



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



# NEWSLETTER

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## Drinking water pipeline construction set to start

Work to upgrade the Herbert, Waianakarua, Hampden and Moeraki drinking water supplies to meet National Drinking Water Standards will soon be underway.

The contract to construct a new water pipeline supplying drinking water from the Oamaru water treatment plant to residents in Hampden, Herbert, Waianakarua and Moeraki was recently awarded to Whitestone Contracting Ltd for \$4.8m.

Whitestone was awarded the contract following a rigorous tendering process, which attracted tenders from several contracting companies.

The cost of the project has risen slightly from the initial

estimates of \$5.2 million in 2015 to an actual cost of \$5.7m, however, this will not change the ratepayer contribution of \$2.4m required for the project. The additional cost will be funded from existing depreciation funds and provision for future growth.

Council has also identified some additional pipeline improvements along the way which will help the supply of water in the Fortification, Teschemakers, Totara and Kakanui areas.

Work on the pipeline is expected to commence in July and will take around 12 months to complete.

## Local company delighted to be on board

Operations Manager for Whitestone Contracting Ltd, Julian Hardy, said the company is proud and excited to have been selected for this significant project.

"This is an important project for the communities from Herbert to Moeraki. We're looking forward to playing our part in providing them with a safe, reliable source of drinking water."

He said the company is committed to building good relationships with the landowners who have agreed to have the pipeline in their land.

"In particular, we want to ensure reinstatement of their land following the pipeline construction meets their expectations."



Above: Whitestone Contracting Ltd's Project Supervisor, Neil Fraser (left) and Operations Manager, Julian Hardy, outside the company's head office at Alma, Oamaru.

### Pipeline route

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.

The following pages show the confirmed pipeline route from Oamaru to Hampden. Moeraki residents will get water from the Oamaru treatment plant via the existing pipeline from Hampden.

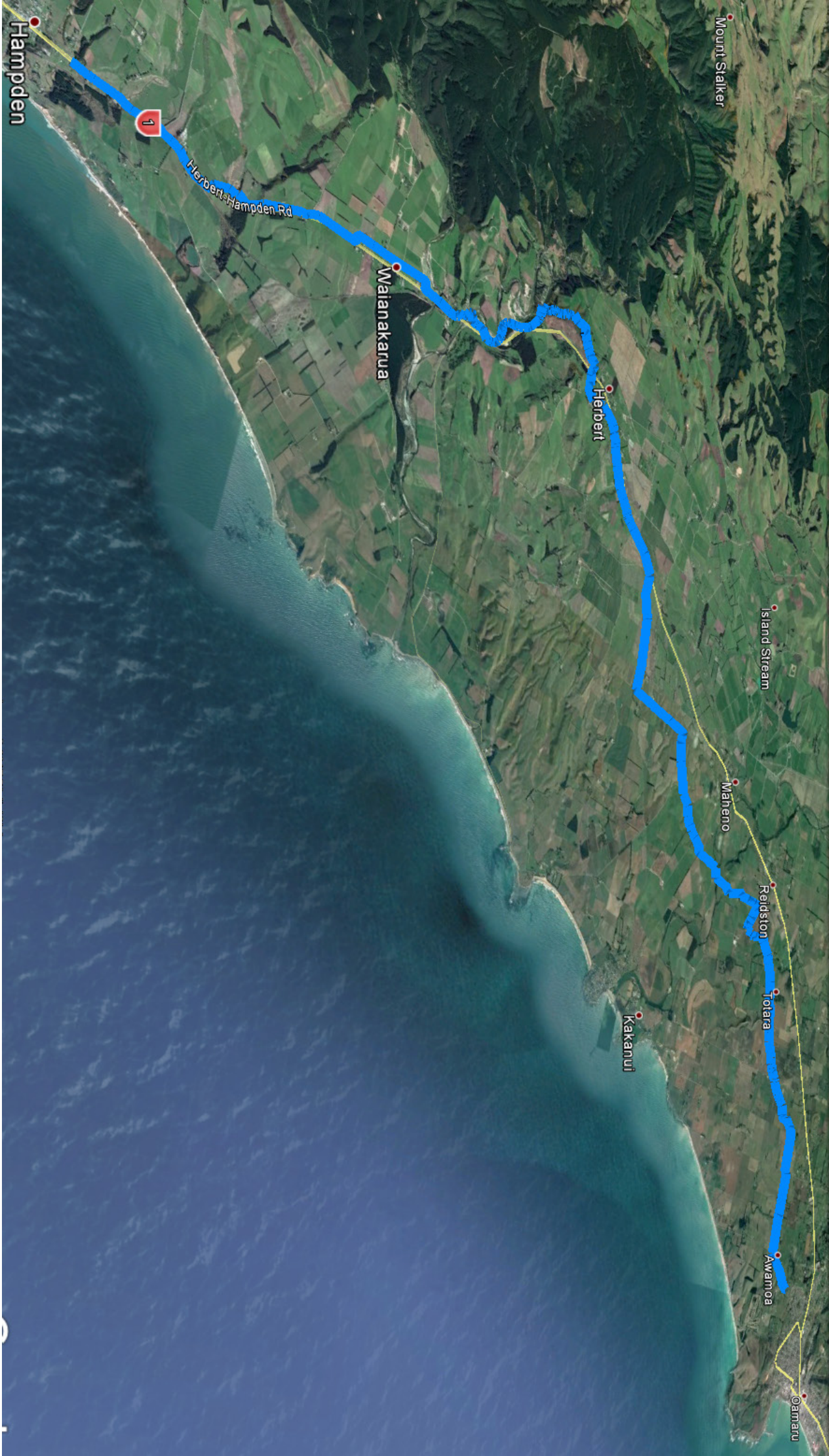
On the last page, we've provided the general timing and locations for construction work.

