Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, Queen of New Zealand, touched the hearts of many across the country during her many visits here. Pictured is a scene from her visit in 1990, when she opened the new Wairoa Bridge on SH2 after the previous bridge was destroyed by Cyclone Bola in 1988.

WEEKLY REPORT TO THE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT

Week ending 23 September 2022

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1. CURRENT BRIEFINGS (BRI) AND MINISTER QUERIES (MIN)

REFERENCE	TITLE	DUE DATE
Minister Wood		
BRI-2567	s 9(2)(f)(iv) [redacted]	TBC
BRI-2569	s 9(2)(f)(iv) [redacted]	TBC
BRI-2568	**[PROACTIVE]** NZUP: South Auckland – Mill Road	TBC
BRI-2570	s 9(2)(f)(iv) [redacted]	TBC
BRI-2537	s 9(2)(f)(iv) [redacted]	TBC
BRI-2571	**[PROACTIVE]** NZUP: Queenstown, P2D & Takitimu North Link baseline reports, SH22 Bridge over Ngākōroa River - assessment update	TBC
MIN-3914	Lifting of the SH22 Bridge over Ngākōroa stream	TBC
MINO-470	VTNZ Privacy Breach	23 September 2022
MIN-3963	Transport and Infrastructure Committee - Inter-regional passenger rail inquiry	26 September 2022
MINO-466	AWHC project monthly update	28 September 2022
MINO-467	Projection of media barrier installation to be delivered over one and two years	28 September 2022
MIN-3887	WPQ-16049 follow up – DSI 2021 statistics	29 September 2022
MIN-3839	National Ticketing Solution monthly report	30 September 2022

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BRI-2501	LGWM: Advice on next steps to improve LGWM governance	30 September 2022
BRI-2534	CERF – Mode shift and indicative costs	30 September 2022
BRI-2594	Advice on maintenance including contributing factors, current state and management options	3 October 2022
MIN-3959	2021-24 NLTP forecast scenarios, cashflow situation	3 October 2022
N/A	LGWM monthly report for September 2022	7 October 2022
MINO-371	Follow up to meeting with the NZ Equestrian Advocacy Network	10 October 2022
BRI-2596	Briefing and speech notes for Future Roads conference, 6 and 7 November 2022	1 November 2022
BRI-2589	AWHC and ALR joint briefing for ALR sponsors meeting, 29 November 2022	15 November 2022
MIN-3970	Update on reinstatement works in Marlborough, following severe weather events	15 November 2022
Minister McAnulty		
MINO-471	Waka Kotahi and media visit to Northland, 23 September 2022	22 September 2022
MIN-3965	Communications material – Councils accessing Road to Zero funding	28 September 2022

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2. ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

REFERENCE	TITLE	DUE DATE
MIN-3970	Update on reinstatement works in Marlborough, following severe weather events	15 November 2022
N/A	Clean Car Standard – number of small operators included in Category 2 – update via weekly report	23 September 2022

3. MEETINGS WITH OTHER MINISTERS

REFERENCE	DATE
N/A	N/A

4. SELECT COMMITTEE MEETINGS

REFERENCE	DATE
Meeting with the Transport and Infrastructure committee on the Future of Interregional Passenger Rail in New Zealand	6 October 2022

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5. KEY UPDATES

TITLE	UPDATE
Agenda for Waka Kotahi Board Meeting	The agenda for the Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency Board meeting, scheduled for 27 September 2022, is provided in **Appendix A**.
s 9(2)(f)(iv)	
Complaints Regarding Waka Kotahi Advertising	The Public Service Commissioner has written to the Chair of the Waka Kotahi Board regarding complaints received about Waka Kotahi advertising that featured local government election candidates. In error, Waka Kotahi promoted social media posts featuring local government election candidates during the pre-election period. These posts featured councillors in their capacity as local representatives rather than election candidates, however it is acknowledged it was inappropriate for these to be active during the election period. Waka Kotahi is briefing the Board with an explanation of when the posts were active, when they were removed, and the steps taken to ensure this will not happen again in future.

