

# New Zealand Cycling Network

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# Agenda

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- The current cycling network
- What does the future look like?
- What have NZTA been doing?
- The next steps



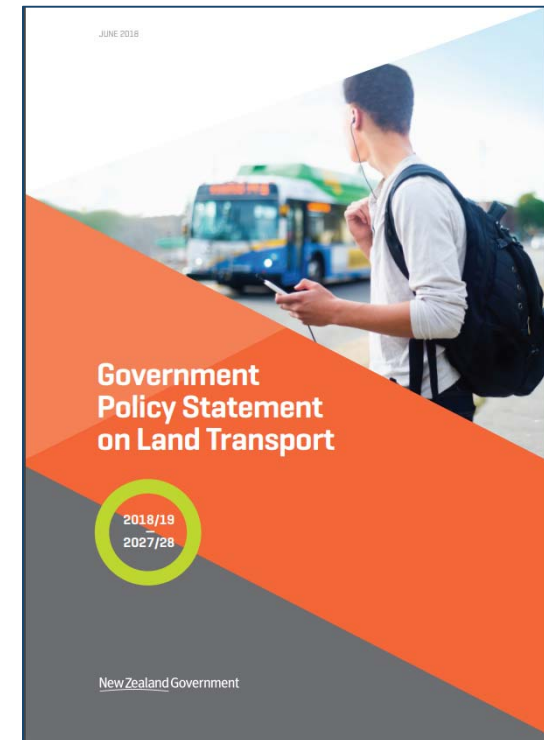
# Why a Connected Cycling Network?

## Benefits of cycling

- Improves safety
- Provides active transport choice
- Increases accessibility, reducing barriers to services and employment
- Supports tourism and economic growth
- Social benefits including community and family connectedness
- Contributes to healthier people and communities

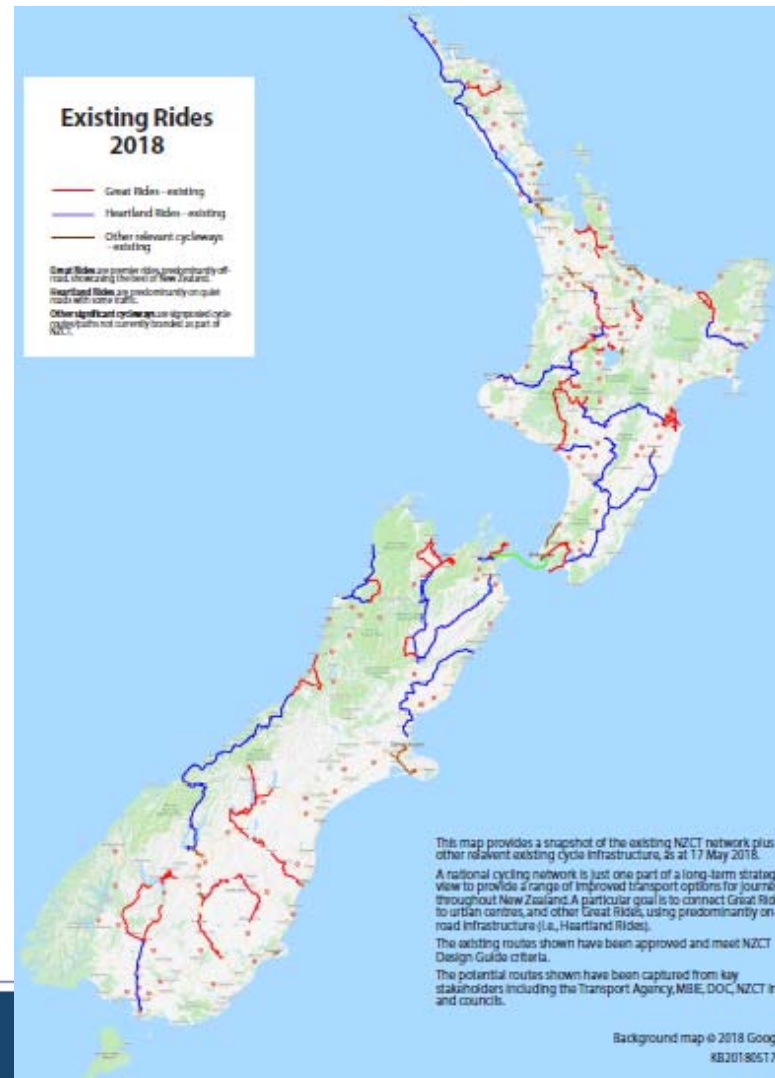
**The Government Policy Statement on Land transport 2018** supports investment in:

