



Tauriko Enabling Works



SH29/Cambridge Road and Tauriko Village intersection upgrades

The upgrades in this area will provide access to the new community planned in Tauriko West, improve safety, and provide ways to move around the area. Works are scheduled to start in mid-September and include:

- a new intersection with traffic lights on SH29 at Tauriko Village to provide access to the northern part of Tauriko West
- widening of SH29 between the new intersection at Tauriko Village and Cambridge Road, including provision of a new shared walking and cycling path along the northern side of SH29
- an upgrade of the existing SH29/Cambridge Road intersection with traffic lights and a new connection to Whiore Avenue for buses, people walking and cycling only
- a new footpath along the southern side of Whiore Avenue and provision for future bus stops. The new bus stops and an on-road, 2-way, protected cycle lane between the SH29/Cambridge Road intersection and Taurikura Drive will be installed once the first homes in the new Tauriko West community have been developed and demand increases
- this work will tie in with upcoming upgrades of Taurikura Drive between SH36 and Whiore Avenue, to be led by Tauranga City Council.



New SH29/Cambridge Road intersection, looking north towards Tauranga city centre (artist impression)



New intersection on SH29, providing access to the new Tauriko West community, looking towards Tauranga city centre (artist impression)

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SH29/Redwood Lane intersection upgrade

Since works started at SH29/Redwood Lane in March 2024 we've made good progress, including:

- site clearance on both sides of SH29 for construction of the new roundabout at SH29/Redwood Lane which will connect to Tauriko Business Estate via Kaweroa Drive and provide access to the southern part of Tauriko West
- archaeological and ecological investigations
- earthworks for the construction of the walking and cycling underpass
- road widening of Redwood Lane
- work on water, stormwater and wastewater infrastructure upgrades, including stormwater treatment ponds and enhancement and formation of wetlands
- undergrounding of power on SH29 and Redwood Lane to allow for the construction of the roundabout.

In the coming months, you'll see more earthworks, relocation of utility services, drainage and raising the level of the roundabout to fit the new alignment, and the contours of the roundabout starting to take shape.

Work will also continue on the construction of the walking and cycling underpass on the western side of SH29. This work involves construction of a pad for the crane which will be on site in September and will be used to lift in 16 precast concrete structures for this side of the underpass construction. There will be a total of 40 precast concrete structures to make up the full length of the underpass under SH29. While we continue to construct the upgrades the temporary 70km/h speed limit and semi-permanent barriers and guardrails remain in place.

Take care when travelling in this area.



New roundabout at SH29/Redwood Lane, looking towards Tauranga (artist impression)

Zoning more industrial land

A private plan change has been lodged with Tauranga City Council to extend the Tauriko Business Estate, by rezoning 110ha of land south of the existing business estate from Rural to Industrial. Development would be staged over the next 15 years, providing future economic growth and employment opportunities to the area. Submissions have been received and Council is expected to make a decision by the end of September.

Find out more at letstalk.tauranga.govt.nz/pc35



Tauriko Enabling Works site at SH29/Redwood Lane, winter 2024

SH29 Omanawa bridge replacement

The Tauriko West project is identified as a Road of National Significance (RoNS) which looks at future transport upgrades to SH29 and SH29A.

This project will begin with the replacement of the Omanawa bridge, realignment of the connections on SH29 around the bridge and minor safety improvements to the Omanawa Road intersection.

We're planning to place the new bridge on the alignment which best fits with the future design for Tauriko West.

Our focus now are conversations with landowners, exploring construction methodology and starting design, and geotechnical investigations, ahead of the designation process.

The replacement of Omanawa bridge, as part of the Tauriko West Road of National Significance project, is a priority for NZTA as SH29 is a critical national freight route and is key to the Auckland-Hamilton-Tauranga triangle.

Planning for the new community at Tauriko West

Tauranga City Council continues its planning work to create a thriving community for locals to live, work, learn and play. Along with much-needed housing, the development will bring new amenities to the area, including parks and walkways, a local shopping centre or two, a new school site and a new library and community centre for Tauriko.

