



Hampden to Palmerston Safety Improvements Project



Waka Kotahi has been looking at ways to increase safety on SH1 between Oamaru and Dunedin and is planning road and roadside improvements, as part of the Road to Zero Aotearoa strategy.

Road to Zero sets us on a path to achieve Vision Zero, a New Zealand where no one is killed or seriously injured on our roads. As a step towards Vision Zero, the Road to Zero strategy sets an initial target of reducing deaths and serious injuries by 40% by the year 2030.

www.nzta.govt.nz/safety/what-waka-kotahi-is-doing/nz-road-safety-strategy

Between 2015 to 2019, there were five fatal crashes and six serious injury crashes on SH1 between Hampden and Palmerston.

Some safety improvements were carried out in the last five years on this section of highway through the Safe Roads Programme. In 2017, Waka Kotahi installed electronic rural intersection activated warning signs at the SH1/Moeraki Boulders intersection. A right-hand turn bay has been provided into the Moeraki Boulders site, and to help reduce driver distraction, advertising signage which was visible from the highway was removed and relocated just off SH1 on the road to the Moeraki Village.

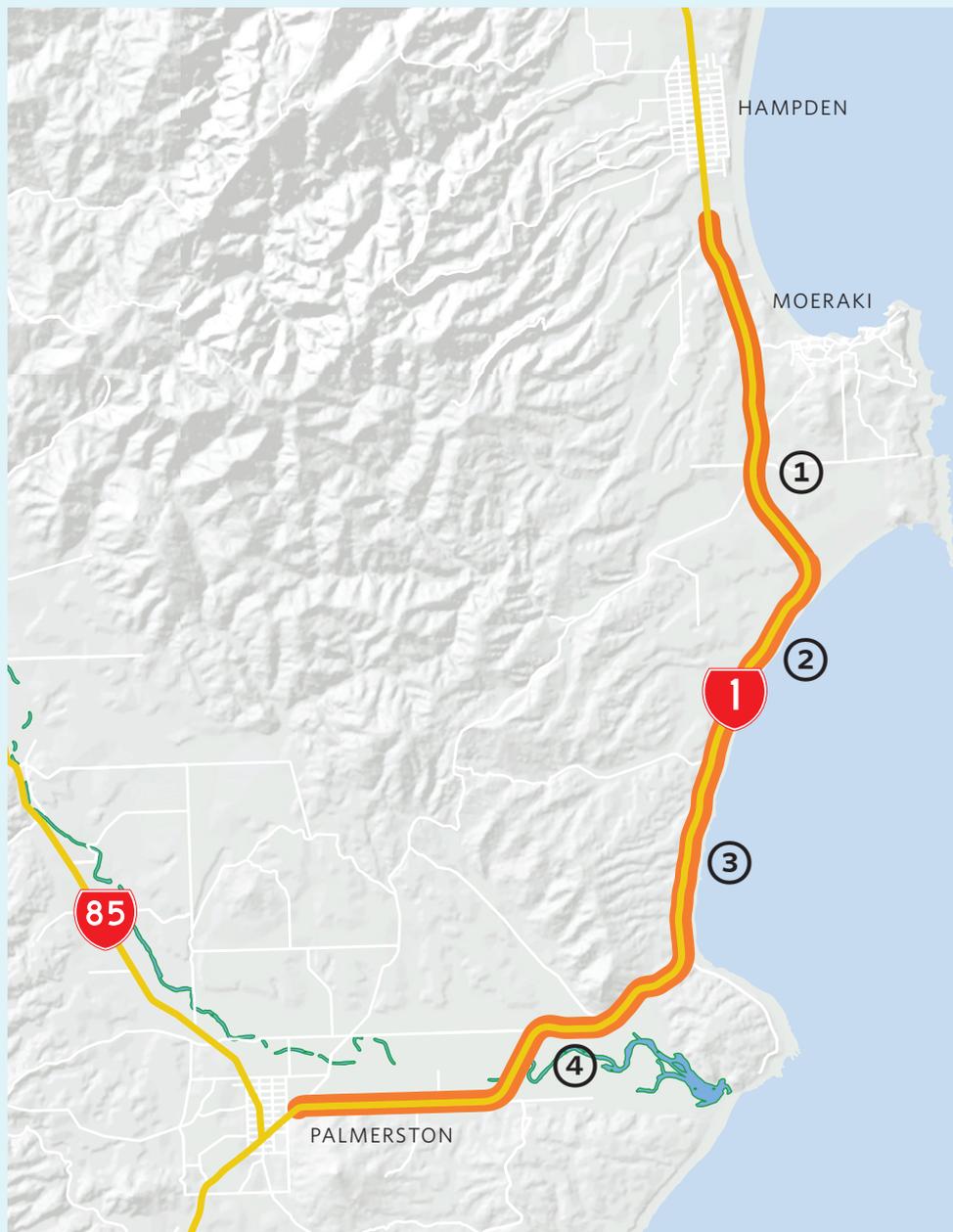
This project, currently in the planning and design stage, involves a variety of safety measures along 23km of highway linking Hampden and Palmerston. We'll let you know when the design is completed and will make it available on the project website. This is expected to be in mid-2022.

Funding to carry out this safety work may be included in the 2024-27 National Land Transport Programme.

Key project features include:

- New wide centrelines throughout to create more space between oncoming vehicles that can reduce serious crashes by up to 20%.
- Roadside edge barriers at high-risk locations.
- Upgraded signs - having the right signs in the right places can make a big difference in reducing crashes.
- Improved road markings.
- No median barrier.
- No speed limit reviews are planned as part of this project.

Project map



Minor intersection improvements

- ① SH1 Kemp Road
- ② SH1 Katiki Beach northern rest stop
- ③ SH1 Katiki Beach southern rest stop
- ④ SH1 Bushey Park Road

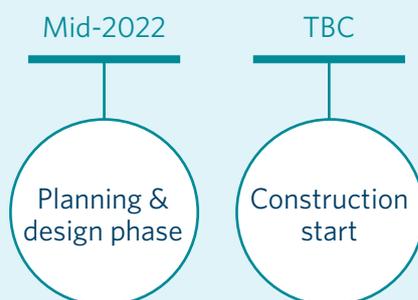
Wide centreline markings

Along the entire route apart from existing bridges.

Shoulder widening and roadside safety barriers

Locations are still being determined through the detailed design process.

Project timeline



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We'll be back in touch again as this project progresses. For more information about the project, go to:

www.nzta.govt.nz/projects/sh1-hampden-to-palmerston-safe-network-project or email h2p@nzta.govt.nz