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## MIN-1068 Puhoi to Warkworth

Crash statistics for the Puhoi to Warkworth section of the Puhoi to Wellsford RoNS:

Puhoi to Warkworth crash statistics for 2008-2012: (source [www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-to-warkworth-application/docs/assessment-report-transportation.pdf](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-to-warkworth-application/docs/assessment-report-transportation.pdf)):

- 65 crashes causing injury on SH1 between Puhoi and Warkworth, of which 4 were fatal
- 174 non-injury crashes
- Giving a total of 239 crashes for this stretch of road
- 15 of these were head-on crashes.

In the five years up to 2012 there were on average 13 injury crashes per year on SH1 between Puhoi and the proposed northern connection of the project (just north of Warkworth).

### Economic return on investment

We do not have available a specific dollar figure that quantifies the return on investment. The most relevant items referring to economic benefits are:

- January 2010 Puhoi to Wellsford project summary statement on the website that includes the overall BCR figures. Available online at [www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-wellsford/docs/project-summary-puhoi-201001.pdf](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-wellsford/docs/project-summary-puhoi-201001.pdf).
- Letter summarising the economic benefits supplied as part of the Transport Agency's application for resource consents/designation for the Puhoi to Warkworth section of the RoNS, available online at [www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-to-warkworth-application/docs/ae-appendix-c.pdf](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/puhoi-to-warkworth-application/docs/ae-appendix-c.pdf).

### Benefits of Puhoi to Wellsford RoNS:

**Economic growth** – Enhances inter-regional and national economic growth and productivity by improving the movement of people and freight between Northland and Auckland.

**Resilience** – Improves the reliability of the transport network through a more robust and safer route between Auckland and Northland. The new four-lane, RoNS-standard motorway provides another alternative route for drivers in the event of traffic and environmental incidents.

**Safety** – Provides a safer four-lane motorway for drivers, who will experience improved sight lines, more gradual grades and smoother corners.

**Freight** – Smoother grades, more reliable travel times and less wear and tear on trucks.

**Regional growth** – The first stage between Puhoi and Warkworth will support the anticipated growth of Warkworth as outlined in the Auckland Plan.