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Te Ahu a Turanga

State Highway 3 through the Manawatū Gorge has been closed indefinitely since slips caused major damage to the road in April 2017.

Te Ahu a Turanga is a new 11.5km 100km/h single carriageway road built over the Ruahine Range, to provide a safe, resilient, and efficient route between Woodville and Ashurst. The new road is due for completion in the middle of 2025.

The road has been assessed as being suitable for tolling having met NZTA Gate One – Legislative Requirements and Practicality test.

Based on previous toll road schemes, there is a risk that there is insufficient time to consult on the proposal and, if supported by the Minister, introduce an Order in Council prior to the road opening.

Next steps will be to develop the tolling proposal further and seek the Ministers approval to consult. In parallel with this we would work with the Ministry of Transport to confirm the Order in Council timeframes and overall feasibility.

I put the feelers out on timeframes and so far the best I have is they “believe” its on track for mid-2025.

Kind regards,

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