

# Kahika wastewater upgrade project

Improving the wastewater network in Bay View, Beach Haven and surrounding suburbs

This is the second newsletter of our updates on the Kahika wastewater upgrade project. As part of our updates, we will be sharing the latest news and insights into the project, including its progress, challenges, and achievements.

## What has happened so far?

Our contractor, CB Civil have been working hard to established two of three site compounds required for this Project. These are located in Francis Kendell Reserve in Glenfield and on Kahika Road, Birkdale. The team are also currently in the process of conducting potholing services investigation along the pipeline route. This process involves using specialised equipment to excavate small, precise holes in the ground to locate and identify the positions of underground utilities.

Prior to commencing construction works, Mahu Rawiri and Zaelene Maxwell of Iwi

Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki led the Kahika project team and members of Te Rua Whetū in a blessing ceremony. The purpose of karakia was to acknowledge the tapu (sacredness) of the whenua (land) and seek guidance and protection throughout the construction process. By attending and witnessing the ceremony, the team demonstrated recognition of the spiritual connection between the people, the land, and their ancestors. It also solicits their blessings for the success, safety, and well-being of the project.



## What can you expect in May?

This month the team will begin to install the first sections of the pipeline along Kaipatiki Road, the pipeline will be installed by a method known as open trench construction (orange line on the map below). The open trench portion of the project is scheduled to be completed March 2024.

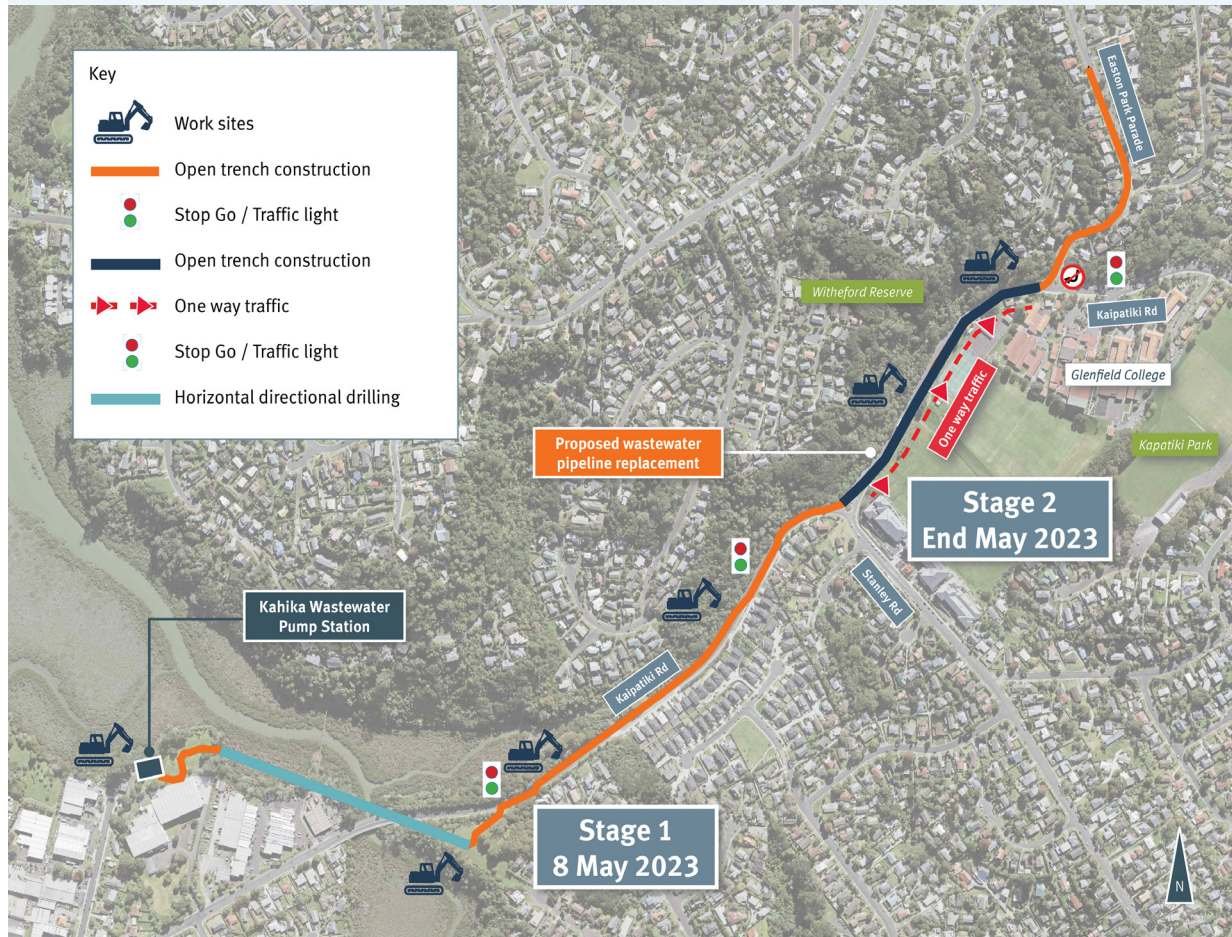
We will also begin installing another section of the pipeline from the Kahika Wastewater Pump Station to Francis Kendell Reserve via horizontal directional drilling (shown as a light blue line on the map below).

## How will the upcoming works affect you?

- **Work hours** – will be from 7:30am to 6pm on Monday to Friday with potential work on Saturdays.
- **Noise** – while the work may generate some noise and vibration, please be assured levels will be kept to a minimum and in accordance with Auckland Council and consent requirements.
- **Traffic** – temporary traffic management will be in place on **Kaipatiki Road** and surrounding streets. Please refer to the map below for the current traffic plan in place.

You will notice the following changes:

- **Stage One** – stop-go boards and temporary traffic lights in operation along Kaipatiki road.
- **Stage Two** - one lane closure on Kaipatiki Road with access from Stanley Road and with detour and no entry from Easton Park Parade.
- Speed limit will be reduced to 30km.
- Reduced on-street parking.
- Pedestrian, bike, car and bus detours. Check the AT website/app for updates on bus route changes during Stage 2.
- The traffic management plan will be in operation from May 2023 to March 2024.



## To keep informed

Regular updates and traffic notices can be found by visiting the project webpage [www.watercare.co.nz/kahikaproject](http://www.watercare.co.nz/kahikaproject). If you would like to receive our project updates via email you can click below on the blue bubble “Keep in touch” and enter your details.

## Any questions regarding the project?

Should you have any queries or would like any further information in relation to the works, please email [Kahika@water.co.nz](mailto:Kahika@water.co.nz). Alternatively, if you have any general water or wastewater concerns, you can call our helpdesk on 09 442 2222.

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