*Continued development of the New Zealand Cycle Network, including the premium tourism trails (the Great Rides) and the connecting Heartland Rides*



# The existing National Cycling Network

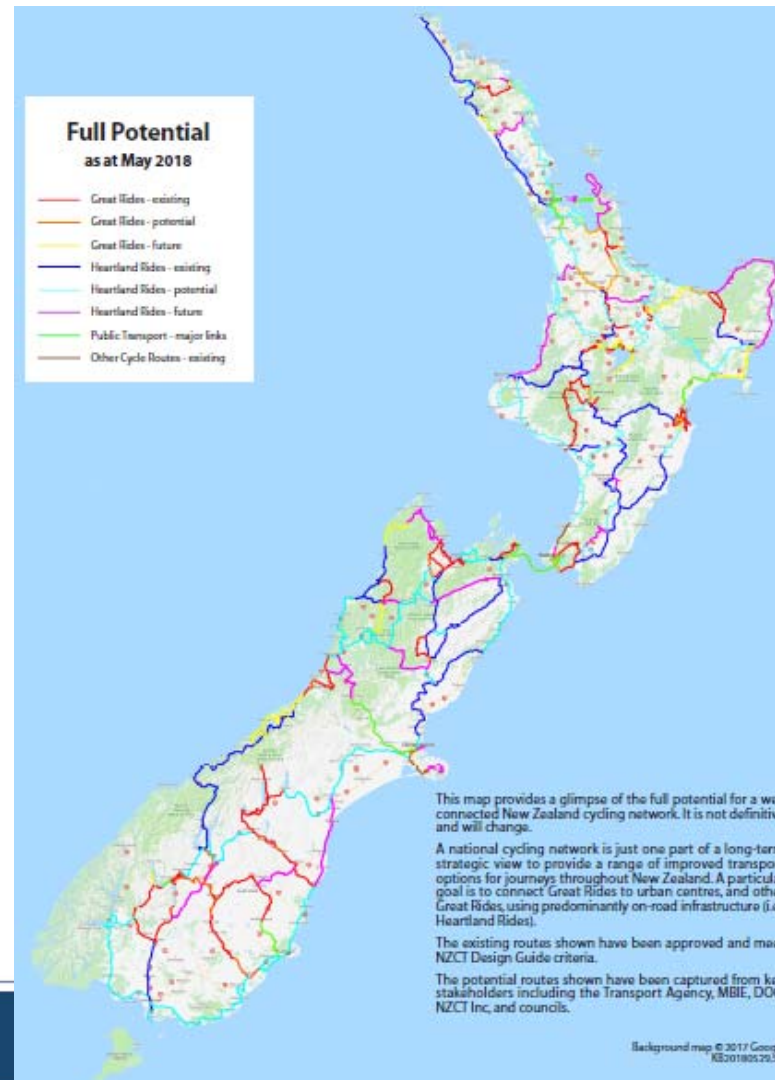
- 2,600 kms Great Rides
- 2,850 kms Heartland Rides
- Over 3,000 kms Urban and other routes
- There are 60 'missing links'



# Future potential National Cycling Network

Closing the gaps will require:

- Extending Great Rides
- Adding Heartland Rides
- Building more urban cycleways to connect to towns and cities





What has  
NZTA been  
doing for  
cycling?

