

2 Waihī to Ōmokoroa

The safe system approach

To make this stretch of State Highway 2 between Waihī and Ōmokoroa safe we have:

Removed overhanging shelter belts reducing hazards and ongoing disruption from maintenance

Widened SH2 to give greater recovery distance and consistency across the corridor, and improve visibility

Made intersections safer with wide shoulders and 18 right turn lanes

Installed 35km life-saving roadside safety barriers giving protection from trees and deep ditches (these barriers have been struck 24 times since being installed in 2020)

Put in 22km wide centreline to help separate oncoming traffic

Shifted power services underground, and removed all overhead mains cables, eliminating unprotected power poles

In the next phase of the project, flexible median barriers will be installed between Katikati and Ōmokoroa, along with six intersection upgrades (new roundabouts).