# Speed Management Feasibility Assessment 

## SH 2 - Masterton to Featherston

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## 1. Introduction

The Speed Management Feasibility Assessment is a phase within the Speed Management Programme (SMP), led by Waka Kotahi. The SMP aims to reduce deaths and serious injury crashes, While supporting overall economic productivity thought managing travel speeds that are safe and appropriate for the road function, design, safety and use, within the road network. The purpose of this report is to assess the feasibility of implementing the recommendations outlined by the Technical Assessment done prior to this stage. It aims to provide design considerations and undertake a high-level constructability check prior to public consultation.

The proposed speed limit change locations have been obtained from the latest version of the Technical Assessment and through subsequent correspondence with Waka Kotahi. The site visits undertaken as part of this Feasibility Assessment have evaluated the appropriateness of the speed limit changes and other supporting infrastructure in the recommended locations, based on site constraints, construction feasibjiity and road user readability. Any recommended changes to the speed limit change locations are detailed in this Feasibility Assessment report and summarised under Section 3 of this report.

### 1.1 Corridor Extent

The extent of this corridor includes SH 2 from the southern end of Masterton to the southern of Featherston - RS/RP 002883/4800 to 002-921/552.

### 1.2 Assumptions and Exclusions

Signage requirements for local roads were not investigated in detail at site. Brief observations during the site visit did not identify any side roads that had significant constraints precluding implementation of speed limit signs (if required) within an acceptable distance (typically 20 m ) from the intersection with the state highway.

No topographical survey, design or detailed geometrical checks have been carried out as part of the assessment.
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## 2. Proposed Signage and Infrastructure

This section of the report outlines the details of the proposed speed limit sign installation along with other recommended infrastructure improvements such as line marking treatments. Recommended repeater sign locations and removal/ changes of other signs along the corridor such as curve advisory signs and temporary speed limit signs are noted under this section.

### 2.1 Speed Limit Changes

Site 1 -Masterton, southern urban fringe

|  | RS/RP 002-883/4800 |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP <br> location | $002-883 / 4800$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | $002-883 / 4800$ |
| Physical Description | SH2, 258m east of SH2/ William Donald Drive intersection |
| Existing Threshold | Speed limit changes from 50 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{M}$ in the increasing direction. |
| Proposed Design - Speed limit <br> threshold | Remove existing speed limit signs as the location does not entail a speed <br> limit change under the proposed speed limit schedule. |
| Assessment of other signs | N/A |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | N/A |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | N/A |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | N/A |
| Utilities | N/A |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | N/A |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | N/A |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 2 -Masterton, southern end of the urban area



| RS/RP 002-883/5716 |  |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | $002-883 / 5966$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | 002-883/5716 <br> TAlocation is changed due to the following reasons <br> - Achieving compliance for a $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ speed limit through the Waingawa River Bridge can be difficult <br> - Southern side of the bridge is not self-explaining for a speed limit change, i.e., that there is no noticeable change in land use or road characteristics. |
| Physical Description | SH2, 204m southwest of SH2/ Ngaumutawa Road intersection |
| Existing Threshold | The speed limit changes from 70 to $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ approximately 60 m southwest of the proposed location. |
| Proposed Design - Speed limit threshold | Signage <br> - Install new signs at 002-883/5716 <br> - $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS1 signs gated in the increasing direction. <br> - $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS52 (green Threshold Version A) signs, gated in the decreasing direction. <br> - Remove all existing speed limit signage at the current speed limit change location - 002-883/5776 <br> Line Marking <br> - Apply Threshold Treatment Type A (See Appendix A for detail) |


| RS/RP 002-883/5716 |  |
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| Assessment of other signs | The existing intersection warning sign (PW-12) on true RHS, facing the decreasing direction at 883/5716, will conflict with the proposed threshold sign. The sign is currently 143 m from the Buchannan Place intersection. With the reduced speed limit through this section, there is scope for the warning sign to be relocated closer to the intersection. MOTSAM notes that the distance between the warning sign and the intersection should be at least 100 m for an operating speed of $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ and 65 m for $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$. Accordingly, the sign can be relocated to $883 / 5666$, which is 50 m from the proposed threshold sign and approximately 94 m from the Buchanan Place intersection. |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or intersecting roads. | N/A |
| Utilities | No visible overhead powerlines. |
| Constructability | Grass berms on both LHS and RHS are not wide enough to accommodate both posts required to mountRS52 signs (LHS berm $=1.2 \mathrm{~m}$ and RHS berm $=1 \mathrm{~m}$ ). The post closest to the traffic lane may need to be mounted in the sealed shoulder. It is recommended that the kerb is built out into the shoulder to accommodate the sign posts. The sealed shoulder on LHS is 3 m wide and on RHS 2.7 m wide. The kerb extension at most would need to be 0.7 m . Hence the design is not expected to impede cyclist transition from the separated path across the bridge to the on-road cycle lane. Careful design of this will be tequired at the detailed design stage. |
| Risks/Additional commentary | N/A |
| Matters for Detailed Design Consideration | Relocation of existing intersection warning sign (PW-12) at 002-883/5716 Details of the kerb buildout (if required and if so to what extent) |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. Note, change from the TA location. |

