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

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

TUESDAY, 10 APRIL 2018

The programme for the day is:

10.30 a.m: Resource Management Committee Meeting

On completion of RMC Meeting: Council Meeting

Presentation: Project AF8 - Jon Mitchell

Councillor Workshop: Engineering and Operations Matters

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, 10 April 2018**

N. CLEMENTSON
CHAIRPERSON

M. MEEHAN
Chief Executive Officer

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
HELD ON 13 MARCH 2018, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.32 A.M.****PRESENT:**

N. Clementson (Chairman), A. Robb, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield, S. Challenger, J. Douglas

IN ATTENDANCE:

M. Meehan (Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), R. Beal (Operations Manager), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science & Innovation Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

3. MINUTES

Moved (Archer / Robb) *that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 13 February 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

Carried

Matters Arising

M. Meehan advised that GNS have received funding to progress Phase 1 of the Definition Study. H. Mills advised that he will bring an update to next month's meeting.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and stated that it was part of last Tuesday's Marrs Beach Working Group. He stated this was extremely helpful and very educational.

Moved (Clementson / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5. REPORTS**5.1 PLANNING AND OPERATIONS GROUP****5.1.1 PLANNING REPORT**

H. Mills spoke to this report. He stated that there was an exceptional turnout for the Marrs / Shingle Beach workshop with eight community members, Councillors from this Council and Buller District Council attending. H. Mills advised that there will be another workshop later in March. H. Mills advised that two Councillors will be required to be Commissioners for the Land and Water Plan hearing panel. He stated that as agreed at last month's meeting there will be an independent Chairman appointed to the hearing panel.

Moved (Robb / Ewen) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.1.2 DRAFT REGIONAL TARGETS FOR SWIMMABLE LAKES AND RIVERS

H. Mills spoke to this report and advised that West Coast Rivers and lakes are already at 99% and the Ministry for the Environment have set a target of 99.5% for the West Coast region. He stated that this is business as usual for our region as lakes and rivers are trending in the right direction for E. coli. M. Meehan advised that the previous Minister, Nick Smith, wanted regional council to get to 80% by 2030 and 90% by 2040. M. Meehan advised that the new Minister is talking about more practical ways of looking at swimmability and considering excluding winter, and times of very high flow. M. Meehan stated that the new government has a more practical approach to swimmability targets. H. Mills advised that there is quite a time period between the draft target and the final target. Cr Challenger stated that he feels farmers are being unfairly targeted and they should be referred to as stakeholders. It was agreed that the wording would be altered with the word "farmers" being replaced with "stakeholders". Cr Birchfield commented that birds could be causing failures, he asked how this could be controlled. M. Meehan advised that potentially there could also be exemptions for water fowl. He stated that the work that comes out of the Marrs Beach working group will be of value in this area. Cr Clementson spoke of the work being done in this area and possible funding opportunities. Cr Birchfield stated that he does not agree with trying to achieve 99.5% swimmability in view of the bird problems in some areas. Further discussion took place with both H. Mills and M. Meehan answering questions from Councillors. Cr Robb stated that an extra .5% is not a big ask and is achievable. M. Meehan stated that this is a big issue but there is a lot of work being done by Government in this area. H. Mills advised that the worst E. coli spots are known and extra work in these areas will help get to the extra .5%. Cr Ewen suggested a change to the wording on page 9 to read "*Depending on future direction from central government we may have to work with stakeholders to enhance waterway environments*". Councillors agreed to this change.

Moved (Archer / Robb)

That Council sets a draft target for the West Coast region of 99.5% of rivers and 99.5% of lakes swimmable by 2030, and make this target publicly available with the information sheet (Attachment 1), with the amendment made to attachment 1 on page 9.

*Cr Birchfield against
Carried*

5.1.2 BATHING BEACH WATER QUALITY SAMPLING UPDATE

H. Mills spoke to this report and advised that the few exceedances recorded were related to heavy rainfall during the week of sampling.

Moved (McDonnell / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.1.3 HYDROLOGY & FLOOD WARNING UPDATE

H. Mills spoke to this report and stated there were a few flood alarms triggered during Cyclone Fehi. He stated that the Haast River recorded its second highest flood during this time.

Moved (Robb / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report and advised that five non notified resource consents were granted during the reporting period along with five changes to consent conditions and two limited notified resource consents granted.

Moved (Challenger / Birchfield) *That the March 2018 report of the Consents Group be received.*

Carried

5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report and drew attention to the minor changes in format. She advised that 36 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period. H. McKay advised that two formal warnings were issued during the reporting period. H. McKay answered questions from Councillors.

Moved (Archer / Birchfield) *That the March 2018 report of the Compliance Group be received.*
Carried

5.2.3 SOLID ENERGY – SPRING CREEK MINE

H. McKay spoke to this report. She advised that Council’s lawyer has looked over this matter and advised that he has no concerns. Cr Ewen stated it would be smoother, more transitional if bond transfers go from one to the other without a gap before new bonds are in place. Cr Ewen requested a copy of the mine closure report. H. McKay advised that the bond held for Spring Creek Mine was only associated with one consent out of a suite of many consents. M. Meehan confirmed that this is a return of a bond where a site has been remediated to the satisfaction of the Council, and there does not need to be a new bond put in place to cover. It was confirmed that there is no consents for bonding in this case.

Moved (Archer / Robb)

- 1. *That the report is received.*
 - 2. *That bond 8514R (\$50,000) is released and the respective bond release letter be signed.*
- Cr Ewen against*
Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 11.10 a.m.

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Chairman

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Date

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Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 10 April 2018
Prepared by: Lillie Sadler – Planning Team Leader
Date: 28 March 2018
Subject: Planning Manager's Monthly report

Appointment of Hearing Chairs

As reported at the March meeting, the Proposed RPS hearing Chair Gordon Whiting is now not available for health reasons. Staff have considered CV's for several prospective candidates, and recommend Rob van Voorthuysen as the new Chair. Rob is a planning consultant and has chaired the hearings for the Bay of Plenty Regional Policy Statement, and the Water and Land Plan for ECAN. He has considerable other experience as Chair on various regional and district council plan changes and consent applications, and is highly recommended by other Councils. Rob is available for the hearing, and for deliberations from 13-15 June.

In the process of reviewing CV's for the RPS hearing Chair, prospective candidates were also considered for the Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearing Chair role. Allan Cubitt, a planning consultant with a law background, has chaired the hearing on the Southland Regional Policy Statement, and other district council plan review and plan change hearings, including dealing with contentious biodiversity issues. He is highly recommended by the Southland, Timaru and Hurunui District Councils.

