

MINISTERIAL BRIEFING NOTE

Subject	Not in scope [redacted] and Northland bridges – update
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Priority	Routine

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)

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Not in scope [redacted]

Action taken by Office of Minister of Transport

- Noted
- Approved
- Seen by Minister
- Referred to
- Needs change
- Withdrawn
- Overtaken by events

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25 February 2016

Minister of Transport

Not in scope

Northland bridges

- an update

Purpose

1. To update you on the steps we have taken to ensure the efficient delivery of Not in scope the Northland bridges and to seek your feedback on a proposed reporting template.

Background

2. In January 2016 we discussed with you the importance of Not in scope the Northland bridges in contributing significant economic benefits to their respective regions. We have reviewed the way in which we are supporting this work and have put in place a number of measures that will contribute to delivering these projects as efficiently as possible.

Measures taken

3. Since January 2016 all project teams have undertaken reviews of the Not in scope projects and the Northland bridges to revise target completion dates, and identify opportunities to fast-track project delivery. These are included on the draft project summary sheets attached.
4. We have directed resources at assisting the local project managers and to coordinate the delivery of the Not in scope bridging projects. We are ensuring that delivery of the National Land Transport Fund business case approach is streamlined and are ensuring alignment with the Regional Economic Growth Agenda being led by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment.
5. The projects have also been allocated to dedicated senior specialists in the critical delivery fields of consenting, property acquisition, procurement and programming. These experts are undertaking detailed reviews, of each component of the steps of delivery to further refine the delivery programmes.
6. The major opportunity in this is the use of smart procurement options that engage the contractor at an early stage in the process, we are exploring this opportunity for all the projects. There is some risk that this will lead to higher costs, which is also being assessed.

Draft project summary sheets

7. We have prepared draft project summary sheets and seek your feedback on the usefulness of these as a concept and on the detail they contain. We can update these on a regular basis, say

monthly, and they can be shared with your office. As the teams work on these, we will continue to update you on the progress along with any issues risks and opportunities.

- 8. The draft project summary sheets identify opportunities to fast track delivery that are being investigated.

Recommendation

- 9. It is recommended that you note the contents of this briefing and provide any feedback you have on the draft project summary sheets.



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Hon Simon Bridges, Minister of Transport

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Northland Bridges Update—Kao River Bridge (SH10)

Northland Region

February 2016

Key Project Updates

Kao River Bridge (SH10)	Recent: Appointment of consultant to undertake single stage approach for investigation	●
	Upcoming: Approval of Procurement Strategy and funding application ; Engage with Iwi and local stakeholders; property review	

Outcomes, Benefits & Costs

Outcomes: Regional Economic Development
Benefits: Reduce travel delays, especially for freight, improve safety.
Estimated Cost: \$15m

Risks & Opportunities

Current Risks and Issues:

- Property acquisitions along the designated areas
- Consenting risks due to archaeological, cultural heritage and environmental matters
- Lack of geotechnical information
- Wider flood catchment issues at Kao

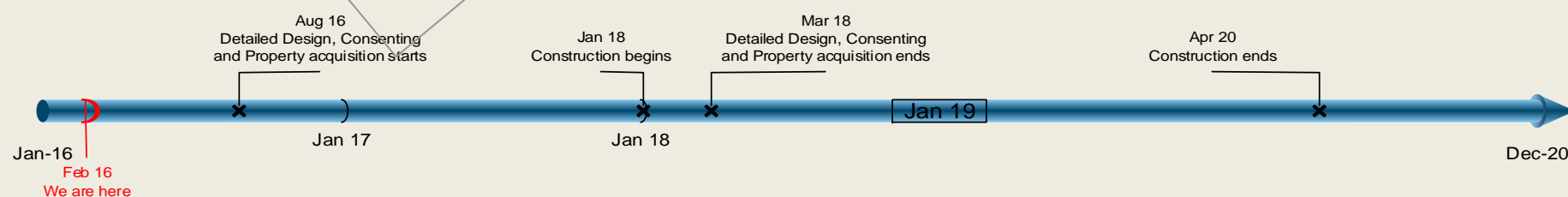
Opportunities to fast track delivery:

- Appointment of Opus through variation to bridge maintenance contract to complete the single stage investigation
- Comprehensive Early Contractor Involvement (ECI) to deliver detailed design , consenting and construction of bridges
- Commence property acquisitions at early stage

Stakeholders

Iwi	District Council	Regional Council	KiwiRail	Transpower	Local Business Forum	Department of Conservation
●	●	●	n/a	●	●	●