Site 3 and Site 4 -Intersection Speed Zone - SH2/ Norfolk Road/ Cornwall Road


|  | RSIRP 002-883/6550 and 883/6894 |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | $\begin{aligned} & 002-883 / 6550 \\ & 002-883 / 6860 \end{aligned}$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | 002-883/6550 (unchanged) <br> 002-883/6894 <br> Minor change from the TA location at the southern end, so the RIAWS signs can be installed before the left turning lane commences (in decreasing direction). This eliminates the risk of the sign being blocked for through vehicles by a vehicle on the left turning lane. Additionally, the sealed shoulder is wider before the start of the left turning lane and hence provides better separation between the live lane and the sign. |
| Physical Description | Northern End - SH2, 150m northeast of SH2/ Norfolk Road/ Cornwall Road intersection <br> Southern End - SH2, 200m southwest of SH2/ Norfolk Road/ Cornwall Road intersection |
| Existing Threshold | N/A |


| RS/RP 002-883/6550 and 883/6894 |  |
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| Proposed Design - Speed limit threshold | 002-883/6550 <br> - Install $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ rural intersection activated warning sign and crossroad intersection warning sign (WJ2A) on LHS facing increasing direction (to be mounted on same post) <br> - Install $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS1 sign on the true RHS facing decreasing direction. <br> 002-883/6894 <br> - Install $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS1 sign on the LHS facing increasing direction <br> - Install $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ Rural intersection activated warning sign and crossroad intersection warning sign (WJ2A) on the true RHS facing decreasing direction (to be mounted on same post) |
| Assessment of other signs | The proposed sign at 883/6550 on the LHS will obscure the existing cyclist warning sign at $883 / 6570$. The cyclist warning sign can be relocated further back from the intersection or towards the intersection as required (location to be determined in detailed design). |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles) |  |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or intersecting roads. | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines at 002-883/6550. These are significantly higher than the typical sign height so not expected to create any conflict. |
| Constructability | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | The recommended distance between a RIAWS and an intersection is 150 m . The proposed separation at the southern end is 200 m . However, the presence of an intersection is clearly visible to a driver from the proposed location and therefore the minor divergence from the standard recommendation is considered acceptable. |
| Matters for Detailed Design Consideration | - Relocation of existing cycle warning sign at 883/6570. |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. Note, the change in the TA location at the southern end of the intersection speed zone. |

Site 5 and Site 6 -Intersection Speed Zone - SH2/ Wiltons Road/ East Taratahi Road intersection



## Site 7 -Carterton, northern urban fringe

Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas)

## RS/RP 002-883/14090

| Technical Assessment RS/RP <br> location | $002-883 / 14090$ |
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| Proposed RS/RP location | $002-883 / 14090$ |
| Physical Description | SH2, 248m south-west of Somerset Road |
| Existing Threshold | Speed limit changes from 100 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ in the increasing direction <br> Proposed Design - Speed limit <br> threshold <br> Replace $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS2 signs in the decreasing direction with RS1 $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ <br> signs |

There are several other existing signs in the vicinity. The environment is quite cluttered and would benefit from some rationalisation, as follows:

- The PW-17 LH curve warning sign with $65 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ advisory plate should be relocated 30 m south-west from 002-883/14.128 to 002883/14.158,
- The intersection warning sign in the decreasing direction should be relocated around 50 m north-east from 002-883/14.085 to 002883/14.031, and
- The 'Riders' permanent warning sign in the decreasing direction should be relocated from 002-883/14.006 further north-east. The need for this sign should also be reviewed as part of any community engagement.
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| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5 m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
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| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. These are significantly higher than the typical <br> sign height so not expected to create any conflict. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | N/A |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | N/A |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 8 -Carterton, northern end of the township



| Utilities | Existing threshold sign on the LHS is very close to the overhead powerlines. <br> The proposed RS52 signs with the "Welcome to" greeting may be taller than <br> the current threshold signs. The existing ground clearance as well cannot be <br> reduced as the sign sits above a footpath that is used by both cyclists and <br> pedestrians. |
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| Final Decision |  |

