

# ROUTE 7

## Northland Meander

Start Taipa

KMs/Miles

305/190 Whangarei

274/172 North Shore

Rest Day

248/155 Cambridge

368/230 Wanganui

**5 DAYS**

**1187 KILOMETRES**

**742 MILES**

# Route Information

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**ENTRANTS: IT IS YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO MAKE** contact with the 'Branch Contacts' upon receipt of this notice, to confirm your reservation and the total number in your party for the refreshments offered by each Branch, irrespective of whether they are free of charge or a chargeable item on a pre-pay basis. Each Branch can then cater for the total number of Entrants visiting each Branch venue on this Rally Route, thank you.

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## **THURSDAY 12TH JANUARY - TAIPA TO WHANGAREI 305 KMS - 190 MILES**

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**START AT** FAR NORTH VCC CLUBROOMS: OPPOSITE AURERE BEACH ROAD, TAIPA

**HOSPITALITY:** FAR NORTH VCC AURERE BEACH, TAIPA

**BRANCH CONTACT** WINSTON MATTHEWS 09-406-0203

**E-mail:** lyn@matthewsvintage.com     **Mobile:** 0278-249071

**REFRESHMENTS:** Morning Tea available Free of Charge

**FINISH:**

STOP OVERNIGHT AT **WHANGAREI:**

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC NORTHLAND, HERITAGE PARK, MAUNU, WHANGAREI

**BRANCH CONTACT** GRAHAM AND NANCY DAWSON 09-434-7215

**E-mail:** gndawson@actrix.co.nz     **Mobile:** 021-902-253 / 027-590-2253

**REFRESHMENTS:** Afternoon Tea and Finger food – Gold coin donation appreciated

**Evening meal:** Recommended go to Cobb & Co

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## **FRIDAY 13H JANUARY - WHANGAREI TO ALBANY - NORTH SHORE VIA VCC WELLSFORD/WARKWORTH CLUBROOMS AT WELLSFORD 274 KMS / 172 MILES**

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**START AT:** VCC NORTHLAND, HERITAGE PARK, MAUNU, WHANGAREI

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# Route Information

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**BRANCH CONTACT** GRAHAM AND NANCY DAWSON 09-434-7215

**E-mail:** gndawson@actrix.co.nz Mobile No: 021-902-253 & 027-590-2253

**REFRESHMENTS:** Morning Tea and finger food

**EN-ROUTE STOP** VCC WELLSFORD/WARKWORTH SATELLITE STATION ROAD,  
WARKWORTH

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC WELLSFORD/WARKWORTH SATELLITE STATION ROAD,  
WARKWORTH

**BRANCH CONTACT** LEON SALT 07-423-8122

**E-mail:** brendda@xtra.co.nz

**REFRESHMENTS:** Afternoon Tea available. – Voluntary donation appreciated

**FINISH:**

STOP OVERNIGHT AT **ALBANY - NORTH SHORE:**

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC NORTH SHORE – 40 MASONS ROAD, ALBANY, AUCKLAND

**BRANCH CONTACT** BRENT MATHIESON 09-489-1310

**E-mail:** brent.mathieson@themondesir.co.nz **Mobile:** 021-679-260

**REFRESHMENTS:** Afternoon Tea and Biscuits available – Free of Charge

**Evening meal:** Excellent RSA venue 300 metres from Motorway essential you  
contact Brent as soon as possible for booking numbers of attendees

**SATURDAY 14TH JANUARY REST DAY IN NORTH SHORE AREA**

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**Evening meal:** Excellent RSA venue 300 metres from Motorway essential you  
contact Brent as soon as possible for booking numbers of attendees

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# Route Information

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## **SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY NORTH SHORE TO CAMBRIDGE VIA VCC AUCKLAND 248 KMS / 150 MILES**

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**START AT:** VCC NORTH SHORE – 40 MASONS ROAD, ALBANY, AUCKLAND

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC NORTH SHORE – 40 MASONS ROAD, ALBANY, AUCKLAND

**BRANCH CONTACT** BRENT MATHIESON 09-489-1310

**E-mail:** brent.mathieson@themondesir.co.nz      **Mobile:** 021-679-260

**REFRESHMENTS:** Morning Tea and muffins – \$ 3.50 per head

## **SUNDAY 15TH JANUARY NORTH SHORE TO CAMBRIDGE VIA VCC AUCKLAND**

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**EN-ROUTE STOP:** VCC Auckland - PENROSE

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC Auckland 39 FAIRFAX AVENUE, PENROSE, AUCKLAND

**BRANCH CONTACT** MICHEAL O’KANE 09-813-4944

**Mobile:** 021-073-1121

**REFRESHMENTS:** LIGHT MORNING TEA – FOC - GOLD COIN DONATION APPRECIATED

**FINISH:**

STOP OVERNIGHT AT **CAMBRIDGE:**

**HOSPITALITY:** VCC WAIKATO - Maclean Street, Cambridge

**BRANCH CONTACT** OWEN & LYNNE McGAUGHEY 07-829-5261

**E-mail:** lynne.owen@xtra.co.nz

**REFRESHMENTS:** SUNDAY FOC TEA LATE AFTERNOON

**Evening Meal:** \$28.00 per person Pre Pay by Cheque only. Payable to Veteran & Vintage Car Club (Waikato) Inc. only Post to 576, Marychurch Road, RD4, Hamilton 3284

# Route Information

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## **MONDAY 16TH JANUARY FROM CAMBRIDGE TO WANGANUI 368 KMS / 230 MILES**

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**HOSPITALITY:** VCC WAIKATO - Maclean Street, Cambridge

**BRANCH CONTACT** OWEN & LYNNE McGAUGHEY 07-829-5261

**E-mail:** lynne.owen@xtra.co.nz

**REFRESHMENTS:** MONDAY FOC TEA PRE DEPARTURE

### **EN-ROUTE:**

**HOSPITALITY:** KING COUNTRY VCC 176, Taringamotu Road, Taumarunui

**BRANCH CONTACT** Norma & Ian Dougherty 07-896-8777

**E-mail:** kingcountry@vcc.org.nz      **Mobile:** 027-266-6683

**REFRESHMENTS:** BYO = Bring your own - Limited facilities

**FINISH:** WANGANUI

Please refer to the last page of the route for the 'Town Route' leading to the Rally Venue.

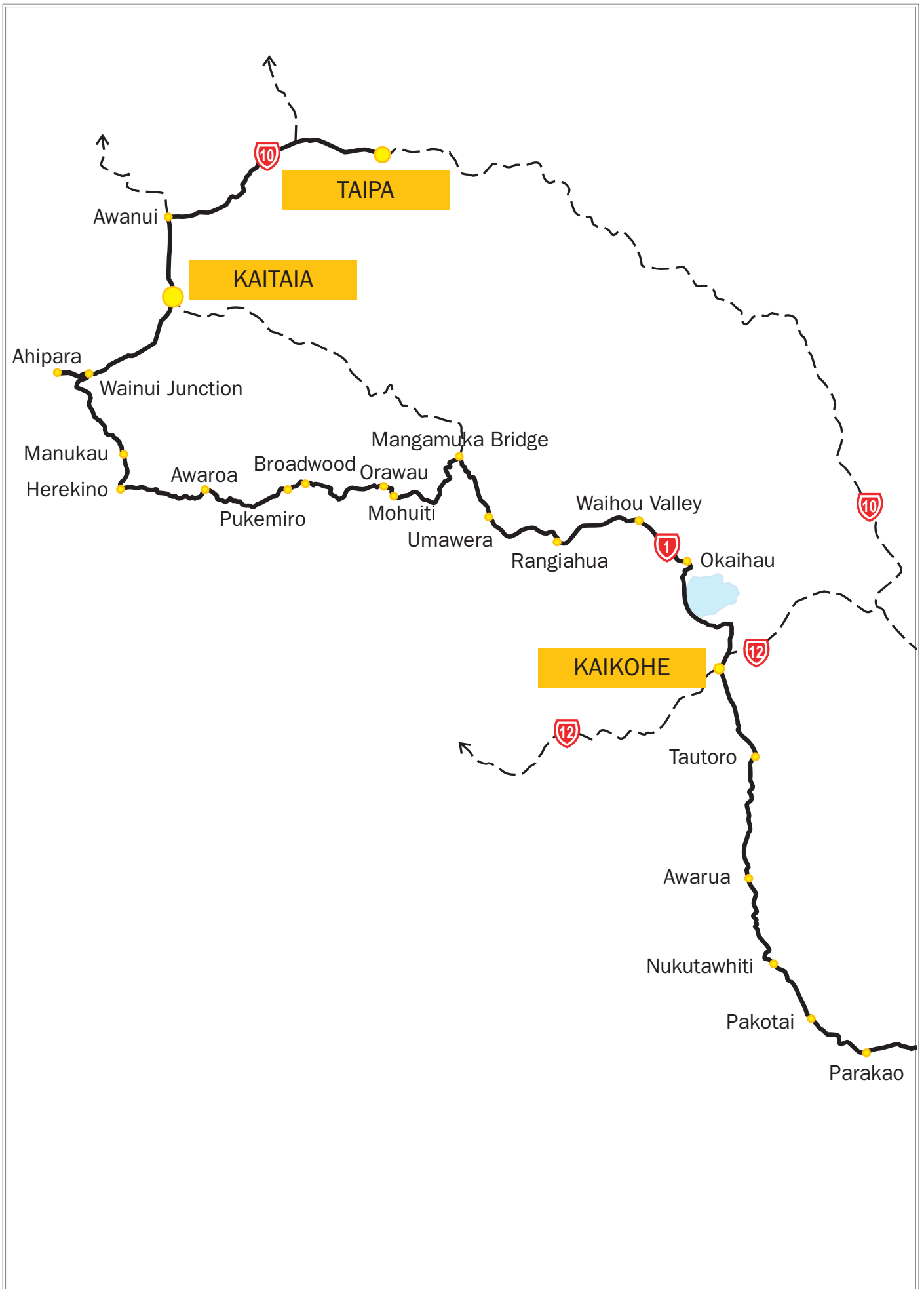
We hope you will enjoy your Rally.

**PLEASE PLAN TO ARRIVE AT WANGANUI BETWEEN 4.00 P.M. – 4.30 P.M.**

### **ADVISORY NOTES. FOR YOUR PEACE OF MIND AND ENJOYMENT.**

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Your vehicle must be roadworthy for the Rally duration and should also be insured. It is advisable to start the Rally Route with a full tank of petrol each day. You should carry a mobile phone, have a recovery service in force such as the AA service, First-Aid Kit, Fire Extinguisher, Road Triangle, Day-Glo Vest, Tow Rope, filled Petrol Can, Torch, Tool Kit and pertinent spares for your vehicle.



# Day 1

## Taipa to Whangarei

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Leave **Far North Branch Clubrooms** and left onto SH10.

Continue on SH10 to **Awanui** until left at Tee to **Kaitaia** on SH 1.

Bear left **Town Centre via Commerce Street**. There is a couple of Service Stations on the right in Commerce St.

Continue through town turn right **Twin Coast Discovery Ahipara** via Redan Rd. Pass Police Station, Kaitaia Hospital and Kaitaia College on your right.

After passing **Ahipara School** on your left take first left **Foreshore Road**.

Note **Roma Road** on your left, ahead to follow **Foreshore Road**.

Pass **Reef View Road** on left and U turn at toilets. **This is the Southern End of World Famous 90 Mile Beach**.

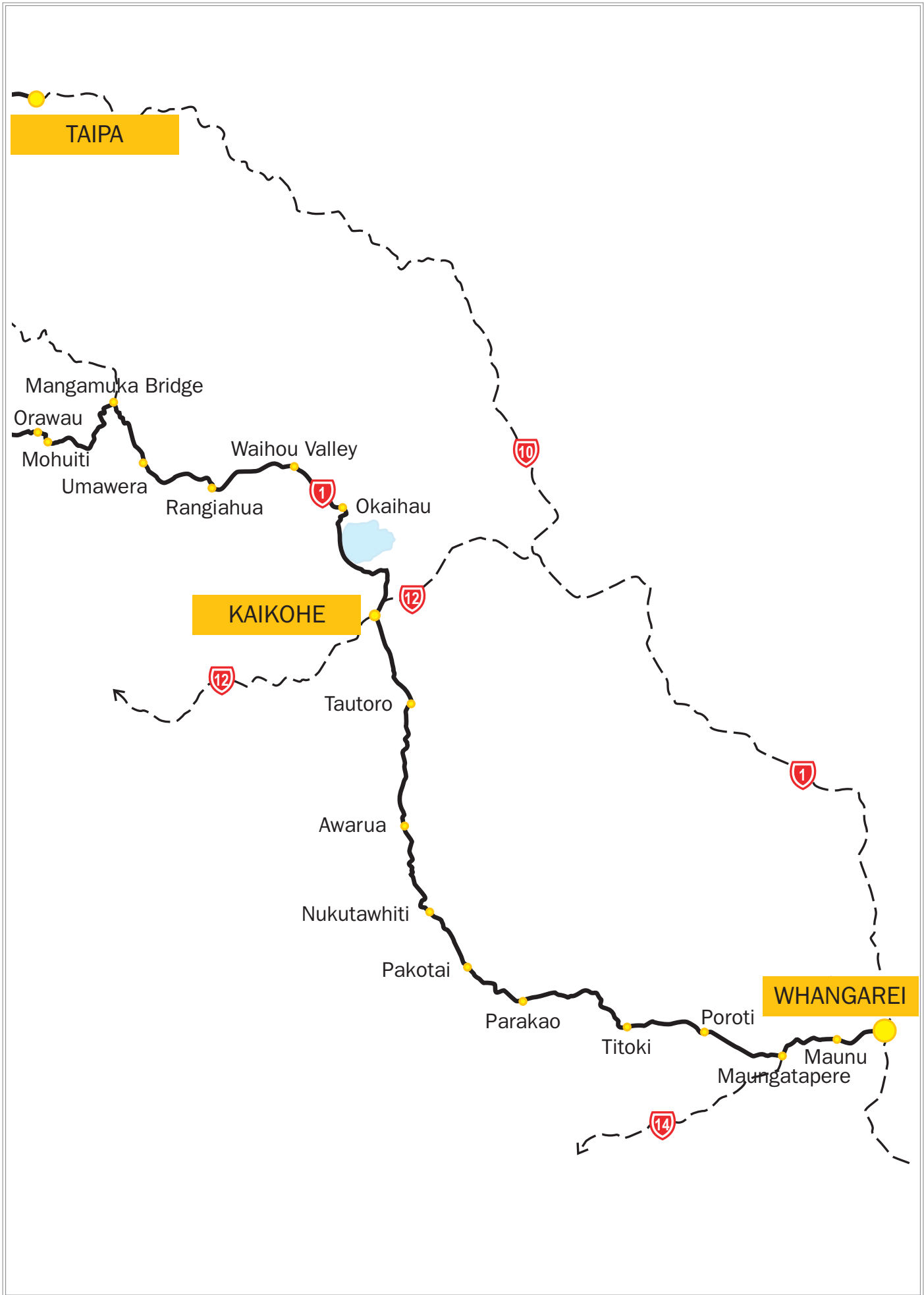
Retrace your route and use **Roma Road** on your right.

