



COME ALONG TO OUR INFORMATION DAY

FOXTON WAR MEMORIAL HALL
MAIN ST, FOXTON
3 - 7PM, 13 NOVEMBER

PROJECT LENGTH

3.2km

Have your say

Having a safe, reliable route to and from Wellington is vital. With funding from the Government's accelerated regional roading package, the Transport Agency is investigating options to replace the Whirokino Trestle and to strengthen or replace the Manawatu River Bridge.

→ Why is this work so important?

The Whirokino Trestle is reaching the end of its life and doesn't meet current standards. It's due to be replaced within the next 10-20 years. The Manawatu River Bridge is also below current standards. This leads to some larger freight trucks having to take a longer route to get to and from Wellington.

Other needs include building wider lanes and safer road edges, a dedicated space for cyclists as well as reducing the impact of the trestle and bridge on the flood plain.

Replacing the Whirokino Trestle and strengthening or replacing the Manawatu River Bridge will bring them up to modern safety standards and make travel for freight vehicles more efficient.

→ Help us identify a preferred option

As the people who use this area the most, we want your input to help us select a preferred option. We're seeking your views on:

- what impact/s the proposals might have on you
- anything else we should take into account before we make a final decision.

The options are outlined over the page.

Please take a look at this information, check out the details on our website and/or come and talk to us at our information day. Our experts will be on hand to discuss the options.

→ Can't come to the information day?

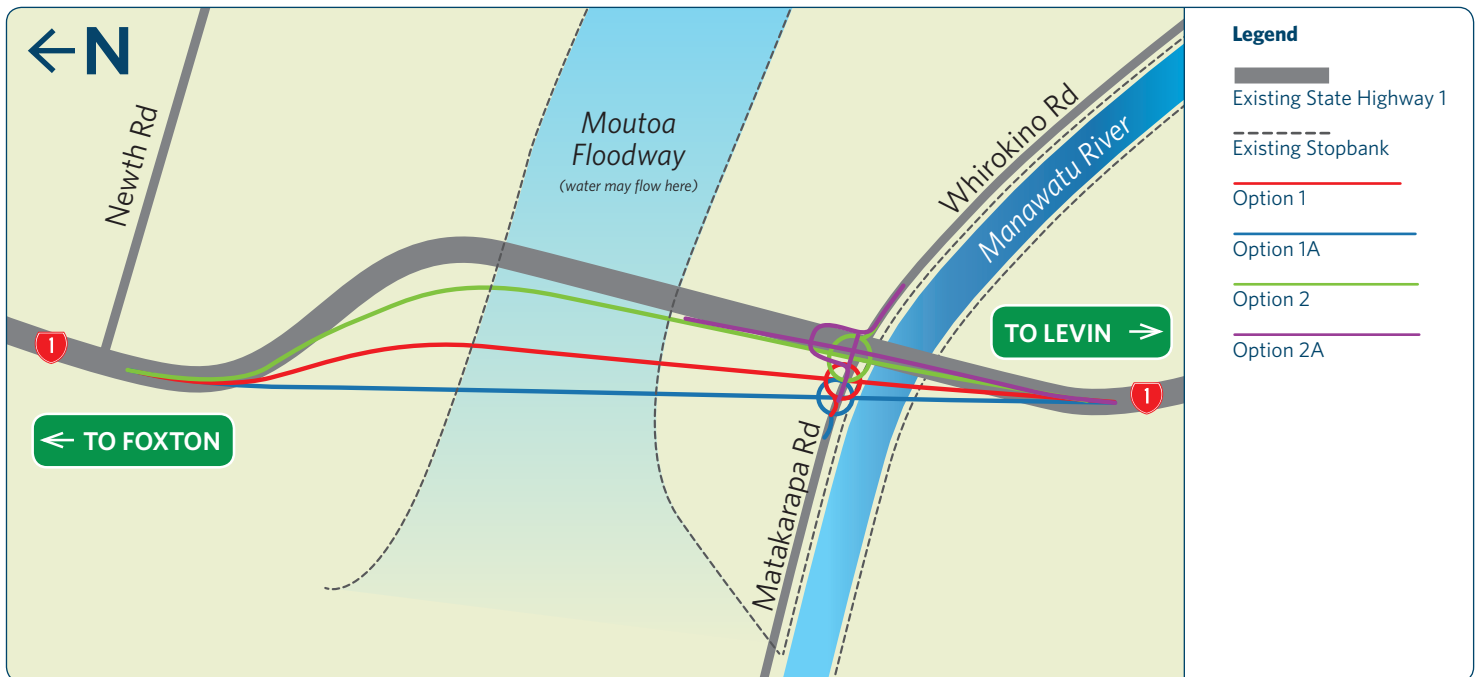
Give us your feedback via email, post or from the website at www.nzta.govt.nz/whirokino

100km
POSTED
SPEED LIMIT

7,800
VEHICLES PER DAY

OF WHICH 1,100 (OR 14.1%) ARE HEAVY VEHICLES

→ The options



We're investigating four options:

- Options 1 and 1A involve different routes and replacing both the Whirokino Trestle and the Manawatu River Bridge
- Options 2 and 2A follow similar routes to the existing bridges. Option 2A involves upgrading and strengthening the existing Manawatu River Bridge.

To select a preferred option we're:

- exploring design plans and cost estimates
- looking at the ecological effects of each option
- identifying any significant archaeological areas or features
- measuring the noise impact on neighbouring properties
- considering the effects on the landscape
- considering land requirements
- talking to tangata whenua, landowners and the local community

Our next steps will involve analysing your feedback, the results of which will be available early next year.

→ Current timeline

Information day - 13 November 2014

Investigations	continue until February 2015
Scheme selected	March 2015
Approvals process	March 2015 to June 2015

If funding is granted from the Government's accelerated regional roading package, detailed design, and land purchase will begin in June 2015, followed by construction. Otherwise, we'll continue to maintain the trestle and bridge, and the project will be subject to the normal funding process, ie from the National Land Transport Programme.

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