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|  | It’s been a busy few weeks for our permitting team in Palmerston North and the total number of permits issued has just reached 2500.  Thanks for all your support for this new generation of truck and also a big thank you to our permitting team which continues to turn around all your applications within 48 hours or, often, even quicker. Another State Highway bridge has had its 50MAX restriction removed – the Matahuna Bridge on SH4 near Wanganui is now open to 50MAX traffic.  You would have received an email last week to give us feedback on 50MAX.  This will help us to get our systems right and make them as user-friendly as possible.  Thank you for all of you who have already taken 10 minutes to do this survey – if you haven’t done it yet, there is still time and we would very much appreciate your feedback.  You find the survey [here](https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/50max-survey).If you receive this email because you are a trailer manufacturer, can you please forward the survey link to your operator customer, and also send us your customer’s email so we can update our records to include them directly in future communications.As always a reminder to please check our new interactive map on our 50MAX website when planning your route – this is regularly updated with the latest bridge information.  A reminder also that even in local council areas that have not signed up, State Highways are usually available to 50MAX traffic.  Local authorities that have opened their networks to 50MAX via our permits are: * Waimakariri
* Gore
* Christchurch
* Nelson
* Porirua
* Masterton
* Carterton
* Ashburton
* Hutt City
* Opotiki
* Thames / Coromandel
* Timaru
* Waikato
* Wellington City
* Palmerston North City
* Upper Hutt City
* Manawatu District
* Tasman District
* Marlborough District
* Whakatane District
* Waipa District
* Auckland Transport
* Hastings District
* Rangitiki District
* Ruapehu District
* Taupo District
* Gisborne District
* Hauraki District
* Kawerau District
* Matamata-Piako District
* Otorohanga District
* Rotorua District
* South Waikato District
* Tauranga District
* Waitomo District
* Western Bay of Plenty District
* Central Otago
* Waitaki
* South Wairarapa
* Dunedin City
* Kaikoura District
* Kapiti Coast District
* New Plymouth City
* Selwyn District
* Stratford District

Also, we wish to remind operators to talk to their drivers about the special conditions that apply to any 50MAX permit.  50MAX permits include a list of restricted areas, and operators and their drivers will need to study the book of maps they receive with their permit. The book of maps shows where 50MAX trucks can travel, and points out any no-go areas, such as specific bridges that are not fit for 50MAX traffic.Any drivers who are unsure about where they can go can view the book of maps on the Transport Agency’s website at <www.nzta.govt.nz/50MAX>, or get information by emailing info50MAX@nzta.govt.nz or calling 0800 699 000.Best wishes from the 50MAX Team at the NZ Transport Agency. |  |
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