Right at give way and continue to **Herekino**. **(NO SIGN)**

Left at **Twin Coast Discovery**. 45 km **Kohukohu** via **Broadwood** 21 km.

Ignore **Diggers Valley Road** to follow **Broadwood** 19km.

At **Broadwood** there are toilets on the left (opposite the store) and a picnic area a little further along on your left.



# Day 1

## Taipa to Whangarei

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### OPTION 1

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**Left at Mangamuka 10Km.**

**Right with care SH1 (Whangarei)**

**At Okaihau acute right into Utakura Valley Road then immediately left into Lake Road.** (Once you are on the metal Rd watch for Lake Omapere on your Left.)

Right at Stop Sign and turn with CAUTION.

Right at Give Way to Kaikohe ( SH12) Kaikohe/Dargaville

**Last toilets here until Whangarei**

2nd left into Mangakahia Road (to Maungatapere).

**Maungatapere** 71km. (Keeping the Shell Service Station on your left)

Stay on this Road until Twin Bridges and **WATCH FOR LOGGING TRUCKS**

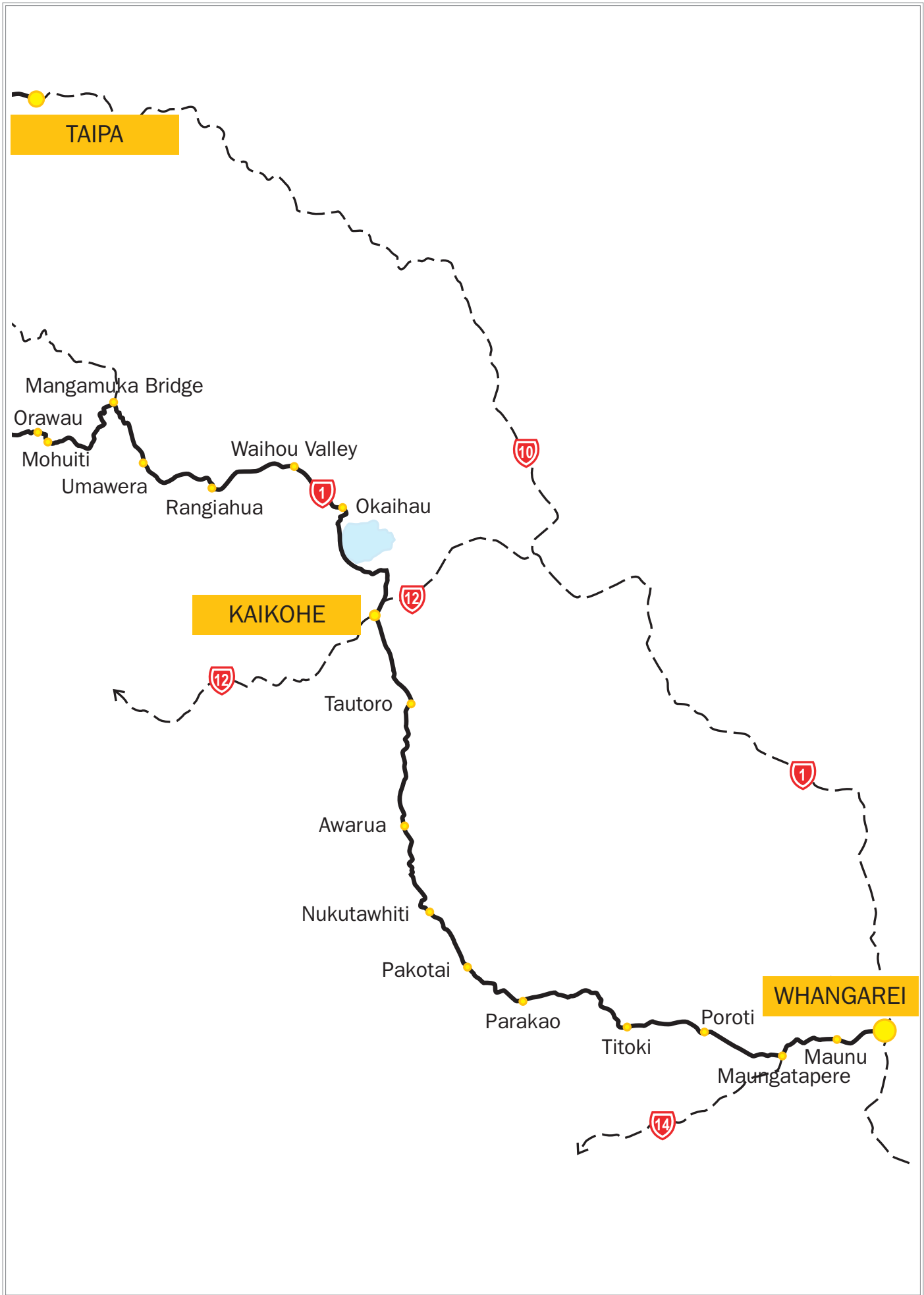
At Twin Bridges Left to Whangarei-Dargaville to stay on Mangakahia Rd

At Titoki follow Whangarei 27Km (Mangakahia Rd)

Follow Mangakahia Rd until Maungatapere Village. Left at **STOP** onto SH14

SH14 will take you directly towards Whangarei. It is approx 4.3 miles from Maungatapere Village to the Northland Branch Club Rooms.

After Passing **Cemetery Rd** on your **Right** look out for the **Museum and Heritage Park** on your **Left**. This is where the **Northland Branch Club Rooms** are situated.



# Day 1

## Taipa to Whangarei

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### OPTION 2

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Follow **Twin Coast Discovery** via **Kohukohu** 14km to **Rawene Car Ferry** 18km. Ferry leaves on the hour allow at least 25 minutes to reach the **Ferry**.

**Kohukohu** and **Rawene** are Historic Towns of the area with some interesting old buildings.

Depart the ferry and proceed up the hill passing Rawene Hospital on your right and proceed out to SH12.

Left at **T** to follow **Kaikohe** 36km.

Pass though **Taheke** continue through **Kaikohe Town Centre**

**Last toilets here until Whangarei**

Turn right towards **Maungatapere** via Mangakahia Road.

**Maungatapere** 71km. (Keeping the Shell Service Station on your left)

Stay on this Road until Twin Bridges and **WATCH FOR LOGGING TRUCKS**

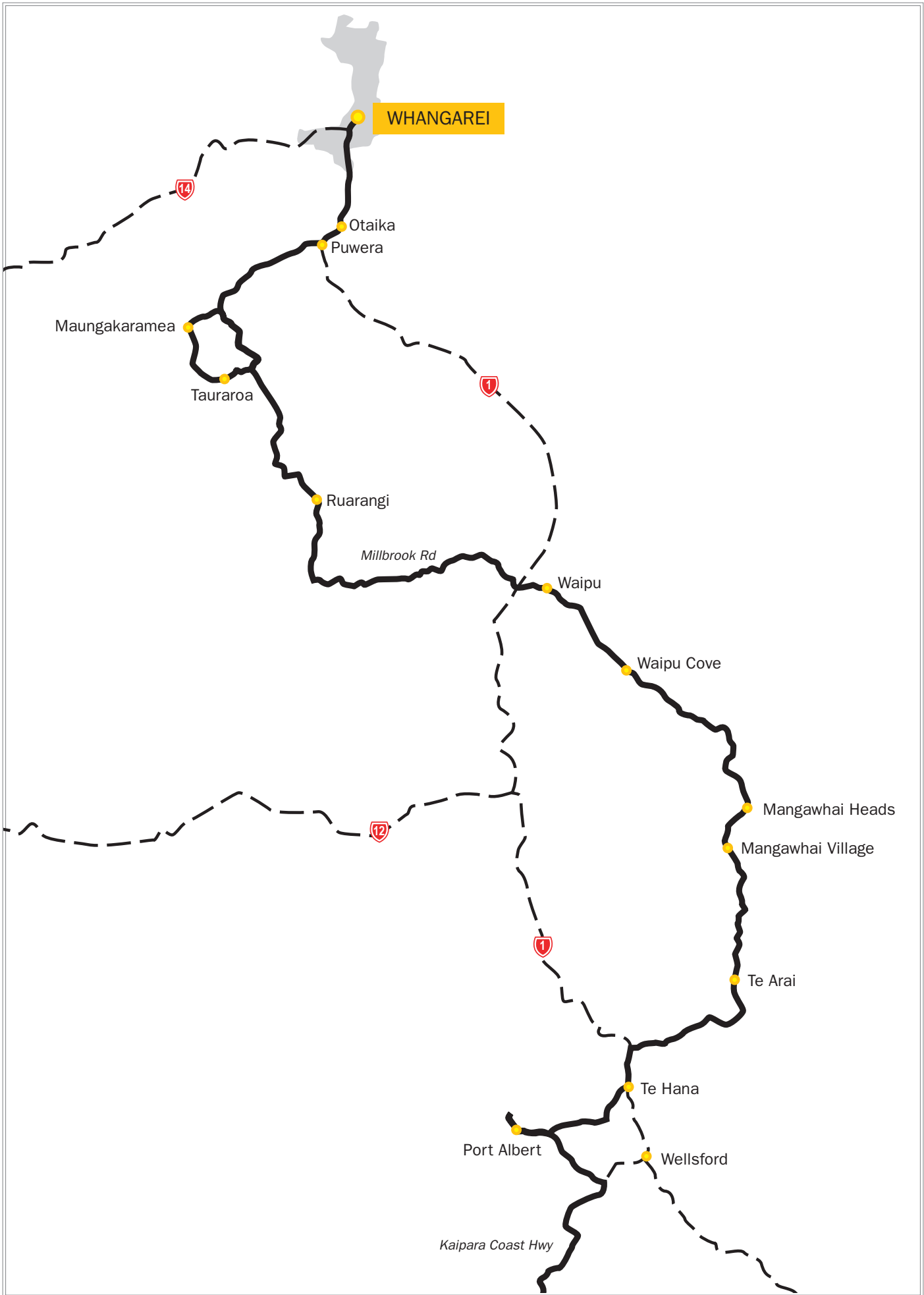
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# Day 2

## Whangarei to North Shore

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*Approx 36 Miles, 1 1/4 to 1 1/2hrs Travel time approx 50% Tar Seal and metal*

Right out of Northland Vintage Car Club rooms

Cont on SH 14 though Maungatapere Village

Left into Snooks Rd (2.1 Miles from Maungatapere)

Veer left staying on Snooks Rd (Watch out for Logging Trucks)

Ignore Old School Rd and Mangakaramea 2 Km sign, staying on Snooks Rd

Left at Whangarei 18 Kms sign

First right into Ormandy Rd / Mangapai

Ignore Purvis Rd (Look out for the Carving in a Tree Trunk on the right and enjoy the sea views on the left)

Turn right at T and travel though Mangapai

Cross Railway Bridge and immediate left into Mangapai Caves Rd

Ignore McDonnell Rd (Note limestone out crops on right, with Mt Mania and Whangarei Heads on the Left and Upper Harbour to Whangarei City.)

