

## Hīkoi mō te Tiriti – Wellington region

**17 to 19 November 2024**

The hīkoi consists of a vehicle convoy; including vans, buses and cars; and runners on foot for each leg. Numerous ‘activations’ are planned in towns and cities along the route, culminating in a large-scale ‘activation’ planned for Parliament grounds on 19 November 2024.

### KEY INFORMATION

Police have assessed the family-friendly nature of activations, presence of local schools and school children, and strong organisation has contributed to a peaceful hīkoi. However, attendance at activations to date has exceeded anticipated venue capacity in some places and Police have been required to intercede in traffic management plans for some activations. Further, township main streets and highways are experiencing congestion and there have been some reports from the public regarding non-compliant road user behaviour.

Peaceful activation is expected to continue into the main activation in Wellington District. It is highly likely numbers will involve 11000+ participants in Wellington. Numbers expected at Parliament cannot be reliably estimated from hīkoi participation numbers alone. This is expected to result in major traffic congestion in Wellington, with venue capacities at Waitangi Park and Parliament precinct being exceeded. A traffic management plan will be in place from 0500hrs from the junction of Lambton Quay and Bowen Street, and along Molesworth Street to Hill Street will be closed to vehicles.

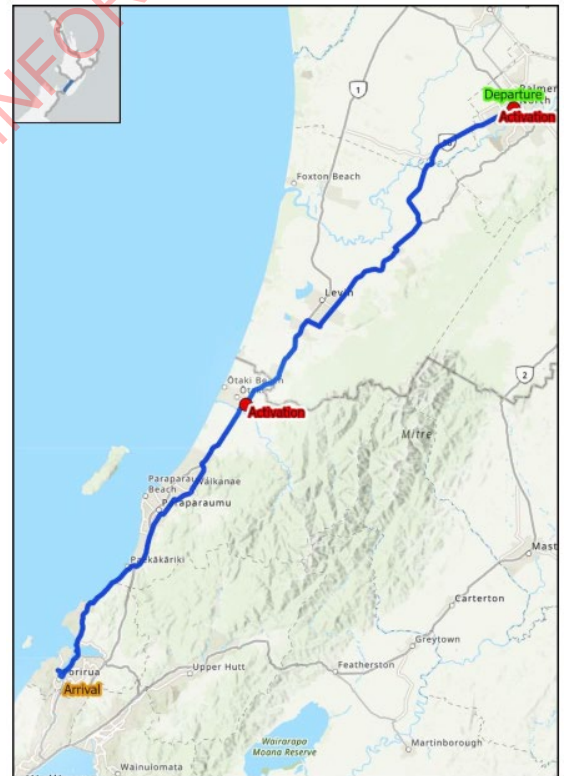
While no incidents of concern have been identified, it is a realistic possibility active encouragement of protesting other issues could contribute to a decreased ability for the organisers to influence/manage the group.

### IMPACTS – official hīkoi

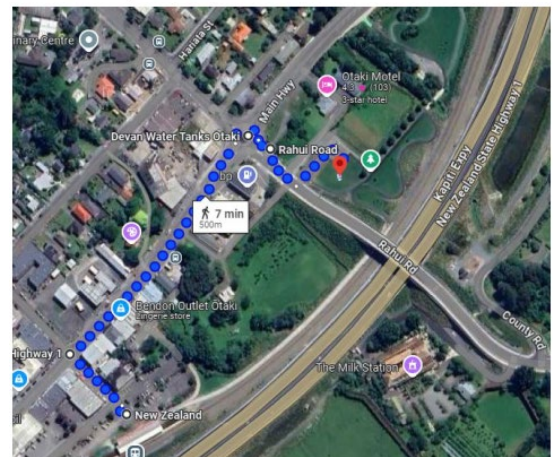
#### SUNDAY 17<sup>th</sup>

- 12pm Depart Palmerston North
- 2pm Levin activation  
Note: activation originally planned at Otaki, however the organisers have chosen to avoid Otaki due to the stop/go traffic control on the bridge south of the town. A small number of local hapu will activate locally before joining the main convoy.
- 3pm Depart Levin - convoy via SH1 to Peka Peka offramp
- 3.30pm Travel through Waikanae via Old SH1
- 3.50pm Travel through Paraparaumu via Old SH1
- 4pm SH1 from Poplar Ave to Mackays Crossing, SH59 to Porirua  
NOTE: Currently there do not appear to be any plans to hīkoi or activate along Mana Esplanade, however it would be prudent to consider this a possibility.
- 6pm Arrive Porirua, powhiri at Takapuwāhia Marae  
NOTE: Originally a mass pōwhiri was planned at Ngāti Toa domain in Porirua on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup>, however this mass event was cancelled on 6<sup>th</sup> November. It appears this cancelled event is still being advertised in some locations, in some cases with an alternate location. Porirua City Council and Ngāti Toa representatives are working on getting messaging aligned – TBC.

