

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

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

**TUESDAY, 14 OCTOBER 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, 14 October 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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
HELD ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2008 AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,  
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.34 A.M.****PRESENT:**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

**1. APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

**2. MINUTES**

**Moved** (Scarlett / Davidson) *that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 12 August 2008, be confirmed as correct.*

*Carried*

**Matters Arising**

Cr Birchfield asked for an update regarding RC94077. C. Ingle responded that there has been no response to date. C. Ingle stated that the cost of repair to the mine site may be more than what the bond is worth. C. Dall confirmed that the bond is worth \$53,000. Cr Birchfield stated that bonds are very expensive to maintain. C. Dall will provide an update once the landowner is back from overseas.

**3. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman reported that he attended Development West Coast's Annual Plan function and launch of its new website. He also attended a public health forum on issues relating to regional health. The inaugural Regional Transport Committee meeting was also attended with Cr Scarlett. Inquiries for sewerage concerns in the Taylorville area were fielded along with 1080 enquiries and comments on Council structure. The Chairman advised that he is still pursuing the coal Levy issue. The Chairman advised that he has requested additional information on the Hokitika Oxidation Ponds from the Westland District Council. The Chairman will be attending the Zone 5 meeting in Nelson on Thursday.

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

*Carried*

**5. REPORTS****5.1. PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL GROUP****5.1.1 PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

S. Moran spoke to his report. He advised that we made a submission on the Proposed New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement and we will be attending the hearing in Christchurch in two weeks time. The workshop run by MfE for the Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-Site Wastewater Systems that was to be held on the 25 of August will now be held on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September. He invited councillors to attend if they wish.

S. Moran advised that there will be a call for submissions on the Proposed National Policy Statement on Renewable Electricity Generation in a few weeks time.

S. Moran reported that CCS Disability Action have nominated Gloria Hammond as their representative on the Regional Transport Committee. S. Moran advised that he is yet to hear from Runanga as to who is their nominee on this committee. T. Scott stated that they do not agree with the policy as they feel that both Runanga should have a representative. The Chairman reiterated that our hands are tied by the legislation that says only one representative is required. R. Barber stated that a way forward could be to alternate between a wall seat and a table seat and report back to each other. C. Ingle advised that this was suggested by the Ministry with one member attending as an observer. R. Barber informed the Chairman that they would get back to him on this matter prior to the next meeting.

S. Moran reported that the first meeting of the new Regional Transport Committee was held at the end of August. The Deferral of Review for the West Coast Regional Land Transport Strategy is due in 2009. S. Moran advised there is the ability to extend the review period for a further 18 months and in view of the changes to legislation and the planning for the 10 year programme RTC will seek this extension.

Update on State Highway Projects: S. Moran advised that the two projects of most interest are McKendries Corner and Minga Bluff to Rough Creek. Progress is being made with landowners in the McKendries Corner area. S. Moran advised that solutions for the Minga Bluff area would be expensive.

Civil Defence: S. Moran advised that the target operational date for the weather radar is April 2011 and work has been carried out on the best site for the weather radar.

Air Quality: S. Moran reported that there has been one exceedance of the NES for PM10 during the reporting period.

Water Quality: S. Moran reported that WCRC is now undertaking the monitoring work for Lake Brunner that NIWA were previously carrying out. This is for three sites on the Lake and also tributary monitoring that will be cost effective and a good opportunity for professional development for staff. R. Barber asked if the ICM (farms planning project) is still running, as he had been involved with this earlier on. C. Ingle advised that both the CEO of Landcare Trust and Shelley Washington have resigned. He has been in touch with the new CEO but a new employee to cover the West Coast is yet to be appointed.

Cr Birchfield asked what is the hold up with McKendries Corner. S. Moran stated that a solution with both landowners is being sought and progress is being made.

**Moved** (Scarlett / Archer)

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. *That the report is received.*
2. *That the Council consider the nomination for Access and Mobility Interests and appoint Gloria Hammond as the representative on the Regional Transport Committee.*
3. *That the Council seeks an extension of time to review the current Regional Land Transport Strategy.*

*Carried*

#### **5.1.2 REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT STRATEGY ANNUAL REPORT**

S. Moran spoke to this report. He advised that this report is a requirement under the Land Transport Act 1998. He spoke of critical areas like Minga Bluff and areas that might provide passing opportunities rather than passing lanes. The Chairman commented on the recent RTC meeting noting that it was good to see familiar faces as part of this group. He advised that the he would not like the fuel tax option to become the default mode if there is no money left for something that the West Coast is seeking as there are bigger urban organisations in metropolitan areas that will be ahead of us for financing road issues.

**Moved** (Scarlett / Robb)

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. *That Council receive this report.*
2. *That the Council approve the West Coast Regional Land Transport Strategy.*

*Carried*

### 5.1.3 SURFACE WATER QUALITY STATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT REPORT

S. Moran spoke to this report stating that there is good news in the report with regard to contact recreation monitoring showing improving water quality with less than 5% of samples in 2008 indicating unsafe swimming conditions.

**Moved** (Scarlett / Archer)

*That the Water Quality State of the Environment Report is received.*

*Carried*

## 5.2 CONSENTS AND COMPLIANCE GROUP

### 5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

C. Dall spoke to this report stating that the most topical issues at the moment relate to the hearing of Meridan Energy Limited's consent application for the Mokihinui River Hydro Power Scheme Proposal. The hearing commenced on 25 August with the first week including a site visit by the Hearing Commissioners. The hearing process is now about one third of the way through.

**Moved** (Robb / Davidson) *that the September 2008 report of the Consents Group be received.*

*Carried*

### 5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

C. Dall spoke to this report noting that a good response has been received regarding dairy effluent discharges with 90% of sites visited during the reporting period being fully compliant.

C. Dall reported that staff carried out preparation work for the current whitebait season.

C. Dall advised that Oceana Gold's Globe Progress Mine site have encountered significant problems with sediment control over recent months. C. Dall tabled a spreadsheet with detailed data showing results of monitoring. C. Dall reported that Oceana Gold have now been issued with an Abatement Notice which they are taking very seriously and are keeping in regular contact with us. Cr Chinn asked if conditions on their consent are too tight for them. C. Dall advised that they have been through a period where they have been able to meet conditions during the drier part of the year but are not coping with their current system due to rainfall events. The Chairman asked if there has been any progress with the flocculant option. C. Dall responded that a key focus at the moment is mitigation measures and since the issue of the Abatement Notice there have been no further exceedances. C. Dall stated that the most significant effect is in Devils Creek and there have been no issues in the Inangahua River. Cr Davidson stated that a level playing field is required, farmers and others are prosecuted therefore improvement is expected. C. Dall advised that a lamella thickener is also being considered. C. Dall will keep council informed on this matter. C. Dall reported that Council's prosecution against Aden Farms Limited is complete with the company being fined \$20,000. Council receives 90% of the monies from the fine.

