

1 Ōtaki to north of Levin new highway and shared user path

Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency has lodged Notices of Requirement and resource consent applications with Horizons and Greater Wellington Regional Councils and Horowhenua and Kāpiti Coast District Councils (the Councils).

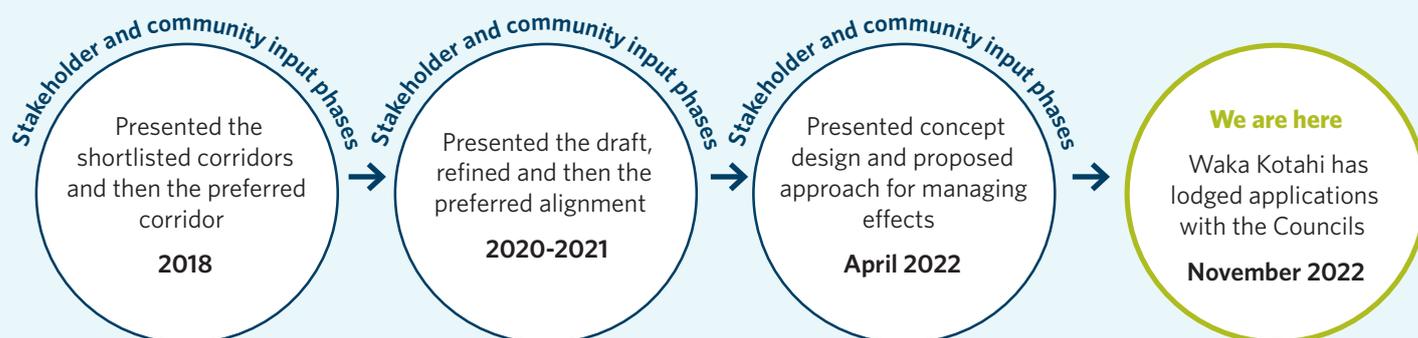
The new highway connecting Ōtaki to north of Levin will dramatically improve safety and resilience for those travelling through the Horowhenua District and lower North Island, while the shared user path will provide better walking and cycling facilities in the area.

Over the last few years Waka Kotahi, in partnership with Muaūpoko and hapū of Ngāti Raukawa ki te Tonga, have undertaken engagement with stakeholders, road users and the community to understand local insights and concerns.

The Councils have now received the applications for environmental approvals of the new highway and share user path from Waka Kotahi and will directly notify people who are affected and notify the public via notices in newspapers. The Councils will invite landowners, community groups, organisations and the wider public to make a submission. If you make a submission, you will have at least 20 working days to submit your support, opposition, or conditional support for the project.

Waka Kotahi is requesting the applications are referred by the Councils to the Environment Court for a decision. If this request is accepted, we anticipate the hearing is likely to take place mid-late 2023.

Waka Kotahi led process to date



Anticipated Councils' Statutory Process



How you can make a submission on the Ōtaki to north of Levin project

We're grateful to the many hundreds of locals who have taken the time to get involved over the last decade, sharing local insights, and contributing to the shaping of the Ōtaki to north of Levin project.

The project team continues to be available and we welcome the opportunity to answer questions or discuss concerns about the applications.

We encourage people to put submissions forward to the Councils when public submissions open.

You can read more about making a submission at <https://environment.govt.nz/publications/making-a-submission-about-a-proposed-plan-or-resource-consent/#submissions-on-council-proposals>



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