

Environment

Protecting the environment

A key focus for Transport Agency projects is to minimise the environmental impacts during construction. Careful consideration is given to surrounding areas such as the wetlands, waterways, neighbouring cultural and residential areas, and the wider community.

What has been done

For the Maungatapu underpass the Transport Agency has worked with Bay of Plenty Regional Council and local tangata whenua to ensure that protective work has been done accordingly.

- Eel and Banded Kokopu (fish) have been permanently relocated to a new wetland area from the Kaitemako Stream area.
- 2. The existing walkway will be retained and maintained for pedestrian access.
- 3. A new cycleway is planned.

- 4. The Scouts and Guides have been provided a new hall at Isla Park as part of the project.
- 5. Wetland enhancement behind the new Scout and Guide Hall is being carried out.



