

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency Regional Transport Systems Manager Mark Owen was pleased that access to the road between Raetihi and Whanganui had been restored ahead of the summer holidays.

'Due to the scale and complexity of the slip, we knew it would be a challenge to get the road open by Christmas.

'Even a short road closure will affect a community. And that part of the year is always an important one for families. So, it was very pleasing to have this open in time for Christmas and the holiday season.

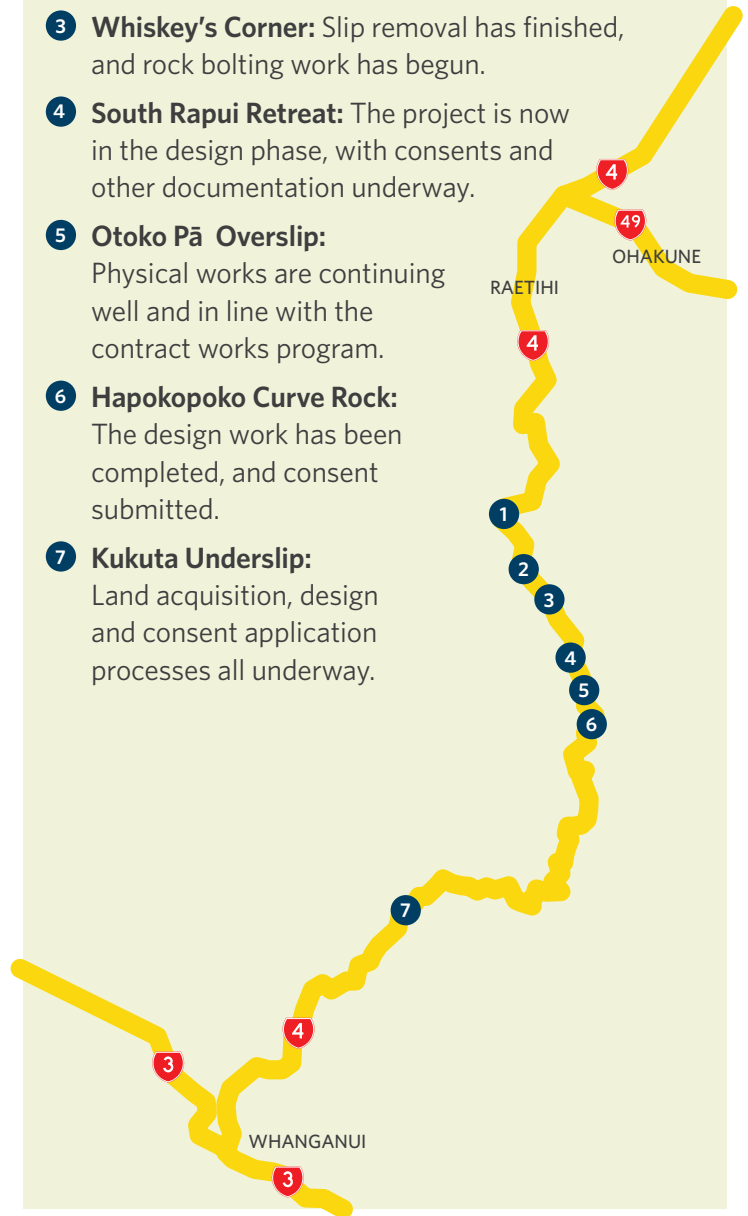
'A lot of thanks need to go to the team and our contractors for their hard work, as well as to the Ruapehu and Whanganui district councils for their support. But most of all we'd like to thank the locals for all their patience and understanding over these past few months.'

The road is open to all traffic, with a 30 km/h speed limit in place. The road will continue to be monitored.



SH4 CORRIDOR UPDATE

- 1 **Te Ore Ore Underslip:** The road is open to all vehicles. A 30 km/h speed limit in place and the road will continue to be monitored 24/7 remotely and by onsite staff.
- 2 **Raukawa Falls:** The land acquisition, design and consent application processes are all underway.
- 3 **Whiskey's Corner:** Slip removal has finished, and rock bolting work has begun.
- 4 **South Rapui Retreat:** The project is now in the design phase, with consents and other documentation underway.
- 5 **Otoko Pā Overslip:** Physical works are continuing well and in line with the contract works program.
- 6 **Hapokopoko Curve Rock:** The design work has been completed, and consent submitted.
- 7 **Kukuta Underslip:** Land acquisition, design and consent application processes all underway.



The SH4 bulletin will be available monthly at selected sites in Raetihi, Ohakune and Whanganui. We encourage you to read about progress on State Highway 4 (SH4) and share it with your whānau. If you have questions about anything you see in the SH4 bulletin there are a range of places to find out more on the back page.

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SUMMER ADVICE: STAY SAFE AND PLAN AHEAD

Christmas may be over for another year, but summer still has a few more weeks left in it. Roads are busy with holiday season traffic so remember to always drive carefully and to the conditions.

If you're traveling, keep up to date with what's happening on our highways with real-time traffic and travel information - detours and delays. You can do this by checking out our online Journey Planner at www.journeys.nzta.govt.nz Or you can free phone **0800 4 HIGHWAYS** (0800 44 44 49) for updates.



LOCAL ROADS REGIONAL OUTLOOK

Work continues on Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawatū Tararua Highway, the State Highway 3 replacement that will connect Manawatū Tararua District, Hawke's Bay and northern Wairarapa. This highway replaces Manawatū Gorge which has been closed since 2017 following a series of slips. If you're travelling via Woodville you should use either Saddle Road or Pahiatua Track.

However please note that Saddle Road will also be closed for five nights from 17 to 21 February. These closures will start at 7pm with the road re-opening at 5:30am.



SH4: THE ROAD AHEAD

We'll be hosting pop-up meetings in Ohakune and Whanganui in February. Once we've confirmed dates and venues, we'll let you know. These pop-ups will give the community the chance to ask about:

- the temporary road and Te Ore Ore slip
- the continued repair work taking place on SH4
- the future development of a new SH4
- anything else about SH4 you might want to know

Slip	Te Ore Ore : Temporary road open		
Sep 2019	Oct 2019	Dec 2019	2020 →
	Te Ore Ore : Investigate, consult, build permanent realignment		
	SH4 corridor : Maintain		
	SH4 corridor : Long-term resilience project		

WHERE CAN WE GET COPIES OF SH4 BULLETIN?

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