s eastern coast and cranes operating in South Australia, Western Australia and the Northern Territory they are well suited to service the nation in casual hire, term hire and project lumpsum contracting, plus comprehensive lift engineering, crane solutions, engineering and technical support throughout the full contractual process.

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