MANAWATŪ RIVER BRIDGE
The piers and abutments are complete for the Manawatū River Bridge. We’ll now begin constructing large crane pads that will support a 600 tonne crawler-crane (largest in New Zealand) that will lift and place the Super-T beams onto the cross heads. This is scheduled for late-March.
There are 25 Super-T beams on the river bridge - each beam is 33 metres long and weighs 68 tonnes. The beams are pre-cast in Otaihanga and are transported to site accompanied by pilot vehicles that operate under stop/go traffic management when necessary.

PAVEMENT CONSTRUCTION
Early April we’ll commence pavement construction at the northern end of the job. This is followed by line-marking and other finishing works. We’re targeting to have State Highway 1 traffic switched over to the new alignment early 2020. Once we’ve switched the traffic over, we’ll begin link road construction and demolition of the existing structures.

WHIROKINO TRESTLE BARRIERS
Placement of the barriers on the trestle bridge (208 in total) continues and is expected to be completed in April. The design on the barriers represents the flounder fish or Pātiki commonly found in the lower reaches of the Manawatū River and is typically used in tukutuku work and found on marae, within the vicinity of Whirokino.

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