Paint removal and laser surveying have already been carried out within the southbound clip-on in preparation for the work ahead which is expected to be finished around April 2010.

Lane closures

Night closures of the southbound clip-on (lanes 1 and 2) will be required up to six nights a week, from August through to April 2010.

These will take place Sunday to Thursday from around 8.30pm until 6am, and 7pm until 9am some Saturday nights. During these times, Shelly Beach Road off-ramp will also be closed to traffic. The clip-on lanes have to be closed to keep the box girder stable for welding and bolting activities.

There will also be closures on the northbound clip-on and Curran Street on-ramp some nights in August and September between approximately 9.30pm and 4.30am.

From Sunday 2 August until April 2010, trucks over 13 tonnes will not be permitted to use the southbound clip-on or Shelly Beach off-ramp 24/7. This is to avoid extra loading while the new steel is being installed.

NZTA will monitor traffic on the bridge 24 hours a day with cameras controlled from the traffic management centre at the northern end of the bridge. Roadside signs will alert motorists to the changes which will also be advertised in newspapers and on the radio.

Milestone reached as strengthening work moves to southbound clip-on

Strengthening of the Auckland Harbour Bridge, which has so far seen 350 tonnes of steel added to the northbound box girder (clip-on), will move over primarily to the southbound clip-on on Sunday 2 August.

As with the northbound clip-on lane closures, a traffic management programme has been developed to keep workers and motorists safe during southbound strengthening.

Read more about the project over the page, including an update from Megan, our stakeholder and community relations manager, based at the project office on Princes Street.
Update from Megan

Since December, we have had three community gatherings for our neighbours on Princes Street. All were well attended and thoroughly enjoyed by the project team and members of the local community. These gatherings are a good opportunity for a catch up on how the project is progressing.

At our most recent gathering, in late June, the excellent food and beverages were catered for by one of our local Queen Street residents. Thanks to everyone who attended. We look forward to seeing you all again at another good evening in the coming months.

CCTV

In February a CCTV video surveillance system was installed at the northern and southern ends of the bridge to improve security for residents, workers, visitors to the area, and also for the bridge itself. Positioned above the work compound, the northern camera revolves around the entrance to the site, monitoring and recording activity 24hrs a day. Signs have also been erected under the bridge at the southern end of Princes Street to notify people that the cameras are operating.

Meet the team

STUART CAVE

Stuart is primarily responsible for materials handling on site. This includes operating the forklift to pick up materials and ensuring that steel is safely lifted onto the bridge using the purpose built materials handling system.

FAQ’s

When will work on the southbound box girder be completed?

Work on the southbound clip-on will be completed in approximately April 2010. Thereafter, remaining parts of the northbound box girder will be strengthened.

When do the southbound lane closures start?

Lane closures will be in place from Sunday 2 August 2009.

Where can I go to get more information about the strengthening project?

Visit www.nzta.govt.nz/ahb
Call the 24 hour community and stakeholder hotline on 0800 4 AHB 00 (0800 4 242 00)
Visit Megan at 9 Princes Street, Northcote Point.

When will the full strengthening be completed?

The strengthening will be finished towards the end of 2010.

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