

## The future of tolling is free-flow

The Tauranga Eastern Link will use an electronic tolling system to enable you to travel the 23km journey without having to stop or slow down to pay.

The proposed location of the toll collection point is to be between Kaituna River and the future Rangiuru Business Park intersection.

The exact tolling system to be used will be selected closer to completion of the road.



## The Tauranga Eastern Link will deliver the following benefits:

- » Safer and easier travel.
- » Reduced travel times between Tauranga and Paengaroa.
- » More efficient connections for business, industry and tourism.
- » Support regional growth.
- » Generate jobs and a flow-on effect into the local economy in the form of wages and salaries.

## Roads of national significance

The Government has identified seven essential state highways that are linked to New Zealand's economic prosperity. Called the roads of national significance, the NZ Transport Agency is charged with delivering these highway projects.

The Tauranga Eastern Link is a key strategic transport corridor for the Bay of Plenty region and a highway recognised by the government as a road of national significance.

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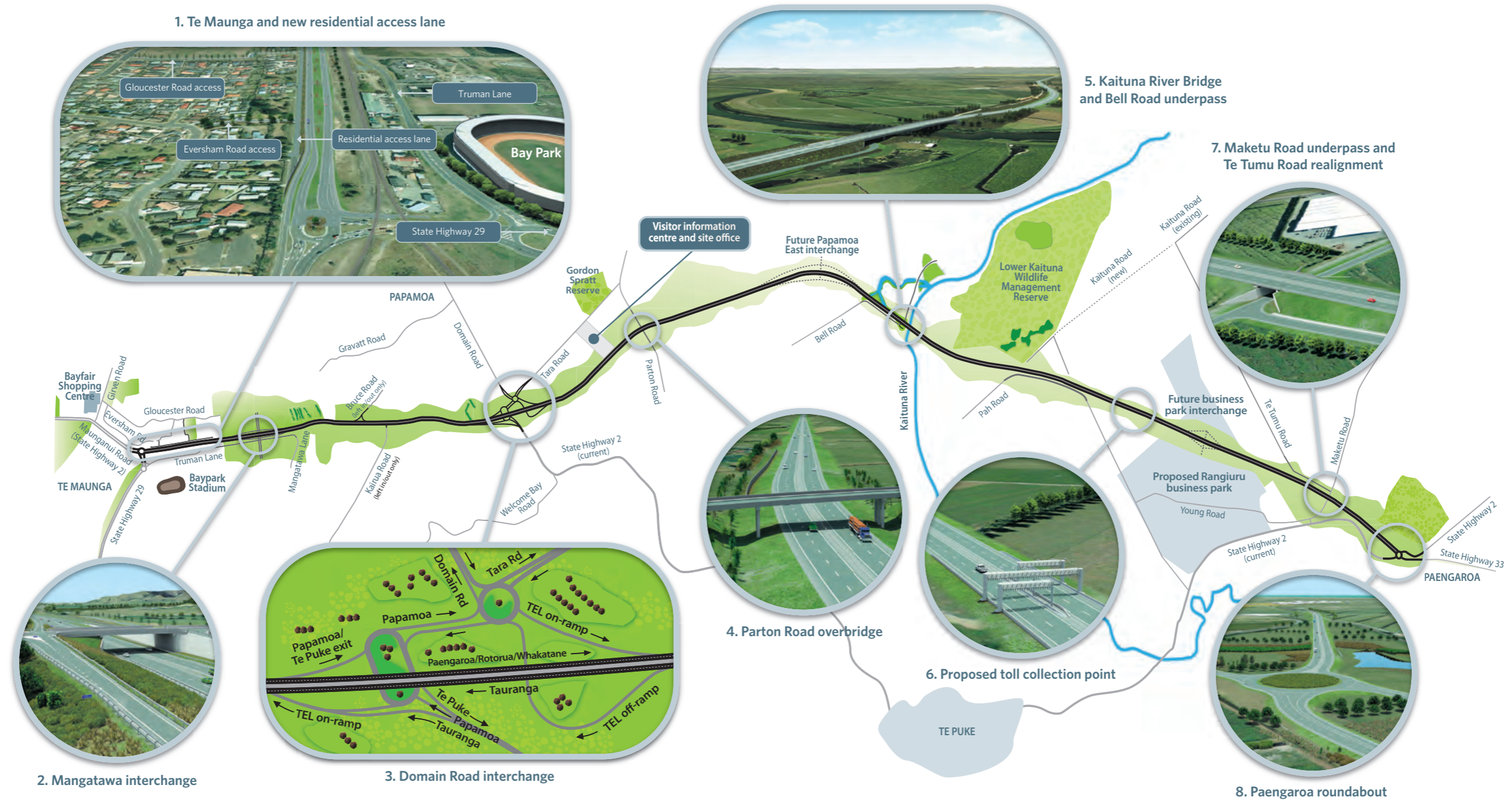
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# The \$455 million Tauranga Eastern Link will be the largest state highway project ever built in the Bay of Plenty.



NOTE: The illustration and images are indicative of the proposed finished design.

## The Bay of Plenty's largest highway

Construction of the Bay's largest highway started late 2010. Under the design and construct delivery model, the Fulton Hogan HEB Construction Alliance decide when and how the construction is done. With three million cubic metres of earth to move, and seven bridges to build, it's a large scale project to plan and manage.

## Expected completion

Construction of the Tauranga Eastern Link is expected to take five to six years, depending on soil and weather conditions. All going well, it will be open to traffic in 2016.

### Section one: Te Maunga to Domain Road

Upgrade 6km of existing highway to four lanes with median barrier. Key features include:

- widening the existing state highway from Te Maunga to Domain Road
- improving Te Maunga intersection
- new and safer access for properties fronting State Highway 2
- two new interchanges at Mangatawa and Domain Road
- left-in/left-out intersections at Bruce and Kairua Roads.

### Section two: Domain Road to Paengaroa junction (SH2/SH33)

Construction of a new 17km highway with four lanes and a median barrier. Key features include:

- Parton Road overbridge
- 150m four lane bridge over the Kaituna River
- overpasses over Maketu Road and railway line
- roundabout at SH2 and SH33 intersection near Paengaroa.