



# SH1 Ōtaki to Levin speed review



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**Public consultation**  
18 May – 15 June 2022

We want everyone who uses our roads to get to where they're going safely. People dying or being seriously injured on our roads is preventable. Something we can do to save lives and prevent serious injuries is set safer speed limits.

We're implementing several safety improvements on State Highway 1 between Ōtaki and Levin. These improvements include new median barriers and turnaround points south of Manakau, and side barriers and painted wide centrelines south of Ohau.

Earlier this year, we completed safety improvements at Kuku that included removal of the passing lanes in both directions, painted wide centrelines and widened shoulders. We also improved the road surface and installed safe-hit posts and rumble strips.

Alongside these infrastructure safety improvements, we're reviewing speeds between Ōtaki and Levin to make sure the speeds are safe for the road and surrounding environment.

Even when speed doesn't cause the crash, it's what will most likely determine whether someone is killed, injured, or walks away unharmed. Everybody makes mistakes so we need a transport system that is designed so these mistakes don't cost lives.

That's why we're proposing some new speeds for this road. But before we make a decision, we want to hear from you.

Formal consultation on the new speed limit proposals is required under the Land Transport Rule: Setting of Speed Limits (2017).

## What we have heard:

Last year we talked to iwi, the community, Councils, local businesses, and others about making State Highway 1 between Ōtaki and Levin safer. We've heard that speeds in some sections feel too high to be safe.

Many people have commented on the speed in Ohau, Kuku, and Manakau. Others have commented on the appropriate speeds for Manakau bridge and the two bridges past Kuku.

## What we know:

In the past 5 years (2017-2021) there have been 15 people have died in crashes on this stretch of road, and a further 44 people who've suffered serious injuries.

## What we are proposing

	Location	Current speed limit	Proposed new speed limit
1	From 460m north of Roslyn Road to 80m north-east of Tyne Street	70/50	60
2	From 80m north-east of Tyne Street to Bath Street intersection	50	40
3	From Bath Street intersection to 220m south of Cambridge Street south	50	No change
4	From 220m south of Cambridge Street South to 150m south of Muhunoa East Road	80	No change
5	From 150m south of Muhunoa East Road to 150m north of Waikawa Beach Road	100	80
6	From 150m north of Waikawa Beach Road to 180m south of the intersection with the railway underpass road linking to Honi Taipua Street	80	No change
7	From 180m south of the intersection with the railway underpass road linking to Honi Taipua Street to 380m west of Pukehou Overbridge	100	80
8	From 380m west of Pukehou Overbridge to Taylors Road intersection*	100	No change

\*Installation of median barrier sections with designated turnaround facilities

## Speed review process ► The stages of the speed review process are:

### Technical assessment

Technical assessment of the road is carried out to find out about crash history, average vehicle speeds, volume of vehicles and development and activity in the surrounding areas. This helps to determine what safe and appropriate speeds should be.

### Engagement

We talk to local communities and stakeholders to understand how the road is being used, any safety concerns and get feedback on current speed limits.

### Consultation

**This stage involves sharing proposed new speed limits and asking people for any additional information that might impact the final decision. Consultation for any proposed speed limit change is about much more than asking if people are 'for or against' the proposal. It is about seeking valuable local and community input that might have an impact on the final decision.**

### Notification of speed limit change

Final decision and date any new speed limits will be enforceable are published on our website and stakeholders and the public are notified.

