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

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

TUESDAY, 9 JULY 2019

The programme for the day is:

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| 10.30 a.m: | Resource Management Committee Meeting |
| On completion of RMC Meeting: | Councillor Workshop |
| On completion of Councillor Workshop: | Council Meeting |

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| Public Forum: | Frida Inta (via telephone) |
| Councillor Workshops: | Planning Submission Engineering 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, 9 July 2019**

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 11 JUNE 2019, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.30 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), H. McKay (Consents & Compliance Manager), H. Mills (Planning, Science & Innovation Manager), R. Beal (Operations Director), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), A. Mahuika (Minutes Clerk), The Media.

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

2. MINUTES

Moved (Archer / Birchfield) *that the minutes of the previous Resource Management Committee meeting dated 14 May 2019, be confirmed as correct, with the amendment below being made.*

Carried

It was noted that F. Tumahai was an apology for the May meeting.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

3. PRESENTATION

The Chairman introduced Mr Paul Findlay to the meeting. Mr Findlay advised that his family previously owned a coal mine in the Rewanui area. Mr Findlay spoke about climate change, hurricanes, earthquakes and various other environmental and engineering matters. He answered questions from Councillors. The Chairman thanked Mr Findlay for this presentation.

4. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Cr Clementson reported that he attended the final Marris Beach meeting last night. He stated that recommendations were finalised at this meeting and a report will be coming to next month's Council meeting. Cr Clementson advised he was unable to attend the Westport 2100 meeting due to illness.

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

Carried

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

5.1.1 PLANNING REPORT

H. Mills spoke to his report and advised that the Marrs and Shingle Beach working group has now nailed down the probable source of contamination which is Bradshaws Creek. H. Mills advised that a target of four years has been identified to improve water quality in this area.

H. Mills reported that the second round of mediation on the proposed Regional Policy Statement was held in May with a third round scheduled for late July.

H. Mills advised that an extension of time for Plan Change 1 may be required and this will be brought to the next RMC meeting.

H. Mills advised that good progress is being made with the Grey Freshwater Management Unit. He reported that a community information session is scheduled for tonight, in Reefton, for the Kawatiri Freshwater Management Unit and a session for the Paparoa group is scheduled for Thursday evening, in Punakaiki. H. Mills advised that recommendations for memberships will be brought to the July meeting.

H. Mills confirmed that the water level monitoring equipment is now back in place for the Waiho River but due to there already being half a metre of aggradation at this site, therefore the alarm will be set off a lot more frequently now.

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

Carried

5.1.2 REEFTON AIR QUALITY SUMMARY

H. Mills spoke to this report and advised that there has been no exceedance of PM₁₀ so far this season.

H. Mills answered questions relating to the new NES and the site for the new air quality machine.

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

Carried

5.2.1 CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report and advised that two site visits were carried out, four non-notified resources consents were granted, and three changes to consent conditions were granted during the reporting period. H. McKay answered questions relating to works being carried out in the Inangahua River, near Rosstown.

Moved (Birchfield / Archer) *That the June 2019 report of the Consents Group be received.*

Carried

5.2.2 COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT

H. McKay spoke to this report and advised that 98 site visits were carried out during the reporting period.

H. McKay reported that there were 19 complaints or incidents were received with 13 resulting in site visits. H. McKay reported that there were ten non-compliances during the reporting period.

H. McKay reported that two abatement notices, one formal warning and three infringement notices were issued during the reporting period.

H. McKay reported that nine work programmes were received with all nine being approved, four bonds were received and one bond recommended for release.

Moved (Birchfield / Archer)

1. *That the June 2019 report of the Compliance Group be received.*

2. *That the bonds for RC-2015-0026 Eldon Holdings Limited of \$20,000 is released.*

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

There was no general business.

The meeting closed at 10.55 a.m.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 11 June 2019
 Prepared by: Lillie Sadler – Planning Team Leader
 Date: 31 May 2019
Subject: Planning and Hydrology Report

Extension of time for Plan Change 1 Decisions

Under Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Council is required to release the decisions on submissions to the proposed Plan Change 1 (PC1) to the Regional Land and Water Plan within two years of notifying the Plan Change for public submissions. PC1 was notified in August 2016, and the two year period ended in August 2018. At that time the process was delayed due to further assessments needed on corrections to the wetland boundaries.

Council granted a one year extension to release decisions by 22 August 2019. However, this is unlikely to be achieved because, following the reconvened hearing held in January 2019, the Hearing Panel instructed the Council's Assessor and the DOC Ecologist to work together to review the boundaries of the remaining six wetland areas that they had different views on. This approach was taken to seek a resolution and avoid the risk of appeals being lodged on the matter. The Assessor and DOC Ecologist undertook further site visits and are drafting a joint report on these areas, which should be completed in the next month. The hearing will then be reconvened and closed, and decisions released. A date for the hearing is yet to be confirmed but will likely be after the 22 August 2019 extension timeframe. Therefore, staff request a further extension of six months ending 21 February 2020 to release the Decisions on PC1.

Grey Mawhera FMU

The Group met on 25 June (meeting 9). The process of identifying outstanding waterbodies was discussed with the Group. This was followed by a presentation from Francois Tumahai (Ngati Waewae) and Pip Lynch (Ngāi Tahu) on cultural values. The Group also reviewed sites that are not meeting the NPSFM National Objectives Framework, and discussed the reasons for not meeting the national targets, and potential remedies.

Kawatiri FMU

Two public information meetings were held in June about the Kawatiri FMU, one in Punakaiki and one in Reefton. These were hosted to ensure the communities had the opportunity to learn about the NPSFM, and to encourage applications to the FMU group from these areas.

Thirteen applications were received for the group, and these were shortlisted to 10 candidates who were interviewed. As the Implementation Team's recommendations for the eight FMU Group members will be made after this report is finalised, it is proposed to provide these names at the Council meeting, including their interests. This Report recommends that the Council approve those put forward for membership on the Kawatiri FMU Group.

The first group meeting is scheduled for 6 August in Westport.

Essential Freshwater Package

The Government's freshwater work programme for the next two years - "Essential Freshwater – Healthy Water, Fairly Allocated" - is available on the MFE website. The aims of the work programme are to stop further degradation and loss, reverse past damage and address water allocation issues. The work programme will deliver on these objectives through:

- Targeted action and investment in at-risk catchments, from now
- Amendments to the Resource Management Act, introduced later this year
- A new National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (NPSFM), in force by 2020
- A new National Environmental Standard (NES) for Freshwater Management, in force by 2020
- Wide engagement in developing options for allocating water resources, starting with allocation of discharges to water in 2019 ongoing future policy framework development.

The NES for freshwater management will consider:

- Preventing further loss of wetlands and urban streams
- Potential mechanisms for managing intensification, including targeting at-risk catchments
- Potential direction around the use of farm environment plans, good management practices such as stock exclusion and riparian management
- Rules to control activities such as intensive winter grazing, hill country cropping, and feedlots
- potential direction on nutrient allocation
- Direction for the review of existing consents
- A default regime for ecological flow and levels where none are set, and how minimum flows apply to existing consents.

