

The Takaka Hill road on State Highway 60 was hard hit by Ex-Cyclone Gita in February, with a number of sizeable slips and damage to the highway.

The highway is now open each morning and evening 7-8am and 5-6pm, Monday to Saturday. Sunday open hours are 8am-5pm.

Caravans and boats can now get through, at the end of each day only

Light vehicles towing caravans, boats and trailers can now travel at 5pm each evening. Staff on site will hold these vehicles until the last run in each direction. This way, if a vehicle strikes problems, we will not be holding up everyone else who needs to travel the route. Otherwise all trucks can travel, provided there are no trailers, articulated or over-dimension vehicles.

Motorbike travel

Motorcycle travel is not recommended given the slippery road surface, but may be allowed at the discretion of traffic management staff on site.

Weather is a key factor in crews being able to work and provide access over the hill. If conditions deteriorate, the road will have to be closed. Please check NZTA South Island Facebook and Top of the South Twitter updates, before travel.

Special arrangements for essential freight can be made directly at **0800 4 TAKAKA (0800 482 525)** or email takakahill@tasmanjourneys.co.nz

Cyclist travel

Cyclist travel is not permitted due to slippery surfaces and single lanes.



How to stay up to date

- **0800 4 HIGHWAYS**
- **www.facebook.com/nztasouthisland**
- Transport Agency Twitter page Top of the South **twitter.com/nztatots**
- The key traffic and travel source which provides up-to-date information on weather and road conditions is **www.nzta.govt.nz/traffic** or **www.nzta.govt.nz/takaka-hill**