## Site 9 -Carterton, northern end of the town centre



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| Assessment of other signs | Roundabout ahead warning sign (WJ1) located at $883 / 15312$ may be <br> obstructed by the proposed speed limit signs. However, the signs will be <br> laterally offset as the speed limit signs are proposed on a kerb buildout. If <br> needed to be relocated, the warning sign can be relocated to $883 / 15332$. <br> This location will still meet the MOTSAM requirement for minimum distance <br> between the warning sign and the roundabout. |
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| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | Signs can be mounted at a height that will not obstruct visibility at the <br> adjoining driveways. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. These are significantly higher than the typical <br> sign height so not expected to create any copflict. Underground services to <br> be checked. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | The signs could be located above the footpath while still maintaining an <br> accessible path. However, the signs would be too offset from the traffic lane <br> to be effective and may be obstructed by parked vehicles. This is why we <br> have recommended installing the signs within a kerb buildout. |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | If kerb buildouts are provided, there will be some loss of on-street parking. <br> During the site visit, the parking around the location was observed to be well <br> utilised. The location is not directly outside any businesses. Approximately <br> four parking spaces will be lost (two on either side). |
| Final Decision | Kerb build out designs for sign placement |
| - Relocation of roundabout warning sign (if required) |  |

## Site 10 -Carterton, southern end of the town centre



| RS/RP 002-883/16099 |  |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | $002-883 / 16099$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | $002-883 / 16099$ |
| Physical Description | SH2, 8m southwest of Seddon Street intersection |
| Existing Threshold | Signage <br> - Install $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ gated RS1 signs in the increasing direction. <br> - Install 40km/h gated RS51 (Green Threshold Version A) signs in the <br> decreasing direction. It is recommended the wording on the signs to <br> be "Town Centre" <br> Signs are recommended to be provided within newly constructed kerb <br> buildouts in the existing parking lane. <br> Line Marking <br> threshold |

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| Assessment of other signs | The pedestrian crossing warning sign (WU3) facing the decreasing <br> direction at $883 / 16115$ will need to be relocated approximately 30m <br> further towards the crossing to avoid visual conflict with the proposed <br> speed limit signs. As per the MOTSAM guidance, pedestrian crossing <br> warning signs should be located at least 50m in advance of the crossing, <br> this separation can be achieved with the relocation proposed above. <br> The vertical hump (WN2) warning sign at $883 / 16095$ can be removed if <br> needed to avoid sign clutter. WN2 signs are not mandatory prior to a <br> raised crossing and with the reduced speed limit the usefulness of the <br> sign diminishes. |
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| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120m in rural <br> areas and 60m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5m required to allow for <br> over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | Signs can be mounted at a height that Willnot obstruct visibility at the <br> adjoining driveways and Seddon Street intersection. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. These are significantly higher than the <br> typical sign height so not expected to create any conflict. Underground <br> services to be checked. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | Signs are recommended to be mounted on kerb buildouts for the reasons <br> noted previously Some loss of on-street parking is expected <br> (approximately four spaces, two on either side). The demand for kerbside <br> parking appears to be noticeably less than at the other end of the town <br> (asobserved during the site visit). |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | Kerb build out designs for sign placement <br> Final Decision |
| Relocation of pedestrian crossing warning sign (WU3) at 883/16115 |  |
| and vertical hump (WN2) warning sign at 883/ 16095. |  |

Site 11 and 12 -Variable school speed limit - Saint Mary's School, Ponatahi Christian School and South End School


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| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120 m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
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| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5 m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS at both locations. As the proposal is for <br> replacing existing signs this is not expected to be of concern. |
| Constructability | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | All side roads intersecting the school speed limit zone, apart from Clifton Ave <br> and Howard Street currently have school speed limit signs "School Zone 40 <br> when children present" facing traffic approaching SH2 and "school zone end" <br> facing traffic leaving SH2). It is recommended that the sign locations are <br> retained, but the signs are replaced to reflect the updated 30km/h variable <br> speed limit and the specific times the variable speed limit applies (RS6, <br> facing traffic approaching SH2 and RS61 facing traffic leaving SH2). This <br> needs to be undertaken in consultation with the local council. New static <br> variable school zone speed limit signs can be installed on Clifton Ave and <br> Howard Street within 20m of intersections with SH2. |
| Matters for Detailed Design | Local road sign placement-require liaising with the local council regarding <br> updating existing signs and installing new signs on local roads intersecting <br> the school variable speedlimit zone |
| Consideration | The proposêd location is feasible. |