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6. REGULAR UPDATES

TITLE	UPDATE
Public Transport (PT) Patronage	Following the removal of the COVID-19 Protection Framework, public transport authorities reported visibly increased PT patronage, which reached the highest level all year. Wearing face coverings has dropped to very low levels. The latest PT patronage trends are provided in **Appendix B**.

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7. GENERAL UPDATES

TITLE	UPDATE
Network Road Closures Due to Weather Events and Crashes	A summary of road closures on the state highway network between 12 September and 19 September 2022 are provided below: **12 September 2022** • SH31 Pirongia to Otorohanga: Closed due to a fallen tree for 15.5 hours. • SH94 Milford Road: Closed due to an avalanche hazard for approximately 18 hours. **13 September 2022** • SH7 Hanmer Turnoff to Springs Junction - Lewis Pass: Closed due to snow for 11.5 hours. • SH4 Whanganui to Raetihi: Closed due to a slip for 2.5 hours. • SH73 Springfield to Castle Hill: Closed due to snow for 3.5 hours. • SH41 Kuratau:Slip over north bound lane. Cleared and opened after 2 hours. **14 September 2022** • SH3 Stratford, Taranaki: Closed for approximately 3.5 hours due to truck roll over and recovery. **15 September 2022** • SH1N Bulli Point - Taupo to Turangi: Slip over south bound lane. Cleared and opened after 3 hours. **17 September 2022** • SH41 – between SH4 and SH32 (Ngapuke): Closed due to crash. Cleared and opened after 9 hours.
Update Following the 17-19 August 2022 Intense Rainfall Events	A network update following severe weather events is provided below: • Tasman/Marlborough: SH63 re-opened on 10 September 2022 following the reinstatement of the Branch Bridge approach and resurfacing to The Wash River scour. • Tasman: SH60 (Drummond historic slip, Takaka Hill) is under single lane traffic signals control due to a drop out. Recovery investigations are underway.

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TITLE	UPDATE
	• Tasman: SH60 (Birds Hill) is under single lane traffic signals control due to a drop out and historic overslip. Recovery investigations are underway. • Nelson: SH6 (Rocks Road) is now open but under traffic management. • Nelson: SH6 (Whangamoa Hill) single lane traffic signals are in place for two dropout sites. Recovery investigations are underway. • Marlborough: SH6 (Rai Saddle) single lane traffic signals are in place for four dropout sites. Recovery investigations are underway.

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8. REGIONAL UPDATES

REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
Auckland/Northland	**SH1 Mangamuka Gorge and SH10** SH1 through Mangamuka Gorge is still closed as conditions are remain highly unstable, and the ground is still moving. Ground investigations are ongoing. Geotechnical investigations on the slip near Totara North Road on SH10 Waitaruke where an underslip reduced the road to one lane have been completed and repairs are being programmed. Temporary access for overweight vehicles to use the SH10 Waitangi River Bridge remains in place while SH1 remains closed through the Mangamuka Gorge. Strengthening works will begin in the next two to three weeks with a 12-week construction period. The team is confident they can complete the works without needing to close the bridge, however a lane closure may be necessary. The Parapara Bridge just north of the Waitangi River Bridge also suffered storm damage, and a 50km/h speed restriction remains in place. Bridge strengthening works will commence once designs are finalised. The condition of both bridges is being closely monitored. Δ SH1 through Mangamuka Gorge

