

# DOC roads

## Presentation to South Island Regional Transport Committees' Chairs

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**63%** of ecosystems are threatened.



**82%** of resident native birds are threatened or at risk.



**90%** of NZ seabird species are threatened or at risk.



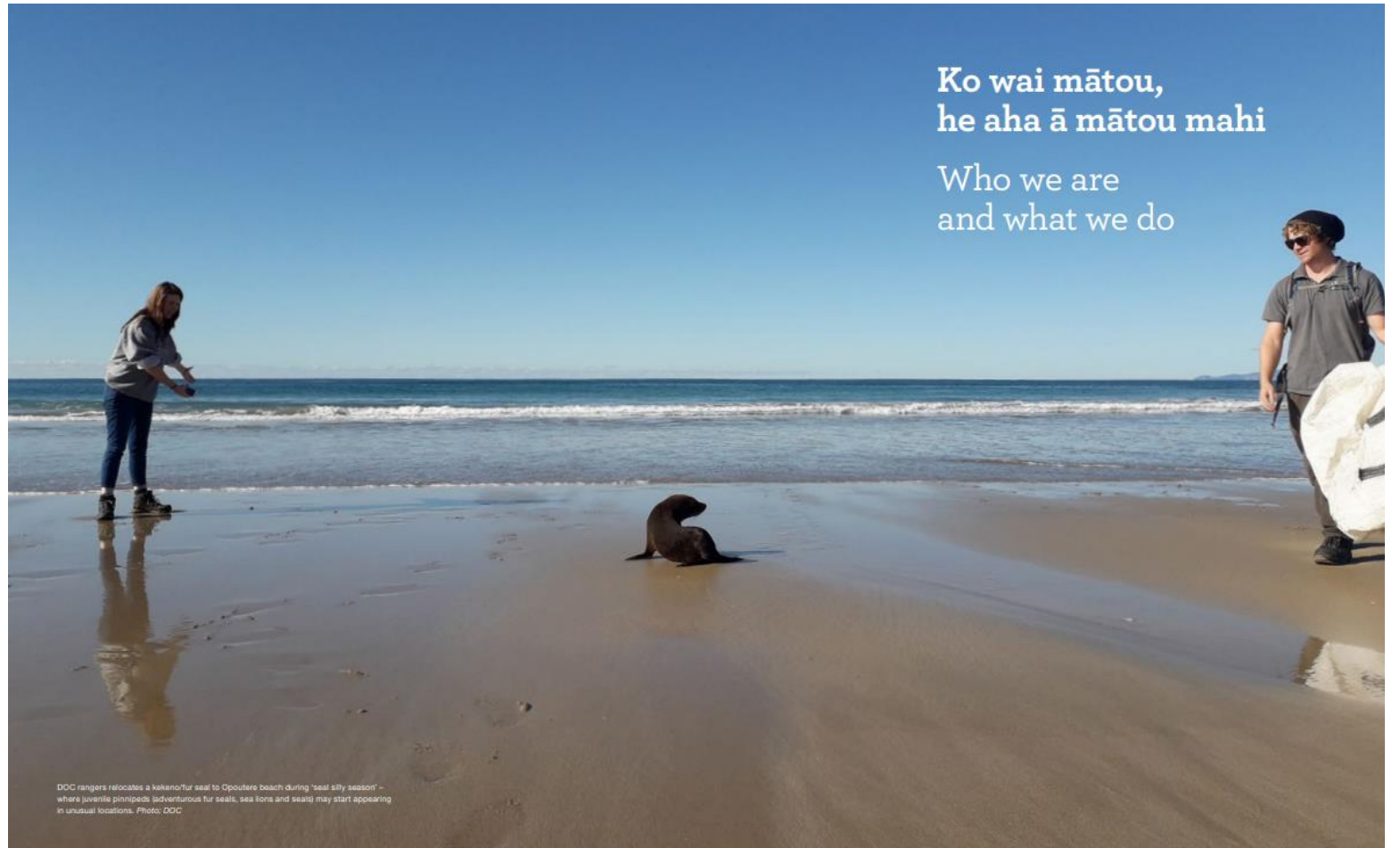
**94%** of reptiles are threatened or at risk.



**72%** of native freshwater fish are threatened or at risk.

When nature thrives, New Zealand thrives

# Department of Conservation





**133**

Offices

**2015**

Toilet blocks

**1,900kms**

Roading

**~30,000**

Fences put into EAM in the last month

**2170**

Visitor buildings and huts

**15**

Quarantine centres

**210**

Staff accommodation units

**13,385**

Structures: wharfs, shelters, retaining walls, bridges

**14**

Visitor centres

**1500**

Fleet asset

**85**

Storage assets

**521**

Amenity areas

**329** Campsites

**23,960**

Signs

**~14,600 kms**

Tracks



# Why we have roads

DOC's formation (1987)



