

Auckland Light Rail

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AUCKLAND LIGHT RAIL INDUSTRY BRIEFING

The New Zealand Transport Agency is excited to be leading the delivery of a rapid transit network for Auckland that will support the city's transport needs now and into the future.

A new light rail network in Auckland has been announced to support the development of communities and provide better access and connections as well as more transport choices.

The Government has already committed \$1.8bn in funding to progress the network within the next ten years under the Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP).

It will enable urban and transport outcomes to provide communities with housing and better access to work, education and recreation.

Light rail in Auckland will run from the City Centre to Māngere, connecting communities along the corridor including employment areas such as the City Centre, Onehunga and Auckland Airport. It also involves a light rail corridor from the city centre to the

northwest, another area of rapid growth for the city.

Delivering light rail is a first for New Zealand and we recognise that the key to its success is ensuring we have the very best in skills, expertise, technology and equipment to deliver this project.

We know that the earlier we engage with the private sector the better outcomes we will get and we welcome the input, views and learnings from both national and international industry.

Our programme has a focus on market engagement, which will help establish a robust and open process to ensure all options for procurement and financing are considered in the delivery of a world-class rapid transport network that benefits Auckland and the rest of New Zealand.

Market engagement commences with an Industry Briefing to provide overall information about the project, process and timelines. This is the first step in an engagement process to support the development of the project.

Following the briefing, meetings will take place with participants in Auckland and Sydney.

The Transport Agency is working quickly to meet the Government's 10-year commitment and have this important project in place, and we thank you for your interest in being a part of the discussion.

We look forward to working with you to deliver this exciting and important project for Auckland.

Fergus Gammie
Chief Executive,
NZ Transport Agency



Partnering to deliver the best outcomes

Our approach to the delivery of this project is to integrate the development of light rail and other transport infrastructure with urban development, and we are working closely with our partners, Auckland Transport, Auckland Council and HLC to ensure that we deliver more housing, employment and recreational opportunities close to the proposed light rail lines.

While planned improvements will boost the performance of Auckland's network, the city will be home to a million more residents over the next 30 years, and we predict that the current bus and heavy rail network won't be able to accommodate this growth and will put significant strain on the current public transport network. Without adding more capacity and connections, significant bus congestion is predicted for the city centre, including on Albert Street and key arterials such as Dominion Road.

Expanding the public transport network to include light rail will give Aucklanders

more choices about how they travel, and contribute to a modern, attractive, liveable city with more frequent transport services, seamless connections and reduced reliance on the private car. Light rail can move more people at greater frequencies than buses, with faster on- and off-loading of passengers. Its permanence encourages and enables sustainable development of the surrounding land by public and private organisations, as outlined in the Auckland Unitary Plan. This includes the development of community facilities and open spaces by Auckland Council.

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ATAP Rapid Transit Network - first decade

Auckland Transport Alignment Project includes two Light Rail corridors

The Auckland Transport Alignment Project (ATAP) agreed key priorities for funding by Central government and Auckland Council.

Two light rail lines in the next decade:

- City Centre to Māngere (CC2M)
- City Centre to Northwest

ATAP is supported by the Government Policy Statement (GPS) on Transport, which gives direction to NZTA funding priorities.

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City Centre to Māngere Light Rail is expected to:

- Alleviate current and forecast bus capacity in the city centre.
- Connect communities along the corridor including employment areas such as the city centre, Onehunga and Auckland Airport.
- Unlock significant growth potential along the corridor especially around Māngere, Onehunga and Mt Roskill.

City Centre to Northwest Light Rail is expected to:

- Support substantial growth along the corridor and the broader northwest part of Auckland.
- Provide sustainable employment access in the west.
- Provide more choices for travellers along SH16.
- Improve public transport in this part of Auckland.

PARTNERSHIP WITH CLEAR ACCOUNTABILITIES

The New Zealand Transport Agency is leading overall delivery of Auckland Light Rail and is partnering with Auckland Council, Auckland Transport and HLC.

The partnership agreement sets out roles, accountabilities and decision-making rights with each party being accountable for decision-making for their part of the project.

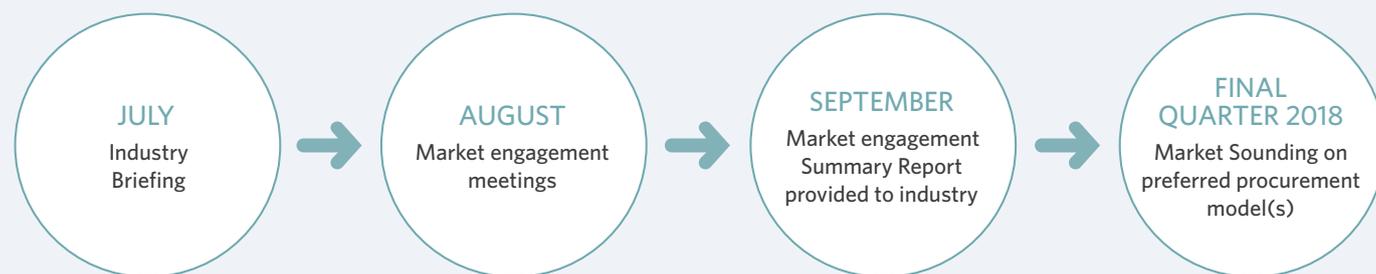
MARKET ENGAGEMENT PURPOSE

Market engagement, which will inform the procurement strategy, involves:

A two-way conversation with representatives from each key supplier category. An opportunity for suppliers to give their perspectives, attitudes and risk appetites, learnings from

previous projects, and suggestions for this project. Findings from market engagement will feed into overall analysis of procurement options.

INDUSTRY ENGAGEMENT PROCESS



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