

**AGENDA AND SUPPORTING PAPERS  
FOR COUNCIL'S MAY MEETINGS**

**TO BE HELD IN THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL  
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH**

**TUESDAY, 13 MAY 2008**

**The programme for the day is:**

**10.30 a.m.: Resource Management Committee Meeting**

**On completion of RMC Meeting: Council Meeting**

# **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

## **THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the **RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE** will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Paroa, Greymouth on  
**Tuesday, 13 May 2008**

P. EWEN  
CHAIRPERSON

S. MORAN  
Planning and Environmental Manager  
C. DALL  
Consents and Compliance Manager

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## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

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### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2008 AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.31 A.M.**

#### **PRESENT:**

P. Ewen (Chairman), R. Scarlett, D. Davidson, B. Chinn, A. Robb, T. Archer, A. Birchfield, T. Scott, R. Barber (arrived 10.40)

#### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

C. Ingle (Chief Executive Officer), S. Moran (Planning & Environmental Manager), C. Dall (Consents & Compliance Manager), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media

#### **1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

#### **2. MINUTES**

**Moved** (Davidson / Archer) that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 11 March 2008, be confirmed as correct.

*Carried*

#### **Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising relating to the minutes. Cr Davidson raised a question at the March meeting regarding the Waiho Bridge. He stated that around eight years ago concern was raised regarding flooding and earthquakes in the Franz Josef area and the effects on roading. S. Moran advised that he has talked to Transit regarding this and Transit are not looking at moving the road but are considering moving the bank and widening the road. S. Moran advised that survey work and flood analysis work will be done shortly which will give an indication as to where the flood levels are on the existing banks.

#### **3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported that he oversaw recent tender openings for river works.

The Chairman and C. Ingle attended a meeting with Hon. Trevor Mallard and Hon. Damien O'Connor to discuss local issues. He attended a LTCCP seminar in Christchurch which he stated was very worthwhile and informative. Representatives from Westland District Council were in attendance.

The Chairman and Cr Davidson attended the open session for Councillors at the New Zealand Planners Institute conference, held at Shantytown. The Chairman met with four Otago University students. They are doing a thesis on Lake Brunner and transport issues that relate to the West Coast.

The Chairman reported that a representative from the local fishing industry contacted him to express his concern regarding the marine reserve proposal. The Chairman spoke of the effect this could have on industry on the west coast including fishing both commercial and recreational, oil prospecting and inshore mining. He expressed his concern that 10% of the country being in this reserve.

Cr Archer stated that he is unsure of the current status of the work that is being carried out regarding marine reserves. S. Moran confirmed that a meeting is being held today. Our representative is ex Cr Denis Shannahan. R. Barber reported that he has just come from this meeting and a recommendation to Ministers will come out of it. He spoke of the importance of community buy in with this matter, as enforcement is difficult.

**Moved** (Ewen / Archer) that the Council receive this report.

*Carried*

## 5. REPORTS

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### 5.1. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP

#### 5.1.1 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

S. Moran spoke to his report noting that the Wetlands Hearing has been adjourned and the panel is about to seek further information from DoC. Once a response has been received the hearing will be reconvened.

S. Moran advised that staff are currently working on a submission for the New Zealand Coastal Policy statement and that the closing date for submissions is the 7<sup>th</sup> of May. One of the largest issues is around restricted coastal activities.

S. Moran reported that the Proposed National Environmental Standard on Environmental Flows has been released. MfE have indicated that the two key effects will be an interim set of limits and provision of a process for appropriate technical methods for evaluating ecological flows. A draft submission will be provided to Councillors.

S. Moran advised that Cr Archer would attend the Southern Region Civil Defence Emergency Management forum in Invercargill on the 17<sup>th</sup> of April. The West Coast Controllers Forum will be held here on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April. S. Moran stated that this is an opportunity for controllers to get together to discuss what is happening in the districts and to pick up tips on recent events.

S. Moran advised that a report is being drafted on the Fuel Storage Study. He stated that the response from the survey was good but there was no response at all from the request via the Rates Newsletter.

S. Moran reported that the Road Safety Co-ordinator has resigned. A meeting with representatives from LTNZ and the four local authorities was held last week. This project will continue once a new Co-ordinator is found.

S. Moran advised that the Glacier Walking and Cycling Project was discussed at the recent Regional Land Transport Committee meeting. This has now been given provisional go ahead with R Funding.

S. Moran advised that a response has been received from Transit NZ regarding the progression of works at McKendries Corner. A solution is still awaited.

S. Moran advised that there was one flood event recorded on the Grey River during the reporting period which triggered the first warning.

S. Moran reported that three representatives from West Coast high schools would attend the Sir Peter Blake Youth Environmental Forum.

S. Moran advised that the Campervan Dumpsites pamphlet is being updated with new sites. This will be distributed to operators shortly. T. Scott voiced his concern with toilet units in campervans. He stated he feels they should be locked and only unlocked at dumpsites. Cr Archer spoke of meetings he had attended regarding this matter and advised that this issue is becoming too hard and very expensive to administer. S. Moran advised that this matter is currently being discussed at national level and that Mayor Pugh is on the national group.

**Moved** (Robb / Davidson) that Council receive this report.

*Carried*

#### 5.1.2 PUBLIC NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED COASTAL PLAN CHANGE 2

S. Moran spoke to this report noting that it has been previously discussed at a councillor workshop. The Chairman stated that this is a measure that is part of Council's endeavours to be accommodating when needs arise and blockages occur that cause adverse effects. R. Barber asked if additional permissions are required from DoC. S. Moran confirmed that there would not be as these works are minor. R. Barber asked if permission would be needed to cross other people's land, he stated that he feared illegal activities might occur. Cr Scarlett stated that this does not give people permission to cross other people's land. Cr Archer advised that this is no different to any other consent issue by the council but you would need the landowners consent to activate it. Cr Ewen reiterated that this an authorisation but an accommodating measure to alleviate a problem that arises during an emergency situation. T. Scott voiced his concern as to who is likely to make the decision on whether condition 1 has been met. Cr Archer provided an example of an outlet being blocked during massive seas that were compromising pasture which seawater was on. He advised that this rule would enable the landowner to reopen the passage and drain the water before damage to the pasture occurred. All Councillors were in agreement with this. R. Barber

expressed his concern with permitted activities being open to abuse. He confirmed he was happy with the process.