You'll note construction will not begin in Oamaru and end in Hampden. Whitestone have carefully planned the work to fit best with landowner schedules (many being farmers) and seasonal conditions.





# Oamaru to Hampden - drinking water pipeline route



Key:

Drinking water pipeline

State Highway 1



# Pipeline construction timeframes

Whitestone Contracting will have two crews working on the pipeline construction, starting in July. Work is expected to be finished in 12 months, however, this may change due a number of reasons - including weather conditions and unexpected archaeological finds (see below).

## CREW #1

### Early July to October 2017

Starting on the south side of the Waianakarua River bridge, heading south to Hampden

### October 2017 to January 2018

Starting in Herbert at Nun Street, heading south through Breakneck Road to the Waianakarua River bridge

### February 2018 to June 2018

Starting south of Happy Valley Road, running parallel with the State Highway on the east side, continuing through Herbert to Nun Street



## CREW #2

### Early September to December 2017

Starting at Awamoa Road in Oamaru, continuing south to Reidston Road

### January to June 2018

Starting at Reidston Road, crossing the Kakanui River and continuing to Happy Valley Road

## Safety first

The pipeline project team and Whitestone Contracting are conscious of the need to protect the safety of staff and the public during and after construction of the pipeline.

The team from Whitestone will be working closely with Council's health and safety staff and private landowners to make sure all the right safety boxes are ticked.

## Some savings

The construction of the new pipeline means some of the existing infrastructure on the water supplies - such as reservoirs - will no longer be needed.

This will mean long-term savings on maintenance costs.

## What lies beneath?

The construction of the pipeline, especially along rail corridors, rivers and in townships, may unearth some archaeological treasures. With

an archaeological authority in place, we will notify Heritage NZ of any finds made during construction.

Archaeology experts from NZ Heritage Properties will be working alongside Whitestone Contracting in areas where the likelihood of finds is greatest, and will be on call should any finds be made.



If you have any questions about the pipeline project, please contact us at the email address below.

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