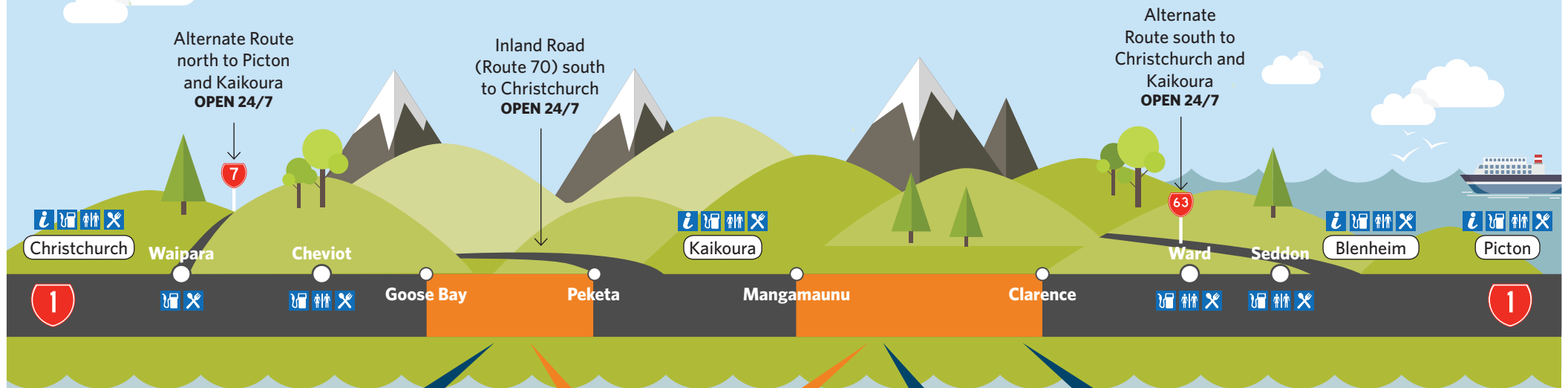


# Infoguide: What to expect when travelling on State Highway 1 between Picton and Christchurch



**EXPECT DELAYS:** Cliff face stabilisation and road rebuilding

**OPEN** daily 7am-8.30pm,  
**CLOSED** every night for safety  
**NO STOPPING OR OVERNIGHT CAMPING.**

**EXPECT DELAYS:** Irongate - new overbridge build and road realignment

**EXPECT DELAYS:** Ohau Point - new seawall build and road realignment

- Information site
- Petrol
- Restrooms
- Food

Fishing restrictions

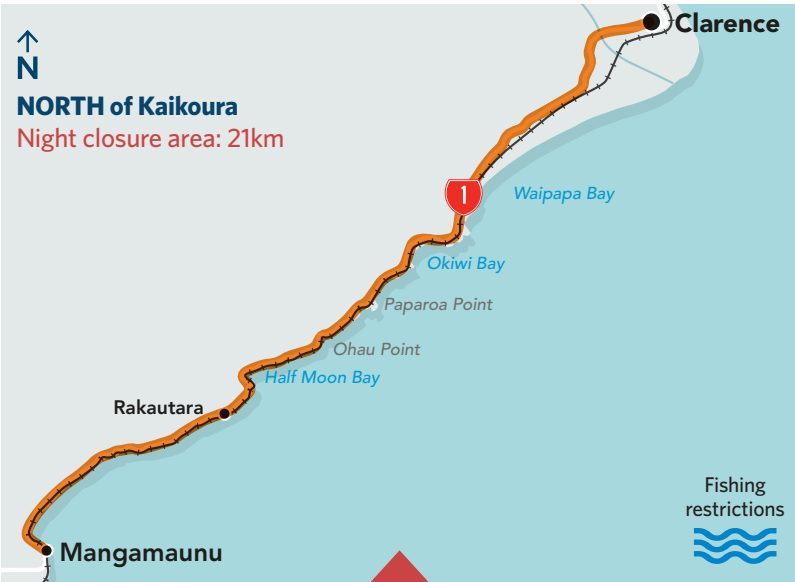
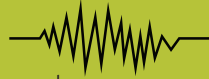
**SH1 TRAVEL TIME: MINIMUM** of 5.5 hours between Picton and Christchurch. Allow plenty of extra time in case of unexpected delays.



For real-time travel information, visit [www.nzta.govt.nz/p2c](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/p2c) or freephone **0800 4 HIGHWAYS (0800 44 44 49)**.

## What happened here?

A 7.8 magnitude earthquake hit Kaikoura in November 2016 which damaged and closed this road. While it reopened in December 2017, there is still a lot of construction work to do in 2018.



## What to expect on SH1

The road will still be under construction, so expect:

- Some unsealed surfaces
- Lane closures with Stop/Go controls
- Speed restrictions
- Two sections closed every night for safety  
**Open daily \* 7am-8.30pm**

**Drive to the conditions:** the weather, the road you're on, the vehicle you're in, the traffic around you, and your level of experience.

\* SH1 opening could be affected by weather, emergencies or seismic activities.

## Who can use SH1

- Cars** (including vans, 4wd, 2wd cars)
- Motorcyclists** (take extra care on unsealed and uneven surfaces)
- Vehicles towing caravans, boats and trailers**
- Campervans**
- Trucks** (restrictions apply)
- Bus/coach**
- Cyclists** (take extra care on unsealed and uneven surfaces.)  
Cyclists may need assistance or be escorted in some areas. Stop at closure points and follow road crew instructions on the day.
- Pedestrians**
- NO CAMPING** (within closure areas)

**NO OVERNIGHT CAMPING**  
**NO STOPPING OUTSIDE OF DESIGNATED AREAS**  
Safe stopping bays will be sign posted



## Sightseeing and recreational activities

Limited recreation activities available along the closure zones this summer. Please follow all signs and instructions: they are designed to keep everyone safe.

- Ohau Stream:** Closed
- Nin's Bin:** Open
- Surfing:** Access to surf spots
- Fishing:** Shellfish and seaweed fishing closure



## Be road courteous

- Be patient and cautious.** Road conditions will be unfamiliar to many drivers, so a little bit of patience will go a long way.
- Follow all traffic signs** and any **instruction** given by road crew.
- Obey speed limits** to keep all road users safe.
- Stay focused around rail lines. **Expect trains at any time.**
- Keep fresh by taking breaks** and supporting communities on the route.

## SH1 status today?

Always visit [www.nzta.govt.nz/p2c](http://www.nzta.govt.nz/p2c) or freephone **0800 4 HIGHWAYS** (0800 44 44 49) at least 2 hours before your travel and at key decision points.

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