



## Matakohe Bridges replacement project



Bridge no.2 beam placement

### EARTHWORKS AND BRIDGE BUILDING IN FULL SWING

The earthworks and bridges crews have been making the most of an extended period of fine weather in October.

Earthworks are progressing well and the full extent of road realignment is now clearly visible from the state highway. Both the bridges are taking shape. Bridge No.2 over Matakohe River is visible from the state highway whereas Bridge No.1 over Parerau Creek is tucked in behind trees. There is a good view of Bridge No.1 from Matakohe East Road adjacent to Coates Memorial Church's grounds.

Throughout the summer and into autumn, there will be a lot happening across the full 2.5km site which means there is more large plant on site and truck movements on the existing state highway.



Bridge No.1's full deck has now been poured and the bridge barriers are being installed, eastern side of the deck poured pictured



Drone image of the project extent taken in early October

## CATCHING UP WITH THE COMMUNITY AT SETTLERS DAY

The project team enjoyed participating in Settlers Day again this year. Last year we were sharing preferred alignment drawings and seeking feedback from the community. Twelve months later we shared a photographic image of the full site taken by drone only 24 hours before Settlers Day.

There was a lot of interest in the project and the positive feedback received was passed on to the site crews building the road realignment and bridges.



Settlers Day from left: Sue Reyland, NZTA project manager Vivianne Tadros and Terri Donaldson



Settlers Day from left: Alex Tetzner, Eileen Parsons and assistant engineer's representative John Tailby

### CHRISTMAS CLOSING DATES

Over the Christmas/ New Year peak holiday period, the project site will shut down for two weeks from Friday 21 December 2018 to Monday 7 January 2019. The project's traffic management will be lifted off the state highway and the site will be secured.

## PROGRESS IN PICTURES



Earthworks either side of the state highway where the realignment crosses it near Anderson Bridge. There'll be a series of staged traffic switches from early 2019, including to allow works to continue where the realignment intersects with the existing state highway and to build the new intersection leading into Matakohe township



The pavement crew are building up the road using aggregate which is compacted in layers on top of the limestone subgrade, works at western end of realignment pictured



Looking eastwards across Bridge No.2 super tee beams



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