Left into Springfield Rd

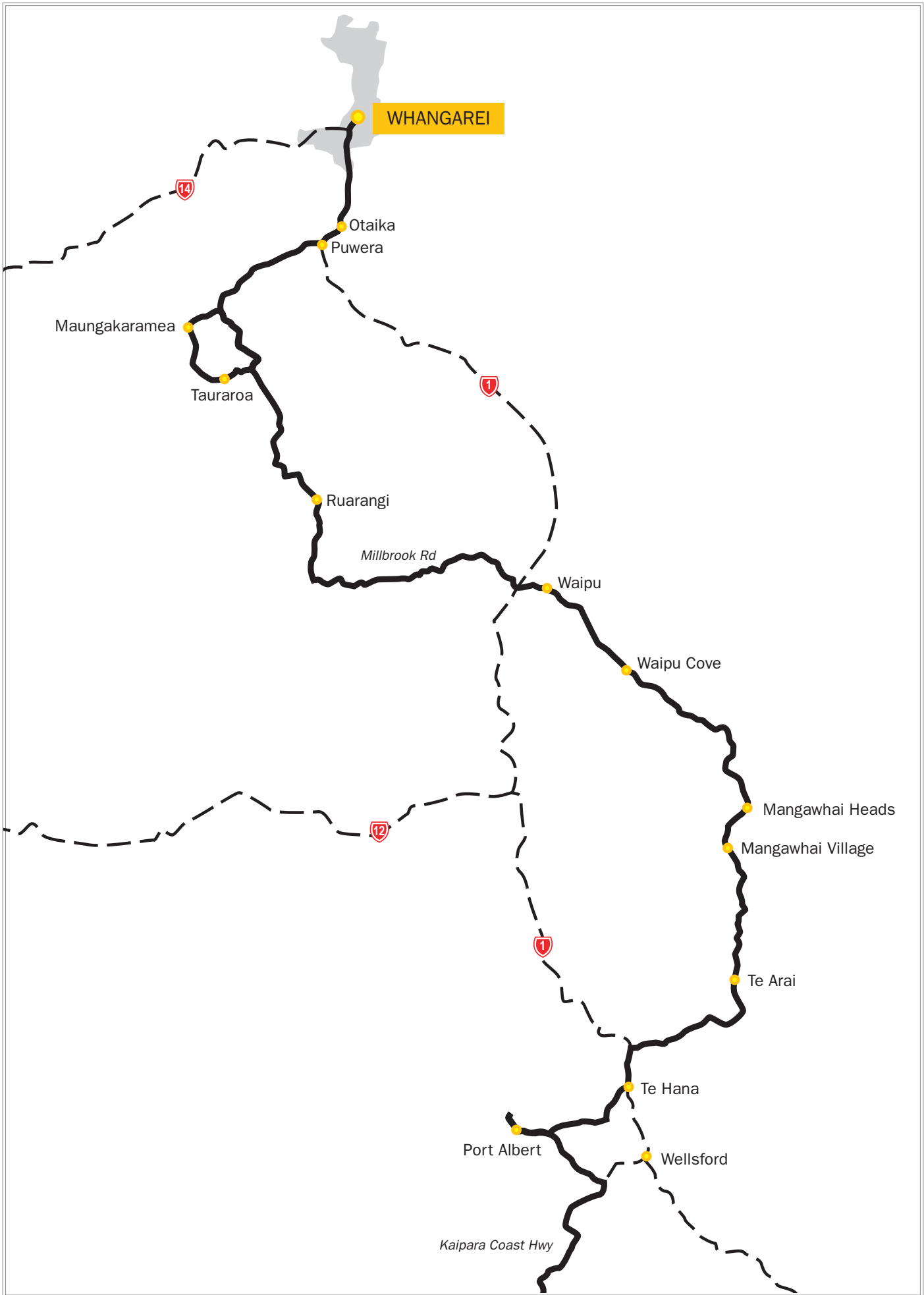
Right in Ormiston Rd

Ignore Kukunui Rd staying on Ormiston Rd (Note views of Bream Bay on Left)

Left at Giveway

Right into Shoemaker Rd Waipu 7 Kms

Ignore Apple Cross Rd staying on Shoemaker Rd until SH 1.



# Day 2

## Whangarei to North Shore

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With Extreme caution straight across SH 1 in Shoemaker Rd

Left at Give Way (Approx 500m to Toilet Stop on left at the Cenotaph Waipu)

Proceed onto Cove Rd

Follow this road through Waipu Cove and Langs Beach

Left at Mangawhai Heads (Motor Camp/Golf Club)

Take 3rd exit at round-a-bout Molesworth Dr

Bear right at Mangawhai 4kms to stay on Molesworth Drive

Right at Give Way into Moir St (Fuel stop - G.A.S.)

First Left into Insley St

Proceed onto Mangawhai Rd

Leave Coal Hill Rd on left

Bear right to stay on Mangawhai Rd

Left into Waiteitei Rd

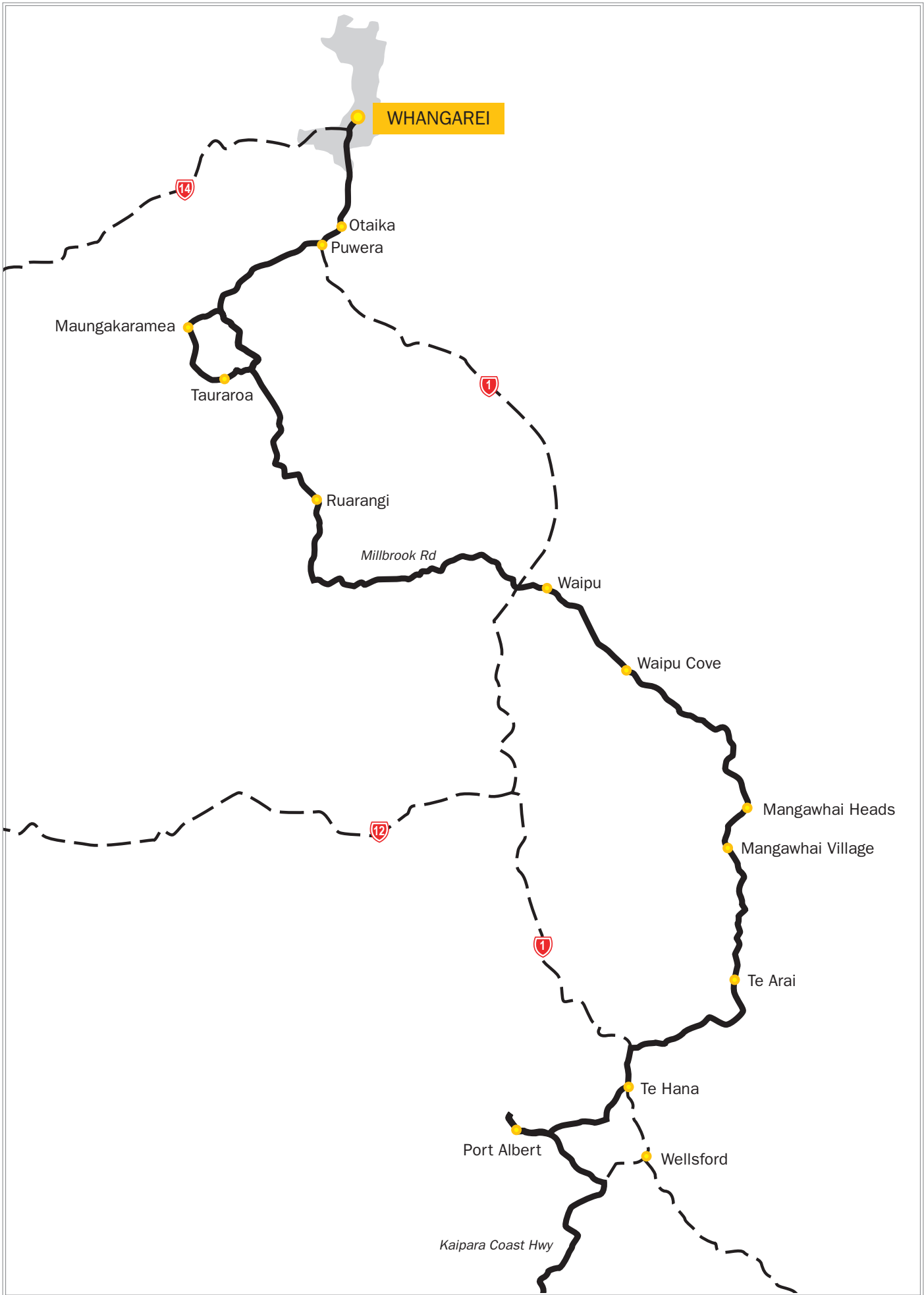
Leave Silverhill Rd on your Right

Right onto Whangaripo Valley Rd

Continue into Matheson Rd

Left at Tee (Fuel stop – Mobil & Caltex)

Right onto Port Albert Rd (Twin Coast Discovery)



# Day 2

## Whangarei to North Shore

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### **OPTION 1: VISIT MINNIESDALE CHAPEL**

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Right to stay on Port Albert Rd (Port Albert)

Left onto Wharehine Rd

Bear Right onto Pah Hill Rd

Stay on Pah Hill Rd

Right into Shegadeen Rd (No Exit)

Park at Minniesdale Chapel

Return along Shegadeen Rd

Right onto Pah Hill Rd

Left into Run Rd

Bear right onto Wharehine Rd

Ignore J V Grant Rd

Right at Give Way onto Kaipara Coast Highway

Left onto Tauhoa Rd

Proceed onto Kaipara Flats Rd

Right after railway overbridge onto Old Woodcocks Rd

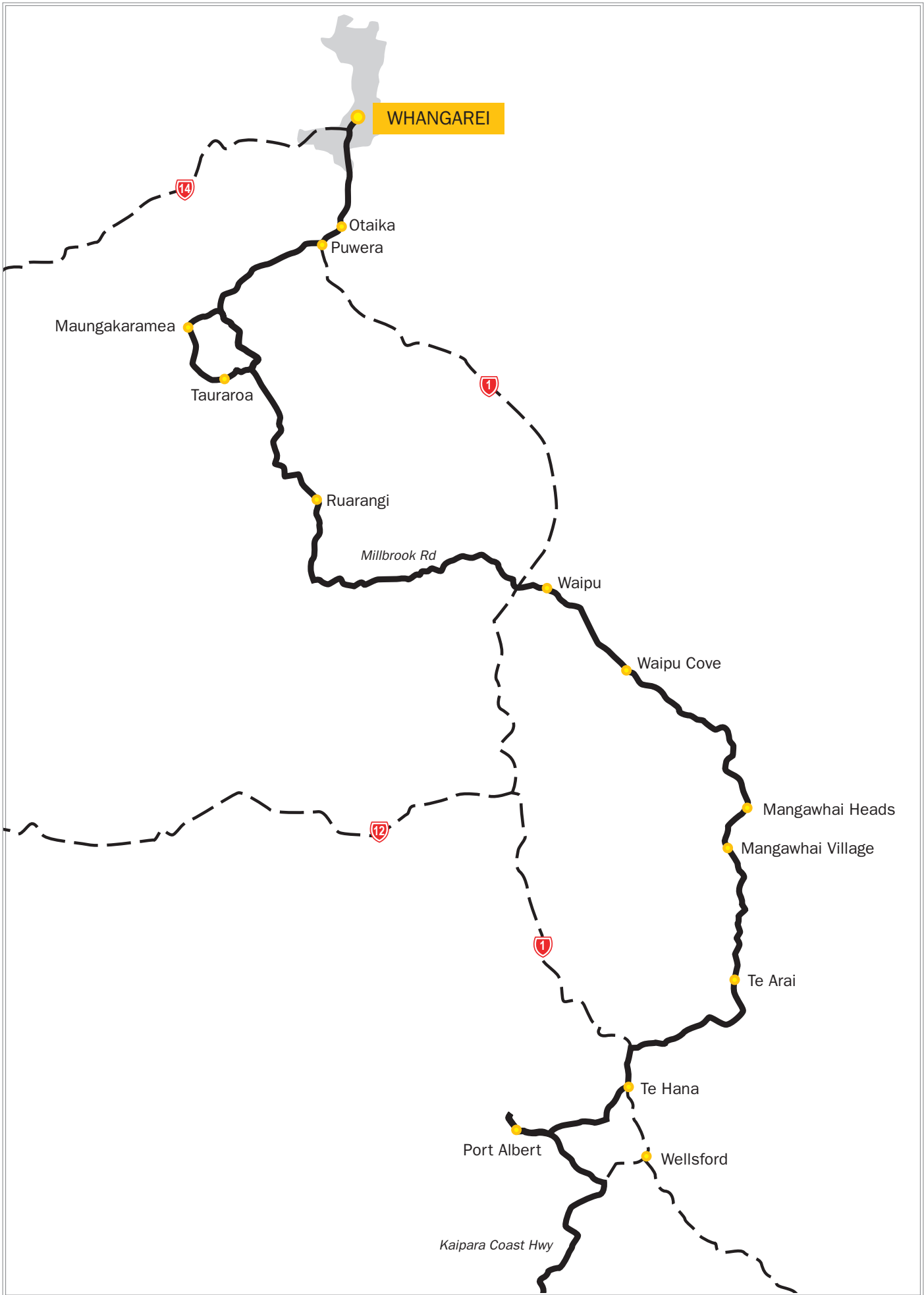
Left at Stop into Woodcocks Rd

Right at lights onto SH 1

Left into Satellite Station Rd and proceed to Satellite Station and Wellsford/Warkworth  
VCC Clubrooms

Park in carpark

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# Day 2

## Whangarei to North Shore

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### **OPTION 2: SCENIC ROUTE TO WARKWORTH**

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Proceed onto SH 16 (Kaipara Coast Highway)

