

A background image of a construction site at night. Several workers in hard hats and safety gear are visible, some standing on a structure and others near equipment. Bright work lights illuminate the scene, creating a high-contrast, industrial atmosphere. The image is semi-transparent, allowing the text to be clearly visible.

# Roading New Zealand

**Presentation to the  
RCA Forum**

***“What’s Happening in the Contracting  
Industry”***

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## What's happening in the Contracting Space?

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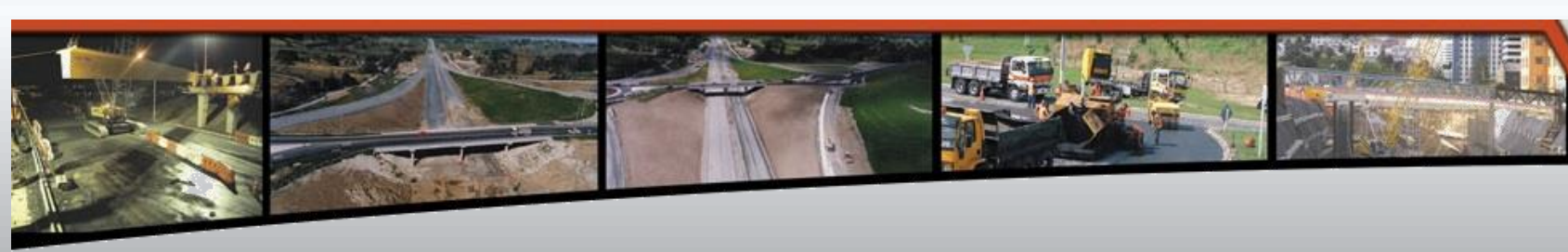


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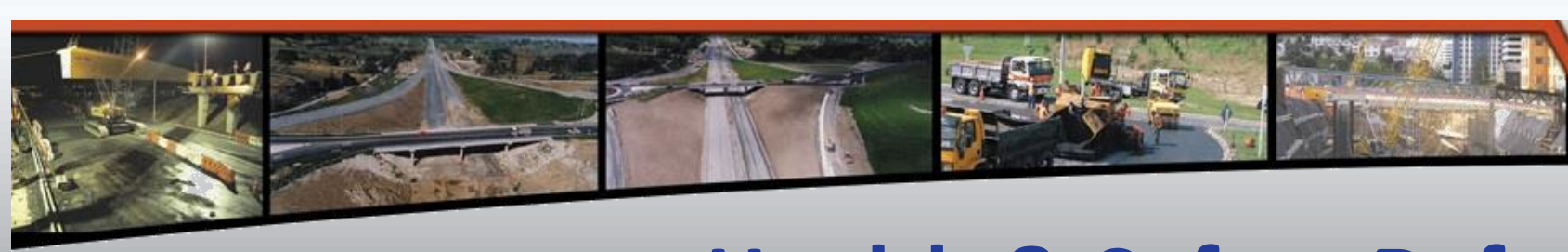




# NZCF and RNZ Merger

- Why and Benefits
- Time Frames
- Membership
  - Special General Meeting
  - Branch AGMs
  - NZCF and RNZ AGMs





# Health & Safety Reform

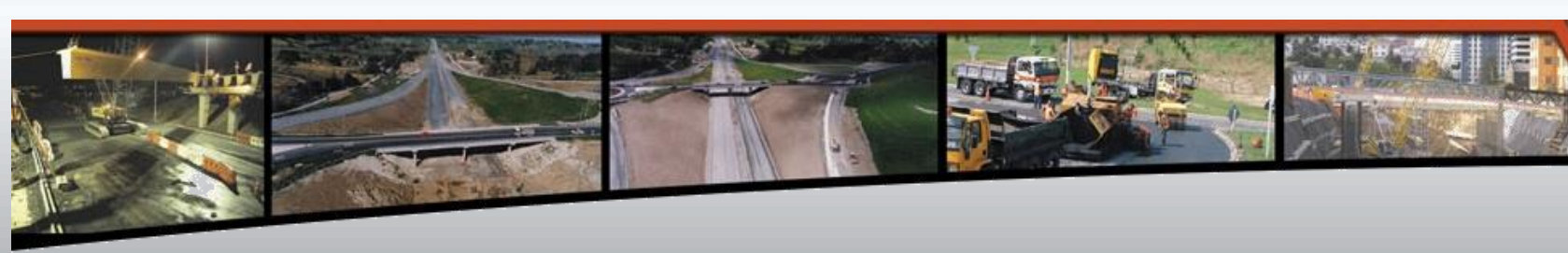
- Submission on Bill to Select Committee close today
- Regulations
- Approved Code of Practice – Excavations
- Increased inspectorate within WorkSafe NZ
- Inspection guidelines being developed and tested



