

PRESS COMMUNIQUE

Metro Express Project (Phase 2)

One Lane Closure of Swami Sivananda Avenue (B63) and conversion of Independence Avenue into One Way ‘two lanes’ Traffic towards Phoenix

The public is hereby informed that construction works pertaining to the Metro Express Project will be carried out along one lane of Swami Sivananda Avenue from Vacoas Bus Station to its junction with Palmerstone Road **as from Monday 1st June 2020.**

Accordingly, the right lane of Swami Sivananda Avenue will be closed to traffic. The following traffic diversion scheme will be put in place:

- Traffic moving along the right lane of S. Sivananda Avenue will be deviated onto the left lane near the Vacoas bus station and will be reverted to the right lane just before the signalised junction with Palmerstone Road.
- Traffic along the left lane of S. Sivananda Avenue will be diverted onto Independence Avenue after the Vacoas Bus Station whereby Independence Avenue will be converted into a one-way road (two lanes) in the direction of Phoenix. The diverted traffic will merge back to S. Sivananda Avenue at the signalised junction with Palmerstone Road.
- Traffic along Independence Road proceeding towards Vacoas will be diverted onto Phoenix Cemetery Road, Mahant Kabir Temple Road, Osman Lane, Brelu Brelu Avenue and Bethuel Lane to join Jackson Avenue to proceed with their journey.
- UBS Buses (route 65, 65A, 65B and 65C) initially proceeding towards Vacoas Bus Station through Independence Road will be diverted onto Willoughby Road to join Stevenson Road and the Bus Station.
- CNT Buses (routes 164,165 and 255) initially proceeding towards Vacoas Bus Station through Independence Avenue will be diverted onto Nalletamby Road, St Paul Road and Swami Sivananda Avenue to join the Bus Station.

The necessary traffic signs will be set up to inform and guide road users. Traffic will also be controlled by the Police during rush hours.

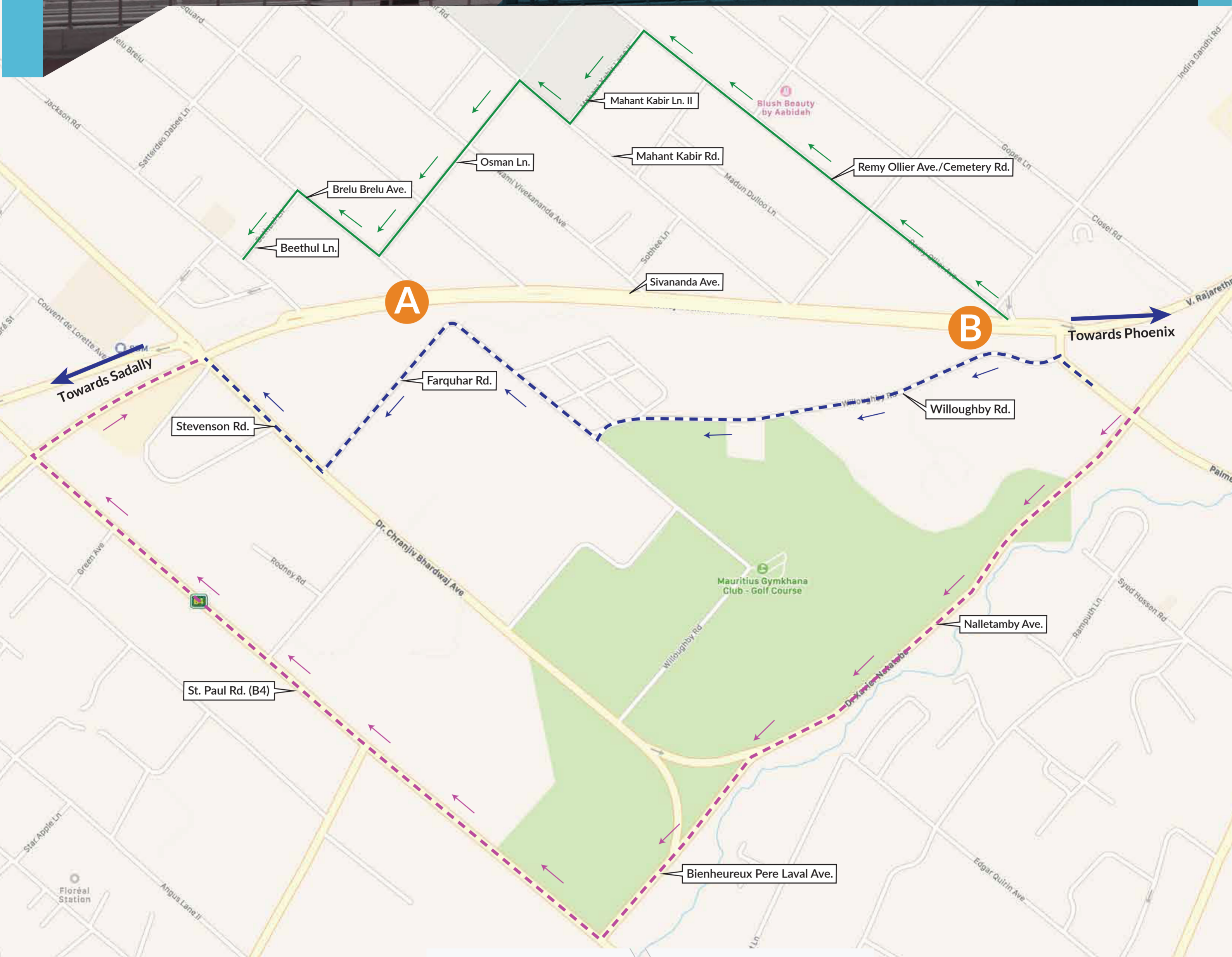
Drivers are strongly advised to exercise caution when approaching the work area and to drive within the prevailing speed limit.

