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Hi Genevieve and Jemima

Please find attached BRI-1859 on roads currently under assessment for tolling.

Regards

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## MINISTERIAL BRIEFING NOTE

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### Action taken by Office of the Minister

- Noted
- Seen by Minister
- Agreed
- Feedback provided
- Forwarded to
- Needs change [please specify]
- Withdrawn
- Overtaken by events

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4 November 2019

Hon Phil Twyford, Minister of Transport

## ROADS CURRENTLY UNDER ASSESSMENT FOR TOLLING

### Purpose

1. This briefing provides you with information relating to the roads currently under assessment for tolling:
  - a. Pūhoi to Warkworth **Out of Scope**
  - b. **Out of Scope**
  - c. **Out of Scope**

### Background and context

2. Tolling is provided for under section 46 (1) of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA) for the purposes of:
  - (a) *1 or more of the following activities, namely, the planning, design, supervision, construction, maintenance, or operation of a new road.*
3. Tolling is a mechanism that may enable Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to commit to the building of projects sooner than other funding options may allow for; to collect revenue and thereby reduce the ongoing costs of new road maintenance and operation; or reduce the pressure on the National Land Transport Fund for ongoing payments to a public/private partnership.
4. The Transport Agency is responsible for assessing new state highways for tolling suitability. However, as the Minister of Transport, it is at your discretion that roads progress through the Order in Council process.
5. For tolling to be lawfully applied, the Order in Council process must be completed prior to the date of the road opening for use by the public, when the road is still considered 'new'. Should the Order in Council process not be completed by that time, the road will no longer meet the requirements of the LTMA and cannot be considered for tolling.
6. There are currently two new state highway links under assessment:
  - a. Pūhoi to Warkworth; and
  - b. **Out of Scope**
7. **Out of Scope**

**Pūhoi to Warkworth**

8. The Pūhoi to Warkworth project extends the four-lane Northern Motorway (SH1) 18.5km from the Johnstone's Hill tunnels to just north of Warkworth in the Auckland region.
9. The toll modelling for Pūhoi to Warkworth is currently underway and will be available for input by the end of 2019.
10. The Transport Agency considers the process for progressing tolling on this road to be high risk, due to the time constraints in completing an Order in Council process before the expected opening date.
11. The Transport Agency and the Ministry of Transport (MoT) have been working together to ensure an appropriate timeline is developed and prepared to progress tolling on this road.
12. Delivering tolling on Pūhoi to Warkworth will require a high degree of support and meeting the following key dates:
  - a. The Transport Agency Board will make its recommendation in March 2020.
  - b. Should that recommendation be to pursue tolling the road, you will be asked to consider that recommendation in conjunction with permission for the Transport Agency to publicly consult.

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It is recommended that you:

1. **Note** that the Transport Agency is currently assessing Pūhoi to Warkworth and **Out of Scope** for tolling, in line with the Transport Agency's tolling policy;
2. **Out of Scope**
3. **Note** the risks associated with delivering tolling on Pūhoi to Warkworth and the required timeline.
4. **Forward** this briefing to the Minister of Finance. **Yes / No**

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