

Traffic plans



To undertake these works, we need to put a significant traffic management plan in place, which includes a one-lane traffic system. We know this is going to impact your daily routine but it's important to ensure:

- Traffic flow into Otatara allows Emergency Services to reach the community as quickly as possible.
- Access to the airport is maintained. A stop/go system will cause serious delays as traffic will back up to Airport Ave and the Bond St roundabout.
- Bay Road uses the SCATS traffic management system to control the steady stream of vehicles and automatically adjust to a larger volume of traffic.
- Cyclists and pedestrians can still access the city and Otatara along the Stead Street cycle path located on the northern side of the road.

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STEAD STREET STOPBANK UPGRADE

Community Drop-in Session

Come and meet the team to learn about the Stead Street Stopbank Upgrade.

Where: Otatara School Hall
When: Thursday 28 October
Drop by: 5.30pm-7pm

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STEAD STREET

STOPBANK UPGRADE

The Stead St Stopbank, put in place in 1920, is made of sand and silt, which means it is vulnerable to damage and over-topping events.

The stopbank will deteriorate rapidly in the event of frequent over-topping, storm surge and sea level rise, which is expected due to climate change. Stead Street could be inundated with water, leaving Bay Road as the only access route to the City for Otatara residents. It could affect the Invercargill Airport and other critical infrastructure in the area.



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Waihōpai Invercargill and Southland are at high risk of flooding and we know that climate change effects will increase the likelihood of extreme weather events and their impacts so we need to upgrade the stopbank now.

The Stead St Stopbank will be reinforced with a sheet pile wall to ensure Waihōpai Invercargill, the Invercargill Airport and our critical infrastructure are protected.

This project is majority funded by central government as part of the Climate Change Resilience Fund.

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The top of the new floodwall will be higher and provide a more robust defence than the existing earth embankment.

This project requires large cranes and plant that will need to be placed in the road carriageway. This leaves insufficient space to have two lanes of traffic open on Stead Street during construction.

Once the works have finished, the Otatara community will have a stopbank in place that provides a 3m-wide shared path for the city to access and enjoy year round as part of the Te Araroa trail.



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