

Roads of National Significance

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Government GPS May 2009

- Strong focus on economic growth and productivity
- Focus on Value for money
- Safety, environment, transport choice and public health as other desired impact
- Clear national direction
- Identifies seven Roads of National Significance (RoNS)

Proposed State Highway 30-year Concept

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Figure 9

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Figure 10

National State Highway Strategy June 2007

Seven roads of national significance

- Puhoi to Wellsford
- Victoria Park tunnel
- Waterview
- Waikato expressway
- Tauranga eastern corridor
- Wellington northern corridor
- Christchurch motorway

Government's position

“These are seven of New Zealand’s most essential routes that require significant development to reduce congestion, improve safety and support economic growth.....Further Roads of National Significance may be added over time”

Hon Steven Joyce
GPS May 2010

Lead Infrastructure

- A new concept for New Zealand
- What form does it need to take to support national economic growth and productivity, and encourage the efficient movement of freight and people
- Little solid evidence of the connection

Level of Service Concept

Developed in order to define

- Efficient movement of freight and people
- Value for money
- Contribution to reduction in the number of fatalities and serious injuries
- Economically efficient modal shift



HIGHWAYS
AGENCY

A POLICY ON GEOMETRIC DESIGN OF



HIGHWAYS AND STREETS

2001



FOURTH EDITION

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF STATE HIGHWAY
AND TRANSPORTATION OFFICIALS



**HIGHWAY
CAPACITY
MANUAL**

Third
Edition

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AUSTROADS

Rural Road Design

**A Guide to the Geometric
Design of Rural Roads**

US Federal Highways Administration

	Type of Area and Appropriate Level of Service			
Highway Type	Rural Level	Rural Rolling	Rural Mountainous	Urban and Suburban
Freeway	B	B	C	C
Arterial	B	B	C	C
Collector	C	C	D	D
Local	D	D	D	D

LOS Definition

- A – free flow virtually unaffected by other vehicles
- B – free flow but some reduction in comfort level
- C - Stable flow but comfort and convenience decreases
- D – Close to the limit of stable flow
- E – Unstable flow with minor disturbances causing breakdown



TRB Highway Capacity Manual - Expressway

		LOS				
Free flow Speed 100km/h	Criteria	A	B	C	D	E
	Max density (pc/km)	7	11	16	22	25
	Average speed (km/h)	100	100	98.4	91.5	88
	Maximum volume to capacity ratio (v/c)	0.32	0.50	0.72	0.92	1.00
	Maximum service flow rate (pc/lane/h)	700	1100	1575	2015	2200
	4-lane road capacity (1000's pcu per day)	25-30	40-50	60-70	75-90	80-100
	Gap between vehicles (secs)	5.0	3.1	2.1	1.6	1.4

S7 Alfriston Rd



Alfriston Rd looking north

	Takanini - Hill Rd (N/bd)
	<i>Free Flow</i>
	Hill Rd - Takanini (S/bd)
	<i>Free Flow</i>

Level of Service A 700 vehicles/lane/hour (5 second spacing)

Freedom to select desired speed

Excellent comfort and convenience

N5 Onewa

Onewa Rd onramp looking south



	Stafford Rd - Esmonde Rd (N/bd)
	<i>Free Flow</i>
	Harbour Bridge (S/bd)
	<i>Moderate</i>

Level of Service B (far lanes) 1100 vehicles/lane/hour (3 second spacing)

Reasonable ability to select desired speed

General level of comfort and convenience



Southern Motorway at
Newmarket looking south
towards the Market Rd

Overbridge

Gillies Ave - Greenlane
(S/bd)