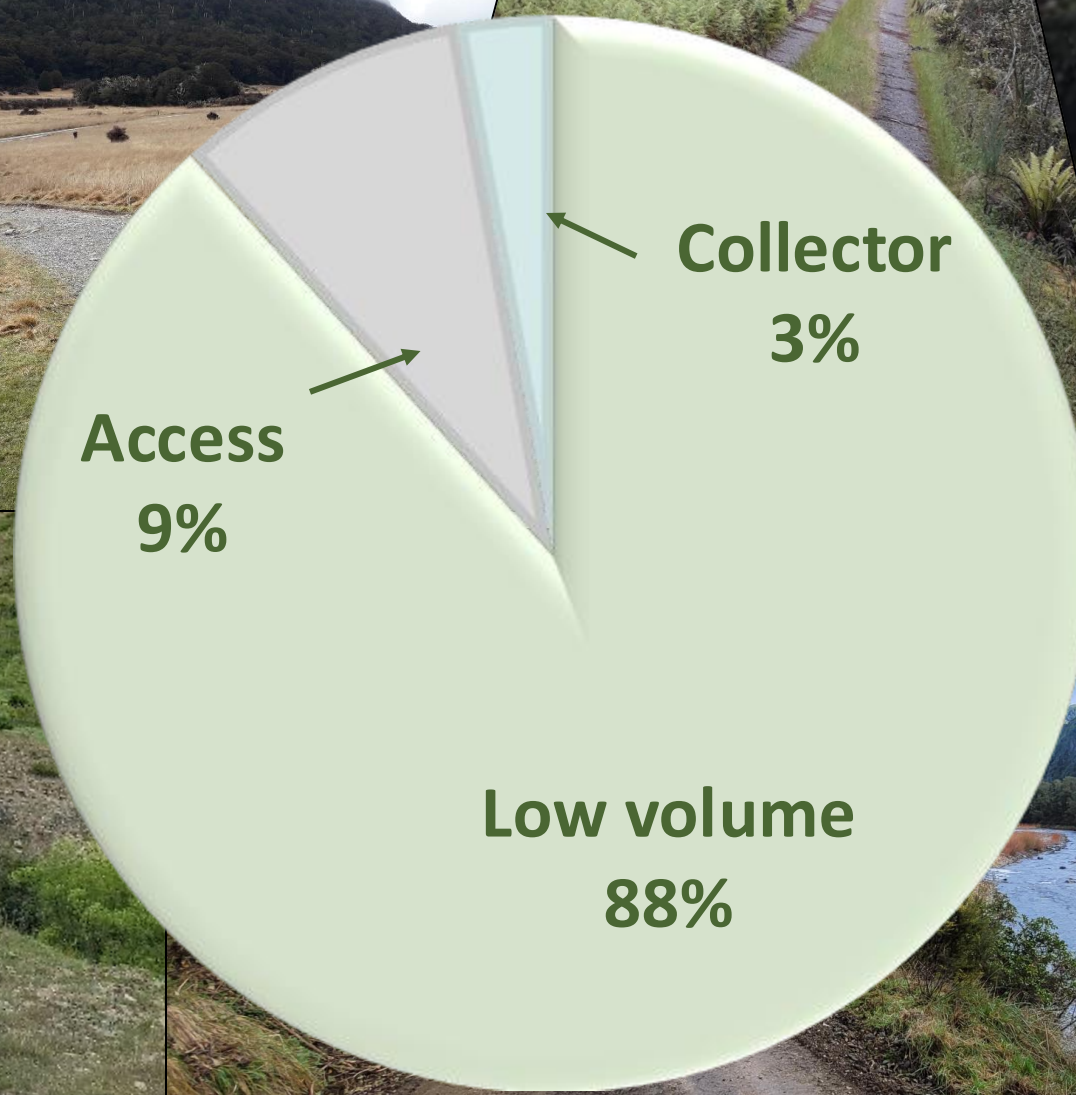
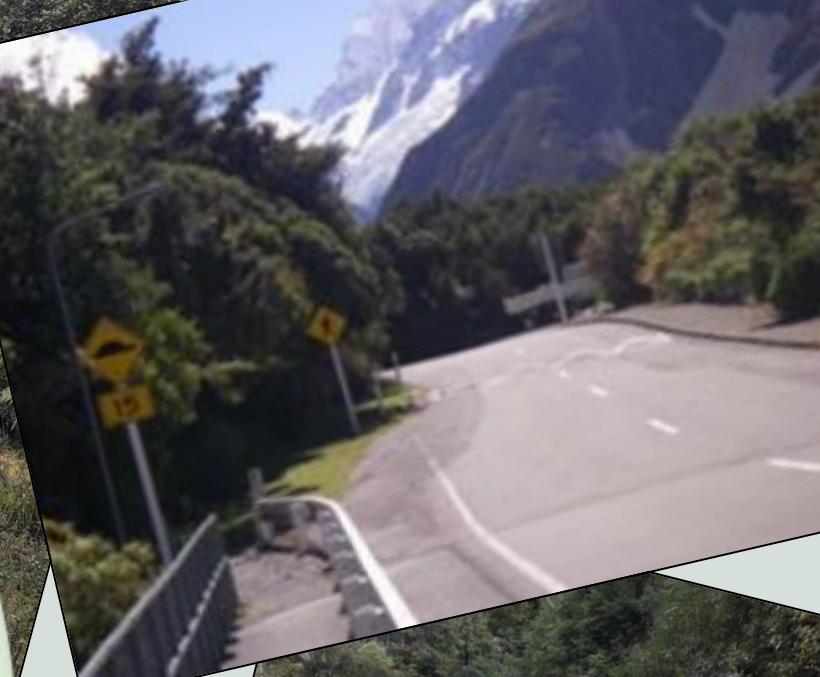
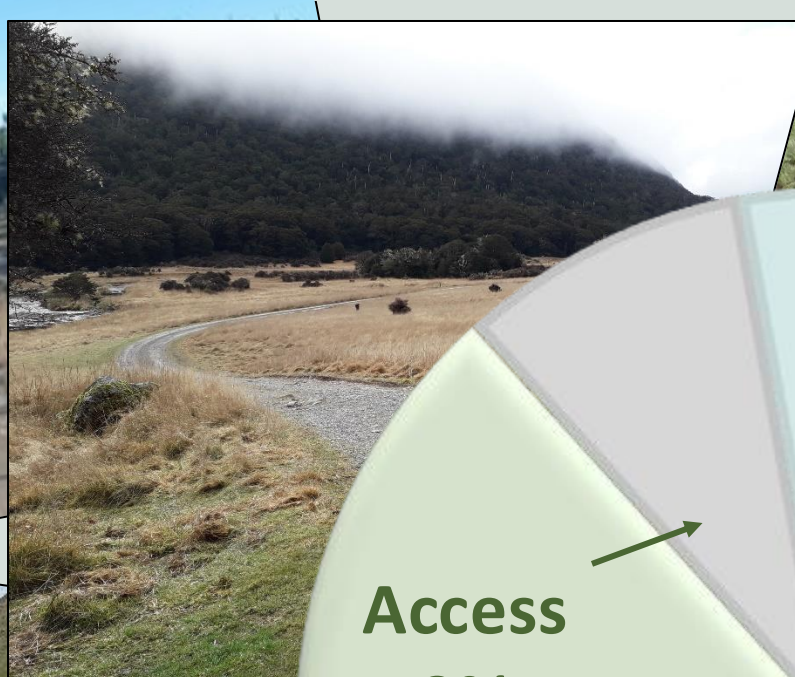
Land tenure decisions