The Chairman asked if we have some monitoring baselines in place for Pike River Coal. C. Dall confirmed staff have already been monitoring the site. The processing plant is now complete but it will be some months yet before they start winning coal.

**Moved** (Archer / Scarlett)

*That the September 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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## 5.1.1

### THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting –14 October 2008  
Prepared by: S. Moran – Planning & Environmental Manager  
Date: 1 October 2008

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

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#### **PLANNING**

##### Proposed NZ Coastal Policy Statement

Staff attended the Board of Inquiry's hearing on the Proposed NZ Coastal Policy Statement in Christchurch on the 25th September. The Hearing was chaired by Judge Kenderdine and included Mr Philip Woollaston both of whom are quite familiar with the West Coast and issues we face. The Board asked questions about the application of the coastal hazard policies on the West Coast, the relevance of natural character and restricted coastal activities, and the relationship between Council's LTCCP and the NZCPS policies.

##### Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-Site Wastewater Systems

MFE held a workshop on the Proposed NES for On-Site Wastewater Systems on the 18th September. The workshop was attended by staff from the four Councils, Crown Public Health, and a few members of the public.

##### Proposed National Policy Statement on Freshwater Management

The closing date for submissions has been set for 23 January 2009.

##### Proposed National Policy Statement on Renewable Electricity Generation (NPS)

Staff have reviewed the Proposed NPS and believe that it does not succeed in its stated aim to have *"a nationally consistent approach to balancing the competing values associated with the development of New Zealand's renewable energy resources [that] provide[s] greater certainty to decision-makers, applicants, and the wider community."* A draft submission will be circulated for comment as the closing date for submissions has been set for 31 October.

##### Waste Minimisation

The Waste Minimisation Education Officer position has been filled by Louis Brown of Westport. Louis started on 2nd October, based mainly at the Buller District Council's offices.

##### Additional Funding for Pest Control

Earlier this year LINZ advised they had additional funding to undertake further control works on their land for pests identified within the Regional Pest Management Strategy. Funding was awarded through a contestable submission process. With the assistance of the Department of Conservation a submission was made and \$15,000 of control works has been awarded for two projects. These are broom control in the Otira Valley adjacent to Arthurs Pass National Park (\$10,000) and knotweed control in the Buller Gorge (\$5,000). The control works are scheduled to be carried out this financial year.

#### **CIVIL DEFENCE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT**

##### Provision of Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) for Grey District

Whilst the renovations to the Grey District Council Offices are taking place their Council Chambers will not be able to be used as an EOC in the event of an emergency. To help them out in the interim we have made the Group EOC (WCRC Council Chambers) available to the Grey District Council should they require it.

##### West Coast Engineering Lifelines Group

The West Coast Engineering Lifelines Group (WCELG) met on 16 September. Topics of interest from the meeting included:

- **Fuel**  
The District Councils have been in touch with Service Stations regarding the provision of fuel during events. Further work is required. A fuel priority list and protocols around provision of fuel in events is to be developed for inclusion in the Group Plan.
- **National Lifeline Activities**  
Mark Constable from MCDEM gave an update on national lifeline projects underway and asked for input to assist with developing a five year strategic plan. This is work underway at a national level with fuel and the fast moving consumer goods sectors. Competencies are being developed for Lifeline Coordinator positions with the Group EOC's to assist with further professional development.
- **What other Lifelines Groups are up to**  
Dave Brunsten, the National Lifelines Coordinator, provided an update of what other Lifeline Groups are up to around the Country. Auckland has recently completed a review on generators and Canterbury an inventory of key supplies. There has been a lot of national interest in the work that was completed on Fuel Storage on the West Coast. Rob Daniel will be giving a presentation on the Report at the National Lifelines Forum in October.

The next meeting of the WCELG is scheduled for March 2009 where the Draft Utility Response Protocols will be exercised. Until this time the Group has adopted the Protocols as a working draft.

#### Pandemic Roadshow

The Pandemic Road Show will be visiting the West Coast throughout October. The Road Show will visit a variety of locations from Granity to Franz, and inland to Inangahua and Reefton. While predominantly located at schools, the Road Show will be open after hours to enable members of the community to understand more about pandemic and how to take care of themselves during such an emergency.

#### Capability and Capacity Assessment

Simon Chambers and Ivan Trethowen, Emergency Management Advisors for MCDEM, visited CDEM organisations during September to undertake a Capability and Capacity Assessment. The objective of the Assessment is to determine a baseline for current CDEM activities, assess where CDEM is to go in the future, and what is required to undertake this. The results of the Assessment will be presented to the Co-ordinating Executive Group (CEG) at its 10 November meeting.

### **TRANSPORT**

#### Road Safety Coordinator Contract

The contract for the provision of road safety for the 2008/09 year has been awarded to Warren Smith on behalf of Tai Poutini Polytechnic. The Road Safety Coordinating Committee will be meeting on 10 October to finalise the implementation plan for road safety programmes for the remainder of the financial year.

#### Regional Land Transport Planning

Staff met with NZTA to determine the next steps for developing the Regional Land Transport Programme for the West Coast. The draft Programme will be developed over the coming weeks by the Regional Transport Advisory Group for submission on the 14<sup>th</sup> of November. It is anticipated that the next meeting of the RTC will be in the New Year to work through the prioritisation of the programme before it is released

### **RESOURCE SCIENCE**

#### Hydrology/Flood Warning

An active cold front brought some heavy rain to South Westland on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> of September. Rainfall totals of between 150 and 230mm were recorded during the event, with maximum hourly intensities of around 25mm per hour being recorded.



Site	Time of peak	Peak level	Warning Issued
Grey Rv @ Ahaura	24/09/08 10:00	4485mm	Not Required
Grey Rv @ Dobson	24/09/08 14:45	3654mm	From 11:45
Waiho @ Sh6	24/09/08 01:45	7020mm	From 02:00
Whataroa Rv @ Sh6	24/09/08 01:45	4144mm	Not required
Haast @ Roaring Billy	23/09/08 22:30	6053mm	Not Required

#### Air Quality

There have been no exceedences since in this reporting period. It is unlikely that there will be any more exceedences this year now that we are moving into a warmer period. This season recorded 18 exceedences of the standard with 79ug/m<sup>3</sup> being the highest recorded. The table below outlines the last three years' results.