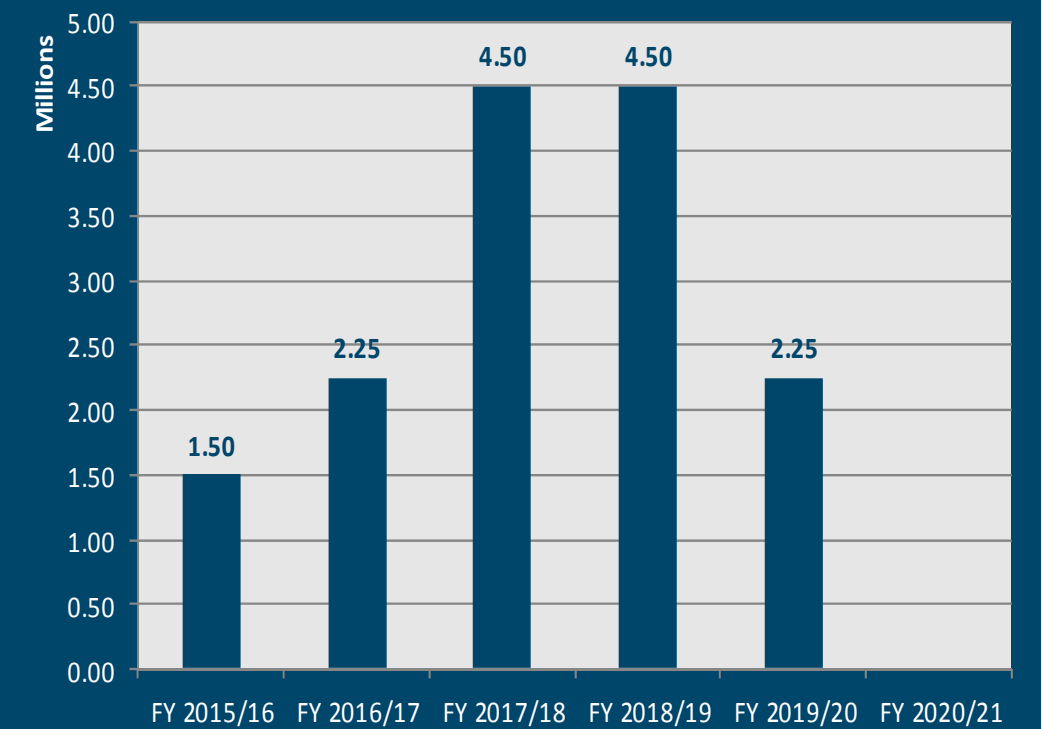
Timelines



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Kao River Bridge (SH10)



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Northland Bridges Update—Hardies Bridge and Anderson Bridge (SH12)(Matakohē)

Northland Region

February 2016

Key Project Updates

Hardies Bridge and Anderson Bridge (SH12) (Matakohē)

Recent: Peer review on previous number of studies to confirm preferred option. Appointment of consultant to undertake single stage approach for investigation

Upcoming: Approval of Procurement Strategy and funding application ; Engage with Iwi , community and stakeholders, property review



Outcomes, Benefits & Costs

Outcomes: Regional Economic Development

Benefits: Reduce travel delays, especially for freight, improve safety.

Estimated Cost: \$20m

Risks & Opportunities

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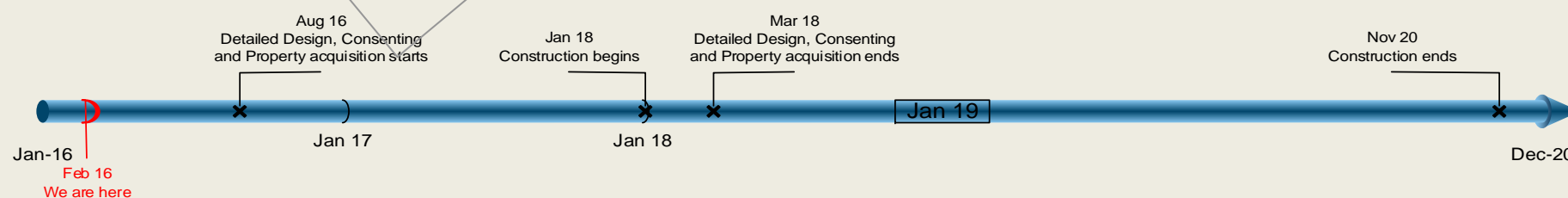
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- Investigation of staged construction approach for Matakohē bridges