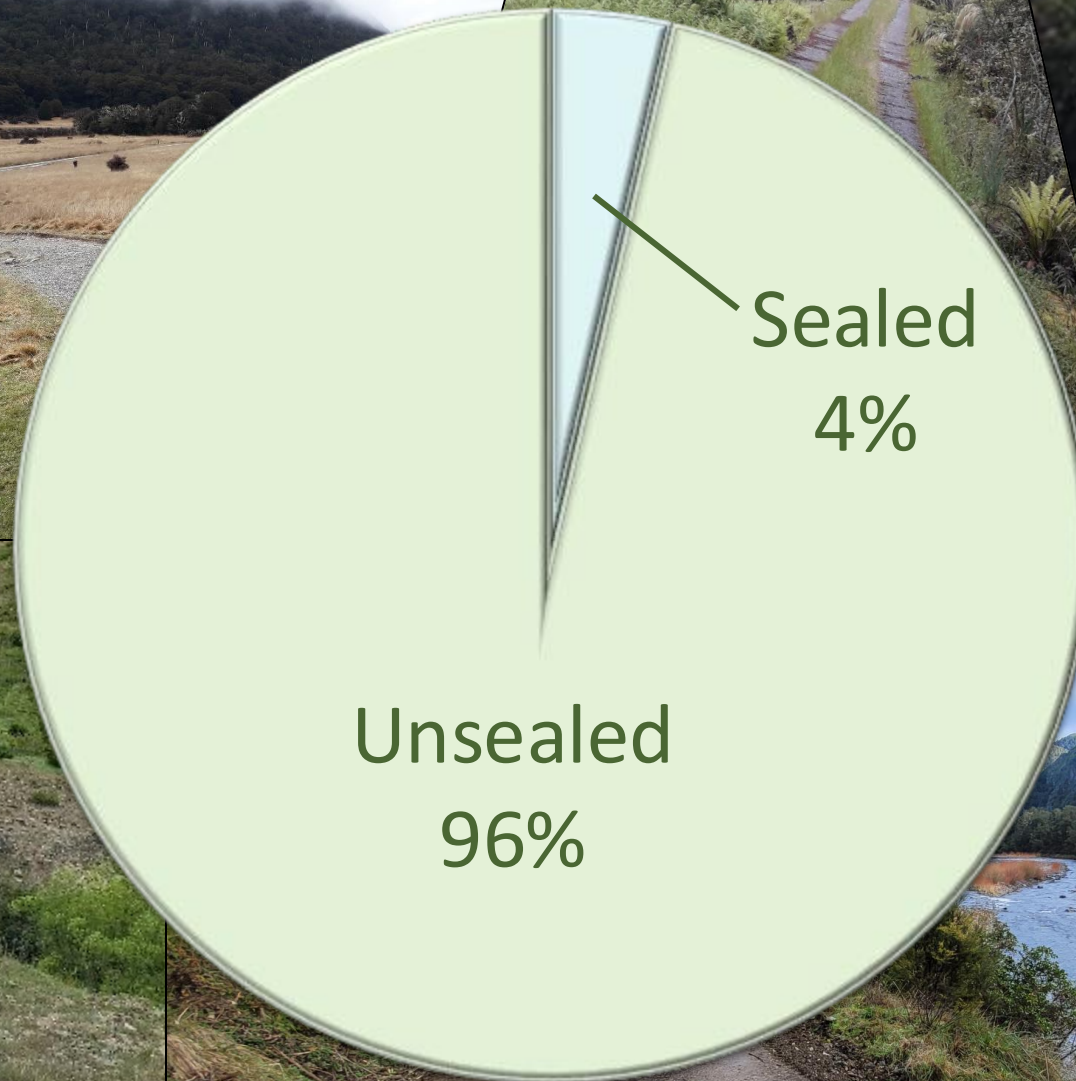
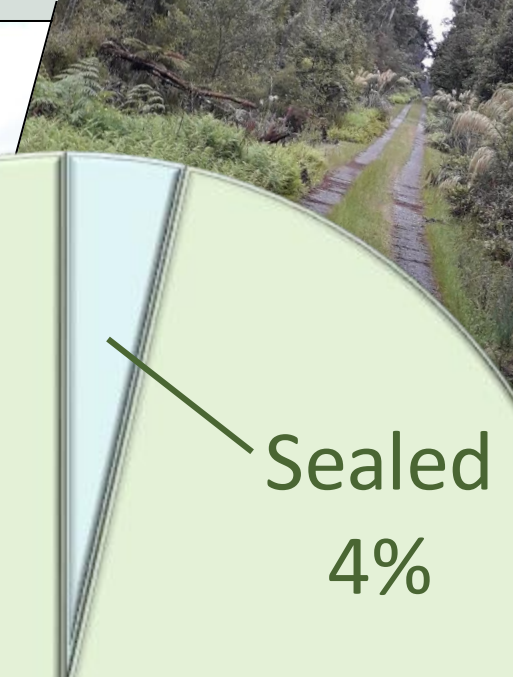
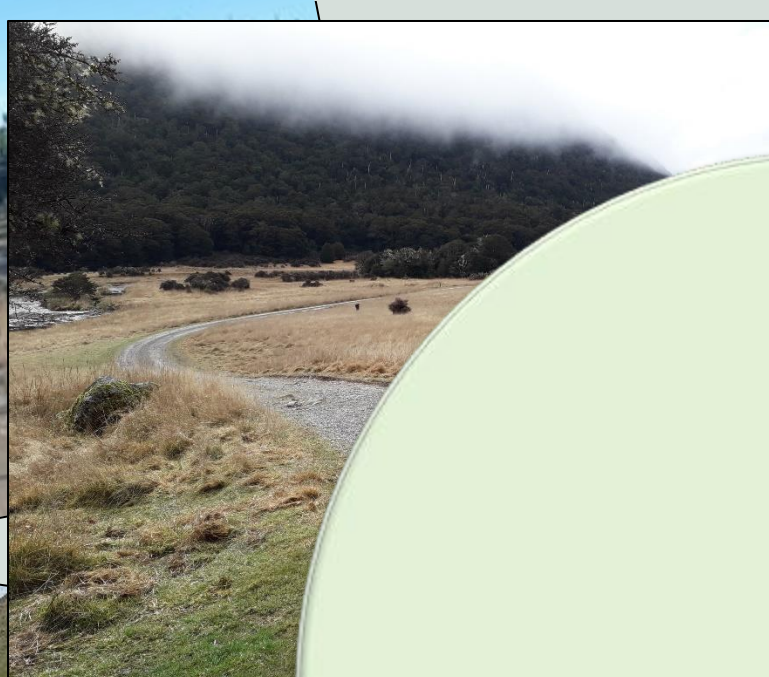


