



New Zealand Government

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE











Above: Social distancing and mask use while out on site in Alert Level 3. Left: Happy to be back - a big smile from Leading Hand Lola Korewha

Working safely under Alert Level 3

We were pushing ahead with road surfacing and landscaping, putting the finishing touches on structures and installing the motorway's intelligent transport systems when the Government announced in August that Auckland would be returning to an Alert Level 4 lockdown.

While the lockdown was important in keeping us all safe, it did mean we had to pause all non-essential construction work. Only a small number of staff were allowed on site to carry out tasks such as traffic management and ensuring environmental controls were working safely.

Under Alert Level 3 we have been able to resume some construction. We have been following strict health and safety protocols including restricted access to the construction

site, physical distancing requirements, and the use of additional protective clothing. Many of our team have continued to work from home under Level 3.

We have also been revisiting our plans for work that was disrupted by the Level 4 lockdown.

Some of you may remember we had planned major road layout changes for October at the southern end of the project, which would involve moving traffic onto part of the new motorway. While this will no longer happen in October, we are revisitng our plans and will keep you informed of new dates.

Road layout changes which were planned at the northern end of the project, where we are building the new Pukerito roundabout, are also on hold until a new programme is in place.

Many of you will no doubt have questions about what impact the latest lockdowns will

have on the opening of the new motorway. While we know they have disrupted the construction programme, it is too soon to say at this stage how this may affect the opening date.

We will continue to work through this over the coming weeks as the situation continues to develop, and will ensure we keep our community informed.

We'd also like to remind everyone that we are a working construction site and it's hugely important for people's safety that they do not come onto our site.

We have received a few reports of people accessing site recently, which puts both those who are trespassing and our team at risk.

We will be keeping a close eye on the site to ensure everyone's safety. If you have any questions or concerns please get in touch.



NEW FLYOVER

Our latest flyover was filmed in September during COVID-19 Alert Level 3. Check it out by clicking the image on the left or head to our YouTube channel.

Woodcocks Rd Closures

We will be installing large panels and barriers on the Woodcocks Road Bridge across Woodcocks Road overnight. For safety reasons, a small section of the road will be closed between 8pm – 5am while this happens. Signposted detours will be in place.

The closures will happen Monday to Thursday nights from 10 October through to 4 November. Please note, all dates are weather dependant, and the road will remain open if works cannot be undertaken.