**Moved** (Archer / Chinn)

*That the Council approve the Proposed Coastal Plan Change 2 for public notification, in accordance with Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act.*

*R. Barber and T. Scott – Against  
Carried*

## **5.2 CONSENTS AND COMPLIANCE GROUP**

### **5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT**

C. Dall spoke to this report stating it was a standard month in the Consents area. He updated Council on the issue of the appeal in relating to the decision to grant West Sand Company Ltd consent for a trial sand removal operation. C. Dall reported that the parties appear willing to mediate a resolution. This will be arranged in the near future.

C. Dall reported that the public notification of consents lodged by Meridan Energy for the proposed Mokinui Hydro Power Scheme has occurred. He advised that the submission period ends on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of April and a number of submissions have already been received.

**Moved** (Scarlett / Birchfield) that the April 2008 report of the Consents Group be received.

*Carried*

### **5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

C. Dall spoke to this report. He advised that two new Compliance Officers have been appointed. The Blaketown Beach Gravel extraction is approximately 1/3 of the way through its licence which is consistent with being a 1/3 of the way through the year.

C. Dall advised there have been no non compliance issues with the Globe Progress Mine during the reporting period. The good weather has contributed to this.

A discharge relating to the Hokitika Dairy Factory occurred during the reporting period. The company stopped the discharge until the problem was resolved. The discharge did not result in any non-compliance.

C. Dall reported that a number of complaints were received in relation to an odour at Whataroa.

T. Scott asked what this odour is in relation to. C. Dall confirmed that it is from a dairy shed.

The Chairman asked C. Dall for further information regarding a contractor being formally warned in relation to alleged non-compliant gravel extraction. C. Dall advised that the contractor was sent a letter stating that if this continued he would be fined.

**Moved** (Archer / Davidson) that the April 2008 report of the Compliance Group be received.

*Carried*

## **6. GENERAL BUSINESS**

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.22 am

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Chairman

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Date

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

For: Resource Management Committee  
Prepared by: S. Moran – Planning & Environmental Manager  
Date: 29 April 2008

Subject: **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

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**PLANNING**Coastal Plan Change 2

The proposed change to the Coastal Plan to add a permitted rule for clearing blocked river and creek mouths in the coastal marine area, and delete a method, was publicly notified for submissions on 10 April. The closing date for submissions is 9 May.

Proposed New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2008

Staff drafted a submission that was circulated to Councillors for comment. The closing date for submissions is 7 May. A copy of the final submission will be tabled at the meeting.

Waste Minimisation

The Waste Working Groups application to the Sustainable Management Fund for funding for a part-time Waste Minimisation Education Officer was partly successful. MFE has approved funding for one year instead of the three years sought by the Group.

**TRANSPORT**West Coast Walking and Cycling Strategy

Consultation has started on the West Coast Walking and Cycling Strategy. The Strategy aims to identify the level of walking and cycling already happening in the region, as well as establish the issues and future needs for increasing walking and cycling activity. This is being undertaken by Kirsty Barr on behalf of the Regional Land Transport Committee's Cycling Steering Committee.

The Strategy will be an overarching framework from which councils, agencies and others can develop specific actions and targets. In addition this will assist future funding applications to improve walking and cycling across the region. The consultation period ends 30 May 2008.

**CIVIL DEFENCE AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**Training

Chris Pullen and Doug Truman attended the Controllers training held in Wellington 9-11 April. This was facilitated by the Ministry of Civil Defence And Emergency Management (MCDEM) and had a wide range of Group and Local Controllers throughout the country attending.

### West Coast Controllers Forum

Ten Controllers from throughout the West Coast attended the Controllers Forum on the 24<sup>th</sup> of April. The Forum provided further opportunities for Controllers to network with their peers and test their skills on a number of tasks in the afternoon, including declarations, prioritising resources, media briefings, and working through expenditure claim scenarios.

### Test of the National Warning System

The MCDEM tested the National Warning System on the 29<sup>th</sup> of April for the first time in 2008, following the redevelopment of the system in December 2007. All three district councils received the warning and the Emergency Management Officer responded on behalf of the Group within the required timeframe.

### CDEM Meetings

The Welfare Advisory Group, Coordinating Executive Group, and Engineering Lifelines Group will all be meeting during May. Outcomes of the meetings will be presented in the next Council Papers.

## **RESOURCE SCIENCE**

### Recruitment Successful

We have a new staff member Emma Chaney joining us on the 19<sup>th</sup> of May as a Resource Science technician. She has a background in biological science.

### Hydrology/Flood warning

There have been no flood events for the period.

### Water Quality

Dr John Clayton from NIWA visited recently to discuss options for macrophyte (aquatic plant) monitoring in Lake Brunner. The method promoted by NIWA is known as Lake SPI (Lake Submerged Plant Indicator) and is a useful tool for both assessment and monitoring of lake ecological condition and therefore it can assist with understanding changes in water quality.

NIWA have conducted LakeSPI surveys of many West Coast lakes in the past, including Lake Brunner which was last surveyed in 2002. The overall score for Brunner has remained stable since 1982, however, it is apparent that the invasive component of the SPI score has increased, caused possibly by increased lake nutrients. We are looking at more macrophyte surveys of Lake Brunner in the coming year.

### Contact Recreation Sampling: Summer 2007 -2008

As part of the Council's annual water quality sampling, 21 representative contact recreation sites are tested, once a month over the summer period, for levels of faecal coliform bacteria. The table below shows results of this sampling.

Overall, the results for this summer have shown low levels of faecal coliforms for the majority of our sites and that there was an improvement from last years sampling round. This indicates that, in general, most of our monitored sites are safe for contact recreation activities. Sampling will resume in November 2008.