One-off asset transfers



Grants

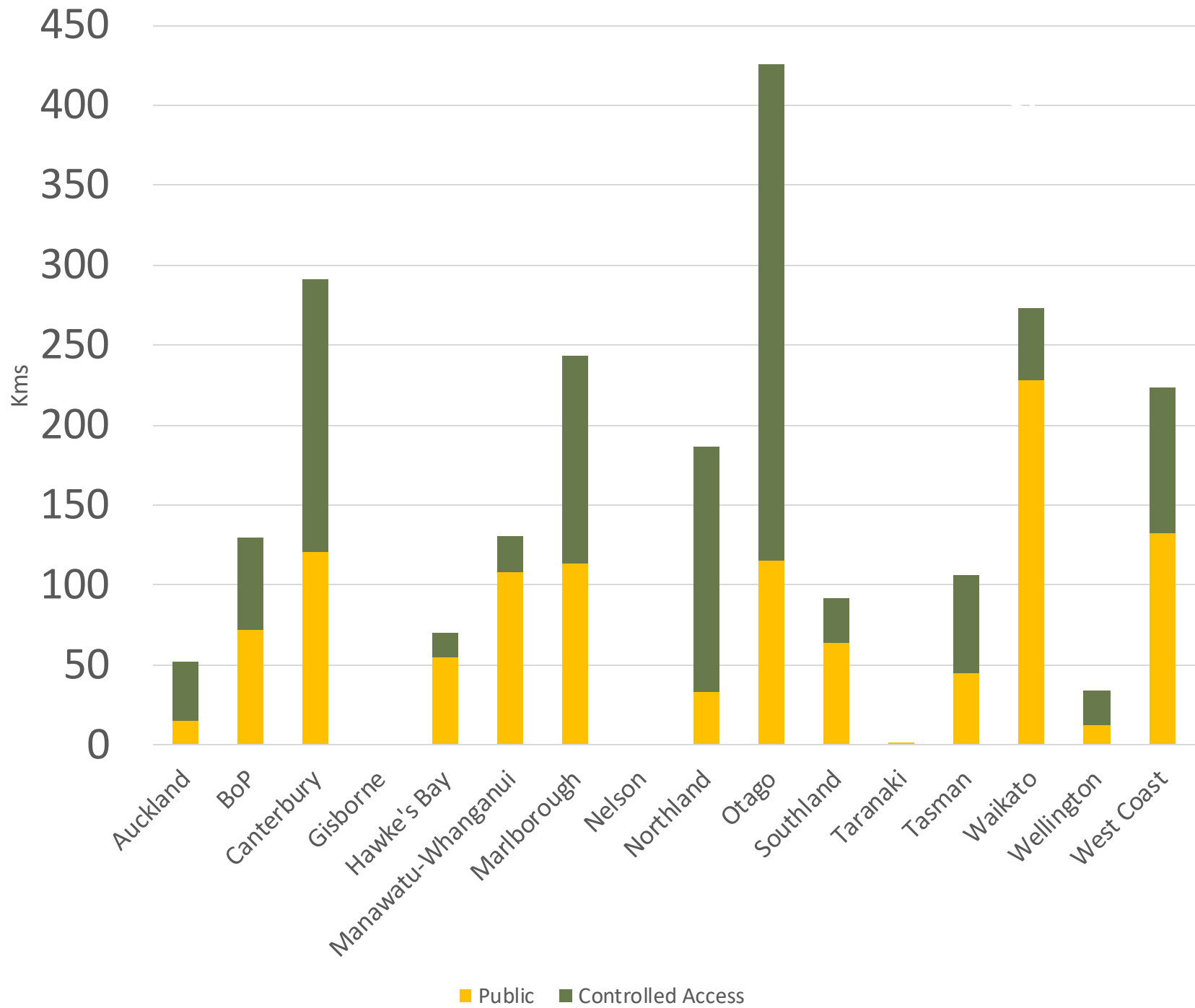


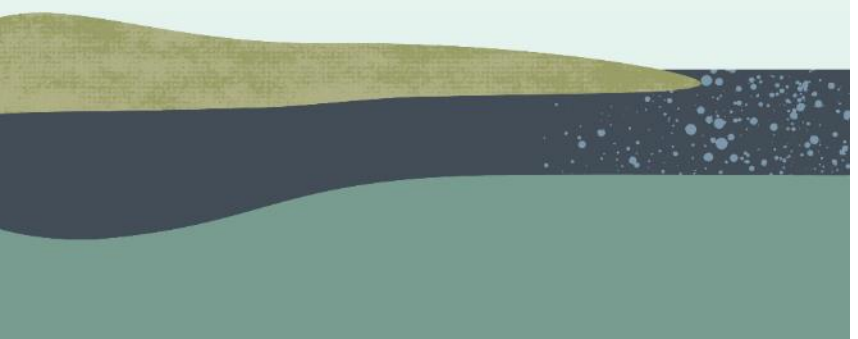
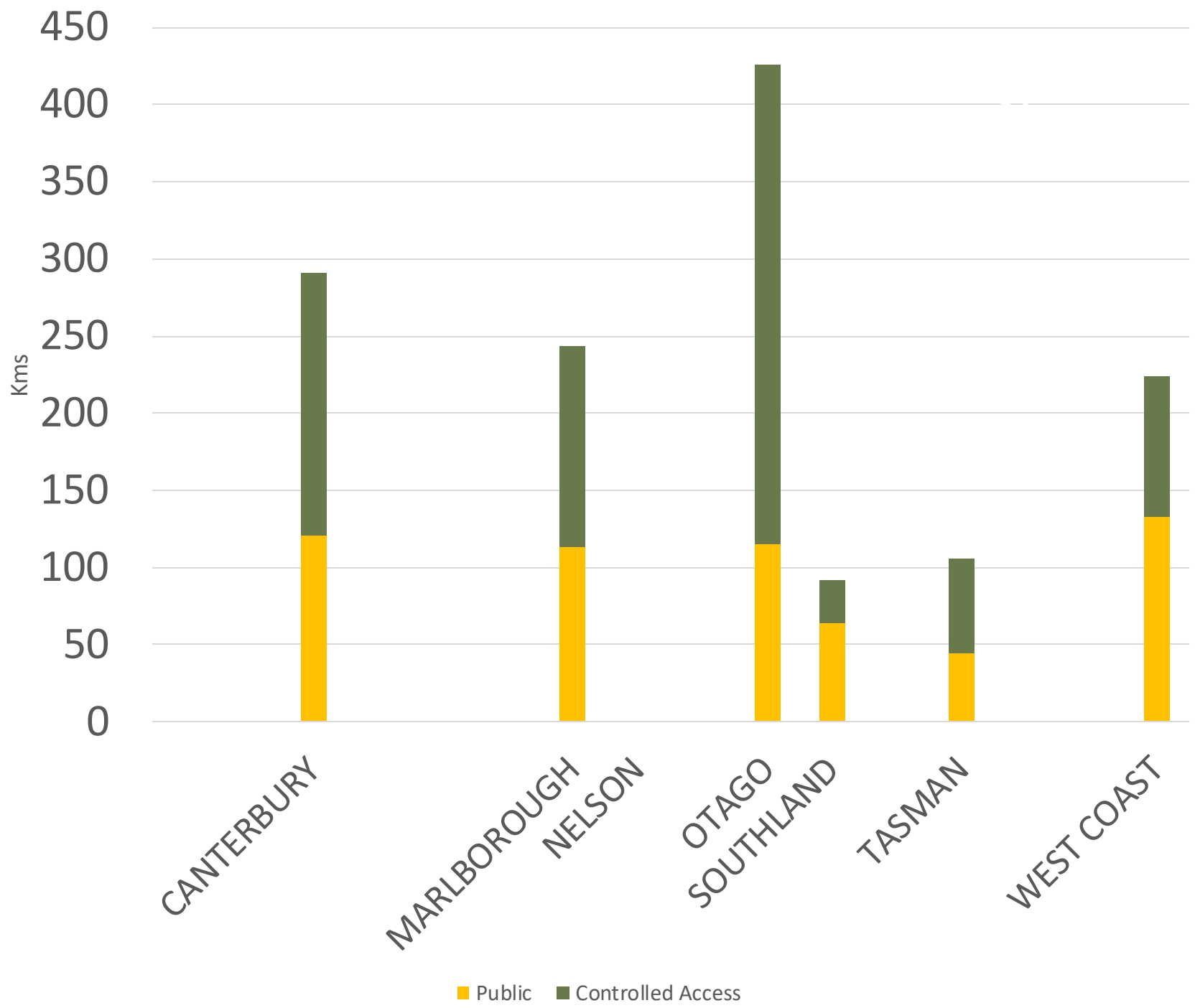




