



Waihola

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Have your say on safer speeds

We want to make your roads safer for everyone who uses them. On some roads we're doing this with safety improvements like rumble strips, but on State Highway 1 through Waihola, the best thing we can do to prevent people from dying or being seriously injured is reduce speed limits so they are safe and right for the road.

Based on what we've learnt, we're proposing lowering the speed limit from 70km/h to 50km/h.

Before we make a decision we want to hear from you.

**PUBLIC
CONSULTATION**

6 SEPTEMBER -
7 OCTOBER 2019

What we've heard

We've talked to the community, council and others. People have told us that current speeds feel too high to be safe.

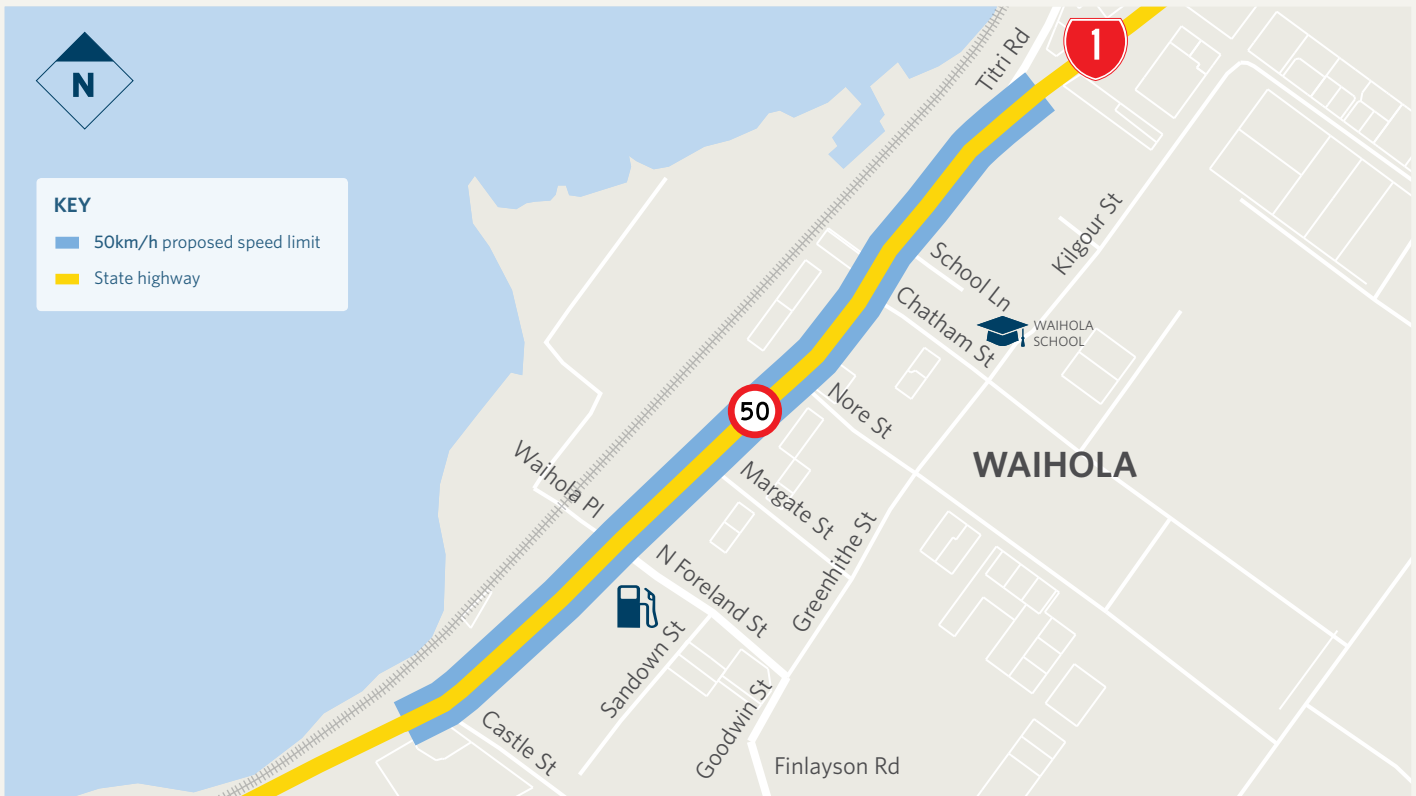
They say there are a lot of trucks, and they are worried about the safety of elderly residents and school children crossing this busy section of highway. They also talked about near-misses involving vehicles trying to access the highway from local roads or car parks.

What we know

The number of vehicles is increasing, and so have the number of people living in the area. There are plans to build more homes along this road. We also know that children and some elderly residents find this road difficult to cross.

What we're proposing

For the 1km section of SH1 between the existing north and southbound speed limit signs in Waihola.



Have your say

Before we make any change, we want to know what you think.

Public consultation is a requirement under the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits (2017).



Between 2009 and 2018, there have been 10 crashes. One person was seriously injured.*

*2018 data is not yet complete. Data is for crashes as recorded in CAS at 31/07/2019.

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The Government is spending \$1.4 billion over three years to make high-risk roads safer.



No matter what causes a crash, speed can be the difference between walking away or being carried away. Speed also reduces the time you have to react to a mistake - yours or someone else's.



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