

# Works Notification

## Ara Tūhono - Pūhoi to Warkworth Project works set to resume with move to COVID-19 Alert Level 3

In line with the Governments move to Level 3, Ara Tūhono - Pūhoi to Warkworth Project works are set to recommence from Tuesday 28 April.

While some essential environmental, safety and traffic management works have continued during the lockdown, commuters and residents will have seen that most of the work on the site was shut down in COVID Alert Level 4. What they will now start to see is a staged increase in work across the project area between Johnstones Hill Tunnels and the Northern Connection at Warkworth. The staged increase in works is to ensure staff are well briefed, prepared and kept safe as we adapt to a new way of working in line with strict industry standards.

Work at Alert Level 3 will be different from our usual way of working. A range of new measures are being put in place, including restricted access to the site, requirements for workers to maintain physical distancing, and the use of additional protective clothing.

### What are we doing?

In addition to on-going essential works activities, from Tuesday April 28, small groups of staff will be on site checking over and maintaining plant and equipment, scaffolding, and trialing new safe working procedures, particularly where close proximity working is required. In addition to this, the project will look to restart the delivery and stockpiling of aggregates and landscaping materials, and will mobilise equipment to start bridge piling works on Te Arawhiti Pua Ngahere, the Kauri Eco Viaduct near Perry Road.

The work sites will comply with mandatory requirements under Level 3 which include:

- back-to-work inductions focussed on COVID-19 hygiene awareness and safety measures
- use of PPE to follow COVID-19 hygiene protocols
- entering and leaving the workspace (contact tracing and record keeping)
- social distancing
- waste disposal, equipment use and cleaning.

All office staff and those who are not physically required to be on site will continue to work from home until further notice.

Please be assured that we are focused on ensuring the health and safety of our staff and the public during this time as we get back on with work on the project, and we request that physical distancing requirements be respected. Please do not approach our teams or enter our work sites without formal approval.

If you have any concerns or questions regarding these works, please do not hesitate to contact our communications team via Email – [info@nx2group.com](mailto:info@nx2group.com) or our 24/7 freephone: 0508 P2WK INFO (0508 7295 4636).

Noho ora mai/Stay safe,

The Stakeholder & Communications Team

*Ara Tūhono - Pūhoi to Warkworth Project will extend the four-lane Northern Motorway (SH1) 18.5km from the Johnstones Hill Tunnels to just north of Warkworth. It is the first stage of the Ara Tūhono – Pūhoi to Wellsford project. It will be open for traffic by late 2021 and provide increased safety, more consistent travel times, and create a more robust and reliable road between Auckland and Northland. Read more about Ara Tūhono [www.nx2group.com](http://www.nx2group.com).*

