



WESTERN LINE RAIL INVESTIGATIONS

May-June 2026

Dear neighbour,

KiwiRail is rebuilding the rail network in your area to make train travel more resilient and reliable and to prepare for the more frequent trains the City Rail Link (CRL) will bring when it opens later this year.

Over the King's Birthday long weekend (see dates right), KiwiRail will investigate the condition of some of our rail assets at a handful of locations on the Western Line.

This will take place in and around level crossings at Mount Lebanon Lane, Henderson, Woodward Road, Mount Albert and Portage Road, New Lynn. These level crossings will have one lane closed during the daytime work periods, with stop-go signs and traffic management in place. Please follow all signage and exercise caution when in these areas.

There will be a full Auckland rail network closure from Saturday 30 May until the end of Monday 1 June 2026. Passengers are encouraged to check the AT Mobile app or visit the Auckland Transport website to plan their travel at.govt.nz/journeyplanner

This project is part of KiwiRail's work to prepare Auckland's rail network for increased services, shorter journeys, and more frequent trains as part of the CRL.

What we are doing:

KiwiRail will use the full rail network closure to undertake some investigation work of our rail assets in and around some level crossings on the Western Line. We will be digging some test holes to safely expose underground utilities, such as pipes, cables, and conduits.

This work will only take place during daylight hours and is unlikely to be noisy, though there's likely to be an increase of rail vehicles in the area.

Please note these works are separate from Auckland Transport's recent engagement on its Level Crossings Programme. For information relating to this, please visit the AT website:

www.At.govt.nz/projects-and-initiatives-western-line-level-crossings

Upcoming dates

Investigation works on the Western Line:

- **Saturday 30 May to Monday 1 June** (King's Birthday long weekend) – dayshift only (7am to 6pm)

At times temporary traffic management will be required – please follow the signs.

Find out more

For enquiries and to sign up to work notifications by email please contact us via contactus@kiwirail.co.nz or **0800 801 070 ext 43042**.

Visit our website: kiwirail.co.nz/aklrailrebuild.

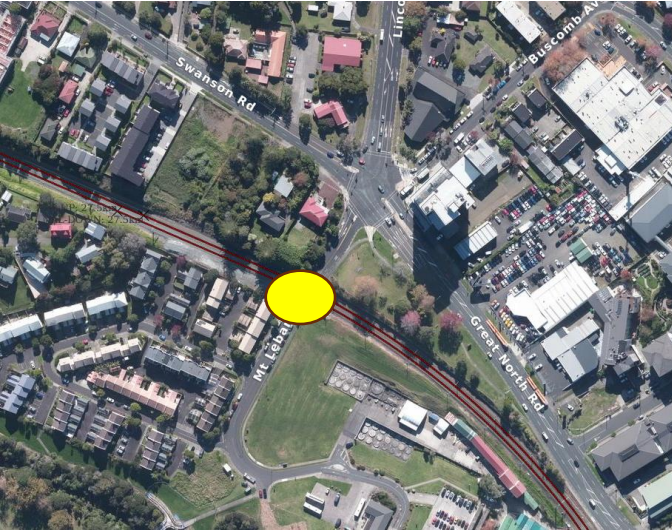
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Rail investigation works – what you can expect

There is likely to be an increase in rail vehicles at the below locations. **All three level crossings will have one lane closed during the daytime work periods, with stop-go signs, and traffic management in place.** Pedestrian crossings will remain open for public use. Please follow all signage and exercise caution when in the below areas:

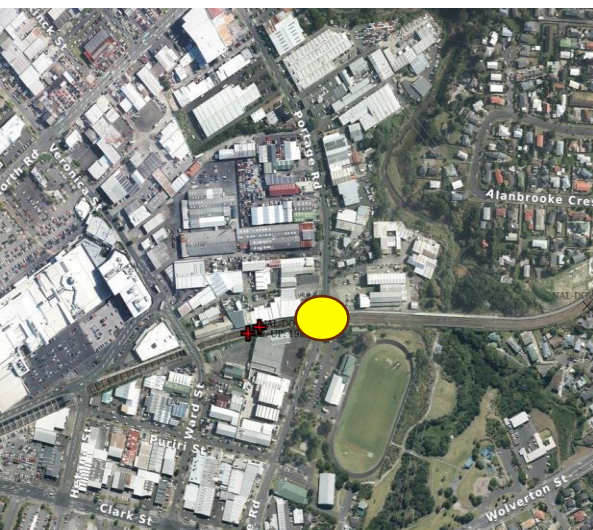
A. Mount Lebanon Lane, Henderson, level crossing:



B. Woodward Road, Mount Albert, level crossing:



C. Portage Road, New Lynn, level crossing:



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