Site	November 2007	December 2007	January 2008	February 2008	March 2008
Buller River @ Marrs Beach	☺	☺	☺	☺	☹
Buller River @ Shingle Beach	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Orowaiti Lagoon @ Picnic Area	☺	☺	☺	☺	☹
Rapahoe Beach @ Statham St	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Seven Mile Creek @ SH6 Rapahoe	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Nelson Creek @ Swimming Hole Reserve	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Grey River @ Taylorville Swimming Hole	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Cobden Beach @ Bright St West end	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Blaketown Beach @ South Tiphead	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Blaketown Lagoon @ Slipway Beach	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Arnold River @ Blairs Rd No. 2 Bridge	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Arnold River @ Kotuku Fishing Access	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Crooked River @ Te Kinga	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Lake Brunner @ Cashmere Bay	☺	☺	☺	☺	☹
Lake Brunner @ Iveagh Bay	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Lake Brunner @ Moana	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Hokitika Beach @ Hokitika	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Kaniere River @ Kaniere Kokatahi Rd	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Lake Kaniere @ Hans Bay Boat Ramp	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Lake Kaniere @ Hans Bay Jetty	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺
Lake Kaniere @ Sunny Bight	☺	☺	☺	☺	☺

**Key:**

- ☹ **Moderate to High Risk** >550 *E.coli* / 100ml or >280 *Enterococci* / 100ml
- ☺ **Low Risk** 260-550 *E.coli* / 100ml or 140-280 *Enterococci* / 100ml
- ☺ **Very Low Risk** <260 *E.coli* / 100ml or <140 *Enterococci*

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That this report is received.*

Simon Moran  
Planning and Environmental Manager

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee  
 Prepared by: Colin Dall - Consents & Compliance Manager  
 Date: 1 May 2008

**Subject: CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT****CONSENTS****Consents Site Visits from 27 March to 28 April 2008**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY, NAME &amp; LOCATION</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>
3/4/08	Pubic Enquiry – Onsite sewage discharge, Reese, Gold Nugget Road	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
3/4/08	PA08014 – Onsite sewage discharge, Whittaker Ventures Ltd, Nelson Creek Road	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
4/4/08	PA08015 – Onsite sewage discharge, Longview Farms, SH7 Ahaura	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
4/4/08	Pubic Enquiry, Onsite sewage discharge, Moynihan, Ahaura	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
9/4/08	RC08056 – Forestry operation, Forest Management Ltd, Saltwater Creek, Marsden-Boddytown Road	To investigate the site and assist the applicant with the status and processing pathway for the consent for its forestry operation.
14/4/08	Mahitahi Roopu Meeting, Franz Josef	Iwi liaison.
17/4/08	RC08060 – Onsite sewage discharge, Collins, Coast Road Punakaiki	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
21/4/08	RC08052 – Gold mining operation, Diamond Gully Mining Ltd, Cockabulla Creek, Marsden	To investigate the site and to advise the applicant on consent requirements.
23/4/08	Pubic Enquiry – Onsite sewage discharge, Milestone Homes, Barrytown	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

**Non-Notified Resource Consents Granted From 27 March to 28 April 2008**

<b>CONSENT NO. &amp; HOLDER</b>	<b>TYPE AND PURPOSE OF CONSENT</b>
RC06122 Evans Creek Trust	To disturb the bed of the Wanganui River for the purpose of constructing and maintaining rock protection works.  To divert water as a result of the placement of rock protection works in the Wanganui River.  To extract gravel from the Wanganui River and Evans Creek for the purpose of constructing a rock protection wall.
RC07195 J Dunbier	To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining activities at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.  To undertake vegetation clearance associated with alluvial gold

	mining activities at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.
	To disturb the bed of ephemeral water bodies within MP50125 at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross associated with their diversion.
	To take surface water within MP50125 for alluvial gold mining activities at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.
	To divert ephemeral water bodies within MP50125 at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.
	To discharge sediment laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter water at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.
	To discharge sediment laden water from alluvial gold mining settling ponds to water within MP50125 at Sailors Gully ("Mont d'Or"), Ross.
RC07216 Logburn Farms	To undertake land disturbance associated with the humping and hollowing of farmland adjacent to the Big River.
	To undertake earthworks associated with the diversion of an unnamed tributary of the Big River.
	To discharge water containing sediment to land associated with humping and hollowing in circumstances where it may enter Big River and its tributaries.
	To divert an unnamed tributary of Big River associated with land development activities.
RC07244 Solid Energy NZ Ltd	To undertake wet bed disturbance of Herbert Stream associated with the diversion structure associated with the installation of a water treatment system.
	To dam water within the Herbert Stream sub-catchment associated with a water treatment system.
	To discharge water to Herbert Stream from a water treatment system.
	To divert water within Herbert Stream for the purposes of water treatment.
RC08011 Potae & van der Poel	To discharge contaminants (cow faecal material and sediment) to water during stock crossings of Vickers Creek and an unnamed tributary of the Whataroa River.
RC08016 M Pugh	To disturb the dry bed of the New River within the Coastal Marine Area for the purpose of removing gravel.
RC08022 C & S Alexander	To discharge treated sewage from a cafe at Lake Matheson.
RC08029 Drake & Sweeney	To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining activities adjacent to Mossy Creek.
	To take surface water from Mossy Creek for alluvial gold mining activities.
	To take ground water for alluvial gold mining activities adjacent to Mossy Creek.
	To discharge sediment laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter Mossy Creek.
RC08038 Fulton Hogan Greymouth	To disturb the dry bed of the Grey River at Beynons Beach for the purpose of removing gravel.
	To disturb the dry bed of the Grey River at Omoto for the purpose of removing gravel.
RC08041	To discharge treated domestic sewage effluent to land at Hans

P & C Harford	Bay, Lake Kaniere, via an effluent disposal system.
RC08042 Lake Brunner Station	To disturb the dry bed of the Eastern Hohonu River for the purpose of removing gravel.
RC08049 Animal Health Board	To authorise the aerial discharge of 1080 (sodium monofluoroacetate) possum control cereal baits or carrot baits (at a rate of up to 5kg per hectare), both containing between 0.08% and 0.15% weight/weight of 1080, to approximately 9,761 hectares of land in the "Kaiata Possum Control" area.
RC08050 McBride Family Trust	To discharge dairy effluent to land where it may enter water at Whataroa.
RC08053 Landcorp Farming	To disturb the bed and banks of "Weka E Creek", a tributary of Deep Creek, for the purpose of creating a creek diversion.  To permanently divert water from "Weka E Creek", a tributary of Deep Creek.