Staff anticipate that the changes to the NPSFM and the new NES will be released in the next few months for public submissions. The programme can be viewed at this link:

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/sites/default/files/media/Fresh%20water/essential-freshwater.pdf>

Hydrology

There were no flood alarms during the reporting period.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *That the report is received.*
2. *That Council approve a further extension of six months to release decisions on submissions to the proposed Plan Change 1 to the Regional Land and Water Plan, by 21 February 2020.*
3. *That the Council approve the Implementation Team's recommended applicants for membership of the Kawatiri Freshwater Management Unit Group.*

Hadley Mills

Planning, Science and Innovation Manager

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee Meeting July 2019
 Prepared by: Marris Beach and Shingle Beach working group
 Date: 25 June 2019
 Subject: **Marris Beach and Shingle Beach Working Group Report: Stage 1**

Background

Long term monitoring by the West Coast Regional Council has shown that both Marris Beach and Shingle Beach, on the Buller River in Westport, have frequently had *E. coli* levels above what is considered safe for swimming. *E. coli* levels are used as an indicator of risk from pathogens, such as Campylobacter, that come from the gut of warm blooded animals. Typical source animals are humans, ruminants, dogs, and birds. Historical records (Figure 1 & 2) show occasions where single samples at Marris Beach and Shingle Beach have exceeded the MfE swimming guideline of 260 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml. Levels from 261 to 550 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml represent a 1% to 5% chance of contracting Campylobacter.

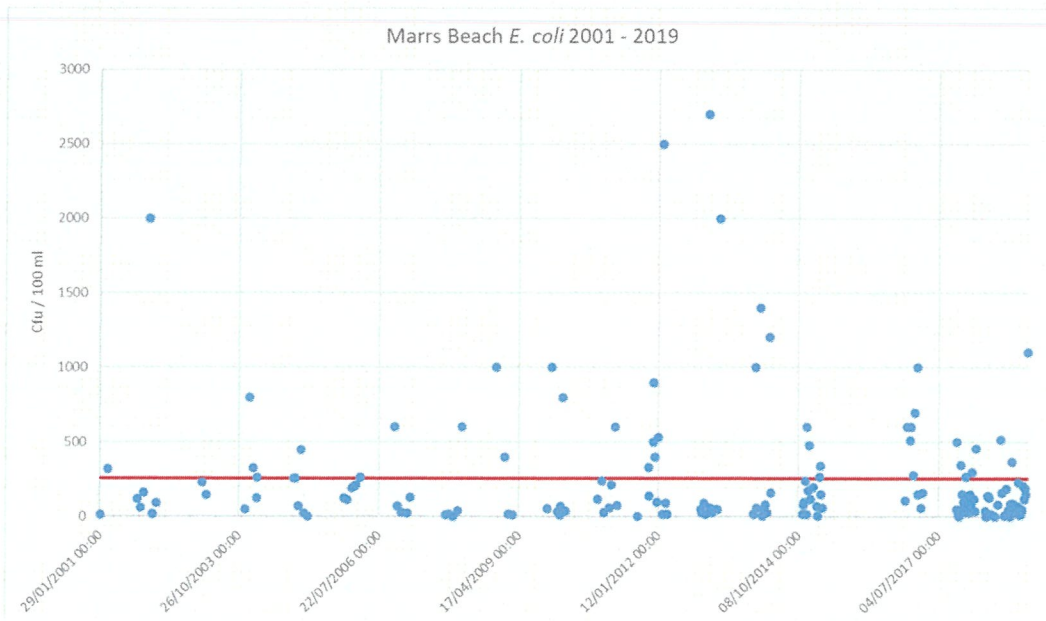


Figure 1: Marris Beach *E. coli* results over time. The red line represents the 260 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml guideline.

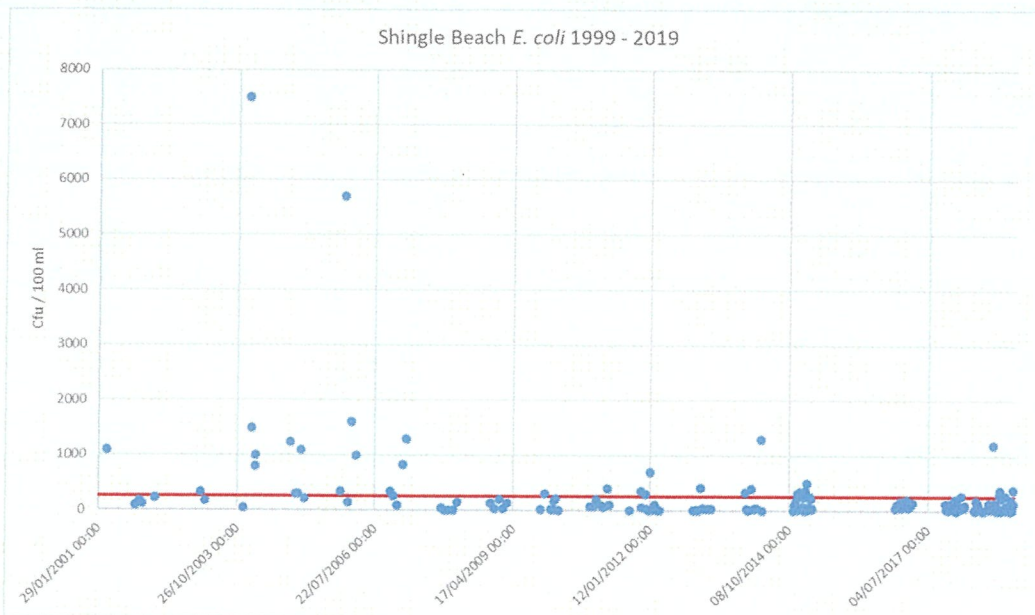


Figure 2: Shingle Beach *E. coli* results over time. The red line represents the 260 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml guideline.

The MARRS and Shingle Beach Working Group (the Group) was tasked with investigating the issue of faecal contamination at these beaches, evaluating community values, and providing recommendations to Council on how water quality might be improved at these sites.

Understanding the problem – causal loop modelling workshop

The first action of the Group was to learn about the complex nature of the faecal contamination issue and its components. This was facilitated by a workshop that evaluated the scenario using causal loop models, which were developed by the Group (Appendix 1).

Values

Values were considered and the Group unanimously identified swimming as the highest priority value for both MARRS and Shingle Beaches. They wanted to see water quality improved so that it would be safer for swimming. Other values were identified and these can be viewed in Appendix 2.

Monitoring plan

The Group implemented a monitoring plan to get data, which would aid understanding of the drivers of faecal contamination. This built on an existing platform of data that had already been collected. Existing Council monitoring sites were used as well some new sites added (Appendix 3). Another key addition included testing the genetic source of *E. coli* contained in samples.