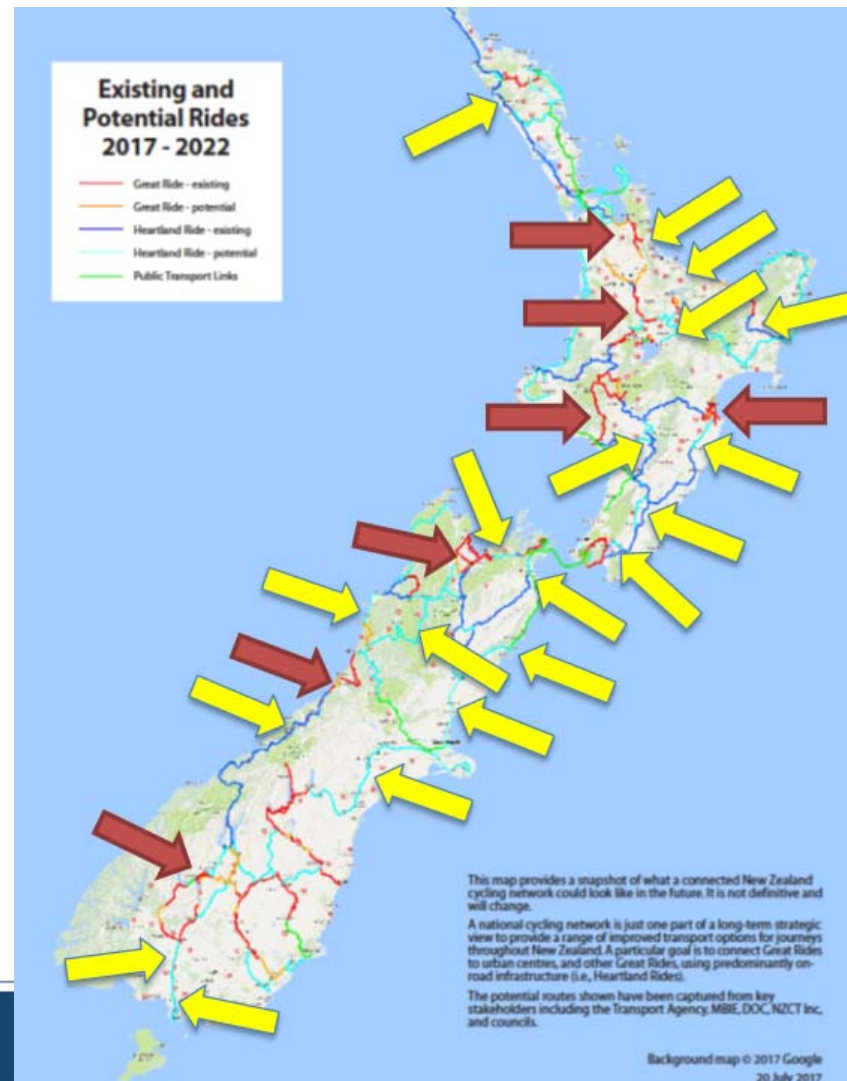
# NZTA Investment on State Highways via Low Cost/Low Risk

Great Rides on highways 2018-20.