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REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
	SH1 Whangārei-Wellsford Safety Improvements During the week beginning 12 September 2022, Waka Kotahi formally announced details of the revised proposals for safety improvements at four key intersections along a 7.5km stretch of SH1, near Waipū. This is part of the Central section on the SH1 Whangārei-Wellsford safety improvements project. The plans reflect feedback provided through the engagement phase on an initial set of designs, with input received from iwi and hapū partners, key stakeholders and the wider community late last year. Community engagement will continue over the coming months both for this and other packages of work within the Central section. The redesigned proposals can be viewed online at: www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/connecting-northland/sh1-whangarei-to-wellsford/publications The media release can also be viewed online at: www.nzta.govt.nz/media-releases/redesigned-proposals-signal-improved-road-safety-at-waipu/
Waikato/Bay of Plenty 	**Tauriko West Enabling Works – Delivery and Funding** Delivery of the Tauriko West Enabling Works project is going well, with applications for Resource Management Act 1991 approvals being submitted during September and October 2022. The project is on track to go to market for the construction contractor in January 2023. s 9(2)(g)(i) [redacted] [redacted] s 9(2)(g)(i) [redacted]

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REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
	s 9(2)(g)(i) [redacted]
Wellington/Top of South	**SH59 Wellington Update** SH59 reopened at 5:10am on 15 September 2022, less than four weeks after a significant slip closed the road.

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REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
Rest of the South	**Last Section of Boardwalk Placed in Blanket Bay** Safer journeys are on the way for people travelling between Dunedin and Port Chalmers, with a dedicated off-highway shared path for people walking and biking alongside SH88 between St Leonards and Port Chalmers. A unique feature of this project is a 610-metre-long boardwalk at Blanket Bay that will carry the first section of the new shared path across the Bay. The last prefabricated section of boardwalk on the Bay was recently laid, the 122nd unit to be placed on the 610-metre stretch. The boardwalk is expected to open in the next six to nine months. The immediately adjacent section of path still needs to be constructed, along with installation of lighting and safety railings.

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9. MEDIA UPDATES

REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
Auckland/Northland	**Mangamuka Gorge Media Site Visit** A media site visit through the closed section of SH1 through the Mangamuka Gorge is planned for 30 September 2022. The visit will provide an opportunity for media to see the extent of the damage to this section of SH1 first-hand, and to receive an update from Waka Kotahi on potential options for repairs or reconstruction. **Auckland Light Rail and Waitematā Harbour Connections** A joint Waka Kotahi/Auckland Light Rail media statement is planned for release on 28 September 2022. The statement will announce the two preferred bidders to plan and design the next phases of the city's expanding rapid transit and multi modal transport network – Waitematā Harbour Connections and Auckland Light Rail.

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10. STATE HIGHWAY CLOSURES

REGIONAL AREA	UPDATE
Wellington/Top of South	**SH53 Featherston to Martinborough** Due to emergency slip clearance and hill stabilisation works, SH53 is closed between the intersection of No. 1 Line and Wards Line. A detour is in place.

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11. ROAD DEATH UPDATE – WEDNESDAY 14TH TO TUESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

Key: SAAS: Safe and Appropriate Speed. SH: State highway. IRR: Infrastructure Risk Rating. UCSR: Used Car Safety Rating. ANCAP: Australasian New Car Assessment Program. CWR: Crash Worthiness Rating. VSRR: Vehicle Safety Risk Rating. Top 10%: the 10% of regional networks assessed to deliver the greatest DSI savings through Speed Management.