#### Changes to Resource Consents Granted During the Reporting Period

<b>CONSENT NO. &amp; HOLDER</b>	<b>TYPE AND PURPOSE OF CONSENT</b>
RC05208 Landcorp Farming Weka Creek	To cancel condition relating to land disturbance within a minimum riparian buffer of 2 metres from the waterbody named "Weka E" to allow a diversion.
RC07054 Sueters Creek Mining Souters & Nelson Creeks	To change condition relating to location and buffer margins.
RC07132 OnTrack Arahura River	To change conditions relating to removal of equipment and materials from the contractor's area for a flood event and an increase in the amount of gravel that may be deposited to form the guide banks for the new bridge.

#### Limited Notified and Publicly Notified Resource Consents Granted During the Reporting Period

No limited notified or publicly notified consents were granted during the reporting period.

#### Notified Consents Update

The submission period for Meridian Energy Limited's consent applications for its proposed Mokihinui Hydroelectricity Power Scheme ended on Wednesday 23 April 2008. As at 28 April 2008, the West Coast Regional Council had received 250 submissions, and the Buller District Council had received 167 submissions, from a total of 267 submitters.

The West Coast Regional Council and Buller District Council have requested the Minister for the Environment to "call in" the consent applications because there is little doubt that the decision on the applications will be appealed to the Environment Court and so the Councils will be faced with defending their decision and, therefore, significant costs that they will not be able to recover from the process. The Councils had not received a response from the Minister at the time of writing this report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That the May 2008 report of the Consents Group be received.*

Colin Dall  
Consents & Compliance Manager

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee  
 Prepared by: Colin Dall - Consents & Compliance Manager and  
 Michael Meehan Compliance Team Leader  
 Date: 1 May 2008

Subject: **COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

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Site Visits

A total of 49 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

Activity	Number of Visits	Fully Compliant (%)
Resource consent monitoring	1	100
Dairy shed inspections	18	72
Complaint response	7	100
Mining compliance & bond release	23	83

Specific Issues

- **Blaketown Beach & Karoro Beach Gravel Extraction – Westroads:** No gravel extracted during the reporting period (as at 23 April 2008).
- **Globe Progress Mine – Oceana Gold:** No non-compliances were recorded during the reporting period.
- **Hokitika Dairy Factory – Westland Milk Products:** No non-compliances were recorded during the reporting period.
- **Solid Energy Consent and Licence Monitoring:** Compliance staff carried out the following visits to Solid Energy sites:
 

- Stockton Opencast Mine	1
- Ngakawau Coal Handling Facility	1
- Terrace Mine	1
- Spring Creek Underground Mine	2
- Rapahoe Coal Handling Facility	2
- Rocky Creek Coal Handling Facility	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>

Stockton Opencast Mine

The results from the March and April water quality sampling rounds showed that discharges were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

Due to the consistent compliance with discharge limits and the progress made with water management at the mine site the frequency of compliance visits has been reduced from fortnightly to monthly. It is important to note also that the Council now receives water quality sampling results on a daily basis for 6 sites around the site and, therefore, is able to "keep a close eye" on the water quality in between site visits.

Ngakawau Coal Handling Facility & Terrace Mine

The results from the March and April water quality sampling rounds showed that discharges were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

The results from the March water quality sampling rounds for these sites showed that their discharges were within compliance limits at the time of sampling. The results from the April sampling rounds had not been received at the time of writing this report.

#### Strongman mine

Works were undertaken to open an old portal at the mine site between 18 and 23 April as part of the new fire management strategy.

### **Complaints Received Between 28 March 2008 and 1 May 2008**

There were 18 complaints being received during the reporting period. A summary of these is as follows:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Number of Complaints</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Action/ Outcome</b>
Earthworks	1	Drain clearance	Hokitika	Compliant
Discharge to Water	1	Dirty water	Carton Creek	Under investigation
Mining	1	Rehabilitation works	Reefton	Compliant
Discharge to Water	1	Gold fossicking	Waimea Creek	Under investigation
Discharge to Water	1	Coal Fines discharge to water	Terrace	Under investigation
Earthworks	1	General earthworks	Greymouth	Compliant
Earthworks	1	Dirty water	Fishermans Creek	Formal warning
Vegetation clearance	1	Vegetation clearance	Karamea	Compliant
Dust complaint	1	Earthworks causing dust	Reefton	Compliant
Earthworks	4	Dirty water	Kawhaka Creek	Compliant
Dairy	1	Effluent discharge	Kowhitirangi	Further investigation
Gravel take	1	Location of gravel take a concern	Ngakawau	Further investigation
Rock work	1	Alleged illegal rock work in river	Taramakau	Further investigation
Discharge to water	1	Dirty water	Waimea Creek	Further investigation
Offal Pit	1	Offal pit too close to river	Kokatahi	Land owner required to mitigate

#### Enforcement

The following abatement notices were issued during the reporting period:

<b>Notice</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
Abatement	Discharge to land where it may enter water	Kowhitirangi
Abatement	Discharge to land where it may enter water	Kowhitirangi
Abatement	Discharge to water	Woodstock
Abatement	Discharge to land where it may enter water	Haupiri
Abatement	Discharge to land where it may enter water	Nelson Creek

Work Programmes

The Council received the following 3 mining work programmes over the reporting period, all of which were approved by the end of the reporting period:

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mining Authorisation</b>	<b>Holder</b>	<b>Location</b>
1/4/08	RC01287	Cooper (Blacktopp)	Duffers Creek
3/4/08	RC02260	G Kirkland	Notown
1/5/08	RC03181	S L Jasper	Marsden

Bonds Received

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mining Authorisation</b>	<b>Holder</b>	<b>Location</b>
28/3/08	RC07219	Barry Foster Contracting	Kapitea Creek
30/4/08	RC03181	S L Jasper	Marsden

Bond Releases

The following bonds are recommended for release:

<b>Mining Authorisation</b>	<b>Holder</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
RC97014	Cascade Coal Pty Ltd	Cascade	\$40,000
RC97038	V Hawker	Baxters Creek	\$12,000
RC00084	V Hawker	Moonlight Creek	\$40,000

The release of the bond for RC97014 has been sought so that it can be replaced by another bond.

