

ROLLOVER OF DESIGNATIONS WITH MODIFICATIONS

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NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi
Rollover of existing state highway designations in the Taupō
Proposed District Plan

Notice of Rollover of Designations With Modification Under Schedule 1, Part 1, Clause 4(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991

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Request: Rollover of existing NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi state highway designations, with modifications, in the Proposed Taupō District Plan

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1. Introduction

On 30 August 2024, the NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) received a request from Taupō District Council (Council) under Schedule 1, Part 1, Clause 4, of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) to confirm the rollover of the existing NZTA designations, and to advise of any new Notices of Requirement NZTA intends to include in the Proposed District Plan (the 'Proposed Plan').

NZTA advises that in accordance with Schedule 1, Part 1, Clause 4(3) of the RMA, the existing designations relating to State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41, and 46 are still current and request that these be rolled over with modification into the Proposed Plan.

In addition, NZTA have lodged a Notice of Requirement (NoR) as part of Council's District Plan Review to designate State Highway 47, which is an existing, formed and operational state highway. When this NoR is confirmed, it should be recorded in the Proposed District Plan schedule of designations with the New Zealand Transport Agency as the requiring authority.

The state highway designations are discussed below, including the proposed modifications and reasons for them.

2. Existing NZTA Designations

There are currently thirteen separate designations for State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41, and 46, within the Operative Taupō District Plan (the 'Operative Plan'). Transit New Zealand is listed as the requiring

authority. This is confirmed by Schedule 8.2.11 of the Operative Plan (refer **Attachment A**).

Four of these thirteen designation have lapsed and are not to be rolled over: D67, D68, D72 and D79.

The nine remaining designations associated with State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41, and 46 have not lapsed. These are operational state highways whereby the designations have been given effect to and are to be rolled over with modification into the Proposed Plan. These modifications (including to the spatial mapping) are discussed in Section 3 of this Notice.

3. Proposed Modifications to Existing NZTA Designations and Reasons for Them

The existing designations for State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41, and 46 are still required and are to be rolled over in their entirety, with modifications, into the Proposed Plan.

The state highways are already constructed and operational. No change to the effects on the environment will therefore result from retaining and modifying the existing state highway designations. The Outline Plan requirements of Section 176A RMA will apply as relevant to future works undertaken within the designations.

The nature of the modifications NZTA proposes are:

1. Updating the requiring authority name from Transit New Zealand to the New Zealand Transport Agency.
2. Updating the schedule of designations to reflect the National Planning Standards 2019.
3. Removing designations D67, D68, D72 and D79.
4. Amalgamating four separate designations for State Highway 1.
5. Modifying the designation purpose to more accurately reflect the work NZTA carries out to ensure the continued safe and efficient operation of the state highway network within the Taupō District.
6. Minor modifications to the designation boundaries to:
 - a) Align the designation boundary with the surveyed legal road boundary; and
 - b) Extend the designation boundary in discrete locations to reflect the existing formed and operational road corridor.
7. Rolling over designation conditions with modification.

The proposed modifications and reasons for them are discussed further below, including the rollover of any conditions and a note regarding limited access roads.

3.1 Updating requiring authority name

The existing state highway designations have Transit New Zealand listed as the requiring authority. The legal name for NZTA as a requiring authority is the New Zealand Transport Agency¹. When the designations are confirmed, the requiring authority name recorded in the Proposed Plan should be the **New Zealand Transport Agency**.

3.2 Updating designation schedule formatting

NZTA has prepared a new schedule of designations that is numbered and formatted in accordance with the National Planning Standards 2019 (the planning standards). The unique identifiers used for

¹ This correct requiring authority name reflects Schedule 2, Clause 29 of the Land Transport Management Amendment Act 2008.

NZTA designations will be 'NZTA-1' through to 'NZTA-7'². Refer to **Attachment B** Proposed New Zealand Transport Agency Designations Table.