Councillor Representatives for Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearing panel

At the February 2018 meeting, the Committee agreed to the composition of the hearing panel for the Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearing being three commissioners: one independent and two Councillors. Hearings and deliberations will be held between 18 June – 25 June. The two Councillor representatives on the hearing panel now need to be appointed.

National Policy Statement – Freshwater Management (NPS-FM)

Planning and consents staff met with Ngāi Tahu planning staff to discuss changes sought by Ngāi Tahu to the NPS Implementation Strategy. In addressing Ngāi Tahu concerns, it was clarified that sub-zones can be identified within Freshwater Management Units (FMU's) to address site-specific cultural issues, as an alternative to creating more FMU's. Work is continuing to finalise the Implementation Strategy.

Marrs/Shingle update

A community group made up of Buller locals met together on 8 and 20 March in Westport to discuss E. coli issues at Marrs and Shingle Beaches on the Buller River. This group represented a broad range of community interests, including farming, recreational activities, and local government. The purpose of the group is to identify options for how to tackle the issues at these beaches, and make recommendations to Council. An independent facilitator, Justin Connolly, ran the sessions. Justin is collating the feedback from the two sessions and will provide this to staff, who will then assess the next steps.

NPS-FM draft regional swimmability targets Report

As per the March Council meeting, the amended targets for the West Coast section of the Taskforce's Report "Regional information for setting draft targets for swimmable lakes and rivers" have been made available to the public on Council's website.

Update on Local Government Commission process

Following the Local Government Commission's (LGC's) recommendation late last year for the Regional Council to be transferred the function of reviewing the three District Plans and preparing One District Plan for the Region, the LGC is planning to release its draft West Coast proposal on Tuesday, 10 April. The submission period will close on Friday, 25 May. Three hearings will be held in Westport (Wednesday, 30 May), Greymouth (Thursday morning, 31 May) and Hokitika (Thursday afternoon, 31 May). The Grey District Council chambers are suggested as an appropriate venue for the Greymouth hearing.

Update on Franz Josef work

The table below outlines where the future of Franz Josef work is at and the potential pathway forward:

Date	Action
September 2016	Issues around Franz Josef highlighted in Regional Growth Study
November 2016	Funding obtained to undertake Options Assessment and Cost Benefit Analysis
January 2017	Consultants, Tonkin+Taylor and EY engaged to undertake Assessment
October 2017	Franz Josef Options Assessment and Cost Benefit Analysis released
Nov 2017 – Jan 2018	'Our future, our Franz Josef' consultation
January 2018	Appointment of the Governance Group
22 March 2018	Discussion of consultation findings with the FJWG
27 March 2018	Franz Josef Governance Group meeting
	Refining the package(s) and options and testing these with the community
	Governance Group confirmation of proposed option and package to progress
	Business case process undertaken

Moving forward, the Governance Group had its first meeting on 27 March. The purpose of the Governance Group is to:

- Review the feedback received through the consultation;
- In consideration with the outcomes of the T+T Report, confirm whether there is sufficient information to progress this project or whether additional information is needed before proceeding;
- Refine and confirm direction of options/packages for progression;
- Undertake a structured stakeholder engagement approach to further refine a preferred package to test with the community (this may require external assistance);
- Champion the development of a business case.

RECOMMENDATION

1. *That the report is received.*
2. *That Rob van Voorthuysen be appointed as Commissioner and Chair of the hearing panel for the Proposed Regional Policy Statement hearings and deliberations.*
3. *That Allan Cubitt be appointed as Commissioner and Chair of the hearing panel for the Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearings and deliberations.*
4. *That two qualified Councillors be selected to sit on the hearing panel for the Proposed Land and Water Plan Change 1 hearings and deliberations.*

Hadley Mills

Planning, Science & Innovation Manager

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Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting – 10 April 2018
 Prepared by: Jasmin Robb, Surface Water Quality Technician
 Date: 28 March 2018
Subject: CONTACT RECREATION WATER QUALITY SAMPLING UPDATE

The West Coast Regional Council carries out regular sampling for faecal indicator bacteria (*E.coli* or Enterococci) at popular contact recreation sites over the summer period, from November through to March. Sampling is currently undertaken at 18 locations, twice per month, with five sites this season being sampled weekly – Buller River at Marrs Beach, Buller River at Shingle Beach, Grey River at Taylorville Swimming Hole, Nelson Creek at Swimming Hole Reserve and Lake Brunner at Moana. The table below presents the results of sampling so far this season.

All recent samples were in the very low risk category for recreational water quality. The final March results have not yet been received, a final report for the season will be provided for the May Council meeting.

SITE	Nov	Nov	Nov	Nov	Dec	Dec	Dec	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Jan	Feb	Feb	Feb	Feb	Mar	Mar	Mar	
Carters Beach at campground beach access	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
North Beach at tip head road steps	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Buller River at Shingle Beach	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*
Buller River at Marrs Beach	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*
Rapahoe Beach at end of Statham St	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Seven Mile Creek at SH6 Rapahoe	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Nelson Ck at Swimming Hole Reserve	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*
Grey River at Taylorville Swimming Hole	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*
Cobden Beach at Bright Street West end	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Blaketown Beach at South Tiphead	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Lake Brunner at Cashmere Bay Boat Ramp	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Lake Brunner at Iveagh Bay	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Lake Brunner at Moana	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*	☺*
Karoro Beach at Surf Club	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Hokitika Beach at Hokitika	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Kanlere River at Kanlere Kokatahi Rd	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Lake Mahinapua at Shanghai Bay	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*
Arahura RV @ SH6	☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*		☺*

Rainfall past 24hrs	Rainfall past week	
*	•	0-10 mm
*	•	10-30 mm
*	•	30-60 mm
*	•	>60 mm
☺		< 260 E. coli; < 140 Ent
☹		260-550 E. coli; 140-280 Ent
☹*		> 550 E. coli; > 280 Ent

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received.