Left onto Kaipara Hills Rd

Leave Mainland Rd on left

Leave Dill Rd on left

Right into Kaipara Flats Rd

Right after railway overbridge onto Old Woodcocks Rd

Left into Old Kaipara Rd

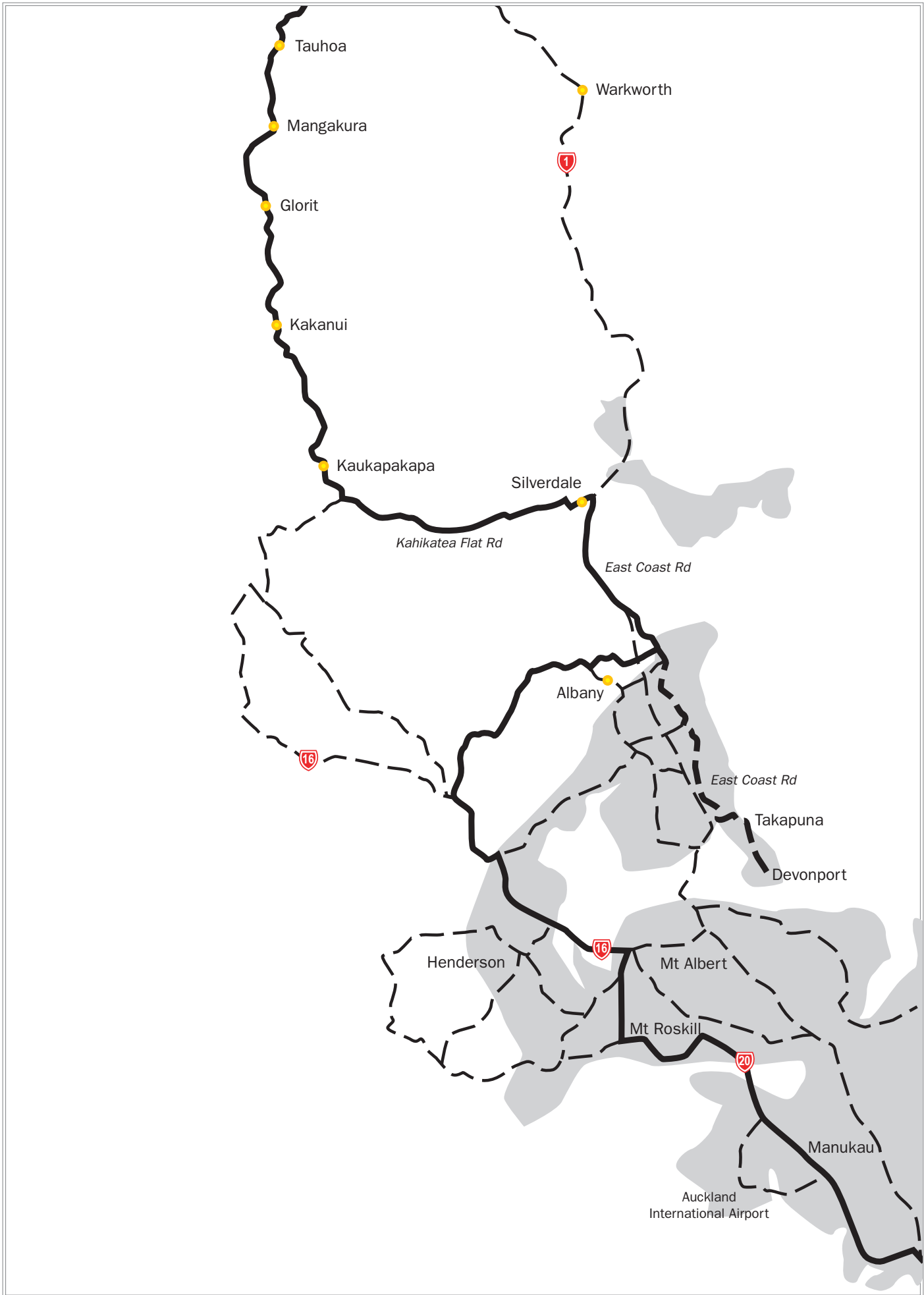
Veer right to stay on Old Kaipara Rd

Left at 'T' "Warkworth 6km"

Right at lights onto SH 1

Left into Satellite Station Rd and proceed to Satellite Station and Wellsford/Warkworth  
VCC Clubrooms

Park in carpark



# Day 2

## Whangarei to North Shore

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Depart Wellsford/Warkworth Club rooms and return to S/H 1

LEFT at Stop (**WITH EXTREME CARE SH1**)

Continue south (approximately 10Kms) *passing Hungary Creek Art School on your left along the way*, until reaching Puhoi

Turn RIGHT (**WITH CARE**) to Puhoi

1st LEFT (acute) into Kripner Road

LEFT into Noakes Hill Road

Continue ahead until reaching tar seal

RIGHT at tee into Weranui Road

Bear LEFT to stay on Weranui Road

Continue ahead onto Waitoki Road

LEFT at G.A.S. at Waitoki (*50 Kph area*)

Follow Kahikatea Flat Road until reaching S/H 17

RIGHT (**WITH CARE**) at Tee (*Petrol on Right at Caltex if needed*)

Continue on S/H 17 until reaching Albany

LEFT at lights

LEFT at Give way

Continue along Oteha Valley Road until passing under Motorway

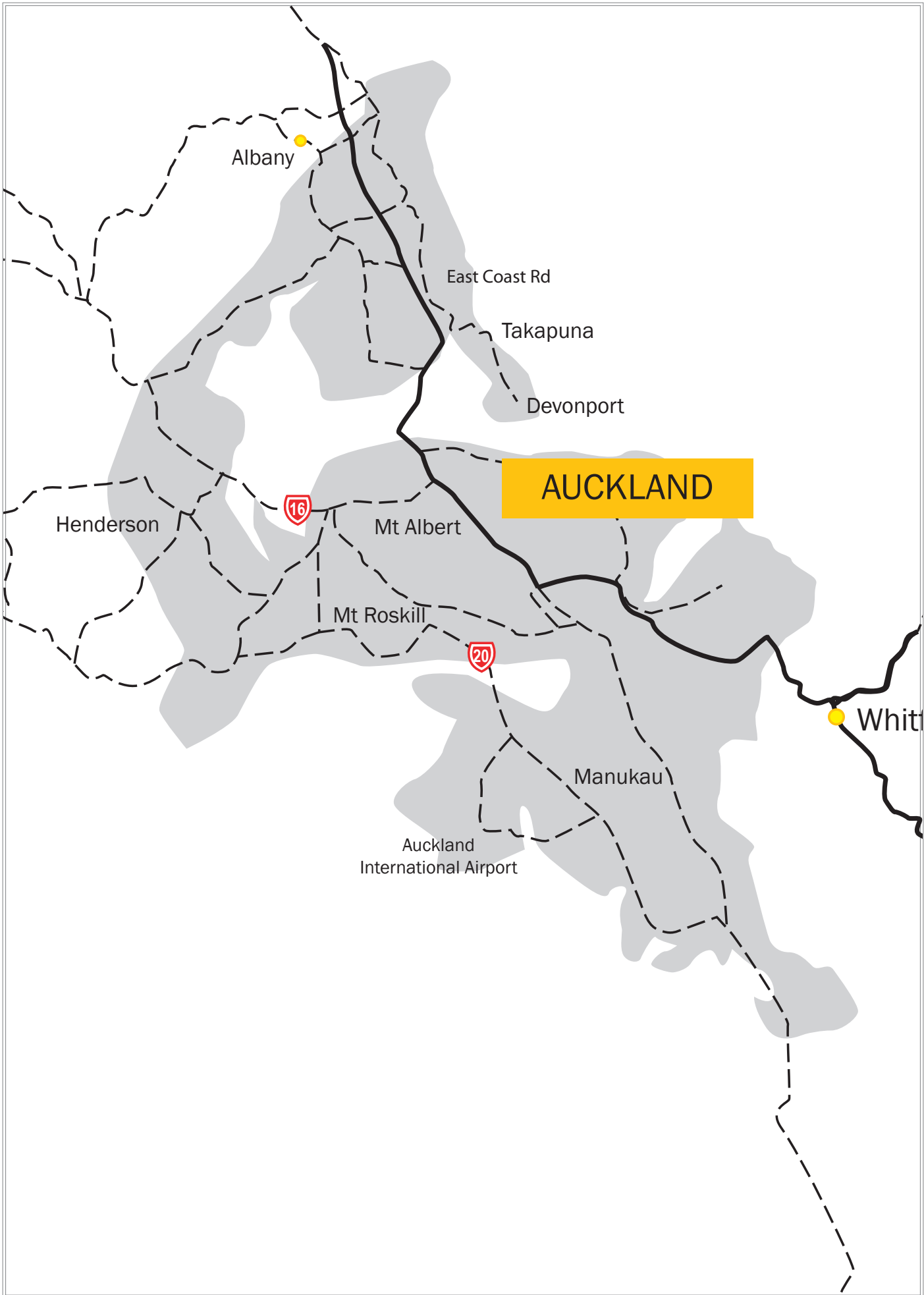
2nd exit at Round-a-bout (*just after Mobil*) into Medallion Drive

2nd exit at next Round-a-bout

RIGHT into Masons Road

Proceed to NSVCC club rooms.

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# Day 3

## North Shore to Cambridge via VCC Auckland Penrose Clubrooms

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### **OPTION 1: SHORT ROUTE - NORTH SHORE CLUBROOMS TO AVVCC CLUBROOMS VIA MOTORWAY BRIDGE**

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Right out of Clubrooms

Ignore Masons Rd (50-60) No Exit

Right at give way – Medallion Dr

Straight ahead at Roundabout three times

Right at Traffic Lights into Greville Rd

Left onto 1 Motorway Auckland

Stay on Motorway and use Lane 3 on the Harbour Bridge

After crossing Harbour Bridge, move your way to outside lane to follow 1 South Manukau Auckland

After passing Exit 426, move to left lane

Take EXIT 435 – 5 Ellerslie Panmure Highway

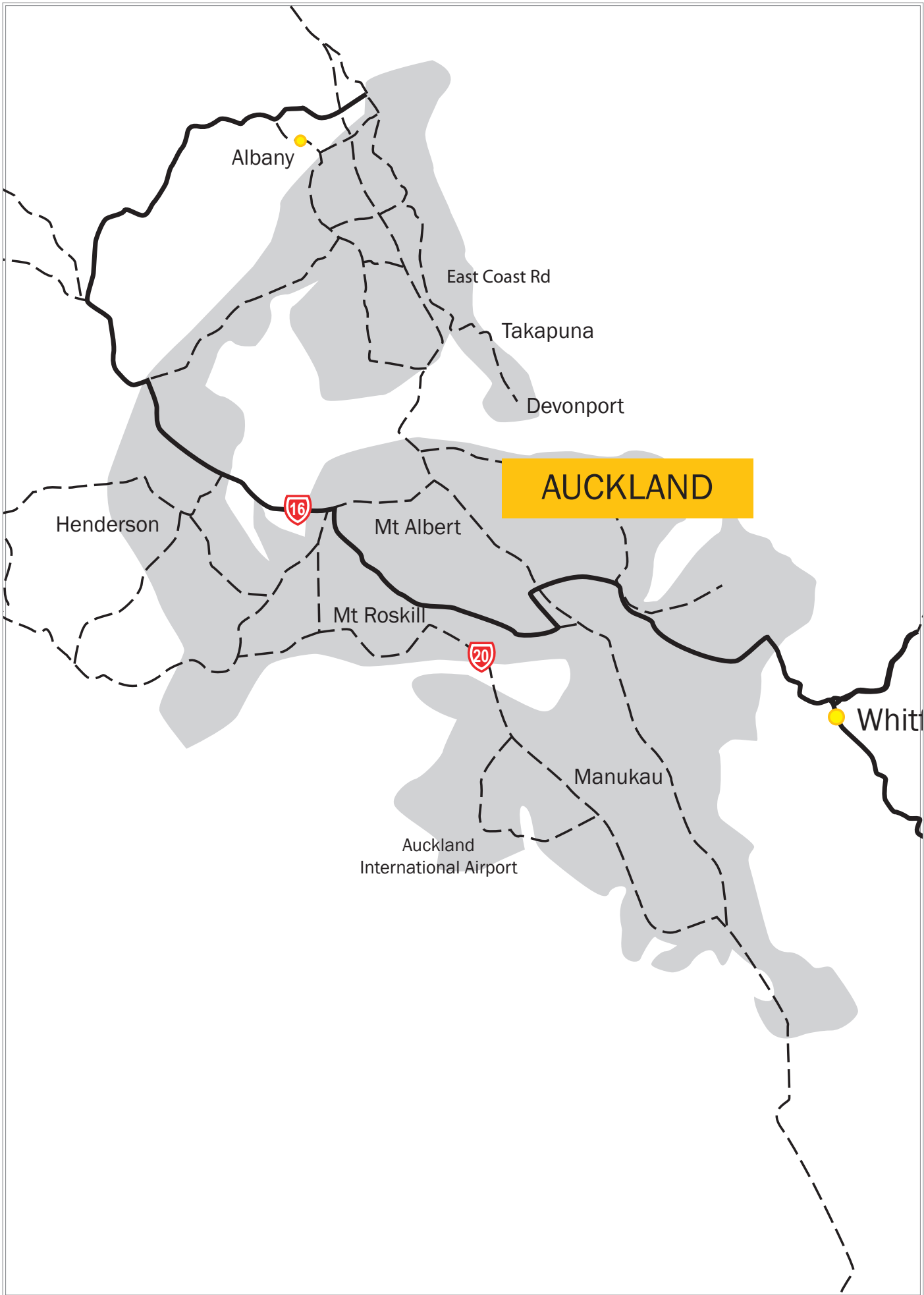
Move into Right Lane of Exit ramp and take 3rd Exit of Roundabout