## Site 13 - Carterton, southern end of the urban area



| RS/RP 002-883/18430 |  |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | $002-883 / 18430$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | 002-883/18430 |
| Physical Description | SH2, 45m southwest of Portland Road |
| Existing Threshold | Existing Threshold - Speed limit changes from 50 to $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ in the increasing direction |
| Proposed Design - speed limit threshold | - Replace existing $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS2 signs with $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS1 signs in the decreasing direction <br> - No change in the speed limits in the decreasing direction. However, it is recommended that the existing threshold signs are replaced with RS51 signs with the "welcome to" and/ or equivalent Te Reo Māori greeting to be consistent with elsewhere along SH2 and nationwide. |
| Assessment of other signs | N/A |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |

Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles)

The existing separation between the threshold signs (lateral distance between the inner sign edges) is 10.2 m , falling short of the desired minimum of 10.5 m . The existing foundation may not necessarily require relocation to achieve the desired separation, as the signs could be mounted asymmetrically on the poles to achieve the desired lateral separation.

Sight distance at accesses and/or

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## Site 14 - Greytown, northern urban fringe



| RS/RP 002-905/1251 |  |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | Not Assessed |
| Proposed RS/RP location | 002-905/1251 |
| Physical Description | SH2,545m northeast of Hupenui Road |
| Existing Threshold | Speed limit changes from 100 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ in the increasing direction |
| Proposed Design - Speed-limit threshold | - Retain existing speed limit signs in the increasing direction <br> - Replace $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS2 signs in the decreasing direction with RS1 $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ signs |
| Assessment of othersigns | N/A |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or intersecting roads. | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. No conflict expected as the proposal involves replacing existing signs. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | N/A |

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| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | N/A |
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| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 15 - Greytown, northern end of the urban area




## Site 16 -Greytown, northern end of the town centre



| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120 m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
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| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5 m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | Signs can be mounted at a height that will not obstruct visibility at the <br> adjoining driveways. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. These are significantly higher than the typical <br> sign height so not expected to create any conflict. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | Signs are recommended to be mounted on kerb buildouts for the same <br> reasons noted under the Carterton town centre speed limits. There will be <br> some loss of kerbside parking. During the site visit the kerbside parking <br> around the location was observed to be well ptilised. The location is not <br> directly outside any businesses. Approximately four parking spaces will be <br> lost (two on either side) |
| Matters for Detailed Design | - Kerb build out designs for sign placement <br> - Relocation of pedestrian crossing and presence of pedestrians warning <br> signs in increasing and decreasing directions respectively (if required) |
| Consideration | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 17 -Greytown, southern end of the town centre



RS/RP 002-905/3320

| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | $002-905 / 3320$ |
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| Proposed RS/RP location | 002-905/3320 |
| Physical Description | SH2, 10 m southwest of SH2/ Wood Street/ Church Street intersection |
| Existing Threshold | N/A |
| Proposed Design - Speed limit threshold | Signage <br> - Install Gated RS1 $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ signs in the increasing direction. <br> - Install gated RS51 (Green Threshold Version A) signs in the decreasing direction. It is recommended the wording on the signs to be "Town Centre" <br> Signs are recommended to be provided on kerb buildouts. <br> Line Marking <br> Red Pavement surfacing (a single band of red surface marking, covering lanes in both increasing and decreasing directions and no speed numerals on the road surface) |
| Assessment of other signs | No conflicting signs in the immediate vicinity |
| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |


| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | Signs can be mounted at a height that will not obstruct visibility at the <br> adjoining driveways and Church Street/ Wood Street intersection. |
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| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. These are significantly higher than the typical <br> sign height so not expected to create any conflict. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | Signs are recommended to be mounted on kerb build outs for the reasons <br> noted previously. Some loss of on-street parking is expected (approximately <br> four spaces, two on either side). The demand for kerb side parking;appears <br> to be noticeably less than at the other end of the town (as was observed <br> during the site visit). |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | - Kerb build out designs for sign placement |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

Site 18 - Greytown, southern end of the urban area


| RS/RP 002-883/4800 |  |
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| Technical Assessment RS/RP <br> location | $002-905 / 4500$ |
| Proposed RS/RP location | $002-905 / 4500$ |
| Physical Description | SH2, 80 m southwest of Bidwills Cutting Road <br> Existing Threshold <br> increasing direction |
| Proposed Design - Speed Jimit <br> threshold | - Replace existing $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS2 signs with $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ RS1 signs <br> - No change in the speed limits in the decreasing direction. However, it is <br> recommended that the existing threshold signs are replaced with RS51 <br> signs with the "welcome to" and/ or equivalent Te Reo Mãori greeting to <br> be consistent with elsewhere along SH2 and nationwide. |
| Assessmentof other signs | No conflicting signs in the immediate vicinity |



