



Cambridge to Piarere Long-term Improvements Survey #1

Summary of Survey Feedback
24 January 2017

Overview of responses

- 489 responses
- 1428 mapped responses (places and routes)
- 272 'something I like' pins
- 741 'something I don't like' pins
- 294 important place or feature pins
- 94 alternative routes drawn
- 27 alternative routes I'd like to use drawn

Overview of respondents

- Majority of respondents live elsewhere and either frequently (34%) or sometimes (32%) travel through the area
- Majority use private motor vehicle (75%), followed by commercial vehicle/truck (18%)
- Majority use the road daily (28%), followed by 2-3 days a week, monthly, once a week and then fortnightly
- Responses provide good coverage of periods of use: 32% of respondents travel on the road throughout the day (between 9am-3pm), 27% travel during evening peak, 26% during morning peak and 15% during the night
- Majority of respondents travel on both weekdays and weekends (76%)
- Majority of respondents travel all year round (90%)

Brief overview of road use

- Majority use the road because it's the quickest route (27%), followed by only way to go (19%), easiest (16%) and shortest (15%)
- 60% do not use an alternative route
 - Approximately half (51%) don't use an alternative because they are satisfied with the road
 - The remaining 49% don't use an alternative route because:
 - they don't know of or don't have an alternative route available
 - alternative routes are too winding, narrow, longer, or slow
 - alternative routes feel 'less safe' than SH1
- 40% use an alternative route primarily for safety and congestion reasons, including:
 - avoiding congestion (slow traffic, stop/start flow causing frustration) at busy times (start/end of weekends/public holidays and peak)
 - quicker on an alternative route
 - feeling safer on an alternative route
 - to avoid SH1/SH29 intersection/turning across traffic
 - work requirements (i.e. company requiring trucks to use alternative route)
 - enjoying a change of scenery

How respondents feel using the road

- Majority of people find it very convenient to travel along this section of road
 - Main reasons being: fast (speed limit), direct (only way to go), easy (to get on to, drive along, access from home)
- Most people feel unsafe on this section of road
 - Main reasons being: busy road, behaviour of other motorists, road layout (intersections and passing lanes), speed, difficulty getting on/off

