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## Ōtaki to north of Levin Highway Project - Notice of Requirement for a Designation

Kia ora koutou

Please find enclosed notices of requirement for a designation made by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency ("Waka Kotahi") to enable the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of new state highway, shared use path and associated infrastructure, between Taylors Road (to the north of Ōtaki) and State Highway 1 north of Levin known as the Ōtaki to North of Levin Highway Project ("Ō2NL Project").

Details of the nature of the designations sought are provided in the Forms (Form 18 (and the associated Ō2NL Project resource consent Forms 9)) in 'Volume I: Notices of Requirement for Designation, Applications for Resource Consents and Request for Determination by the Environment Court', and as detailed in the supporting documentation.

The documentation provided in support of the NoRs is structured as follows:

- Volume I: Notices of requirement for designation, applications for resource consents; and request for determination by the Environment Court
- Volume II: Supporting documentation and assessment of effects on the environment
- Volume III: Drawings and plans
- Volume IV: Technical assessments
- Volume V: Cultural impact assessments.

As set out in the attached Form 7A, Waka Kotahi requests (under section 87D of the Resource Management Act) that Horowhenua District Council, together with Greater Wellington Regional Council, Horizons Regional Council and Kāpiti Coast District Council, allows the NoRs and applications for resource consent to be determined by the Environment Court instead of by Horowhenua District Council.

Waka Kotahi also requests that the applications be publicly notified. With regard to the deposit for lodgement, as agreed, please provide an invoice to [apinvoices@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:apinvoices@nzta.govt.nz) and refer to WBS 60060322.

If you have any queries regarding the NoRs and applications for resource consent, please contact Caitlin Kelly at [Caitlin.Kelly@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:Caitlin.Kelly@nzta.govt.nz) in the first instance.

Ngā mihi nui



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## Form 7A

### Request for application relating to resource consent to be determined by Environment Court *Sections 87D, Resource Management Act 1991*

To: Horowhenua District Council (“HDC”)

1. Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (“Waka Kotahi”) requests that you allow the following notices of requirement lodged by Waka Kotahi to be determined by the Environment Court instead of by HDC:
  - Notice of a requirement for a designation for a Project (public work) pursuant to section 168 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) which is to construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, shared use path and associated infrastructure, located generally between Heatherlea East Road and the boundary of the Kāpiti Coast District to the east of existing State Highway 1 and State Highway 57.

For full details of consents sought please refer to Form 9 (in Volume I) and Part D of Volume II: Supporting Information and Assessment of Effects on the Environment.

2. Concurrent applications for resource consents and notices of requirement are lodged with Greater Wellington Regional Council, Kāpiti Coast District Council and Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Council as detailed in Volume I of the accompanying documentation.
3. The overall applications relate to the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of new state highway and shared use path and associated infrastructure, between Taylors Road (to the north of Ōtaki) and State Highway 1 north of Levin known as the Ōtaki to North of Levin Highway Project (“Ō2NL Project”). The Ō2NL Project is the northern most section of the Wellington Northern Corridor, connecting to the Peka Peka to Ōtaki expressway, which is due to be completed in late 2022. Once PP2Ō is complete, a minimum 4-lane expressway from central Wellington CBD to north of Ōtaki (Taylors Road) will be provided. The Ō2NL Project is described in further detail in Volume II, Part C of the accompanying documentation.
4. The reasons for the request are as follows:
  - The applications relate to the delivery of significant infrastructure (with an overall cost of approximately \$1.5bn) with a wide range of public benefits. In particular, the Ō2NL Project enhances the safety of travel on the state highway network, improves the resilience of the state highway network, enables mode choice for travel between local communities and supports inter-regional and intra-regional growth and productivity through improved movement of people and freight on the state highway network.
  - A direct referral will reduce duplication and be more efficient in terms of time and costs for all parties. This is because:
    - as the Ō2NL Project has developed it has been the subject of comprehensive public engagement over many years, which has given key potential submitters and the community a sound understanding of the Project and the matters that are likely to be issues in respect of the applications; and
    - a decision made by GW would likely come to the Environment Court on appeal because there is significant local and regional interest in the Project and there are a number of potentially affected parties such that the likelihood of an appeal is high.
  - The Ō2NL Project is complex, because it includes substantial physical works over a 24km length; is located in four council jurisdictions; and includes two notices of requirement and applications for a numerous of resource consents. For this reason, it is expected that evidence would be provided by numerous expert witnesses and it is appropriate for the Environment Court to consider evidence on the Project given the Environment Court’s:
    - extensive experience with large complex infrastructure project that are technical in nature;

