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<b>Abstract</b>			
<p>State highways are an essential part of New Zealand's strategic transport network and play a vital role in helping to meet the sustainability objectives of the New Zealand Transport Strategy and its recent update. The effectiveness of the transport network is critical to New Zealand's economic development, not only because of the need to move high volumes of people and goods safely and efficiently, but also because highways connect our communities together and provide people with multi-modal methods of transport. Providing appropriate infrastructure is a key part of this, as is integrating land use and transport to reduce travel distances and provide greater travel choice.</p> <p>This paper will outline Transit's Walking and Cycling Policy and will report on the challenges and implementation of pedestrian facilities on and across state highways. It will focus on case studies in order to examine specific elements of walking projects. Elements covered include: policy, strategic networks, partnership working, funding and evaluation issues, urban design principles and shared-use facilities.</p> <p>The objective of the paper is to provide a practical overview of the provision of walking facilities in relation to state highways.</p>			
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