

## **NEWS RELEASE**

### **Kalamia Mill crushing again**

Crushing has resumed at Kalamia Mill after last week's rain delay.

The mill commenced crushing about 8.30am today (Thursday), sourcing cane harvested in the Kalamia and Invicta milling areas since yesterday.

Burdekin Cane Supply Manager Steve Postma said increased harvesting interest should allow for one milling train at Invicta Mill to start crushing on Saturday and Inkerman to resume operations early on Monday.

"We're expecting cane supply to build steadily into the weekend as more harvesting contractors return to paddocks," he said.

Caustic cleans will be completed at Inkerman Mill and on Invicta's B side as part of the factory restarts.

"That should mean they won't need scheduled cleaning stops until later in July," Mr Postma said.

Harvesting is not expected to resume in the Pioneer milling area before Tuesday.

"We'll continue to review the situation and will start Pioneer as soon as there is sufficient cane supply," Mr Postma said.

The return to harvesting and crushing operations means cane trains are, once again, on the move across the Burdekin district.

Mr Postma urged motorists to be alert as they travelled around the district and to always give way to oncoming cane trains.

“Disappointingly, we have already had several incidents this season involving motorists failing to give way to oncoming cane trains,” he said.

“Those drivers are not just risking their own lives and the lives of their passengers but also our loco crews and, potentially, other members of the public.”

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