



# H<sub>2</sub>OUR HEALTH

Bringing quality drinking water to  
Herbert, Waianakarua, Hampden & Moeraki



## NEWSLETTER

November 2017

### Steady progress on pipeline

Despite some challenging weather conditions, the crews from Whitestone Contracting have managed to lay more than 10 kilometres of the new drinking water pipeline since starting the project in July.

Whitestone won the contract to construct the pipeline in June, following a rigorous tendering process. The pipeline will supply high quality drinking water from the Oamaru water treatment plant to residents in Hampden, Herbert, Waianakarua and Moeraki.

The sequence for laying the pipeline has been planned to work in with the seasonal requirements of landowners - many of whom are farmers.

Although the project has had some delays due to poor weather, we still expect the pipeline to be ready to deliver water by August 2018.

*A map showing the progress of construction is included on the back of this newsletter.*



Above: Whitestone Contracting staff lay pipeline along Nuns Road, Herbert.

### Working in with landowners

The new pipeline will pass through 41 private properties. Once again, we'd like to thank all landowners who have agreed to have the pipeline constructed in their land. Whitestone Contracting have been working with them to ensure the land where the pipeline is laid is reinstated to their requirements. Some land reinstatement was delayed at the request of landowners until the wet conditions underfoot improved. We will continue to get in touch directly with individual landowners about three weeks in advance of work starting on their property.

#### ***Keeping Mycoplasma Bovis at bay***

The recent outbreak of the cattle disease Mycoplasma Bovis in Waitaki has created a lot of anxiety for rural landowners. Our project team has been in contact with officials from the Ministry for Primary Industries to understand the risks and the necessary response. While we are confident we are not entering any infected areas, we want to play our part in ensuring the disease is contained and ultimately eradicated. We have provided information to all project personnel so they understand the

methods of transmission and the hygiene requirements for movement of construction and farm equipment. We will continue to be vigilant to the situation and respond promptly to any instruction from the Ministry.

#### ***Safety first***

This is a large project spanning several months, with numerous risks to manage, so safety has been a big focus. We're pleased to report that this is being well managed by the contractor, with no safety incidents occurring on the job.

### Construction timeframes

Whitestone Contracting will have three crews working simultaneously on the pipeline construction. Work is expected to be finished by August 2018, however, this may change for a number of reasons - including weather conditions and unexpected archaeological finds.

#### **> CREW ONE**

Now until March 2018  
Herbert to south of the Waianakarua River bridge

#### **> CREW TWO**

Now until May 2018  
Kakanui River to Herbert

#### **> CREW THREE**




Now until June 2018  
Awamoa Road to Kakanui River







#### Legend

-  Completed
-  Pipe Installed
-  Work in Progress  
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**PIPELINE PROGRESS MAP**  
Not to Scale