**Controlled  
Access  
40%**

**Public  
60%**





# Our road users

Visitor focus

Domestic visitors

International visitors

Concessionaires providing visitor services

Non visitor focus

Iwi and hapu

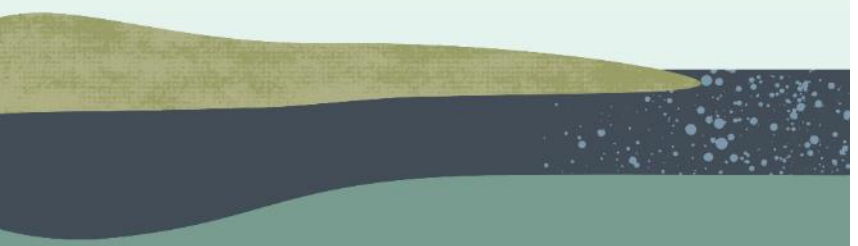
Utility operators

Concessionaires (non-visitor operations)

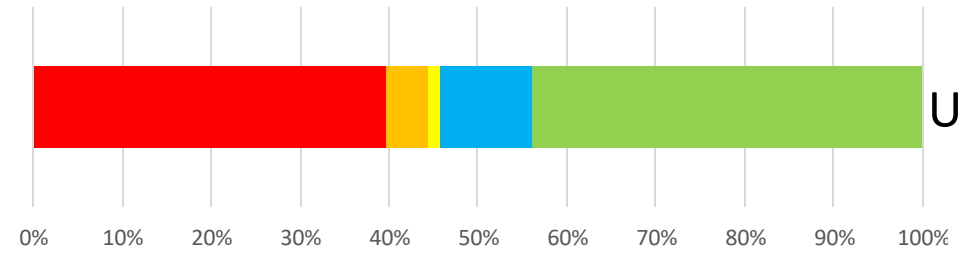
DOC staff, contractors, and volunteers

# Asset condition

## Key assets

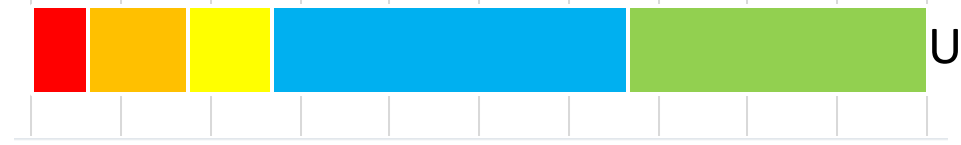


Unsealed roads



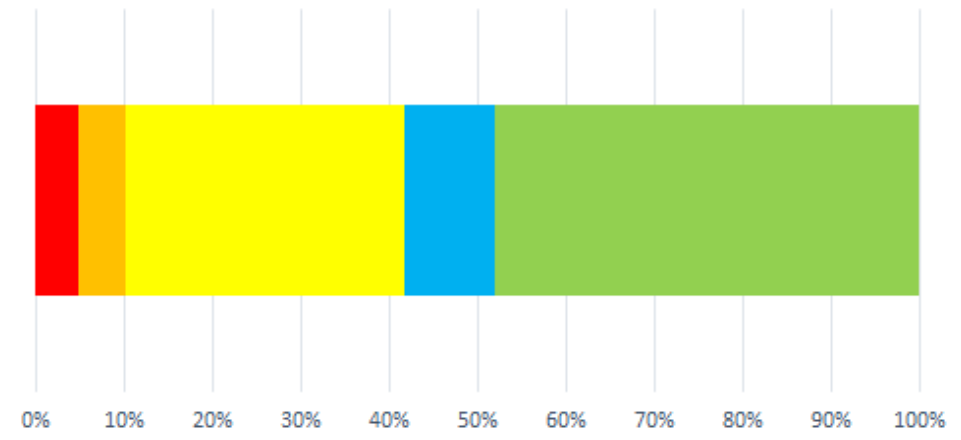
Underlying

User-felt