3.3 Removing existing designations

NZTA gives notice that the following designations have lapsed are not required to be rolled over into the Proposed Plan:

- Designation D67
- Designation D68
- Designation D72
- Designation D79

3.4 Amalgamating state highway designations

It is proposed to rollover and amalgamate the following designations relating to State Highway 1 into a single designation to cover contiguous sections of the State Highway network within the district, as shown below in **Table 1.2**:

Table 1.2: Designations to be amalgamated

Existing designations to be amalgamated	State Highway #	Rolled over designation identifier
Designation D80 Designation D95 Designation D101 Designation D102	State Highway 1	NZTA-1

Amalgamating the existing State Highway 1 designations will clarify what designations are held by NZTA and simplify the administration of the State Highway 1 designation in the Proposed Plan. This includes simplifying the lodgement and consideration of any future Outline Plan of Work or designation alteration. This approach is consistent with how NZTA is administering its designations elsewhere across New Zealand.

3.5 Modified designation purpose

NZTA wishes to ensure that its designation purposes are consistently worded, accurate and reflective of its requiring authority status. In this respect, NZTA requests that the rolled over designation purposes for designations D80, D95, D101, D102 and D104 within the Operative Plan are modified to:

“To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, cycleway and / or shared path, and associated infrastructure”

NZTA requests that the rolled over designation purposes for designations D103, D105, D106 and D107 within the Operative Plan are modified to:

“To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway and associated infrastructure”

The respective changes to the designation purposes are recorded in the Proposed Designation Table in **Attachment B**.

The modified purpose will reflect the existing use of the land and the work NZTA carries out to ensure the continued safe and efficient operation of the state highway network within Taupō District. The proposed modifications will also ensure the designation purpose is consistent with other NZTA designations within operative and proposed district plans elsewhere across New Zealand.

² Once the Notice of Requirement for State Highway 47 has been confirmed, it should be recorded in the Proposed District Plan schedule of designations as NZTA-7, with the New Zealand Transport Agency listed as the requiring authority.

3.6 Mapping the state highway designations

Designations D80 and D95 are current and mapped within the Taupō District Plan, while the following designations are current but are not mapped:

- D101
- D102
- D103
- D104
- D105
- D106
- D107

NZTA has mapped the designation boundaries geospatially to accurately reflect the operational state highway boundaries for State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41, and 46. The GIS shapefiles are provided with this rollover notice. Note that the GIS shapefiles are current as at 26 February 2025 and reflect the current cadastre from LINZ. Due to weekly updates produced by LINZ, there may be minor changes or alignment differences between the latest road parcels and this designation layer. These modifications are minor in nature and will have no effect on any parties.

NZTA requests that the Proposed District Plan maps are updated to accurately reflect the modified designation boundaries shown in the GIS shapefiles attached to this Notice.

Extending designation

It is proposed to modify the designation boundary beyond the legal road boundary in discrete locations to incorporate the existing formed and operational road corridor. This will provide for the on-going operation, maintenance and mitigation of effects of the state highway.

The land to be included within the extended designation area is in a mixture of Crown, private, and Council ownership. It already forms part of the constructed and operational state highway network. The proposed modifications are designating existing state highway infrastructure that is already formed and operational and is not in use for other Crown, private, or Council purposes.

Reason for spatial modifications

The proposed modifications to the existing designation boundaries will more accurately reflect the legal road boundary and/or will identify where the road will be required to be legalised to correct any discrepancies with the existing road parcel boundaries. In most cases, these discrepancies are historical in nature and modifying the designation boundary through the district plan process will rectify those.

3.7 Rollover of conditions

There are no designation conditions listed within the Operative Plan for State Highways 5, 30, 32, 41 and 46. Therefore, in accordance with the planning standards, there are no conditions to be retained and rolled over into the Proposed Taupō District Plan.

There are existing conditions on designation D95 (ETA), but they no longer have any practical utility to the designation as they applied specifically during construction of the Eastern Taupō Arterial and are no longer applicable. They are therefore not sought to be rolled over into the Proposed Plan.