Tauranga City Council is progressing the process to rezone the Tauriko West urban growth area in the City Plan to enable urban development. The Tauriko West plan change includes:

- rezoning the growth area which is currently Rural Zone to Medium Density Residential Zone

- mechanisms to protect the values (cultural, heritage and landscape) of the Wairoa River
- provisions that limit to 2400 the number of homes able to be established on the basis of the Enabling Works improvements
- provisions to enable the establishment of small-scale commercial activities in local and neighbourhood centres
- provisions to manage flood risk within the growth area.

Public submissions have been received and hearings are planned for December 2024.

Find out more at [tauranga.govt.nz/variation1-pc33](https://www.tauranga.govt.nz/variation1-pc33)



SH29 Tauriko Enabling Works



Enable up to 2400 new homes

Tauriko West is one of the large-scale communities planned to cater for the western Bay of Plenty's growth, and expected to provide approximately 4000 much needed new homes. Up to 2400 homes will be enabled through the Tauriko Enabling Works, a programme of work delivered together by NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi and Tauranga City Council.



4 safer intersections including traffic lights and closures

These upgrades will improve safety at intersections of State Highway 29 with Redwood Lane, Belk Road and Cambridge Road. They will enable housing development within Tauriko West, with the first homes expected to be available from 2027, support continued development of Tauriko Business Estate, and improve access to public transport.



More ways to travel

It's already a busy route, crucial for local communities, including residents, freight, and those travelling to and from Tauranga across the Kaimai Range. A route that needs to be safe and provide reliable travel times for everyone.



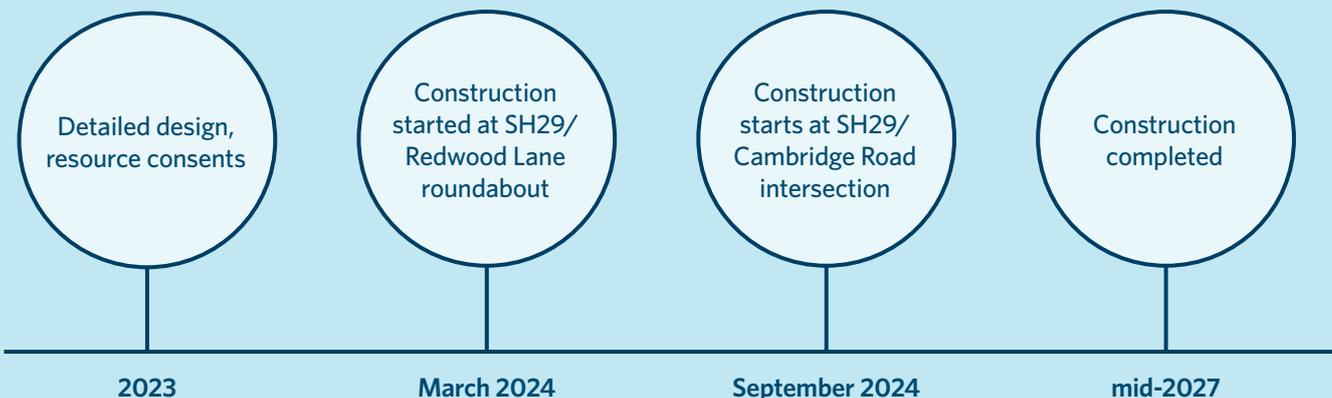
21,000 vehicles travel along SH29 every day

Predicted to increase to more than 38,000 by 2048+

The Tauriko Enabling Works are one piece of a much bigger picture when it comes to transportation and movement of people and goods throughout the Bay of Plenty. Every day, approximately 21,000 vehicles travel along SH29 between Redwood Lane and Cambridge Road, to and from other parts of the city and region.

Where we are at and next steps

Ongoing engagement with the community, mana whenua, stakeholders, landowners and interest groups



The timeframes outlined are subject to completing property negotiation and commercial agreements.