

Regional Development Priorities

BusinessNZ Network 2020 recommendations for regional development throughout New Zealand:

Northern region

- Relocation of naval facilities to Whangarei
- Floating dock at Northport
- Extension or relocation of Whangarei airport
- Matawii reservoir
- Four-laning Tauranga to Katikati
- Extension of the Waikato Expressway from Cambridge to Piarere
- Four-laning the eastern corridor Hamilton to Tauranga
- Taupo town centre development
- Water upgrades in several locations
- A third and fourth main trunk line in Auckland
- Rail electrification Auckland to Pukekohe
- Penlink from Whangaparoa to SH1
- East-west corridor from Onehunga to SH2
- Upgraded road and rail access to Ports of Auckland
- North-west busway

Central region

- Upgrade water piping in Wellington city
- Upgrade electricity supply infrastructure into Wellington city
- Completion of 'Let's Get Wellington Moving' Option D
- Petone to Grenada link road
- Melling Interchange upgrade
- New Convention Centre for Wellington
- Manawatu to Tararua highway

Canterbury-West Coast

- Completion of remaining Metro Sports Facility, Te Pae Christchurch Convention Centre and Canterbury Multi-Use Arena
- Four lane highway between Ashburton and Christchurch
- Water infrastructure upgrade
- Lyttleton Port development
- Christchurch Airport expansion
- Acceleration of rural broadband rollout
- "Smart city" technology programme
- New film studio at Templeton

Otago-Southland

- Tiwai Aluminium Smelter – retain the smelter beyond August 2021
- Film studios for Dunedin and Queenstown
- Extension of the Strategic Tourism Assets Protection Programme to provide funding for tourism businesses in Otago and Southland