

21 October 2019

2019 Holiday Low Traffic Demand Opportunities

And

Christmas Lead-Up Restrictions

2019-2020 Low Traffic Demand Opportunity

From: 00:00 27th December 2019 To: 00:00 13th January 2020

The low traffic demand holiday period between Friday 27th December 2019 and Monday 13th January 2020 presents an opportunity to carry out works with higher impacts on the transport network. Noting the restrictions around the Christmas retail period 1st to 27th December (described below), there are several notable days and periods to consider;

- A longer period with lower-than-typical weekday/weekend traffic flows:27thDec to 5thJan 2020
- Several days which have the lowest traffic flows of the entire year: 28th & 29th Dec 2019.

This provides opportunity to carry out works that would have a significant impact on the transport network, if carried out on typical weekdays or weekends. For example;

- Works on a significantly busy area of the transport network (e.g. motorway or similar).
- Works that could be delivered effectively / efficiently if a larger area of road-space was available (e.g. one-way or full road closure).
- A combination of the above.

High impact works, of the nature described above, taking the opportunity to undertake work at Low Traffic Demand periods are likely to be supported by CTOC.



Lead-up to Christmas temporary worksite restrictions 2019:

Retail areas: 30 November – 27 December 2019

Linking strategic routes: 6 – 27 December 2019

The pre-Christmas shopping period is a busy time for retail trading in the four weeks prior to Christmas. It is critical that shoppers experience safe and efficient access to retail areas, parking spaces, and the strategic routes linking these areas. To make sure this happens, there will be temporary worksite restrictions in place around these areas (please refer to the highlighted areas and roads on the attached map). These restrictions are to help minimise disruption for businesses, shoppers and the community.

The restrictions are:

RETAIL AREAS (shaded yellow on map): 7:00 Sat 30 Nov – 23:59 Fri 27 Dec:

• Works affecting traffic capacity, parking and access are **not** permitted between 7:00 and 23:59 each day.

TMPs that enable works of strategic importance will be considered on an exception basis during the period 1 - 27 December. Please contact a TMC to discuss project details by 17:00 Fri 15 November if you wish to request exceptions.

LINKING STRATEGIC ROUTES (corridors shaded orange on map): 15:30 Fri 6 Dec – 23:59 Fri 27 Dec:

- Works affecting traffic capacity (including cycle lanes and traffic movements at intersections) are not permitted between 7:00 23:59 each day.
- No new long-term or continuous worksites are to be established during this period.
- Long-term temporary traffic management at established worksites must be minimised.

STRATEGIC ROUTE OPERATIONS DURING HOLIDAY PERIOD

Please note that there will high traffic volumes on strategic routes into and out of the city on certain days during December and January, and that some works may not be supportable. Refer to any separate restrictions that NZTA publish around state highway operations. Please consider this during work scheduling on strategic routes.

On behalf of the Temporary Traffic Management team.

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