

More Activity on State Highway 1



Kia Ora,

As we move closer to summer, we move into our third and final earthworks season. Longer hours of light and better weather means we must take advantage and 'make hay while the sun shines' in order to deliver a world class motorway by late October 2021.

So, what might this look like? Well it means we've ramped up our workforce (and of course we always try and employ local people) to meet our exacting timelines. In the coming months you'll see not just more people around the project, but more activity as trucks deliver materials and plant (cranes, diggers, compactors) that shape the land and shift materials from place to place.

At Arawhiti ki Ōkahu (Ōkahu Viaduct) concrete is being poured into five headstocks (massive elevated wing-like structures supporting the beams) and a little further up at Arawhiti ki Pūhoi (Pūhoi Viaduct) staff are putting in the last of the headstocks.

SAFETY COMES FIRST

It's great to see progress in action but it's also really important to be careful as you drive past, especially in the summer months with more traffic on the road.

Because health and safety is our highest priority on the project we ask that you keep your eyes on the road, and while it's tempting to slow down to get a better look at the activities, please don't get distracted. We encourage you to visit our website and Facebook page to catch up on the project details.

There may be increased traffic management in place across the project so please, for your safety and ours, follow the instructions of our traffic management staff.

ROAD SURFACE WORKS - BUT NOT AS YOU KNOW IT

Behind the scenes, what we call our road surfacing work starts soon. It's a pretty technical subject but basically it means we're on the first phase of creating the foundation of the surface you'll drive on. This is a major project milestone and means we're past the half way mark and on the home straight.

Of course there are other benefits to this increase in activity. A bigger workforce (both local and international) means more money is circulating in the local economy. Changing the shape of the land means the creation of new wetlands, landscaping and planting of native trees along the alignment. This will become more evident in the coming months.

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