- ability to direct mediation and expert witness conferencing to narrow issues of contention (including access to commissioners with particular expertise in managing these processes); and
- ability to test evidence through cross-examination.
- The streamlined decision-making delivered by the application being determined directly by the Environment Court, and that decision being final subject to any appeals on points of law, better enables commencement by mid-2024 (should the Environment Court grant the consents and confirm the associated notices of requirement for a designation).
- The direct referral process enables effective participation by submitters and no parties will be unduly prejudiced by granting this request.

Waka Kotahi has also requested that Greater Wellington Regional Council, Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Council and Kāpiti Coast District Council allow the applications for resource consent and notices of requirement lodged with those councils for the Project to be determined by the Environment Court instead the respective councils.



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**Signature of person authorised to sign on behalf of the Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency**

Date: 1 November 2022

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# NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR A DESIGNATION OF LAND

1 November 2022

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency  
Ōtaki to North of Levin Highway Project





# Notice of Requirement for a Designation of Land Under Section 168 of the Resource Management Act 1991

*Section 145, 168(1), (2), 168A, and 181, and clause 4 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991*

To: Horowhenua District Council  
126/148 Oxford Street  
Levin 5510

From: Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency  
PO Box 5084  
Wellington 6140

Pursuant to section 168 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (Waka Kotahi) gives notice of a requirement for a designation for a project or public work.

The purpose of the proposed designation is to construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, shared use path and associated infrastructure.

Waka Kotahi is a network utility operator approved as a requiring authority under section 167 of the RMA. The relevant gazette notices are:

- Resource Management (Approval of Transit New Zealand as Requiring Authority) Order 1992 (NZ Gazette, Notice Number 1994-go1500) – and refer Schedule 2, Clause 29 of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 which confirms that the order applies to NZ Transport Agency for the construction and operation (including the maintenance, improvement, enhancement, expansion, realignment and alteration) of any State highway or motorway; and
- Resource Management (Approval of NZ Transport Agency as a Requiring Authority) Notice 2015 (NZ Gazette, Notice Number 2015-go6742) – which confirms the NZ Transport Agency as a requiring authority for the purpose of constructing or operating (or proposing to construct or operate) and maintaining cycleways and shared paths.

Waka Kotahi is the corporate name used throughout this notice of requirement. The legal name for Waka Kotahi as a requiring authority is the New Zealand Transport Agency. When the designation is confirmed, the requiring authority name recorded in the Horowhenua District Plan should be the New Zealand Transport Agency.

## The site to which the requirement applies is as follows:

The area of the proposed designation is shown on the plans included in **Volume III** of the documentation accompanying this notice of requirement.

The notice of requirement applies to an area of land within the Horowhenua District of approximately 516.517 hectares located generally between Heatherlea East Road and the boundary of the Kāpiti Coast District to the east of existing State Highway 1 (SH1).

The land directly affected by the requirement is identified in the 'Land Requirement Schedule' in the plans included **Volume III** of the documentation accompanying this notice of requirement and detailed in the table below. The property Records of Title for each are included in Appendix 1.

