

#103 Nicholas Shoebridge

I do feel it necessary to add to submissions I have already entered. Firstly as new road layout at both ends of Woodlands road has already changed heavy traffic/Trucking driver behavior regarding continuous truck engine braking entering and exiting the Woodville end of Woodlands road. This has already negatively impacted the environment of this area via the noise pollution this produces day and night. Furthermore virtually all trucking entering Woodlands road area via Napier road from the gorge direction uses their engine braking anywhere from the railway overpass to right outside our home, this noise pollution is also produced day and night, making sleeping for anyone on dayshift or nightshift positions, unlikely much of the time.

I would like to request that this whole area mentioned be made a no engine braking zone. However, as there is already a no engine braking sign for the next 3 k's on the eastern approach to Woodville that no trucking adheres to on their exit from Woodville going into the Woodlands road corner leaving Woodville, only 2k away I have to say the NZTA has no business building roads to put signs on that their trucking industry just ignores anyway, as there is no enforcement of these signs producing terrible noise pollution anyway. So this area has already been effected in a negative manner.

Furthermore, back on the topic of the new corners that have been constructed at either end of Woodlands road, on the southern end entering Woodville, if coming from Napier road, unless you are in a truck, or have a periscope on top of your car it is quite difficult to view oncoming traffic from either direction, there has already been at least one accident and I foresee many more. Regarding the northern end of Woodlands road, I recommend your committee send three cars from the saddle road travelling together, with the first two turning left onto Oxford road with the third car continuing down Woodlands road, and note how much this vehicle has to drive into oncoming traffic to achieve that maneuver, it is a death scene waiting to happen.

The new motorway heads up hill in this area in close proximity, as opposed to the previous flat gorge route, so to consider this whole area to not be negatively impacted by noise and of course other pollution's is a nonsense.

We at this property have been offered an earth bund construction to our effected perimeter for noise and light pollution, but I can assure you from experience it will do almost nothing to mitigate noise pollution, it will stop much of the light pollution and protect the property from vehicles, and obstruct the eyesore being constructed around the borders of our property, but in reality nothing can be done to mitigate the noise damage to be inflicted on this entire property.

Sincerely

Nick Shoebridge on behalf of our entire family.

