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2 Tauranga Eastern Link

Construction update

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Progress to date

Bridges, culverts and pavements

Kaituna River bridge

A 1500mm culvert

Significant progress has been made on the TEL over the past few months, much of which isn't seen easily from the ground. These aerial shots taken last week show the Kaituna River bridge (above) now connected to the embankments allowing construction traffic to cross and the East Coast Main Trunk rail line (below) with concrete deck beams in place.

Domain Road Interchange temporary roundabout

The pavement crews are busy constructing pavements at the Domain Road Interchange and the Te Maunga northbound lanes for two future traffic switches.

Four drainage crews are working throughout the project installing stormwater lines. The above image is one of thirteen culverts being installed between Domain Road and Parton Road.

The Paengaroa roundabout (below) has now taken shape with the Whakatane, Rotorua and Te Puke legs formed. The construction of the four TEL lanes will occur later this year.

East Coast Main Trunk rail bridge

Paengaroa roundabout

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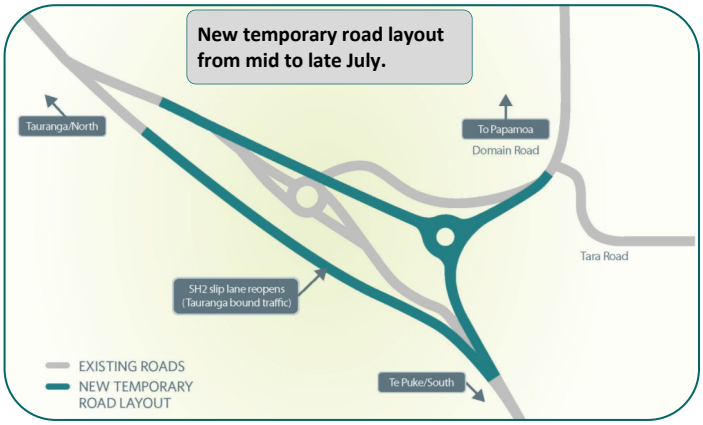
Upcoming traffic changes

Domain Road/State Highway 2 intersection—upcoming traffic switch and road closure in July

To allow for ground preparation work to take place on the existing highway, traffic will be moved onto a temporary roundabout and a slip lane, which will be operational from Monday 8 July.
The permanent northbound slip lane (which was closed in July 2011) will be re-opened later in July.



Prior to the traffic switch, a small section of Domain Road between Tara Road and the Domain Road/SH2 roundabout will be CLOSED twice.

From 7pm Friday 5 July through to 6am Saturday 6 July.

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All motorists are asked to follow the sign posted detour. This work is very weather dependent and above dates may change.

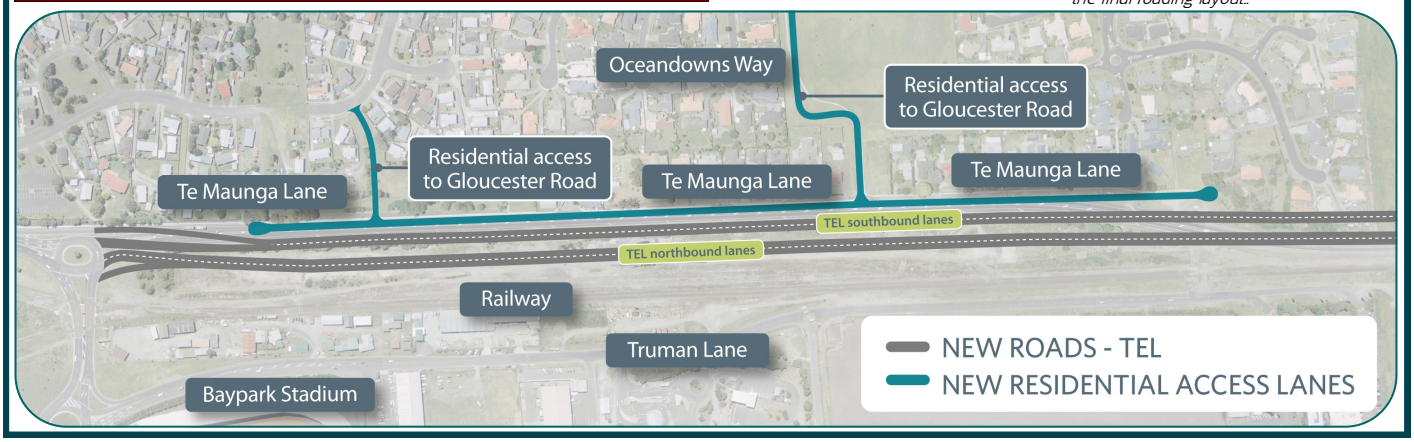
Te Maunga—State Highway 2 traffic changes happening in August

In August, to allow the construction of the new southbound lanes to commence, all State Highway 2 traffic will be switched onto the new northbound lanes currently being constructed in the old rail yard at Te Maunga.

One week prior to the traffic switch, the southbound slip lane will be closed. The slip lane will re-open when the new south bound lanes are completed later in 2013.

New residential lanes to open

Coinciding with the traffic switch, two new residential access lanes—Te Maunga Lane and Oceandowns Way—will open as all direct access onto and off State Highway 2 by residents will be closed.
All residents will be required to use the new access lanes.

Above: *The first stage traffic switch with the slip lane closed.*

Below: *New residential access lanes and the final roading layout.*