Common themes

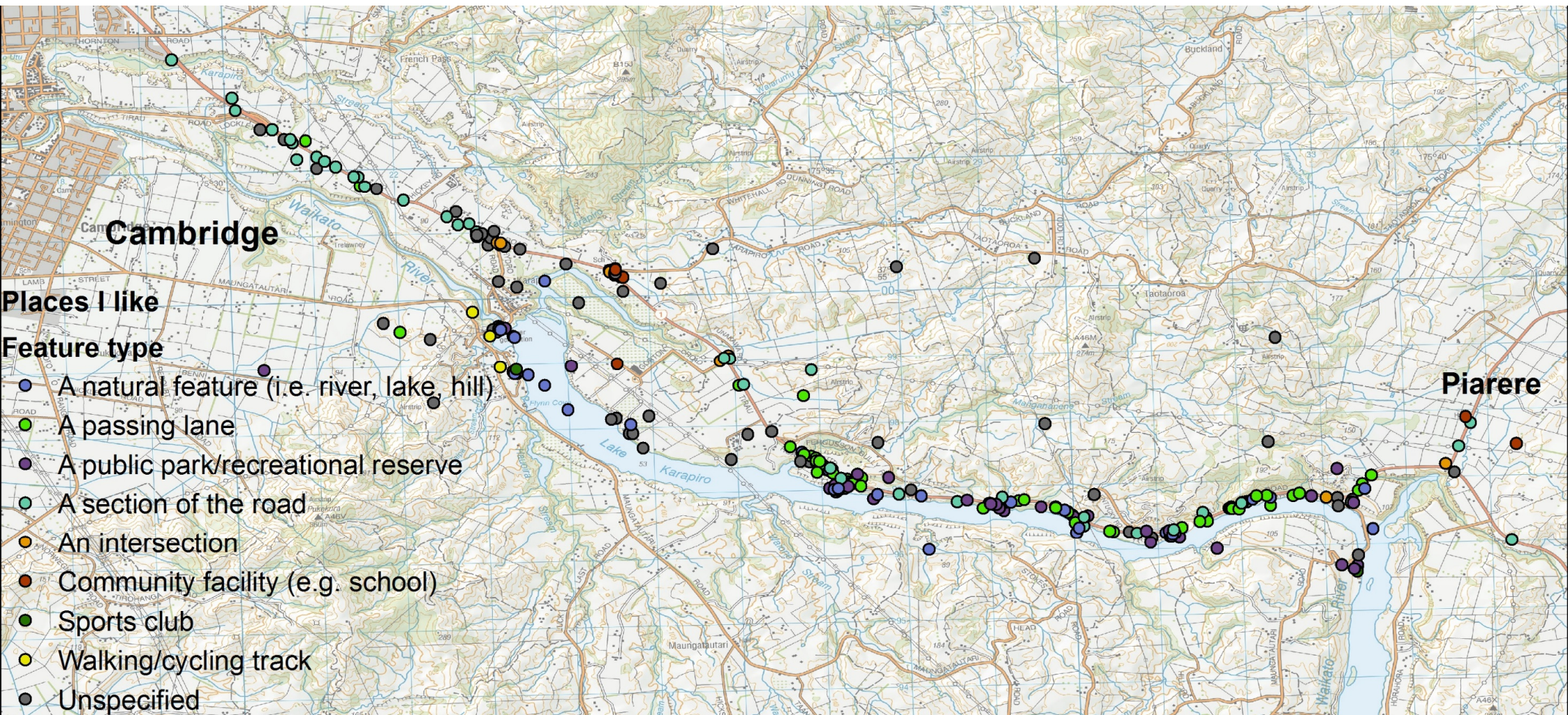
- Top 3 things respondents would like to see improved in the area:
 - safety at intersections, traffic congestion and flow, and safety along the road
- Common themes/comments:
 - Improve intersection safety/layout
 - Continue expressway to Piarere as this is where traffic splits 50/50 to Tauranga and south, reducing 4 lanes to 2 at the end of the express way causes congestion and drivers don't adjust driving manner in after leaving the expressway
 - Improve safety at SH29/SH1 intersection needed urgently (roundabout or overpass)
 - Many near misses – one respondent sees at least one near miss a week at the Karapiro Rd/Mobil entry/exit
 - Safer access to properties/businesses along the road is required
 - No room for slower vehicles to pull over or passing areas
 - Lower speed limit at Mobil intersection and Piarere intersection to 80km/h
 - People not driving to the conditions – heavy traffic, lower road quality compared to expressway, unsafe passing manoeuvres
 - Maintain/improve access to the lake, recreation/picnic areas and stopping areas
 - Poor driver behaviour
 - Improvements are important for future economic prospects
 - Road will become busy ('more popular') once the Hamilton bypass is complete