Historically MARRS Beach has exceeded the *E. coli* guidelines for swimming more frequently than Shingle Beach, hence the group focused more attention on MARRS Beach. It has also been assumed that the drivers of exceedances at both beaches are different. Shingle Beach, on the north bank of the Buller River, is downstream of legal sewerage overflows that activate when urban storm water overloads Westport's combined sewerage/storm water system. This will be rectified by the Buller District Council as resources allow. When the Group began, a broad range of potential contaminant sources were considered for MARRS Beach, including human, ruminant, and avian.

The science

Two key questions were: was there an animal (human, bird, ruminant), contributing most of the faecal contamination, and where was contamination coming from. Historic and contemporary sampling results have shown that there are often high levels of *E. coli* in Bradshaws Creek, which flows into the Buller River just upstream of Marrs Beach (refer map in Appendix 3). When applying criteria from the NPS-FM's National Objectives Framework, Bradshaws Creek is in the 'D' category for *E. coli*. A 'D' is below the national bottom line and requires improvement under the NPSFM. Bradshaws Creek has higher *E. coli* concentrations than the Buller River and was considered to be a likely source of contamination, but this needed to be proven.

Key findings

- Genetic markers were used to identify what type of animal the *E. coli* came from. Choices were human, avian, and ruminant. Three tests were undertaken on samples from Bradshaws Creek, and two from Marrs Beach, all of which indicated that ruminant was most likely to be the dominant source. Cows, deer, and sheep are all types of ruminant animals.
- Two days were spent evaluating flow patterns around Bradshaws Lagoon using dye tracing and visual inspection. Flow patterns in this area are complicated, with very large tidal fluxes, but connectivity was observed between water from the Bradshaws catchment and Marrs Beach.
- Testing was undertaken in different parts of the Bradshaws catchment, including the northwest arm of the lagoon towards Carters Beach, and Lagoon Creek. A combination of higher flows and higher *E. coli* concentrations indicated that Bradshaws Creek (above Martins Rd Bridge), was the main tributary supplying faecal contamination.
- Concern was raised that mud at Marrs Beach provided a reservoir for pathogens. Analysis of water samples following sediment stirring has shown that sediment is unlikely to be a major source of pathogen risk at Marrs Beach. While naturalised *E. coli* can occur, is it unlikely to be a significant source.

In summary, based on the sampling undertaken by the Group to date, we are confident that ruminant faecal contamination from Bradshaws Creek is the most significant driver of elevated *E. coli* and pathogen risk at Marrs Beach.

Marrs Beach and Shingle Beach *E. coli* results have improved in recent years, however they remain above the target established by the Group. Further work with catchment land users is required to meet the water quality target.

Shingle Beach requires further investigation before appropriate management options can be established for that area.

Water quality targets

A water quality target, to apply to Marrs Beach and Shingle Beach, was chosen by the Group. This new target requires 90 % of samples (at least 18 out of 20), over the summer sampling period to be below 260 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml. The other 10 % of samples must remain under 550 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml. e.g. no more than 2 out of 20 over 260, and none over 550.

Environment Canterbury and Community Public Health have had input on these targets.

Sampling will be avoided when:

1. There has been more than 50 mm rain in the last 12 hours recorded at the Bald Hill rain gauge.
2. The Buller River @ Te Kuha water level is over 7.3 meters.

Future work

- AgResearch will provide recommendations on how faecal contamination can be reduced. This will include a site visit and a workshop for farmers. The cost will be \$10,000, the funding for which will come from Envirolink. \$5,000 has already been secured.
- Take additional samples at Shingle Beach for faecal source tracking (FST) next summer using a threshold of 500 *E. coli* cfu/100 ml to trigger FST analysis.
- A second updated report from the Group will be presented to the Council in the 2019-2020 financial year.
- Collect additional samples in Bradshaws Creek to improve our ability to evaluate *E. coli* state and trends.
- Council engages with farmers in the Bradshaws Creek catchment, discusses the faecal contamination issue and ways to improve it.

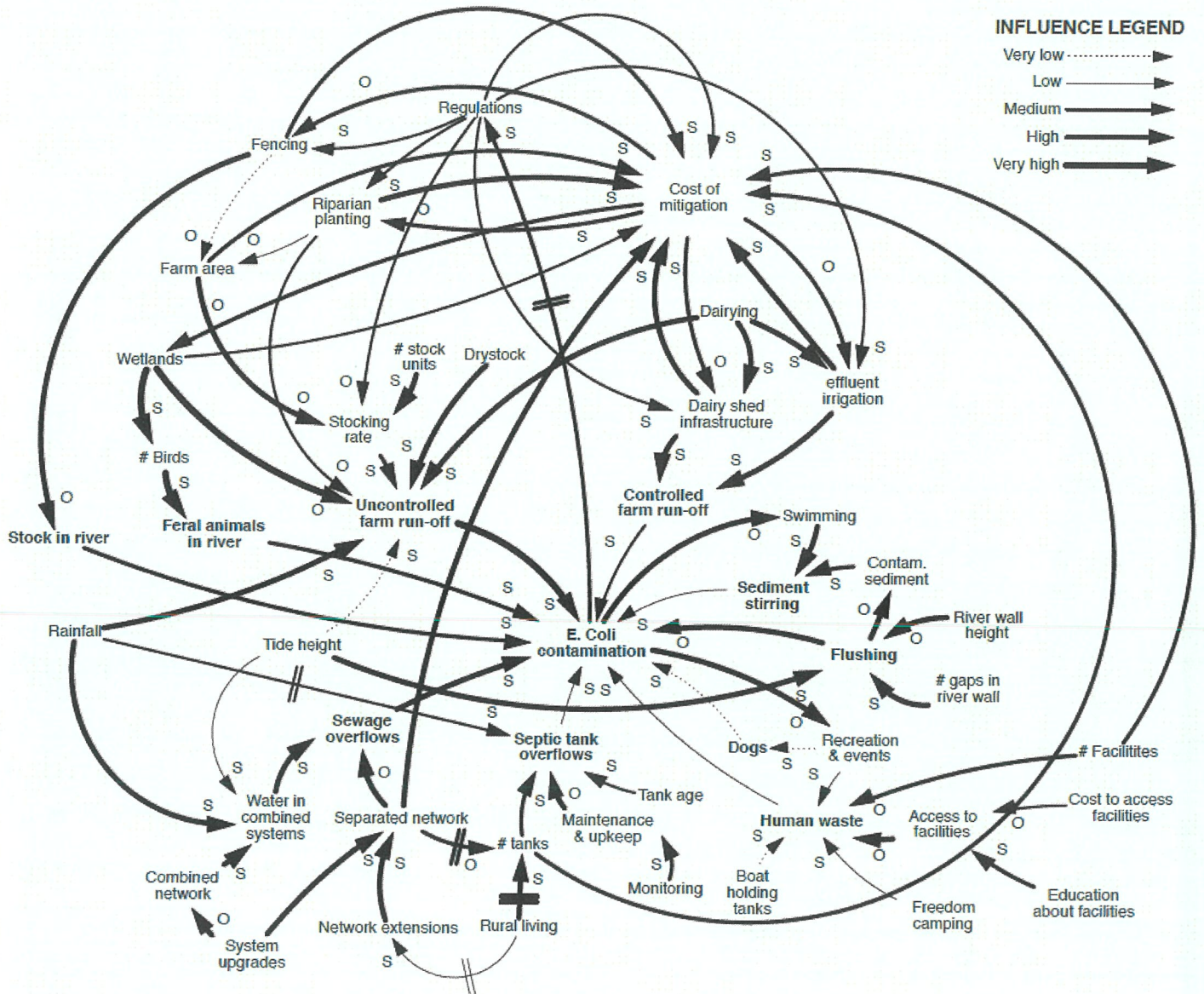
Content of this report pertains to the Group's work to date. Another report will be provided towards the end of 2019 following further engagement and advice.