	Number of Exceedences	Maximum micrograms /m <sup>3</sup>
2006	16	86
2007	24	124
2008	18	79

#### Water Quality

The WCRC State of the Environment (SOE) Surface Water Quality Report for 2008 has been completed and can be downloaded from the WCRC website. Focus now shifts to the Groundwater SOE report due in June 2009.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That this report is received.*

Simon Moran  
Planning and Environmental Manager

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### THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting –14 October 2008  
Prepared by: S. Moran – Planning & Environmental Manager  
Date: 1 October 2008

Subject: **DRAFT SUBMISSION ON THE PROPOSED NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARD FOR ON-SITE WASTEWATER SYSTEMS**

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#### **Purpose**

To seek approval from the Resource Management Committee for the draft submission on the Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-site Wastewater Systems.

#### **Background**

The Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-site Wastewater Systems (NES) is unique among the current suite of NES's in that it is not drafted as a compulsory standard. It is non-mandatory and does not automatically require communities to have to have the NES's monitoring regime – staff have supported this approach as the NES regime may not be the most appropriate response.

If the current NES approach is retained then there appears very little for us to comment on specifically. However, if it was not retained then our main concern would be the costs of implementation and that is addressed in this draft submission.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That the draft submission on the Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-site Wastewater Systems is approved.*

Simon Moran  
Planning and Environmental Manager

## **Draft Submission on the Proposed National Environmental Standard for On-site Wastewater Systems**

The West Coast Regional Council supports the non-mandatory nature of the Proposed NES as it allows us discretion with choosing tools to manage potential 'hotspot' areas where on-site wastewater systems may not be working properly. While the Proposed NES will be a useful tool in some circumstances, it will assist us greatly to have the flexibility to use a range of methods to gain community co-operation to improve sewage effluent discharges, including applying the NES when necessary.

It is quite possible that 'hotspot' areas could also be in low socio-economic communities. These households would find it difficult to pay to have their wastewater system repaired or upgraded to pass the WOF inspection. In these situations, the Council may need to try some alternative approaches first, to inform the communities and give them some options to consider. Keeping the NES as a non-mandatory tool will enable us to compare the costs and benefits of other tools with the NES, and assess whether the benefits to communities and the environment will outweigh the costs.

We also ask that the Ministry provide guidance/information on financing options for low income households if a 'hotspot' area is gazetted and the systems do not pass the inspection. The West Coast Regional Council cannot afford to subsidise the costs to low income households of repairs or upgrades to pass the Warrant of Fitness inspections. We note that the Far North District Council liaised with Housing and Work and Income to set up subsidies for low-income households to pay for repairs and upgrades. In our view, this is a role for central government, and should not become a function for local authorities.

### **Decisions Requested**

- Retain the non-mandatory approach regarding the application of the NES.
- Ensure there is no mandatory requirement to undertake a regional assessment of wastewater discharges to determine 'hotspots'.
- Ensure there is no mandatory requirement to gazette a 'hotspot' areas.
- Include a statement that information and/or funding assistance may be provided by central government to assist low income households with paying the costs of meeting the NES.

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee  
Prepared by: Colin Dall - Consents & Compliance Manager  
Date: 2 October 2008

**Subject: CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT**

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**CONSENTS**

Consents Site Visits from 23 August to 30 September 2008

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ACTIVITY, NAME &amp; LOCATION</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>
12/09/08	RC08138 – Gold mining activities, Barry Foster Contracting, Kapitea	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed gold mining activities.
18/09/08	RC08123 – Humping & hollowing, Colligan Farm Ltd, Waimangaroa	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed humping and hollowing.
18/09/08	RC08144 – Humping & Hollowing, Fairdown Holdings Ltd, Fairdown	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed humping and hollowing.
18/09/08	PA08047 – Stormwater discharge, W Keown, Rutherglen	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed storm water discharge from a subdivision.
18/09/08	PA08045 – Domestic sewage discharge, P & M McRae, Rutherglen	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.
24/09/08	RC08141 – Water take, M Tipler & J Young, Kumara	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed water take.
25/09/08	PA08033 – Domestic sewage discharge, G & D Birchfield, Kaiata	To investigate the site and gain a better understanding of the proposed onsite sewage treatment and disposal system.

Non-Notified Resource Consents Granted From 23 August to 30 September 2008

<b>CONSENT NO. &amp; HOLDER</b>	<b>TYPE AND PURPOSE OF CONSENT</b>
RC07144 Paramount Group NZ Ltd	To disturb the bed of a pond outlet for the purpose of maintaining the outlet and pond levels at a subdivision near Barrytown.  To undertake earthworks within 50 metres of the Coastal Marine Area for the purpose of maintaining a pond outlet and planting vegetation at a subdivision near Barrytown.  To disturb the beds of ponds for the purpose of shaping the edges of the ponds and creating artificial islands for bird breeding purposes at a subdivision near Barrytown.  To discharge contaminants (sediment) to water associated with works in the beds of ponds at a subdivision near Barrytown.
RC07233 GA Ford	To disturb the wet and dry bed of the New River for the purpose of removing gravel.  To disturb the wet and dry bed of Cariboo Creek for the purpose of removing gravel.
RC08021 Landcorp Farming Ltd	To undertake land disturbance associated with the humping and hollowing of farmland at the "Weka farming block".  To undertake land disturbance associated with the humping and