Free Flow

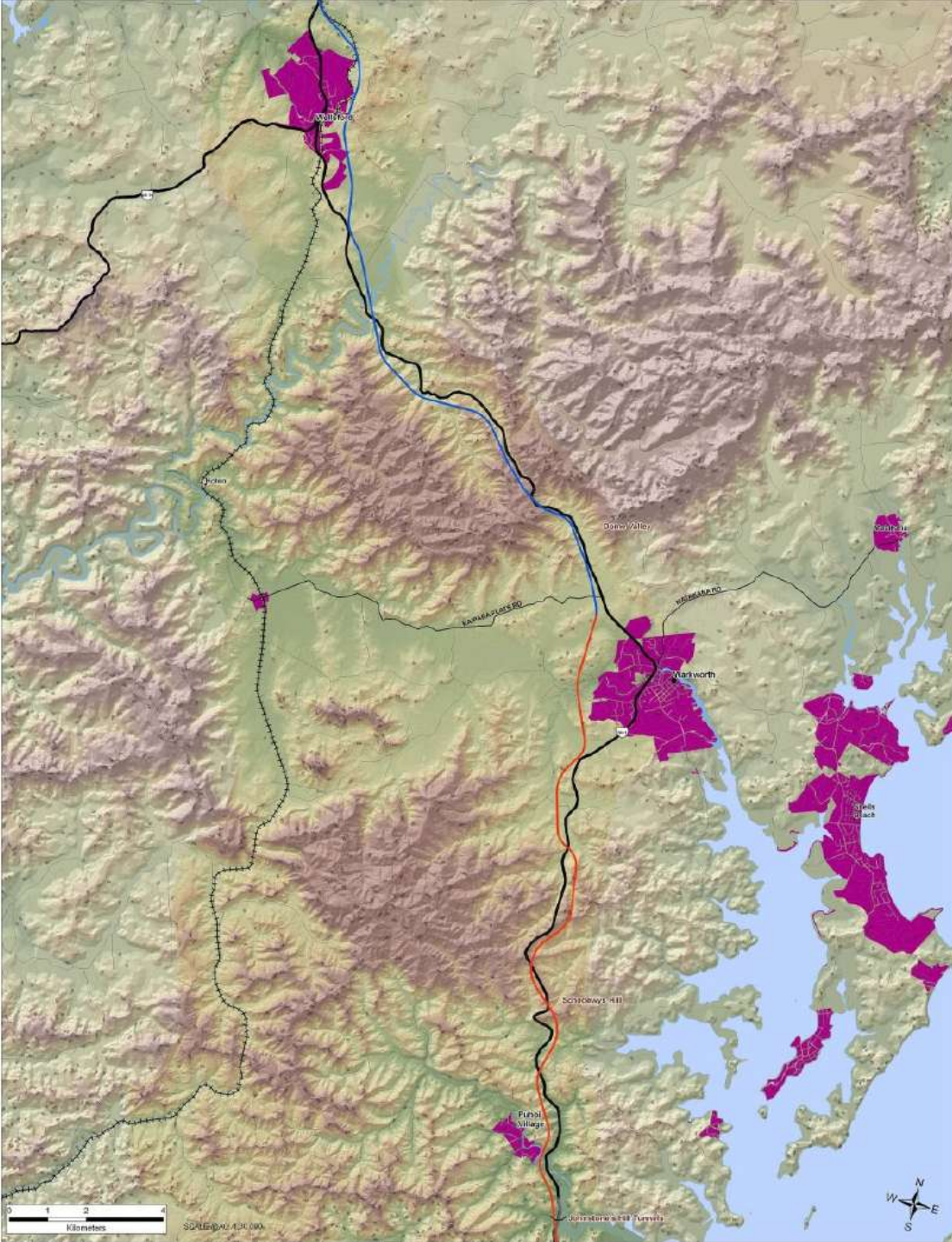
Greenlane - Gillies Ave
(N/bd)

Free Flow

Level of Service C/D 1575 – 2015 vehicles/lane/hour (1.8 - 2 sec spacing)

