# **Christchurch Northern Corridor** Main North Road/Tram Road

**PROJECT UPDATE** 21 JANUARY 2020



### NIGHT WORK AT MAIN NORTH ROAD AND TRAM ROAD INTERSECTION

The Christchurch Northern Corridor (CNC) Alliance team is widening Tram Road and SH1 to accommodate an extra lane that operates as a managed lane, particularly for those carpooling. We are also signalising two intersections on Tram Road, at Main North Road and at the SH1 on-ramp.

To start the widening and signals work we need to remove two traffic islands at the Main North Road and Tram Road intersection and realign the intersection layout. This work will occur between Tuesday 28 January and Wednesday 5 February at night.

## **Traffic Impact**

Traffic at night at the Tram Road and Main North Road intersection will be reduced to one lane in each direction and will be managed with stop/go controls.

Please expect delays for up to five minutes.

Night work starts after 7pm and will finish before 7am. During the work at night there will be a temporary **30km/h speed limit** in place near the intersection. During the day when there is no work happening there will be a 50km/h speed limit in place.

## Why are we doing this?

T2/carpool lanes are a good option to address congestion on the corridor. They encourage more efficient use by moving more people in fewer vehicles. If more people share vehicles, take buses or ride bikes, less cars will be on the road.

More information on the traffic impact during all our works and on the carpool lane is available online:

www.nzta.govt.nz/cnc



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The new cycleway on the Waimakariri Bridge will run alongside SH1 (see light blue dotted line) until Tram Road where it will connect to Main North Road onto Kaiapoi.

### FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

- What is a carpool lane? A carpool lane (also known as High Occupancy Vehicle lane, priority lane or transit lane) is a restricted traffic lane reserved 24/7 or during peak times for the exclusive use of vehicles with a driver and one or more passengers. This includes carpools, vanpools, and transit buses.
- Why should I carpool? Carpooling is cheaper and more environmentally friendly than driving alone. You can cut your fuel and parking costs and at the same time reduce congestion and harmful emissions. You can meet new people and create free time.
- Why do we even need a carpool lane, the congestion is not that bad? Even if the traffic is not as bad as it may be in future, the idea is to change habits now before it becomes too hard and before congestion gets too great. It also makes good economic sense to widen the Waimakariri bridge and build the features for the carpool lane while the Alliance is building the CNC motorway. Carpooling is a good way to reduce traffic congestion, beat rising petrol prices and help the environment.

#### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

- Our regular working hours are Monday to Saturday between 7am and 7pm. Night work happens between 7pm and 7am.
- > There will be noise and vibrations associated with the work. We will do what we can to lessen this.
- › Keep yourself, your children and pets at a safe distance from the work site. Please stay behind the construction fences at all times.
- All work sites are subject to weather and other unforeseen conditions.





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