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Surfers Paradise overpass to be demolished within weeks

The overpass on The esplanade, located south of Cavill Mall in Surfers Paradise - will be demolished within weeks.

This follows the decision by Centro Properties Group to surrender its lease on the structure to allow works associated with the Surfers Paradise Foreshore Redevelopment to take place.

An agreement between Gold Coast City Council and Centro confirms partial surrender of Centro's 50 year lease of the area in front of the Paradise Centre which is not due to expire until 2031.

Council is undertaking the foreshore redevelopment works in accordance with the Surfers Paradise Foreshore Master Plan (endorsed by Council in 2007)..

Divisional Councillor Susie Douglas said she appreciated the voluntary gesture made by Centro.

"The removal of the overpass is an integral part of the Surfers Paradise Foreshore Redevelopment. It will allow us to create a wider, more open public space," she said.

Demolition of the overpass is scheduled to start in the week beginning Monday 19 July. Working hours and details are dependent on Council approvals and will be confirmed within the next week.

The \$25 million Surfers Paradise Foreshore Redevelopment began in February this year and is on schedule to be completed around June 2011. Stage one (between Elkhorn Avenue and the northern boundary of the Soul development) will be finished in September. Stage two (between Cavill Mall and Trickett Street) is currently under construction and stage three (between View Avenue and Elkhorn Avenue) is due to begin in August.

For more information on the Surfers Paradise Foreshore Redevelopment, visit www.surfersforeshore.com.au