Restricted/severely restricted in selection of travel speed

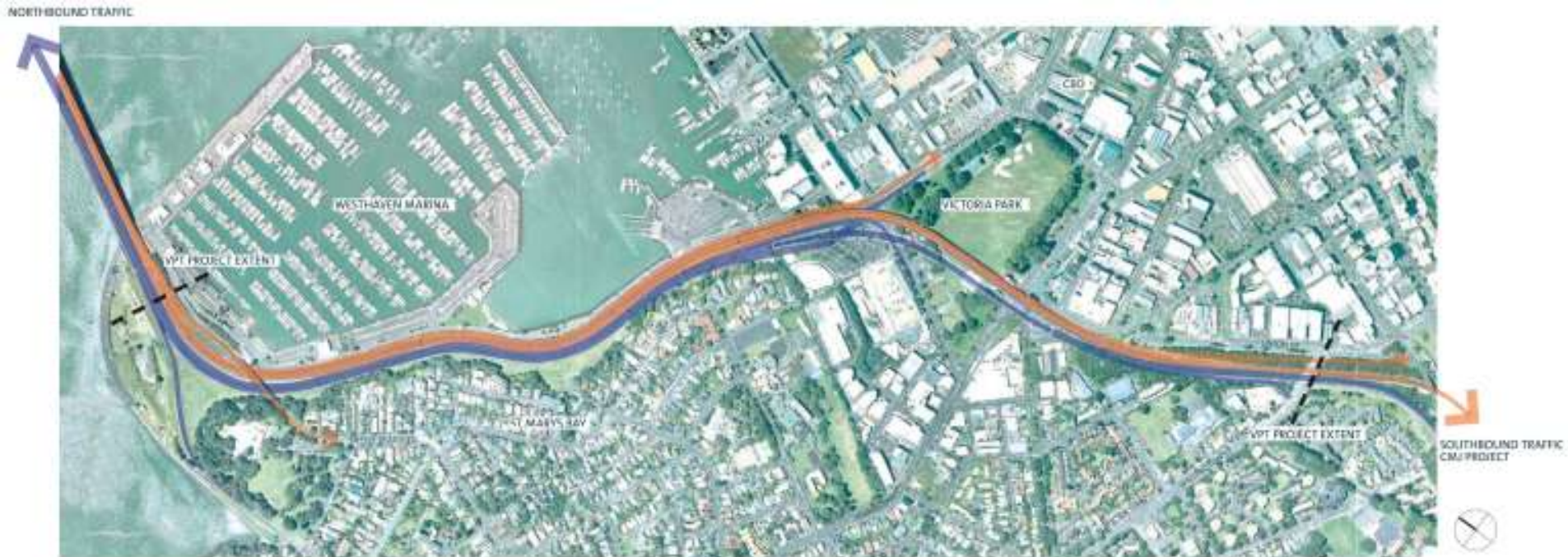
General level of comfort and convenience low to poor



Puhoi to Wellsford

Extends 38 km from end of Northern Gateway Toll Road to north of Wellsford. Provides significant improvement in journey time, reliability and safety

Victoria Park Tunnel



Reduces peak hour journey time by up to 20 minutes

Western Ring Route



Improves reliability and reduces travel time by 20 to 30 minutes from West Auckland to the Airport and from 5 to 15 minutes on other parts of the network

KEY

WAIKATO EXPRESSWAY

- Completed
- Design Underway
- Designated
- EXISTING SH1
- LOCAL ROADS
- URBAN AREAS
- WAIKATO RIVER

