



# Level Crossing Working Group

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# Level crossing guideline

## Background

- draft widely circulated for comment in Oct 2007
- 138 submissions reviewed by Working Group (reps. from ONTRACK, MOT, NZTA, FRONZ, RCA)
- to be Volume 9 of *Traffic control devices manual*.
- web based - hosted at [www.nzta.govt.nz](http://www.nzta.govt.nz)
- expected to be available from Dec 2008.

# Level crossing guideline

Guideline will:-

- describe traffic control devices used at and approaching level crossings
- specify the way devices must, should or may be used
- recommend appropriate devices for a location
- define responsibilities of both road and rail.

# ALCAM\* progress

- Opus survey teams (4) currently surveying public, private commercial and heritage line level crossings.
- Regions to be surveyed over three years
  - 2008/9 Whangarei, New Plymouth, Wanganui and Blenheim (approx 700 crossings)
  - 2009/10 Tauranga, Greymouth, Timaru and Invercargill (approx 600 crossings)
  - 2010/11 Napier, Christchurch, Dunedin (approx 500 crossings).

\*Australian Level Crossing Assessment Model

# ALCAM progress

- Ultimately a Summary Risk Report for all crossings will be produced by an ALCAM Survey Committee made up of road and rail reps to be formed by April 2009.
- The Summary Risk Report will provide
  - crossing risk scores
  - options to reduce risks
  - ball park costs
  - recommended road or rail remedial works.
- Vehicle and pedestrian volumes, 85%ile traffic speeds will be sought from RCAs.

# Other issues

- Any issues of a policy nature – bring to this group
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