	hollowing of farmland at the "Blairs farming block".
	To undertake land disturbance associated with the humping and hollowing of farmland at the "Nelson Creek farming block".
	To discharge water containing sediment to land in circumstances where it may enter water the "Weka farming block".
	To discharge water containing sediment to land in circumstances where it may enter water at the "Blairs farming block".
	To discharge water containing sediment to land in circumstances where it may enter water at the "Nelson Creek farming block".
RC08079 Grey District Council	To disturb the bed and banks of Range Creek to undertake widening and realignment works and to install rock protection works, Cobden.
	To divert water through a channel realignment, Range Creek, Cobden.
RC08081 Dept of Conservation	To discharge treated sewage effluent into land from the toilets at the Fox Glacier Road End.
RC08088 Amethyst Hydro Ltd	To undertake earthworks on slopes less than 25 degrees associated with the installation of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To undertake earthworks on slopes greater than 25 degrees and vegetation clearance associated with the construction of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To deposit fill material (spoil) associated with the construction of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To undertake works on the bed and banks of an unnamed creek and Tarpot Creek associated with the construction of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To divert surface water and groundwater during the construction and operation of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To divert water in an unnamed creek and Tarpot Creek associated with the construction of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
	To discharge sediment to water associated with the construction and operation of a hydro electricity generation scheme, Amethyst River.
RC08102 Holcim NZ Ltd	To discharge contaminants (dust) to air from a cement packing plant, Westport.
	To discharge stormwater, cooling water and wash water to land from a cement packing plant, Westport.
RC08110 Reidell Farm Ltd	To discharge dairy effluent from a standoff pad to land where it may enter water.
RC08111 B F C Group Ltd	To undertake earthworks associated with humping and hollowing/flipping activities, Kawhaka.
	To discharge sediment from humping and hollowing/flipping activities to land where it may enter water, Kawhaka.
RC08115 GM O'Connor	To discharge dairy effluent to land and water near DS434, Atarau.
RC08125 Solid Energy NZ Ltd	To deposit material (soil, rock and vegetation) on the bed of Doherty Creek resulting from cutback works on Harrison's Ridge.
	To undertake works within Doherty Creek and Ten Mile Creek associated with channel formation (unblocking).
	To discharge water containing sediments to land where it may enter Ten Mile Creek and its tributaries.
RC08128 Tasman West	To discharge treated domestic sewage effluent to land at Thirteen Mile from a disposal system.

RC08137  
Paramount Group NZ Ltd

To alter the foreshore/seabed of the CMA to open a blocked pond outlet to the sea, Barrytown.

To undertake works on the bed and banks of the pond outlet, Barrytown.

RC08140  
Fulton Hogan

To deposit clean fill and associated rock armouring in the Coastal Marine Area, Coast Road, 12 Mile.

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

##### **CONSENT NO. & HOLDER**

##### **CHANGE TO CONSENT CONDITION(S)**

RC98021  
Pike River Coal Ltd  
Pike River Coal Mine

To change a compliance limit for turbidity to a 95 percentile limit for the stone drive discharge and to allow the addition of sodium hydroxide and poly-aluminium chloride (PAC) for the correction of pH of, and to improve removal of the suspended solids from, the discharge.

RC00398  
Jackson Bay Mussels Ltd  
Jackson Bay

To extend the time period for commencement of mussel farming.

RC03258  
Amethyst Hydro Ltd  
Amethyst Creek

To increase the maximum water abstraction rate, and to cancel a condition relating to the requirement for a fish screen to be installed at the water intake.

RC06027  
NZ Transport Agency  
State Highway 7, from Rahu  
Saddle to Scotchman Creek

To allow for a change in the location of a monitoring site.

#### Limited Notified Consents Granted During the Reporting Period

##### **CONSENT NO. & HOLDER**

##### **TYPE AND PURPOSE OF CONSENT**

RC05038  
Westland Rock & Stone

To disturb the dry bed of MacGregor Creek for the purpose of selected stone removal.

No publicly notified consents were granted during the reporting period.

#### Notified Consents Updates & Other Matters

The hearing for Meridian Energy Limited's consent applications for its proposed Mokihinui Hydroelectricity Power Scheme continued in Westport from 15 to 26 September, adjourned for a week and reconvened on 6 October. Meridian Energy finished presenting its proposal and submitters are now being heard.

The Kahuna Boardriders Club withdrew its appeal against the resource consents granted to West Sand Company Limited for its proposed sand removal trial at Cobden Beach.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

*That the October 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: 3 October 2008  
 Subject: **COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

Site Visits

A total of 71 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

Activity	Number of Visits	Fully Compliant (%)
Resource consent monitoring	15	73
Dairy shed inspections	35	57
Complaint response	10	80
Mining compliance & bond release	11	64

Specific Issues

**Dairy Effluent Discharges:** In a turn around from the previous reporting period, a fairly high proportion of the dairy inspections during the reporting period revealed poor compliance. Council staff have taken enforcement action where deemed necessary and are conducting further investigations in some cases.

Compliance staff will be inspecting sheds in the Brunner Catchment this month and will continue to inspect sheds throughout other parts of the region.

**Westland Milk Products Tanker Accidents:** Two Westland Milk Products tankers crashed during the reporting period.

The first was in Barrytown, where a tanker overturned on a farm race into a drain. A small amount of milk was spilt which did not discharge to any waterway.

The second incident was on 26 September on the Mikonui River one way bridge. The milk tanker was travelling north and about to exit the bridge when a passenger vehicle drove onto the bridge. The driver took evasive action with the tanker ending up overturned in a farm paddock approximately 300 metres from the Mikonui River. Fortunately, the milk that was spilt discharged to land which sloped away from the river.

The environmental effects of both incidents were considered to be minor.

**Globe Progress Mine – Oceana Gold:** Prior to and following the issue of the Abatement Notice relating to the stormwater/mine water discharges from the mine to Devils Creek, Council staff have been monitoring the discharges more intensively. The results of this monitoring showed the following compliance in relation to the consent compliance limit for suspended solids:

- 27/08/08 - Compliant
- 29/08/08 - Compliant
- 1/09/08 - Compliant
- 4/09/08 - Non-compliant (74 g/m<sup>3</sup> above limit)
- 10/09/08 - Compliant
- 12/09/08 - Non-compliant (10 g/m<sup>3</sup> above limit)
- 16/09/08 - Non-compliant (only 4 g/m<sup>3</sup> above limit)
- 25/09/08 - Non-compliant (only 4 g/m<sup>3</sup> above limit)

The Company's self-monitoring results did not show any non-compliances during the reporting period.

Overall, compliance has improved since the abatement notice was served.

On 25 September 2008, Compliance Staff carried out a site visit to Oceana Gold, to inspect the remediation measures being undertaken. Specific areas inspected included the Globe Pit including its new pit sump, Devils Silt Pond, Empress Pit including the extension of its clean water diversion drain system, and the Devils Creek waste rock stack.

The Company has been providing regular progress reports to the Council on the mitigation measures it is implementing to improve the discharge. The measures are progressing well and should improve water quality discharging from the site.

