

# Project update

Kia ora koutou,

I hope everyone is adjusting as we settle in to our new temporary working and living situations. In line with the Prime Minister's announcement that New Zealand is now at Covid-19 Alert Level 4, we shut down our site earlier this week and will resume operations when restrictions are moved to a lower level. Our focus will continue to be on working safely and taking care of ourselves at work and at home.

One of the requirements of the 36th America's Cup resource consent, and an objective of the Community Liaison Group (CLG), is to offer a regular forum where information about the project, operations and events can be provided to the community. As we are not able to meet with you currently, we are providing an email update and a chance for you to ask any questions you may have. Please also find below on page 3 an America's Cup event update from Grant Calder.

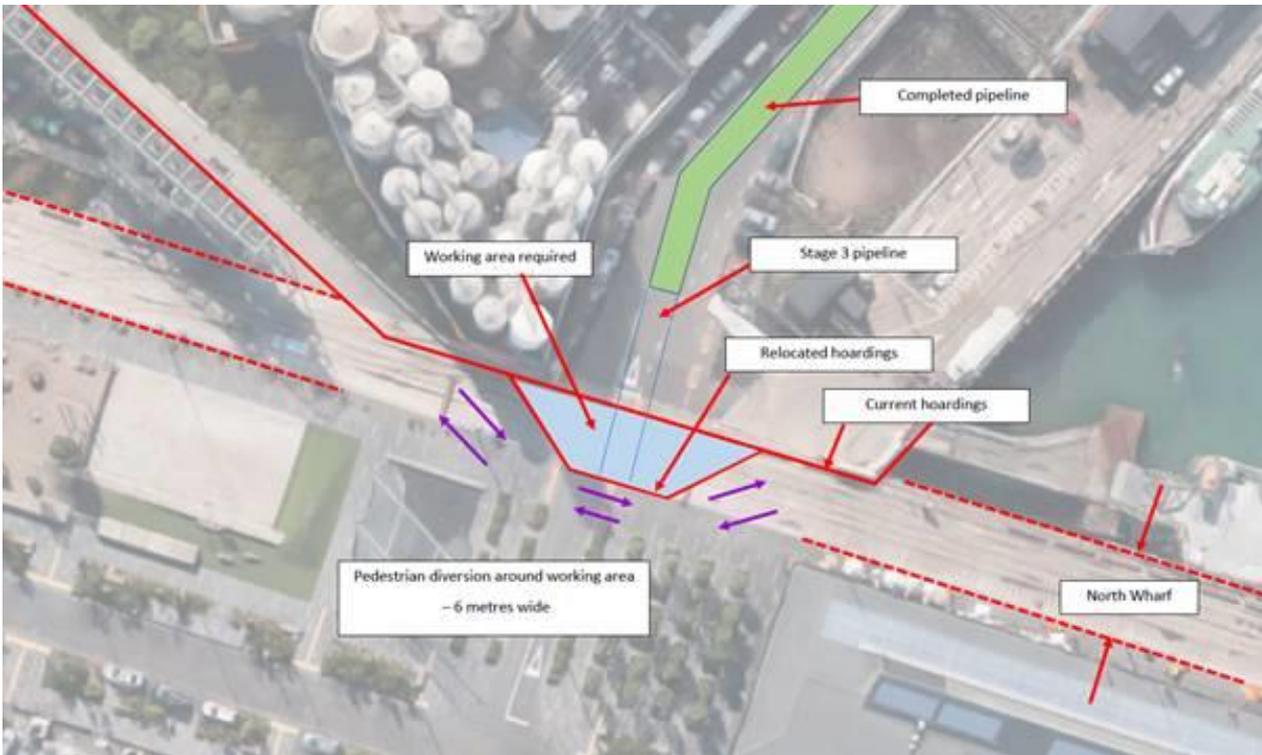
At Wynyard Edge Alliance, a lot of great work has been happening on site since our last update at the combined CLG / Wynyard Quarter Neighbours Forum in late January.

From the north-east corner of the new Hobson Wharf extension, we recently started assembly of the superyacht pontoons that will house some of the international visitors to New Zealand during the 36th America's Cup event.