Stakeholders

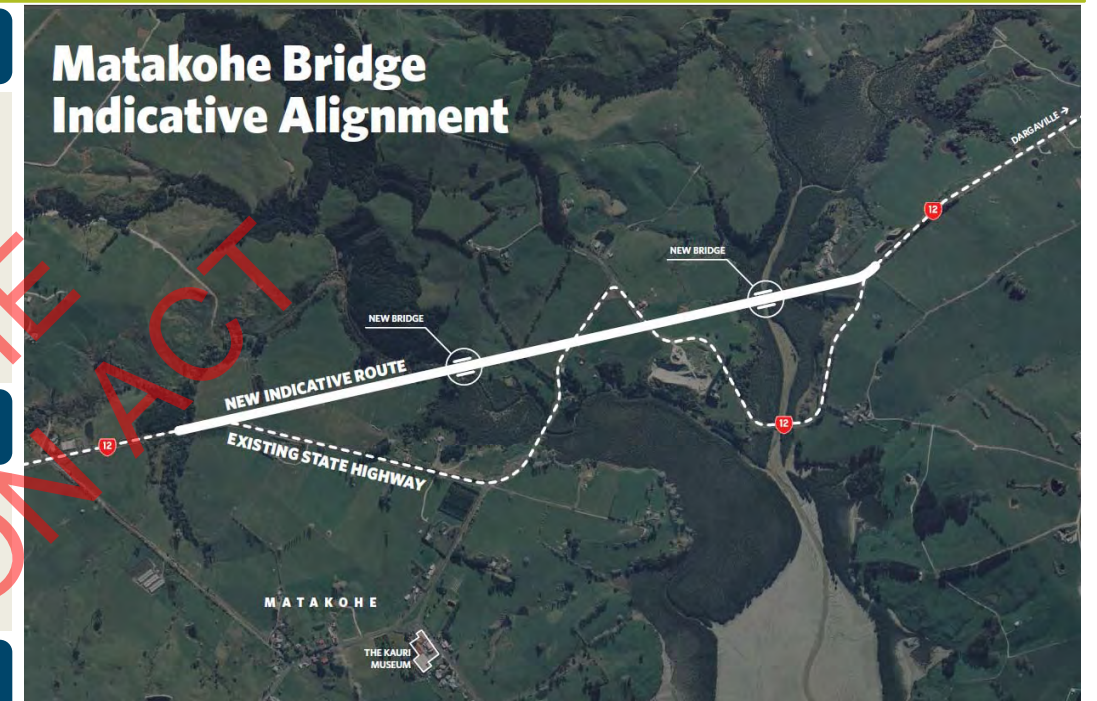
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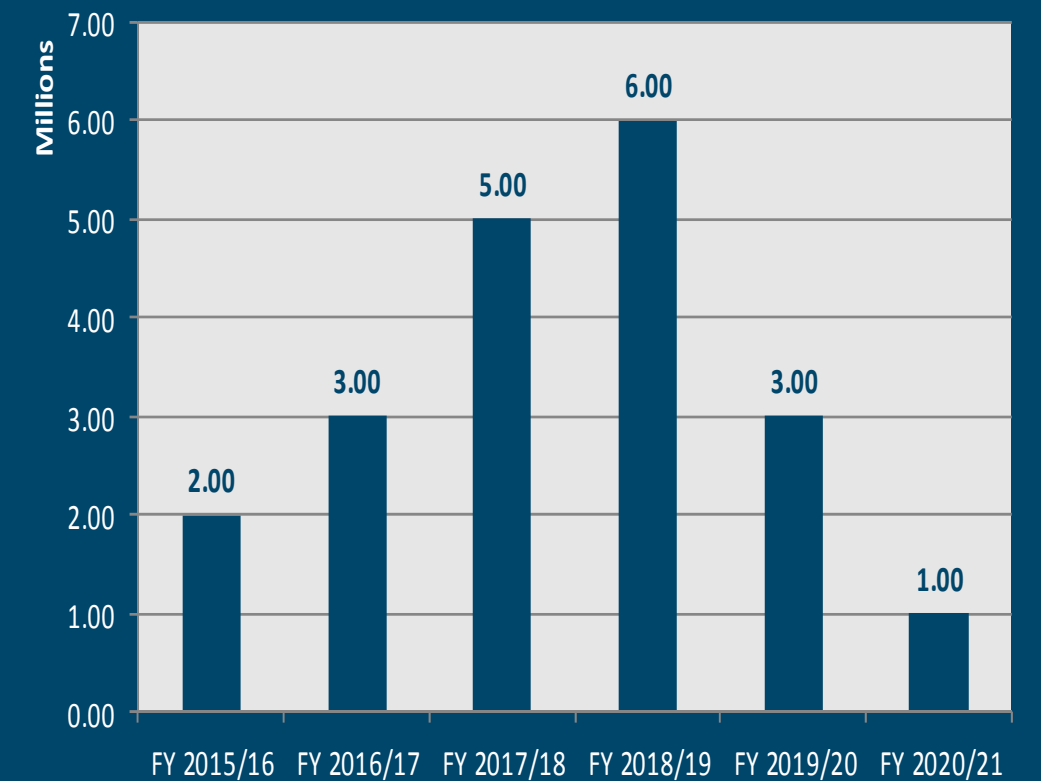


