

NORTHERN CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS



Artist impression of the Constellation Station upgrade.

Major upgrade of Constellation Station begins

Work has started on a major upgrade to Constellation Station on the North Shore which will see the bus station expanded and completely refitted over the next 14 months.

The station is the busiest hub of all the stations along the Northern Busway and is being upgraded as part of the Northern Corridor Improvements project.

The improved station will enable time savings on the extended busway, whether people are heading to the city or going north to Albany.

Work on the \$15M project includes building a new northbound platform and a new pedestrian bridge. The bridge will span over the busway, so passengers can access both the north and southbound platforms. This is similar to the layout at Smales

Farm Station. New toilets, lifts, driver facilities and a kiosk area will also be added to the fit out.

Work will take place behind barriers and has been planned so it will have minimal effect on people's daily journeys on the bus. Bus timetables and routes will stay the same. People will see some construction activity taking place in and around the station over the coming months.

A contract has been awarded to local firm Brosnan Construction to complete the majority of the station work which is being overseen by the Northern Corridor Improvements Alliance.

PAUL MATTHEWS ROAD INTERSECTION TO SHIFT

Work has started to extend Paul Matthews Road and shift it to join a new Caribbean Drive intersection. A shared walking and cycling path will also be constructed along the new section of the road.

Construction will take place in stages during the day and sometimes at night and people will notice some changes to the Caribbean Drive intersection.

The upgraded intersection and new Paul Matthews Road are on track to be mostly completed by the end of the year.

Then in 2021, work will start on the westbound on-ramp and all eastbound traffic will move on to a new eastbound off-ramp.

All of this work will provide better connections to SH1 and SH18 and help to improve journey times in the area.



- 1 Paul Matthews Road
 - 2 SH18 eastbound off-ramp
 - 3 SH18/SH1 northbound connection
 - 4 SH1/SH18 westbound connection
 - 5 SH18 westbound on-ramp
- Graphic indicative only.*

Look out for lane changes on the Northern Motorway

Drivers are encouraged to look out for changes to the temporary layout of the SH1 northbound lanes between Upper Harbour Highway (Constellation Drive) and Greville Road. The lanes will go back to their usual layout in early April and the southbound lanes will be adjusted. Work will then continue on the new SH1 underpass and Rosedale Road Bridge.

This marks the end of another major traffic switch as part of an innovative approach to managing traffic in heavily congested areas of Auckland. This means journeys on the motorway will look the same for up to a year at a time.



Construction of the new Rosedale Road Bridge is well underway.

FISHY BUSINESS

Two of our ecologists visited Albany this summer to relocate fish from nearby wetlands. This took place so that the pond could then be mucked out and converted into new underground drain pipes.

Nets were laid overnight and 55 eels were captured near the Oteha Valley Road on-ramp. They were relocated to Lucas Creek.

Another 51 eels were also found and released from Constellation Reserve last year. This is part of our focus on looking after our wildlife and the environment while we are working in the area.



Intersection work during Easter

Work is coming up over Easter and the school holidays to progress two key intersections.

Crews will be widening the Upper Harbour Highway (Constellation Drive) northbound off-ramp to create an extra left turn lane to improve the intersection. The northbound off-ramp will be open during Easter with a temporary lane layout in place. However, the off-ramp will be fully closed at night on Thursday 9 and Monday 13 April between 10pm and 5am. People should leave extra time for trips to the busy retail area on Constellation Drive in Mairangi Bay.

Work will also take place over two weeks to lay the new road surface on the

McClymonts Road Bridge. McClymonts Road between Don McKinnon Drive and Medallion Drive roundabouts will be closed from 8pm Thursday 9 April to 5am Friday 24 April. The intersection of McClymonts Road and Elliot Rose Avenue will also be closed during this time.

Northern Express buses will continue to run in this area with a diversion in place via Oteha Valley Road. A detour for motorists will also be in place.

Following this work, traffic will be moved on to the new bridge and the old bridge will be demolished in May.



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