



## We apologise

Two of the three westbound lanes on State Highway 16 were closed unexpectedly early this morning when a gantry sign over the motorway was hit accidentally by a machine installing safety barriers along the edge of the motorway. No one was injured in the accident, which happened 500 metres west of the Great North Road interchange. Our apologies to those people who were delayed in the queue of traffic mid-morning until the incident was cleared at 11am, and thank you for your patience.

You may have noticed work progressing at several different locations on the project. Here's a round-up of what's happening. Photos: Greg Kempthorne.

## Great North Road Interchange

Just before the eastbound off-ramp sediment controls and an access track are being installed in preparation for widening the existing causeway.

Beside the westbound on-ramp a coastal revetment is being built to protect the widened embankment by Oakley Creek, and work is preparing for the shared path to be relocated to that area.



## Causeway

The reclamation process is continuing east towards the Causeway Bridge. Soil improvements continue too, with wick drains being installed. From next week preload fill will be brought to site and placed on top of the wick drains to load the ground and start the nine to 12-month accelerated settlement.

## Traherne Island (south) and Rosebank Park Domain

The shared path is being relocated around the site access area and a working platform is being established.





## Whau River Bridge

On the western side ground improvement work is progressing and a rock lining is being placed under the existing bridge. On the eastern side we are preparing to begin the installation of temporary steel staging, which will allow our team access to construct the widened bridge structure



## Alwyn Ave

Work has begun to establish a metal access track down to the western side of the Whau River Bridge.



## Noise monitoring

As part of our consent conditions to build the Causeway Upgrade Project, the Causeway Alliance is required to monitor noise in the vicinity of our works. Our monitoring has shown that to date the noise levels recorded have not exceeded our project consent limit. We are focused on ensuring that compliance continues.

## 80km/h maximum speed

Reduced speed limits of 80km/h are in place for extended distances along the Causeway Upgrade Project, between Rosebank Road and the Great North Road Interchange. That is the safest maximum speed for the temporarily altered design of the motorway while the works are taking place and it is being enforced by police, for everyone's safety. The Waterview Connection project team are working in the Great North Road area too, building the structures that will support the new ramps between State Highway 16 and the Waterview tunnels. That means there are many men and women from both alliances working close to the motorway traffic and getting their jobs done as quickly as possible.

Please stay within the 80km/h speed limit.

## Traffic flow

At peak traffic times on State Highway 16 it would be great to be able to even reach 80km/h. We're aware of the significant congestion issues and we are working with the NZ Transport Agency, Auckland Transport, the Bus and Coach Association and Auckland Motorways to ensure all possible measures to enhance traffic flow are implemented.

## Annual survey - thanks

A good percentage of you completed our annual online survey last week - thank you. The results are now being collated and we will share the key themes with our wider team. Your feedback will help us to know of the areas where we could pick up our game, and what we're already doing well.

Wishing you a great weekend, from all of us

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