We have been demobilising our jack-up barge over on Halsey Wharf, preparing it to leave our site, after a successful run of installing piles for wavebreak structures (designed to minimise the impact of waves coming from ferries and other vessels and create a calm environment for boats) 8, 5, 6, the new SeaLink site, and finally finishing piling for the wavebreak 2 structure last week. The team have also been installing rebar for the concrete capping beam that will conclude works on the final wavebreak 2 structure.

On Wynyard Point, we have continued transforming the area to house some of the America's Cup challenger syndicate teams. We have completed the concrete platforms, utility infrastructure, and the bridges from the syndicate bases across to Wynyard Wharf (to allow the teams to launch their boats) for three of the five bases. These sites have been handed over for the syndicates to construct their base buildings. We are still working on utility installations, surface grading, and the last bridge structures for the two southern-most syndicate bases on Wynyard Point, closest to North Wharf.

Also on Wynyard Point, we have been extending the storm water outfall pipeline that currently discharges from the end of Daldy Street (where the challenger bases will be located) to the end of Wynyard Point. Pipe laying for the storm water extension and construction of the new outfall structure at the northern end of Brigham Street will be completed after Easter. From there, the team will relocate to the southern end of Brigham Street to install the final two pipes and carry out the connection of the new pipeline into the existing pipe under North Wharf. In order to facilitate the connection work, it will be necessary to move the existing hoardings southwards to close-off the top of the North Wharf structure and provide a safe working area. Please see the following map:



Once the connection is made from the new pipe extension to the original Daldy Street pipeline, the hoardings will be moved back into their current/original position. This part of the work is expected to take up to four weeks. The pavement will then be reinstated. Particularly noisy activities are not planned, but if this changes, we will consider the local businesses along North Wharf and work with them to find convenient times in order to minimise disruption. The Daldy Street outfall stormwater extension is expected to be completed by August 2020.

Just north of Silo Park's staircase gantry structure, in the former Bulk Storage Terminals site, work is underway to create the new extension to Silo Park. One team has been removing insulation foam and paint from two of the remaining silos, while another has been carrying out sheet piling to install one of the 11 tree pits, with 4 other block wall tree pits already completed. There are exciting plans in the making for this new area.

In Wynyard Basin, we have been busy installing wooden fender piles around the wavebreak structure situated about halfway along Wynyard Wharf (Breakwater 1) and in the former SeaLink corner.

With the challenges we currently all face with Covid-19, we hope you all stay safe and well. If you need to contact WEA during our shutdown period, please phone 0800 WYNYARD (0800 996 9273).

Ngā mihi | Kind regards,  
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## **36th America's Cup presented by PRADA**

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- The recent turn of events with COVID-19 has impacted the delivery of the America's Cup event by limiting and delaying planning meetings with various suppliers and stakeholders. However, the overall planning for the event continues by both America's Cup Event Limited (ACE) and the competing teams.
- Both the Cagliari and Portsmouth AC World Series events have been cancelled, however the dates for the Auckland AC World Series event, Prada Cup and The Match remain unchanged, with no plans as yet to postpone or cancel these events.
- ACE and the Challenger of Record have begun to redesign the layout of the Cup Village, identifying key event activations to be built along the waterfront, such as sailing simulators, an AC75 Display and food and beverage offerings showcasing Auckland and New Zealand produce. Such designs and plans will be shared with the CLG in due course.
- Emirates Team NZ (Team NZ) have lost valuable training and testing opportunities, as well as two chances to see how their first generation of the radical 75-foot foiling monohull stacks up alongside the designs of challengers INEOS Team UK, American Magic and Luna Rossa. Team NZ continue the design and development of their second boat under government restrictions.
- Luna Rossa continue to operate out of Cagliari, Sardinia with construction of their team base on Hobson Wharf underway after unforeseen delays. The construction of the team base is expected to be completed by the end of August 2020, however further delays enforced by the current government restrictions could put this at risk.
- INEOS Team UK have returned from Cagliari, Sardinia to Portsmouth in the UK after the cancellation of the first ACWS event. The INEOS team base is under construction with completion scheduled for August 2020. The INEOS sailing team are hoping to come to Auckland earlier than first planned to begin preparation for the first Auckland AC World Series in December 2020.
- American Magic are continuing to sail and train in Pensacola, Florida. There are already some staff on the ground in Auckland planning for their teams arrival as they finalise their team base design and building consent.
- Stars and Stripes remain in the planning stages of their campaign.

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