



Cromwell Intersection Improvements Project



Background

We are working to make the SH6/SH8B Cromwell intersection safer for everyone who uses it. This is a busy intersection, with a growing number of crashes. Improving this intersection is part of our commitment to Vision Zero – where no one is killed or seriously injured on our roads.

This is one of several projects funded by the government's New Zealand Upgrade Programme, a \$8.7 billion programme to provide growing communities with better travel choices that help people get where they're going safely.

Winter work

Cold winter temperatures aren't suitable for sealing roads. That is why we are using a temporary seal and ramps in some locations, to ensure both roundabouts remain usable from the end of May until warmer spring weather arrives, and final coats of seal can be applied. Over winter, our work will focus on building footpaths and getting ready for planting and other landscaping.

New roundabouts taking shape

Favourable weather since the work got underway in February has enabled good progress on the two roundabouts at the centre of this project.

SH6/SH8B roundabout

Significant earthworks have been finished on the Queenstown side of the SH6/SH8B intersection, with drainage and utilities installed. Portions of this have been sealed and completed, with work now underway on the Wanaka side of the roundabout.

SH8B Wooing Tree roundabout

This is a fully developer-funded roundabout to provide safe access to a large nearby residential subdivision. With the Wooing Tree side of the roundabout complete, works moved to the Cromwell town side, including kerb and channel formation on Barry Avenue. The surfacing will be placed shortly.

Temporary traffic changes

Traffic management and layout changes to the road are one of the most important things we can do to keep our teams safe on the job, and ensure the smoothest and most efficient construction possible.

SH6 traffic flows one way only, from the SH8B/Shortcut Road intersection to SH6 when heading to Wanaka. Vehicles travelling from Wanaka are now directed via Shortcut Road, to Cromwell or Queenstown. These will remain until the end of May and resume in spring.

The Barry Avenue intersection with SH8B (near The Gate Hotel) is closed to accommodate construction work on the Wooing Tree roundabout. Access to The Gate Hotel, Cromwell town centre and to re-join Barry Avenue is now via Sargood Road. Please follow the detour signs.

These temporary traffic layout measures will remain until the end of May 2022. While the roundabouts will operate through winter, we'll need to revert to the current detour arrangements in spring. This is necessary so we can finish any remaining work that couldn't be done over winter including applying final coats of seal to both roundabouts.

Thank you for your patience as we finish this important road safety project.

Important information for heavy vehicle operators

This detour is approved for all vehicle types (including 50Max, HPMV, overweight and overdimension).

At least 24 hours prior to travel, operators of overdimension vehicles must contact Andy Dennison, Site Manager Fulton Hogan on **0272 753 767** or andrew.dennison@fultonhogan.com.



If you have any questions, please email cromwellroundabouts@nzta.govt.nz or call **0272 903 665**.

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