MERCER

Meremere

Mercer to Longswamp

Te Kauwhata

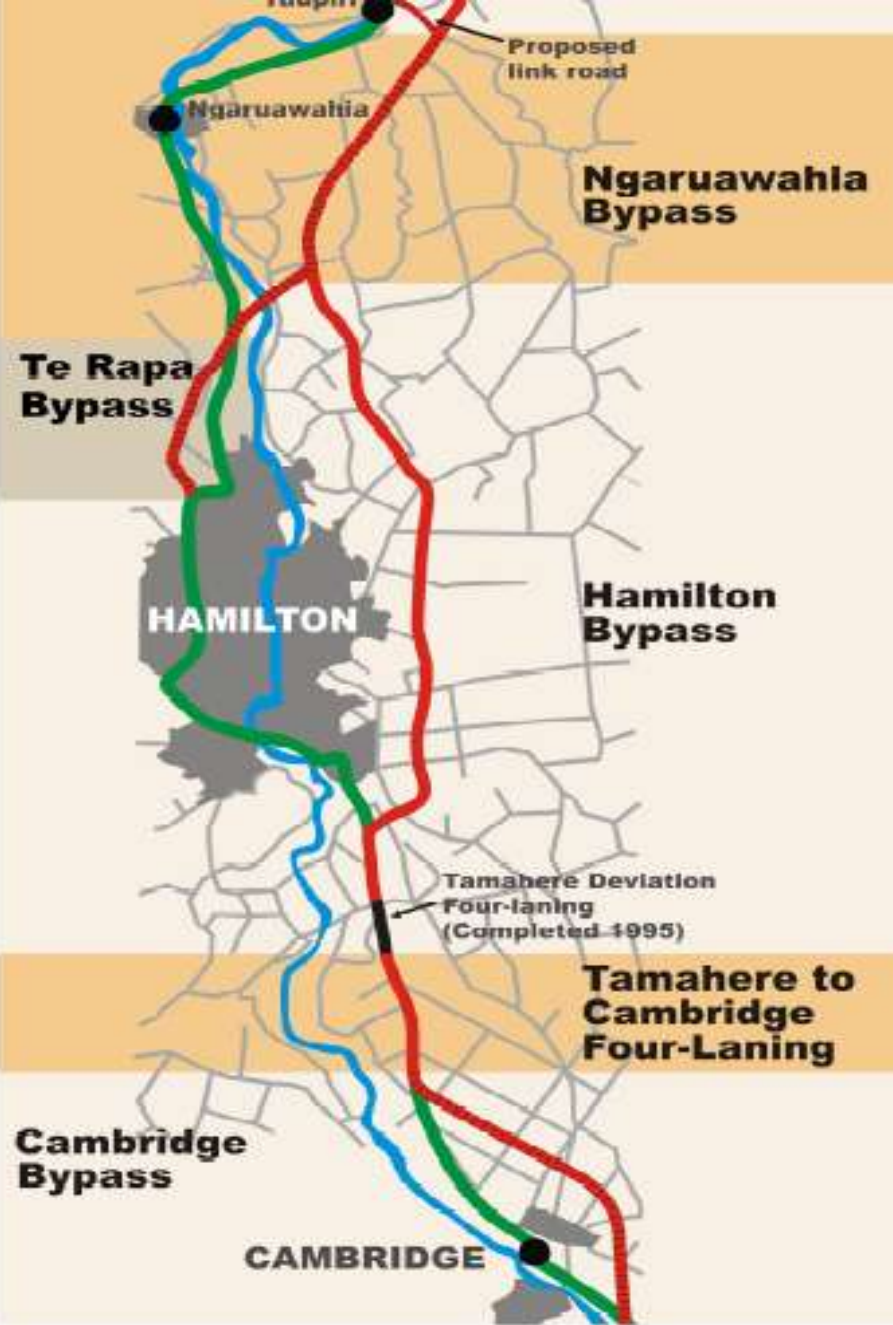
Rangiriri

Ohinewai

HUNTLY

Huntly Bypass

Taupiri



Longswamp to Te Kauwhata Four-Laning

Rangiriri Bypass

Rangiriri to South of Ohinewai

Cambridge Bypass

CAMBRIDGE



MOUNT MAUNGANUI



- Proposed Tauranga Eastern Link (tolled section)**
- Non tolled section**
- Existing state highways**

The Tauranga Eastern Link will provide a much safer and direct route for vehicles traveling between Tauranga and Paengaroa.

The Tauranga Eastern Link will also provide the necessary road infrastructure to support planned residential and commercial development at Papamoa East and Rangiora Business Park.