Crash description		Speeds		Roads & Roadsides				People			Vehicles	
What happened (NZ Police description)	Date of crash Time of crash Local Council	Speed limit km/h	SAAS km/h	SH	IRR Land use and risk rating: low, medium, high	Road conditions	Deceased details Gender, Age, User	Deceased drivers' licence status	Restraint or helmet worn	Vehicle type where occupant died	UCSR/ANCAP/ CWR (light vehicles only)	Other vehicles involved
s 9(2)(a)	s 9(2)(a) Auckland	No info on Mega Maps	No info on Mega Maps	No		Dry Objects hit: None	s 9(2)(a) Pedestrian	Not applicable for Pedestrian	Unknown	Utility	5*ANCAP	None
	s 9(2)(a) Waipa	100	80	Yes	Medium Rural Residential	Wet Objects hit: None	s 9(2)(a) Driver s 9(2)(a) Driver	Learners Full-Current	Unknown Yes	Car Ambulance	3*VSRR Not applicable for Ambulance	None
	s 9(2)(a) Otorohanga	100	80	Yes	Low Medium Rural Residential	Dry Objects hit: None	s 9(2)(a) Driver	Full-Current	Yes	Car	1*UCSR	Truck and Trailer Unit
	s 9(2)(a) Waitomo	50	40	Yes	Low Medium Commercial Big Box/Industrial	Dry Objects hit: None	s 9(2)(a) Pedestrian	Unknown at time of report	Not applicable for Pedestrian	Pedestrian	1*UCSR	Car
	s 9(2)(a)	100	80	Yes	Low Medium Rural Residential	Dry Objects hit: Ditch	s 9(2)(a) Driver s 9(2)(a) Driver	Full-Current Full-Current	Yes Yes No	Car SUV	5*UCSR 3*VSRR	None

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s 9(2)(a)	Matamata-Piako						s 9(2)(a) Passenger	Not applicable for Passenger				
	s 9(2)(a) Manukau	No info on Mega Maps	No info on Mega Maps	No		Dry Objects hit: Parked Cars	s 9(2)(a) Cyclist	Not applicable for Cyclist	Yes	Bicycle	Not applicable for Bicycle	Utility, Van, Car, Car
	s 9(2)(a) Grey	100	80	No	Medium Rural Residential	Dry Objects hit: Tree	s 9(2)(a) Driver	Restricted-Current	Yes	Car	4*UCSR	None
	s 9(2)(a) Auckland	No info on Mega Maps	No info on Mega Maps	No		Dry Objects hit: None	s 9(2)(a) Cyclist	Not applicable for Cyclist	Yes	Bicycle	Not applicable for Bicycle	Bicycle

About the information:
Data is taken from NZ Police fatal crash notifications, Rightcar (https://rightcar.govt.nz/) and Mega Maps as at 8 am 21/09/2022.
Fatal crash notifications are received within 24 hours of a death by NZ Police. Therefore, a recent crash may not be included in the report. Any subsequent death, within thirty days of the crash, will be recorded when received.
Deaths already excluded from the road toll based on Ministry of Transport assessment are not included in the data. Fatal crashes may be excluded from the road toll because the deaths may be caused by medical events, suicide, homicide, "Acts of God", be off-road or non-motor vehicle crashes, or the death may occur more than thirty days after the crash.
Fatal crashes may have occurred within the period for which notifications may be received later.
Traffic crash data covers all NZ roadways or places where the public have legal access with a motor vehicle.

- In some cases, the NZ Police description of what happened has been altered to change the tense and to protect the privacy of individuals.

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Waka Kotahi Karakia

Ka rongo tātou i te reka o te kōrero

Ko ngā tikanga

Ko ngā kawa

Ko te whanaungatanga

Ko te manaakitanga

Ko te kotahitanga

Hei kōrero mā te hinengaro, mā te wairua, mā tetinana, mā tātou, te whanau o te Waka Kotahi.

Kaikarakia (leader): Tūturu whakamaua kia tina

Katoa (all): Tina

Kaikarakia: Haumi ē, hui ē,

Katoa: Tāiki e

We sense, smell, taste and feel the sustenance before us

Embracing Māori practices and protocols

Building relationships to create a sense of belonging, Uplifting the mana of others

Exercising unity, inclusivity and equality

As food for thought, as a sense of well-being, as a spiritual and physical encounter with the Māoriworld within the whanau of Waka Kotahi.

Forever challenging our potential!

Our voices raise up in agreement!
Joined and assembled

Ready and empowered to take on the challenges that face us!

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Appendix B – Public Transport Patronage

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