



## NZUAG Utilities in Roads

Update for RCA Forum 2 December 2011

# What's been happening with the Code

- · Code approved by Minister and gazetted on 24 November
- $\cdot$  Comes into effect 1 January 2012
- MED progressing Broadband deployment standards initiative
- Rail working group still working on proposed specifications

#### Substantive Issues

- *Contractors:* Have a concern that their Clients will extend defect liability periods because of the warranty period in code and about the lack of alignment between the start of defects liability and the warranty period.
- Systems: Being bombarded by offers when they may not be necessary.
- *Reasonable Conditions:* Consulting on local and special conditions.
- *Simplifying Processes:* Utilities likely to seek further clarification of intent.
- *KiwiRail:* Still a matter of concern for the utility operators and this may be an opportunity.

# **RCA Forum Issues**

- RCA response to the Code
- Training
- Identifying any support needs
- Broadband standards

### NZUAG

- Incorporated Society rules submitted
- People for interim Board
- Future structure important as Government expectation is that NZUAG will manage Code
- Funding and representation on table for discussion by interim Board