



Brigham Creek to Waimauku

Safety improvements

What are we doing?

The Safe Roads Alliance has been tasked with improving safety and crash records on rural state highway corridors around the country. The section of State Highway 16 (SH16) from Brigham Creek Road to Waimauku is among its highest immediate priorities. The aim of the project is to reduce the risk of serious or fatal injuries when cars leave the road or cross the centre line. Intersection safety improvements will also be investigated.

Because the Transport Agency knows efficiency along the entire length of the corridor is also a significant issue for the community, as housing growth continues, the Safe Roads Alliance has increased its rural scope to include active collaboration with the other transport upgrades underway in the urban centres. This will help ensure consistent journeys and a greater safety result.

Solutions implemented by this project will be focused on immediate, short-term improvements that help address current issues, ahead of longer-term major infrastructure projects being progressed by the Transport Agency.

Why are we doing this work?

- The route has a high crash risk.
- There have been **21** recorded fatal and serious crashes on these sections of the corridor in the last **10** years, resulting in **4** deaths and **30** serious injuries.
- **33** percent of the deaths and serious injuries over the last **10** years were due to head-on crashes.
- **39** deaths and serious injuries are predicted over next decade, without safety improvements.
- **30,688** vehicles travel the section between Brigham Creek Road and Kumeu each day, with **14,786** travelling the section between Huapai and Waimauku. As the population grows this number will rise, increasing the risk of crashes occurring.
- We have heard the community's concerns about efficiency issues along this route.

What's happening when?

- **Now–October** A range of options are being considered to improve safety and efficiency along the corridor. We'll have a preferred option by the end of the year.
- **November 2016** Community consultation.
- **January–December 2017** Further design work and statutory approvals (if required).
- **Early 2018** Construction starts.

We're currently designing the project – your feedback will help ensure the design works for everyone.

Our aim is to make this route safer for everyone who lives and travels along it.