Land Parcel ID (as shown on the plans)	Legal Description	Record of Title	Required Area (ha)(approx.)
44	Part Lot 2 DP 7975	WN25A/348	5.3907

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45	Part Lot 28 DP 415	WN25A/348	0.2405
47	Lot 1 DP 54757	WN25A/347	6.68
52	Lot 1 DP 394488	377781	1.099
53	Lot 3 DP 369031	280732	1.099
55	Lot 2 DP 394488	377782	0.996
57	Lot 1 DP 68335	WN38B/71	0.1031
58	Lot 1 DP 70411	WN38D/252	0.742
59	Lot 3 DP 394488	377783	0.706
61	Part Lot 4 DP 59207	WN38D/253	3.0449
64	Lot 2 DP 68335	WN38B/72	5.089
65		Road	0.5016
70	Lot 3 DP 59207	WN30B/939	5.4995
77	Lot 1 DP 349423	202580	0.7053
85	Lot 2 DP 320610	81692	0.1593
88	Lot 3 DP 349423	202582	1.5359
91	Lot 2 DP 349423	202581	1.523
95	Lot 6 DP 378600	Road	0.598
96	Lot 8 DP 349423	Road	0.0709
99	Part Lot 4 DP 349423	202583	0.93
100	Section 3 SO 416937	Road	0.054
103	Lot 1 DP 472237	643026	0.775
104	Lot 5 DP 408558	431105	1.198

Land Parcel ID (as shown on the plans)	Legal Description	Record of Title	Required Area (ha)(approx.)
105	Section 1 SO 416937	Road	0.02
106	Section 4 SO 416937	Road	0.204
108	Lot 2 DP 472237	643027	0.783
109	Section 2 SO 416937	Road	0.01
110	Lot 7 DP 408558	431107	1.137
111	Lot 1 DP 433505	527526	0.2764
114	Lot 3 DP 472237	643028	2.019
115	Lot 6 DP 408558	431106	1.179
117	Lot 1 DP 405870	420530	6.563
119	Lot 4 DP 472237	643029	1.207
128	Lot 3 DP 409803	435936	0.6513
131	Lot 1 DP 69689	WN39A/456	2.3058
132	Lot 2 DP 396584	384995	2.268
136	Lot 3 DP 408558	431103	0.2149
137	Lot 1 DP 64531	WN32C/938	4.8739
139	Part Lot 3 DP 415	WN42B/3	5.5557
140	Lot 2 DP 415	WNA1/17	8.068
142	Lot 2 DP 76096	WN43B/167	3.8576
145	Lot 1 DP 50378	WN20B/1115	2.8872
146			1.135
150	Lot 1 DP 454344	583536	0.9061
151	Part Manawatu-Kukutauaki 4E3,2A2 Block	WN7D/255	8.8179

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158	Lot 3 DP 454344	583538	3.9593
162	Part Manawatu-Kukutauaki 4E3,2B Block	WN40D/73	11.3809
163	Part Ohau 3,1 Block	WN614/92	2.8897
164	Part Ohau 3,4A Block	WN327/59	1.8669
166	Ohau 3,4B2B Block	WN24C/596	1.5793
167	Ohau 3 Sbdn 15 and 16 No 2B Block	426720	2.069
169	Lot 2 DP 71290	WN39D/39	3.7556
171	Ohau 3 Sbdn 15 and 16 No 1 Block	436213	2.184
173	Part Ohau 3,17 Block Block DP	WN118/138	2.8864
178	Lot 2 DP 384664	338454	0.7881
180	Lot 1 DP 550492	948921	1.1475
182	Ohau 3A2,4B3 Block	WNE3/182	0.5173
185	Lot 1 DP 395949	382873	0.6288
188	Lot 1 DP 89766	556964	3.659
190	Lot 1 DP 500052	777316	0.7769
192	Ohau 3,10F1 Block	WNF2/142	0.202
197	Lot 1 DP 67833	WN39D/601	0.233
199	Lot 2 DP 89766	556965	2.561
200	Ohau 3A2,4A1B2 Block	WN49D/504	0.6153
201	Lot 1 DP 436230	535003	1.8746
202	Ohau 3A2,4A1C2 Block	WNE1/1404	0.6302



