Making the road from Brigham Creek to Waimauku safer

State Highway 16 between Brigham Creek and Waimauku is classified as a high-risk rural road for a reason. Four people have died and 30 have been seriously injured between 2006 and 2015. Over a third of these crashes were caused by drivers losing control and running off the road or crossing the centreline and hitting an oncoming vehicle.

Something has to change

We understand this road is an important link. Over 30,000 vehicles a day use the route between Brigham Creek and Kumeu, and 15,000 vehicles a day between Huapai and Waimauku. With vehicle numbers increasing we urgently need to make safety and capacity improvements before more people lose their lives.

What you told us and how we're making it safer

In December 2016, we asked you to tell us your main safety concerns for this stretch of road. We listened and your valuable feedback has helped us shape the proposed SH16 safety improvements.

You told us...

Congestion is a big issue. So, we're adding extra lanes between Brigham Creek and Taupaki roundabout (four lanes, two in each direction). This will help to improve travel time in the short-term, ahead of the longer term Supporting Growth alternative corridor.

Between Taupaki and Kumeu it feels really unsafe turning in and out of properties and businesses. So, we are installing a flush median to give you more room and a safe place to wait in the middle of the road before turning, and traffic can continue to flow.

It is difficult to turn right at the SH16/Coatesville-Riverhead Highway intersection and congestion is adding to the frustration. You told us you would like a roundabout. Our preferred option is a roundabout, which will help traffic flow better and make turning safer and easier.

Between Huapai and Waimauku the main issues were speed, narrow bridges and safer turning into some of the roads. So, we are considering a more

safe and appropriate speed, widening bridges that are too narrow and making it safer to turn and access Foster, Station and Factory Roads.

It is unsafe for people walking and on bikes. So we are creating a two-metre wide shoulder for pedestrians and cyclists.



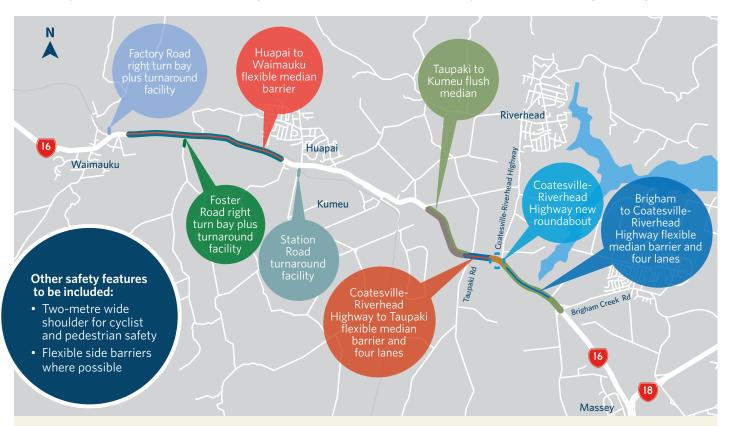
Flexible road safety barriers

These barriers catch drivers who leave their lane before they hit something harder like trees, poles, ditches or other vehicles



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The map below outlines the safety treatments we have come up with. Have we got it right?



What's happening, and when?



July - December 2017

Consultation with landowners and the community to present the proposed design and double check we've got it right.

August - September 2017 Community open days.

October 2017

Seek final approval so we can finalise the design and start the work.

Late 2018

Construction starts.

2021

Project completed.

Come and see us

Wednesday 30 August

Boric Food Market 1404 Coatesville-Riverhead Highway, Auckland

3pm - 6pm

Saturday 2 September

Kumeu Library 296 Main Rd, Huapai, Kumeu **10am - 2pm**

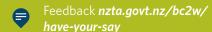
Sunday 3 September

Full Moon Café 16/10 Factory Rd, Waimauku, Rodney 10am - 2pm



Tell us what you think

Have we got it right? Please get in touch to tell us what you think or if you have any questions.



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