Move into Left Lane of Exit Ramp to go Left at Give Way, keeping Caltex on your Left

Move into Right Lane to go Right at Lights (Station Rd)

Stay on Station Rd until Right into Fairfax Ave

Proceed into **AVVCC Clubrooms** on right at **39 Fairfax Ave**. The route is 28 kms or 18 miles



# Day 3

## North Shore to Cambridge via VCC Auckland Penrose Clubrooms

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### **OPTION 2: LONGER SCENIC ROUTE - NORTH SHORE CLUBROOMS TO AVVCC CLUBROOMS**

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RIGHT out of club grounds, then LEFT at Give way

LEFT at 2nd Roundabout into Oteha Valley Road

Move RIGHT (**WITH CARE**), then go 1st RIGHT into Fairview Avenue

LEFT at Tee into Lonely Track Road

Bear RIGHT onto Albany Heights Road (leaving Gills Road on Left)

Bear LEFT at Wright Rd (to stay on Albany Heights Road)

RIGHT at TEE (**WITH CARE**) onto main road (S/H 17)

1st LEFT (Coatesville Riverhead Highway – S/H 28)

Follow this road, passing through Coatesville and then Riverhead

2nd exit at roundabout

LEFT at STOP (**WITH CARE**) onto S/H 16

3rd exit at new roundabout

1st exit at next roundabout, & move RIGHT

At (3rd) set of lights you will cross over Motorway (**keep to Right lanes**)

RIGHT at next (4th) set of lights, onto Motorway to Auckland

After passing Western Springs, move to centre lane (2nd from Right)

Follow motorway route directions for **SOUTH (4C)**

After Greenlane and Tecoma St. take **Penrose** exit (**Exit 435**)

Keep RIGHT until crossing over Motorway, then move LEFT

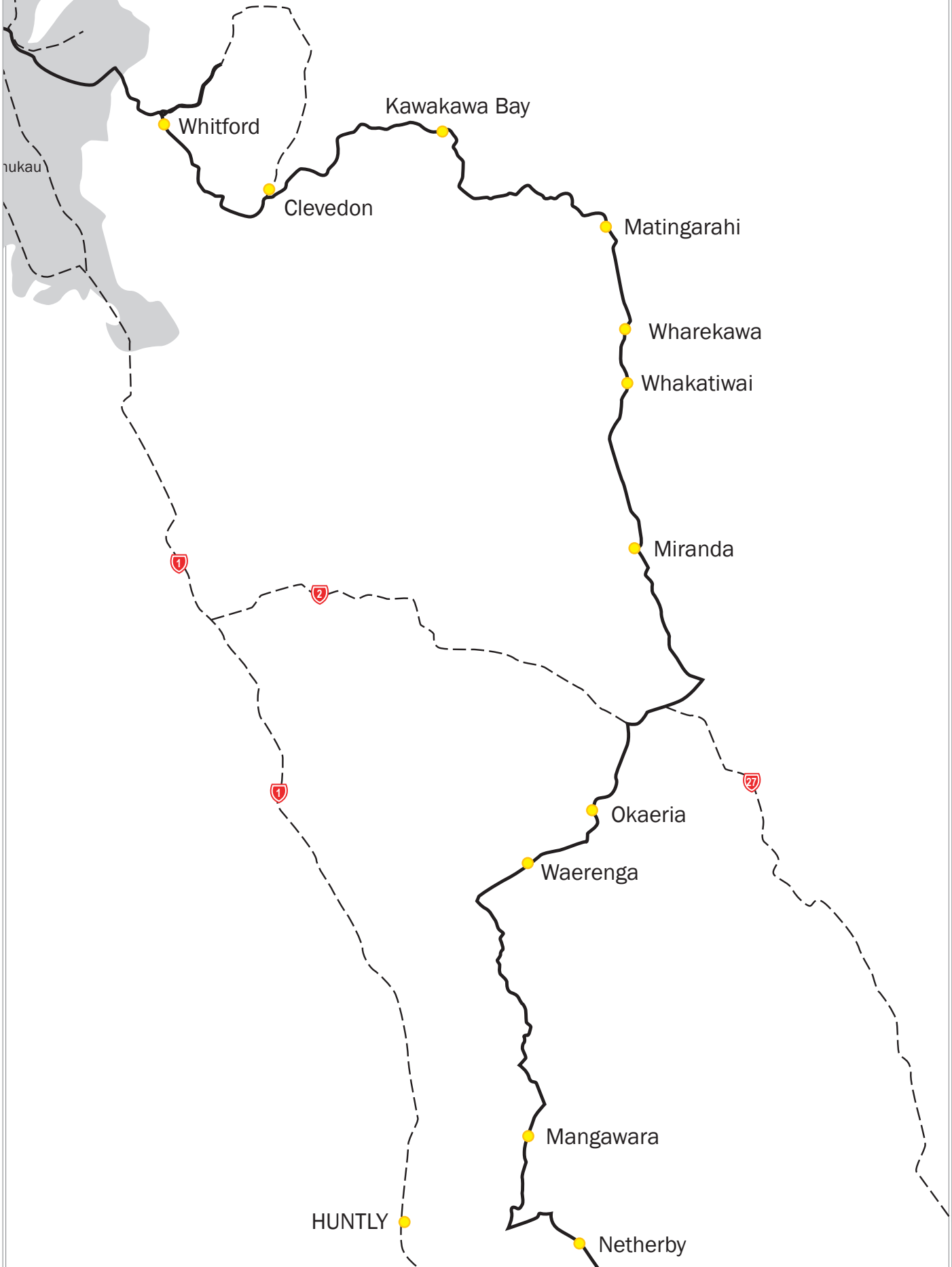
Keep LEFT, until LEFT onto Great South Road

RIGHT at Lights, then immediately RIGHT again into Walls Road

2nd LEFT into Fairfax Avenue

Proceed into **AVVCC Clubrooms** on left at **39 Fairfax Ave.**

**KLAND**



# Day 3

## VCC Auckland Penrose Clubrooms to Cambridge via Kaiaua

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*Kaiaua is renowned for its fish & chips!*

*Distance is approximately 57 miles. Petrol is available enroute along Ti Rakau Drive, Whitford, Clevedon (although you don't pass this petrol station), Kawakawa Bay and Kaiaua*

*All road signs in this section are shown in **bold** type and are as shown on the sign.*

From the AVVCC clubrooms, continue south (Left) along **FAIRFAX AVE** (Not shown at this point)

Left at **GIVE WAY** onto **STATION RD**

Right at traffic lights into **O'RORKE RD** (**MT SMART STADIUM** sign)

Left at traffic lights onto **CHURCH ST**

Follow **HOWICK PAKURANGA** sign (**Highway 10**) to cross over **GREAT SOUTH RD**

Avoid **MOTORWAY** and follow **Highway 10** until right at traffic lights onto **Ti Rakau Dr.** (**Highway 8**)

Follow **Ti Rakau Dr** until left at **Chapel Rd** (**Highway 5**), (approximately 7.0 miles from start)

Take third exit at round-about into **Whitford Rd** and follow this road until reaching **WHITFORD VILLAGE**

Ahead at round-about to follow **Whitford Maraetai Rd** (approximately 11.5 miles from start)

At next round-about take second exit to follow **Maraetai** sign

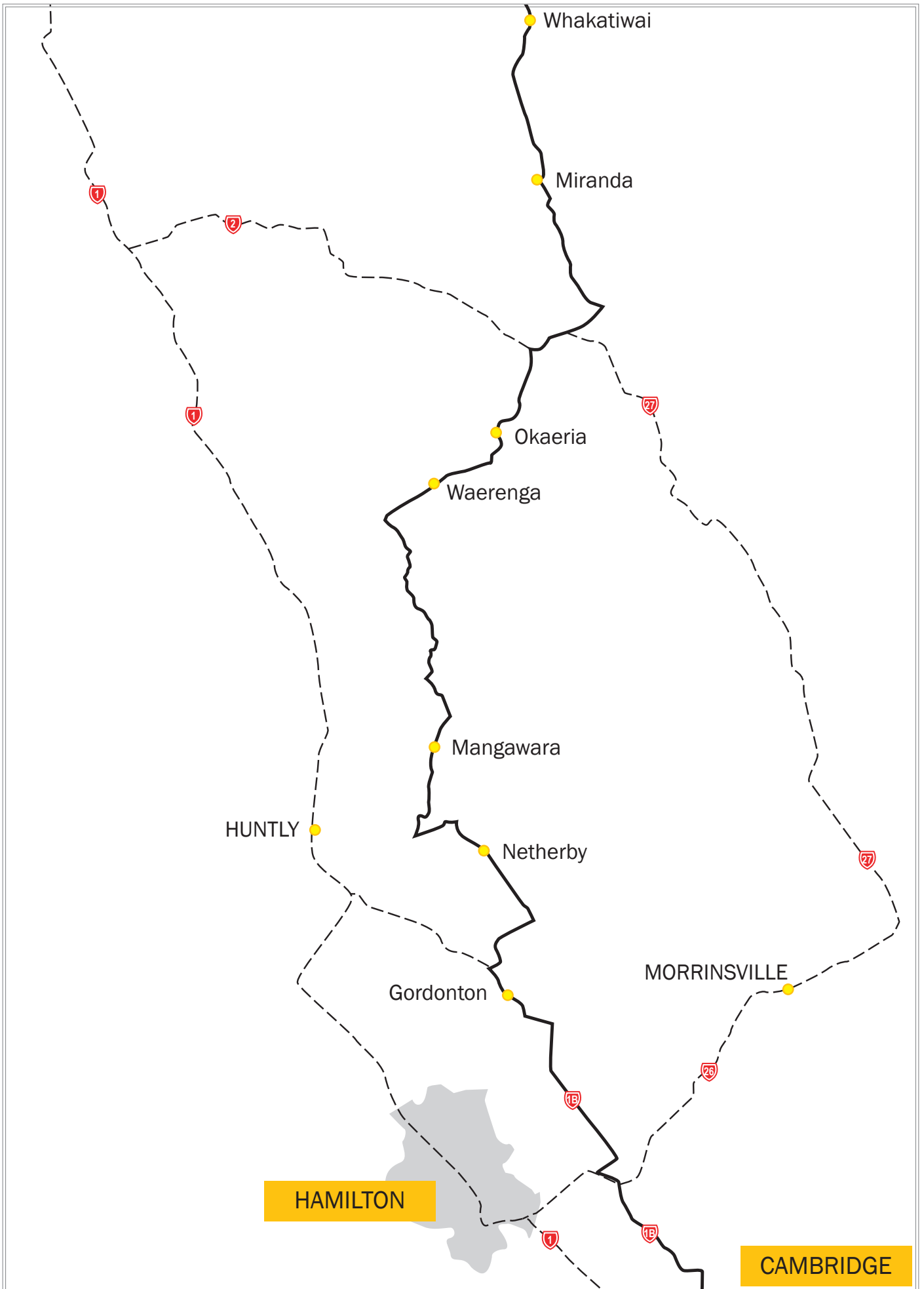
Avoid **Omana Regional Park**

Ahead at round-about to follow **Maraetai Dr**, travelling along the shoreline until right into **North Rd**

Take first exit at round-about to follow **Clevedon-Kawakawa Rd** (approximately 29 miles from start)

Avoid **Ness Valley**

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# Day 3

## VCC Auckland Penrose Clubrooms to Cambridge via Kaiaua

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Right at **Kawakawa Orere Rd**

Bear right into **Orere Matingarahi Rd**

Avoid **Tapapakanga Regional Park**

Leave **public convenience** on your left, cross **COUNTY BRIDGE**, then with *EXTREME CAUTION* proceed to **BAYVIEW HOTEL** carpark on **Right**.

*Kaiaua is renowned for its fish & chips, either at the Fish Shop or at the Hotel. There are also toilets and a picnic area here, so quite suitable as a lunch stop.*

*The distance to Cambridge is approx. 77 miles or 123 kms. Petrol supply is available at Kaiaua at Gasoline Alley (BP fuel card, city prices), but **no petrol** is available from here en-route until Cambridge.*

Right out of Bayview Hotel carpark and continue towards Miranda.