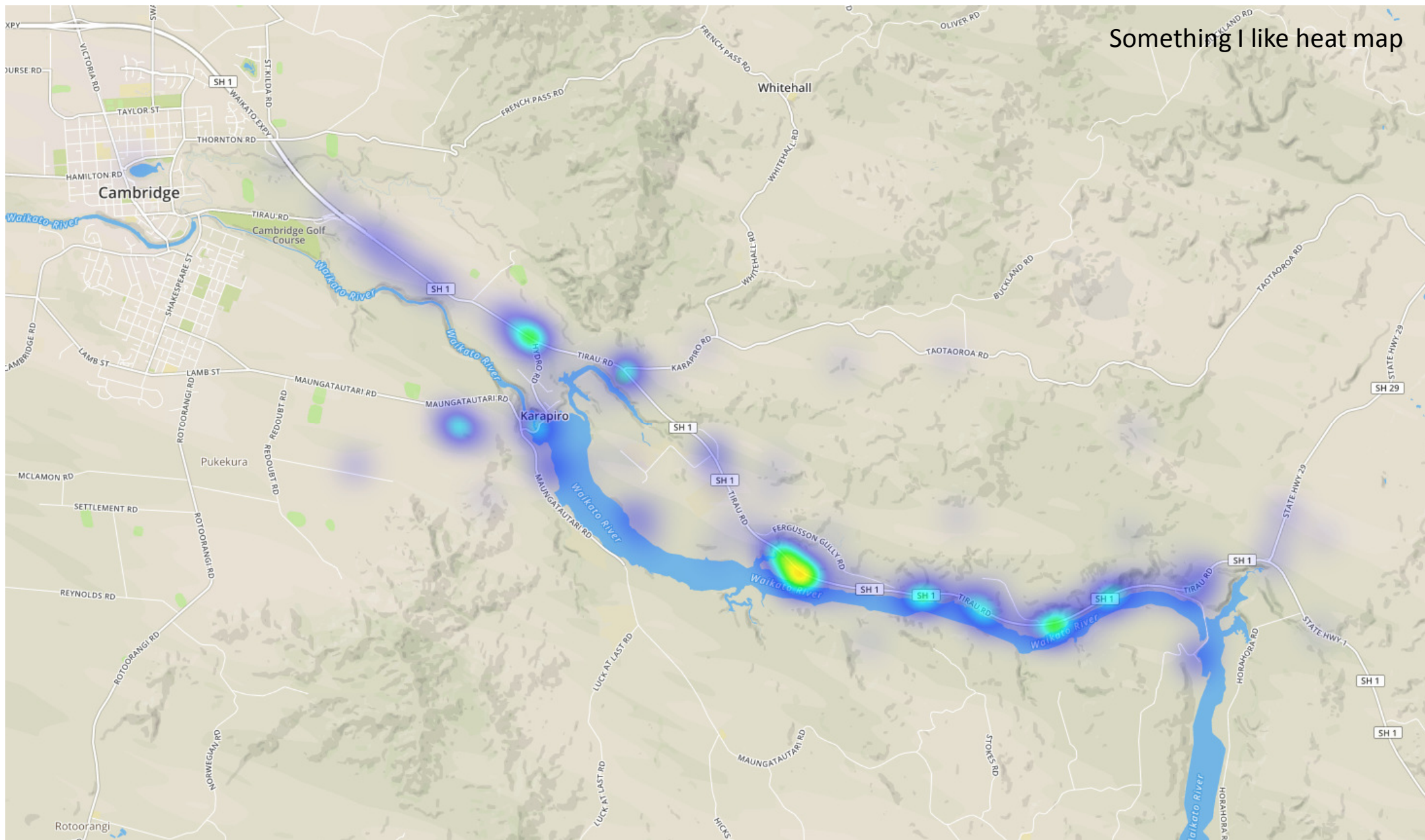
Overview of geospatial information

- 272 'something I like' pins. Most common pins:
 - Passing lanes: most common reasons for liking are that they feel safe and are well designed/maintained
 - Public park/recreation reserve: most common reason for liking are that they are scenic
 - A section of road: most common reason for liking are that they feel safe and are well designed/maintained
 - Natural features: most common reason for liking is access to lake and scenic views
- 741 'something I don't like' pins. Most common pins:
 - An intersection: most common reason for not liking is that it feels unsafe
 - A section of road: most common reason for not liking is that it feels unsafe
 - Passing lane: most common reason for not liking is that it feels unsafe

