



Two more sites finished in SH4 resilience work

Another significant milestone was reached in March, as work on two more State Highway 4 resilience sites was completed. This means we've now opened up the majority of SH4 to two lanes.

Over the past 2 years, we've been improving the resilience of SH4 between Whanganui and Raetihi with a focus on seven main sites. With the completion of work on Hapokopoko Curve Rock and South Raupiu Retreat, we've now finished work on four, with work on the remaining three well underway.

There have been some major challenges to this work - including delays due to adverse weather conditions and ground instability. So it's pleasing to have wrapped up work here, having drastically improved the long-term resilience of each site.

With work completed on Otoko Pā overslip (May 2020), Whiskey Corner (June 2020), and now Hapokopoko

Curve Rock and South Raupiu Retreat, that leaves three remaining locations to complete.

Te Oreore, the site of the major slip in October 2019 had a temporary road installed in December 2019. Work on a permanent road is underway as we continue to dewater and monitor this site.

Just south of Te Oreore is the Auraki Stream Road Retreat. We're hoping to start construction on this site later this year following the consent process.

And in March, construction started on the North of Kukuta Road site near Upokongaro. Work here is expected to be completed later this year.

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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Road to zero

One year into the Road to Zero strategy, alongside communities and the wider transport sector, we're well under-way with plans to improve outcomes for road safety.

Road to Zero has the vision of a New Zealand where no one is killed or seriously injured while travelling on our roads.

The long-term goal of this vision is supported by a target of a 40% reduction in deaths and serious injuries by 2030. Steady progress towards this target would mean around 750 fewer people would be killed and 5,600 fewer would be seriously injured on our roads over the next 9 years.

To reduce the number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads and streets, we need to create a safe system designed for people. As humans we're vulnerable. We need to design a system that recognises that fact. We all make mistakes. But we shouldn't pay for those mistakes with our lives.



So, we're looking at all the factors that make up a safe system. Along with other factors, it includes infrastructure upgrades, such as median barriers and rumble strips. It includes safe speeds - making sure the speed limit is set according to the risk of the road. And it includes looking at the safety of our vehicles. It's a way we can create an Aotearoa where we can all get back home to our whānau safely.

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