At Miranda, left into **Miranda Rd**

Right into **Back Miranda Rd**

Right at **STOP** onto **SH25** with caution (Pokeno 28kms)

Right at major intersection onto **SH2** with caution

Left into **Okaeria Rd** (Te Kauwhata 22 kms)

Right into **Waerenga Rd**

Left into **Waikare Rd** and pass Lake Waikare on your right side

Right at Junction (Ohinewai 9 kms)

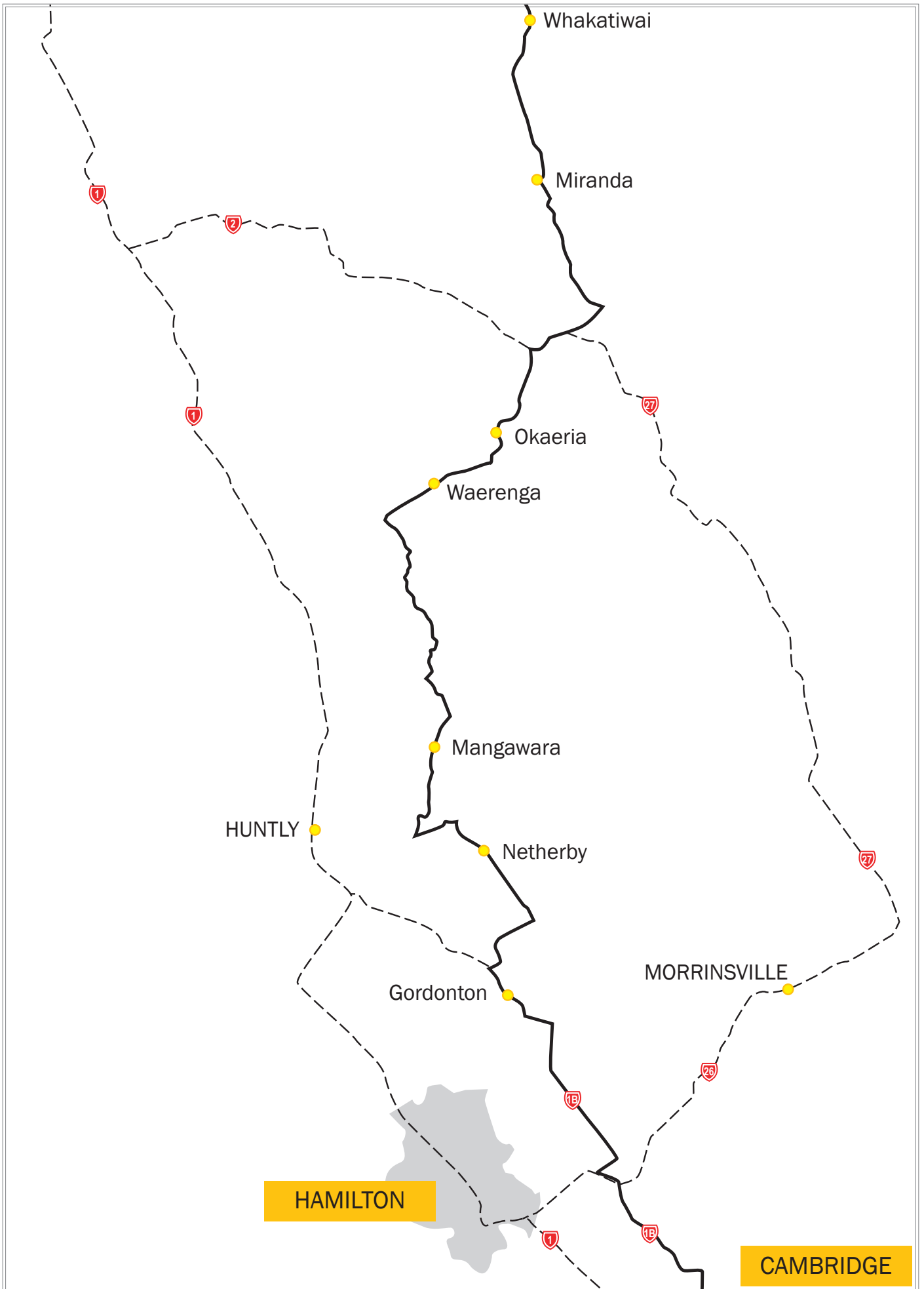
Left into **Tahuna Rd**

Right into **Rutherford Rd** (Taupiri 15 kms) - follow to junction with Orini Rd

Left into **Orini Rd**

Right into **Tenfoot Rd**

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# Day 3

## VCC Auckland Penrose Clubrooms to Cambridge via Kaiaua

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Right at **GIVE WAY** into **Whitikahu Rd**

Note Woodlands historic homestead, gardens and café on your left

Left onto **SH1B Hamilton**

Pass through Gordonton village

Left to follow **SH1B Cambridge** (Taylor Rd)

Right at Tee Junction to follow **Cambridge SH1B** (Puketaha)

Second left **Cambridge SH1B** (Telephone Rd)

Follow **Cambridge SH1B** through Railway X-ing, **STOP** and staggered X-rds

Left at **STOP** – **SH1B Cambridge** (also SH26)

Right at **Cambridge SH1B** (Hoeka Road)

Follow **Cambridge SH1B** through staggered X-rds (Marychurch Rd)

Left at **Cambridge SH1B** (Church Rd)

Right at Tee Junction to follow **Cambridge SH1B** (Cambridge 8 kms)

Leave Hautapu Dairy Factory on right – go left to follow **Cambridge SH1B**

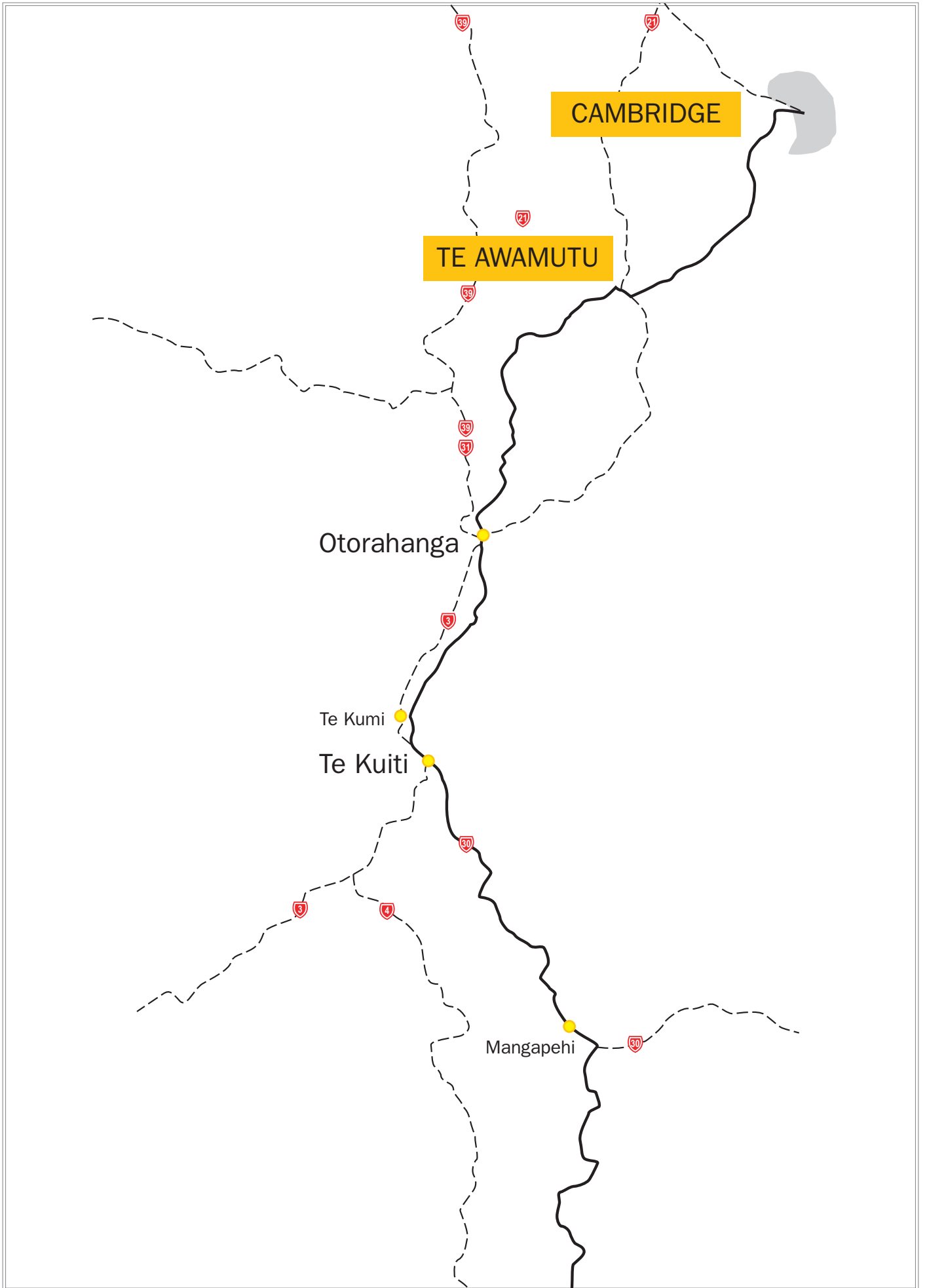
On entering Cambridge, after 50 km sign, left into **Taylor St**

Continue through three intersections until finally right into **McLean St**

Follow **McLean St** into No Exit cul-de-sac and proceed to VCC clubrooms

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## Day 4: Rest Day



# Day 5

## Cambridge to Wanganui

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*Option 1: Cambridge to Wanganui via Feilds Track and Whangaehu Valley Rd's 230 miles*

*Option 2: Cambridge to Wanganui via Parapara Rd SH4 213 miles*

*This route passes the towns of Te Awamutu, Otorohanga and Te Kuiti, all of which have cafes and various shops on, or very close to the actual route.*

*The distance to Te Kuiti is approx. 48 miles or 77 kms. Petrol supply is available at all three towns above, but no petrol is available after Te Kuiti, until Taumarunui.*

*There is a **3.0M HEIGHT, 2.1M WIDTH and 3000 KGS GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RESTRICTION on Victoria Bridge in Cambridge. OVERHEIGHT/WIDTH/WEIGHT VEHICLES MUST take the slightly longer ALTERNATIVE ROUTE shown below, to rejoin at Pope Terrace.***

Leave Waikato Clubrooms and continue Straight On in **MacLean St**

Follow Left into **Taylor St**

At Fourth cross roads, Left into **Victoria St**

Straight On at **STOP** onto **SH1** with caution

### **ALTERNATIVE ROUTE**

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Left at Round-a-bout to follow **SH1** (Rotorua)

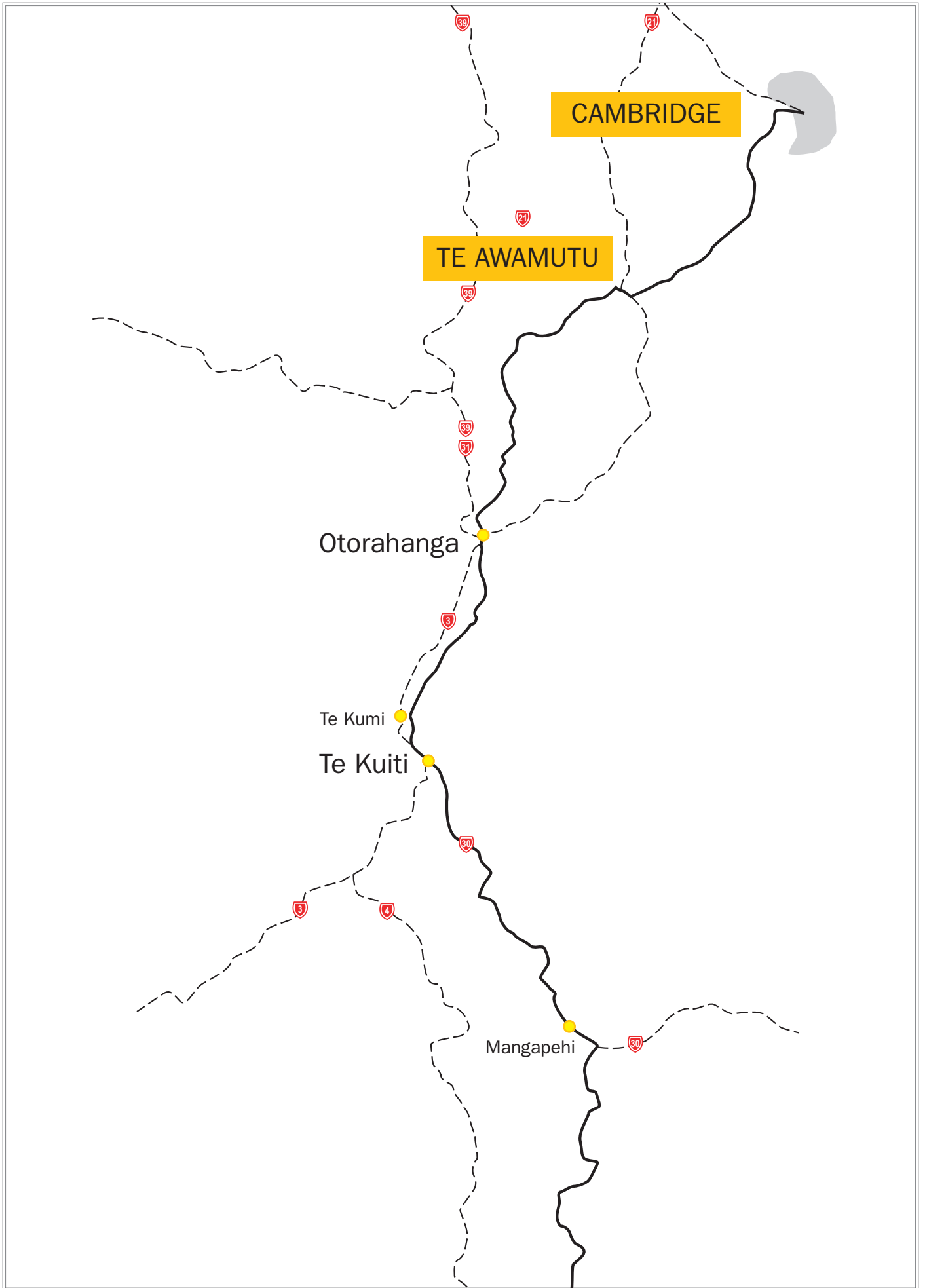
Follow **SH1** right and left to cross creek Bridge

Turn Right to cross river Bridge (Te Awamutu)

Right at Round-a-bout into **Cook St** (Waitomo)