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203	Lot 2 DP 420651	478613	1.742
204	Ohau 3A2,4A1A Block	WN675/93	0.5226
207	Lot 1 DP 420651	478612	19.862
209	Ohau 3,11D Block	WN548/108	5.5927
211		Road	0.7947
212	Lot 1 DP 75720	WN44A/188	7.5731
217		Hydro	0.3352
222	Lot 2 DP 78144	WN44D/501	9.7146
228	Lot 1 DP 78144	WN44D/500	5.612
231	Part Muhunua 2 Block		0.9218
234	Part Section 35 Block V Waiopehu SD	WN44D/501	7.9851
249	Lot 1 DP 74579	WN54B/742	0.2
251	Part Section 36 Block V Waiopehu SD	WN44D/501	12.6442
253	Lot 5 DP 90212	WN57C/939	2.09
261	Lot 1 DP 51381	WN21A/162	0.155
264	Lot 1 DP 60994	WN30B/942	4.299
271	Lot 2 DP 60994	WN30B/943	0.8329
273	Lot 3 DP 464458	616939	1.177
274		Road	0.3877
275	Lot 2 DP 464458	616938	0.2028
282	Lot 3 DP 69565	WN38C/466	2.0108

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286	Lot 4 DP 69565	WN38C/467	2.0969
287	Part Lot 14 DP 2463	WN49A/938	5.0452
297	Lot 1 DP 16826	WN601/184	0.101
298	Lot 2 DP 55800	WN26A/618	3.7509
303		Road	0.034
304	Lot 1 DP 55800	WN26A/617	1.124
307	Lot 5 DP 25093	WNE4/997	0.6699
323		Road	1.272
323		Road	1.6155
328	Lot 1 DP 77808	WN44D/400	0.4
337	Lot 1 DP 89825	WN57C/122	1.304
345	Lot 2 DP 77808	WN44D/401	0.5448
346	Lot 1 DP 69127	WN40D/730	1.106
349	Lot 4 DP 40890	WN12B/1384	0.8059
355	Lot 2 DP 69127	WN40D/731	2.9383
360	Lot 2 DP 89825	WN57C/123	0.2902
363	Lot 1 DP 316816	65662	0.9185
367	Lot 2 DP 23429	WN985/25	5.7753
373	Lot 3 DP 69970	WN37B/865	1.2071
374	Lot 1 DP 45429	WN16C/254	2.3789
381	Lot 2 DP 45429	WN16C/255	1.4303
384	Lot 3 DP 424758	496957	0.8174

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387	Lot 2 DP 424758	496956	0.9072
392	Lot 1 DP 79362	WN45D/775	0.2228
394	Part Lot 1 DP 63254	WN45D/776	2.8142
400		Road	0.4516
403	Part Lot 1 DP 60406	WN30B/345	0.7645
404	Lot 2 DP 60406	WN30B/346	2.8416
405	Lot 2 DP 55498	WN26A/616	20.535
413	Part Lot 1 DP 4237	WN16A/319	18.3341
422		Road	0.0174
423		Road	0.3124
424	Lot 5 DP 77522	WN43D/745	2.3476
425	Lot 2 DP 368418	278001	0.3418
426		Road	0.143
432	Section 1 SO 436187	Road	0.009
434		Road	0.478
435	Lot 4 DP 77522	WN43D/744	2.5322
436	Section 2 SO 436187	Road	0.017
437		Road	0.179
441	Lot 3 DP 77522	WN43D/743	2.4745
442	Section 3 SO 436187	Road	0.018
443	Lot 2 DP 77522	WN43D/742	2.1787
444	Lot 1 DP 49715	WN19D/490	0.29

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445		Road	1.0341
446	Part Lot 4 DP 872	WN36C/91	0.7247
448	Lot 1 DP 63980	WN36C/865	2.4277
452		Road	0.1227
453	Part Lot 7 DP 872	WN92/162	5.939
455	Lot 1 DP 40660	WN12B/315	0.228
457		Road	1.017
459	Part Lot 6 DP 4291	WNA2/963	0.9745
461	Lot 2 DP 396990	386944	5.317
462	Part Lot 3 DP 6490	WNA4/1323	9.0172
463	Lot 1 DP 396990	386943	1.063
465	Part Lot 1 DP 86925	WN52C/744	12.839
466		Road	1.1676
467		Railway	0.9998
470	Lot 1 DP 91372	WN59A/938	1.6109
472	Lot 2 DP 513294	793068	3.815
473	Lot 2 DP 69563	WN37A/670	4.298
476	Lot 1 DP 422327	485953	0.368
479	Lot 2 DP 86925	WN52C/745	1.556
480	Lot 1 DP 19723	WN11A/212	0.101
481	Lot 2 DP 422327	485954	0.868
483	Lot 1 DP 33528	WN11A/212	0.048

