

WHAT IS THE SH20A TO AIRPORT PROJECT?

Overview

The NZ Transport Agency has secured \$140M of Government funding to upgrade State Highway 20A as part of the Auckland Accelerated Programme. The SH20A to Airport project includes the following improvements:

- Upgrading SH20A to motorway standard (currently expressway standard)
- Providing for future bus shoulder lanes
- Constructing a trench to separate motorway and local traffic at the SH20A/ Kirkbride Road intersection
- Improving landscaping and lighting
- Protecting the environment through enhanced stormwater treatment and drainage
- Improved pedestrian and cycling facilities.

Timing

- Construction is scheduled to commence early 2015 and will take approximately two years to complete.

Project objectives

- To enhance economic growth and productivity by contributing to the region's critical transport infrastructure
- To deliver improved journey reliability to and from Auckland Airport
- To enhance SH20A through improved landscaping and design elements
- To maintain cycle and pedestrian connectivity within the wider SH20A corridor
- To improve the current safety issues at the SH20A intersection with Kirkbride Road

Benefits

- Improved journey reliability for traffic to and from Auckland Airport.
- Better connections for freight and local traffic using Kirkbride Road
- Safer journeys for pedestrians and cyclists across Kirkbride Road
- Improved stormwater treatment to protect the wider environment
- Increased connectivity for local community
- Enhanced arrival and departure experience for visitors to Auckland and New Zealand
- Improved landscaping and lighting
- Reduced road noise

UPGRADE SH20A

- Motorway standard between Bader Drive and Landing Drive.
- Provision for priority lanes for freight & buses.

