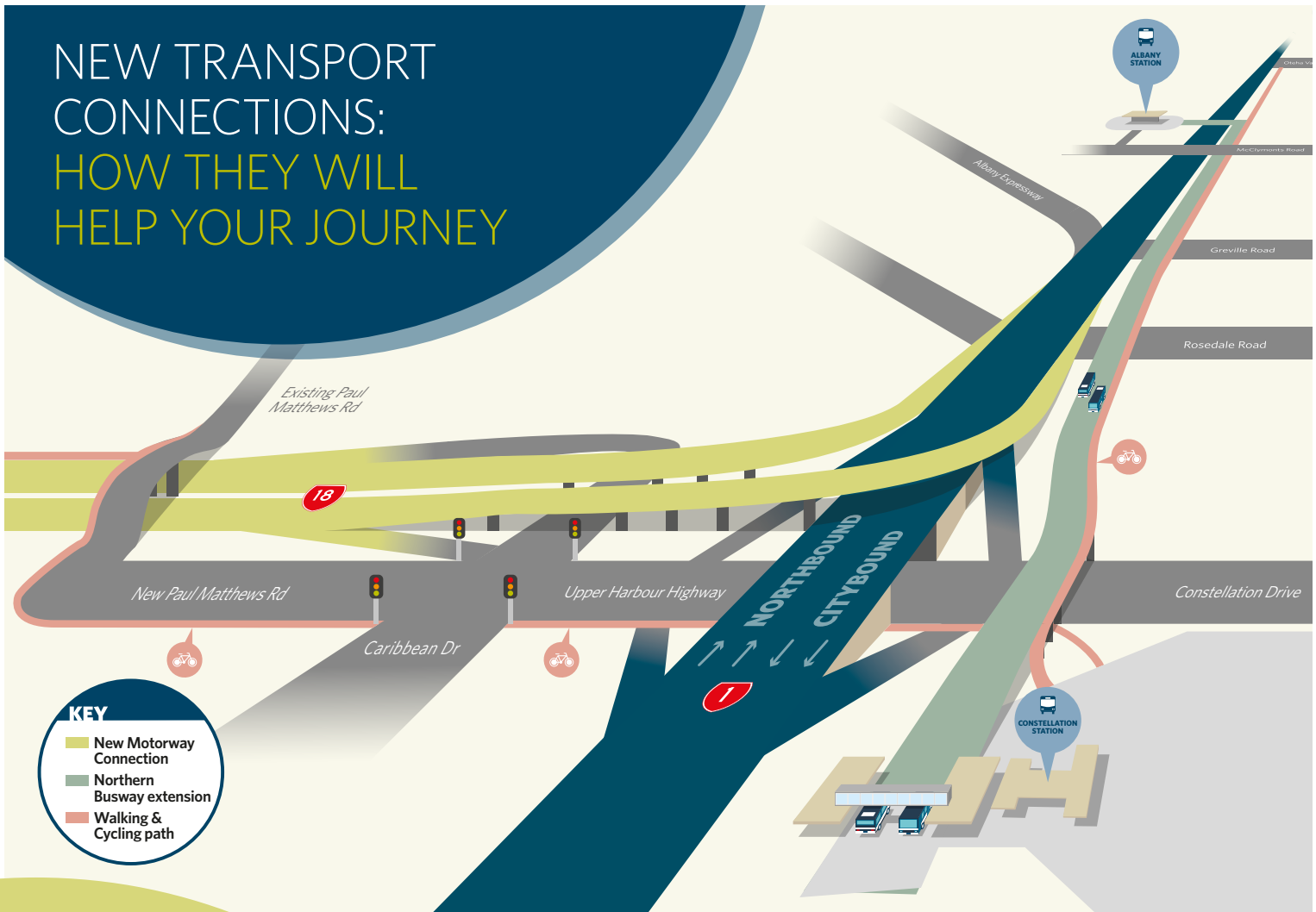


NEW TRANSPORT CONNECTIONS: HOW THEY WILL HELP YOUR JOURNEY



DID YOU KNOW...

- The NCI project is part of a bigger plan to provide an alternative motorway route through Auckland, known as the Western Ring Route (WRR).
- Once it's built, if you want to travel from Northland/Albany-Upper Harbour/Greenhithe to and from the western suburbs, Waterview Tunnel, Manukau and the Airport, you will be able to use the new motorway connection and stay on the motorway all the way.
- Having two options for motorway travel through the region – using SH1 or the WRR – means you can make choices at different times of day to decide which route is faster or more convenient. Travel information to advise on the best route to take will be available online and updated in real time on Variable Message Signs (VMS) along the motorway.
- The NCI project will also assist the surrounding Albany-Upper Harbour local road network. Traffic is expected to reduce on many local roads between 10-24% – including through the busy Constellation Drive interchange*.
- Bus services using the new Northern Busway extension will also be faster and more reliable, as they won't be held up in peak periods by roads and traffic lights.

THE NCI PROJECT WILL HELP MOVE PEOPLE AND FREIGHT MORE EFFICIENTLY ON THE MOTORWAY, NORTHERN BUSWAY, AND SURROUNDING LOCAL ROADS AND WALKING AND CYCLING PATHS

- More lanes on SH1 will help ease congestion for both commuters and freight, even as the city grows.
- Buses can travel on the new Busway extension to avoid the need to merge with on/off ramp and motorway traffic.
- New shared walking and cycling paths will enable people to choose other, more active ways to get around.
- Two busy motorway/road interchanges will be improved. The existing roundabout at the Greville Road interchange will be upgraded and the Upper Harbour Highway/Constellation Drive interchange will have additional turning lanes and improved light phasing to reduce queuing on the off-ramps in the evening peaks.
- Traffic volumes will reduce significantly through the Upper Harbour Highway/Constellation Drive interchange, with a predicted 12,000 vehicles a day instead using the new motorway connection*.
- Several local road layouts will also be redesigned and made more efficient. Paul Matthews Road will be extended with a bridge over the new SH18 motorway, with new direct on and off-ramps to SH18 – providing easy access to and from this important industrial hub. The Caribbean Drive intersection with Upper Harbour Highway/the new Paul Matthews Road will be widened, with additional lanes to improve this busy area.
- Drivers travelling east-west through these local road areas will experience faster journeys in peak times as a result, while regional travellers or freight using the new motorway connection to bypass the interchange and head north or west will also notice significant time savings*.

*All time savings and figures are based on predicted traffic volumes in 2031. These predictions are sourced from the traffic assessment reports lodged in the NCI project's resource consent package.