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Site 19 - Featherston, northern end of the urban area


| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. Adequate vertical clearance from the signs, <br> hence not expected to be of concern. |
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| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | N/A |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | N/A |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 20 - Featherston, northern end of the town centre



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| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120 m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
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| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5 m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | No overhead power lines observed. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | Signs are recommended to be mounted on kerb buildouts for the same <br> reasons noted under the Carterton and Greytown town centre speed limits. <br> There will be some loss of marked kerbside parking. During the site visit the <br> kerbside parking around the location was observed to be well utilised. The <br> location however is not directly outside any businesses. Approximately four <br> parking spaces will be lost (two on either side) <br> It is recommended that Waka Kotahi consider providing a raised platform for <br> the existing zebra crossing at 905/15469. This will aid in reinforcing the entry <br> to high activity, lower speed area. |
| Matters for Detailed Design | Kerb build out designs forsign placement <br> Consideration |
| Final Decision | The proposed location is feasible. |

## Site 21 - Featherston, southern end of the town centre



| Assessment of other signs | There are two information signs on the RHS berm facing the decreasing <br> direction (information centre 600 m ahead sign mounted on a short pole and <br> turn left in 300 m for EV charging sign mounted on a lamp post). The <br> proposed speed limit sign may obstruct these information signs. These signs <br> can be readily relocated to the opposite side of the Wakefield Street/ <br> Bethune Street intersection whilst still retaining their relevance. Both signs <br> could potentially be mounted on existing posts or poles. |
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| Advance visibility to proposed signs <br> (Minimum requirement of 120m in <br> rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a <br> minimum of 10.5m required to allow <br> for over dimension vehicles) | $\checkmark$ |
| Sight distance at accesses and/or <br> intersecting roads. | No sight distance obstructions. |
| Utilities | Overhead powerlines on LHS. Sufficient vertical clearance can be achieved, <br> hence not expected to be of concern. |
| Constructability Constraints | N/A |
| Risks/Additional commentary | Given that the shoulders are natrow and there is no kerbside parking, LHS <br> and RHS signs can be mounted on the footpath and the berm respectively. <br> The footpath at the location is $3.7 m$ wide and hence the proposed sign <br> placement will not impede an accessible path. |
| Matters for Detailed Design <br> Consideration | - Relocation of information signs facing the decreasing direction on the |
| RHS |  |

## Site 22 - Featherston, southern urban fringe



| RS/RP 002-921/552 |  |
| :---: | :---: |
| Technical Assessment RS/RP location | 002-921/580 |
| Proposed RS/RP location | $002-921 / 552$ <br> Minor change in the TA location to allow adequate space for threshold signs |
| Physical Description | SH2, 250 m west of Moore Street/ Watt Street intersection |
| Existing Threshold | Speed limit changes from 50 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ approximately 330 m east (925/219) of the proposed location. <br> Speed limit changes from 70 to $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ approximately 75 west ( $925 / 580$ ). of the location. |
| Proposed Design- Speed limit threshold | Signage <br> - Install Gated RS2 $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ signs in the increasing direction. <br> - Install $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ gated RS52 (Green Threshold Version A) signs in the decreasing direction. <br> - Remove existing speed limit signs at 925/219 and 925/580 <br> Line Marking <br> Extend the existing short flush median west of the SH2/Moore Street/ Watt <br> Street up the proposed location (See Appendix D for outline plans) |
| Assessment of other signs | N/A |

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| Advance visibility to proposed signs (Minimum requirement of 120 m in rural areas and 60 m in urban areas) | Advance visibility to the true LHS threshold sign in the increasing direction is restricted by the curved alignment of the road. However, the true RHS sign will remain unobstructed. <br> At least 60 m of advance visibility is available in the increasing direction to both LHS and RHS signs. Vegetation on LHS berm will need to be trimmed and maintained. <br> Visibility to signs in the increasing direction is less important than in the decreasing direction, as the signs inform of a speed limit increase départing Featherston. |
| Sign to Sign lateral separation (a minimum of 10.5 m required to allow for over dimension vehicles) | Achieving the minimum lateral sign separation may be challenging in this location. <br> Key carriageway dimensions are as follows. <br> - Edge line to ridgeline -7.1 m <br> - LHS sealed shoulder -1.8 m <br> - RHS sealed shoulder -0.9 m <br> - LHS berm - approx. 2.5 m |

The berm on the RHS slopes up steenly immediately after the end of the seal. Minor earthworks will likely, be needed to reduce the berm gradient so the threshold signs can be installed. The possibility of achieving the 10.5 m separation will depend on how far from the edge of the seal the RHS sign can be mounted. If the 10.5 m minimum separation is not achievable, the signs could be designed with collapsible posts. The proposed location provides the best availability of space and any minor changes to the location will not achieve a better outcome.


