

# Taharoto-Wairau Road Upgrade



## PROJECT UPDATE 02 August 2013

Auckland Transport and its contractor Dempsey Wood Civil Limited are committed to providing you with regular updates on the Taharoto-Wairau road upgrade. As part of this commitment, Dempsey Wood is sending out fortnightly emails to keep you informed about progress, upcoming works and anything specific you should be aware of.

### Over the past two weeks, we:

- completed the backfilling of the keystone wall along Wairau Road
- laid the next stage of asphalt on Wairau Road
- poured the concrete for the next section of the new bridge
- placed more concrete for the new Wairau Road pavement
- carried out site clearance along Forrest Hill Road and began the installation of new water, power, traffic signal, gas and telecom ducting
- completed the relocation of the sanitary sewer and storm water manholes on the corner of Forrest Hill Road and Wairau Road
- completed the new water main and the permanent connections to the Wairau Road properties



*Laying the chip seal on the approach to the bridge*



*Placing new concrete on Wairau Road on the approach to the bridge*

### Over the next fortnight, we will be:

- switching all vehicle and foot traffic onto the newly-built section of bridge (see next page for more details)
- closing the bus stop outside Plant Barn (please use the stop outside 23 Forrest Hill Road)
- continuing the installation of new water, power, traffic signal, gas and telecom ducting along Forrest Hill Road
- continuing construction of the Wairau Road road surface
- installing the new footpath and kerb along Wairau Road
- continuing fence construction above the Wairau Road retaining wall
- beginning construction to stitch the new bridge section to the existing 1962 bridge

- temporarily diverting the existing water main that crosses the Wairau Creek
- starting to install the new power, traffic signal and telecom ducting along Forrest Hill Road and Nile Road past Plant Barn
- cutting and removing the existing footpath from the eastern side of the bridge

### Temporary road layout changes from 5 August

From 5 August, all vehicle and foot traffic will be diverted onto the newly-built section of bridge while work is undertaken to 'stitch' it into the existing southbound bridge. This will provide one solid modern structure that sits above the 100-year flood level. A new three-metre wide footpath with safety barriers will also be built on the north-eastern side (outside Atlas Concrete).

Be prepared for road layout changes as you approach the bridge and follow all directional signage.

The bridge works are expected to be completed by October.

### Things to be aware of:

Some of the works required to switch the traffic and pedestrians onto the new bridge will be at night. We will endeavour to minimise the disruption and inform those directly affected prior to the works.

For your safety and that of our workers, please respect the traffic management measures in place and abide by the 30km/h speed limit. Expect delays to your travel time and, if at all possible, take alternative routes or travel outside of peak times.

### Project overview

This \$4.2 million project will provide significant improvements at two intersections: Wairau Road/Forrest Hill Road and Nile Road/Forrest Hill Road. Works are expected to be completed in late 2013.

The main project works include:

- replacement of the Wairau Creek Bridge to allow for increased road capacity
- additional traffic lanes to help ease congestion
- on-road cycle lanes for commuters and confident cyclists
- off-road cycle lanes around school areas
- larger and better quality footpaths
- additional pedestrian islands
- undergrounding of overhead power and telecommunication lines
- traffic lights and additional marked lanes at intersections
- road resurfacing
- landscaping

For full project details and updates, visit [www.aucklandtransport.govt.nz/wairau](http://www.aucklandtransport.govt.nz/wairau)

### For more information:

Please phone Dempsey Wood's project liaison **Avi Estrin** on 021 912 299 or email [avi@dempseywood.co.nz](mailto:avi@dempseywood.co.nz). Avi is available to deal with any questions, issues or concerns you may have regarding the Taharoto-Wairau Road Upgrade.

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