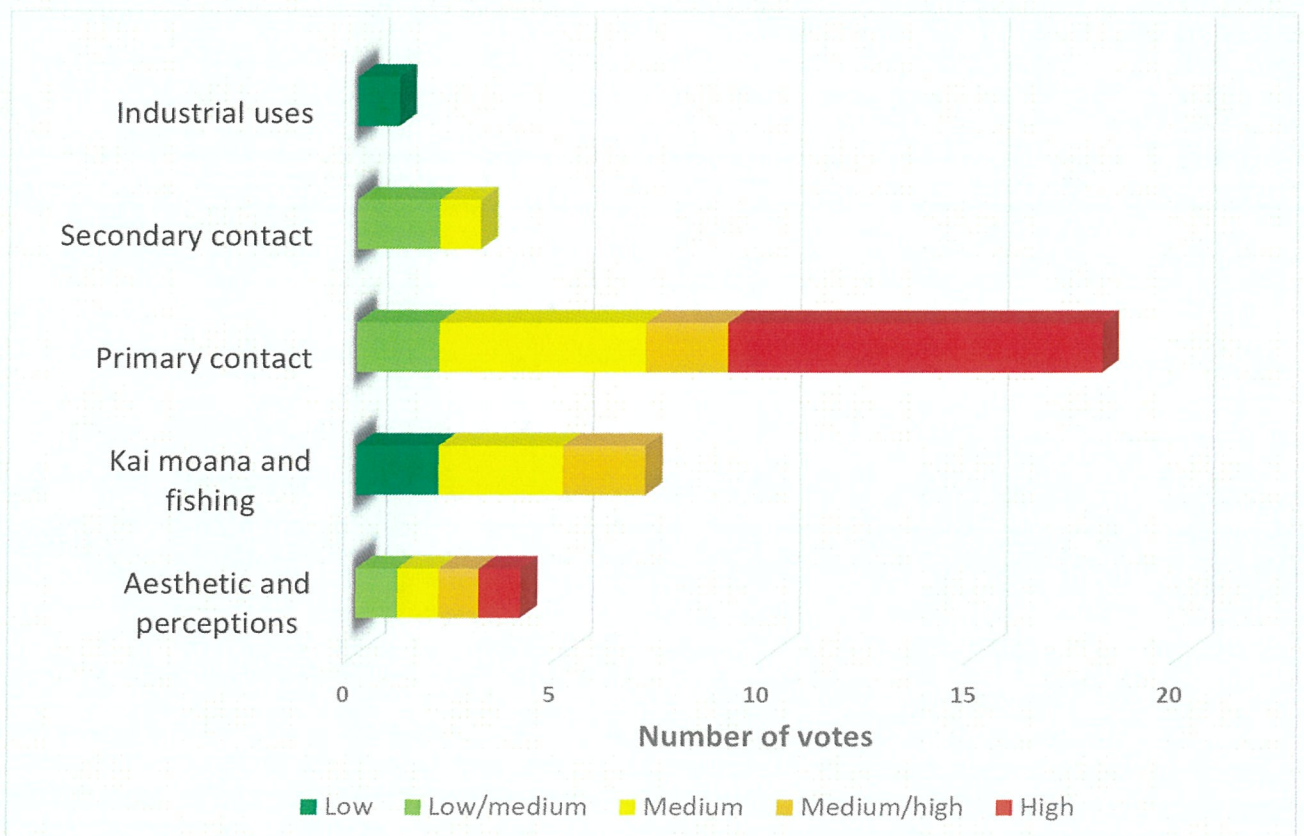
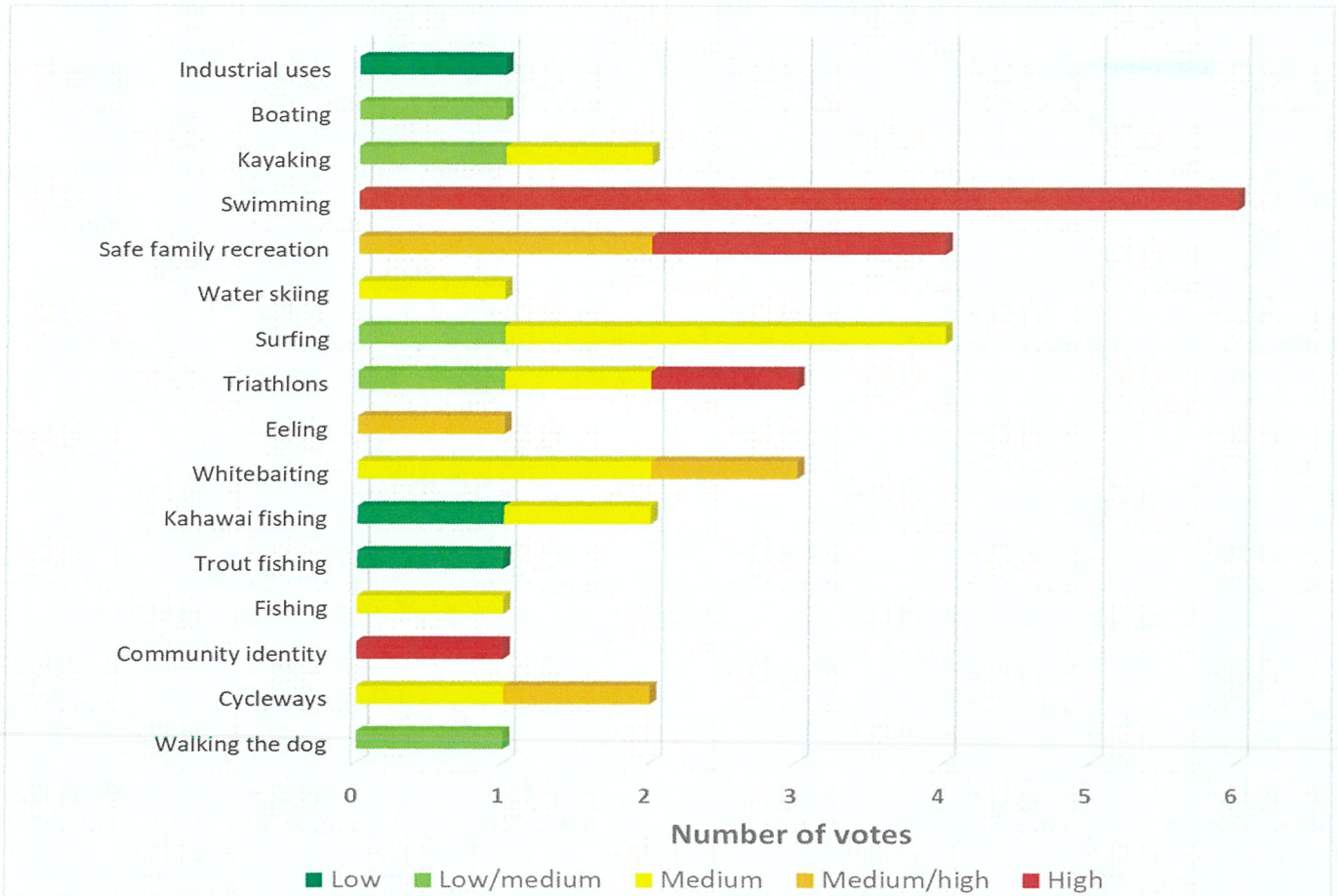
RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *Work with farmers in the Bradshaws Creek catchment to reduce sources of faecal contamination to waterbodies.*
2. *Aim to improve *E. coli* concentrations in Bradshaws Creek to above the NPSFM 'D' category by 2023. If this is not achieved, then regulatory measures may be considered in close consultation with farmers and the community.*
3. *Pursue avenues for working with farmers to implement voluntary measures that will lead to less faecal contamination of Bradshaws Creek.*
4. *If Bradshaws Creek has improved significantly, but water quality targets at Marrs Beach have not been achieved by 2023, then further investigation should be undertaken to determine the source of contamination at Marrs Beach.*
5. *WCRC staff to work with Buller District Council to make the content of public health signage at Marrs Beach more relevant for the public.*
6. *The Group remains formed in its existing structure and continues in future to meet as required.*