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484	Lot 3 DP 69563	WN37A/671	0.211
485	Lot 2 DP 438605	541873	3.372
489	Lot 1 DP 513294	793067	1.521
490	Part Lot 2 DP 1941	WN14C/504	2.481
492		Road	1.2552
493	Lot 3 DP 438605	793067	0.368
494	Lot 3 DP 68623	WN37A/229	0.2
495	Lot 4 DP 68623	WN37A/230	3.0151
496		Road	0.0751
498	Lot 1 DP 514857	799611	1.6163
499	Part Lot 4 DP 1941	WN527/160	5.094
504	Lot 1 DP 82330	WN48D/912	0.533
506	Lot 2 DP 82330	WN48D/913	9.203
509	Lot 1 DP 303237	12849	0.8527
510	Part Lot 7 DP 1941	WN17B/433	0.6808
511	Lot 1 DP 47003	WN18C/862	3.8249
513	Lot 2 DP 12297	WN488/108	0.5527
514	Lot 1 DP 13107	WN509/166	0.1845
516	Part Lot 1 DP 12297	WN533/49	0.1537
519	Lot 2 DP 308692	33713	14.4041
531	Part Lot 1 DP 2291	WN15B/46	2.1219
534	Lot 18 DP 2291	WN15B/45	1.1403

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535	Lot 1 DP 73153	WN40C/77	2.4877
536		Road	0.3146
540	Lot 19 DP 2291	WN15B/46	2.124
544	Lot 20 DP 2291	WN194/178	0.8345
548	Lot 2 DP 73153	WN40C/78	3.3704
550	Lot 1 DP 438115	540593	1.069
555	Lot 21 DP 2291	WNF2/1350	2.124
560	Lot 1 DP 88246	WN55D/113	1.6901
561	Lot 22 DP 2291	WNF2/1351	1.3704
565	Lot 2 DP 406641	423307	0.5739
566	Lot 23 DP 2291	WNF2/1352	1.2792
569	Lot 2 DP 21965	WN955/93	0.3726
570	Lot 24 DP 2291	WNF2/764	1.1997
573	Part Lot 1 DP 29766	WN44D/213	3.1179
574	Lot 2 DP 428802	512963	1.6692
576		Road	0.6091
577	Lot 2 DP 396758	385893	7.5688
580		Road	1.7003
582	Lot 1 DP 396758	385892	0.504
583	Lot 2 DP 77284	WN43C/180	1.1648
586	Lot 26 DP 2291	WNF3/275	2.289
587	Lot 1 DP 69273	WN38D/58	0.1003



Land Parcel ID (as shown on the plans)	Legal Description	Record of Title	Required Area (ha)(approx.)
590	Lot 1 DP 89255	WN56C/965	0.4374
591		Road	0.362
592	Section 51 Block II Waiopēhu SD	WN11D/1284	9.148
594	Lot 1 DP 89230	WN56C/911	2.847
596	Lot 1 DP 52953	WN24A/617	0.207
598	Lot 1 DP 85775	WN53C/388	0.206
599	Lot 3 DP 69273	WN38D/60	2.1921
600	Part Lot 1 DP 372252	292208	0.5396
602	Lot 2 DP 89255	WN56C/966	1.089
604	Lot 3 DP 89255	WN56C/967	3.9836
605	Part Lot 2 DP 52953	WN53C/389	5.378
606	Lot 16 DP 2291	WN16B/1498	0.4229
607		Road	1.0359
613		Road	0.7539
615	Lot 2 DP 47003	WN18C/863	0.8071
619	Lot 4 DP 69273	WN38D/61	0.311
641	Lot 2 DP 362812	256150	17.3654
660	Lot 3 DP 513294	793067	1.709
680	Lot 4 DP 394488	377784	0.925
1009	Lot 2 DP 514857	799612	0.2137
1034	Part Lot 5 DP 872	Road	0.168
1036		Road	0.02

