



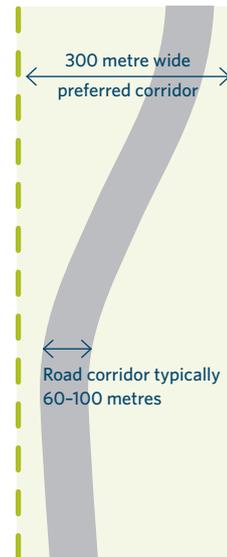
# Ōtaki to north of Levin project

## Property information sheet

December 2018

### What's happening, and what's next?

- A preferred corridor for Ōtaki to north of Levin has been selected from the shortlisted options shared with the community in January – March 2018. The preferred corridor is the option that runs closest to SH1 and, in the northern section, alongside SH57. It is a combination of the southern section known as S6 and the northern section N4.
- The preferred corridor is typically 300 metres wide. The final design width of the highway is likely to be between 60 metres and 100 metres, with additional width at interchanges and connections.
- Further investigation and design are needed before direct impacts on individual properties can be confirmed.
- As we investigate the design of the road we will also be seeking to understand effects, such as possible noise or visual impacts, and we will consider how these can be avoided, minimised or mitigated.
- Subject to funding approval, next steps on the investigation and design will be progressed between now and early 2020.
- Closer to the start of the project construction, we'll be seeking to purchase properties we require. Before that can be finalised we'll obtain Resource Management Act approvals, including having the land designated to provide for the construction and operation of the project. Once funding is approved we will work towards having a designation in place within approximately two to three years.



The proposed new highway will be located within the preferred corridor unless detailed investigations (including geotechnical) and design necessitate minor changes. Factors that will be considered when locating the road include:

- environment (e.g. watercourses, ponds and wetlands)
- topography
- stormwater treatment
- connections to existing roads
- road geometry and road corridor facilities
- land ownership
- legal requirements.

### What happens if we need your property for the new highway?

- Where the NZ Transport Agency requires property for a public work, a Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) accredited supplier is engaged to carry out the negotiations on the Agency's behalf.
- If a property, or part of a property, is required for the project, the NZ Transport Agency will pay compensation on the basis of market value. Market value is not the personal value to the property owner or the value to the NZ Transport Agency, but is based on an assessment by an independent registered valuer.
- In addition to the market value of a property, reasonable legal and valuation fees and moving costs are reimbursed by the NZ Transport Agency once they have been approved by LINZ.
- If a property, or part of a property, is required for the project, the property owner may also be eligible for additional compensation of up to \$50,000, depending on whether a dwelling that needs to be acquired is their principal place of residence.
- If a property owner has a business located on their land, they may claim compensation for business loss resulting from the relocation of the business. The loss may include loss of profits and goodwill, although the loss of profits must relate to proven loss of "actual profits". Loss of "anticipated profits" is not provided for in the Public Works Act.
- In New Zealand, the Public Works Act 1981 provides the power to acquire property for public works and also entitles affected property owners to compensation. LINZ, on behalf of the Crown, is responsible for administering this Act. Further information on the Public Works Act 1981 is available at [www.linz.govt.nz/crown-property/acquisition-and-disposal-land/public-works](http://www.linz.govt.nz/crown-property/acquisition-and-disposal-land/public-works).
- We aren't actively purchasing properties for the project currently. For now, we are only able to consider a request to purchase a property in special circumstances, under our advance purchase policy.

### Get in touch:

- If you have any specific questions relating to your property, please get in touch with the Ōtaki to north of Levin project team by emailing [O2NL@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:O2NL@nzta.govt.nz) or calling **0508 625 4636**.