Compliance staff have been liaising with the affected landowners pertaining to Resource Consents RC97038 and RC00084 and all rehabilitation requirements for the mining sites covered by them have been met.

**OIL SPILL RESPONSE**

No spills were reported in the reporting period.

**RECOMMENDATION**

1. *That the May 2008 report of the Compliance Group be received.*
2. *That the Council approves the release of the bond for Resource Consents RC97014, RC97038 and RC00084.*

Colin Dall  
**Consents & Compliance Manager**

# **COUNCIL MEETING**



## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that an **ORDINARY MEETING** of the West Coast Regional Council will be held in the Offices of the West Coast Regional Council, 388 Main South Road, Greymouth on **Tuesday, 13 May 2008** commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting.

A.R. SCARLETT  
CHAIRPERSON

C. INGLE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 8 APRIL 2008,  
AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD,  
GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 11.23 A.M.****PRESENT:**

R. Scarlett (Chairman), P. Ewen, B. Chinn, D. Davidson, A. Robb, T. Archer, A. Birchfield

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

C. Ingle (Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), C. Dall (Consents and Compliance Manager), S. Moran (Planning and Environmental Manager), C. Pullen (Vector Programme Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media

**1. APOLOGIES:**

There were no apologies

**2. PUBLIC FORUM**

There was no presentation.

**3. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Moved** (Davidson / Robb) that the minutes of the Council Meeting 11 March 2008 be confirmed as correct.

*Carried*

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

R. Mallinson requested that two late items regarding the Adoption of the Draft Annual Plan and the Quarry Pricing Structure be available for Councillor consultation.

**Moved** (Archer / Ewen) that the late items as requested by R. Mallinson be formally added to the agenda for the April Council meeting.

*Carried*

**REPORTS:****4.1 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON ENGINEERING OPERATIONS**

S. Moran took his report as read but drew attention to the table of total for rock movement stating that this is incorrect. The correct figure for rock used is 5060 and for rock in quarry the correct figure is 16,438.

Cr Chinn queried whether the tender to be let for the future works at the Wanganui quarry would be based on the new or old rock price. S. Moran advised that this rock is from the stockpile on the riverbank therefore it would be at the old price.

The second (tabled) report recommended new rock prices to take effect after 1 July 2008.

Quarry	Rock Price per tonne	Rubble Price per tonne
<b>Karamea (Miedema's)</b>	<b>\$6.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Blackball</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Kiwi</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Inchbonnie</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Camelback</b>	<b>\$10.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Wanganui</b>	<b>\$12.50</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
<b>Wanganui Stockpile</b>	<b>\$16.00</b>	-
<b>Whataroa</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>\$2.00</b>
<b>Okuru</b>	<b>\$11.00</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>
<b>Decorative Stone</b>	<b>\$18.00 per tonne</b>	

**Moved** (Archer / Birchfield) that the reports be received and the rock prices be set as indicated above.

*Carried*

#### 4.2 VECTOR PROGRAMME MANAGER'S REPORT

C. Pullen spoke to his report. He advised that all contracts for 2007 / 2008 have been awarded and are presently being undertaken. There have been no failures to date. C. Pullen advised that 95% of the programme should be complete by the end of the financial year. He advised that the good weather has helped with both aerial and ground control programmes. The planning for the 2008 / 2009 vector programme is progressing well.

**Moved** (Robb / Birchfield) that this report be received.

*Carried*

#### 4.3 CORPORATE SERVICE MANAGER'S REPORT

R. Mallinson spoke to this report. He advised that the results are similar to those reported at the March meeting. He spoke of various highlights in this report including the value of the investment portfolio declined by a further \$24,000. R. Mallinson commented that it is encouraging to see overseas markets now starting to rise during April. He spoke of the continuing positive budget variances amounting to \$174,000. He advised that the second rate installment date is the 20<sup>th</sup> of April.

R. Mallinson was congratulated on being awarded the Society of Local Government Managers Overseas Manager Exchange to the USA.

**Moved** (Ewen / Archer) that this report be received.

*Carried*

##### 4.3.1 EIGHT MONTH REVIEW OF 2007 / 2008 ANNUAL PLAN

R. Mallinson spoke to this report and took it as read. Cr Archer passed on his compliments to staff on a good result. C. Ingle stated that by having these reports enables management to track progress. Cr Birchfield commented that it is pleasing to see resource consents being processed so promptly and that Council is performing well.

**Moved** (Archer / Birchfield) that this report be received.

*Carried*

#### 4.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT

C. Ingle spoke to his report and advised that he has met with consultants working for EECA (Energy Efficiency Conservation Authority). This was to discuss preparation of a strategy for the development of renewable energy sources for the West Coast. C. Ingle likened this to a stocktake of the opportunities for renewable energy for the future. It is hoped that when this

when this project is complete the information will be used by energy companies to look at the best options for them.

C. Ingle advised that he met with Keith Brodie from Minerals West Coast to discuss the minerals resource assessment for the region. Mr Brodie is talking with Development West Coast to get funding to further this matter. This will allow an overview as to where these resources are and to make sure that inappropriate planning impediments are not put in the way of developing these resources.

C. Ingle met with the CEO of Westland District Council. Local topics were discussed to ensure that both councils are heading in the same direction with these matters.

C. Ingle accompanied Cr Ewen to meet with Hon. Trevor Mallard in Hokitika to discuss local issues.

C. Ingle attended the Transit Hearing in Hokitika relating to Transit's 10 year draft plan where he complimented them on the Arahura Bridge development. C. Ingle advised that this is one of Transit's major projects in New Zealand and that the West Coast is doing well in the transport area by lobbying Transit to get these projects on the national books. He advised that there is a strategy being developed for passing opportunities on the West Coast.

C. Ingle reported that Transit is merging the LTNZ very shortly.

C. Ingle reported that council's IT Strategy that has been developed. This was a very useful process to gain a longterm overview as to what Council's needs are for the future.