Hadley Mills

Planning Science & Innovation Manager





Appendix 3: Monitoring sites.



Appendix 4: Bradshaws Creek catchment demarcated by the red dashed line.



THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 9 July 2019
 Prepared by: Emma Perrin-Smith, Senior Resource Science Technician
 Date: 28 June 2019
Subject: REEFTON AIR QUALITY SUMMARY

There have been no exceedances of the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Air Quality) Regulations 2004 for PM₁₀ in Reefton so far this year (Figure 1).

The new Teledyne T640x air quality machine has now been installed in Reefton (at the current air quality site) and is collecting both PM₁₀ and PM_{2.5} data. This data is not yet telemetered and manual downloads will be carried out in the short term. Data presented in this report is from our existing BAM air quality machine. Data from the new machine will be presented at the next Council meeting.

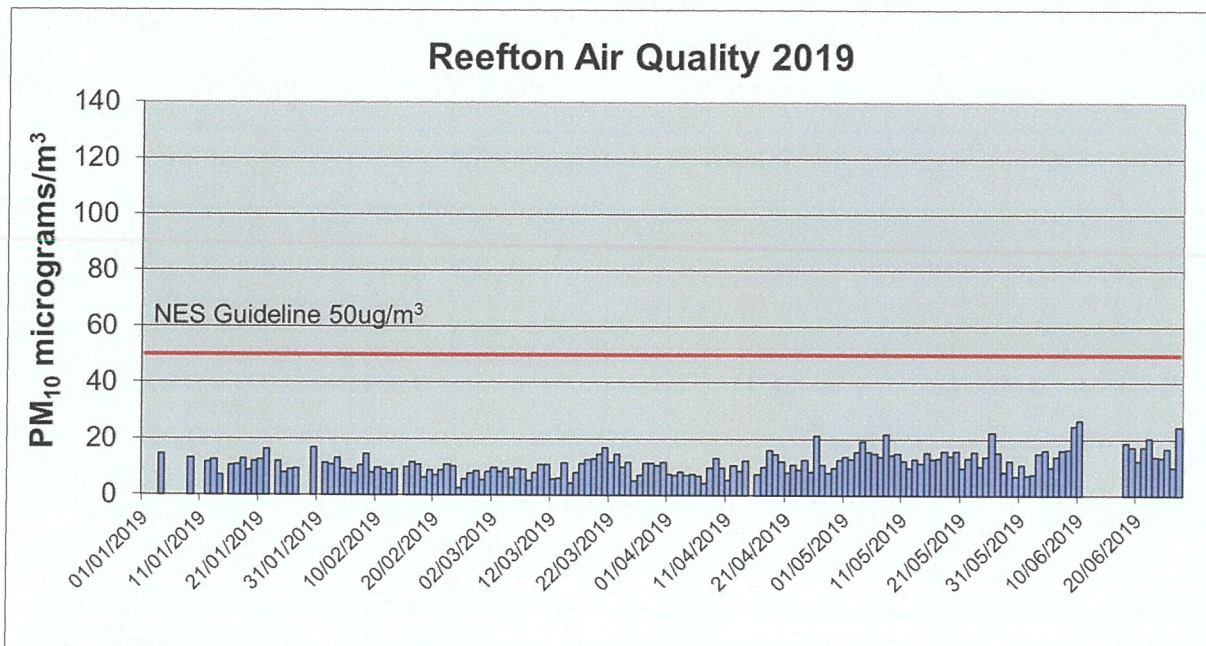


Figure 1. Reefton daily PM₁₀ for 2019.

RECOMMENDATION

That the report is received.

Hadley Mills
 Planning, Science and Innovation Manager

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee
 Prepared by: Jorja Hunt – Consents and Compliance Support Officer
 Date: 28 June 2019
Subject: CONSENTS MONTHLY REPORT

Six Consents Sites Visit were undertaken 30 May to 28 June 2019

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| 18/06/2019 | RC-2019-0057 discharge sewage wastewater from a domestic dwelling, Rutherglen Road, Greymouth, JP De Breuk. | Site visit to see the proposed system and disposal field. |
| 20/06/2019 | RC-2019-0056, alluvial gold mining activities. Bell Hill, Titan Resources Limited | To investigate surrounding environment |
| 20/06/2019 | RC98005-v, alluvial gold mining activities. Bell Hill, M K J Mining Limited | To investigate new area and DOC boundaries |
| 20/06/2019 | RC06232, discharge sewage wastewater to land. Punakaiki, N Mouat. | To look at the discharge disposal field in relation to the receiving environment |
| 26/06/2019 | RC-2019-0049, gravel extraction area, Lake Kaniere Road, Kaniere, P Gardiner. | Site visit to see the application area to investigate the site to assess the gravel volume |
| 26/06/2019 | RC-2019-0053 site visit for discharge sewage wastewater from a domestic dwelling. Blue Spur Road, Hokitika, BRW Challis. | Site visit to see the proposed system and disposal field. |