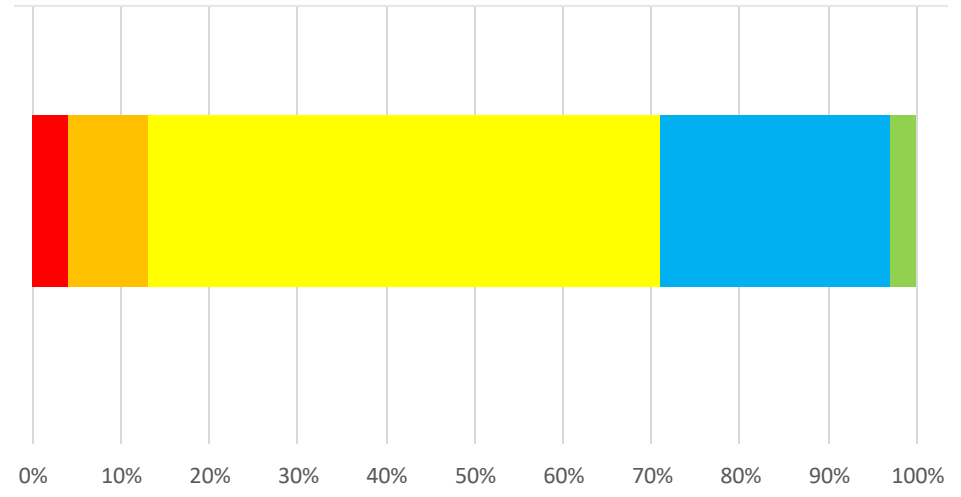


User-felt

Sealed roads

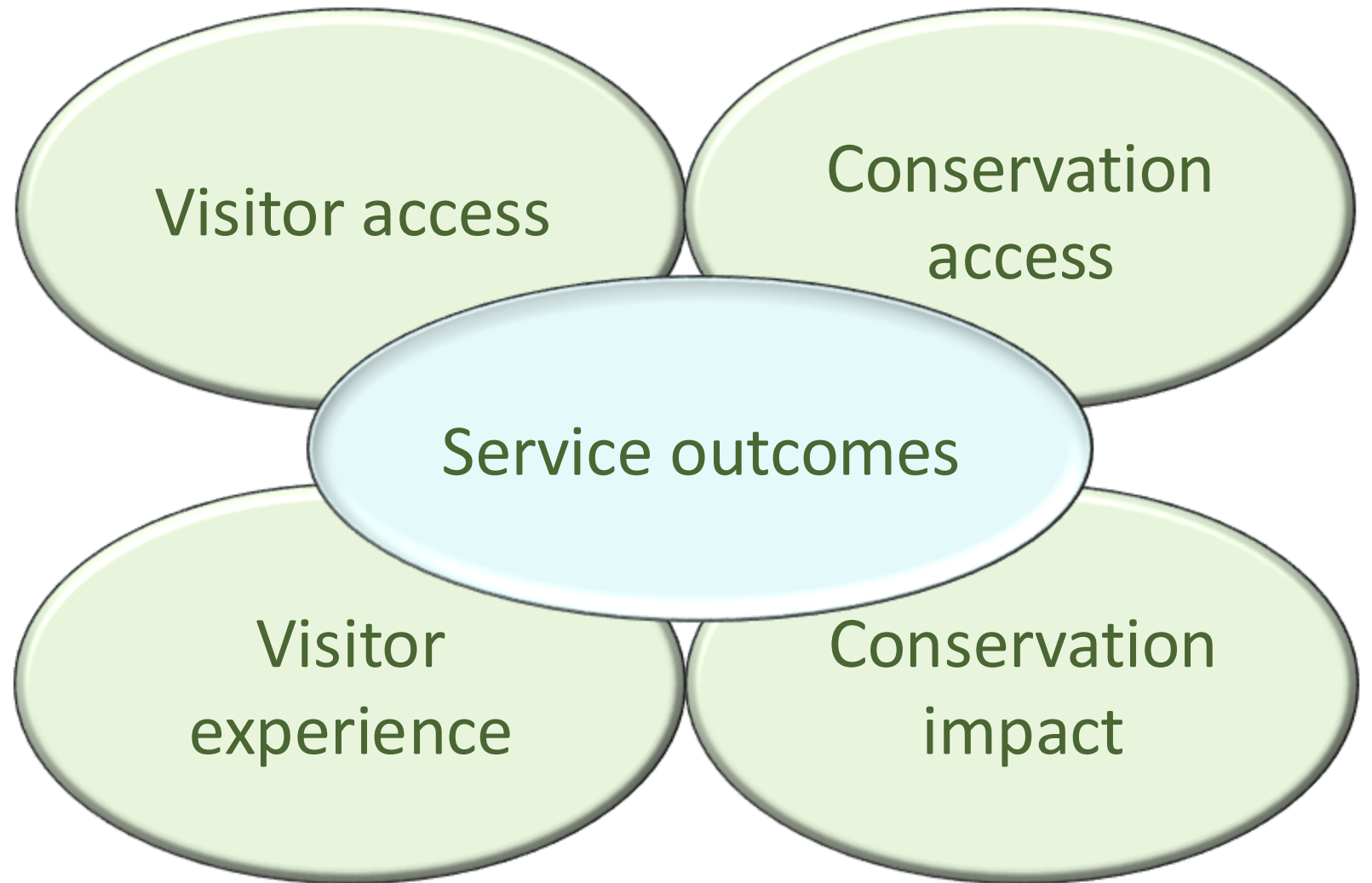


Bridges

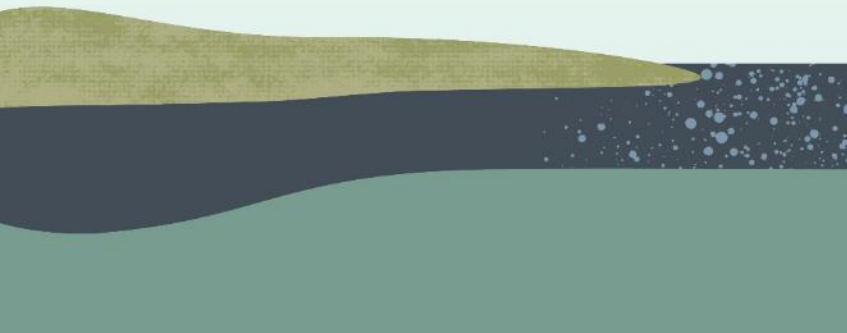


- 5.00 - Very poor
- 4.00 - Poor
- 3.00 - Average
- 2.00 - Good
- 1.00 - Excellent

Why we  
continue to  
invest in  
roads



# DOC roading programme



## 2024 Transport and Roding Activity Management Plan

DOC-7735739

Effective date:



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## 2024-27 programme

Continuation of routine maintenance programme that will be more focused on the roads that matter

