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**Research and Guidelines
and Working Groups updates**



Improved communications

- Presentations to asset/transport management liaison meetings – two successful rounds
- Better use of the RCA Forum website
 - Changes to Home page to give better fit for regular circulars and updates to be easily accessible
- Possible presentations to INGENIUM regional meetings in future

Traffic Control Devices

TCD Steering Group November meeting agenda:

- Extension of rural wide centreline trials
- Rural variable 60/70 km/h school speed limits
- RIAWS (Rural Intersection Active Warning Sign) trials
- Auckland City bus lanes trial
- Review of cycle signs and markings
- Safer Speed Areas signs and markings
- Opportunities for local input with all of these

Currently approved TCD trials

- **Wide rural centreline marking**
 - 8 sites and 2 more planned
 - 0.6m increased clearance; no loss of speed
- **40km/h Advisory School Zone Signs**
 - Selwyn District – 9 rural schools
- **Variable 60/70 km/h school zone speed limits**
 - 5 pilot schools on State Highways

Safer Speed Areas

Review of Speed Management Framework by NZTA

- Traffic Note 61 published
- Introducing demonstration '**safer speed areas**' in urban and rural environments
- **Demonstration areas sought from local RCAs**



Recent additions to Register

- Investment, State Highway and Local Status Guidelines
 - Performance Based Specification for Bituminous Reseals
 - 17 Changes to Performance Based Specification for Reseals
 - Guide to assessing road-traffic noise using NZS 6806
 - P25 Pilot Specification for Calcined Bauxite
- NZTA Technical Memos for Road safety
 - TM – 2000 to TM – 2007

Documents currently out for consultation:

- High risk intersections guide
 - submissions close 14 May
 - <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/consultation/high-risk-intersections-guide/>
- TCD Manual Part 9 Railway level crossings
 - submissions close 14 May
 - <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/consultation/tcd-railway-level-crossings/>

Coming out soon:

- High Risk Motorcycle Routes Guide
 - Earlier feedback being incorporated into final draft
- National Road Classification System
 - Expected to be released for consultation around mid-May