Appendix K: NZTA Environmental Objectives

Summary of relevant NZTA environmental objectives provided in the NZTA Environmental Plan 2008

Environmental Impact	Relevant Environmental Objective/s
Noise	N3 Manage construction and maintenance noise to acceptable levels
Air quality	None specifically related to construction activities
Water resources	W1 Ensure runoff from State Highways complies with RMA requirements
	W2 Limit the adverse effects of run-off from State Highways on sensitive receiving environments
	W3 Ensure stormwater treatment devices on the network are effective
Erosion and sediment control	ES1 Ensure construction and maintenance activities avoid, remedy or mitigate effects of soil erosion, sediment runoff and sediment deposition
	ES2 Identify areas susceptible to erosion and sediment deposition and implement erosion and sediment control measures appropriate to each situation with particular emphasis on high-risk areas
	ES3 Use bio-engineering and low-impact design practices where practicable
Social responsibility	None specifically related to construction activities
Culture and heritage	H1 Proactively limit the disturbance of significant cultural and heritage features along state highways
Ecological resources	E2 No net loss of native vegetation, wetlands, critical habitat or endangered species
	E3 Limit the spread of plant pests
Spill response and contamination	S1 Design stormwater control and retention devices that can accommodate spills in areas of high environmental risk
	S2 Ensure the removal, placement and disposal of contaminated soils is achieved in accordance with the Soil NES
Resource efficiency	None specifically related to construction activities
Climate change	C3 Mitigate activities associated with the construction, operation and maintenance of state highways to effect a net deduction of GHG from transport
Visual quality	None specifically related to construction activities
Vibration	V2 Mitigate vibration where levels are unreasonable and exceed relevant criteria set in New Zealand or internationally accepted thresholds
	V3 Avoid or reduce, as far as practicable, the disturbance to communities from vibration during construction and maintenance

Environmental management methods set out in this CEMP will remain consistent with the NZTA's overall objective, as well as the objectives and policies in the NZTA's Environmental Plan