

Project updates and achievements

- An emerging preferred route was identified for Whangarei to Port Marsden based on consultation feedback and multi criteria analysis and has received endorsement within internal governance levels in Waka Kotahi. Personalised letters were posted in November to potentially affected landowners and landowner meetings have commenced
- Supplementary site investigations are complete for Takitimu North Link Stage 1.
- Community engagement for Melling commenced with good turnout and positive community support for the project
- Otaki to North Levin iwi partners have conducted an internal engagement process on the projects proposals. Their feedback has been received in November as an input to the route selection process. Close-out of the final MCA process is complete and will form the basis of recommendations of the preferred alignment
- Public Open Day was held for Weedons-Ross Road.
- Queenstown Package business case is now complete and will be presented to Waka Kotahi Board in February

Upcoming Milestones

January 2021

- Whangarei to Pt Marsden Highway landowner engagement continues, followed by community engagement
- Weedons Ross business case approved by Waka Kotahi Board













February 2021

- Brougham Street business case approved by Waka Kotahi Board
- Queenstown package business case approved by Waka Kotahi Board

Procurement activities and milestones completed

- Papakura to Drury South Stage 1A request for a tender closed on 26 in November with all the three shortlisted tenderers submitting a bid. The Tender Evaluation Team moderation sessions were held in December 2020
- Award of the Principals Technical Advisor complete for Penlink
- SH58 Stage 2A Physical Works Contract awarded
- Professional services contract has been awarded for Tinwald
- Rolleston Business Case Contract currently out for tender

NZ Upgrade Programme – Project updates

Region	Project	Current Phase	Budget (\$m)	Total Spent (\$m) (%)	Budget Variance (\$m)	RAG		Commentary
NZ Upgrade Programme Overview			5,614.00	185.8 (3.3%)	-612.00			
Northland	SH1 Whangarei to Port Marsden H'way	Business Case	692.0	2.66 (0.4%)	0.00			<p>An emerging preferred route was identified for Whangarei to Port Marsden based on consultation feedback and multi criteria analysis and has received endorsement within internal governance levels in Waka Kotahi. Land owner meetings have continued through December.</p> <p>The project is currently working on a revised budget. In parallel, an independent costing is also being undertaken which is due for completion in early February 2021.</p>
Auckland	SH1 Papakura to Drury South	Pre Implementation	423.00	12.65 (3.0%)	-246.00			<p>The Stage 1A request for a tender closed in November 2020. The Tender Evaluation Team moderation sessions were held in December 2020. Stage 1A property pre-condition surveys are underway, 197 affected properties have been contacted with over 100 surveys scheduled and 52 completed to date.</p> <p>Stage 1B1 consent documentation preparation under the Covid-19 Recovery (Fast Track Consenting) Act 2020 is underway. The draft technical assessments have been issued. Pre-lodgement engagement with the Environmental Protection Authority has commenced and the consents are forecasted to be lodged in February 2021.</p>
	Northern Pathway Westhaven to Akoranga	Pre Implementation	360.00	29.68 (8.2)	-240.00			<p>Project estimates are showing above funding allocation. The project has undertaken further work on options and are presenting these internally in December 2020 for further direction, with feedback expected in January 2021.</p>
	NZUP Penlink	Pre Implementation	411.00	35.59 (8.7%)	0.00			<p>The award of the Principals Technical Advisor now completed and work is now underway. Early estimation works indicates the project maybe exceeding the allocated. The PTA will undertake design works that will inform a detailed cost estimate to inform both the project estimate and affordability threshold.</p>
	NZUP Mill Road Corridor	Business Case	1354.00	66.97 (4.9%)	0.00			<p>Engagement Round 3 is postponed until April 2021, to coincide with completion of NZUP baselining. Value engineering is on-going with focus on testing the footprint. Cost estimate was updated to include latest revision of Cossey Road. Design Revision B, an interim design update capturing decisions endorsed to date is currently under review by Waka Kotahi subject matter experts, with feedback due in January 2021.</p>








