



TONGARIRO DOMAIN PLAYGROUND REDEVELOPMENT UPDATE

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who provided feedback on the Tongariro Domain Playground Redevelopment.

We received a great response from our community, with a wide variety of ideas shared with us which we're now working on incorporating into our final design.

We thought you might like to see the latest design, which you can check out here: <https://bit.ly/TongariroPlayground>.

We're hoping to start work on the space in late August or early September, with the new playground ready for you and your young ones this summer.



NEW RESERVOIR VALVE TO BOOST RESILIENCE

A NEW CONTROL VALVE is being installed at the Titoki Ave reservoir in Taupō, to ensure the water supply can be isolated promptly in the event of a major pipeline failure.

The valve is designed to restrict supply when a major flow surge is detected. Infrastructure manager Denis Lewis said it is one of a number of valves that have been installed in the district to improve resilience of the water supply system.

"The valves are an added safeguard for our water supply and are particularly useful given the amount of seismic activity that can contribute to watermain failures on our network," he said.

"The valves will reduce the large loss of water volume from our reservoirs, and corresponding damage that can occur, during major or multiple watermain failures."

The project was funded as part of the 2018-28 Long-term plan process.



A REMINDER TO ROAD USERS TO DRIVE TO THE CONDITIONS

COUNCIL IS ASKING ROAD users to take care, drive to the conditions and stay alert on the Arrowsmith Avenue / Napier Road / Kiddle Drive intersection.

Infrastructure manager Denis Lewis said with permanent signage now in place at the intersection, the temporary digital sign boards which have been in place since last October, have now been removed.

"We have added larger stop signs, additional road markings, and painted 50km road markings on the approach to the intersection on Napier Road, where drivers

are required to stop," he said.

"We will also be adding further safety measures, including rumble strips and additional 50km road markings to Kiddle Drive, to remind drivers of the reduction in speed limit."

"We're asking everyone to please be cautious, drive to the conditions and the road rules. Police will also continue to monitor the intersection," he said.

A roundabout will be investigated as part of next year's Long-term plan.



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