

GPS ON LAND TRANSPORT

The role of the Ministry

The Ministry of Transport is the government's system lead on transport. The Ministry advises on the total set of transport interventions and levers including investment, regulation and others.

As system stewards, we work to consider the long-term outcomes for the entire transport system. These outcomes are described in the Transport Outcomes Framework, which applies the Living Standards Framework to the transport system. This framework makes it clear what government is aiming to achieve through the transport system.

TRANSPORT OUTCOMES FRAMEWORK



The Ministry supports the Minister of Transport to produce a Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS). The GPS details how Government expects the National Land Transport Fund (the NLTF) to contribute to a well-functioning land transport system over 10 years.

The Ministry leads advice on investments that have implications for the Fund beyond 10 years and transport investments (including land transport investments) that are funded outside the GPS and the NLTF.

As part of the wider government commitment to the Māori-Crown relationship, the Ministry has a responsibility to engage with Māori and consider Māori outcomes.

Developing the GPS

The GPS sets out the Government's priorities for expenditure from the NLTF. The GPS is developed by the Ministry of Transport on behalf of the Minister before public engagement begins.



How does it work?

The GPS is reviewed every three years and guides investment in transport by providing a 10 year outlook of how spending is prioritised in the transport network.

Guided by the GPS strategic priorities, Waka Kotahi supports local government to create quality Regional Land Transport Plans (RLTPs), which it uses to create the National Land Transport Programme (NLTP).

When Waka Kotahi and local government make decisions on transport investment they give effect to the strategic priorities set out in the GPS.

As the largest co-funder of NLTP projects, local government has an essential role in building strong, evidence-based projects and programmes for investment.

This work is supported by the role of regional councils, territorial authorities and unitary councils in leading long-term planning for their area.



GPS Timeline

