



## Puhoi to Wellsford project

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### ***What is the timeframe for this project?***

The Government has brought the timeframe for constructing the Puhoi to Wellsford corridor forward and investigation work has begun on establishing the route.

The NZTA is working towards completing the corridor within 10 years but will have a clearer picture of the timing once investigations are complete. For the next three years the project will be undertaking detailed investigation and design work to determine route options and obtain statutory consents.

#### ***What will happen to homeowners affected by the new road?***

All those whose properties are fully or partly required to build the road will be fully consulted as the project develops. Where property must be purchased, owners will be fairly compensated.

#### ***Will there be opportunities for the community to provide feedback?***

The project will still have to go through the investigation, design and consenting process before progressing to construction. The community will be fully consulted as the project is developed.

#### ***Will you be constructing sections of the route faster, such as the Warkworth bypass?***

The investigation phase of the project will determine construction timelines, and opportunities to stage construction phases will be explored.

#### ***How does the new road affect the current work at Warkworth?***

The state highway improvements through Warkworth include a number of capacity improvements at key intersections between Hudson Road in the north and McKinney Road in the south.

As part of the improvements, the Rodney District Council will also be building a Western Collector Route to the west of Warkworth. Together with the Puhoi to Wellsford works, the Western Collector Route will provide access to existing and future development at Warkworth and the eastern beaches.

#### ***Where will the interchanges/access points be on the new route?***

The purpose of the project is to aid economic development in the region by minimising the journey time between Auckland and Northland. For this reason the number of intersections along the route will be minimised.

The project is currently at the investigation phase and the number of access points has not been identified.

#### ***What are you doing about current traffic congestion?***

The NZTA is currently working on road widening and intersection improvements through Warkworth to relieve pressure on the existing network.

#### ***Will the route be tolled?***

As part of the investigation phase tolling options for the route will be considered to accelerate the building process.