# Health & Safety Reform Bill

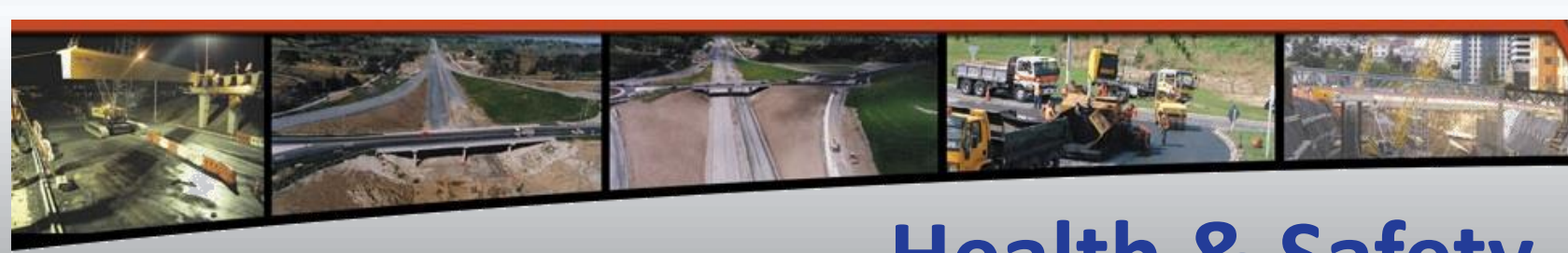
## Impact on RCAs as PCBUs

- Accountable because of Principal to Contract
- Obligated as Duty Holders to consult
- Must eliminate risk—minimize if not reasonably practical
- Reasonable “extra cost is not disproportionate to risk”
- Must keep up to date - due diligence
- Elected Representatives accountable- not due diligence



## WorkSafe NZ Guidance Groups

- Worker representation and participation
- Major hazard facilities
- Hazardous Substances
- General concepts
- Asbestos

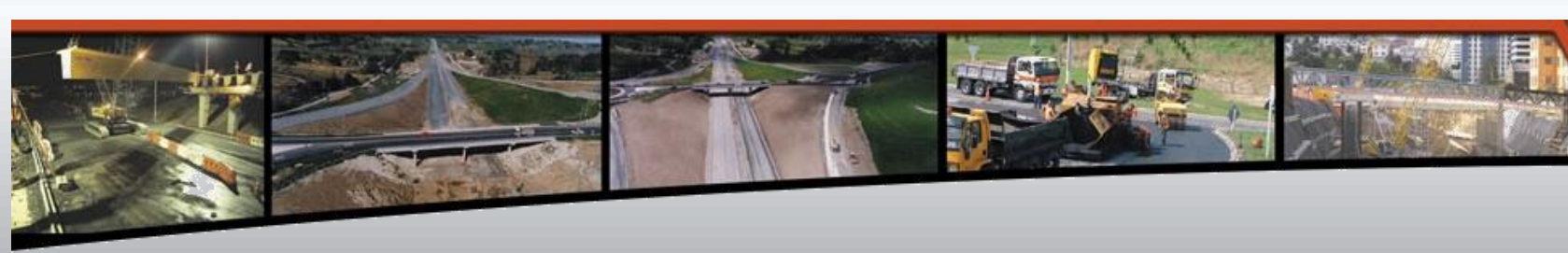


# Health & Safety

## NZTA State Highway Health & Safety Leadership Forum

- **Moving plant**
- **Utilities**
- **Bitumen**
- **Drug & Alcohol**
- **Safety in Design**
- Excavations and trenching
- Public Safety & Traffic through worksites
- Lifting activities
- High risk hand tools
- Subcontractor Management
- Procurement Processes
- Statistics reporting
- Falls from Heights
- Health & Safety training
- Fatigue & hydration
- Temporary works management