Land Parcel ID (as shown on the plans)	Legal Description	Record of Title	Required Area (ha)(approx.)
1037		Road	0.328
4146	Lot 1 DP 535861	888014	1.2023

**The nature of the proposed work is:**

The proposed project or public work is the construction, operation, maintenance and improvement of a state highway, shared use path and associated activities between Heatherlea East Road and the boundary of the Kāpiti Coast District to the east of existing State Highway 1 and State Highway 57 (a part of the Ō2NL Project or the Project).

The Project is described in detail in **Volume II, Part C** of the accompanying documentation.

In summary the Ō2NL Project within Horowhenua District includes:

- a four lane (two lanes in each direction), median divided road;
- a shared use path for walking and cycling along the length of the new road;
- a half interchange with southbound ramps near Taylors Road, including road lighting;
- new local road and access tracks to properties
- utility relocations
- median and edge barriers;
- signs and gantries, as required;
- stormwater treatment wetlands, stormwater swales, drains and sediment traps;
- stream diversions and culverts to reconnect water bodies cross by the Ō2NL Project;
- material supply sites and
- sites for spoil disposal.

The Ō2NL Project is identified as key priority in the National Land Transport Programme 2018 - 2021, and as one of the 'Significant Inter-Regional Activities Between the Manawatū-Whanganui Region and Greater Wellington Region' in the Horizons Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 - 2025 (2018 review).

**The nature of the proposed conditions that would apply are:**

The proposed conditions that will apply to the works authorised by the proposed designation are set out in **Volume II, Appendix Five**.

**The effects that the proposed work will have on the environment, and the ways in which any adverse effects will be mitigated are:**

An assessment of effects of the Ō2NL Project on the environment and how they are proposed to be managed and mitigated is included in **Volume II, Part G and Part H** of the accompanying documentation. This assessment identifies the actual and potential adverse effects, and positive effects, of the construction and operation of the Ō2NL Project and sets out measures to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset or compensate for adverse effects.

In summary, positive effects are the benefits realised as part of the Project to:

- the transport network from:
  - improved safety
  - improved resilience and reliability;
  - increased capacity within the wider network;
  - improved efficiency and connectivity;

- the existing transport network and adjacent landowners, due to reduced traffic on existing SH1;
- people and communities from high quality, well connected and integrated urban development; and
- local and regional economies, from the facilitation and support of growth.

Other actual and potential effects relate to:

- cultural values;
- ecology and indigenous biodiversity values;
- landscape and visual amenity values;
- noise effects;
- social impacts;
- economic impacts;
- impacts on productive land;
- property within the designation; and
- historic heritage and archaeology.

**Alternative sites, routes, and methods have been considered to the following extent:**

The area of the proposed designation was determined following an iterative and comprehensive option evaluation and refinement process. The detail of this process is set out in the assessment of alternative sites, routes and methods in **Volume II, Part E** of the accompanying documentation.

**The proposed work and designation are reasonably necessary for achieving the objectives of the requiring authority because:**

The objective of Waka Kotahi under Section 94 of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA) is *“to undertake its functions in a way that contributes to an effective, efficient, and safe land transport system in the public interest”*.

The objectives of Waka Kotahi for the Ō2NL Project are to:

- enhance safety of travel on the state highway network.
- enhance the resilience of the state highway network.
- provide appropriate connections that integrate the state highway and local road network to serve urban areas.
- enable mode choice for journeys between local communities by providing a north-south cycling and walking facility.
- support inter-regional and intra-regional growth and productivity through improved movement of people and freight on the state highway network.