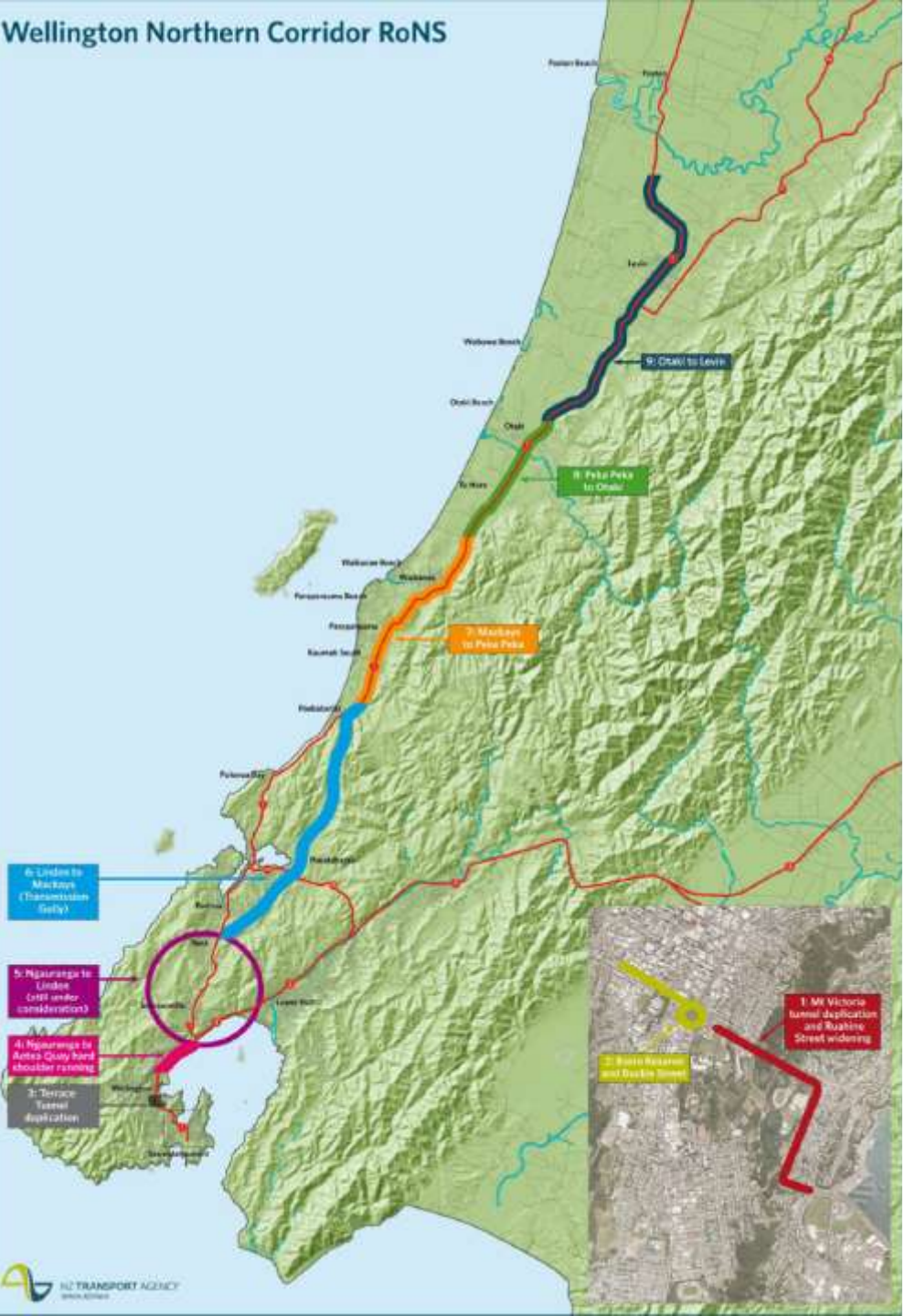
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WAITANGI

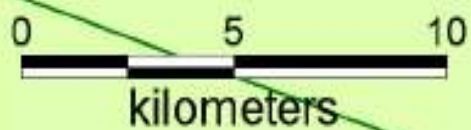
SH2 to Whakatane

SH33 to Rotorua

Wellington Northern Corridor RoNS



Improves reliability and reduces travel time by 20 to 30 minutes between Levin and the Airport in the peak and 15 to 20 minutes during the day. Reduces crash costs by 35%



- Roads of national significance
- RoNS Interim Improvement
- Associated activities
- State highway
- Local arterials
- Other roads
- Railway
- Urban Areas