**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
- Reefton Coal Handling Facility	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>4</b>

Stockton Opencast Mine & Ngakawau Coal Handling Facility

Results from Council's routine monthly water quality sampling of showed discharges from both sites were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

Terrace Mine & Reefton Coal Handling Facility

Results from Council's routine water quality sampling of showed discharges from both sites were within compliance limits at the time of sampling.

**Complaints/Incidents Received Between 29 August & 29 September 2008**

There were 24 complaints/incidents received during the reporting period. A summary of these is as follows:

Activity	No. of Complaints	Description	Location	Action/Outcome
Milk tanker Crash	1	Milk tanker overturned into drain on farm race in Barrytown,	Barrytown	No further action required – minor
Stormwater & septic tank discharges	1	Concern over planned stormwater and septic tank discharges	Kaiata	Resource consent required before works can commence
Coal mining	1	Trigger limit exceeded	Stockton	Still under investigation
Diesel Spill	1	500 litre diesel spill into Mangatini Sump	Stockton	No further action required action - spill contained within sump
Discharge to air	1	Plant stack discharge causing a nuisance beyond property boundary	Gladstone	Still under investigation
Coastal works	1	Alleged illegal works within the CMA	Barrytown	Resource consent held by operator for works
Discharge to air	1	Alleged burning of plastics	Westport	Still under investigation
Gravel extraction	1	Alleged gravel extraction outside of mining licence area	Blaketown	Compliant
Discharge to air	1	Offensive odour from workshop	South Beach	Still under investigation
Discharge to water	1	Spill from coal wagon to 7 Mile Creek	Spring Creek	Still under investigation
Strongman fire	1	Strongman fire developments	Strongman Mine	Ongoing remediation SENZ



Discharge to water	1	Discharge of sediment to water	Reefton	Infringement notice issued
Gravel take	1	Alleged illegal gravel take	Reefton	Compliant
Stormwater	1	Stormwater discharge alleged to be causing flooding	Arahura	Still under investigation
Sediment discharge	1	Discharge of sediment to water	Reefton	Still under investigation
Diesel spill	1	Alleged diesel spill in harbour	Westport	Unfounded
Stock grazing riparian margins	1	Alleged stock grazing banks of river	Charleston	No further action required
Discharge to air	2	Burning of rubbish including plastics	Westport	Warning issued
Milk Tanker Crash	1	Milk tanker overturned at Mikonui	Mikonui	WCRC attended scene and found no discharge to any waterway
Discharge to water	1	Humping & hollowing causing sediment discharge to waterway	Awatuna	Formal warning; retrospective resource consent applied for
Discharge to water	1	Discoloured water discharging from mine site	Millerton	Still under investigation
Discharge to water	1	Dairy effluent discharge to waterway	Barrytown	Still under investigation
Discharge to water	1	Humping & hollowing causing sediment discharge	Hari Hari	Still under investigation

### **Enforcement**

The following 4 abatement notices were issued during the reporting period:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
Discharge of sediment to water from gold mining operation outside of resource consent conditions.	Reefton
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Taramakau
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Taramakau
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Totara Flat

The following 4 infringement notices were issued during the reporting period:

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Location</b>
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Franz Josef
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water in contravention of an abatement notice	Franz Josef
Dairy effluent discharge to land where it may enter water	Atarau
Sediment discharge to water arising from illegal works in the riverbed	Reefton

### **MINING**

#### Work Programmes

The Council received the following seven mining work programmes over the reporting period, six of which were approved (shown in italics):

<b>Date</b>	<b>Mining Authorisation</b>	<b>Holder</b>	<b>Location</b>
11/8/08	RC01287, MP 41713	G J Cooper (Paramount Mining G Jacobs)	Duffers Creek
23/9/08	RC94094, Victorian Title	VG Alborn	Boatmans
10/9/08	RC07129, MP 41690	Southbrook Holdings	Darkies Terrace
16/9/08	RC99001, MP41546	Shamroc Minerals/Goldsouth Ltd	Greenstone
23/9/08	RC02259, MP 41933	Birchfields Minerals	Grey River
28/9/08	RC06070, MP 41900	Blacktopp Contracting	Big Dam Hill
	RC89038, CML 37150	Solid Energy	Stockton

### **Bonds Received**

A single bond was received - Southbrook Holdings, Darkies Terrace (RC07129/MP41690 - \$20,000).

### **Bond Releases**

It is recommended that Crown Minerals be notified that the following bond can be released:

<b>Mining Authorisation</b>	<b>Holder</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Amount</b>
ML 323108	T & S Barrett	Candlelight	\$21,000

The affected landowners have notified the Council in writing that they accept the standard of site rehabilitation.

### **OIL SPILL RESPONSE**

A Maritime New Zealand approved oil spill response exercise was held in Westport on 17 September. Council staff attended the exercise along with staff from Westport Harbour, Greymouth Port and Holcim. The scenario for the exercise was a waste oil spill from the Milburn Carrier. The exercise was successful and important experience and skills were gained by all who participated.

A further (desktop) exercise is planned for the beginning of 2009.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

1. That the October 2008 report of the Compliance Group be received.
2. That the Council recommends to Crown Minerals that the bond for ML 323108 be released.

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, 14 October 2008** commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting.

A.R. SCARLETT  
CHAIRPERSON

C. INGLE  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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<u>AGENDA NUMBERS</u>	<u>PAGE NUMBERS</u>	<u>BUSINESS</u>
1.		<b>APOLOGIES</b>
2.		<b>PUBLIC FORUM</b> (if required)
3.		<b>MINUTES</b>
	1 – 3	3.1 Minutes of Council Meeting 9 September 2008
4.		<b>REPORTS</b>
	4	4.1 Planning and Environmental Manager's Report on Engineering Operations
	5 – 6	4.2 Vector Programme Manager's Report
	7 – 9	4.3 Corporate Services Manager's Reports
5.		<b>CHAIRMAN'S REPORT (VERBAL)</b>
6.	10	<b>CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT</b>
7.		<b>GENERAL BUSINESS</b>

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL****MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 9 SEPTEMBER 2008,  
AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD,  
GREYMOOUTH, COMMENCING AT 11.23 A.M.****PRESENT:**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

C. Ingle (Chief Executive Officer), 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** (Archer / Robb) that the minutes of the Council Meeting 12 August 2008 be confirmed as correct.

*Carried*

**Matters arising**

There were no matters arising.

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

S. Moran spoke to this report and took it as read. He tabled a list of the dates and times for the Rating District Annual General Meetings and asked Councillors to indicate which meetings they will be attending. At Cr Archer's request S. Moran provided a briefing as to the expectation of Councillors at the Rating District Meetings. Cr Ewen advised that the usual practice is for Councillors to attend the meetings in their "patch" although they are not obliged to. C. Ingle advised that the Councillor usually chairs the meeting.