The Ō2NL Project works are reasonably necessary to achieve the objectives of Waka Kotahi because they will:

- enhance safety when compared to the existing state highway by diverting traffic onto a modern, fit-for-purpose and safe state highway;
- enhance the resilience of the state highway, including reducing road closures as a result of traffic accidents or natural hazard events when compared to the existing state highway;
- service current urban areas and support the development of future urban areas through connection onto, and across, the transport network;
- provide enhanced north-south walking and cycling facilities and connections through the delivery of the Shared Use Path; and
- enable more efficient and reliable inter-regional and intra-regional journeys.

The proposed designation is reasonably necessary as a planning tool as it identifies and protects land required for the Ō2NL Project and will enable Waka Kotahi to carry out the proposed work. The principal reasons for requiring a designation to facilitate the work to which the requirement relates are because it will:

- allow the land required to be identified in the Horowhenua District Plan, giving a clear indication of the intended use of the land;
- protect the proposed route from future development that would prevent or hinder the construction of the Project;
- provide certainty for landowners of the intended use of the land and the work to be undertaken in the future;
- enable the integrated development of the Ō2NL Project;
- provide consistency of management and planning for the state highway network which is designated; and
- allow Waka Kotahi, or its authorised agents, to undertake the works necessary for the Ō2NL Project within the area subject to the proposed designation.

In addition, the proposed designation is reasonably necessary to enable Waka Kotahi to achieve its principal objective under the LTMA.

The detailed reasons why the designation is reasonably necessary to meet the statutory and project objectives are set out in **Volume II, Part I** of the accompanying documentation.

**The following resource consents are needed for the proposed activity and have - or have not - been applied for:**

Resource consents for a number of activities as set out in Volume I and in Part D of Volume II: Supporting Information and Assessment of Effects on the Environment. These include land use consents, water permits and discharge permits) as required by Resource Management Act, National Environmental Standards for Freshwater and the relevant provisions of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region and the Horizons One Plan.

In addition, a designation in the Kāpiti Coast District Plan is also required over the part of the Ō2NL Project within Kāpiti Coast District.

Waka Kotahi does not seek that the requirement for an outline plan be waived, in terms of section 176A(2)(c) of the RMA, but do seek such a waiver for enabling works (as detailed in Part D of Volume II: Supporting Information and Assessment of Effects on the Environment).

Additional approvals for the Project may be required and will be obtained prior to construction. These approvals may include resource consents determined relevant at the time of construction, such as consents for soil disturbance under the National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health.

**The following consultation has been undertaken with parties that are likely to be affected:**

Consultation has been undertaken with iwi, landowners, the community and key stakeholders including as part of the assessment of alternatives and corridor refinement. Consultation is on-going. Engagement has been achieved through a number of channels, including workshops, hui, one-on-one meeting, public open days, letters, newsletters and online information.

Details of this consultation are included in **Volume II, Part F** of the accompanying documentation.

**Proposed Lapse Period:**

Waka Kotahi seeks a lapse period of ten years from the date on which the designation is included in the Horowhenua District Plan (section 175 and section 184(1) of the RMA).

**Supporting Information:**

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency attaches the following information required to be included in this notice by the district plan, regional plan, or any regulations made under the RMA:

- Volume II: Supporting documentation and assessment of effects on the environment
  - Part A Introduction and background to the project
  - Part B Description of the environment
  - Part C Description of the project
  - Part D Statutory context
  - Part E Consideration of alternatives
  - Part F Consultation and engagement
  - Part G Assessment of effects on the environment
  - Part H Management of effects on the environment
  - Part I Statutory assessment
  - Appendices (Rule assessment, Relevant statutory/planning provisions, Cultural and Environmental Design Framework, Design and Construction Report, Proposed conditions)
- Volume III: Drawings and plans
- Volume IV: Technical assessments
  - A Transport
  - B Noise and vibration
  - C Air quality
  - D Landscape, visual and natural character
  - E Social impacts
  - F Hydrology and flooding
  - G Hydrogeology and groundwater
  - H Surface water quality
  - I Contaminated land
  - J Terrestrial ecology
  - K Freshwater ecology
  - L Archaeology
  - M Built heritage
  - N Productive land
  - O Economics and town centre impacts
- Volume V: Cultural impact assessments

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