Nine Non-Notified Resource Consents were Granted 30 May to 28 June 2019

| CONSENT NO. & HOLDER | PURPOSE OF CONSENT |
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| RC-2018-0083 Red Jack Resources Limited Fox Creek, Awatuna | To rehabilitate a mine and undertake vegetation disturbance within MP56177, Fox Creek, Awatuna. To undertake earthworks associated with rehabilitating alluvial gold mining within MP56177, Fox Creek, Awatuna. |
| RC-2019-0043 D McEnaney & J Da Via Reg Cox Drive, Blue Spur, Hokitika | To discharge greywater to land from a one bedroom residential dwelling at Lot 1 DP 486926, Reg Cox Drive, Blue Spur, Hokitika. |
| RC-2019-0035 Grey District Council Mulligans Creek | To disturb the bed of the Mulligans Creek to remove an old culvert and install and maintain a new culvert. |
| RC-2019-0044-01 MW Rooke Ross | To discharge sewage wastewater to land from a residential dwelling at 26 Craig Road, Southside. |
| RC-2019-0050 CR Nelson & TJ Stringer Craig Road, Hokitika. | To discharge sewage wastewater to land from a dwelling at 18 Craig Road, Hokitika. |

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| RC-2019-0051 PF & SM Wilson Hunts Beach, Karangarua. | To discharge sewage wastewater to land from a residential dwelling at Hunts Beach, Karangarua. |
| RC-2019-0042 Weora Limited Manakaiaua River. | To take and use groundwater for the purposes of bulk water supply, adjacent to the Manakaiaua River. |
| RC-2019-0054 Inca Farm Limited Maruia | To discharge dairy effluent to land where it may enter water near DSF32169, Maruia |
| RC-2019-0057 JP De Breuk Rutherglen Road, Greymouth | To discharge sewage wastewater to land from a dwelling at Lot 3 Rutherglen Road, Greymouth. |

Two Changes to and Reviews of Consent Conditions were Granted 30 May to 28 June 2019

| CONSENT NO. & HOLDER | PURPOSE OF CHANGE/REVIEW |
|--|--|
| RC13035-V1 Camelback Farm Limited Hokitika, Kowhitirangi | To extend river protection works in the Hokitika River at Kowhitirangi. |
| RC04219-V1 W Begg and Son Limited Duffers Creek, Totara flat | To increase gravel extraction volume and area, Duffers Creek Totara flat |

Two Limited Notified and Notified Resource Consents were granted 30 May to 28 June 2019

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| RC-2019-0041 Westland District Council Fox Glacier | To discharge odour to air during the desludging of the Fox Glacier oxidation ponds. |
| RC-2018-0068-V1 Westland District Council Franz Josef | To change the method and location of the discharge of treated wastewater, Franz Josef Wastewater Treatment Plant. |

Public Enquiries

42 written public enquiries were responded to during the reporting period. 37 (88%) were answered on the same day, and the remaining five (12%) within the next ten days.

RECOMMENDATION

That the July 2019 report of the Consents Group be received.

Heather McKay

Consents & Compliance Manager

Prepared for: Resource Management Committee – 9 July 2019
 Prepared by: Heather McKay – Consents & Compliance Manager
 Date: 28 June 2019
 Subject: **COMPLIANCE & ENFORCEMENT MONTHLY REPORT**

Site Visits

A total of 62 site visits were undertaken during the reporting period, which consisted of:

| Activity | Number of Visits |
|----------------------------------|------------------|
| Resource consent monitoring | 24 |
| Mining compliance & bond release | 24 |
| Complaints | 8 |
| Dairy farm | 6 |

- A total of 23 complaints/incidents were recorded, with 11 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 11 non-compliances occurred during the reporting period.

| Activity | Description | Location | Action/Outcome | INC/Comp |
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| Gold Mining | Compliance staff carried out an inspection at a gold mining operation. On site it was found that the discharge of sediment laden water from the operation was significantly discolouring the creek. | Maori Gully | Analysis of the samples taken during the inspection established that the consent holder has breached their resource consent. They have been required to undertake remedial work to cease the discharge. Enquiries are ongoing. | Incident |
| Gravel Extraction | A compliance inspection was undertaken at a gravel extraction area on the Hokitika River. | Hokitika | Follow up enquiries established that one of the consent holders for that extraction area had not supplied their gravel volume returns which is a technical breach of their consent conditions. | Incident |
| River bed structure | A complaint was received that concrete power poles laid out across a creek bed to form a ford had washed out in the March flood and was causing erosion to a neighbouring property. | Arahura Valley | The site was investigated and established that the structure was not causing erosion. However, it was also established that the structure was not consented and required a retrospective consent. | Complaint |
| Gravel Extraction | A compliance inspection was undertaken at a gravel extraction area on the Kaniere River. | Kaniere | Follow up enquiries established that one of the consent holders for that extraction area had not supplied their gravel volume returns which is a technical breach of their consent conditions. | Incident |

| Activity | Description | Location | Action/Outcome | INC/Comp |
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| Gravel Extraction | A compliance inspection was undertaken at a gravel extraction area on the Taramakau River. | Taramakau | Follow up enquiries established that two of the consent holders for that extraction area had not supplied their gravel volume returns which is a technical breach of their consent conditions. | Incident |
| Gravel Extraction | Compliance inspections were undertaken at various gravel extraction areas on the Grey River. | Grey River | Follow up enquiries established that four of the consent holders for those extraction areas had not supplied their gravel volume returns which is a technical breach of their consent conditions. | Incident |
| Gravel Extraction | A compliance inspection was undertaken on the Grey River upstream of the Cobden bridge. It was observed that recent extraction had been undertaken and the river bed was left unremediated. | Grey River | Enquiries established which contractor was responsible and they have been required to remediate the river bed by filling in holes and battering the slopes as required by their resource consent conditions. Enforcement action is pending. | Incident |

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 |
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| Stock Access to River bed | Complaint received that dairy cows are grazing on a riverbed. | Maruia | Enquiries are ongoing | Complaint |
| Earthworks | Complaint received that earthworks are causing storm water and sediment discharge issues. | Nikau | Enquiries are ongoing | Complaint |
| Discharge to air | Complaint received that a discharge from an outside fire was causing an odour issue. | Reefton | The complaint was reported the day after the fire. The person that had the fire was contacted and advised of materials that are not allowed to be burnt and to have more regard for their neighbours. | Complaint |
| Discharge to air | Complaint received that a discharge from an outside fire was causing an odour issue. | Greymouth | The site was investigated and established that there was no breach of the rules | Complaint |
| Rubbish within the CMA | Complaint received that a person had found a container on the beach containing an unknown substance. | Haast | A local contractor recovered the container and disposed of it at a landfill. | Complaint |