**Moved** (Robb / Birchfield) *that this report be received.*

*Carried*

**5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT (VERBAL)**

The Chairman reported that he attended a "Relationships with the Chief Executive" Forum in Wellington in March. He stated that the forum was for all Mayors and Chairs. This was a very useful and well attended forum.

**Moved** (Scarlett / Archer) *that this report be received.*

*Carried*

**LATE ITEM**

**ADOPTION OF DRAFT ANNUAL PLAN 2008/09 FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION**

**Moved** (Birchfield / Archer)

1. *That Council adopt the Draft Annual Plan for public consultation.*
2. *That submissions from the public be received up till 5.00 pm Friday 16 May 2008.*
3. *That Council hold public hearings on Friday 23 May 2008 commencing at 10.30 a.m.*
4. *That the Annual Plan be confirmed by Council, following consideration of public submissions, at the Council meeting on Tuesday 10 June.*

**6.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.47 a.m

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Chairman

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Date

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 13 May 2008  
Prepared by: W. Moen & G. Trenwith – River & Drainage Section  
Date: 21 April 2008

Subject: **PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S REPORT ON  
ENGINEERING OPERATIONS**

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**1. RIVER AND DRAINAGE INSPECTIONS**

- Quarry development visits for Camelback, Blackball, Kiwi, & Inchbonnie
- Coulson Road – Inundation Potential
- Cobden – Inundation Potential
- Punakaiki – Maintenance Works
- Franz Josef - Lower Waiho – Emergency works
- Inchbonnie – Special Meeting – Stopbank Raising

**2. WORKS**

- a) Coal Creek Rating District – Contract R 2008 / 6 - Flood Damage  
This contract has been let to G.H. Foster Contracting Ltd at a cost of \$29,250.00 (G.S.T. Exclusive)  
This work involves the placing of 1,500 tonnes of rock as bank protection.
- b) Punakaiki Rating District – Contract R 2008 / 3 - Maintenance  
This contract has been let to MBD Contracting Ltd at an estimated cost of \$12,100.00 (G.S.T. Exclusive)  
This work involves the placing of approximately 400 tonnes of rubble and 100 tonnes of rock ex Council's Kiwi Quarry.
- c) Lower Waiho Rating District – Emergency Works.  
This work has been carried out by Arnold Contracting Ltd.  
Final costs are not yet available.  
The work involved the moving of approximately 720 tonnes of stockpiled rock to a "washed out" area of stopbank.
- d) Lower Waiho Rating District – Flood Damage and Stockpile Replenishment.  
This contract has been let to Henry Adams Contracting Ltd. at a cost of \$48,160.00 (G.S.T. Exclusive)  
This work involves the extension of the lower retard by 1,000 tonnes of rock and the reinstatement of 2 depleted stockpiles with 720 tonnes of rock.

**3. FUTURE WORKS**

- Wanganui Rating District – Stockpile Replenishing and Quarry Cleanout
- Karamea Rating District – Flood Damage
- Matainui Creek Rating District – Channel Cleanout

**ROCK MOVEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD 1 MARCH TO 31 MARCH 2008**

<b>QUARRY</b>	<b>ROCK IN QUARRY @ 29/02/08</b>	<b>ROCK USED</b>	<b>ROCK QUARRIED</b>	<b>ROCK IN QUARRY @ 31/03/08</b>
<b>Blackball</b>	100	0	0	100
<b>Camelback</b>	50	0	0	50
<b>Inchbonnie</b>	10040	0	0	10040
<b>Kiwi</b>	700	0	0	700
<b>Miedema</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Okuru</b>	1840	0	0	1840
<b>Taramakau</b>	0	0	0	0
<b>Wanganui</b>	60	0	0	60
<b>Wanganui Stockpile</b>	3648	0	0	3648
<b>Whataroa</b>	680	0	0	680
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>17118</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17118</b>

**WORK PERMITTED SINCE 1 MARCH 2008**

<b>QUARRY</b>	<b>CONTRACTOR</b>	<b>TONNAGE REQUESTED</b>	<b>PERMIT START</b>	<b>PERMIT FINISH</b>
<b>Kiwi</b>	MBD Contracting	100	10/4/08	18/4/08
<b>Camelback</b>	Henry Adams	100	11/4/08	18/4/08
<b>Inchbonnie</b>	MBD Contracting	500	18/4/08	9/5/08
<b>Kiwi</b>	GH Foster	1500	23/4/08	7/5/08

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That the report is received.*

Simon Moran  
Planning and Environmental Manager

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Council Meeting – May 2008  
 Prepared by: Chris Pullen  
 Date: 30 April 2008

Subject: **VECTOR PROGRAMME MANAGER'S REPORT**

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### 1.0 Contracts awarded

#### Control

Nil

#### Monitoring

Nil

### 2.0 Operations completed

The following Vector Control results have been confirmed this report period.

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	DB RTC	DB LM	BP RTC	BP LM	F RTC	F LM	NOTES
Upper Grey	Block 2	Pelton Contracting	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	%0.3333	1	Pass
Whataroa - Waitangi	Block 2	Deane Shute Contracting	%2.7273	3	%1.0487	3	%0.0000	0	<b>%1.1994</b>
Grey Valley West	Block 1	John Hughes	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	Pass
Rotomanu	Block 3	Vector Control Services (VCS)	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	Pass
Rotomanu	Block 4	Vector Control Services (VCS)	%0.0000	0	%0.6667	1	%0.0000	0	Pass
Upper Grey	Block 1	Pelton Contracting	%0.9259	2	%4.1952	3	%0.0000	0	<b>%1.4567</b>
Whataroa - Waitangi	Block 3	Deane Shute Contracting	%2.2222	4	%2.6743	2	%0.0000	0	<b>%1.5414</b>
Upper Grey	Block 1	Pelton Contracting	%0.0000	0	%0.5556	2	%0.0000	0	Pass
Upper Grey	Block 3	Pelton Contracting	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	Pass
Hari Hari	Block 2	Hunta Services Ltd.	%0.9091	2	%0.8889	2	%0.0000	0	Pass
Bell Hill	Block 1	Vector Control Services (VCS)	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	%0.0000	0	Pass

DB = Deep Bush habitat strata  
 BP = Bush Pasture habitat strata  
 F = Farmland habitat strata

### 3.0 General

- I. As of 30 April 2008 74% of the planned programme has been implemented. Aerial work will take up the majority of the remaining work.
- II. The 2008-2009 vector programme has been submitted to the Animal Health Board for approval.