## RNZ Paper - Hot Cut Back Bitumen to emulsion seals found

- A substantial improvement in H & S if emulsion seals
- New technology had improved emulsion quality - now practical
- Carbon emissions and VOC halved but possible waterways pollution
- Cost 10 to 15% higher for emulsion seals
- Some market/competition issues so need 5 year transition

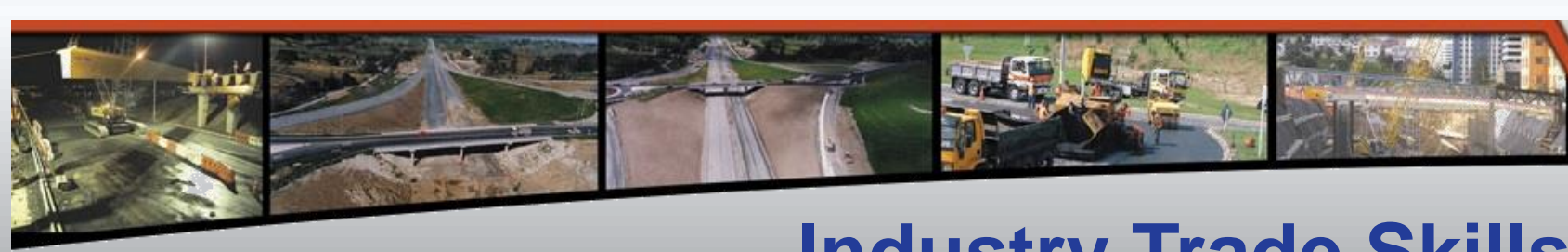
NZTA - SHHSLF endorsed Paper subject to quality and competition issues



## Other Issues



- **Construction Contracts Act**
- **Voidable transactions**
- **Retentions**
- **Procurement**

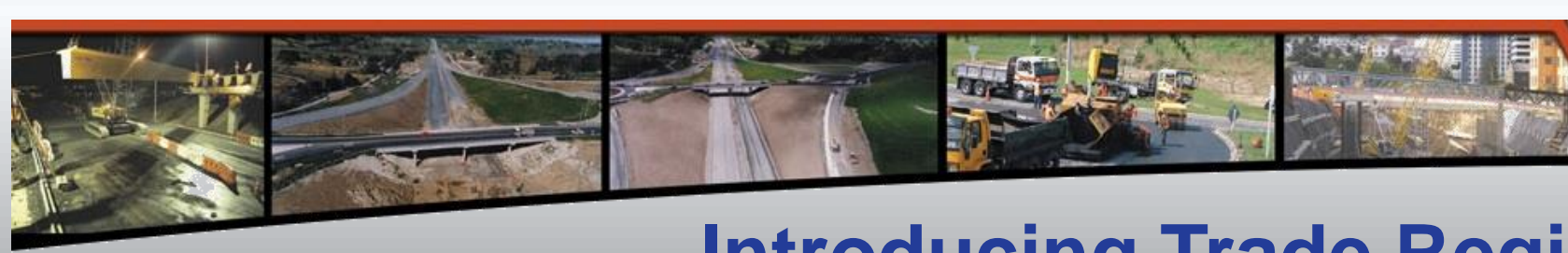


# Industry Trade Skills



Two year review of industry qualifications

- Civil construction
- Pavement surfacing
- Utilities



# Introducing Trade Regime



## Pathway

- 4,000 hours to gain qualification
- 4,000 hours experience – post qualification
- Trade certification Board

Trialling at present - Launch early 2015





# Questions?



Change for a collaborative industry