**Moved** (Davidson / Archer) *that the report be received.*

*Carried*

**4.2 VECTOR PROGRAMME MANAGER'S REPORT**

C. Pullen spoke to his report. He stated that the programme is going along nicely with 13 ground control operations underway. Those that have been completed have all passed. There has been good cooperation from landowners with a lot more interest in the programme. C. Pullen reported that all aerials operations are now complete and indications are that they have been successful. C. Pullen reported that AHB have carried out a project in the Turiwhate area in conjunction with DoC to gauge the effect of carrot bait on weka. 31 birds were radio tagged and monitored during

and after the operation. To date 30 out of 31 birds have been located, the unaccounted weka will be sent off for analysis once the signal has been picked up and the weka recovered.

C. Pullen reported that the second round of tenders are now being put together and will be advertised in late September. 72 blocks are involved.

C. Pullen reported that some staff attended the National Possum Control Association conference held at Lincoln, this showed good information and results and was based on matters that have been happening here on the West Coast.

C. Pullen reported that a responsive control project has been initiated in the Shooting Creek area. A new dairy development revealed a significant number of possums in this area.

Cr Ewen stated that this is the first time he can recall all operations having been successful with achieved and passes in all areas. C. Pullen responded that this is a direct result of experienced local contractors now being in their third year and also the high level of competition between contractors outside of the region for this work.

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

*Carried*

#### **4.3 CORPORATE SERVICE MANAGER'S REPORT**

C. Ingle spoke to this report on behalf of R. Mallinson who is currently attending a Manager Exchange in the USA. The USA Manager Exchange, Mr Andy McCown from St Louis, Missouri was hosted by WCRC last week.

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

*Carried*

##### **4.3.1 DRAFT ANNUAL REPORT TO 30 JUNE 2008 FOR CONSIDERATION BY COUNCIL**

C. Ingle spoke to this report. He drew Councillors attention to the options available to adopt the Audited Annual Report.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved** (Robb / Davidson)

1. *That Council receive the unaudited 2008 Annual Report.*
2. *That Council miss the statutory deadline date of 31 October 2008 for adoption of the Audited Annual Report and instead adopt the Audited Annual Report at the November Council Meeting.*

*Carried*

#### **5.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT**

C. Ingle spoke to his report. He spoke of meetings he attended including the Development West Coast Industry Advisory Committee. C. Ingle reported that he has met with senior staff from Ocean Gold to discuss options regarding sediment control. He attended a meeting at Grey Base Hospital relating to their building upgrade.

C. Ingle reported that has been approached by Development West Coast regarding their Education for Enterprise Project. He advised that our Scientist, Jonny Horrox is already involved with the one of their projects.

C. Ingle attended the new Transport Committee meeting with Crs Scarlett and Ewen.

The Carters Beach erosion meeting was attended by Simon Moran. Doug Ramsay from NIWA addressed this meeting and also inspected other beaches while he was on the coast. C. Ingle reported that he applied for an Envirolink Grant to fund this.

C. Ingle reported that the LTCCP work is now underway with some policies already being reviewed.

Cr Davidson voiced his concern regarding the crisis of the timber industry. He stated that he feels a solution is required and he is hopeful that council will support the local mayors regarding this matter.

Cr Ewen asked how much was the grant from Envirolink. C. Ingle confirmed it was for \$5,000, which was used to fund the Carters Beach meeting.

**Moved** (Ewen / Archer)

*That the Chief Executive's Report is received.*

*Carried*

#### **5.1.1 REPORT ON ASSESSMENT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY**

C. Ingle spoke to this report noting that this is the report that was workshopped at the June meeting. The report now contains detailed maps and is available on the Council website.

#### **RECOMMENDATION**

**Moved** (Robb / Archer)

3. *That the report "Renewable Energy Assessment" dated 4 August be received.*

4. *That Council make the report available for public use.*

*Carried*

#### **4.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT (VERBAL)**

The Chairman reported that he attended the RAC meeting in Wellington on 22 August. He chaired the inaugural Land Transport Committee meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> of August.

The Chairman chaired the public meeting at Carters Beach to discuss the coastal erosion in this area; approximately 100 people attended this meeting.

Cr Davidson asked if there be any protection work done at Carters Beach. The Chairman confirmed that some work was being considered by the Domain Board and advice will be sought from WCRC regarding this. He stated that Doug Ramsay from NIWA was very helpful and provided sensible advice on what ought to be done. The Chairman spoke of aerial photographs from 1938 where the sea had been cutting in then and also the effects on the road at the back of Westport Airport.

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

*Carried*

#### **5.0 GENERAL BUSINESS**

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.44 a.m

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Chairman

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Date

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## THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

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Prepared for: Council Meeting –14 October 2008  
Prepared by: S. Moran & W. Moen  
Date: 25 September 2008

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

### 1. RIVER AND DRAINAGE INSPECTIONS

- Wanganui River – Compliance Inspection
- Taramakau RD – Supervision Inspection
- Coal Creek RD – Annual Inspection
- Greymouth RD – Greymouth Port Inspection

### 2. WORKS

#### a) Taramakau Rating District – Contract R 2008 / 10 – Flood Damage & Stockpiling

This work has been completed by MBD Contracting Ltd and involved the carting and placing of 3,550 tonnes of rock to repair flood damage and the placing of 500 tonnes as stockpiled rock. The final cost was \$56,735.00 (G.S.T. Exclusive).

#### b) Matainui Creek Rating District – Creek Cleanout

This work has been completed by Arnold Contracting Ltd. The final cost was \$1,456.00 (G.S.T. Exclusive).

### 3. FUTURE POTENTIAL WORKS

There has been flood damage to the Karamea, Waitangitona, Wanganui, Nelson Creek, and Franz Josef Rating District schemes. Some maintenance is required to the Lower Waiho scheme.

### 4. QUARRIES

QUARRY	ROCK IN QUARRY @ 31/07/08	ROCK USED	ROCK QUARRIED	ROCK IN QUARRY @ 31/08/08
Blackball	1,000	0	0	1,000
Camelback	0	3,588	3,588	0
Inchbonnie	9,340	0	0	9,340
Kiwi	200	300	400	300
Miedema	0	0	0	0
Okuru	1,840*	0	0	1,840*
Taramakau	0	0	0	0
Wanganui	600	0	0	600
Wanganui Stockpile	3,648	0	0	3,648
Whataroa	1,200	0	300	1,500
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>17,828</b>	<b>3,888</b>	<b>4,288</b>	<b>18,228</b>

Note: \* Okuru Figure indicate possibly recoverable rock in face NOT on floor.

