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Infrastructure New Zealand submission on the Warkworth to Wellsford Project resource consent

Infrastructure New Zealand supports the resource consent for the proposed state highway project between Warkworth and Wellsford (the project).

We observe that the project will make travel along this corridor safer and more resilient, expedient, and efficient for all users.

We believe that the economic and social benefits of this project are so significant, and the potential environmental and social impacts may be readily compensated for, to more than justify this consent proceeding.

We consider that the project will be most successful if it is focused on outcomes rather than inputs and outputs.

We support a consent which provides the maximum amount of flexibility to NZTA, and other parties involved in delivery of the project, consistent with achieving outcomes for north Auckland and beyond.



It is desirable that both NZTA and infrastructure professionals engaged in the project have scope to innovate and respond to project challenges as they arise.

The project will benefit from an approach which is responsive to changing futures and demands along this corridor due throughout its lifecycle.

Flexibility in the project can enable new ways to deliver and provide new opportunities to effectively integrate with other transport modes.

We note that this Project, and further work north of Wellsford, is needed to establish safer, quicker, and more resilient connections between Auckland and Whangārei. We look forward to this Project proceeding without delay, and to seeing work on transport connections north of this project in the near future.

We thank Auckland Council for the opportunity to comment.

If you have any questions regarding this submission, please contact Infrastructure New Zealand's Policy Director, Hamish Glenn, at hamish.glenn@infrastructure.org.nz.