### RECOMMENDATION

*That this report be received.*

Chris Pullen  
 Vector Programme Manager

## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting  
 Prepared by: Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager  
 Date:  
 Subject: **CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

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**1. Financial Report to 31 March 2008**

FOR THE NINE MONTHS ENDED 31 MARCH 2008				
	ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	ACTUAL % ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET
<b>REVENUES</b>				
General Rates	1,383,790	1,376,250	75%	1,835,000
Penalties	41,237	60,000	52%	80,000
Investment Income	-265,705	825,000	-24%	1,100,000
Regulatory	735,520	651,375	86%	851,000
Planning Processes	118,412	113,294	78%	151,058
Environmental Monitoring	12,427	0	0%	0
Emergency Management	59,915	33,395	135%	44,527
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	724,031	609,304	89%	812,405
AHB Programme	5,534,380	6,900,000	60%	9,200,000
Vector Mgmt	841,667	825,000	77%	1,100,000
Regional % Share Controls	425,505	422,438	76%	563,250
VCS Business Unit	1,213,398	624,000	146%	832,000
	10,824,577	12,440,055	65%	16,569,240
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Representation	247,231	224,520	83%	299,360
Regulatory Activities	1,258,119	1,160,773	81%	1,547,697
Planning Processes	418,733	466,252	67%	621,669
Environmental Monitoring	401,197	523,633	57%	698,177
Emergency Management	127,355	103,830	92%	138,440
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	566,561	1,311,327	32%	1,748,436
AHB Programme	5,530,845	6,900,000	60%	9,200,000
Vector Mgmt	717,785	725,582	74%	967,443
Regional % Share Controls	633,218	642,314	74%	856,419
VCS Business Unit	945,329	549,658	129%	732,877
Portfolio Management	16,376	0		0
Legal costs Glenharrow Holding Ltd Claim	10,000	0		0
	10,872,749	12,607,889	65%	16,810,518
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>				
	-48,172	-167,834		-241,278
Transfer Rating District Interest	-82,287			
Prior period adjustment	-32,115			
To Transfer to Balance Sheet	-162,574			

BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	ACTUAL	BUDGET Year to date	ANNUAL BUDGET
Rating Districts	270,522	-489,290	-652,387
Quarries	7,688	-25,104	-33,472
Regional % Share of AHB Programmes	-207,713	-219,877	-293,169
Investment Income	-282,081	825,000	1,100,000
VCS Business Unit	268,069	74,342	99,123
AHB Programmes	3,535	0	0
Vector Mgmt	123,882	99,418	132,557
Other	-10,000	0	0
All Other Activities	-222,074	-432,323	-593,930
TOTAL	-48,172	-167,834	-241,278

Net Contributors to "Other Activities" Surplus (-Deficit)	Actual	Budget ytd	Annual Plan	Net Variance Actual v budget ytd
Rates	1,383,790	1,376,250	1,835,000	7,540
Penalties	41,237	60,000	80,000	-18,763
Representation	-247,231	-224,520	-299,360	-22,711
Regulatory Activities	-522,599	-509,398	-696,697	-13,201
Planning Activities	-300,321	-352,958	-470,611	52,637
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection (excl. RD's and Quarries)	-120,740	-187,629	-250,172	66,889
Environmental Monitoring	-388,770	-523,633	-698,177	134,863
Emergency Management	-67,440	-70,435	-93,913	2,995
	-222,074	-432,323	-593,930	210,249



## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 MARCH 2008

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	@ 31/03/08	@ 30/06/2007
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>		
Cash	89,715	144,518
Short term Deposit - Westpac	313,291	0
Accounts Receivable - Rates	1,132,122	247,151
Accounts Receivable - General Debtors	566,030	866,649
Prepayments	81,984	50,944
Sundry Receivables	685,295	891,846
Stock - explosives	371	371
Stock - VCS	36,876	26,325
Stock - Rock	55,634	21,132
Stock - Office Supplies	17,317	17,317
	<u>2,978,635</u>	<u>2,266,253</u>
<b>Non Current Assets</b>		
Investments	10,946,658	11,542,615
Fixed Assets	3,238,633	3,356,349
Infrastructural Assets	39,403,646	39,403,646
	<u>53,588,937</u>	<u>54,302,610</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<u>56,567,572</u>	<u>56,568,863</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Bank OD	0	0
Accounts Payable	475,948	913,070
GST	179,584	0
Deposits and Bonds	337,192	342,342
Sundry Payables	95,683	307,369
Accrued Annual Leave, Payroll	186,359	192,549
Other Revenue in Advance	45,000	0
Rates Revenue in Advance	764,145	59,363
	<u>2,083,911</u>	<u>1,814,693</u>
<b>NON CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		
Future Quarry restoration	85,800	85,800
Punakaiki Loan	324,023	346,548
Office Equipment and IT Leases	166,945	252,355
	<u>576,768</u>	<u>684,703</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<u>2,660,679</u>	<u>2,499,396</u>
<b>EQUITY</b>		
Ratepayers Equity	19,931,932	19,931,932
Surplus Tsfrd.	-162,574	
Rating District Equity Mvmts	-395,449	
Rating Districts Equity	2,695,534	2,300,085
Tb Special Rate Balance	470,998	470,998
Revaluation	22,222,728	22,222,728
Quarry Account	-77,276	-77,276
Investment Growth Reserve	9,221,000	9,221,000
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<u>53,906,893</u>	<u>54,069,467</u>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<u>56,567,572</u>	<u>56,568,863</u>