Straight On at Round-a-bout into **Pope Tce**

Return to main route instructions - see **3.8 mls**



# Day 5

## Cambridge to Wanganui

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Straight On at Three Round-a-bouts, to proceed through Town Centre

Cross Victoria Bridge

*This is the oldest braced arch bridge in the Southern Hemisphere. It was designed and fabricated in the U.S.A by the American Bridge Company of New York and shipped to New Zealand as a 330 ton kitset. The bridge is 38.4m above normal river level and is 88.4m long. It also has a Historic Places Trust Category 1 Registration. The final cost was 13,000 pounds and was opened on December 21st 1907.*

Right at Round-a-bout into **Pope Tce** (Te Awamutu)

Straight On at Round-a-bout into **Cambridge Rd** (Te Awamutu 20km)

Continue on Cambridge Rd towards Te Awamutu

15.4 mls Bear Left into **Golf Rd** (Otorohanga – Waitomo)

Right at Stop onto **SH3** with caution

Second Left into **Bridgman Rd**

Right at **GIVE WAY** to stay on **Bridgman Rd**

Left into **Puniu Rd** – becomes **Pokuru Rd**

Continue onto **Ouruwhero Rd** (Otorohanga 11kms)

Proceed on into **Kakamutu Rd**

Right at **GIVE WAY** (Waitomo Caves)

Proceed through Otorohanga town

Cross Over Waipa River Bridge

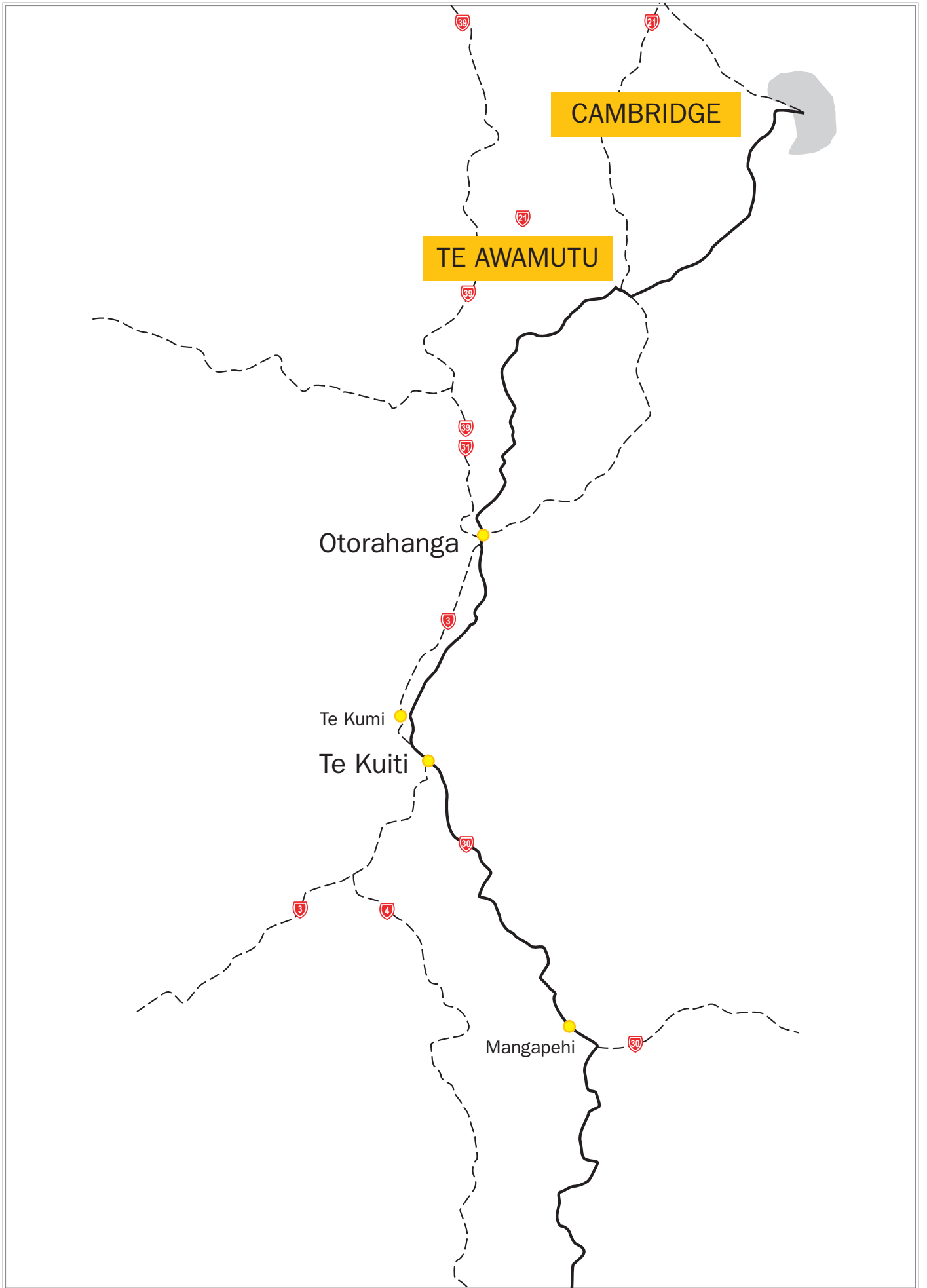
Bear left into **Otewa Rd** directly after crossing bridge.

Right into **Old Te Kuiti Rd**

Left into **Mangarino Rd** (Te Kuiti 10 kms)

Follow Mangarino Rd towards Te Kuiti

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Left at **GIVE WAY** (Jennings St)

Right into **King St East** (pass under 1939-45 War Memorial Arch)

Straight On at roundabout

Left at Clock Tower (Rora St)

Pass through the shopping centre and Ahead onto SH30 Rotorua

Last **FUEL, FOOD and TOILETS** until Taumarunui If you Require fuel Right onto SH3 and BP is just over the railway lines

Bear Left to stay on SH30 Taupo after crossing Mokau Bridge

After crossing the Kopaki Railway Overbridge Left to stay on SH30 Taupo / Rotorua

At Railway Crossing Ignore Barker Rd

*After the railway level crossing you are at the remains of Mangapehi village. The old Railway Station is on your right and a little further along Mill Rd is on your right. At the end of Mill Rd and just over the railway lines there are some remains of a large native timber sawmill operated by Ellis and Burnand. Further along on your left is the Mangapehi School and Pa.*

Right into **Waimiha Rd** (Waimiha 14 kms)

Cross over Railway Lines on the brow of a rise **WITH CARE**.

Continue on Waimiha Rd. After passing the cemetery on your left You are going over the railway tunnel as you climb the hill.

Veer Right, Ignoring Tapuwae Rd. on your Left, onto Poro – O – Tarao Rd.

Continue on this road to pass through Waimiha. Waimiha School on your left (Vacant)

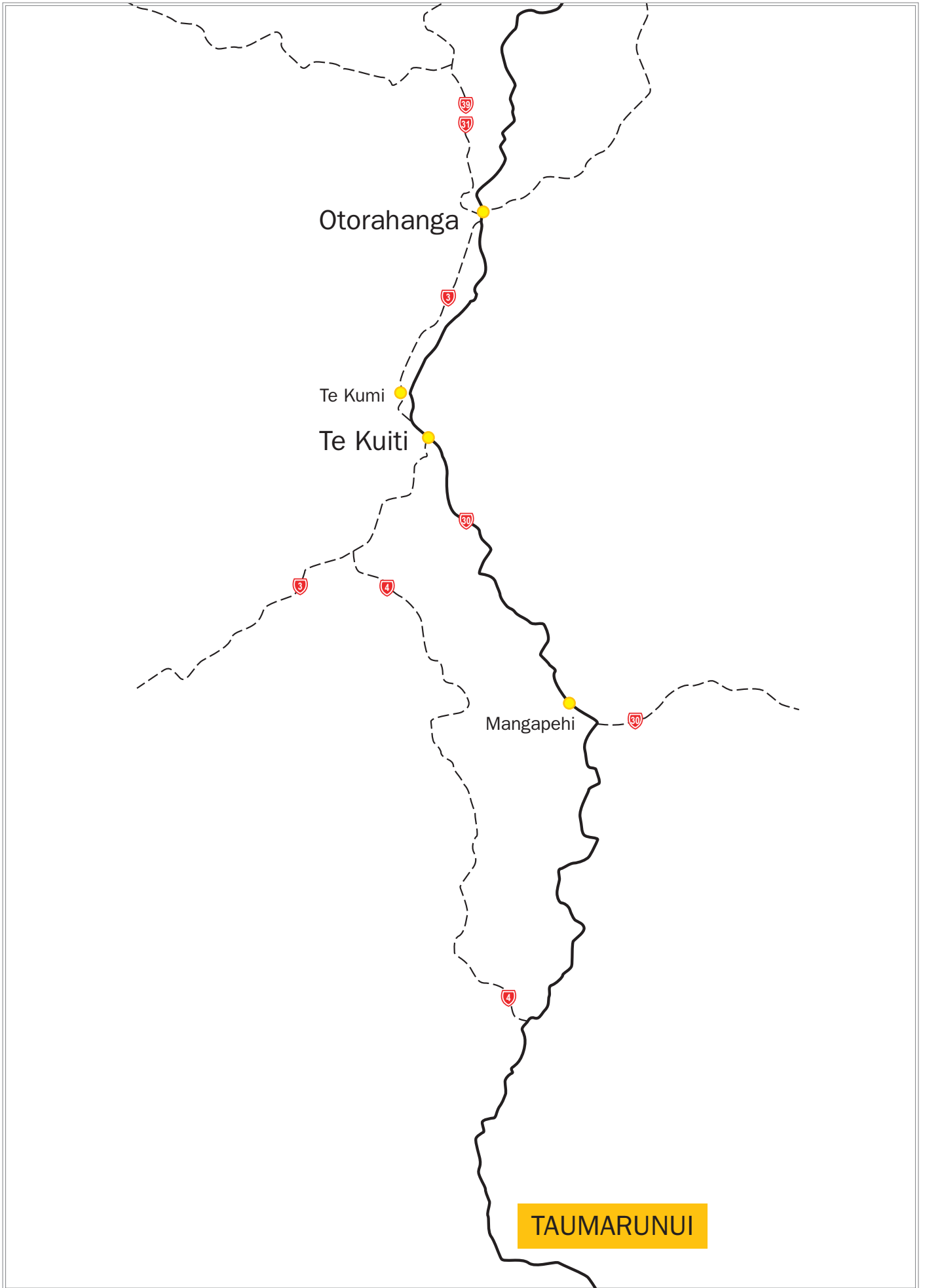
Cross the Railway Lines with **EXTREME CARE**

Remain on Waimiha Rd Ignoring Takiri Rd. on your Right

Left into Ongarue Village Rd. (Refuse Station on Right)

Cross the Railway Lines with **EXTREME CARE**

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Right into Taupo Rd. to Ngakonui - Ongarue Rd.

Cross bridge

Veer Right into Ongarue Back Rd. and **BEWARE OF LOGGING TRUCKS**

Observe SH4 to your right across the river

Veer Left to pass under combined Road and Rail Bridge

Okahukura Continue on Ongarue Back Rd. on sealed road

Cross over Railway Lines and a Bridge

1st exit off Roundabout into Taringamotu Rd.

Continue on Taringamotu Rd which becomes Taumarunui – Ngapuke Rd.

King Country Branch Clubrooms on your Right at number 176 Taumarunui – Ngapuke Rd

Left out of Clubrooms onto Taumarunui –Ngapuke Rd

1st Exit off Roundabout into Golf Rd.

Pass the Golf Course on your Left

2nd Exit off Roundabout to stay on Golf Rd.

