

# Johns Road Upgrade: The Groynes to Sawyers Arms Road

part of the Western Corridor







#### **Progress Bulletin 4 – December 2015**

Welcome to our fourth bulletin – packed with news, updates and our plans for the next few months. We issue these bulletins every three months or prior to a major change.

## Summer Holidays 2015 - 2016

Where has the year gone? Summer has arrived with a bang and brought with it long days and 30° temperatures. The team is really looking forward to a holiday, spending time with our families and hopefully making it to a beach somewhere! We will finish on the Wednesday 23 December and will be starting back onsite on the Tuesday 5 January, during this period we will have a skeleton crew available to check on the site and respond to any emergencies.

#### **Johns Road Sealing**

We have been pushing hard over the past couple of months, and work on the new northbound lanes is almost complete. This means we are *on schedule* to shift all traffic over to these lanes in early 2016.

In January/February there will be some disruption while we construct tie-ins to the existing road at the Groynes and Sawyers Arms ends. However, this will be for a short time only, and once completed motorists will be able to enjoy driving along the new northbound lanes. Once we've switched traffic to the northbound lanes, we will start building the southbound lanes.



If you live or work along Johns Road, how your access Johns Road may change. It is my aim to liaise with all affected residents and businesses in the New Year to minimise disruption and cater for any specific access requirements you may have.

## **Greywacke Road Extension**

Since our last update we've made a lot of progress on the extension of Greywacke Road. We have chip-sealed most of the carriageway and asphalted the Logistics Drive intersection.



In January we will start building the Greywacke Road/Johns Road intersection and access to Greywacke Road will need to be via Sawyers Arms Road and the new link Road. We are aiming to have the Johns Road intersection open again in March 2016. There will be more information about this for those affected in the New Year.

# **Summer Holiday Traffic Management**

It would be great if we could just pack up the entire site this summer, without leaving cones or signs behind. However, we are required to continue to protect road users and the general public from any hazards that might remain. Wherever possible we will scale back the level of traffic management over the summer break. However, we ask you to be patient and consider the safety of yourself and others when travelling through the worksite.

Many other roads on the highway network will undergo maintenance, construction and improvements over the summer, so while you're travelling the length and breadth of our beautiful country this holidays, make sure you drive safely, leave plenty of time to reach your destination. Check out the NZ Transport Agency website for information on travel times before you set out.





And finally, the site team would like to wish everyone a very happy festive season. Wherever your holidays may take you, drive safely.

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