East West Link

PROJECT UPDATE JANUARY 2017

APPLICATION AVAILABLE TO READ ONLINE

The NZ Transport Agency lodged its application for resource consents and Notices of Requirement for the East West Link in December 2016. The Transport Agency's application and supporting documents are available to view and download online.

There are four sets of documents that form the application, these are the:

- **Application forms:** these are the forms to apply for the resource consents and the Notices of Requirement (land required for the road).
- **Assessment of Environmental Effects:** the AEE, as it is known, provides a description of the project, the alternatives considered, a summary of potential environmental effects and an analysis of the project against relevant policy documents. More detail on the assessments of effects is provided in the technical assessment reports below.
- **Technical Assessment reports:** these describe and assess the potential environmental effects of the project. The reports also identify recommended mitigation measures to avoid, remedy or mitigate the potential adverse effects of the project on the environment. These assessments are summarised in the AEE. There are 20 separate reports covering different aspects.
- **Drawings:** in this section you can view drawings that are referred to in the assessment reports and the AEE. They include the road design, structures, stormwater, noise and construction plans.

You can view the application online

http://nzta.govt.nz/projects/east-west-link/applications-and-reports/

Hard copies will be available when the application is notified, which the Transport Agency anticipates will be during February/ March 2017.

AUGMENTED REALITY APP

The augmented reality app overlays a computer generated image of the East West Link route through the camera on your mobile device to create a real world view point.

Two augmented reality targets have been set up;

- 1) Onehunga Harbour Road southern side of the pedestrian overbridge
- 2) Onehunga Harbour Road grass verge in front of the Landing restaurant and bar

Download the app from your mobile device app store before heading out to the targets. Google Play Store. Apple Store

NEILSON STREET RAIL BRIDGE

Over the New Year holiday period the rail bridge at the end of Neilson Street was replaced with a lowered road to improve travel times for freight which have struggled uphill to reach the intersection at Onehunga Mall. The replacement road is on schedule to be operational from Monday 16 January 2017

EPA UPDATE

The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) manages the decision making process for proposals of national significance under the Resource Management Act 1991. The Transport Agency lodged an application for two notices of requirement and 23 resource consents that were accepted as complete on 22 December 2016 by the EPA.

The next step is for the Minister for the Environment and the Minister of Conservation to make a direction on whether the proposal is nationally significant and whether to refer the proposal to a board of inquiry, the Environment Court or the local authority for consideration and a decision.

If the Ministers determines that the matter is of national significance, the EPA will publicly notify the matter and a call for submissions will then be made.

The EPA website has several resource that you may find useful now or as the process commences:

- Environmental Legal Assistance Fund
- The Board of Inquiry process
- How to write a submission

URBAN AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN FRAMEWORK

The Urban and Landscape Design Framework (ULDF) sets out the overall urban design vision for the Project and how it will integrate with wider aspirations and plans in surrounding areas. This includes wider land use and development.

This framework will be used to inform the preparation of detailed landscape and urban design master plans for the East West Link Project.

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