Figure: RHS berm looking in the decreasing rection

Sight distance at accesses and/or intersecting roads.

The proposed LHS sign is very close to a residential driveway. However, the curved road alignment at the location means the sight distance at the driveway is unlikely to be adversely affected. The sign also will be mounted at a height that will not interfere with the drivers' line of sight.

## Utilities



### 2.2 Proposed repeater sign locations

The following outlines all locations in this network corridor where double sided, gated repeater signs are proposed to be placed. These signs will match the speed limit proposed in the Technical Assessment. Repeater signs are proposed at regular intervals as speed limit of $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ may not necessarily be self-explaining through these network sections. Identified repeater sign locations are only indicative, however they have been chosen so that there is adequate sight distance, sufficient roadway width to install gated signs and generally free of any constructability constraints.
The maximum permissible separation between repeater signs for a speed limit of $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ is 2.7 km . The proposed locations noted above are approximately $1.5 \mathrm{~km}-2.5 \mathrm{~km}$ apart from each other. Hence, if any specific constraints are identified at any given site, the location can be shifted by approximately 100 metres without having to adjust the other repeater locations along the corridor to meet the spacing requirement.

Table 2.1 Proposed repeater sign locations

| RS/RP | Distance ( $m$ ) from previous speed limit signs (repeater <br> signs/ thresholds/ Intersection speed signs/ school <br> zone signs) in the increasing airection. |
| :--- | :--- |
| $002-883 / 10180$ | 1749 |
| $002-883 / 11880$ | 1700 |
| $002-883 / 20860$ | 2430 |
| $002-905 / 1260$ | 1673 |
| $002-905 / 6604$ | 2104 |
| $002-905 / 8754$ | 2150 |
| $002-905 / 10554$ | 1800 |
| $002-905 / 12880$ | 2326 |
| $002-905 / 14440$ | 1560 |

### 2.3 Existing sign removal/ modification

## Curve Advisory Signs

Curve advisory signs along the corridors should be removed or replaced where the sign indicates a speed that is higher than the proposed speed. The following scheme of signs removal/ amendment is proposed:

- Horizontal alignment warning signage (WM1 to WM8) and supplementary curve advisory speed plate (WG5) Remove the supplementary curve advisory speed plate (WG5) where the advisory speed is above the recommended new speed limit. Retain the horizontal alignment warning signage.
- Curve Advisory Chevron (WYS1 - WYS4).- Remove chevron signs where the advisory speed is above the recommended new speed limit. Replace with series of WYC Chevron signs to delineate the curve
Table 2.2 Curve Advisory signs to be removed

| RS/RP | Direction | True Location |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $002-0883 / 12206$ | Increasing | LHS |
| $002-0883 / 12611$ | Decreasing | RHS |

Table 2.3 Curve Advisory Chevrons to be removed and replaced

| RS/RP | Direction | True Location |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $002-0883 / 12397$ | Increasing | RHS |  |
| $002-0883 / 12430$ | Decreasing | RHS |  |

## 'Your Speed' Signs

These signs generally display the wording "Slow Down" when vehicles exceed the speed limit or a set speed threshold. This speed threshold will have to change accordingly when the speed limit on a road section with a 'your speed'sign changes. Your speed signs at the following location are currently on a $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ section which is proposed to reduce to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$.

- 002-0905/14674
- 002-0921/385


## Existing Repeater Signs

There are existing repeater signs on several locations on the corridor, predominantly on urban $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ sections. Some of these signs will need to be removed either due being in conflict with the proposed speed limit or being too close to a proposed speed limit change location, hence carrying potential to confuse drivers.

| RS/RP | Direction | True Location |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| $002-0883 / 16149$ | Increasing and decreasing | Gated |  |
| $002-0883 / 16613$ | Increasing and decreasing | Gated |  |
| $002-0905 / 3270$ | Increasing and decreasing | Gated |  |

### 2.4 Proposed Slow Vehicle Bays

Three existing passing lanes along the assessment corridor are proposed to be converted into slow vehicle bays. The design of the slow vehicle bays is based on Waka Kotahi Traffic Control Devices Manual (TCDM) Part 5 - Traffic control devices for general use between intersections (December 2020). The outline plans for each slow vehicle bay are shown in Appendix C. It should be noted that these plans are based on aerial imagery and key observations and measurements undertaken at site and not informed by any form of survey data. These plans are only intended for assessing the overall feasibility and any high-level details of the design. The more detailed elements of the design (removal of existing signs and line markings and installation of new signs and markings including the delineation) will be finalised during the detailed design stage once the survey data is available.

