



## Waikato Expressway

Email Update

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### Ngaruawahia Section

#### Stage 1 – Taupiri Link

##### Overview

- The landscaping design has been finalised in close collaboration with iwi.
- Earthworks and drainage works to the east of the North Island Main Trunk railway have continued, including the formation of the roundabouts.
- Road construction works to the west and east of the North Island Main Trunk railway have commenced.
- Monitoring of settlement in the embankment west of the NIMT railway is ongoing.

##### Upcoming activities

- Earthworks, drainage and road construction works will continue.
- Hard landscaping on the roundabouts will commence.
- Landscape planting will commence to the east of the North Island Main Trunk railway.
- Piling for the footbridge over the North Island Main Trunk railway will commence.



Gordonton Road – SH1 Roundabout Intersection

## Stage 2 – Ngaruawahia Main Section

### Overview

- NZTA has reached agreement to purchase the remaining property affected by the project.
- The construction contract was awarded to The Fletcher Construction Company Ltd on 29 March 2011 at a ceremony held on site, attended by the Minister of Transport and dignitaries and guests from Waikato Tainui, Waikato District Council, Hamilton City Council, Waipa District Council and other key stakeholders.

### Upcoming activities

- The Contractor will lodge applications for resource consents to enable further geotechnical investigations, starting in April.
- The Contractor will commence detailed design and site establishment activities following a start-up meeting to be held in the first week of April.



Orini Road Roundabout

## Huntly Section

### Overview

- Geotechnical investigations for the Secondary Investigation phase have been completed and lab testing has commenced.
- A liaison meeting has been held with Waikato-Tainui and the Tangata Whenua Working Party has been introduced to the project.
- The final version of the alignment options report has been submitted to NZTA.
- The investigation of a central interchange at Huntly has commenced.

### Upcoming activities

- Consultation with key stakeholders will continue.
- The final interchange options report will be developed, including investigation of a central interchange at Huntly.
- Factual and interpretative geotechnical reports will be compiled.
- An Information Day will be held on 6 May 2011.

## Our contact details

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