Hadley Mills
Planning, Science & Innovation Manager

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting – 10 April 2018
Prepared by: Stefan Beaumont – Team Leader Hydrology.
Date: 27 March 2018
Subject: HYDROLOGY & FLOOD WARNING UPDATE

Flood Warning

Site	Time of Peak	Peak level	Warning Issued	Alarm threshold
Waiho River at SHB	27/03/18 13:15	7283 mm	27/03/18 13:15	7200 mm
Hokitika River at Gorge	27/03/18 14:15	4587 mm	27/03/18 17:10	3750 mm

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received

Hadley Mills
Planning Science and Innovation Manager

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee - 10 April 2018
 Prepared by: Cassidy Rae – Consents and Compliance Administrator
 Date: 26 March 2018
Subject: CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

Seven Consents Site Visits were undertaken 27 February 2018 – 26 March 2018

05/03/2018	RC-2018-0014, Ruatapu Discharge Untreated Sawmill Waste to Land, Westco Lumber.	To investigate proposed site for discharging untreated sawmill waste that borders a Schedule 1 and Schedule 2 Wetland.
06/03/2018	RC-2017-0120, Ross, Alluvial gold mining, Birchfields Ross Mining Limited	Amenity assessment of a gold mining site at Mikonui
13/03/2018	Pre-application visit, Giles Creek, Westport Town water supply pipeline, Buller District Council.	Visited site with BDC staff, contractors and BDC planner to view the possible route of a new water supply pipeline.
13/03/2018	RC-2018-0022 Carters Beach, Retrospective protection earthworks within 50m of the CMA, Buller District Council.	Visited site with applicant and WCRC Engineer to view completed works and possible future works.
16/03/2018	RC-2018-0017, Westport, Gravel Extraction from the Dry Bed, Pearson Contracting Limited.	To investigate proposed site for gravel extraction on Organs Island.
23/03/2018	PA-2018-9008, 100 Maori Creek Road, Onsite sewage wastewater discharge, Sadler & Bowes.	Rule 79 permitted activity assessment.
23/3/2018	PA-2018-9009, 104 Rutherglen Road, Richardson.	Rule 79 permitted activity assessment.

15 Non-Notified Resource Consents were Granted 27 February 2018 – 26 March 2018

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER

PURPOSE OF CONSENT

RC-2017-0051
 Bathurst Resources Limited
 Cascade Mine, Denniston

To undertake earthworks and vegetation clearance associated with the operation of the Cascade Mine site within MP41455.

To take and use water from Mill Creek (also known as V8 Creek) associated with mining within MP41455.

To discharge water containing sediment to land within MP41455 in circumstances where it may enter water bodies associated with mining within MP41455.

To discharge water containing contaminants to water namely Cascade Creek and its tributaries associated with mining activities within MP41455.

RC-2017-0114
 Paramount Mining Limited
 Southside, Hokitika

To mine within MP60383, at Southside.

To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining within MP60383, at Southside.

To take and use water associated with alluvial gold mining activities within MP60383, at Southside.

To discharge sediment-laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter water, associated with alluvial gold mining within MP60383, at Southside.

RC-2017-0120 Birchfields Ross Mining Limited Mikonui, Ross	<p>To discharge sediment-laden water to water, associated with alluvial gold mining within MP60383, at Southside.</p> <p>To undertake alluvial gold mining within MP51686, at Mikonui.</p> <p>To undertake earthworks associated with alluvial gold mining within MP51686, at Mikonui.</p> <p>To take and use water for alluvial gold mining activities within MP51686, at Mikonui.</p> <p>To discharge sediment-laden water to land in circumstances where it may enter water associated with alluvial gold mining within MP51686, at Mikonui.</p> <p>To discharge sediment-laden water to water, associated with alluvial gold mining within MP51686, at Mikonui.</p>
RC-2017-0148 GH Brownlee Okari, Cape Foulwind	<p>To discharge dairy effluent to land where it may enter surface water (unnamed Creek) and groundwater near DS752, Okari.</p>
RC-2017-0151 Moore Mining Limited Burkes Creek, Reefton	<p>To disturb the bed of Burkes Creek to undertake works associated with the construction and maintenance of a diversion channel.</p> <p>To divert water into new diversion channel, Burkes Creek.</p>
RC-2018-0003 New Creek Mining Limited Pensini Creek, Inangahua	<p>To undertake earthworks, including vegetation removal, within the riparian margins of Pensini Creek.</p> <p>To disturb the dry bed of Pensini Creek to relocate gravel for the construction of river protection and creek diversion works.</p> <p>To disturb the bed and banks of Pensini Creek to undertake protection and diversion works.</p> <p>To divert water into a new channel of Pensini Creek.</p>
RC-2018-0007 Greid Mining Limited Goldsborough	<p>To undertake mining within areas within mining permits MP41148 and MP60067, at Goldsborough.</p> <p>To undertake indigenous vegetation clearance associated with alluvial gold mining within MP41148 and MP60067, at Goldsborough.</p>
RC-2018-0013 Hochstetter Holdings Limited Nelson Creek	<p>To discharge treated onsite sewage wastewater to land from a domestic dwelling at SEC 4 SO 11752 BLK VIII MAWHERANUI SD, Nelson Creek.</p>
RC-2018-0014 Westco Lumber Limited Ruatapu	<p>To discharge untreated sawmill waste to land, Ruatapu.</p>
RC-2018-0018 TruLine Civil Limited Jacksons	<p>To disturb the dry bed of the Taramakau River near the Stanley Gooseman Bridge for the purpose of gravel extraction.</p>
RC-2018-0019 PF & LE Berry Atarau	<p>To disturb the bed of the Big River to remove debris and sediment (gravel).</p> <p>To disturb the bed of Moores Creek and/or its tributary to remove debris and sediment (gravel).</p> <p>To temporarily discharge sediment to water associated with debris and sediment removal in the Big River.</p> <p>To temporarily discharge sediment to water associated with debris and sediment removal in Moores Creek and/or its tributary.</p>

RC-2018-0017 Pearson Contracting Limited Buller	To disturb the dry bed of the Buller River (Organs Island) for the purpose of extracting gravel To disturb the dry bed of the Buller River (Lower Buller Gorge) for the purpose of extracting gravel To disturb the dry bed of the Mokihinui River for the purpose of extracting gravel To disturb the foreshore of the Coastal Marine Area to extract sand and shingle, North Beach
RC-2018-0020 Westreef Holdings Limited Charleston	To disturb the dry bed of the Nile River for the purpose of removing gravel.
RC-2018-0022 Buller District Council Carters Beach	To undertake earthworks within 50 metres of the Coastal Marine Area, Carters Beach. To discharge contaminants (driftwood) to land, Carters Beach.
RC-2018-0023 TJ & AK Bailey Ruru, Lake Brunner	To discharge treated onsite sewage wastewater from a domestic dwelling to land at 267 Lake Brunner Road, Ruru.