3.8 Limited access road (LAR)

Sections of State Highways 1, 5, 32 and 41 have been declared as limited access roads (LAR). An LAR is declared as such under Section 88 of the Government Rounding Powers Act 1989 (GRPA 1989). Whilst this is not a matter considered under the RMA, an LAR can affect access to land. It is therefore helpful to add a note regarding the LAR to the proposed designations table under

'additional information', so that its status as a LAR is readily visible to adjacent landowners. Refer to **Attachment B** Proposed New Zealand Transport Agency Designations Table for more information.

3.9 Effects of proposed modifications to existing designations

The proposed modifications will simply formalise the designations over existing formed and operational state highways and reflect their current operational use.

The effects of the existing state highway roading network are known, form part of the existing environment and will not change as a result of retaining and modifying the existing designations.

Any potential effects of the proposed modifications to the state highway designation boundaries are no more than minor in nature. This is because the proposed modifications will more accurately reflect the legal and formed road boundaries and will allow the Proposed Plan to show the status and purpose of the state highways in a clear and consistent manner. The designations allow for the existing state highways to be managed consistently with the balance of the national state highway network, as well as managing any potential effects of third-party activities on operation of the state highways.

4. Conclusion

This Notice sets out the rollover requirements of NZTA designations for State Highways 1, 5, 30, 32, 41 and 46, with modification into the Taupō Proposed District Plan.

The proposed modifications are minor in nature and are intended to simplify and clarify the NZTA state highway designations. These modifications will also allow the Proposed Plan to show the status and purpose of the existing state highways in a clear and consistent manner. The rollover of the existing designations with modifications to the designation boundaries will enable NZTA to continue to manage and maintain a safe and efficient state highway network in Taupō District.

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Attachment A – Operative Taupō District Plan – Schedule of Designations

Attachment B – Proposed New Zealand Transport Agency Designations Schedule

Attachment A – Operative Taupō District Plan – Schedule of Designations

8.2.11 TRANSIT NEW ZEALAND

D #	Designation Title	Designation Purpose	Location	Legal Description
D67	Realignment State Highway 1	D67 - Realignment State Highway 1	Hatepe	Pt Sec 2 Waitahanui Blk 1 SO 47581
D68	Segregation Strips State Highway 1	D68 - Segregation Strips State Highway 1	Hatepe	
D72	Realignment State Highway 1	D72 - Realignment State Highway 1	Tauranga-Taupō	
D79	Realignment State Highway 1	Proposed Realignment State Highway 1	Tauranga-Taupō	
D80	Quarry Reserve	Proposed Quarry Reserve State Highway 1	Taupō Airport	Pt 39 SO 45642
D95	Road	ETA	Auckland - Wellington	Stage 1: Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Lot 1 DPs 84206, Legal Road State Highway 1, Pt Sec 49 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Sec 52 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Lot 1 DPs 72795, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Lot 1 DPs 72795, Pt Sec 39 VI Tauhara SD, Pt Lot 2 DPs 84206, Legal Road, Pt Lot 3 DPS 84206 Stage 2: Crown Road, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown D on SO 47435, Pt Lot 4 DPs 84206, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown C on SO 47435, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown I on SO 47436, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown B on SO 47435, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown H on SO 47436, Pt Lot 4 DPs 78266, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown G on SO 47436, Pt Tauhara Middle 1 shown F on SO 47436, Broadlands Road

				Stage 3: Pt Sec 1 SO 58811, Pt Sec 1 SO 59446, Pt Sec 1 SO 61664, Pt Sec 2 SO 58811, Pt Sec 3 SO 58811, Centennial Drive, Stage 4: Pt Tauhara Middle No 1, Pt Lot 1 DPs 83743, Pt Tauhara Middle No 1, Pt Lot 1 DPs 70992, Pt Lot 1 DPs 78266, Pt Sec 2 XIV Tatua SD, Sec 1 SO 61115, Waikato River, Pt Sec 6 SO 61681, Pt Lot 2 DPs 70827, Pt Wairakei Blk Pt Wairakei Streambed, Pt Oruanui 1 Blk, Pt Closed Road, Pt Oruanui 1 Blk, Legal Road, Pt Sec 8 SO 61681
D101	SH1-SH5 Roundabout	State Highway 1	Auckland - Wellington	
D102	State Highway 1	State Highway 1	Auckland - Wellington	
D103	State Highway 41	State Highway 41	Taumarunui - Turangi	
D104	State Highway 5	State Highway 5	Rotorua - Taupō - Napier	
D105	State Highway 30	State Highway 30	Te Kuiti - Whakamaru	
D106	State Highway 32	State Highway 32	Rotoaira	
D107	State Highway 46	State Highway 46	Rotoaira	