\$7.7m

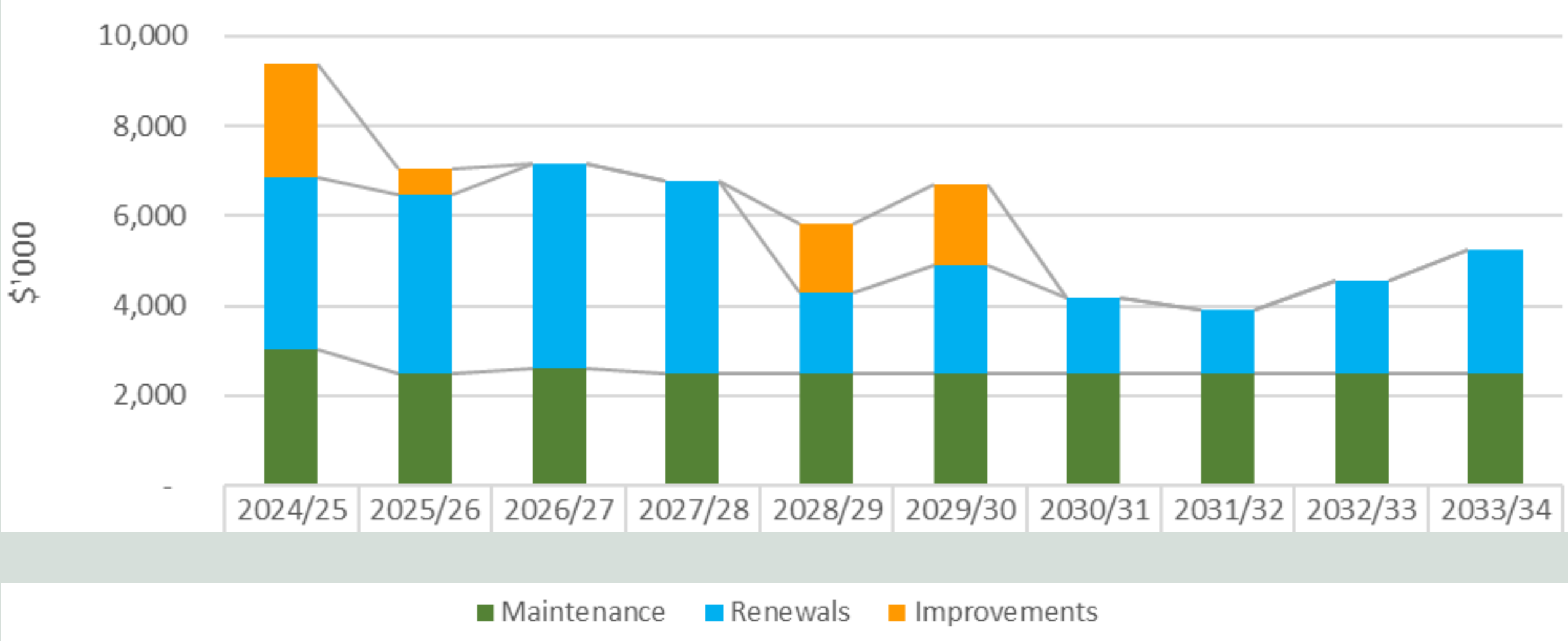
Commencement of a proactive long-term renewals programme

\$4.4m

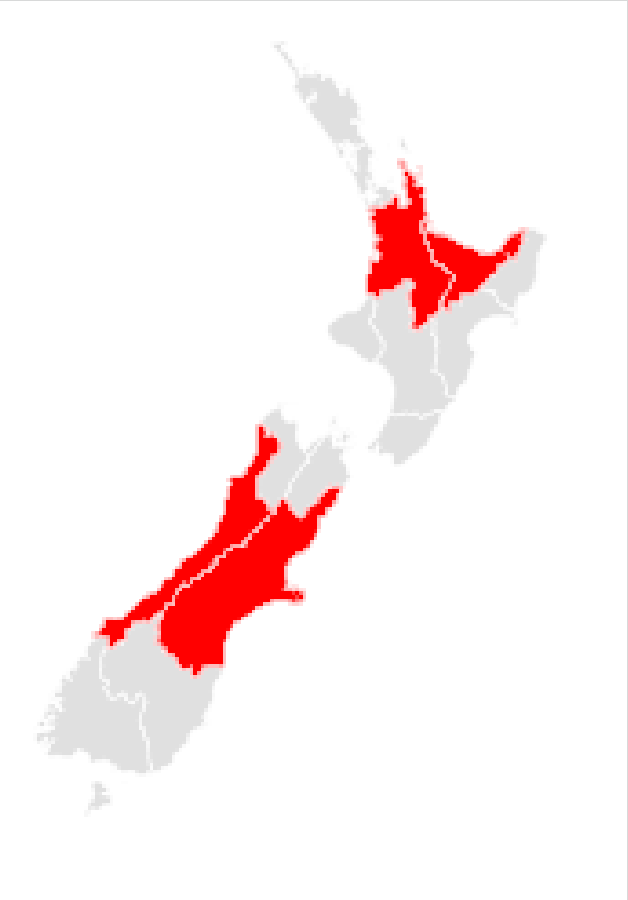
Immediate renewal and resilience works for 3 of the most important public roads (Bruce Rd, Wilmot Pass Rd, and Franz Josef Rd)