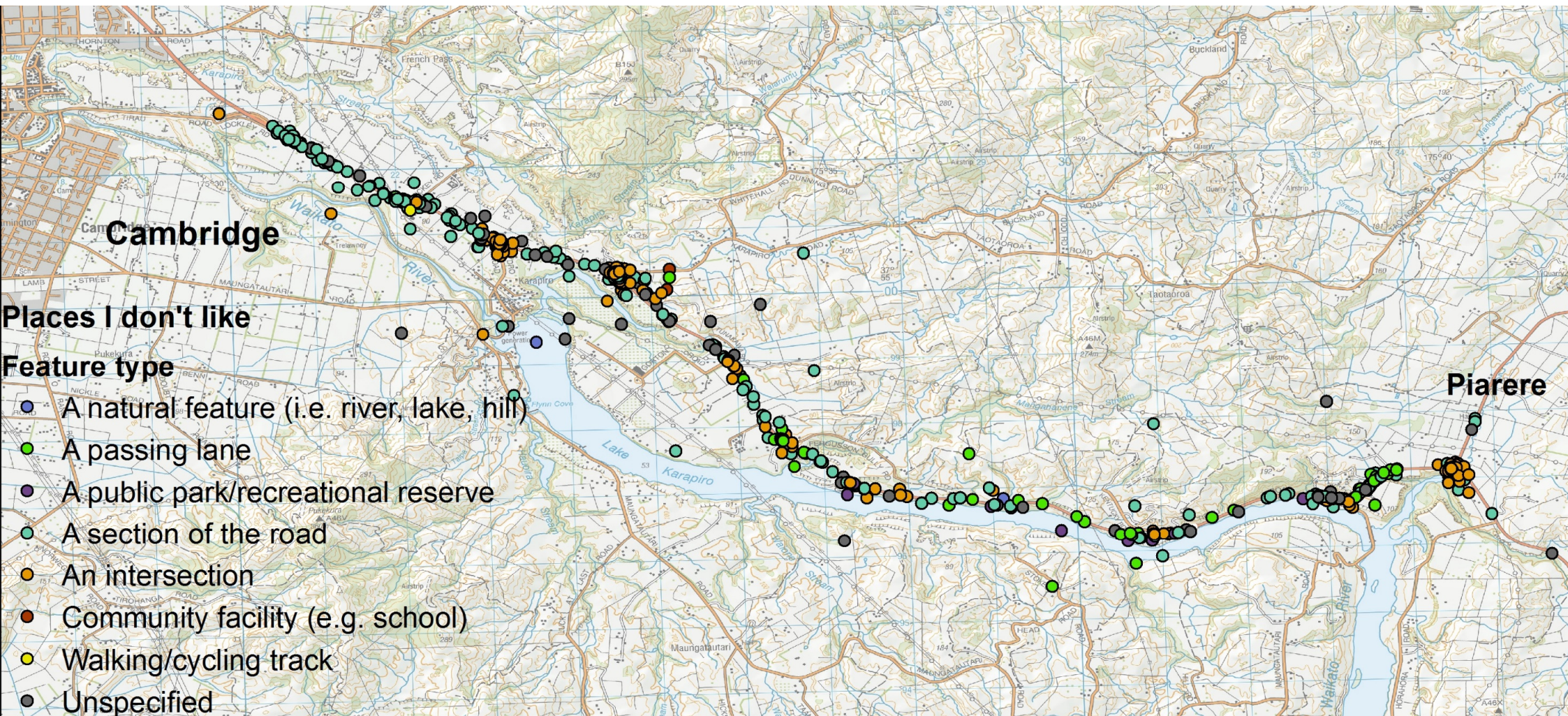
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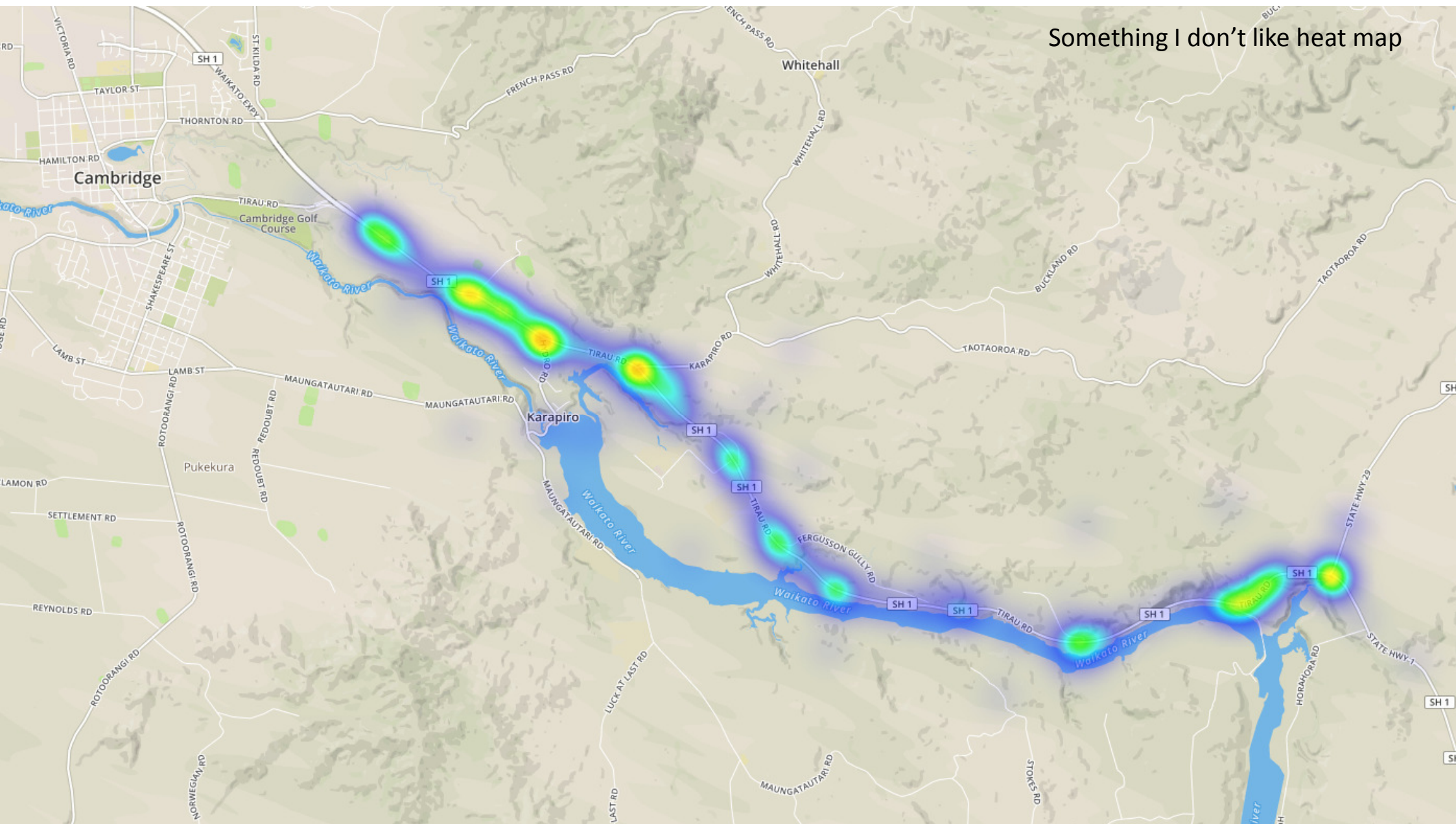
- 294 important place pins
 - Most are public park/recreation reserves or natural features
 - Most common reasons why these places are important are because they have sport/recreational activities and participants value the scenery/natural environment
- 94 alternative routes drawn
 - Most follow Taotaoroa Road or Maungatautari Road
- 27 'alternative routes I'd like to use' drawn
 - Many do not follow current roads as shown in snapshot





Something I like heat map





Something I don't like heat map