 <b>SUN</b> 17 NOV Cloudy periods clearing in the afternoon to fine. Fresh southerlies, easing in the afternoon then turning northeast in the evening. Issued: 10:36am Sat 16 Nov	 14°  7°
 <b>MON</b> 18 NOV Fine. Light winds, northerlies developing in the evening. Issued: 12:30pm Sat 16 Nov	 18°  10°
 <b>TUE</b> 19 NOV Fine. Northerlies. Issued: 12:30pm Sat 16 Nov	 18°  12° Rainfall exceedance probability forecast  1+ mm: 10%  10+ mm: 5%



**Hīkoi Activation Route – Otaki**



**MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup> - Rest day.**

NOTE: a small-scale activation (approx. 1000 pax) will occur at Ngati Toa domain, the timing has been set from 10am – 1pm to avoid disruption to exams. There may be extra activity between “The Ramp” at Porirua and Mana Esplanade as people make their way there. Parking is being provided at the domain, so state highway impact should be minor.

**TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup>**

6am Main convoy departs Porirua – convoy SH59 – SH1 – quays to Waitangi Park

NOTE: an additional convoy is expected to leave the Ngati Toa Domain at the same time, roughly 250 pax. The running contingent will utilise local roads from Porirua through Tawa/Johnsonville/Khandallah down Onslow Rd to Hutt Rd/Thorndon Quay.

9am Hikoi begins – Waitangi Park – Kent Terrace – Courtenay Place – Manners St – Willis St – Lambton Quay – Parliament

12pm Parliament activation

2:30pm Depart Parliament grounds to Waitangi Park

4pm Waitangi Park music event and farewell

**IMPACTS – unaffiliated with primary hikoi**

**MONDAY 18<sup>th</sup>** - an additional group has advertised a convoy travelling from SH2 from Masterton to Greytown on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> via SH2. They plan to hikoi through the town centers and drive at 30kph between locations. The same group is organising a bus to Wellington the following morning, the timing of which suggests this group is unlikely to be meeting up with the Petone group, as was originally thought.

8.15am Meet at Te Ore Ore Marae

8.30am Travel to Matua Pa

9am Hikoi via Chapel St (convoy via Dixon St) to Kurupuni roundabout

There are no further specified timings, however the Carterton hikoi is expected to occur around midday, from Belvedere/Park Rd via High St (convoy via Rutland St) to Hilton Rd; there will be a break for lunch at Carrington Park. Then the Greytown hikoi is via High St (convoy via West Rd) to East St/Papawai Pl.

**TUESDAY 19<sup>th</sup>** - an additional group has expressed intent to travel from McEwan Park in Petone to Wellington City on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> via Petone Esplanade and SH2. NZ Police and National Organisers have succeeded in dissuading this group from walking on the road, the intention now is to utilise the Petone foreshore and the SH2 walkway/cycle path. We will be assisting police in providing protection for this group as they travel along the unprotected section of walkway south of the Petone SB onramp.

3.30am Participants meet at McEwan Park in Petone

4am Participants depart from the park, walking along the footpath and/or Mana Esplanade, SH2, Hutt offramp, Hutt Rd, Thorndon Quay

8.30am Arrival at Wellington train station, continue to Waitangi Park (no advertised route).

**CONSIDERATIONS**

- Police are the lead agency for this response, WTA hold a support role.
- While some TLAs have chosen to provide TTM support for the hikoi, NZTA will not be supplying TMPs or TTM to the hikoi.
- WTA will be ready to respond to any situation that may be regarded as an incident impacting the Wellington SH network and will be in constant communication with police to provide required assistance.
- Not all attendees of the Waitangi Park activation will be travelling in the convoy – additional attendees are expected from the wider Wellington region and cross-boundary, many of these via public transport.

**MITIGATIONS**

- Extensive internal and external comms advising of likely disruption and travel times to avoid.
- Incident response vehicles and staff to be located at key locations during the convoy periods on both Sunday and Tuesday (see Contact List doc)



- RTRT (Regional Transport Response Team) will be stood up, with WTA, Police, and other relevant party representatives located at WTOC.
- WTOC will take over national sit reps from Saturday onwards. For the Tuesday activations sitreps are planned for 9am, 12pm, 3pm – with an additional at 17:30hrs if required.
- Remutaka Hill closure on the night of Monday 16<sup>th</sup> will be picked up at the earlier time of 2:30am.
- Other planned works near the will be off the road in sufficient time to allow crews to get home before potential disruption begins.
- Updates from other regions will be sought to assist in readiness.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- WTA undertake minimal work on affected roads for the duration of these events.

### ASSOCIATED DOCUMENTS

- WTA Incident Response TTM draft
- WTA Contact List – includes key contacts, locations of key personnel etc.
- WTOC Hiko Plan

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