### RECOMMENDATION

*That this report is received.*

Simon Moran

Planning and Environmental Manager



**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Council Meeting – October 2008  
 Prepared by: Chris Pullen  
 Date: 1 October 2008

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

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**1.0 Contracts awarded**

Contracts for the second tender round have been put out. The closing date for this round is the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2008 with the evaluation commencing shortly after this.

**2.0 Operations completed**

The following Vector Control work has been carried out for this report period.

Ongoing Control Work:

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	INPUT OUTPUT	NOTES
Buller South	1	VCS	output	Acceptable Progress
Buller South	2	VCS	output	Acceptable Progress
Karamea	3	HUNTA	output	Acceptable Progress
Grey Valley North	2	Tasman Pest	output	Acceptable Progress
Kumara Control	2	Peltons	output	Acceptable Progress
Milltown Control	1	HUNTA	output	Acceptable Progress
Taipo	2	VCS	output	Acceptable Progress
Taipo	1	VCS	output	Completed

Ongoing Monitoring Work:

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	NOTES
Upper Ahaura Monitor	1	Enviro First	Good progress
Upper Ahaura Monitor	2	Enviro First	85% complete
Arahura Monitor	3	Forest Rangers	95 % complete
Kumara Junction Monitor	2	H & M	commenced
Taipo Monitor	2	Enviro First	Commenced

Monitored/Completed Control Work:

OPERATION	BLOCK	CONTRACTOR	INPUT OUTPUT	NOTES
Buller South	2	VCS	output	Pass
Arahura	3	HUNTA	output	Pass
Upper Ahaura	1	Hughes	output	Pass
Upper Ahaura	2	Hughes	output	Pass
Grey Valley North	2	Tasman Pest	output	Fail
Kumara Control	1	Peltons	output	Pass
Milltown Control	1	HUNTA	output	Pass
Taipo	2	VCS	output	Pass

### 3.0 General

- i. The ground work is progressing well, with interesting results already being shown. Specifically in Karamea Block 3. On the southern part of Block 3 Karamea over 1200 possums have been taken inside three weeks. Initial reports indicate that a number of possums have symptoms of Tb (Lesions under the front leg and on the neck). Suitable carcasses are being selected for samples and culture to confirm this. This count is contrary to local understanding that possum numbers are low in the Karamea district.
- ii. The Programme Manager met with the Tb Free Chair in Tasman with a view to explaining the changes expected as of 1<sup>st</sup> July 2009.
- iii. The following districts have been tendered for in the second round of control/monitoring work:
  - Seddonville
  - Inangahua
  - Barrytown
  - Cronadun
  - Blacks Point
  - Grey Valley West
  - Kaiata Block 1
  - Arnold Valley Blocks 2,3
  - Bell Hill Blocks 2,3,5
  - Inchbonnie
  - Kowhitirangi
  - Arahura Blocks 1 and 2
  - Mikonui Totara
  - Harihari
  - Waitangitoana Whataroa
  - Waitaha
- iv. The West Coast team has commenced work at Shooting Creek near Hokitika. A similar survey project is being proposed for Donovan's Block at Whataroa.

### RECOMMENDATION

*That this report be received.*

Chris Pullen  
Programme Manager West Coast Tasman

**4.3**  
**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Council Meeting  
 Prepared by: Tracy O'Malley – Team Leader / Rates Officer  
 Date: 6 October 2008  
 Subject: **CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT**

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

FOR THE TWO MONTHS ENDED 31 AUGUST 2008

	ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	ACTUAL % ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET
<b>REVENUES</b>				
General Rates	-1,918	314,167	0%	1,885,000
Penalties	24,401	12,500	33%	75,000
Investment Income	232,091	166,667	23%	1,000,000
Regulatory	332,188	152,583	36%	915,500
Planning Processes	18,708	19,604	16%	117,622
Environmental Monitoring	640	0	0%	0
Emergency Management	0	4,167	0%	25,000
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	59,698	137,897	7%	827,380
Vector Mgmt	109,322	109,167	17%	655,000
Regional % Share Controls	0	60,833	0%	365,000
VCS Business Unit	563,928	352,851	27%	2,117,106
	<b>1,339,058</b>	<b>1,330,435</b>	<b>17%</b>	<b>7,982,608</b>
<b>EXPENDITURE</b>				
Representation	59,637	69,643	14%	417,855
Regulatory Activities	425,612	277,130	26%	1,662,778
Planning Processes	82,376	96,764	14%	580,584
Environmental Monitoring	113,693	119,591	16%	717,547
Emergency Management	16,139	21,017	13%	126,103
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	189,647	370,478	9%	2,222,865
Vector Mgmt	80,439	82,532	16%	495,191
Regional % Share Controls	51,557	144,791	6%	868,746
VCS Business Unit	820,858	302,591	45%	1,815,547
Portfolio Management	40,902	0		0
	<b>1,880,861</b>	<b>1,484,536</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>8,907,216</b>
<b>SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>-541,803</b>	<b>-154,101</b>		<b>-924,608</b>
Transfer Rating District Interest	0			
To Transfer to Balance Sheet	-541,803			

BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	ACTUAL	BUDGET Year to date	ANNUAL BUDGET
Rating Districts	.	-180,657	-1,083,942
Quarries	-18,741	-4,112	-24,669
Regional % Share of AHB Programmes	-51,557	-83,958	-503,746
Investment Income	191,189	166,667	1,000,000
VCS Business Unit	-256,930	50,260	301,559
Vector Mgmt	28,883	26,635	159,809
Other	0	0	0
All Other Activities	-356,697	-128,937	-773,619
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>-463,854</b>	<b>-154,101</b>	<b>-924,608</b>

Net Contributors to "Other Activities" Surplus (- Deficit)	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget vtd</u>	<u>Annual Plan</u>	<u>Net Variance</u>  <u>Actual v budget vtd</u>
Rates	-1,918	314,167	1,885,000	-316,085
Penalties	24,401	12,500	75,000	11,901
Representation	-59,637	-69,643	-417,855	10,006
Regulatory Activities	-93,424	-124,546	-747,278	31,122
Planning Activities	-63,668	-77,160	-462,962	13,492
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection (excl. RD's and Quarries)	-33,259	-47,812	-286,874	14,553
Environmental Monitoring	-113,053	-119,591	-717,547	6,538
Emergency Management	-16,139	-16,851	-101,103	712
	<u>-356,697</u>	<u>-128,937</u>	<u>-773,619</u>	<u>-227,761</u>

