

NZ Transport Agency Update

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Identifying Key Freight Routes

Freight and Tourism

- NZTA developing revised criteria to identify key freight routes and tourism routes (draft criteria currently in the PPFM)
- o These criteria will allow us to prioritise investment and determine the level of "strategic fit"
- Initial thinking presented to LGNZ Transport Reference Group in November
- o Further work will be done in the new year to incorporate feedback from the reference group.



Roads of National Significance (RoNS)

SH1 Victoria Park Tunnel	Construction underway
SH20 Western Ring Route	Route investigation and design underway. SH16 Lincoln Road works put out for tender.
SH1 Puhoi to Wellsford	Investigation into alignment options underway. First Political Liaison Group meeting on 24 November, which included representation from regional, district and local councils in Northland and Auckland.
SH1 Waikato Expressway	Design of the Rangiriri Bypass, Ngaruawahia Bypass, Te Rapa Bypass and Cambridge Bypass continues.
SH2 Tauranga Eastern Link	Work continuing on tolling proposal, enabling construction planned for late in 2010.
SH1 Wellington Northern Corridor (Levin to Wellington)	Preferred alignment announcements later this month.
Christchurch Motorway Projects	Consultation and construction to begin in 2010.



Vehicle Dimensions & Mass (VDM) Rule Amendment

- o NZTA working with the Ministry on implementation of the amendment.
- O A dedicated project office being established to work with RCAs, freight sector and other key stakeholders.
- o Project office will begin engagement with the sector early in the new year.

