



# Hawke's Bay



## SH5 AND SH51 HAWKE'S BAY SPEED REVIEWS

Imagine a future where no-one is killed or seriously injured in road crashes in Hawke's Bay or anywhere else in Aotearoa New Zealand.

Where everyone, no matter their age or ability, can get around safely and our road system improves the places and spaces we love.

That's what we're working towards.

Speed limit conversations are often hard, but keeping people alive on our roads is, unashamedly, our number one priority.

International research tells us that no matter what causes a crash, the speed of a vehicle at impact is the single biggest factor that determines if you or someone you love is seriously injured, dies or survives unharmed.

That's why we are proposing safer speeds along State Highway 5 and State Highway 51 in Hawke's Bay.

Since we launched speed consultation and engagement in April, we've heard concerns about our travel time calculations on SH5 and had questions from people about what else we are doing to make these roads safer.

We have extended our consultation period for the speed reviews by four weeks, to June 6, to provide additional information and give everyone more time to share their insights.

In this information pamphlet you can find out about our road maintenance investment and other local safety projects, and there is also updated information about travel time calculations on SH5.

We encourage you to get involved. If you've already made a submission there is no need to fill out the form again, unless you want to.

You can also find out more about Road to Zero, New Zealand's plan to prevent people being killed or seriously injured on our roads.

## THE IMPACT OF REDUCING SPEEDS

International research tells us that a five percent decrease in average speed leads to approximately a 10 percent decrease in all injury crashes and a 20 percent decrease in fatal crashes.

### Lower speed helps to reduce crashes and trauma by changing:



## HOW TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK ON THESE PROPOSALS

Feedback is due by 11pm on Sunday 6 June 2021.

- Share your feedback online at [www.nzta.govt.nz/hawkes-bay-speed-review](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/hawkes-bay-speed-review)
- Return the FreePost self-addressed form included with this information sheet
- Email the form in this document to [Hawkesbay.speed.reviews@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:Hawkesbay.speed.reviews@nzta.govt.nz)

If you have already sent in a form you may resubmit if you wish with the new information provided. Your feedback will count if you want to leave your current submission as is.



## HOW MANY PEOPLE SHOULD DIE ON OUR ROADS EACH YEAR?

How many people should die or be seriously injured on roads each year?

We think zero is the only acceptable number and we're committed to vision zero where no-one is killed or seriously injured on our roads.

We're working with the NZ Police, Ministry of Transport, local government, WorkSafe and others to make New Zealand's roads, cycleways and footpaths safer.

Our initial target is a 40 percent reduction by 2030, which would mean reducing annual road deaths to 227 and serious injuries to 1,680.

This requires a fundamental shift in how we think about, design, build and use our transport system – and every person using our transport system will have a part to play in this.

**The initial action plan includes further investment in roading improvements like median and side safety barriers, improving vehicle safety, a greater focus on road policing and a new approach to speed management, which will see us reviewing speeds on a number of high-risk highways around New Zealand.**

More than 3,200 people have died in road crashes in New Zealand, and an estimated 23,000 have been seriously injured over the past 10 years.

Those are staggering figures. They should horrify us. People dying on our roads is not inevitable. We have the opportunity to collectively make New Zealand's road safer.

Find out more about New Zealand's Road Safety Strategy here: [www.nzta.govt.nz/safety/what-waka-kotahi-is-doing/nz-road-safety-strategy/](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/safety/what-waka-kotahi-is-doing/nz-road-safety-strategy/)

## WHAT'S HAPPENING ON SH5?

Speed is just one part of improving road safety on SH5. Along with reviewing speeds on SH5 and SH51, we expect to invest \$16 million into maintenance and safety projects around the Hawke's Bay region this year.

We are resealing additional parts of State Highway 5 in 2021 and we are currently carrying out maintenance on the Titiokura Summit. This year we have spent an extra \$4m on maintaining this corridor, above previously planned levels.