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 31 AUGUST  
2008

	@ 31/08/2008	@ 30/06/2008
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>		
Cash	500	80,047
Short term Deposit - Westpac	0	1,704,438
Accounts Receivable - Rates	188,229	263,628
Accounts Receivable - General Debtors	185,735	562,347
Prepayments	84,135	51,691
Sundry Receivables	922,792	682,810
Stock - explosives	716	716
Stock - VCS	56,656	225,612
Stock - Rock	62,980	61,680
Stock - Office Supplies	12,493	12,493
	<u>1,514,236</u>	<u>3,645,462</u>
<u>Non Current Assets</u>		
Investments	11,215,698	11,035,326
Fixed Assets	3,225,965	3,247,070
Infrastructural Assets	39,403,646	39,403,646
	<u>53,845,309</u>	<u>53,686,042</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<b>55,359,545</b>	<b>57,331,504</b>

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Bank OD	9,496	0
Accounts Payable	552,612	1,689,057
GST	-122,645	91,603
Deposits and Bonds	348,404	338,486
Sundry Payables	379,508	457,106
Accrued Annual Leave, Payroll	188,897	193,522
Other Revenue in Advance	491,250	491,250
Rates Revenue in Advance		60,015
	<u>1,847,522</u>	<u>3,321,039</u>

NON CURRENT  
LIABILITIES

Future Quarry restoration	85,800	85,800
Punakaiki Loan	310,930	316,217
Lower Waiho Loan	75,000	0
Office Equipment and IT Leases	110,470	136,819
	<u>582,200</u>	<u>538,836</u>

<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<b>2,429,722</b>	<b>3,859,875</b>
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EQUITY

Ratepayers Equity	19,990,241	19,990,241
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Surplus Trfdr.	-541,803	
Rating District Equity Mvmts	82,615	
Rating Districts Equity	2,330,405	2,413,020
Tb Special Rate	262,885	262,885
Balance		
Revaluation	22,222,725	22,222,728
Quarry Account	-17,245	-17,245
Investment Growth Reserve	8,600,000	8,600,000
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>	<b>52,929,823</b>	<b>53,471,629</b>
<b>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</b>	<b>55,359,545</b>	<b>57,331,504</b>

PORTFOLIO @ 31 August 2008 Summary & Reconciliation		Cash	Bonds	Australasian Equities	International Equities	Property Equities	Alternative Total Asset Classes		
Portfolio Value @ Start	01 July 2008	2733074	3421783	1381877	1812269	724251	939971	11013225	
Contributions	}	14753		33644	60688	8572	1839	119497	-41861
Withdrawals	}	-146605	-572	-7743	0	-1186	-5253	-161358	
Realised Gains/(Losses)									
Price		-55207	-16210		0			-71418	222040
FX				-33644	-60688	-8572	-1839	-104743	
Unrealised Gains/(Losses)									
Price		28865	49438	23418	-14053	-32079	-1503	54086	
FX				26419	29342	-6090	78646	128316	
Mgmt Fee									
Interest Income		69039	17073	1320		1924	2962	92318	
Changes Accrued Interest		0	40934					40934	
Dividends				8690	35904	1444		46038	
reversal Hedges 30.6.08				21045	59398	5362	22860	108665	
Current Hedges				27597	-16055	7027	-90724	-72155	
Portfolio Value @ End Period	31 AUG 2008	2643919	3512445	1482622	1906805	700654	946958	11193404	
								11193404	
							Structured credit	87685	
							Emerging market debt	920680	
							Hedge positions	-90724	
								917641	

Asset Allocation %'s @ 31 JULY 2008	Benchmarks	Tactical asset allocation range	
Cash	24%	25%	10% - 50%
Bonds	31%	25%	10% - 50%
Australasian Equities	13%	15%	0% - 20%
International Equities	17%	15%	0% - 20%
Property Equities	6%	5%	0% - 10%
Alternative Asset Classes	8%	15%	0% - 20%
	100%	100%	

**2. General Comment**

1. Total operating expenditure for the year was \$1.8 million of which VCS business unit made up of \$820,858.
2. Total revenues for the period amounted to \$1.3 million.
3. The total deficit was \$541,803, but most of the reason for the deficit was as at 31 August the rates had not been struck.
4. The VCS business unit result of negative \$256,930 was due to income from AHB not being received until September.
5. There was investment income of \$232,091 compared to a budget of \$166,667.

**RECOMMENDATION**

*That this report be received.*

Tracy O'Malley  
Team Leader / Rates Officer

**THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Prepared for: Council Meeting 14 October 2008  
Prepared by: Chris Ingle – Chief Executive  
Date: 3 October 2008

Subject: **CHIEF EXECUTIVES REPORT**

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**Meetings Attended**

The meetings I have attended since the 9 September Council meeting include:

- Met with OceanaGold senior staff to discuss progress with addressing issues at Globe Progress Mine, on 11 September.
- Attended a meeting with Federated Farmers and the three district Councils on RMA planning for native bush and wetland protection, on 12 September.
- Attended a week long New Zealand Institute of Management Course in Christchurch 13-20 September.
- Met with Ministry of Civil Defence staff to do a capability assessment on 22 September.
- Held a Lake Brunner Strategic Group Meeting with senior staff on 23 September.
- Met with Grey District Council senior staff to discuss the Joint Floodwall agreement on 29 September.

**Annual Leave**

I took one day of annual leave during the school holidays.

**West Coast Regional Policy Statement Review**

The review of this important policy document will begin next year, to enable us to be ready to notify the new Regional Policy Statement (RPS) before March 2010. This project will involve a great deal of policy analysis work, consultation with affected and interested parties, and a high level of liaison with the District Councils, as the new RMA provisions require the District Plans to "give effect to" the RPS policies.

Councillors will need to be briefed regularly on progress with this project and I intend having workshop sessions after most Council meetings next year to keep Council informed and to seek your guidance and input on important policy setting issues.

**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 – 13 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 9 September 2008  
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15 – 134 8.2 Enforcement Matters

<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>
8.			
8.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 9 September 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 (to be tabled)		

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.