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Sunshine Creek embankment stabilisation, Sunrise Beach

Works have started to repair landslip damage at Sunshine Creek near Ross Crescent, Sunrise Beach.

Progress so far includes:

- set up of the site compound, including security fencing for safety
- locating all utilities such as storm water and sewer lines
- clearing vegetation in the direct working area
- construction of a temporary ramp down to the creek level to start construction at the base of the slope.

Pedestrian safety

Pedestrians are reminded the pathway between Sobraon Street and Adams Street / Ross Crescent is closed and access is prohibited.

In addition to the area being an active work site, trenches and holes excavated along the footpath pose an additional safety hazard.

People have been observed entering the work site, which is putting themselves in danger. We ask for your co-operation while construction is underway.

Protecting the environment

A priority during the early stages of construction has been implementing environmental controls. The creek area is a particular focus.

Environmental outcomes are a high priority, with final outcome to ensure the natural creek is rehabilitated, aquatic fauna is protected, coffee rock is retained, and invasive weeds are removed.

Sunshine Creek

Council is aware the colour of the creek run-off is currently a different colour, which may cause the community to be concerned.

The start of construction further up the creek has exposed the water to a larger amount of coffee rock. Coffee rock has high levels of tannins and iron compounds, which add a brown or reddish tint to the creek water, especially after high rainfall.

Water quality is regularly monitored, and recent measurements indicate both turbidity and suspended solids are no worse than prior to the start of construction.

We will continue to maintain and monitor water quality to minimise the impact for aquatic fauna.



Stained water from tannins and iron compounds



Inspection of creek to check aquatic fauna

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