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Major electricity works will impact traffic on Portrush Road

Major works to ensure security of the electricity supply for Adelaide's eastern suburbs this summer and beyond, will impact traffic on a short stretch of Portrush Road from mid October.

Work to replace a 60-metre section of 66,000 Volt underground cables and their connection into the Norwood substation will commence on 17 October and last for 3½ weeks, resulting in the closure of two north-bound lanes on Portrush Road, close to the Magill Road intersection.

One lane will remain available for north-bound traffic on Portrush Road as it approaches Magill Road. Right turns into Magill Road will not be available for the duration of work. Major delays are expected for north-bound traffic and motorists are advised to use alternative routes where possible.

Extensive signage and traffic management will be in place 24/7 throughout the works period. Motorists are urged to observe the work zone 25kmh speed limit. Power outages are NOT planned in relation to these works.

"We'd like to have avoided or delayed this work, but it is essential to the integrity of the electricity distribution network supplying the eastern suburbs," said SA Power Networks spokesman Paul Roberts.

"It is essential the work is done prior to summer to ensure we have the system in the best shape to deal with any contingency that may occur when demand is at its highest. We apologise for the inconvenience for road users and trust that they understand the importance of this work."

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