

EAST WEST CONNECTIONS

WE WOULD LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK

The NZ Transport Agency and Auckland Transport are seeking feedback on the proposed improvements to connections into and out of Onehunga-Penrose, and public transport and cycling between Māngere, Ōtāhuhu and Sylvia Park.

In October 2014 we asked for feedback on the options developed for this project. Since then we have been reviewing the feedback

and doing additional technical assessments. Using this information we have identified the preferred approach. The following provides an overview.

To find out more and give us your feedback please come along to an open day or visit

www.nzta.govt.nz/east-west or
www.at.govt.nz/projects-roadworks/east-west-connections

OPEN DAYS

SATURDAY 20 JUNE 3 - 6PM
Onehunga Café, 259 Onehunga Mall

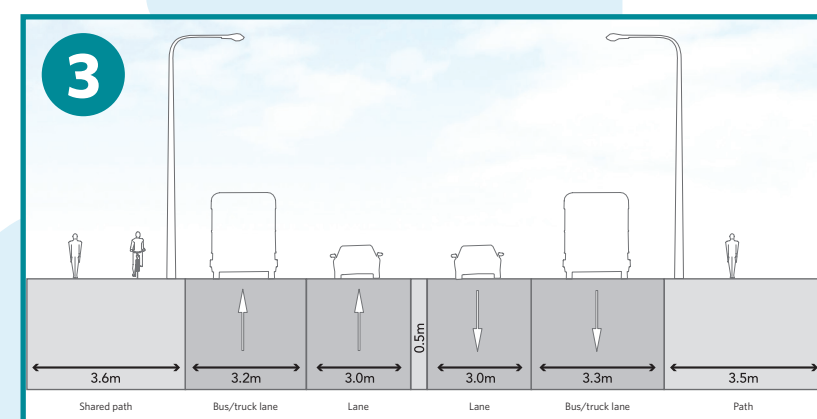
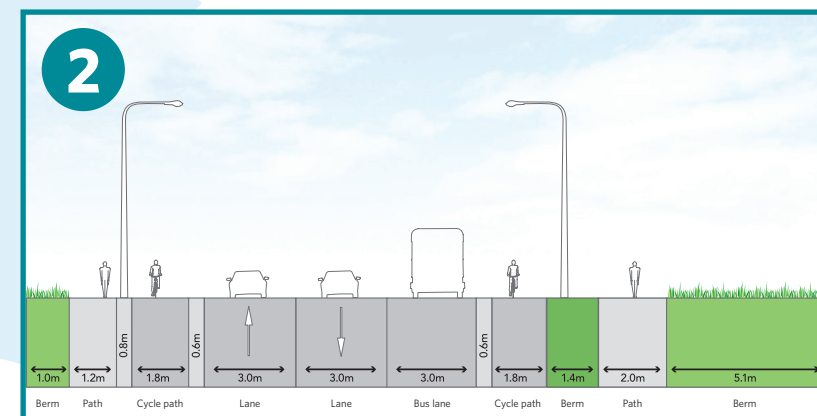
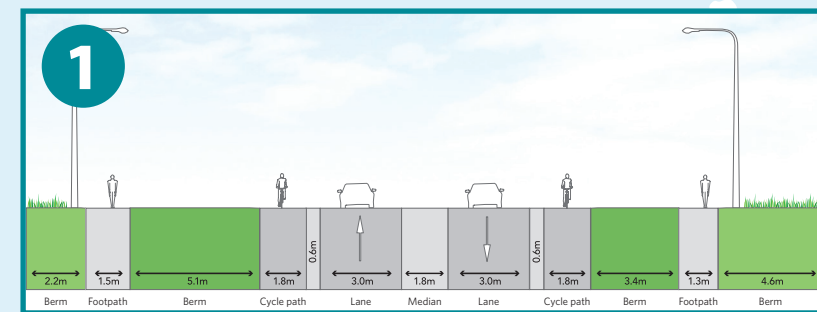
THURSDAY 25 JUNE 6 - 10PM
Onehunga Night Markets, Dress-Smart, 151 Arthur St

SATURDAY 27 JUNE 9AM - 2PM
Māngere Town Centre, 93 Bader Drive (outside the Māngere-Ōtāhuhu Local Board Office)