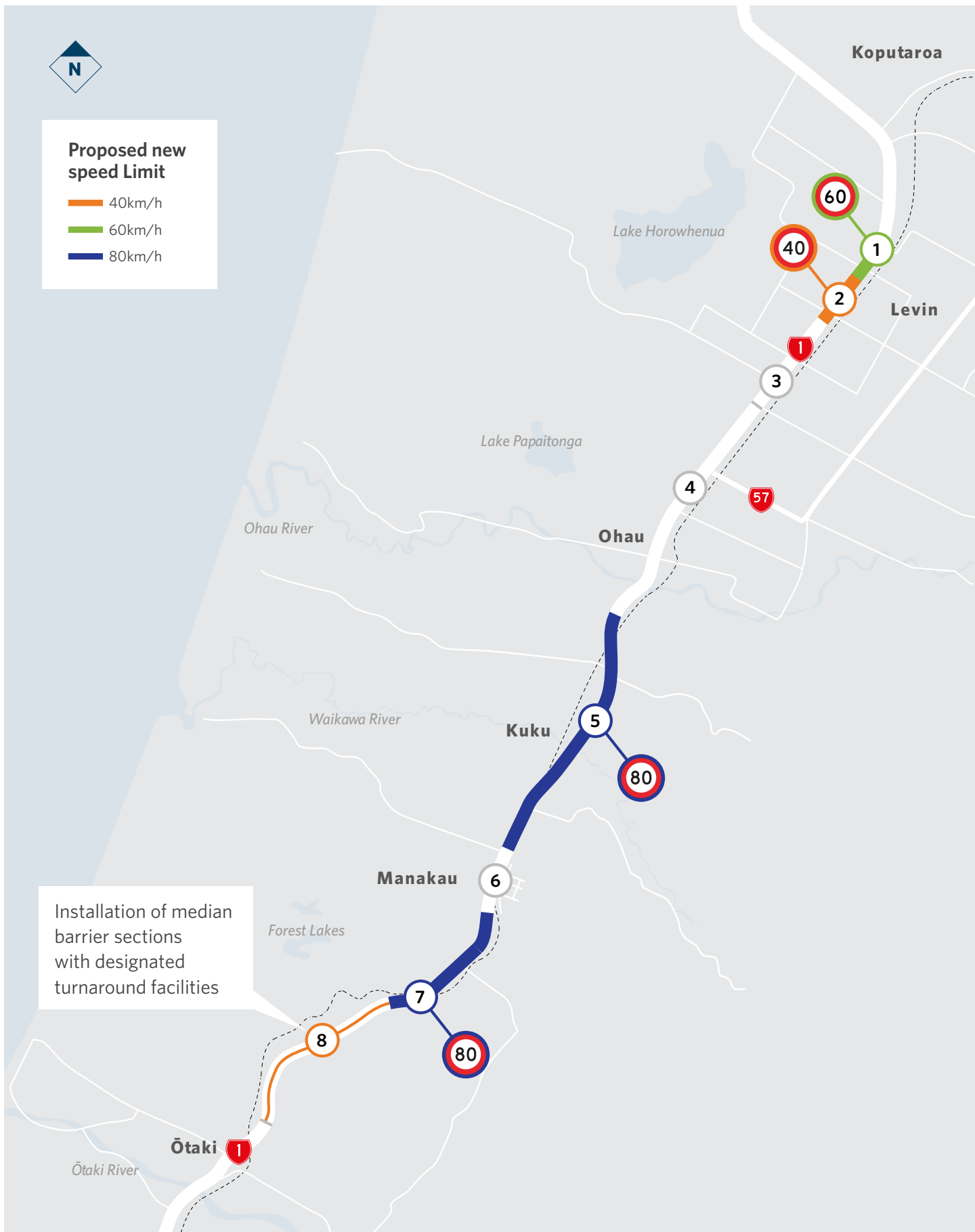
### New speed limit on the road

New speed limit signs installed on the road.



### Proposed new speed Limit

- 40km/h
- 60km/h
- 80km/h



Installation of median barrier sections with designated turnaround facilities



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Feedback is due by 15 June 2022. You can:

- mail this prepaid form for free
- email: [O2NL@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:O2NL@nzta.govt.nz)
- visit: [www.nzta.govt.nz/O2L-speed-review](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/O2L-speed-review)

## Your details

Name: .....

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Organisation (if applicable): .....

Are there any other factors that we should consider when making our decision regarding the proposed speed limit changes on State Highway 1? (See table within this brochure on proposed speed limits.)

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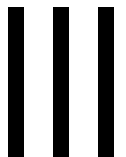
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