





5 July 2021

Saxton Creek Upgrade | Stage 4

Culvert Upgrade in your area Commencing mid to late July 2021

Dear Resident / Business Owner,

Extreme weather events in December 2011 and April 2013 caused significant flooding to both commercial and residential properties in the Saxton area.

A project has been underway since 2015 to improve the flood protection in and around the Saxton area.

The first three stages of the project have been completed, and we are about to begin the final stage of work (Stage 4). This stage covers upgrading Saxton Creek from Main Road Stoke to the sea.

This segment of the creek is severely under-capacity, with open and buried culverts / pipes able to handle a 1 in 5-year flood event. The upgrade will mean the area will be able to cater for a 1 in 100-year flood event. Without this last upgrade section, the benefits of the previous stages will not be realised.

This work has received \$7.5 million of funding from Kānoa - Regional Economic Development & Investment Unit. This funding contributes towards projects that build more resilient river communities. It will also help to reduce the environmental, economic, and social damage caused by flooding.

The funding has helped bring this project forward, so that new jobs have been created. This supports local economies and their social wellbeing following the impact of COVID-19.

Project Phasing

The project will be split into two phases. Phase A of this upgrade is due to begin mid to late July 2021. This will involve installing a new culvert under Main Road Stoke.

Phase B involves going through the industrial estate is expected to commence early in the New Year.



How will this work affect you?

Temporary traffic management will be set up on Main Stoke Road as this work is carried out. This will include temporary fencing and traffic barriers on the road to separate the work area from vehicles. The speed will be reduced to 30 km/hr through this area. Pedestrians and cyclists will be diverted through Saxton Field.

While we always aim to do our work with as little disruption as possible, we know that roadworks can be inconvenient. We apologise in advance for this.

If you have difficulty getting to or from your property during these works, please do not hesitate to contact Downers staff on site and they will assist you in any way they can.

For your safety and the safety of our road crews please drive carefully, beware of cyclists and stick to the temporary speed limits that may be in place.

A big thank you from Nelson City Council

On behalf of Nelson City Council, thank you in advance for your patience and understanding while we do this important work in your community. This vital infrastructure will improve the resilience of your area well into the future / in the years to come.

To keep up to date with the project go to shape.nelson.govt.nz/saxton-creek-stage-4

If you have any questions about this work, please contact:

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