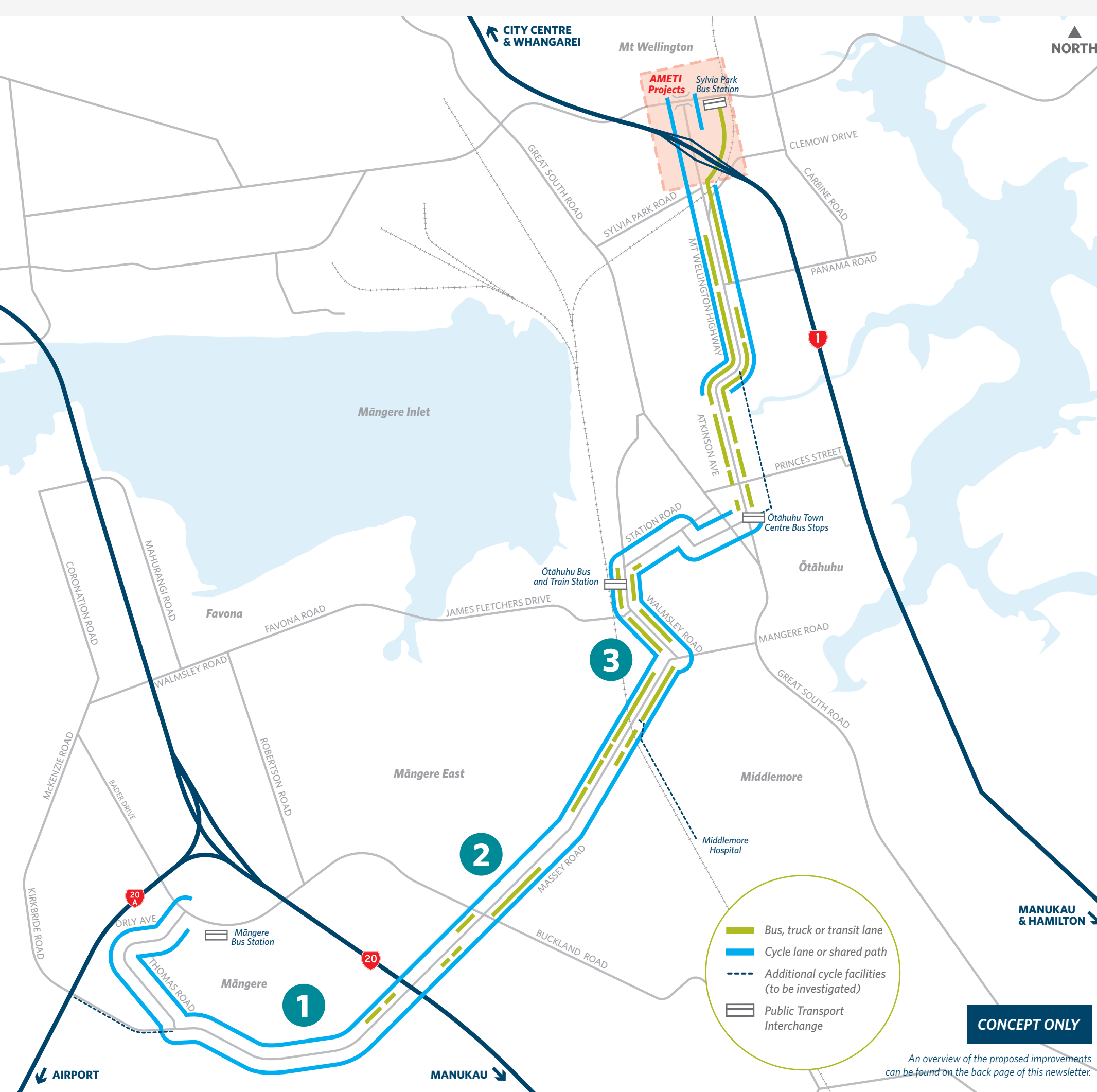
SATURDAY 4 JULY 3 - 6PM
Onehunga Café, 259 Onehunga Mall

BUS PRIORITY MĀNGERE, ŌTĀHUHU AND SYLVIA PARK

To speed up bus travel times between Māngere, Ōtāhuhu and Sylvia Park we are proposing bus priority along some sections of the route. Transit lanes for trucks, buses and vehicles with multiple passengers are also proposed, along with improved cycling and pedestrian facilities in some areas.



Cross section dimensions are approximate



OVERVIEW BUS PRIORITY - MĀNGERE, ŌTĀHUHU & SYLVIA PARK

The following sets out the proposed improvements along the route. These are indicative only.

Bus, truck and transit lanes

Bus priority lanes will be installed on the approach to a number of intersections on Massey Road, Station Road, Atkinson Avenue and Mt Wellington Highway.

It is proposed that a combined bus and truck lane will be provided on Walmsley Road. Transit lanes (for buses, trucks and vehicles with multiple occupants) are also proposed for some parts of Massey Road.

Cycling and walking improvements

A range of cycling and walking improvements are proposed along the majority of the route. This could include a separated cycleway on Massey Road and part of Mt Wellington Highway and an on-road cycleway on Thomas Road, Orly Avenue and Station Road. A shared path is proposed for cyclists and pedestrians on parts of Walmsley Road,

Massey Road and Mt Wellington Highway. Improved pedestrian crossings are also proposed on Massey Road, Atkinson Avenue and Mt Wellington Highway.

In addition there are some other roads that are still being investigated as potential locations for cycle facilities, for example to link Middlemore Hospital to the route.

