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Dear Mr French

**ROAD ACTION PROGRAM – Kingsford Smith Drive – Harvey Street to Theodore Street
upgrade project**

Brisbane City Council is planning to upgrade Kingsford Smith Drive between Theodore Street and Harvey Street North, at Eagle Farm, as part of its *Road Action Program*. The upgrade will help to enhance transport infrastructure to service the area's growing needs, reduce congestion during peak hours, and improve traffic flow, road user safety and pedestrian and cycling access.

The upgrade is designed to complement works associated with Gateway Upgrade Project, which will include connection of an on-and off-ramp to Kingsford Smith Drive.

The planned upgrade includes:

Additional lanes

1. Widening Kingsford Smith Drive from four lanes to six lanes between Theodore Street and Harvey Street North, which will require removing centre-median car parking spaces.

Cycling and pedestrian access

2. Providing on-road cycling and continuous pedestrian footpaths along the same stretch of road.

Theodore Street and Fison Avenue centre median*

3. Closing the existing median break between Theodore Street and Fison Avenue to prohibit unsafe u-turns.

Extended queuing lanes

4. Lengthening the queuing lane at the right turn from Kingsford Smith Drive to Gateway Motorway northbound on-ramp.
5. Adding a second right-turn lane from Kingsford Smith Drive into Schneider Road and lengthening both right-turn queuing lanes.

Installing traffic signals

6. Signalising the left-turn lanes from Fison Avenue onto Kingsford Smith Drive.
7. Signalising the left-turn lanes from Links Avenue onto Kingsford Smith Drive and widening the left-turn to two lanes.

Kingsford Smith Drive/Violet Street intersection and centre median*

8. Converting all movements at Violet Street/Kingsford Smith Drive intersection to left-in and left-out only, and closing the median break to allow the extension of the right-turn queuing lane to the Gateway Motorway northbound on-ramp (see No. 4 above).

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Schneider Road

9. Closing the existing median break between Schneider Road and Harvey Street, to allow extension of the queuing lanes from Kingsford Smith Drive to Schneider Road.

Harvey Street North*

10. No right turn from Harvey Street North to Kingsford Smith Drive, with the potential to stop right turns into Harvey Street North in the future.

*U-turn facilities will be provided on Kingsford Smith Drive where cross-traffic movements are to be stopped due to the closure of centre median breaks.

The map included with this letter shows the areas where proposed works will be undertaken. Specific work zones are marked according to the numbering system used to describe the work above.

The project team would welcome the opportunity to provide you with a personal briefing on the project should you require further information. If you would like a personal briefing or to speak to a project team member at any time or if you would simply like any further information about this project, please contact the project team on freecall 1800 727 923 between 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday, or email roadactionprogram@brisbane.qld.gov.au.

Council is committed to keeping you fully informed throughout the project. We will contact you again when the design has been finalised and before construction commences.

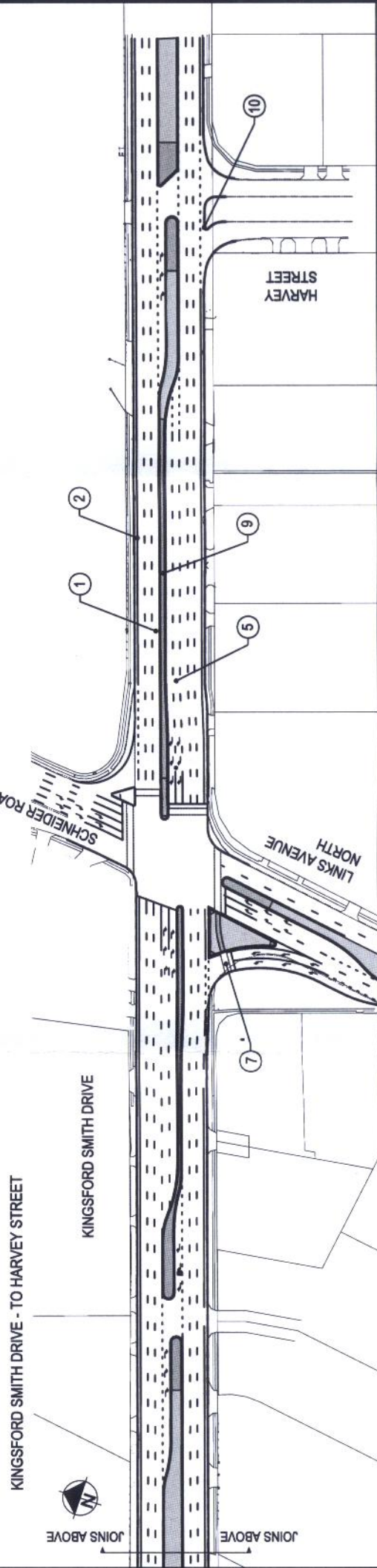
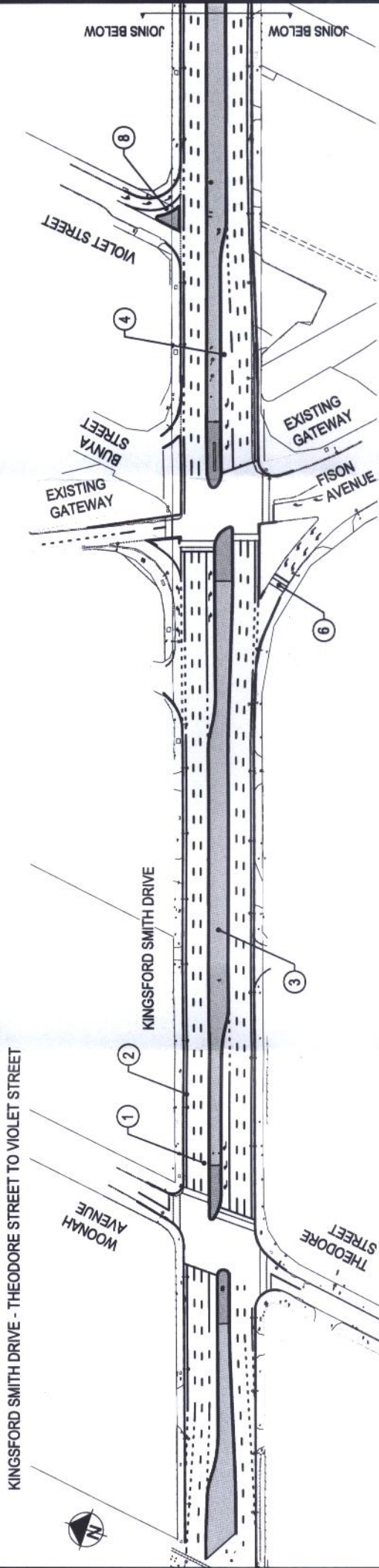
Depending when design detail is finalised, we propose starting construction in the first half of 2009. Based on that timetable, work would be concluded in mid to late 2009, weather permitting.

Yours sincerely



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