

HIGHWAY DISTRICTS

For administration purposes it was found necessary during the year to alter the boundaries of Highway Districts Nos. 2, 6, and 9, and the alterations also involved increasing the number of highway districts by two, now making a total of twenty highway districts.

The new boundaries are as follows :—

HIGHWAY DISTRICT No. 2A

All that area comprised within the counties of Rodney, Waitemata, Manukau, and Franklin, and the boroughs of New Lynn, Henderson, Helensville, Birkenhead, Northcote, Newmarket, Ellerslie, Manurewa, Papakura, Pukekohe, and Papatoetoe, and the town districts (not forming part of a county) of Warkworth, Glen Eden, Howick, Tuakau, and Waiuku, and the road districts of Mount Wellington, Panmure, and Ostend.

HIGHWAYS DISTRICT No. 2B

All that area comprised within the counties of Raglan, Waikato, Piako, Waipa, Matamata, Otorohanga, Hauraki Plains, Coromandel, Thames, Ohinemuri, Kawhia, and Waitomo, and the boroughs of Huntly, Cambridge, Ngaruawahia, Te Awamutu, Te Aroha, Morrinsville, Matamata, Paeroa, Thames, Waihi, and Te Kuiti, and the town districts (not forming part of a county) of Leamington, Putaruru, and Otorohanga.

HIGHWAY DISTRICT No. 6

All that area comprised within the counties of Taumarunui, Ohura, and Kaitieke, and the Borough of Taumarunui, and the town districts (not forming part of a county) Manunui and Ohura.

HIGHWAY DISTRICT No. 9A

All that area comprised within the counties of Kairanga, Kiwitea, Manawatu, Oroua, and Pohangina, and the boroughs of Foxton and Feilding.

HIGHWAY DISTRICT No. 9B

All that area comprised within the counties of Horowhenua, Hutt, and Makara, and the boroughs of Shannon, Levin, Otaki, Upper Hutt, Eastbourne, and the Town District (not forming part of a county) of Johnsonville.

PROGRESS REPORT

The following statement shows the more important works carried out under the control of the Board during the year :—

WHANGAREI DISTRICT

Maintenance

A heavy programme of work was carried out under this heading, particularly on State highways. Arrears brought about by abnormal weather conditions in 1945-46 and 1946-47 have been overtaken and running surfaces generally are now in good order.

Resealing completed totalled 27½ miles, and it is expected that a further 15 miles will be carried out before the season closes.

Thirty-one State highways bridges were repaired, some of the work being of a fairly extensive nature.