



**Welcome to the Southern Corridor Improvements special Neighbourhood Update.**

Here you will find the latest information on our progress, the project timeline and answers to some key questions you may have

at this stage of the project. A number of planned sausage sizzle events have given us the opportunity to connect with the communities along the project line, as well as the chance to talk you through the current design and discuss face-to-face, how you may be affected.

As a project neighbour, you play an important part in the SCI project and we welcome your questions as well as concerns.

**Take a look at the diagram below which outlines our progress, where we are now and the role you may play in the project.**

**WORKING WITH YOU**



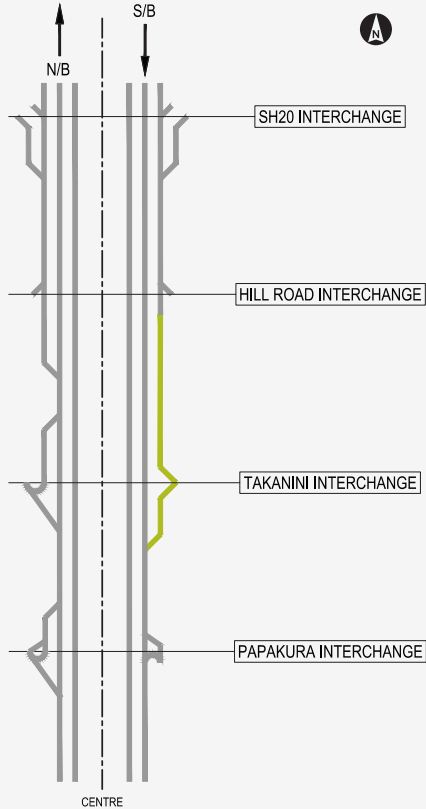
# WHAT IS THE POTENTIAL CONSTRUCTION SEQUENCE?

- While the contractor will determine the construction sequence, the most likely option is below. The project will be constructed in stages to minimise disruption to project neighbours and motorists and to release early benefits.
- The southbound lanes will be the first to be widened.

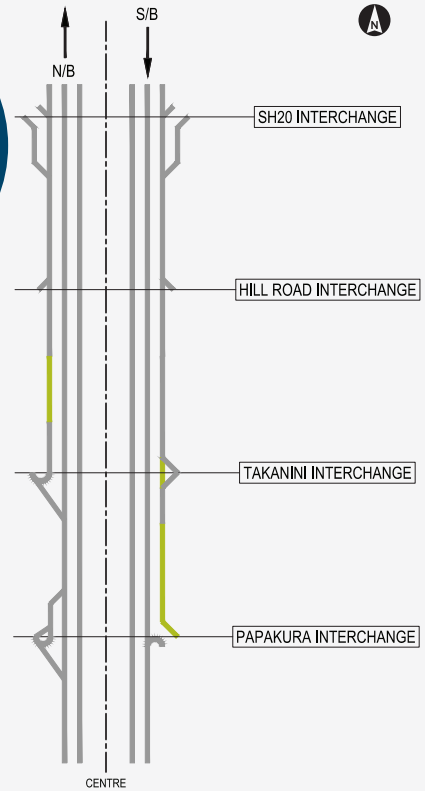
## Opening stages

The project will also be opened in stages to ensure drivers gradually get used to the new motorway layout.