est. \$3.5 M

Heartland Rides 2018-20

est. \$5.5 M



Passchendaele Path



Waterview Shared Path



# Urban Cycleways Programme



Onerahi Path



Te Awa River Ride



SH2/58 interchange



SH1 Kaikoura



## State Highway Cycling Initiatives



SH6 Wai-iti



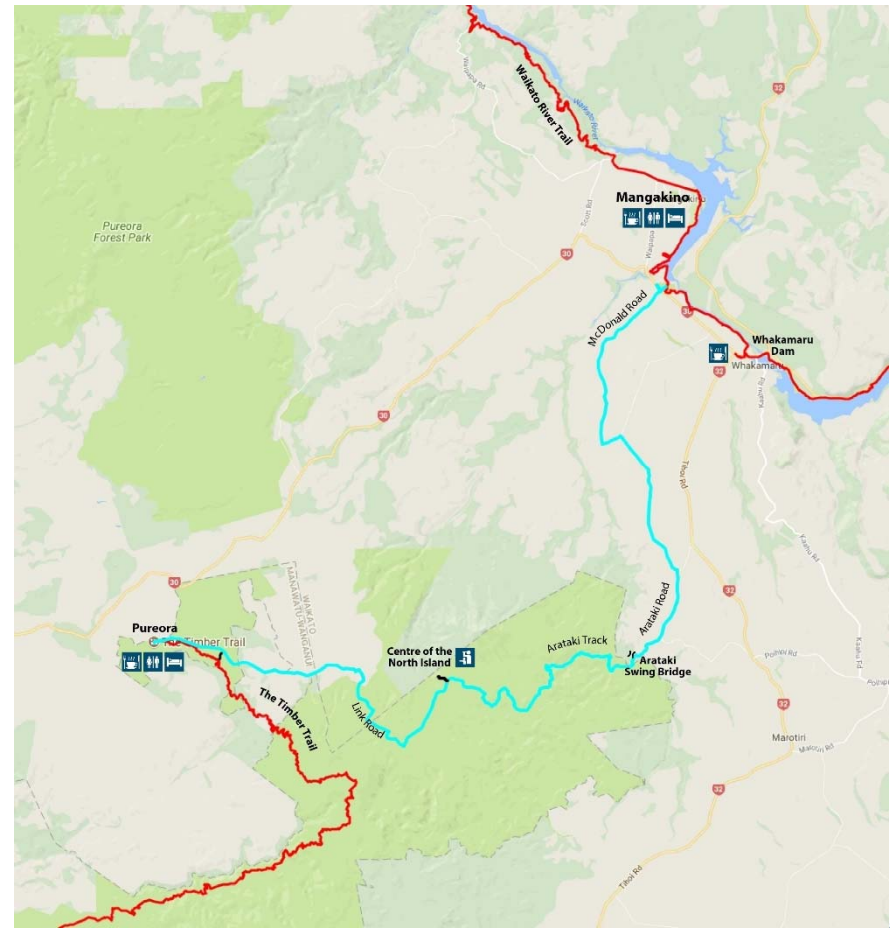
Kapiti Expressway



**4 New  
Heartland  
Rides**

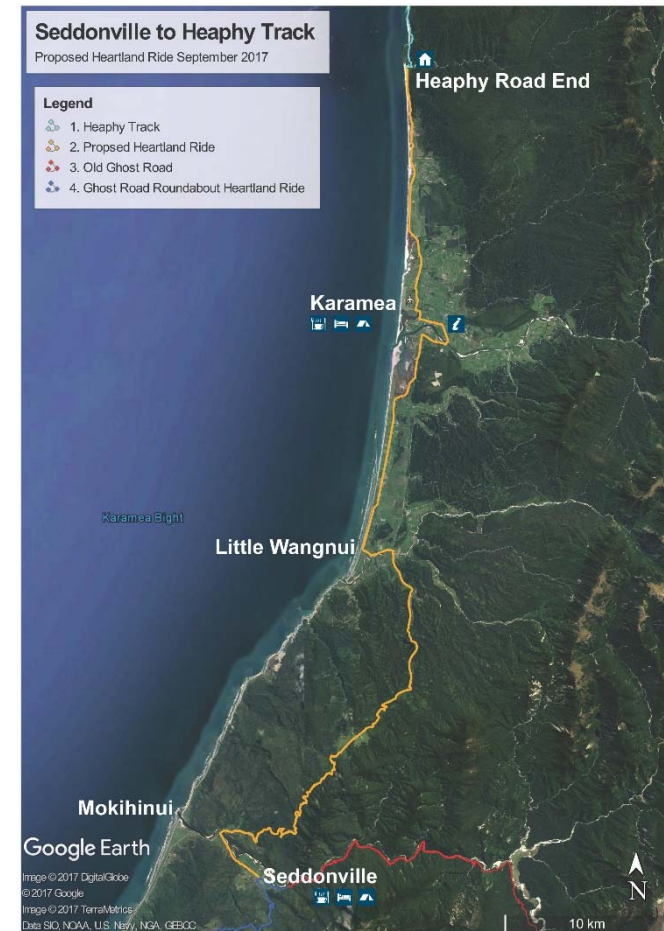
## Centre of the North Island

- Connects two Great Rides
- Waikato River Trail to Timber Trail
- 50 km length



## Heaphy to Old Ghost Road

- Connecting two fantastic multi-day mountain bike rides
- Quiet country road
- 74 km length



# Hurunui Heartland Ride

- From Amberley to Kaikoura
- Will open at end of this year
- 202 km length



# Southland Traverse

- Mossburn to Invercargill
- Part of Tour Aotearoa trail
- 136 km length



# Heartland Rides: in progress

## Wanaka to Arrowtown

50 km length



Application Received

## Hunua Traverse

45 km length



Application Pending

## Tauranga to Rotorua

87 km length



Investigation Underway

# Heartland Rides

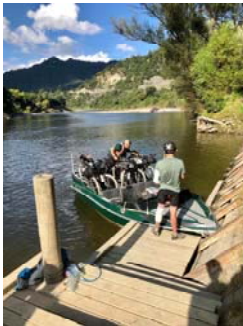
Why have one?

- Promote recreational riding
- Encourage tourist spend in small towns
- Become part of the nation-wide cycling network



How to apply:

- NZTA have application forms
- Assess the route
- Define any issues
- Work with NZTA to get route approved





# What are the next steps?



## Future Focus

- Walking and Cycling
- Te Araroa walking trail
- Cycling Network expansion
- Active travel and multi-modal





Everyone has a role to play

Plans will change, feedback is welcome

Active travel benefits everybody