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Waikato & Bay of Plenty	NZUP SH1/29 Intersection Improvements	Pre Implementation	58.00	0.62 (1.1%)	0.00	🟡	🟢	Contractor engaged to undertake pre-implementation. Approval given to proceed at risk with land entry prior to Board approval of Business Case. Risk to complete environmental surveys this season still exists.
	NZUP Takitimu North Link Stage 1	Pre Implementation	478.00	2.62 (0.5%)	-91.00	🟢	🔴	Updated estimate and peer review has been completed for Takitimu North Link Stage 1 that has identified the current implementation funding is insufficient. The increase primarily relates to cost escalation and changes to design standards since the 2017 estimate. Funding needs to be confirmed in February 2021 prior to contract award.
	NZUP Takitimu North Link Stage 2	Pre Implementation	455.00	0.99 (0.2%)	0.00	🟢	🟢	Several strategic and early property purchases are underway. Stg1 extension drawings have been updated and 95% of landowner meetings completed. Draft route alignment plan received in December 2020.
Wellington	SH58 Safety Improvements - Stage 2	Pre Implementation	59.00	2.46 (4.2%)	-35.00	🔴	🔴	Stage 2a physical works have commenced. Stage 2b consenting and property programme is being worked through.
	SH2 Melling Efficiency and Safety Improvements	Pre Implementation	258.00	2.12 (0.8%)	0.00	🟡	🟡	Design freeze 1 was achieved in December 2020, and technical reports are progressing. A new programme has been drafted which has phase 1 of the engagement commencing in November, and lodgement in May 2021
	Otaki to North of Levin (O2NL)	Business Case	817.00	23.56 (2.9%)	0.00	🟢	🟡	Following the conclusion of the formal community/public engagement process, analysis of the feedback material received continues. An interim summary report is being drafted for approvals and released in December as programmed, with the full report (including responses to issues raised) to be released following alignment refinement announcement. Updated interim cost estimates were presented in August, where risks were raised in terms of project estimates exceeding project allocations.

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Canterbury	Brougham St Corridor Improvements	Business Case	40.00	2.19 (5.5%)	0.00			Business case is in final review stages before approval. Current budget estimate is over NZUP allocation. A parallel estimate is underway, due to be completed in January 2021.
	Rolleston Transport Improvements	Business Case	60.00	0.22 (0.4%)	0.00			Project is currently out for tender for business case phase, with award expected in February 2021. Latest costs estimates of the preferred option is higher than allocation. The detailed business case will investigate options and review cost estimates to address this.
	SH75 Halswell Rd Imps	Business Case	25.00	0.39 (1.6%)	0.00			The project is on track as per the project delivery plan and detailed business case tacking to completion mid 2021.
	SH73 Weedons-Ross Road Intersection	Business Case	6.00	0.32 (5.3%)	0.00			Business case, cost estimate and transport assessment will be finalised in early 2021
	Walnut Avenue Intersection Improvements	Pre Implementation	18.00	0.45 (2.5%)	0.00			Redesign and works required to complete the Pre-implementation phase has commenced. Property Consultant has been instructed to complete the land purchase
	Tinwald Corridor Improvements	Business Case	10.00	0.16 (1.6%)	0.00			Contract for the business case has been awarded.

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Queenstown	SH6A Corridor Improvements	Business Case	20.00	0.29 (1.5%)	0.00			It has been agreed by the NZUP programme team to combine all 3 NZUP funded activities into the existing SH6A and Town Centre business case. This will now be delivered as one integrated package under a single business case.
	SH6 Ladies Mile Stage 2 NZUP	Business Case	35.00	0.24 (0.7%)	0.00			Parallel estimate was completed in December 2020 and is being reviewed by the project. The Business Case was endorsed by the NZUP Governance Group in November. The business case completion milestone has been achieved, however the presentation to the Waka Kotahi Board has been moved to February to align with the Waka Kotahi Board visit to Queenstown.
	Grant Rd to KF Bridge Improvements (incl. Frankton Bus Hub)	Business Case	35.00	1.63 (4.7%)	0.00			The establishment of the delivery alliance for NZUP and QLDC CIP projects is progressing well, with award expected early in 2021.