Two Change to and Reviews of Consent Conditions were Granted 27 February 2018 – 26 March 2018

CONSENT NO. & HOLDER	PURPOSE OF CHANGE/REVIEW
RC-2016-0138-V1 Brownsgold Limited Stafford, Hokitika	Increase gold mining disturbed area, Liverpool Bills, Stafford (MP60198).
WDC-RC160087-V1 Brownsgold Limited Stafford, Hokitika	Increase gold mining disturbed area, Liverpool Bills, Stafford (MP60198).

No Limited Notified and Notified Resource Consents were granted 27 February 2018 – 26 March 2018

Public Enquiries

32 written public enquiries were responded to during the reporting period. 31 (97%) were answered on the same day, and the remaining one (3%) within the next ten days.

RECOMMENDATION

That the April 2018 report of the Consents Group be received.

Heather McKay
Consents & Compliance Manager

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Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 10 April 2018
 Prepared by: Heather McKay – Consents & Compliance Manager
 Date: 27 March 2018
 Subject: **COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

Site Visits

A total of 50 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

Activity	Number of Visits
Resource consent monitoring	17
Mining compliance & bond release	2
Complaint/Incident related	10
Dairy farm	21

- A total of 16 complaints/reported incidents were received, with 10 resulting in site visits.

Non-Compliances

Note: These are the activities that have been assessed as non-compliant during the reporting period.

A total of six non-compliances occurred during the reporting period.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Rubbish	Ongoing complaint where an old campsite used by Whitebaiters is being eroded into the Mahitahi River.	Bruce Bay	A contractor has been engaged to pull the rubbish and structures back from the eroded river bank edge.	Complaint
Discharge to water	Complaint regarding the discharge from the Franz Josef Water Treatment Plant.	Franz Josef	The site was investigated and found to be non-compliant as the discharge was not subsurface as required by the resource consent. Enquiries are ongoing.	Complaint
Discharge to water	Complaint received regarding dead eels in Cats Creek	Westport	The site was inspected and dead eels were located. Samples were obtained and the Council is awaiting the analysis results. An abatement notice has been issued and enquiries are ongoing.	Complaint
Stock access to water	Complaint regarding stock accessing water bodies within the Lake Brunner catchment	Lake Poerua	The site was inspected and it was found that dairy cows had access to two small creeks. The farm owner and the manager were issued with formal warnings and an abatement notice.	Complaint

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Discharge to water	Council staff discovered a minor diesel spill into the Blaketown Lagoon.	Blaketown	The site was investigated and established that a vehicle near the boat ramp on the Blaketown side of the lagoon had spilled a minor amount of diesel. The person is unknown and remedial work was not required to be undertaken.	Incident
Stock access to water	Complaint regarding stock accessing water bodies within the Lake Brunner catchment	Rotomanu	The site was inspected and it was found that dairy cattle had access to Puzzle Creek. A formal warning was issued.	Complaint

Other Complaints/Incidents

Note: These are the other complaints/incidents assessed during the reporting period whereby the activity was not found to be non-compliant or compliance is not yet established at the time of reporting.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Earthworks	Complaint received that a person has undertaken earthworks within the Greymouth erosion control area.	Greymouth	The site was investigated and it was established that the person had undertaken minor earthworks and held a resource consent for the work.	Complaint
Discharge to land	Complaint regarding the discharge of dairy effluent to a stock underpass	Arahura Valley	Enquiries are on going	Complaint
Discharge to water	Complaint received that Waterfall Creek is discoloured from coal fines.	Blackball	The site has been investigated and enquiries are ongoing	Complaint
Discharge to water	Complaint received that Ford Creek and Water Fall Creek are discoloured from coal fines.	Blackball	The site has been investigated and enquiries are ongoing	Complaint
Discharge to land	Complaint received that a septic tank was discharging to a drain	Granity	Enquiries are on going	Complaint
Discharge to land	Complaint received that an old dump site has been uncovered by heavy seas.	Hector	Enquiries are on going	Complaint
Discharge to water	Complaint received that sewage was being discharged into the Hokitika River	Hokitika	Enquiries are ongoing	Complaint
Discharge to land	Complaint that a stock truck had discharged effluent onto the side of the road.	Rapahoe	The site was investigated and the complaint was unsubstantiated.	Complaint

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Discharge to air	Complaint received that a farmer had been spreading lime fertiliser and caused a discharge to air that had drifted over his property boundary.	Seddonville	The farmer was visited and reminded of the relevant rules relating to discharges to air.	Complaint
Earthworks within the CMA and discharge to water	Complaint received that a farmer has done earthworks within the CMA to open up a drain. Complainant also alleges that the farmer is polluting the drain with dairy effluent.	Mokihinui	The site was investigated and it was established that the farmer was not the person who had opened up the drain. However it is a permitted activity to maintain structures and to keep culverts open so no further enquires were made. Water samples were taken from the drain and the Council is awaiting the results from the analysis.	Complaint

Update on Previously Reported Ongoing Complaints/Incidents

Note: This section provides an update on complaints and incidents from previous reporting periods where enquires were not yet complete.

Activity	Description	Location	Action/Outcome	INC/Comp
Works within the CMA	Complaint received that someone has removed trees that had fallen over in the cyclone onto a beach. The person is concerned that the removal will exacerbate the coastal erosion already occurring in the area.	Neil's Beach	Passed onto Councils Operations Team as they are dealing with the community over the erosion problem.	Complaint
Discharge to air	Complaint that a person is regularly burning plastic and it is causing an odour that is offensive to neighbouring properties.	Rapahoe	Person was issued with a formal warning and an abatement notice to cease the burning of plastic.	Complaint

Formal Enforcement Action

Formal warnings: Four formal warnings were issued during the reporting period

Activity	Location
Dairy farming – stock access to water	Rotomanu
Dairy farming – stock access to water (2) one notice to the farm owner and one to the manager)	Lake Poerua
Burning Plastic	Rapahoe

Abatement Notices: Three abatement Notices were issued during the reporting period.

Activity	Location
Dairy farming – cease allowing stock access to water	Lake Poerua
Truck wash – cease the unauthorised discharge from a truck wash facility	Westport
Burning Plastic – cease the burning of plastic	Rapahoe

Mining Work Programmes and Bonds

The Council received the following three work programmes during the reporting period. Two work programmes have been approved. The remaining work programme requires a variation to the consent prior to approval.