The Ministry regrets for any inconvenience caused and relies on the usual cooperation of the public.

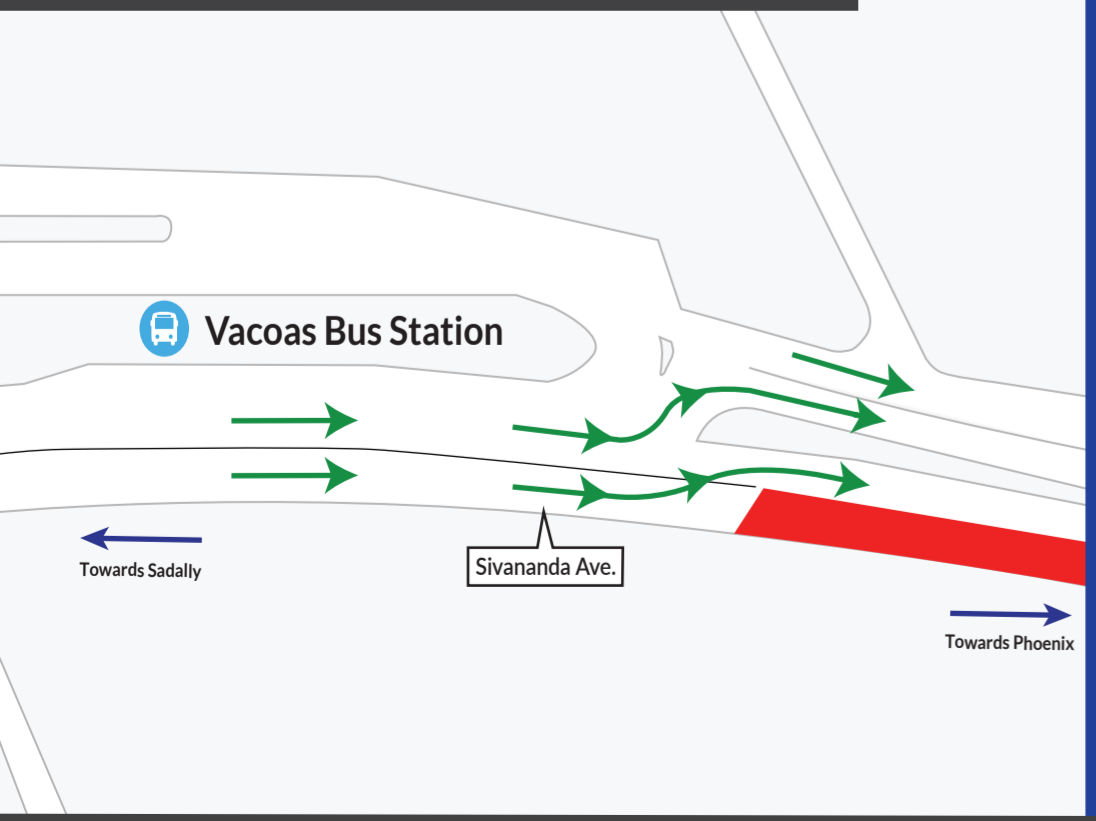
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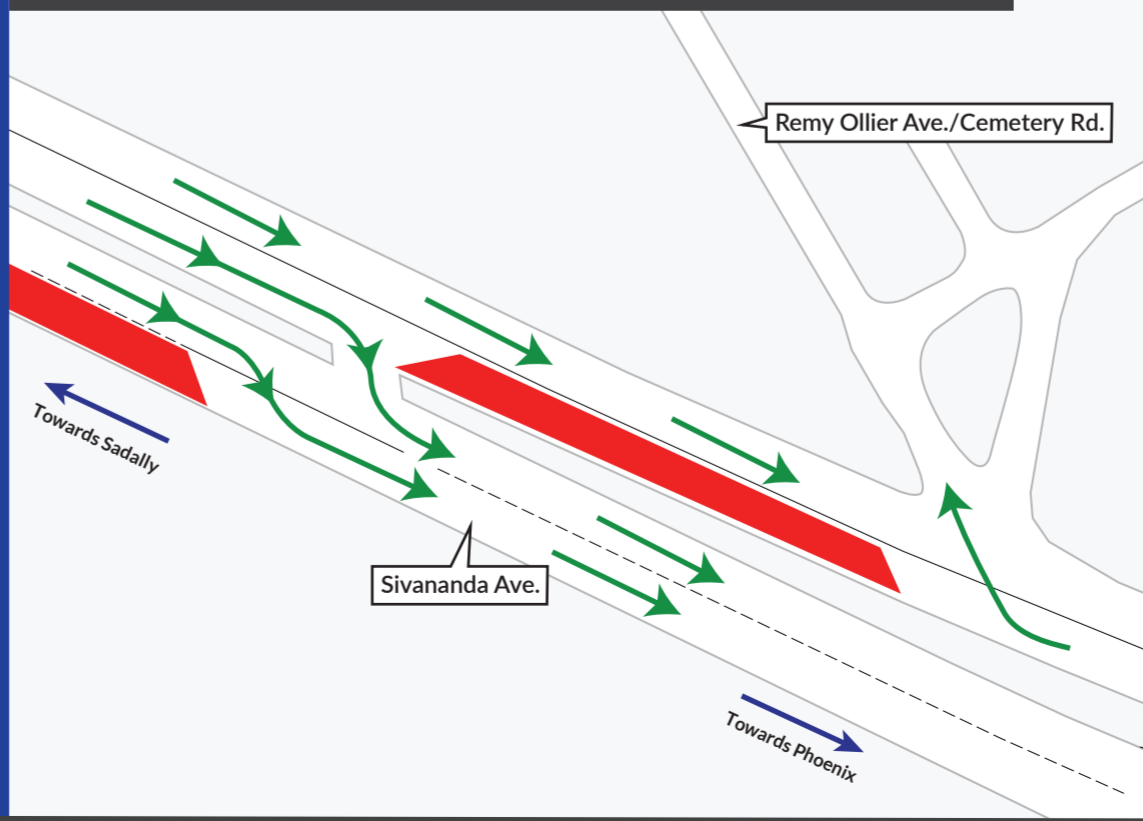
Metro Express - Sivananda Ave. Diversion (Vacoas)



A Vacoas Junction Scheme



B Palmerstone Junction Scheme



Key

- Closed Section
- Diverted route (public)
- UBS buses diverted route
- NTC buses diverted route
- New Junction schemes A B