Bus stop improvements

New bus stop facilities are proposed for both the Māngere and Ōtāhuhu town centres. In addition it is anticipated that there will be improved bus shelters provided along the route.

Parking

To be able to make these improvements we are proposing changes to parking on some sections of the route, such as parts of Station Road and Massey Road. We will work with the community to understand their current use of the parking in these areas and identify what impact these changes may have.

BENEFITS

The dedicated bus lanes will speed up bus journeys and, most importantly, make sure travel times are reliable at any time of the day. The project will provide:

- An improvement in travel times and journey time reliability for buses between Māngere, Ōtāhuhu, and Sylvia Park
- An improvement in safety and accessibility for cycling and walking between Māngere, Ōtāhuhu and Sylvia Park
- An improvement in safety and accessibility for public transport users.



NEXT STEPS

Your feedback will be used to assist us in understanding issues for design development as the project progresses to the next phase of investigation. Pending funding approval, we will undertake further investigations on the preferred approach and confirm the land or area needed to protect the route. We expect this to be completed by 2017.

POTENTIALLY AFFECTED PROPERTY

All property owners will be contacted directly if their property may be affected by the preferred approach. If you have any questions regarding your property please do not hesitate to contact the project team.

CONTACT US:

If you have any questions or would like to give feedback, please come along to an open day or contact us at the following:

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ONEHUNGA – PENROSE CONNECTIONS

Following an evaluation of the six proposed options it was identified that a staged full connection between SH1 and SH20 provides the best long-term solution to the transport needs in this nationally significant economic area. The new connection is expected to be a limited access state highway – not a motorway.



OVERVIEW ONEHUNGA – PENROSE CONNECTIONS

The following provides an overview of the proposed improvements. These are indicative and we will work closely with the community as this project develops to understand potential impacts and how these can be addressed.

1. Widening SH20

- New lanes on both sides of SH20 between Queenstown Road and Neilson Street.

2. Neilson Street Interchange

- Creation of a new interchange at Neilson Street/SH20 to separate traffic accessing the new foreshore road and Onehunga town centre, move traffic efficiently through the area and reduce the traffic at the Onehunga Mall/Neilson Street intersection
- Improved access between Onehunga Harbour Road and Orpheus Drive
- Widen Onehunga Harbour Road to four lanes between the interchange and new foreshore road.

We understand people's concerns about the impact a new interchange will have on the Hopua tuff ring and how it will look (visual appearance). We will work closely with the community on the development and design of the interchange to further understand these concerns and identify how they will be addressed.

3. Onehunga Mall/Neilson Street intersection improvements

Constructing a full connection is anticipated to take a number of years.

In the interim some benefits can be gained by improving traffic flow through the Onehunga Mall/Neilson Street Intersection. This could include either:

- Creating a new connection for Onehunga Harbour Road to Galway Street or
- Upgrading the Onehunga Mall/Neilson Street Intersection.

4. New road along the foreshore

- A new four lane road along the foreshore
- Connection from new road to Captain Springs Road
- Upgrade of Captain Springs Road
- Upgrade of Captain Springs Road/Neilson Street intersection
- Connection from new road to Southdown Freight Terminal.

During consultation some people expressed concerns about the environmental impact of options that ran along the foreshore. Because this part of the foreshore is not the original shoreline due to historic filling and industrial land uses, a foreshore route provides opportunity to improve the coastal edge, enhance walking and cycling access and create a more visually pleasing environment. We will work closely with the community on the development and design of this new road.

5. Neilson Street upgrade

- Widening Neilson Street to four lanes (where it is currently two lanes).

6. Road over the railway

- The new road will continue from the foreshore, bridging over the railway line and connecting into Great South Road and Sylvia Park Road
- A connection is also being considered for Hugo Johnston Drive for traffic travelling to and from the east only.

7. Extension of the Waikaraka Cycleway

- A cycleway would be built along the new route to connect the Waikaraka cycleway to Sylvia Park.

8. Widening of Sylvia Park Road and ramps onto SH1

- The majority of Sylvia Park Road would be widened to four lanes
- Access from Sylvia Park Road to Mt Wellington Highway would be maintained
- New ramps would be built from Sylvia Park Road, over Mt Wellington Highway, to connect to SH1. These ramps would be for traffic coming from, and going to, the south only.

9. Widening of SH1

- New lanes on both sides of SH1 between the new ramps and Princes Street.
- Upgrade of the Panama Road overbridge.

BENEFITS

- An improvement in travel times and travel time reliability between businesses in the Onehunga-Penrose industrial area and State Highways 1 and 20.
- An improvement in safety and accessibility for cycling and walking between Māngere Bridge, Onehunga, and Sylvia Park.
- An improvement in journey time reliability for buses between SH20 and Onehunga town centre.

STAGED CONSTRUCTION

Like other large state highway projects, it is likely that this project will be constructed in stages. The staging of construction will be confirmed following further investigations.