Date	Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location	Approved
01-03-18	RC-2014-0110	Peter Savage	Callaghans Creek	Yes
13-03-18	RC-2016-0109	BBC Excavation Limited	Waimangaroa	Yes
13-03-18	RC13056	Kaniere Mining Limited	Tuckers Flat	In Progress

The following bonds were received

Mining Authorisation	Holder	Location	Amount
RC13016	Da Ba Jin Kuang Ltd	Cape Terrace	\$15,000
RC12164	Madden Mining Ltd	Chesterfield	\$18,000

RECOMMENDATION

That the April 2018 report of the Compliance Group be received.

Heather McKay
Consents and 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, 10 April 2018** commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting

A.J. ROBB
CHAIRPERSON

M. MEEHAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 13 MARCH 2018,
AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD,
GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 12.05 P.M.**

PRESENT:

A. Robb (Chairman), N. Clementson, T. Archer, P. Ewen, P. McDonnell, A. Birchfield, S. Challenger

IN ATTENDANCE:

M. Meehan (Chief Executive Officer) R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), R. Beal (Operations Manager), H. Mills (Planning Science and Innovation Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk), The Media.

1. APOLOGY:

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Moved (McDonnell / Clementson) *that the minutes of the Council Meeting dated 13 February 2018, be confirmed as correct.*

Carried

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

REPORTS:

4.1 ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT

R. Beal spoke to this report and advised that work on the Cobden Cut had to be done as prevention work. He stated that it is expected that river training work in Franz Josef will start around 19 March but NZTA are yet to sign off as affected parties.

R. Beal reported that Crs Ewen and Birchfield attended a meeting at Rapahoe to discuss possible options for protection works. R. Beal advised that Council will put a resource consent in place for beach nourishment using natural rock material, possibly slip material that will raise the profile of the beach. He advised that costings are being sought for a sacrificial bund and once the costs are to hand a community meeting will be held. R. Beal stated that if either of these options are progressed, a rating district would need to be formed.

R. Beal reported that Make Safe work has been completed in the Inchbonnie Quarry.

He advised that an independent Geotech engineer has been engaged to provide a report on the future management of the Kiwi Quarry. R. Beal advised that there are issues with affected parties in this area and it is unlikely that a resource consent will be obtained. M. Meehan advised that WorkSafe have been on site and Council's Quarry Manager is working with them. M. Meehan advised that the report will be shared with WorkSafe.

M. Meehan advised that a meeting will be held with Grey District Council to discuss the issues with the SNA in this area.

R. Beal has advised that no formal offer has been received for the Whitehorse land as yet.

Cr Ewen commented that it is pleasing to see that the Kiwi Quarry report is to be shared with Grey District Council.

Cr Archer spoke of the recent weather events and coastal erosion affecting communities. He stated that the community needs to be able to engage with staff and Council following these types of events

as it is important that Council is responsive to community needs. M. Meehan stated that staff would come back to Council should there be financial implications for communities or potential rating districts. Discussion took place on SNA's.

Cr McDonnell asked if Neil's Beach sustained any damage following the recent cyclones. R. Beal responded that the sacrificial bund at Neil's Beach was untouched but the road to Jacksons Bay was badly damaged. R. Beal advised that a meeting may be held at Neil's Beach on 14 April.

Moved (Ewen / Archer) *That the report is received.*

Carried

4.1.2 COASTAL EROSION REPORT

R. Beal took the report as read, but requested that recommendation three is expanded to include Neil's Beach as another site for trial work. R. Beal advised that there is no blueprint in place for managed retreat as there is nothing that can be copied from anywhere else around the country. It was agreed that long term solution for coastal communities is managed retreat as the funding of seawalls is very costly and is not a long term solution. M. Meehan advised that in the interim people's livelihoods are being affected and it is important that something is done that is sustainable for these communities. Discussion took place on the impacts of coastal erosion, protection works in communities, potential rating districts for maintenance only and options to work in with other agencies. Cr Birchfield spoke of the public's expectation that Council could afford to fund this, he advised that it is important that the public is made aware that this is not the case. It was agreed that Council's contribution with staff's engineering advice and skills along with obtaining resource consents is helpful to these affected communities.

Moved (Archer / Clementson)

- 1. That the report is received.*
- 2. That Council supports a long term approach to coastal erosion management.*
- 3. That Council undertake trial work in Granity/Ngakawau/Hector, Neil's Beach and Rapahoe to secure resource consents on behalf of the community and provide guidance to the community in respect to what is permitted under these resource consents.*
- 4. That Council investigate long term solutions relating to managed retreat for these, and other, communities in consultation with the District Councils, Central Government and other agencies.*
- 5. That Council leads the development of a natural hazards strategy for the region.*

Carried

4.1.3 DRAFT COMPLIANCE AND ENFORCEMENT POLICY

H. McKay spoke to this report. Cr Ewen expressed concern about the wording on page 15 regarding extreme weather events. He feels this should be included in consent conditions and consent holders design systems to withstand the worst case scenario. Cr Archer disagreed as Council has delegated the authority to Council management and staff to follow a process and he feels this is a transparent and robust process. Cr Challenger stated that he has people coming to him who have had enforcement action taken against them and they have said there has been a lot of personalities coming into it, rather than process. Cr Challenger stated one person asked the staff member "why are you doing this" and was told to "look in a mirror". Cr Challenger stated that people have come to him about enforcement action that Council hasn't been taken. Cr Challenger said although he voted for this at the last meeting, he is now uncertain about this due to people coming to him asking whether Council can actually work on an even playing field. The Chairman advised Cr Challenger that if he has evidence or complaints about staff he needs to take these to the Chief Executive, as this is the policy, and carrying out of policy is done by staff. Cr Challenger stated that he has been given copies of emails which have been sent to the Chief Executive, which have not been replied to. The Chairman asked Cr Challenger if he has taken this up with the Chief Executive. Cr Challenger stated that he is not going to follow this any further as in his mind, this is all done and he is now looking in the future. The Chairman expressed concern that these matters have been aired in a public area, when Cr Challenger has not given the Chief Executive the opportunity to respond to these accusation. Cr

Challenger said he would bring them to the next meeting. The Chairman stated that his concerns should be taken to the Chief Executive, in the first instance and not brought to a public meeting. Cr Birchfield stated the he feels this is open discussion as he has issues with the enforcement policy. M. Meehan stated that this policy is a contentious and complex issue and there are a lot of things to be taken into account and as Cr Ewen stated the factors to be considered when undertaking enforcement action are quite wide. M. Meehan stated that if he hasn't come back to people with an email he is happy to look again at this and he would like the opportunity if there are issues from ratepayers or constituents he is happy to talk through the decision and process. M. Meehan stated that he does not think that staff have taken personalities into decision making. Cr Archer stated that these are staffing matters, they are not Council policy matters, they are matters that Councillors might want to address with the Chief Executive, as he is Council's only employee and everyone else is employed by the Chief Executive. Cr Archer stated that this is the correct process to go through, but general matters may be discussed in public, but not in cases where individual specifics where somebody's name comes up. Cr Birchfield stated he is voting against this policy as he feels elected representatives should be more involved in what is happening, some of these cases are very expensive and there could be staff bias involved. Further discussion took place. The Chairman advised that Councillors set policy and staff carry out the policy, and if Councillors are not monitoring the Chief Executive and that side of things is not being carried out then that is Councillors role.