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Matakohē Bridge Indicative Alignment



Hardies Bridge and Anderson Bridge (SH12)



Hardies Bridge and Anderson Bridge (SH12)

Northland Bridges Update—Taipa Bridges (SH10)

Northland Region

February 2016

Key Project Updates

Taipa Bridges (SH10)	Recent: Appointment of consultant to undertake single stage approach for investigation	●
	Upcoming: Approval of Procurement Strategy and funding application ; Engage with Iwi and local stakeholders; property review	

Outcomes, Benefits & Costs

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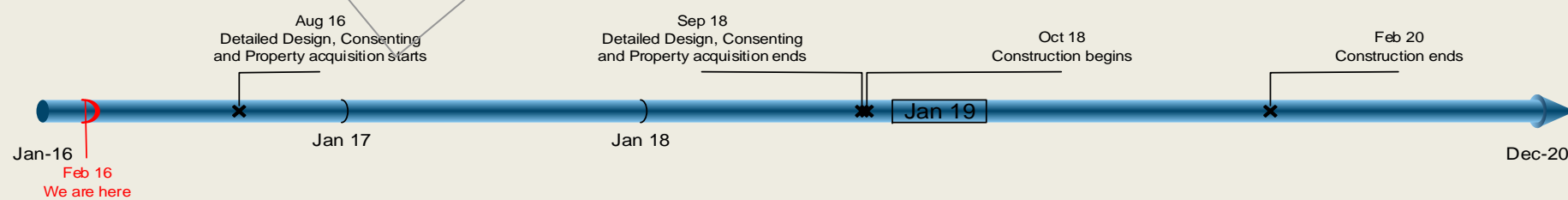
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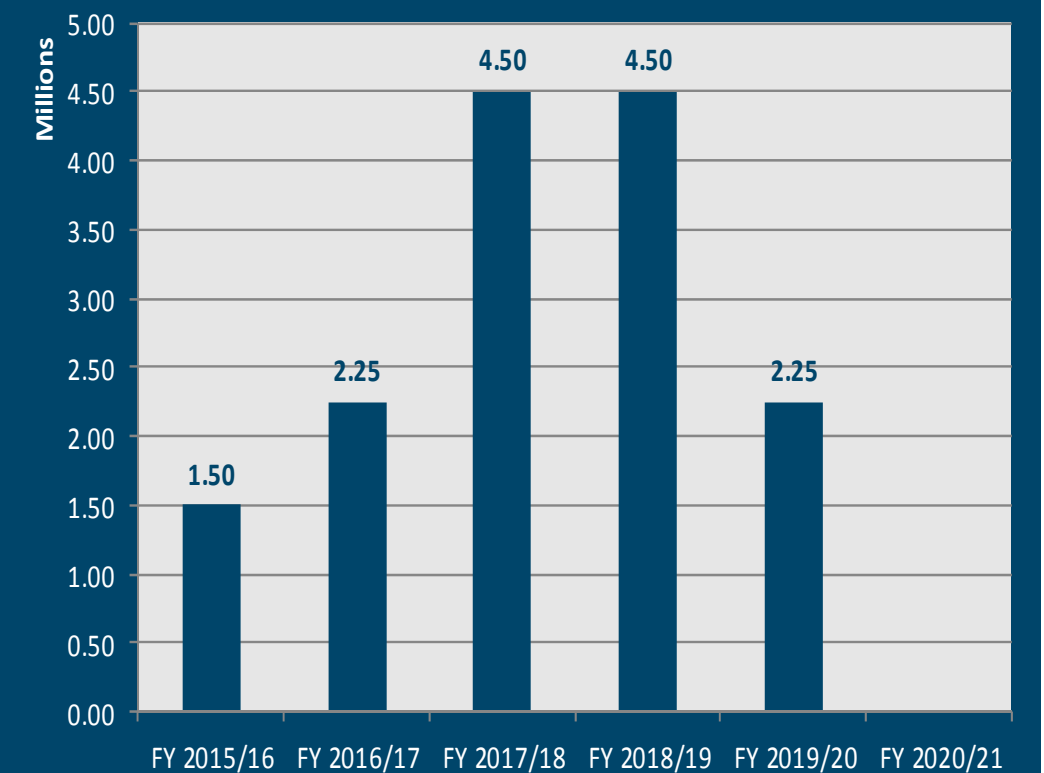
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