

2021–24 National Land Transport Programme

Factsheet

Te Moana-a-Toi | Bay of Plenty

- A total of \$1.4 billion is forecast to be invested in the Bay of Plenty in the 2021–24 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) period.
- Investment in the Bay of Plenty region's land transport system will support economic growth. The region has a significant role in producing and transporting goods and needs to respond to high levels of population growth, while providing safe, reliable access and better travel options to connect local communities.
- Apart from tourism, the local economy is largely reliant on export industries, such as agriculture, horticulture and forestry. The Port of Tauranga is critical for New Zealand's economic growth and handles 25% of the country's imports and exports.
- Maintaining safe and reliable freight connections, including State Highway 1/29 and the North Island Main Trunk/East Coast Main Trunk rail within the region and to neighbouring regions, in particular Waikato and Auckland, is critical to supporting both the regional and national economy.
- Nearly 90% of journeys to and from work in Rotorua and Tauranga are by private vehicle. Getting people to use safe, accessible and reliable ways to move around these cities is a priority focus for investment in the 2021–24 NLTP.
- The Western Bay of Plenty, which includes Tauranga, is one of New Zealand's fastest growing areas and during this NLTP period co-investment with partners will increase the frequency of bus services and improve walking, cycling and mobility connections to enable more people to have transport choice and the ability to shift to these transport modes.
- The \$1.4 billion investment includes:
 - \$379 million forecast maintenance and operations
 - \$133 million forecast public transport investment
 - \$81 million forecast cycling and walking investment
 - \$121 million forecast Road to Zero investment
 - \$432 million forecast NZ Upgrade Programme.

Bay of Plenty investment highlights for 2021–24

- SH2 Waihi to Ōmokoroa safety improvements.
- Delivery of the SH30 Eastern Corridor Rotorua Connect Stage One.
- Phase one of SH30 Eastern Corridor Rotorua Connect Stage Two implementation.
- SH2 Wainui Road to Ōpōtiki safety improvements.
- Completion of SH33 Paengaroa to Te Ngae Road safety improvements.
- Improving the resilience of SH29 over the Kaimai Range.
- Tauriko West Enabling Works to support the residential and commercial growth in the Tauriko area.
- Continuation of Baypark to Bayfair Link to improve safety, access and pedestrian and cycling connections.
- Takitimu North Link stage one, a 6.8km four lane expressway between Tauranga and Te Puna, will start construction later this year.

More information

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