During correspondence with Waka Kotahi, it was agreed that the slow vehicle bays should be kept at the same length as the current passing lanes, rather than reducing them to 300 m , the maximum length recommended in TCDM for slow vehicle bays.

Design details on each of the slow vehicle bay is summarised below.

## Slow Vehicle Bay 1 - Southwest of Carterton

The existing passing lane starts at RS/RP 883/18445 and ends at RS/RP 883/18980, with a total length of 535 m . The width of the passing lane ranges from 3.6 m to 3.8 m with approximately 0.3 m *ide double yellow marked centreline. Site visit observations and measurements on site show that the conversion of existing passing lane into a slow vehicle bay is feasible.

Proposed slow vehicle bay as well as the traffic lanes are 3.5 m wide. The width of the proposed wide centreline ranges from 0.6 m to 1.2 m . The sealed shoulder for the new layout is atleast 1.5 m wide on both sides. This is expected to be sufficient to accommodate cyclists using this section of the road. Qverall, additional seal widening will not be required for the proposed layout.

## Slow Vehicle Bay 2 - Southwest of Greytown

The existing passing lane starts at RS/RP $905 / 5290$ and ends at RS/RP 905/6070, with a total length of 780 m . The passing lane is 3.5 m to 3.7 m wide with approximately 0.3 m wide double yellow marked centreline. Site visit observations and measurements on site show that the conversion of existing passing lane into a slow vehicle bay is feasible.

Proposed slow vehicle bay as well as the traffic lanes in both directions are 3.5 m wide. The proposed wide centre line is 0.6 m wide. The sealed shoulder width is at least 1.4 m on both sides. As such the design is not expected to impede safe cyclist movements along this road section, despite the current shoulder being narrowed down (by 0.1 m along much of the section and up to 0.9 m towards end of the section) to accommodate the wide centreline treatment. Overall, additional seal widening will not be required for the proposed layout.

## Slow Vehicle Bay 3 - East of Featherston

The existing passing lane starts at RS/RP 905/12660 and ends at RS/RP 905/12010 (in decreasing direction) with a total length of 650 m . The width of the passing lane ranges from 3.5 m to 3.7 m with approximately 0.3 m wide double yellow marked centrelline. Site visit observations and measurement on site show that the existing passing can be converted to a slow yehicle bay.

Proposed slow vehicle bay as well as the adjacent lane is 3.4 m wide, with the lane in the opposite direction being 3.5 m Wide. The proposed wide centreline is 0.5 m wide. The sealed shoulders are at least 1.4 m wide on both sides, which will be sufficient to accommodate cyclists using this section of the road. Overall, additional seal widening will not be required for the proposed layout.

## 3. Summary

Table 3.1 provides a summary of the proposed treatments and recommended supplementary infrastructure along with the conclusions on implementation feasibility for the assessment corridor

Table 3.1 Summary of proposed treatments

| Referenc | Speed Limit change | Initial RS/RP | Proposed RSIRP | Proposed treatment | Reason for location change | Location feasibility | Matters to be considered at detailed design |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Site 1 | N/A | 883/4800 | Unchanged | Remove signs | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 2 | 50 to $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/5966 | 883/5716 | Threshold | Achieving compliance for a $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ speed limit through the Waingawa River Bridge can be difficult/ Ta location is not self-explaining for a speed limit Change due to lack of change in land use.or road characteristics. | Feasible, Note change from TA location | Relocation of existing intersection warning sign (PW-12) at 002-883/5716 <br> Details of the kerb buildout (if required and if so to what extent) |
| Site 3 | 80 to $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ intersection speed zone | 883/6550 | unchanged | Rural intersection activated warning sign and | N/A | Feasible | Relocation of existing Cycle warning sign at $883 / 6570$. |
| Site 4 | $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ intersection speed zone to $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/6860 | 883/6894 | Rural intersection activated warning sign and | To place signinadvance of left turning lane | Feasible, Note change from TA location | N/A |
| Site 5 | 80 to $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ intersection speed zone | 883/8400 | Unchanged | Replace existing $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ Rural intersection activated warning sign with $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ signs, |  | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 6 | $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ intersection speed zone to $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/8770 | Unchanged | Replace existing $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ Rural intersection activated warning sign with $60 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ signs. | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 7 | 80 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/14090 | Unchanged | Roundels (existing) | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 8 | 70 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/14090 | Unchanged $\qquad$ e | Threshold (existing) | N/A | Feasible, possible conflict with | May require special signs design (customised dimensions etc.) or changes to the overhead services to manage |