| Activity | Description | Location | Action/Outcome | INC/Comp |
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| Riparian margin clearance | Complaint received that someone had cleared a riparian margin to enable access onto a river bed. | Te Kinga | A site visit was undertaken and established that there was no breach of the regional rules. | Complaint |
| Earthworks | Complaint received that a person has undertaken works on the banks of a creek. | Hokitika | A site visit was undertaken and established that the person was reinstating the bank under permitted activity rules. | Complaint |
| Gravel Extraction | Complaint received that a person is extracting gravel from a river and the caller is concerned that the activity is not consented. | Haast | Enquiries are ongoing | Complaint |
| Discharge to air | Complaint received that a person is spray painting a vehicle and the discharge is causing an issue. | Westport | The person was contacted and advised the Council that he had finished spray painting the vehicle and that it was a one off job. | Complaint |
| Earthworks | Complaint received that a person has removed flood protection work to gain access to a river bed. | Marsden | The site was investigated and established that the person had gone onto the river bed to extract gravel under permitted activity rules and had not removed any rock work. | Complaint |
| Gravel extraction | Complaint received that the extraction of gravel from a creek is causing erosion downstream of the activity. | Reefton | Enquiries are ongoing. | Complaint |
| Discharge within the CMA | Complaint received regarding a discharge pipe exposed by erosion within the Coastal Marine Area. The complainant was concerned that the discharge pipe may be from a septic tank and potentially could discharge waste water onto the beach. | Coast Road | The site was investigated and established that it is a storm water pipe and not from a septic tank. | 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 |
|---------------|--|-------------|--|-----------|
| Dairy Farming | A compliance inspection at a dairy farm established that dairy effluent had discharged from a stock underpass to a paddock. (May report) | Kotuku | A minor discharge and the farmer has plans to upgrade the underpass. A formal warning has now been issued. | Incident |
| Gold mining | A compliance officer saw that a creek was discoloured with sediment and carried out an inspection of a gold mining operation. | Notown | It was observed on site that the discharge from the operations settling pond system had significantly discoloured the creek. An infringement notice has now been issued for the discharge. An abatement notice was served to cease the discharge and a second notice was issued for the site to reduce their disturbed area. | Incident |
| Gold mining | Complaint received that a gold miner's tailings have slipped into a creek during a rain event. (May Report) | Maori Gully | The site was investigated at the time the complaint was received. An infringement notice has now been issued. | Complaint |

Formal Enforcement Action

Abatement Notices: There were two abatement notices issued during the reporting period.

| Activity | Location |
|---|----------|
| Gold Mining: One notice issued to cease the discharge of sediment laden water. A second notice to the same operator to reduce their disturbed area. | Notown |

Formal Warning: There were 22 formal warnings issued during the reporting period.

| Activity | Location |
|--|---------------------------|
| Dairy Farming: Notice issued for the discharge of dairy effluent from a stock underpass. | Kotuku |
| Gravel Extraction: A review of Council records established that 21 contractors and persons holding resource consents for gravel extraction have not submitted gravel volume returns to the Council as required by their resource consent conditions. Although a technical offence it is important to receive this information so the Council holds records of volumes extracted from the rivers. | Various West Coast rivers |

Infringement Notices: There were two infringement notices issued during the reporting period.

| Activity | Location |
|---|-------------|
| Gold Mining: A notice was issued for the discharge of sediment laden water. | Maori Gully |
| Gold Mining: A notice was issued for the discharge of sediment laden water. | Notown |

Mining Work Programmes and Bonds

The Council received the following 13 work programmes during the reporting period. Ten of the work programmes have been approved. The remaining work programmes have recently been received or require further information.

| Date | Mining Authorisation | Holder | Location | Approved |
|-------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 28/05/19 | RC06163 | Steve Grant Excavating Ltd | Blue Spur | Yes |
| 31/05/19 | RC11088 | BT Mining Ltd | Stockton | Yes |
| 31/05/19 | CML37-150 | BT Mining Ltd | Stockton | Yes |
| 31/05/19 | RC03175 | BT Mining Ltd | Cypress | Yes |
| 04/06/19 | RC12160 | Westroads Ltd | Blaketown | In progress |
| 06/06/19 | RC-2015-0100 | Raymond Thomas | Gows Creek | Yes |
| 10/06/19 | RC05172 | Peter Fielding | Inangahua | Yes |
| 10/06/19 | RC07067 | Peter Fielding | Inangahua | Yes |
| 18/06/19 | RC-2015-0106 | TS Mining Ltd | Mount Fox | Yes |
| 19/06/19 | RC11212 | Phoenix Mining Ltd | Browns Terrace | Yes |
| 25/06/19 | RC-2018-0092 | Elect Mining Ltd | Chesterfield | Yes |
| 26/06/19 | RC98005 | MJK Mining Ltd | Bell Hill | In progress |
| 28/06/19 | RC-2015-0031 | Waipuna Lime Ltd | Waipuna | In progress |

No bonds were received during the reporting period

One bond is recommended for release

| Mining Authorisation | Holder | Location | Amount | Reason For Release |
|-----------------------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|---|
| RC07078 | Leisure Land Ltd | Inangahua | \$12,000 | Mining has concluded and the rehabilitation has been undertaken |

RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the July 2019 report of the Compliance Group be received.*
- 2. That the bond for RC07078 Leisure Land Limited of \$12,000 is released.*

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, 9 July 2019** commencing on completion of the Resource Management Committee Meeting

A.J. ROBB
CHAIRPERSON

M. MEEHAN
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COUNCIL HELD ON 11 JUNE 2019,
AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL, 388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH,
COMMENCING AT 10.55 A.M.****PRESENT:**

A. Robb (Chairman), T. Archer, N. Clementson, 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), H. Mills (Planning, Science & Innovation Manager), R. Beal (Operations Director), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), A. Mahuika (Minutes Clerk).

1. APOLOGY:

There were no apologies.

2. PUBLIC FORUM

There was no public forum.

3.1 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The Chairman asked the meeting if there were any changes to the minutes of the previous meeting. There were no changes requested.

Moved (Birchfield / Archer) that *the minutes of the Council meeting dated 14 May 2019, be confirmed as correct.*

Carried

Matters arising

There were no matters arising.

REPORTS:**4.1 OPERATIONS REPORT**

R. Beal spoke to his report and advised that the meeting with the Franz Josef Rating District which was scheduled for 4 June did not go ahead due to lack of availability of members of the rating district. R. Beal advised that staff have completed the design and costings of work requested by the rating district and a tender will be sent out immediately for the 3 to 1 batter wall. R. Beal advised that staff are not supportive of the design on page 8 of the agenda and NZTA have advised that they will not contribute to the cost of this at \$2.8M as they have their own protection works in place.

R. Beal reported that 250m of the new stopbank has been completed in the Lower Waiho Rating District. He explained progress to date and advised that 14,000 tonne of rock has been recovered to date. R. Beal stated that quite a bit of money is being spent on maintaining the diversion work which is protecting the major rebuild work as each time there is a weather event this work is damaged. This is increasing the total rebuild costs. R. Beal stated that the work plan has now been changed so that the focus can be on extending the full length stopbank plus half height so that money is not being spent on the diversion wall. M. Meehan stated that it was previously agreed that staff would advise Council once the \$1M mark is reached, he stated that it is expected this will be reported at one of the annual plan meetings either on

21 or 28 June. R. Beal advised that other rock sources investigated have now come in at between \$35 and \$40 per tonne and if too much rock is brought at this price then the financial shortfall would be greater.