Moved (Archer / McDonnell)

1. *That the report be received, and;*
2. *That the Compliance and Enforcement Policy dated March 2018 is adopted and replaces the previous Enforcement Policy dated February 2013.*

*Against Cr Birchfield, Ewen and Challenger
Carried*

4.2 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

R. Mallinson advised that as agreed at the February meeting, there is no March report due to the amount of time spent on the Long Term Plan project. R. Mallinson spoke of the timeline for the Long Term Plan project and advised that the amended timeline will still allow Council to confirm the Long Term Plan by 30 June.

Moved (Birchfield / Ewen) *That the report be received.*

Carried

4.2.1 REVIEW OF REPRESENTATION

R. Mallinson spoke to this report and advised that he recommends that Council stays with the existing representation arrangements.

Moved (Clementson / Archer)

That in accordance with section 19I of the Local Electoral Act 2001:

1. *There will be three constituencies.*
2. *The three constituencies be called Buller, Grey and Westland and that the boundaries of these constituencies will be the existing boundaries of the Buller District Council, Grey District Council and Westland District Council.*
3. *The numbers of members proposed to be elected by the electors of each of the three constituencies be;*
 - *Buller constituency shall elect two members.*
 - *Grey constituency shall elect three members.*
 - *Westland constituency shall elect two members.*

That public notice of this to be given pursuant to the requirements of section 19 M of the Local Electoral Act 2001.

Carried

5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and took it as read. He stated that the information is starting to filter through following the launch of the Provincial Growth Fund held in Gisborne recently. The Chairman advised that a workshop will be held shortly with all Councillors in the region being invited. Cr McDonnell asked what has happened with projects that the previous Government had on the table, such as the Ahaura Bridge replacement. The Chairman advised that this is still in the mix but new direction from NZTA is awaited. The Chairman advised that the rest of the Action Plan has been adopted by the new Government and some of this has been moved up further. The Chairman stated that there is \$3B over three years which is supposedly going to be spent on economic development and the West Coast is one of the areas that is being looked at. He stated there is a lot of opportunity and it is important that a regional approach is taken to ensure that benefit is delivered. Cr McDonnell requested an update on the One Coast One Voice strategy. M. Meehan advised that this should be One Coast One Message to get a consistent message to Government. He gave the example of communication issues raised during the recent cyclones, to ensure that the Government hears one consistent message. M. Meehan advised that the recommendations from the Growth Study were around Development West Coast taking a lead on economic development and will be leading into this space. M. Meehan advised that the Government has not given any indications that they are going to throw out anything that was in the pipeline and they are going to try to enhance this work.

Moved (Robb / Archer) *That this report is received.*

Carried

6.0 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

M. Meehan spoke to his report and took it as read. He advised that there has been good engagement with Ministers from the Sector regarding matters relating to water quality, swimmability and the opportunity for big game changes in this area. M. Meehan spoke extensively of work that is being done for the sector.

M. Meehan advised that the recent Long Term Plan engagement session held with stakeholders was a positive meeting and there were no matters of concern. He advised that the uniform annual charge was discussed. M. Meehan advised that stakeholders in attendance expressed a desire for Council to take on more of an advocacy role with government. He stated that the more resilience message is being pushed especially in the area of communications.

M. Meehan stated that the Local Government Commission consultation work on the One District Plan is due to commence very soon.

Moved (McDonnell / Ewen) *that this report is received.*

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 1.02 pm.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 10 April 2018
Prepared by: Paulette Birchfield – Engineer, Brendon Russ - Engineer
Date: 27 March 2018
Subject: **ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT**

WORKS COMPLETED AND WORKS TENDEREDPunakaiki Rating District

A tender to repair the wave washover damage that occurred during Cyclone Fehi has been accepted to reform the batter slope, and place riprap in the more seriously affected sections. In addition to this some individual rocks will be placed at the northern end of the seawall extension to limit scour due to wave washover down an old channel to the Pororari River.

Franz Josef Rating District

River training work commenced on 22 March 2018 by Blakely Construction with a D11 Dozer. The budget for this work is \$100,000+GST and the dayworks rates for the D11 Dozer is \$950.00/hr +GST.

ONGOING WORKSRapahoe Resource Consent

Work is currently underway on applying for a resource consent to assist with the coastal erosion issues at Rapahoe. The purpose of the resource consent is to allow for natural rock material to be spread along the beach to provide the beach with nourishment.

Council engineers are working on a design and costing for a sacrificial bund, in conjunction with an overflow ditch and culverts, to help protect from wave wash over. The bund will be designed to be formed along Beach road. A formal community meeting will be held to present this to the community as a short to medium term protection option.

Granity/Ngakawau/Hector Erosion

No progress.

Buller River Flood Consultation

No progress.

Carters Beach

On going.

Hokitika Seawall – Sunset Point

No progress

Okarito

On going.

QUARRIES

Rock movements 1 February 2018 – 28 February 2018

Quarry		Opening Stockpile Balance	Rock Sold	Rock Produced	Closing Stockpile Balance
Camelback	Small/medium	11,943	0	0	11,943
	Large	4,646	0	0	4,646
Whataroa	Small/medium	6,016	0	0	6,016
	Large	11,731	0	0	11,731
Blackball		850	0	0	850
Inchbonnie		11,300	0	0	11,300
Kiwi		2,609	500	0	2,109
Miedema		0	0	0	0
Okuru		400	0	0	400
Whitehorse		1,334	0	0	1,334
Totals		50,829	500	0	50,329

RECOMMENDATION*That the report is received*

Randal Beal
Operations Manager

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 10 April 2018
 Prepared by: Nichola Costley – Manager Strategy and Communications
 Date: 28 March 2017
 Subject: **Cost sharing for South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs Group projects**

Purpose

To seek funding to assist with South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs Group projects.

