

Christchurch Northern Corridor Final low noise sealing on CNC SH74

PROJECT UPDATE

25 OCTOBER 2021



Night Work - Chip sealing, low noise asphalt to start this week

Unfortunately, October hasn't played ball with the warm settled weather we need for road sealing but, we are hopeful the weather will allow us to start sealing the CNC next week.

WORK STARTING

We will start applying the **final chip seal** and then the low-noise asphalt layer on the CNC motorway on **Sunday night 31 October**, weather permitting. We will start on the southbound lanes at the Styx Bridge and work towards QEII Drive. It will take 2-3 nights to get to QEII Drive and then we will turn around and do the northbound lanes.

From **Sunday night 7 November** we will chip seal QEII Drive, westbound from the double roundabouts to Main North Road, and then we will turn around and do the eastbound lanes. This will

take 1-2 nights to finish. If this work goes to plan, and the weather stays favourable, we may be able to do other sealing work on CNC as well over these two weeks. We need to give the chip seal several weeks to 'bed in' and then we will lay the low noise asphalt.

We will do the **low noise asphalt** in the same order as the chip seal process, starting at Styx Bridge on or about **Sunday night 28 November** depending on the weather. This work takes a bit longer to do than chip sealing, so it will take us about 3-5 days to get down to QEII Drive, and then we will start back up to Styx Bridge again. Asphaltting QEII Drive from the roundabouts to Main North Road will follow in early December, weather permitting.

Dates for the asphaltting on CNC and QEII Drive will be updated on the website www.nzta.govt.nz/cnc closer to the time.



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TRAVEL TIME



REDUCED
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IMPROVE
SAFETY



IMPROVE
WALKING
AND CYCLING



SUPPORT
ECONOMIC
GROWTH

DETOURS and CLOSURES

When we are sealing on the CNC, first the southbound lanes will be closed from 8pm to 6am each night from 31 October, and then the northbound lanes will be closed starting on or about 2 November. People will be detoured via Main North Road. Detour signage will be in place.

When we are working on QEII Drive, QEII Drive and access to Grimseys Road will be closed from 8pm to 6am. People will be detoured via Cranford Street and should follow the detour signage that will be in place. Access to Grimseys Road will be from Prestons Road or Daniels Road.

When we start asphaltting in late November, we will use the same traffic closures and detours as above.

LOOSE CHIP

Once the chip seal is down, we need to keep the speeds low on the road to allow the chip to 'bed in'. The speed will be 50km/h and will be increased to 70km/h and 100km/h as it is safe to do so. This will protect people and vehicles from loose chip as well as ensuring it beds in correctly. Please increase travel distances between cars and drive to the conditions over this time to protect yourself and others on the road.



NOISE

Due to the high traffic numbers on the CNC, this work needs to be done at night. Unfortunately, this work is noisy and you will hear noise from the machinery, our crew working and trucks delivering materials through the night. However, as this work proceeds quickly along the road we hope to disturb residents for no more than one or two nights in a row. However, we are mindful that night-work is not ideal and we apologise for disturbing you.

WEATHER

This work is weather dependent, so we need the weather to be dry, both before and during the work, and the ground temperatures need to be more than 10 degrees. If the weather lets us down, we will update our work programme on the website

www.nzta.govt.nz/cnc

FUTURE WORK

We hope to have the section of CNC from the Styx Bridge to QEII Drive and QEII Drive from the roundabouts to Main North Road fully completed before Christmas.

All the surfacing work for the entire motorway (Cranford Street to the Waimakariri Bridge) and QEII Drive between Main North Road and the Innes Road roundabout will take until March 2022 to complete. We will update you on this information via the website and our eNewsletter.



Update will be posted on the project website www.nzta.govt.nz/cnc