Over the next four months we will be implementing safe system improvements, including \$2.5m for side barriers, road markings, signs and rumble lines.

We know that long term planning is vital to SH5, Hawke's

Bay's critical link north. In Waka Kotahi's draft Regional Land Transport Plan for 2021-2024, funded through the National Land Transport Programme, Waka Kotahi is seeking funding for a business case for the corridor that would explore up to \$100m of safety infrastructure improvements. If approved, we would deliver this work in stages between 2021 and 2027. Other initiatives that are underway include working with NZ Police, increasing investment on road maintenance and safety, and working with Road Safe Coordinators on a roadside billboard campaign along SH5 – 'Stay alive on 5.'

We're applying the safe system approach to ensure infrastructure and speed work together to improve safety.

We know there are other changes people want to see. Lowering speeds doesn't mean we can't make other changes in future, but it is one of the best things we can do now to prevent deaths and serious injuries on these roads.

## WHAT WE'RE DOING

From: Monday 12 April – Sunday 6 June, Waka Kotahi is formally consulting on proposed speed changes on SH51 from Marine Parade to Waipatu, and on the middle section of SH5 from Rangitaiki to Esk Valley.

These sections have been chosen because they have a high crash risk and communities in these areas are already calling for change. We know lower speed limits save lives, as the speed of a vehicle at impact is the single biggest factor that determines whether someone is seriously injured, dies or survives unharmed.

**At the same time, we will also be asking for peoples' comments on the remaining sections of SH5 including Esk Valley and the Rangitaiki Straights. In the future we may propose new speed limits here too.**

# WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING ON STATE HIGHWAY 5

LOCATION	CURRENT SPEED LIMIT (KM/H)	PROPOSED NEW SPEED LIMIT (KM/H)
SH5 - Rangitaiki to Esk Valley: 1160m south-east of Matea Road to 130m west of Waipunga Road.	100	80

We also want to understand how you feel about speeds on the Rangitaiki Straights and around Eskdale to help us decide if we need to lower speeds in these areas too. You can tell us what you think on the submission form in this document.



For more information on the speed consultation process go to: [www.nzta.govt.nz/safety/what-waka-kotahi-is-doing/nz-road-safety-strategy/speed-and-infrastructure/speed-management/deciding-speed-limits](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/safety/what-waka-kotahi-is-doing/nz-road-safety-strategy/speed-and-infrastructure/speed-management/deciding-speed-limits)

# WHAT WE ARE PROPOSING ON STATE HIGHWAY 51

LOCATION	CURRENT SPEED LIMIT (KM/H)	PROPOSED NEW SPEED LIMIT (KM/H)
What we are proposing on SH51		
<b>Napier to Clive:</b> From 190m south of SH51/Marine Parade (south of the intersection) to 260m north of Farndon Road.	100	80
<b>Clive Township (southern section):</b> From 50m south of Mill Road to 700m south of Mill Road.	70 and 80	60
<b>Waipatu/Hastings:</b> From 100m north-east of St Georges Road to 350m south-west of Elwood Road.	70	60



# SH5 AND SH51 HAWKE'S BAY SPEED LIMIT CONSULTATION SUBMISSION FORM

## HOW TO RESPOND

Feedback is due by 11pm on Sunday 6 June 2021. You can:

- mail this prepaid form for free
- email [Hawkesbay.speed.reviews@nzta.govt.nz](mailto:Hawkesbay.speed.reviews@nzta.govt.nz)
- provide feedback online: [www.nzta.govt.nz/hawkes-bay-speed-review](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/hawkes-bay-speed-review)

Name: .....

Email: .....

Phone: .....

Address: .....  
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Organisation (if applicable): .....

Please tick if you do not wish to receive further information

### 1) State Highway 51

Please tell us if there are any other factors we should consider when making a decision on the speed limit changes proposed.

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### 2) State Highway 5 - Rangitaiki to Esk Valley

Please tell us if there are any other factors we should consider when making a decision on the speed limit changes proposed.

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