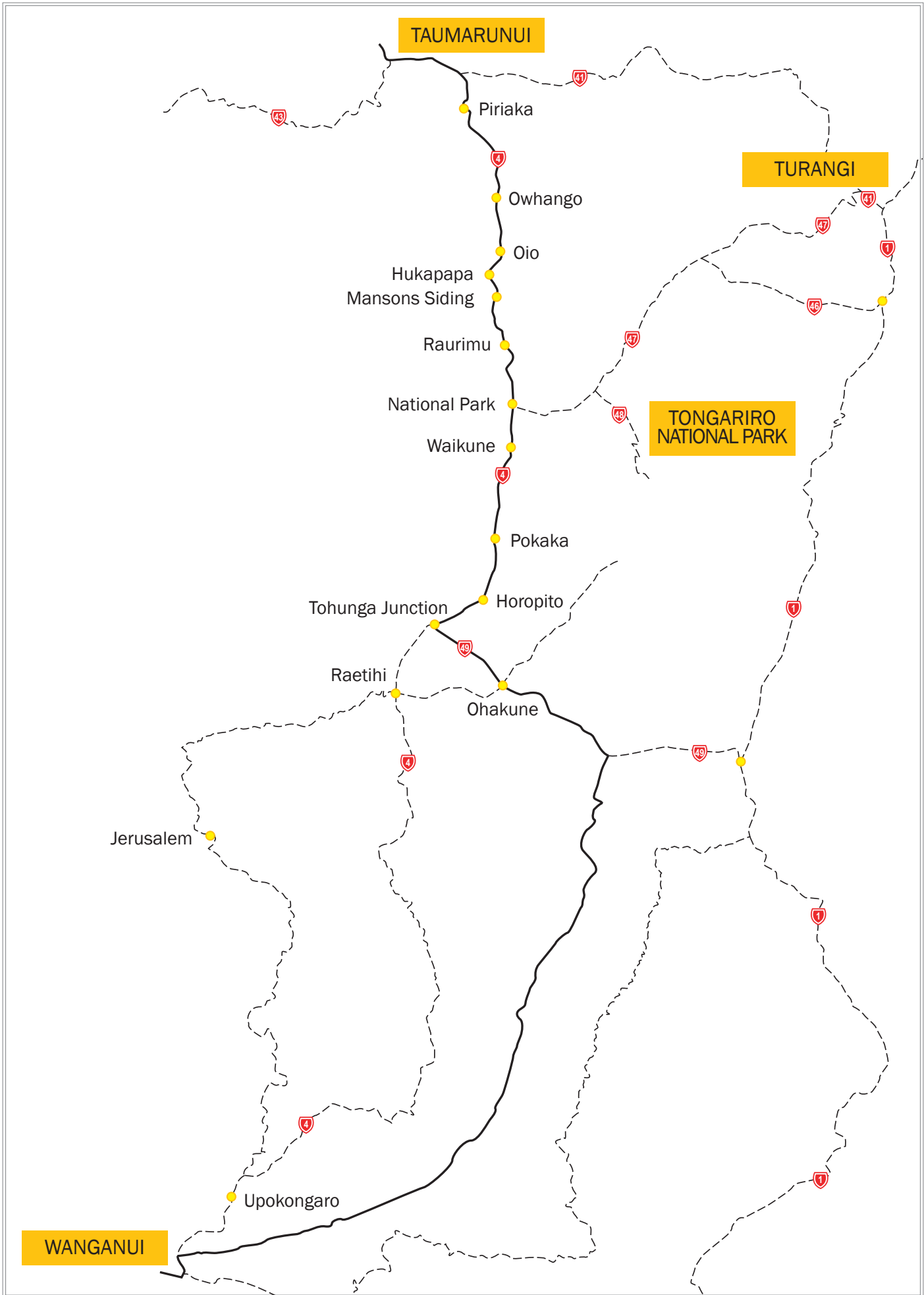
Bear Right onto Short St. to pass under the Railway Bridge

Bear Left at Giveway onto Hakiaha St. SH4

Leave Taumarunui following SH4 to follow Wanganui/National Park

At Manunui Straight Ahead to stay on SH4 Wanganui

*On your left is the Whanganui River. As the road starts to move away from the river note the Piriaka Power Station. The water for this comes from a weir in the river (not a dam) which diverts only a portion of the water though an open canal to the penstocks to the power house. The station was commissioned in 1924.*



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Pass through Owhango staying on SH4 to Raurimu

At Raurimu on your left is the Model of the NIMT Spiral Railway. Also note the Dinosaur on the Right.

At National Park ahead on SH4 Wanganui Note the 80Kmh speed limit a favourite haunt for the law

Pass through Erua and travel down through the Maktote River Gorge and pass under the Makatote NIMT Viaduct

*Opened in 1908 this the 3rd highest rail viaduct in New Zealand at 78.6 m high and 262 m in length.*

*Located in the first Rest Area on the left (After passing under the viaduct) is the Last Spike Memorial that commemorates the driving of the last rail spike in 1908 thus completing the Auckland -Wellington rail link. The spike was driven by the then Prime Minister Joseph Ward.*

**Horopito** Observe Horopito Motors (Smash Palace) and Museum on your left

Left at S/Highway 49 Ohakune /Waiouru

### **OPTION 1: OHAKUNE TO WANGANUI VIA FIELDS TRACK AND WHANGAEHU VALLEY ROADS - DISTANCE 77 MILES**

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#### **At Ohakune**

Pass through Ohakune staying on Highway 49

#### **LAST FUEL, FOOD AND TOILETS until Wanganui**

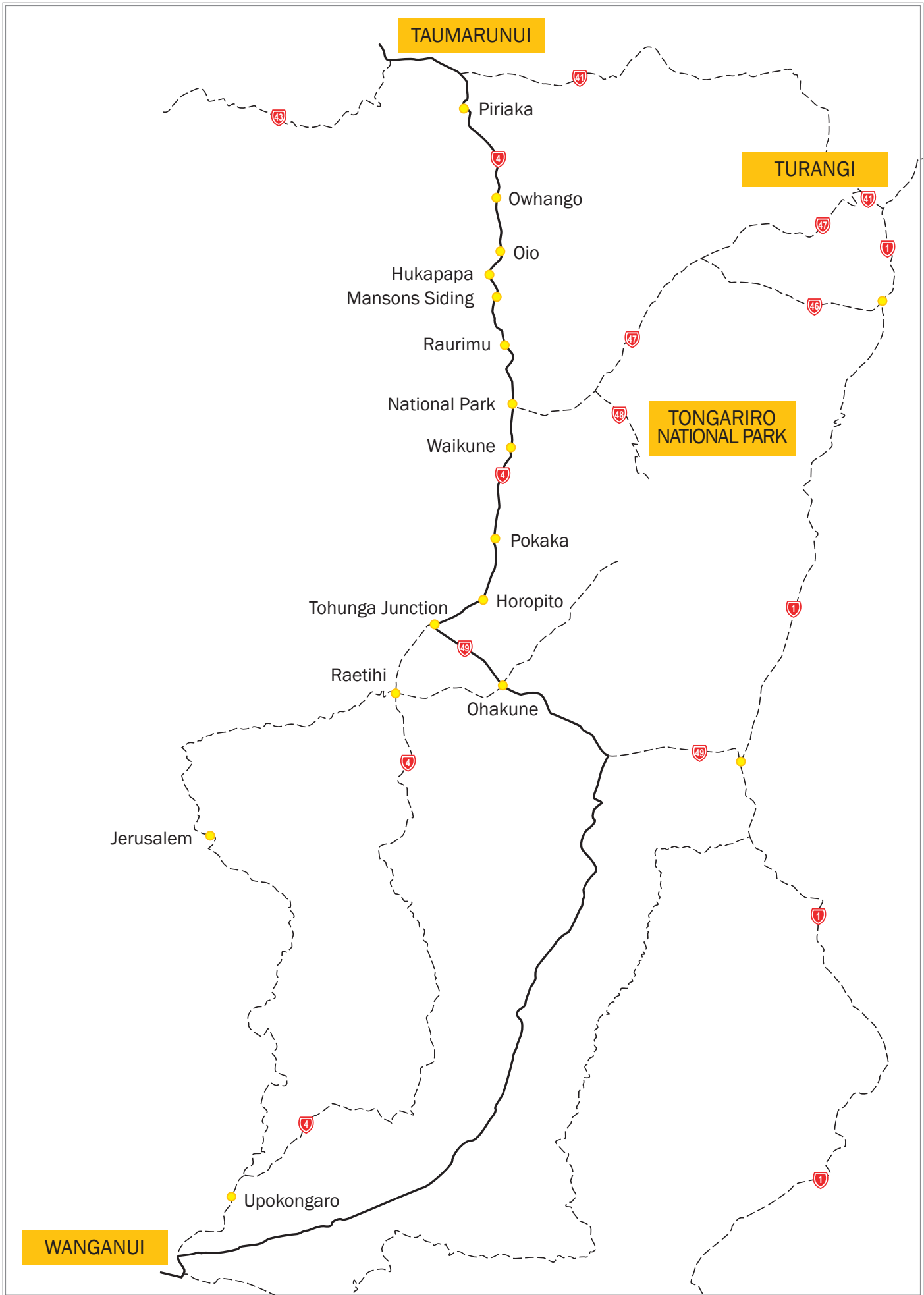
At approximately 6.75 miles (11 Km.) from Ohakune , Right at Wanganui via Feilds Track

Bear Left into Whangaehu Valley Rd. leaving Oruakukuru Rd on your Right

Ignore Ngamokai Rd. and Stay on Whangaehu Valley Rd. until

Bear Left to stay on Whangaehu ValleyRd. Leaving Fields Track on your Right

When **PASSING** Kowhai St on your right (Kowhai St. crosses a swing bridge) you are at what used to be the settlement of Mangamahu



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Follow Fordell and Wanganui Signs. The road name changes to Mangamahu Rd.

Note: Mangamahu Church on your Left

After crossing second swing bridge Right at Tee Kauangaroa Rd. Wanganui 28 Km.

Stay on Kauangaroa Rd. until Right at the Fordell Hotel (Station Road)

Station Road becomes Matarawa Valley Rd.

Bear Right to stay on Matarawa Valley Rd. leaving Matarawa Hill Rd. on your Left

Right at Okoia Rd

After Crossing Railway Lines Bear Left

Left to No 3 Line

After 50 Km. sign move into the Right Hand turning lane (on a Left Hand Bend) to follow No.3 Line which becomes Eastown Rd.

Follow Eastown Rd. keeping the Railway Lines on your Left until.

Left at Tee (Give Way) to pass under the Railway Bridge (This is Anzac Parade SH4 but there is no sign)

Right at Roundabout to cross the Dublin St bridge

Left at the next Roundabout onto Somme Parade

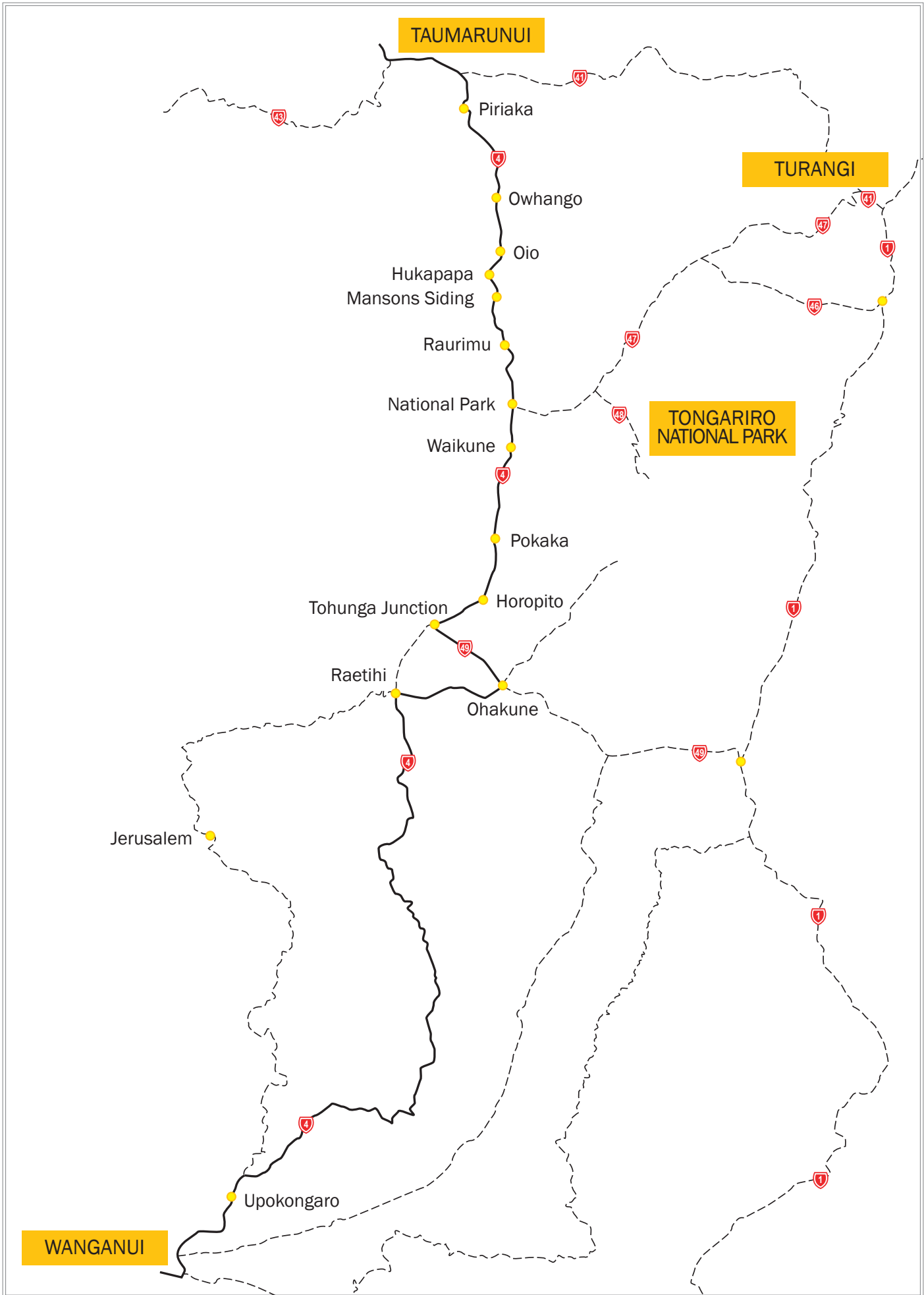
Stay on Somme Parade keeping the Wanganui River on your Left and you will come to a CONTROLLED AREA .

At the CONTROLLED AREA please follow directions to the "WELCOME AREA"

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### **OPTION 2: OHAKUNE TO WANGANUI VIA PARAPARA RD - DISTANCE 67.5 MILES**

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#### **At Ohakune**

Right at BP to Raetihi and Wanganui

Left at Give Way to follow Wanganui SH4

#### **Last Fuel and Toilets until Wanganui**

Stay on SH4 until entering Wanganui

SH4 becomes Anzac Parade

Right at Roundabout to cross the Dublin St bridge

Left at next Roundabout onto Somme Parade

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