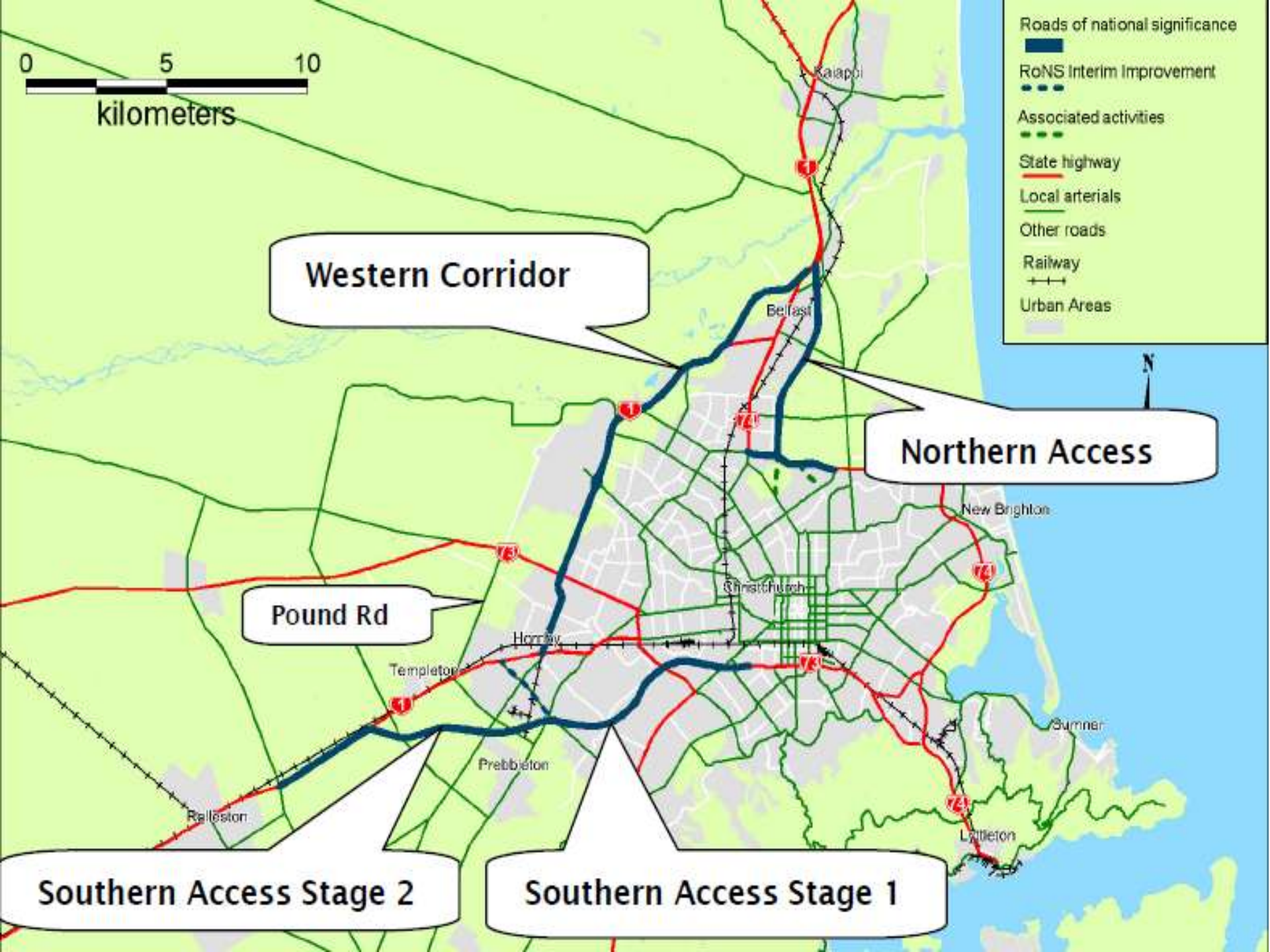
Western Corridor

Northern Access

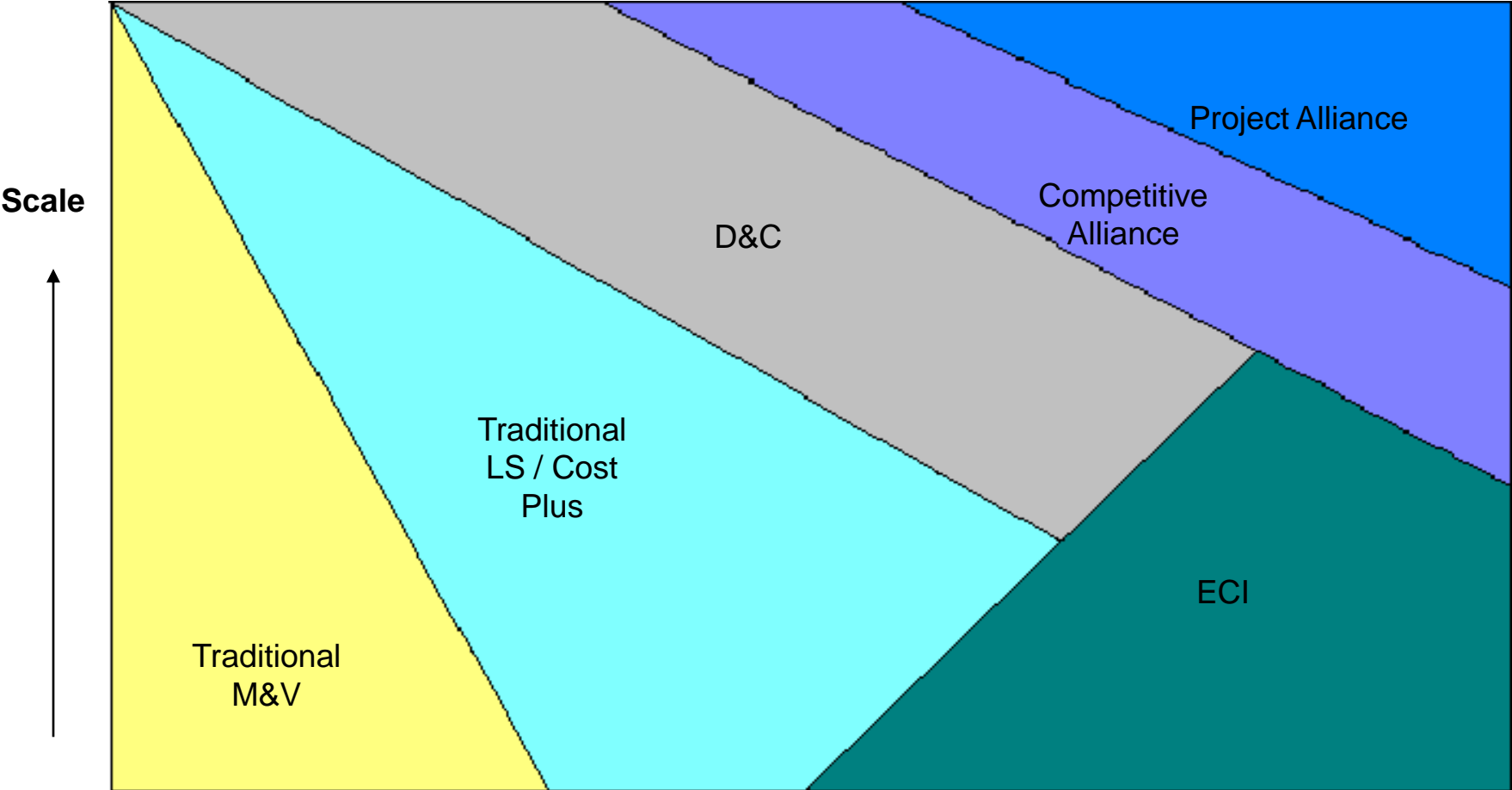
Pound Rd

Southern Access Stage 2

Southern Access Stage 1



Contracting Model



Complexity, Risk, Potential for Innovation, Flexibility required, Client Involvement, Supply Vs Demand, Programme constraint

Investigation considerations

D & C Contract

- Location and form of road improvements
- Social impacts such as noise, air quality and the effect on the local community
- Tangata whenua and the cultural impacts of potential routes
- Property impacts
- Geotechnical and topography considerations
- Ecological impacts
- Affect on historic areas
- Connections to the local roading network
- Walking and cycling access
- Potential construction staging of the work
- Cost of the route
- Constructability
- Opportunities for acceleration of the project

Principal's Requirements (1)

D & C Contract

Converts the Level of Service concept and Investigation results to a brief of the required deliverables for the project in terms of:

- General requirements
 - Contractor's Design and Construction
 - Completion of the works
 - Health and Safety
 - Environmental aspects
 - Reporting

Principal's Requirements (2)

D & C Contract

- Specific Requirements
 - Contract Scope and Description
 - Site Information
 - Design Criteria
 - Utilities
 - Quality Assurance
 - As Built requirements
 - Design and Certification Procedure
 - Maintenance Requirements

Principal's Design Criteria

D & C Contract (Appendix A 152 pages)

- Standards, Manuals and Publications
- Geotechnical Design Criteria
- Road Layout and General Lane Arrangements
- **RoNS Standards and Guidelines**
- Structures
- Urban Design
- Testing and Inspection
- Intelligent Traffic Systems
- Maintenance During Construction

The Blank Canvas



The Finished Product



An aerial photograph showing a large-scale highway interchange under construction. The interchange features multiple levels of overpasses and ramps, with several lanes of traffic visible. The surrounding area is a mix of residential housing, commercial buildings, and green spaces. The construction site is active, with various pieces of machinery and materials visible. The overall scene depicts a major infrastructure project in progress.

Closer to Home

- Ahead of Time
- Under Budget

Happy Client

Happy Contractor