\$5.3m

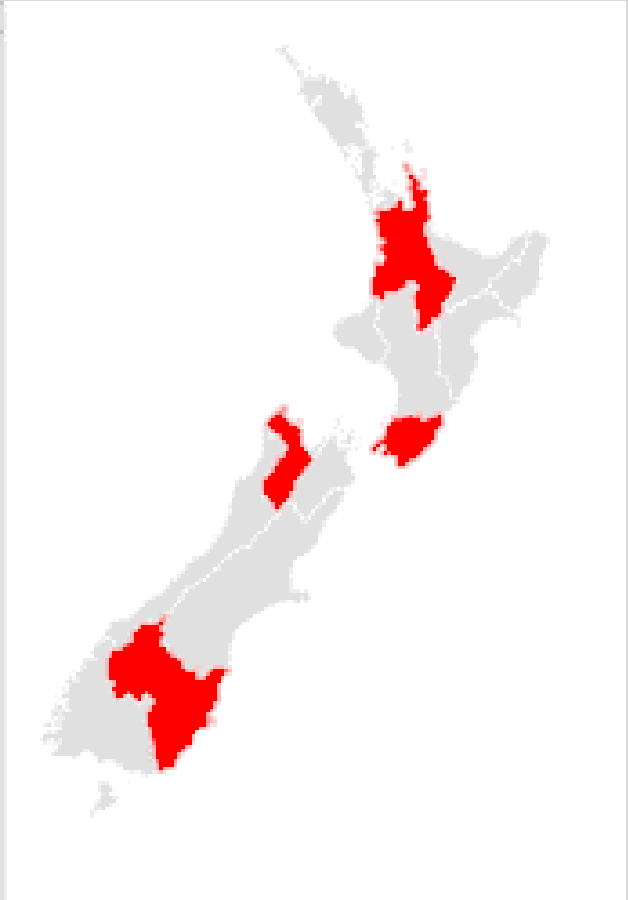




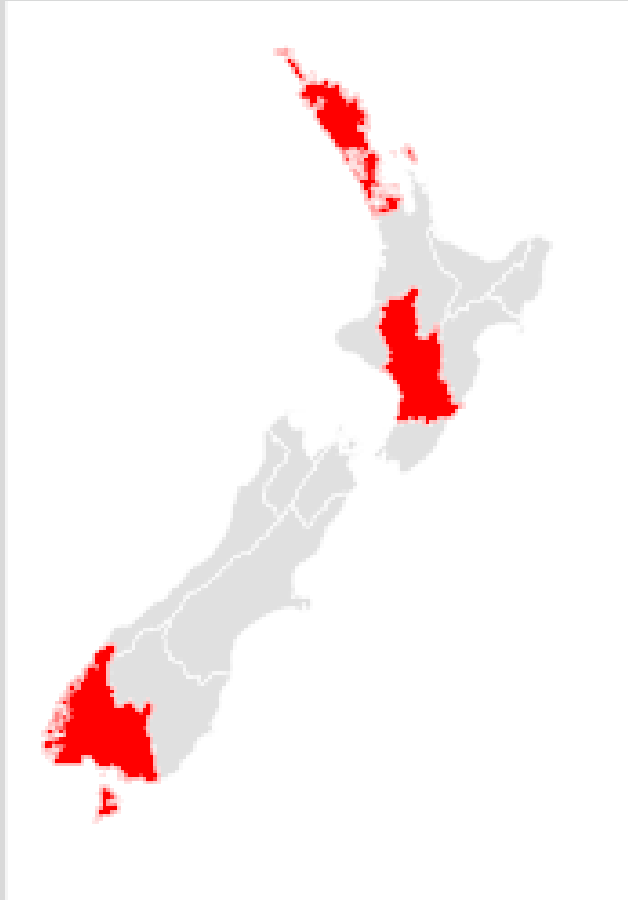
10 year programme (national)



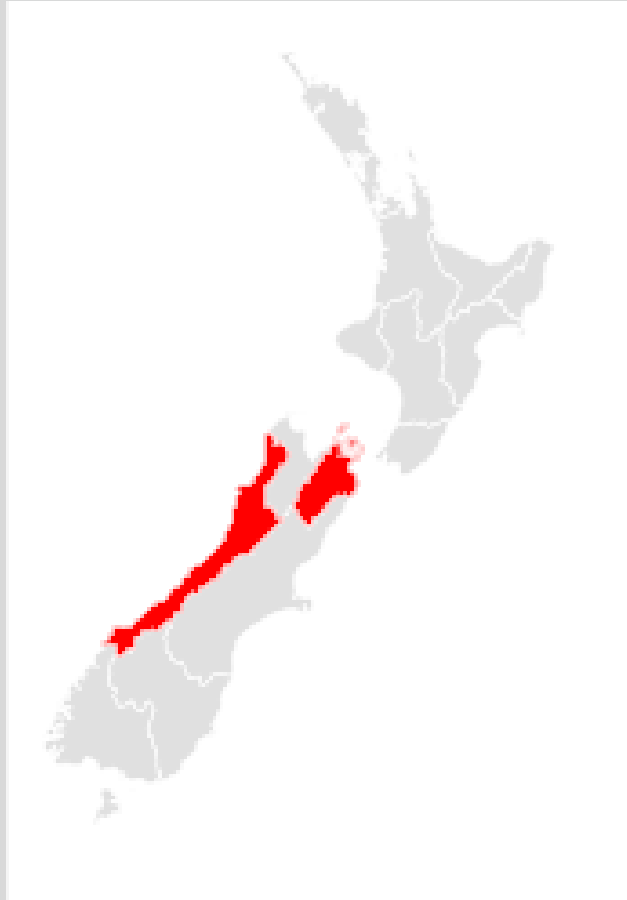
2024-27



2027-30

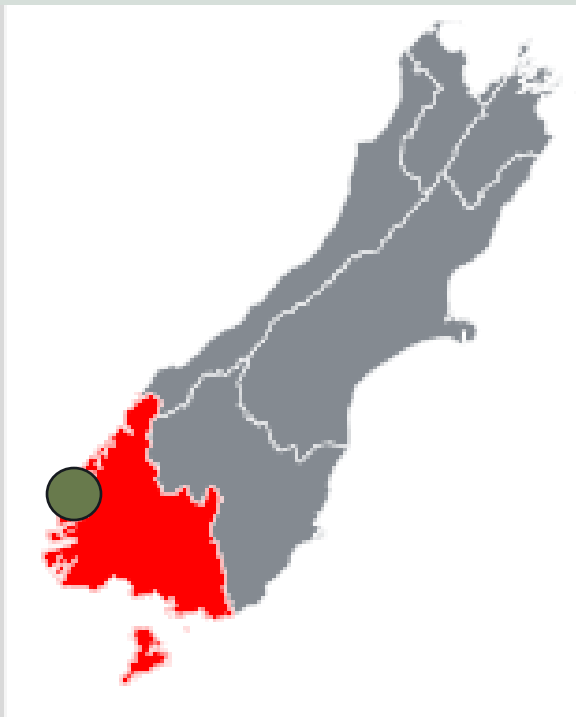


2030-33



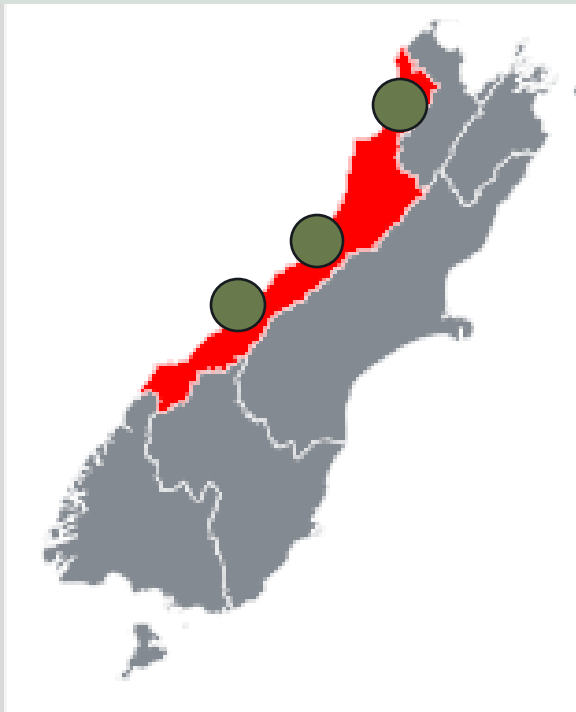
2033-36

Programme highlights: Unsealed road renewals



Southland

Programme highlights: Wilmot Pass Road



West Coast



Franz Josef rock protection, Pike River Rd, Oparara Basin Access Rd

## Takeaways

- › With notable exceptions, our roads
  - Are mainly short, unsealed, and carry low traffic volumes.
  - Are there to provide access for visitors and for ‘doing conservation’ on public conservation land
- › Our programmes are relatively small, focusing on maintaining, renewing, and improving our assets.
- › The challenges for us are service delivery and ensuring our investment tracks back to our conservation mandate.

Thanks for  
your time!