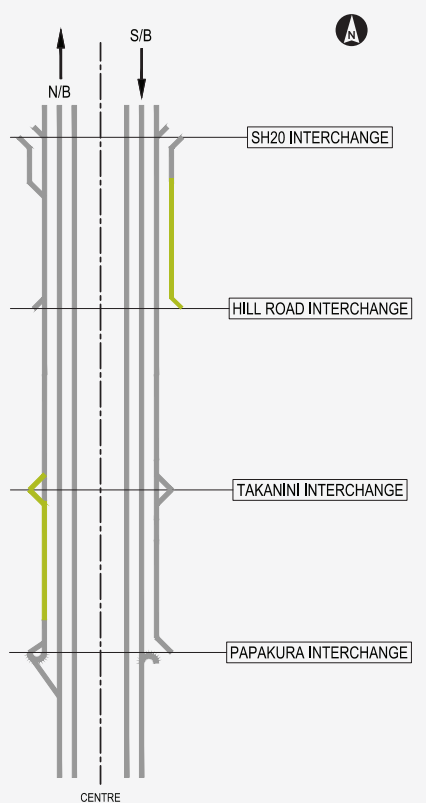
**STEP 1**  
Hill Rd to Takanini  
Southbound additional  
lane (3-lanes)  
(Scheduled to be opened  
before Waterview Tunnel)



**STEP 2**  
Takanini to Papakura  
Southbound additional  
lane (3-lanes)  
Takanini Northbound  
(3-lanes)


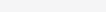


**STEP 3**  
Papakura to Takanini  
Northbound additional  
lane (3-lanes)  
Southbound additional  
lane (3-lanes)



The Hill Road Improvements including the 4<sup>th</sup> lane from Hill Road will be constructed at a future date. The SCI project will future-proof for this work.

### KEY

Existing lane   
Proposed additional lane 



## WHY ARE THE IMPROVEMENTS NEEDED?

The Southern Corridor Improvements are needed to address the current situation on the Southern Motorway – bottlenecks and congestion due to lane imbalances at several locations. The Takanini Interchange needs to be redesigned to improve traffic flow and access onto the motorway, while also addressing important safety issues.

## HOW MIGHT I BE AFFECTED?

While no residential property is required for this project, some access is necessary to build noise and retaining walls. In most cases these can be built from the motorway side but some will require access from your side of the fence.

### How much land do you require if accessing my side of the fence?

Our team requires up to three metres and can mark this out for you. We're happy to move trees and plants that can reasonably be relocated otherwise we will replace these with new plants.

### When is entry required and for how long?

While the project will take approximately three years, we will provide you with one month advance notice and entry will be for a maximum of three months.

### How will you keep my backyard secure during works?

Temporary fencing will be installed to keep your property separate from the work area and motorway.

### How will you access the actual motorway project area?

We will gain access via the motorway.

### What will happen to my garden shed?

We may need to move garden sheds or other owner improvements but will be sure to reinstate all owner improvements at the completion of the work.

### Can the noise walls be treated like a boundary wall?

Yes they can be treated as a boundary wall but we would ask you not to nail or drill holes in them.

➔ See pg. 4 for more FAQs on proposed noise walls



## LOOKING AFTER OUR NEIGHBOURS

Minimising disruption throughout construction for all directly and indirectly affected parties is important to the Transport Agency. Our contractor, once appointed will be responsible for carefully managing noise and traffic through the use of management systems and plans.



# NOISE AND RETAINING WALLS

## How do you determine who requires a noise wall?

An assessment by an independent acoustics consultant was conducted, based on accepted New Zealand standards and guidelines, and international research on response to road traffic noise. Following the assessment, noise barriers of varying heights have been recommended for most of the project extent.

## What will the noise walls look like?

There are two existing noise barrier designs within the project area in Takanini and Papakura. It is proposed that a continuation of the existing designs is most likely to be the look and style of the proposed noise walls.

***Do you have any feedback on the noise walls?  
We'd like to hear it, please see our contact details below.***



*Existing noise wall Takanini – Using concrete panels between steel posts*



*Existing noise wall Papakura – The palette was selected to reference the landuse and environment, along the route of the wall. Therefore, it has more green and blue paint tones towards the coast and moves into more earth tones (greens and browns) towards Papakura where there was a long history of agriculture and horticulture.*

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*In the Conifer Grove area it's proposed that a vertical extension to the noise barrier in this location will support plant growth i.e. climbers to reflect the green in the area at present. \*Artist impression only.*