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Akatarawa Road Bridge Replacement Programme

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Upper Hutt City Council has appointed engineering consultants Beca Carter Hollings and Ferner Ltd (Beca) to design the new Akatarawa Road Bridge (B1/4) where the wooden truss bridge by Wellesley Camp on the Upper Hutt side of Staglands is located.

The design will consider, if possible, options to retain the existing bridge and to keep the road open during the construction phase. It is intended that provisions will be made for cyclists and pedestrians either via the new design or the existing bridge.

Local firm Griffiths Drilling will undertake core sample drilling this week to determine the ground condition for the foundations. The construction phase is expected to commence in mid to late April 2010.

It is hoped that the road will remain open throughout the construction period although delays are likely and as the existing bridge is located in the middle of the road corridor it may be necessary to close the road for short periods of time. Every endeavour will be made to keep delays and potential closures to a minimum.

The other two wooden bridges on the Waikanae side of Staglands will be replaced in subsequent years and will be confirmed through the Long Term Council Community Plan (LTCCP) processes.

For more information please contact the councils' Technical Support Unit on 527 2152.