Attachment B – Proposed New Zealand Transport Agency Designations

Schedule

Note designation NZTA-7 is gazetted but not an existing designation. A Notice of Requirement has been lodged with Taupō District Council to designate SH47.

New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-1
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, cycleway and / or shared path, and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 1 from the South Waikato District boundary in the north to the Ruapehu District boundary in the south
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Varies
Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D80, D95, D101, D102 2) The following sections of State Highway 1 are a Limited Access Road, as declared under Section 88 of the Government Roding Powers Act 1989: • Atiamuri River Bridge to SH 5, Gaz 1997 p 1573 • Mapou Road to Tawhaa Road, Gaz 1997 p 3871 • Tawhaa Road to Blake Road at Waitahanui, Gaz 1975 p 1303 • Blake Road to North abutment of Tauranga/Taupō Bridge, Gaz 2002 p 1035 • Tauranga-Taupō River to 3B/6 Roads District boundary, Gaz 1978, p 730 • No 316 Rds District boundary to Tongariro River Bridge / Northern boundary of Hautu 1A (60 chains north of Waimarino, Gaz 1969, p 865 • Taupehi Road to SH 47 junction (Rangipo) / Northern boundary of Ohuanga North 5A to SH 47 at Rangipo, Gaz 1973 p 95
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-2
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, cycleway and / or shared path, and associated infrastructure

Site identifier	State Highway 5 from the Rotorua Lakes District boundary in the north-east to the Hastings District boundary in the south-east
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Varies
Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D104 2) The following sections of State Highway 5 are a Limited Access Road, as declared under Section 88 of the Government Rounding Powers Act 1989: - Southern abutment of Mihi Bridge, Gaz 1997 p 3871 - Taupō Borough boundary to Southern boundary (extended) of Part 4A2A, Blocks III and VII, Tauhara S.D., Gaz 1973 p 2768
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-3
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 30 from the intersection with State Highway 32 in the east to the Waitomo District boundary in the west
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Varies
Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D105
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-4
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 32 from the intersection with State Highway 30 in the north to the intersection with State Highway 41 in the south
Lapse date	Given effect to (i.e. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Varies

Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D106 2) The following sections of State Highway 32 are a Limited Access Road, as declared under Section 88 of the Government Roding Powers Act 1989: • Taupō/Taumarunui City boundary to SH 41 junction, Gaz 1971 p 1229
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-5
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 41 from the intersection with State Highway 1 in the south-east to the Ruapehu District boundary in the west
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Primary
Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D103 2) The following sections of State Highway 41 are a Limited Access Road, as declared under Section 88 of the Government Roding Powers Act 1989: • Ngapuke Road to Kuratau River Bridge, Gaz 1976 p 2506 • Kuratau River Bridge to Waihi Road, Gaz 1976 p 2664 • Waihi Road to 4 mile south of Te Pananga Saddle Road, Gaz 1969 p 614
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-6
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 46 from the intersection with State Highway 1 in the east to the to the Ruapehu District boundary in the west
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Primary

Conditions	None
Additional information	<u>Notes:</u> 1) Rolled over with modification. Legacy reference: D107
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Designation unique identifier	NZTA-7
Designation purpose	To construct, operate, maintain, and improve a state highway, and associated infrastructure
Site identifier	State Highway 47 from the intersection with State Highway 41 in the north-east to the Ruapehu District boundary in the south-west
Lapse date	Given effect to (ie. no lapse date)
Designation hierarchy under section 177 of the Resource Management Act	Primary
Conditions	None
Additional information	None