

State Highway 1 to State Highway 59

The current section of SH1 between Linden and Mackays Crossing is being renumbered SH59. The new motorway through Transmission Gully will be SH1.



Changes after the Transmission Gully motorway opens

Getting off/on SH59 at **Kāpiti**

The new motorway will connect directly to the Kāpiti Expressway. If you're travelling south from Kāpiti, and don't want to continue on SH1 through Transmission Gully, you'll need to exit at the Mackays Crossing or Paekākāriki offramps to access SH59, which passes through Paekākāriki and Pukerua Bay.

When travelling north on SH59 through Paekākāriki, you can join SH1 in both directions at Mackays Crossing or northbound only at the Paekākāriki interchange.

Getting off/on SH59 at **Linden**

When travelling north on SH1 at Linden, you need to be in the centre or right lanes to continue on SH59 for Porirua City Centre and on to Paremata and Plimmerton. If travelling to Whitby, Waitangirua, Pāuatahanui, Hutt Valley or Kāpiti, you should take the left or centre lanes to continue on SH1 via the new motorway.

When travelling south on SH59 from Paremata and Porirua, you will merge with SH1 at Linden and do not need to alter your journey.



While SH1 via the Transmission Gully motorway will be the primary route in and out of the region, SH59 will still be used to access communities including Aotea, Papakowhai, Paremata, Plimmerton and Pukerua Bay.

When the new motorway opens, SH59 will still be used by people for travelling locally and for recreation and active transport, as it is a scenic route with connections to communities and existing shared paths including:

 Te Ara Harakeke (the flax pathway) between Plimmerton and Pukerua Bay Te Ara o Whareroa, which connects Paekākāriki through Queen Elizabeth Park with the Kāpiti cycle route at Raumati.

When the new motorway opens, the volume of traffic on the coastal road will reduce significantly – making it a safer route for on-road cyclists.

What does it mean for me?

Renumbering the coastal road will make it easier for everyone using the road, including residents, businesses, local communities, visitors, and delivery and emergency services.

The existing SH1 between Linden in the south and Mackays Crossing in the north is being renumbered SH59. Signs in the area will be updated to reflect the change to SH59.

This renumbering is part of a wider project to prepare the State Highway network, and everyone who uses it, for changes to the network when the new motorway opens.

Despite the change in number, the route remains the same.

When you're driving on SH59, the change in number may not seem like it affects you at all. But if your destination is along the route, or you need to give details of where you are if you have a breakdown, it is important you know which state highway you're on.

Why SH59?

State highways are numbered according to which part of the country they are located. In the greater Wellington region, state highways are numbered between 50-59 – and SH59 is the next available number in the region.



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