

6 Conclusions

While both options improve highway access between the Hutt Valley and Porirua, model analysis shows the new Petone Grenada link is the most effective roading solution at reducing travel times and reducing overall network congestion. As well as reducing travel times for existing trips between Hutt Valley and Porirua the New Link has the added benefits of:

- Significantly reducing congestion on the SH1 / SH2 interchange area allowing for less restricted movement of vehicles to and from Wellington City; and
- Improving access to two key population and employment areas.