Background

South Island regions share many of the same transport issues and opportunities. The potential for South Island regions to influence central government policy and drive change across the network is diluted by generally operating independently. South Island Regional Transport Committees and their Chairs have expressed a will to work together to more effectively achieve shared goals.

No formal funding arrangements are currently in place for the Chairs Group. However, at their meeting of 20 March 2017, the Chairs discussed contributing \$10,000 per council to commission research on freight and tourism journey improvements (the two priority workstreams agreed by Chairs). Chairs confirmed commitment to this collaborative undertaking at the teleconference on 14 July 2017.

In addition, Environment Canterbury agreed to provide Secretariat support for the Group in the first year of operation (May 2016 to May 2017), and has continued to provide Secretariat support following the lapse of this period.

Proposed approach to cost sharing

A tiered approach to cost sharing based on council size (using population as a proxy) is proposed, acknowledging that benefits to a region may, though do not always, align with the population size in that region. Each council would budget for an amount based on the tier to which that council was allocated, with Chairs agreeing on how the total budget be used to fund specific projects.

The table below sets out the proposed tiers and council allocations which the Chairs discussed at a meeting on 28 March 2018. The indicative budget in this table for 2018/19 excludes any possible contribution from the NZ Transport Agency through the National Land Transport Fund (NLTF).

Tier	Percentage	Indicative budget for 2018/19 (excluding NZTA Share)	Councils
Tier 1	30%	\$30,000*	Environment Canterbury
Tier 2	20%	\$15,000*	Otago
Tier 3	10%	\$10,000	Southland, West Coast, Nelson, Marlborough, Tasman
Total	100%	\$95,000	-

* Environment Canterbury and Otago are also contributing staff time to project management, and Environment Canterbury is currently the Secretariat. Note that Otago has a bid in the LTP for \$15,000 excluding NZTA share. In future years Otago will look at a 20% contribution.

When a land transport activity undertaken by a council qualifies for funding from the NLTF, the Funding Assistance Rate (FAR) determines the proportion of the approved costs of that activity that will be paid from the fund. FARs for the 2018/19-2021/22 National Land Transport Programme are yet to be determined; however, most South Island regional councils/unitary authorities have a current FAR rate of 51%¹, which means that council funds are approximately matched by NLTF funds for qualifying projects.

Implementation of cost sharing proposal

In 2017, Chairs discussed contributing \$10,000 to shared projects. Chairs did not discuss whether this included the potential contribution from the NZ Transport Agency through the NLTF FAR. Otago, Marlborough, Nelson and the West Coast (contingent on Council approval) have provisionally indicated that they are able to contribute \$5,000 in the current financial year (excluding NLTF FAR), with Environment Canterbury able to contribute up to \$30,000 (excluding NLTF FAR). Southland and Tasman have indicated they will begin contributing in the next financial year. This is a total of \$50,000 of local funding for the financial year 2017/18, plus the NLTF subsidy that this local funding would attract

It is proposed that this approach remain in place for the financial year 2017/18, with the cost sharing proposal being implemented in 2018/19.

For each Chairs' project, officials will also consider what central government funding may be available, in particular through the National Land Transport Fund. The work that the Chairs Group is undertaking has the potential to support economic development across the South Island, and in the future we may be able to seek funding through the newly established Provincial Growth Fund².

Work streams

The Chairs Group is progressing two key pieces of work:

- Freight Mode Shift – assessment of the potential scale of the opportunity for optimising freight mode shift across the South Island, identifying, and quantifying the potential benefits and barriers, and how to manage issues and incentivise change.
- Visitor numbers and flows - The prerequisite for planning how to improve the way that the transport system caters to tourism, and for managing the impacts of visitors' travel on communities and the environment, is a better understanding of visitor pressures and therefore of anticipated visitor numbers and travel flows. This project will find out what is known – and what is not – about the visitor flows anticipated throughout the South Island.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *That Council receives this report.*
2. *That Council contributes \$5,000 towards projects undertaken by the South Island RTC Chairs Group for the 2017/18 year.*
3. *That Council considers, through the Long Term Plan process, funding \$10,000 per year to future projects undertaken by the South Island RTC Chairs Group.*

Nichola Costley
Manager Strategy and Communications

¹ The West Coast Regional Council has a FAR of 58%.

² Through the Provincial Growth Fund, central government has committed to investing \$1 billion per annum over three years in regional economic development. The fund supports regional projects and capability, sector investment, and enabling infrastructure projects.

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 10 April 2018
 Prepared by: Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager
 Date: 28 March 2018
 Subject: **Corporate Services Manager's Monthly Report**

1. Financial Report 1 July to 28 February 2018

FOR THE EIGHT MONTHS ENDED 28 FEBRUARY 2018				
	ACTUAL	YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	ACTUAL % ANNUAL BUDGET	ANNUAL BUDGET
REVENUES				
General Rates and Penalties	1,586,396	1,593,333	66%	2,390,000
Investment Income	692,758	738,222	63%	1,107,333
Resource Management	834,834	771,817	69%	1,211,125
Regional Land Transport	64,351	54,887	78%	82,330
Emergency Management	590,356	466,667	84%	700,000
Economic Development	110,838	100,000	74%	150,000
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	1,103,244	1,047,142	70%	1,570,713
Warm West Coast	59,982	17,333	0%	26,000
VCS Business Unit	2,020,593	2,117,000	64%	3,175,500
Commercial Property Revaluation	0	0	0%	35,526
	7,063,351	6,906,401		10,448,527
EXPENDITURE				
Governance	306,069	302,514	67%	453,771
Economic Development	232,694	200,000	78%	300,000
Resource Management	2,307,287	2,105,459	73%	3,158,188
Regional land Transport	124,924	113,631	73%	170,447
Hydrology & Floodw arning Services	504,655	414,575	81%	621,863
Emergency Management	583,157	474,435	81%	716,152
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	1,041,536	1,208,535	57%	1,812,803
VCS Business Unit	1,881,032	1,745,667	72%	2,618,500
Other	45,054	51,425	58%	77,137
Warm West Coast	13,822	17,333	53%	26,000
	7,040,230	6,633,574		9,954,861
OPERATING SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)	23,120	272,827		493,666

BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS (-DEFICIT)	Variance Actual V Budgeted YTD	ACTUAL	BUDGET Year to date	ANNUAL BUDGET
Rating Districts	318,455	593,001	274,545	411,818
Economic Development	-21,857	-121,857	-100,000	-150,000
Quarries	-41,758	-94,407	-52,649	-78,973
Investment Income	-45,464	692,758	738,222	1,107,333
VCS Business Unit	-231,773	139,560	371,333	557,000
General Rates Funded Activities	-279,840	-1,187,041	-907,201	-1,311,901
Warm West Coast	46,160	46,160	0	0
Revaluation Investment Property	0	0	0	35,526
Other	6,371	-45,054	-51,425	-77,137
TOTAL	-249,707	23,120	272,827	493,666

Net Contributors to General Rates Funded Surplus (-Deficit)	Net Variance Actual V YTD	Actual	Budet ytd	Annual Plan
Rates	-6,937	1,586,396	1,593,333	2,390,000
Representation	-3,555	-306,069	-302,514	-453,771
Resource Management	-138,811	-1,472,453	-1,333,642	-1,947,063
Transport Activities	-1,829	-60,573	-58,745	-88,117
River, Drainage, Coastal Protection	-53,596	-436,886	-383,290	-574,935
Hydrology & Floodw arning	-90,080	-504,655	-414,575	-621,863
Emergency Management	14,967	7,199	-7,768	-16,152
	-279,840	-1,187,041	-907,201	-1,311,901

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION @ 28 FEBRUARY 2018

@ 28/02/18

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash	-447,163
Deposit - Westpac	1,594
Accounts Receivable - General	111,411
Accounts Receivable - Rates	1,516,062
Prepayments	148,081
Sundry Receivables	248,446
GST Refund due	35,962
Inventory (Rock, VCS, Office Supplies)	551,498
Accrued Rates Revenue	

2,165,891

NON CURRENT ASSETS

Investments	10,973,572
Strategic Investments	1,218,275
Term Deposit - PRCC bond	50,000
MBIE & DOC Bonds	21,142
Investments-Catastrophe Fund	1,058,509
Warm West Coast Loans	420,206
Commercial Property Investment	1,480,000
Fixed Assets	4,157,666
Infrastructural Assets	58,527,916

77,907,285

TOTAL ASSETS

80,073,175

CURRENT LIABILITIES

Bank Short Term Loan	1,100,000
Accounts Payable	284,972
GST	0
Deposits and Bonds	889,740
Sundry Payables	89,699
Revenue in advance	1,388,935
Accrued Annual Leave, Payroll	240,431

3,993,777

NON CURRENT LIABILITIES

Future Quarry restoration	70,000
Interest Rate Hedge Position	96,244
Lower Waiho	162,820
Kaniere	86,994
Greymouth Floodwall	1,576,708
Hokitika Seawall	1,187,500
Strategic Investments	1,083,967
Warm West Coast	420,000
Working capital loan	607,478

5,291,710

TOTAL LIABILITIES

9,285,487

EQUITY

Ratepayers Equity	18,721,751
Surplus transferred	23,120
Rating Districts Equity	2,961,648
Revaluation	38,339,289
Catastrophe Fund	1,020,880
Investment Growth Reserve	9,721,000

TOTAL EQUITY

70,787,688

LIABILITIES & EQUITY

80,073,175

2. Commentary

Surplus for the eight months to 28 February 2018 amounted to \$23,000. This has dropped back from the surplus of \$522,000 reported for the six months to 31 December 2017.

Reasons for this include:

- Managed fund portfolios declined by \$154,000 during February 2018.
- VCS surplus has declined from \$315,000 to \$139,000 for the eight months. That should increase when the profits for the final two aerial contracts for 17/18 are completed.
- Some income items are "one-offs" each year and the impact on the reported surplus declines as the year progresses (for instance Resource Consent annual admin fee).
- Impact of the two Cyclones on Emergency Management expenditure (\$64,000)

3. Investment Portfolio

28 February 2018	Catastrophe Fund	Major Portfolio	TOTAL
Opening balance 1 February 2018	\$ 1,068,719	\$ 11,117,391	\$ 12,186,110
Income	-\$ 10,210	-\$ 143,819	-\$ 154,029
Deposit			
Withdrawal		\$ -	\$ -
Closing balance 28 February 2018	\$ 1,058,509	\$ 10,973,572	\$ 12,032,081
Total income year to date to 28 February 2018	\$ 37,629	\$ 537,356	\$ 574,985

Total investment income amounts to \$692,758. That includes the above \$574,985, commercial property income, and favorable movements in interest rate hedge positions. No income from investment in associate was accounted for in the period.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report be received.

Robert Mallinson
Corporate Services Manager

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting- 10 April 2018
Prepared by: Andrew Robb – Chairman
Date: 28 March 2018
Subject: **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Meetings Attended:

- I attended the One Coast One Voice - Draft Strategy Campaign on 13 March.
- I met with Janie Annear and Gavin Beatie from the Local Government Commission on 15 March.
- I attended the South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs Group meeting in Christchurch on 28 March.
- I took part in the Visiting Drivers Conference Call Meeting on 5 April.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Andrew Robb
Chairman

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 10 April 2018
Prepared by: Michael Meehan – Chief Executive
Date: 28 March 2018
Subject: **CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT**

Meetings attended:

- I attended the Civil Defence SIG meeting in Wellington on 19 and 20 March.
- I met with Bruce Parkes (Department of Conservation) and Mike Shaffrey (MBIE) in Wellington on 20 March.
- I attended the Franz Josef Governance Group meeting on 27 March.
- I met with members of the Barton Group on 28 March.
- I attended the CEG workshop on 29 March.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Michael Meehan
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.

- 14 – 17 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 13 March 2018
- 8.2 Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)
- 8.3 Council Investments (to be circulated prior to meeting)
- 8.4 Response to Presentation (if any)
- 8.5 In Committee Items to be Released to Media

Item No.	General Subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 7 of LGOIMA for the passing of this resolution.
8.			
8.1	Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 13 March 2018		
8.2	Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)	Privacy of natural person	Clause 7 subclause 2 (a)
8.3	Council Investments (to be circulated prior to meeting)	Commercial Sensitivity	Clause 7 subclause 2 (i)
8.4	Response to Presentation (if any)		Clause 7 subclause 2 (f) (ii)
8.5	In Committee Items to be Released to Media		Clause 7 subclause 2 (i)

I also move that:

- Michael Meehan
- Robert Mallinson
- Randal Beal
- Hadley Mills
- Heather McKay
- Nichola Costley

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.