



Will be considered for release with redactions

MIN-4306 Blenheim to Nelson improvements

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Provide a summary of the improvements and investment on State Highway 6 between Nelson and Blenheim prior to the 2024/2027 Speed Reviews.

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's response:

Spending on improvements between Blenheim and Nelson as part of the Speed and Infrastructure Programme since 2018 is as follows:

Project Name	NLTP 2018-21	NLTP 2021-24 (as at July 2023)
SH6 Blenheim to Nelson - SH6/SH62	\$4,185,301	\$118,887
SH6 Blenheim to Woodbourne Safety Improvements	\$280,535	\$1,338,831
SH6 Blenheim to Nelson	\$865,677	\$0
RtZ-SH1 Blenheim Urban Pedestrian Safety	\$0	\$14,561
RtZ-SH6 Rai Valley Pedestrian Refuge	\$0	\$17,160

The following is an approximate history of works on this stretch of road over the last decade:

- Pre-2010 – Whangamoa realignment
- 2011 – Atawhai 80km/hr speed limit installed
- 2011 – Nelson-bound passing lane removed at Atawhai
- 2012-2016 – side protection barriers in Collins Valley, Whangamoa and Wakapuaka
- 2012-2016 – curve advisory chevrons, various locations
- 2014 – Stopping Bay signage at Whangamoa
- 2015 – State Highway 6/Bells/St Leonards right turn bays
- 2015 – Gentle Annie (Nelson side) passing lanes widening and side protection
- 2016 – Extension of the eastern Renwick 50km/hr threshold (in association with the Kaikōura quake detour route)
- 2017 – Extension of the northern Renwick 50km/hr threshold
- 2017 – Audio Tactile Profiles (ATP) centreline on Rai Saddle, Collins Valley and Whangamoa
- 2017 – slow vehicle shoulder widening Collins Valley and Stopping Bay signage in Whangamoa
- 2018 – Rai Saddle realignment
- 2020 – State Highway 6/Jacksons Road right turn bay
- 2020 – State Highway 6 Blenheim to Nelson speed review implementation
- 2021 – No Passing lines, Collins Valley to Whangamoa River
- 2021 – State Highway 6/62 roundabout
- 2022 – reinstatement works following rain event.