PORTFOLIO @ 31 March 2008 Summary & Reconciliation		Cash	Bonds	Australasia Equities	International Equities	Property Equities	Alternative Asset Classes	Total
Portfolio Value @ Start	01 July 2007	4076756	2906798.26	928921	1204811	672366	1730842	11520514
Contributions		2712370	60000	587810	1021747	155000	239594	4776520
Withdrawals		-2401341	-1698948	-22810	-156526	0	-811895	-5091520
<b>Realised Gains/(Losses)</b>								
Price		-119266	-18360	-90	-46918	208	-12087	-196533
FX				-75571	77333	4891	98466	105119
Unrealised Gains/(Losses)								
Price		86883	1663	-172884	-368432	-141808	-275863	-870441
FX				66106	38673	20993	-22500	103273
Mgmt Fee					-420		1542	1122
Interest Income		296135	84090	8636	3504	3983	21572	417920
Changes Accrued Interest			-12111					-12111
Dividends				28596	86396	33104	28930	177026
reversal Hedges 30.6.07					-11479		-35027	-46506
Hedges @ 31.3.08					3360		36815	40175
Portfolio Value @ End Period	31 MARCH 2008	4651537	1323112	1348714	1852050	748757	1000389	10924559
<b>Total gains (-losses) during 9 month reporting period</b>		<b>263752</b>	<b>55262</b>	<b>-145207</b>	<b>-217982</b>	<b>-78629</b>	<b>-158152</b>	<b>-280956</b>

as per  
Annual Plan

Structured credit	122611
Emerging market debt	840963
Hedge positions	36815
	<u>1000389</u>

Asset Allocation %'s @ 31 March 2008	Benchmarks
Cash	43% 25%
Bonds	12% 25%
Australasian Equities	12% 15%
International Equities	17% 15%
Property Equities	7% 5%
Alternative Asset Classes	9% 15%
	100% 100%

Tactical asset allocation range	
10% - 50%	complies
10% - 50%	complies
0% - 20%	complies
0% - 20%	complies
0% - 10%	complies
0% - 20%	complies

## 2. General Comment

Total operating expenditure for the nine month period was \$10.873 million, of which AHB programme expenditure made up \$5.530 million.

Total revenues for the period amounted to \$10.825 million.

The total deficit was (-\$48,000)

The results for the nine month period are very similar to those reported to recent meetings.

### Highlights:

- Investment income was a loss of \$266000 compared to budgeted income of \$825000.
- Positive budget variances amounting to \$210000 with regard to "All Other Activities", in particular in the Planning, Environmental Monitoring, and River Drainage & Coastal protection areas.
- Cash position was positive with short-term deposits with Westpac amounting to \$313000.
- Rates debtors receivable amounted to \$1.132 million at 31 March. This amount had reduced to \$338642 at 30 April and will continue to reduce. Normal procedures ensure follow up letters to all overdue rates debtors, then followed by targeted final notice warnings and collection proceedings.

Except for the disappointing Investment fund earnings, Council financial results for the nine months are very good.

## RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Robert Mallinson  
Corporate Services Manager

Prepared for: Council Meeting 13 May 2008  
Prepared by: Chris Ingle – Chief Executive  
Date: 29 April 2008

Subject: **CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT**

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### **Meetings Attended**

The meetings I attended since the 8 April 2008 Council meeting are as follows:

- Attended local training session on changes to the Employment Relations Act, 10 April.
- Attended the Regional Chief Executives forum and the Chief Executive's Environmental Forum in Wellington on 17 and 18 April.
- Met William Karaitiana of the Ministry of Maori Development on 22 April to discuss Iwi development on the West Coast
- Participated in a workshop with local and group Civil Defence Controllers on 24 April.
- Met with Kyoto Forests of NZ on 29 April regarding the Kyoto Protocol and opportunities for carbon farming.
- Attending the Regional Affairs Committee Meeting in Wellington on 2 May.
- Attending West Coast Mayors and Chair Forum on Monday 5 May.

### **West Coast Renewable Energy Assessment**

Following the June 10 Council meeting I am organising a workshop for Councillors and other invited guests to present the report that the Energy Efficiency & Conservation Authority (EECA) and Council have commissioned on renewable energy options in our region. The report is expected to provide useful information for the review of the Energy chapter of the West Coast Regional Policy Statement.

### **Air Quality in Reefton**

We are about to enter another winter season, and although PM<sub>10</sub> levels in Reefton have so far not exceeded the 50 microgram guideline, it is important that Council note that we are getting closer to the 2013 deadline for the National Air Standard PM<sub>10</sub> guideline to be met.

I have been working with EECA and the Ministry for the Environment to attempt to gain government financial assistance for residents of Reefton, with limited success to date. I have also prepared a summary of the work being done in other parts of the South Island so that the Reefton community understand the various options available.

### **Kyoto and Carbon Farming**

A new organisation called Kyoto Forests of New Zealand (KFNZ) are about to promote to landowners of marginal hill country to allow/encourage reversion of land to native bush. The scheme involves parcels of land greater than 50ha. KFNZ collects and sells the carbon credits and distributes the income off the sale of credits back to the landowners. There may be some land here that fits this description and KFNZ is about to organise a mail out to gauge interest.

At the same time, regional councils as a group are administering the Afforestation Grants Scheme using MAF funding. Led by Hawkes Bay Regional Council, this is the alternative to the KFNZ scheme, where farmers can receive a one-off grant for retiring hill country land. It is expected to be a popular scheme in the north island, and particularly on east coast hill country. I have agreed to be part of the scheme, but at this stage as a 'silent partner'.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That this report be received.*

Chris Ingle  
Chief Executive

## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

To: Chairperson  
West Coast Regional Council

I move that the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting, namely, -

Agenda Item No. 8.

11 – 12 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 8 April 2008

13 8.2 Overdue Debtors Report

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<b>Item No.</b>	<b>General Subject of each matter to be considered</b>	<b>Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter</b>	<b>Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution.</b>
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8.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 8 April 2008		Section 48(1)(a) and in particular Section 9 of 2nd Schedule Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.
8.2	Overdue Debtors Report		

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I also move that:

- Chris Ingle
- Robert Mallinson
- Chris Pullen
- Simon Moran
- Colin Dall

be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded, because of their knowledge on the subject. This knowledge, which will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed.

The Minutes Clerk also be permitted to remain at the meeting.