



State Highway 50A Hawke's Bay Expressway Improvements

In July 2016 the Minister of Transport and Minister for Economic Development announced, as part of 'Matariki: The Hawke's Bay Regional Economic Development Strategy', the availability of funding for a range of substantial improvements on the Hawke's Bay Expressway.

As these constitute a significant variation to the Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) (available at www.hbrc.govt.nz), the Hawke's Bay Regional Council is seeking the views of stakeholders on how well these contribute to the key objectives of the Plan. These objectives are:

1. A safe, resilient and efficient transport system that supports the development of our economy and contributes to social well-being in our community.
2. A reduction in the risk of death or serious injury on Hawke's Bay roads.

The proposed improvements make up a \$10-\$12 million package of work on the Hawke's Bay Expressway between Pakipaki and the intersection with Watchman Road/State Highway 2 near the Hawke's Bay Airport. The improvements will consist of targeted seal widening, roadside and median barriers and slip lanes or extensions to merge lanes at Evenden Rd, Omahu Rd and the Prebensen Drive roundabout. The aim of the package is to improve the safety and efficiency of the Hawke's Bay Expressway and improve access to the Port of Napier.



Hawke's Bay Expressway - existing



Hawke's Bay Expressway - proposed

If you would like to talk with someone about the package of improvements, please contact Wayne Oldfield, Highway Manager, NZ Transport Agency, wayne.oldfield@nzta.govt.nz, 06 974 5511.