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| Referenc e | Speed Limit change | Initial RSIRP | Proposed RSIRP | Proposed treatment | Reason for location change | Location feasibility | Matters to be considered at detailed design |
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|  |  |  |  |  |  | overhead services | potential conflict with overhead powerlines. |
| Site 9 | 50 to $40 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/15307 | 883/15287 | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | Minimise impact on on-street parking directly outside local businesses. | Feasible, Note change from TA location | Kerb build out designs for sign placement Relocation of roundabout warning sign (if required) |
| Site 10 | 40 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/16099 | Unchanged | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | Feasible | Kerb build out designs for sign placement Relocation of pedestrian crossing warning sign (WU3) at 883/16115 and vertical hump (WN2) warning sign at 883/ 16095. |
| Site 11 | 50 to $30 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ school VSL | 883/16200 | Unchanged | School VSL | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | Feasible | Local road sign placement - require liaising with the local council regarding updating existing signs and installation of new signs. |
| Site 12 | $30 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ school VSL to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/16980 | Unchanged | School VSL |  | Feasible | Local road sign placement - require liaising with the local council regarding updating existing signs and installation of new signs. |
| Site 13 | 50 to $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 883/18430 | Unchanged | Threshold (existin | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 14 | 80 to $70 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | N/A | 905/1251 | Roundels (Existing) | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 15 | 70 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | N/A | 905/2041 | Threshold (Existing) | N/A | Feasible, possible conflict with overhead services | May require special signs design/ changes to mounting height or changes to the overhead services to manage potential conflict with overhead powerlines. |
| Site 16 | 50 to $40 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 905/2686 | $905 / 2670$ | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | To provide adequate separation from the Jellico Street/ Kuratawhiti Street/ SH2 intersection | Feasible, Note change from TA location | Kerb build out designs for sign placement Relocation of pedestrian crossing ( $905 / 2681$ ) and presence of pedestrians warning signs (905/2703) in increasing |

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| Referenc <br> e | Speed Limit change | Initial RSIRP | Proposed RSIRP | Proposed treatment | Reason for location change | Location feasibility | Matters to be considered at detailed design |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | and decreasing directions respectively (if required) |
| Site 17 | 40 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 905/3320 | Unchanged | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | N/A | Feasible | Kerb build out designs for sign placement |
| Site 18 | 50 to $80 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 905/4500 | Unchanged | Threshold (Existing) | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 19 | 80 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 905/14440 | Unchanged | Threshold (Existing) | N/A | Feasible | N/A |
| Site 20 | 50 to $40 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 905/15539 | Unchanged | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | $\mathrm{N} / \mathrm{A}$ | Feasible | Kerb build out designs for sign placement Relocation of pedestrian crossing warning sign in decreasing direction. |
| Site 21 | 40 to $50 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 921/099 | 921/085 | Threshold (smaller RS51 "Town Centre" signs) | To enable the RHS sign to be placed on the berm rather than the footpath | Feasible, Note change from TA location | Relocation of information signs facing the decreasing direction on the RHS |
| Site 22 | 50 to <br> $100 \mathrm{~km} / \mathrm{h}$ | 921/580 | 921/552 | Threshold | To allow adequate space for threshold signs | Feasible, Note change from TA location. Minor earthworks likely required on RHS berm | RHS berm gradient (if the gradient needs to be reduced, and if so to what extent) Proposed sign interaction with the culvert on RHS <br> Special sign design if the minimum lateral spacing of 10.5 m cannot be achieved. |

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## Appendix A: Proposed Standard Threshold Treatment





## Appendix B: Proposed Speed Limit Schedule and Sign Placements























## Appendix C: Proposed Slow Vehcile Bays (draft outline plans)



## Appendix C1: Slow Vehcile Bay 1 - Southwest of Carterton









## Appendix C2: Slow Vehcile Bay 2 - Southwest of Greytown










## Appendix C3: Slow Vehcile Bay 1 - East of Featherston










## Appendix D: Proposed Flush Median Extension - West of Featherston






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