R. Beal advised that Grey District Council have sought engineering advice from Council regarding the erosion issues at Jellyman Park. R. Beal stated that Envirolink funding is being sought to update the NIWA Report which was previously done in this area. M. Meehan confirmed that this Council has no assets in this area but the outlet for Range Creek is in this vicinity.

Discussion took place on insurance matters relating to the Lower Waiho works. It was noted that final prices are very dependent on what rock pricing is obtained. R. Beal answered questions from Councillors regarding the current state of the wall, rock sources, design and potential financial impacts to the rating district. It was agreed that a more comprehensive report would be brought to one of the annual plan meetings later in the month.

Cr Ewen voiced his concern with involvement in the Jellyman Park issues as he feels there could be financial risk to this Council in this area. The Chairman stated that he is happy for staff to provide advice but the request would need to come from Grey District Council. R. Beal displayed a video of the sea conditions at Jellyman Park.

R. Beal confirmed that Council's engineer has GPS'd an area of the Hokitika Sewall near Tudor Street yesterday, as there has been some erosion in this area.

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

Carried

4.1.2 AMOUR GRADE ROCK PROTECTION DEMAND

R. Beal spoke to this report and stated that there are significant amounts of rock required across the West Coast by Council, DoC and NZTA for all the repair projects following the March weather event. R. Beal stated that should there be similar weather events in other parts of the region he is concerned about how Council would cope with the high demand for rock. R. Beal suggested an amendment to recommendation number 2.

M. Meehan advised that there is some cross over in the asset management plans as some of this can be done quickly but some is large items of work that may take time to do. He stated that conversations will need to be had with rating districts and communities as to what they can afford to have in stockpiles. He stated that it is important that Council has access to rock quickly during emergency weather events. Discussion took place about access to rock within the conservation estate and whether or not the provision of rock to community's is Council's responsibility. Extensive discussion took place. R. Beal advised that there is already an existing production contract in place which was extended last year with a current contractor, he has been offered a further extension but has come back with an increase of costs, which is why the contract needs to be released for tender.

Cr Clementson declared a conflict of interest.

Moved (Challenger / Archer)

1. *That the report is received.*
2. *Release of the Quarry production and Management contract for tender and include a breakdown per quarry.*
3. *Reassess the business plan for Quarry management.*
4. *Engage additional AGPR production drilling rigs.*
5. *Identify and consent additional sites of AGPR for immediate and future needs.*
6. *Engage with stakeholders to achieve acceptable outcomes for new AGPR sources.*
7. *Re-evaluate what stockpiles of AGPR should be held in stock.*

Carried

4.2 CORPORATE SERVICES MANAGER'S MONTHLY REPORT

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R. Mallinson spoke to his report and advised that this is for the ten months to the end of April. He reported that the deficit has reduced slightly to \$589,000. R. Mallinson reported that the investment portfolio continued its recovery with total recovery from January to April amounting to \$864,000. He stated that although the investment portfolio has recovered, it is still more than \$0.25M below what was budgeted for the year to date. R. Mallinson advised that the reported results do not include a substantial volume of rock that has been sold to MBD Ltd under a royalty agreement at Inchbonnie. He advised that the May results will include at least 30,000 tonnes sold at the \$3.00 royalty. R. Mallinson answered questions from Councillors relating to rating district finances.

R. Mallinson advised that the total amount of debt migrated was \$7.5M from Westpac to the Local Government Funding Agency. He stated that Council had been paying 3.15% on this debt through Westpac, the new costing of borrowing is 2.15% with 1% being saved which equates to in excess of \$70,000 per year going forward. R. Mallinson advised that he will be bringing a full report on this matter to the July Council meeting. R. Mallinson advised that some debt has been kept with Westpac. M. Meehan thanked R. Mallinson for the considerable amount of work he has done in this area.

R. Mallinson answered questions from Councillors.

Moved (Birchfield / Challenger) *That the report is received.*

Carried

5.0 CHAIRMANS REPORT

The Chairman spoke to his report and stated that the Essential Freshwater Regional Sector Advisory Group's work is ramping up and will be going to Cabinet at the end of the month.

The Chairman advised that the Grey Freshwater Management Unit is progressing well and those involved now have a good understanding of what is required and the impacts of any decisions or recommendations that are made.

Moved (Robb / Clementson) *that this report is received.*

Carried

GENERAL BUSINESS

Cr Birchfield expressed concern with Local Government NZ, he stated that Council pays a \$33,000 membership fee and he is concerned with what Council gets out of this and queried whether Council should continue its membership. Cr Birchfield stated that Dave Cull's speech at the Minerals Conference stated that the mining sector was not required anymore and put the sector on notice. The Chairman suggested that Council writes a letter to LGNZ as he feels that Mr Cull should not be making statements like this, as the head of LGNZ. M. Meehan advised that he also attended the Minerals Conference and listened to Mr Cull's speech. M. Meehan advised that Council's membership is paid up until March 2020 and council in the past have pulled out of LGNZ. M. Meehan advised that Mr Cull is standing down as Dunedin's Mayor in October and he will have to vacate the President's role for LGNZ. M. Meehan stated that he feels writing a letter to LGNZ is a good idea. Extensive discussion took place and it was agreed that Council would write a letter to LGNZ and this would be circulated to Councillors prior to being sent.

Moved (Birchfield / Archer) *that Council writes to LGNZ.*

Carried

Fuel Storage

Cr Ewen expressed his concern that nobody seems to be doing anything about fuel storage for the West Coast as he has made enquiries on this matter with DWC. M. Meehan confirmed that there is a fuel plan for the West Coast, which shows where fuel is stored and it is updated every couple of years by the Lifelines Group. M. Meehan stated that this is an important issue and if Council would like this progressed then outside consultants would need to be engaged and would involve significant capital costs. M. Meehan outlined work that has already been done in this area and agreed to have this forwarded to Cr Ewen. Cr Archer stated that this matter has been covered extensively over the years, it is a huge issue, as a facility would need to be built and the fuel would need to be turned over constantly,

and he feels that the community cannot afford to fund this. Cr Birchfield agreed, and stated that any fuel storage facility would need to be run by the fuel companies. He acknowledged that the costs would be huge and he is unsure who would fund this. Extensive discussion took place.

Moved (Clementson / Archer) *That the meeting is adjourned.*

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 12.05pm

The meeting reconvened at 12.45 pm

Moved (Archer / Birchfield) *That the meeting is reconvened.*

Carried

The meeting closed at 12.45 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON
21 JUNE 2019, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.30 A.M.**

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

R. Beal (Acting Chief Executive), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), N. Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), T. Jellyman (Minutes Clerk)

1. APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies.

2. ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSIONS

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. He stated that this meeting is a hearing to listen to submissions on Council's 2019 / 20 Annual Plan. The Chairman stated that Council will take note of what submitters have to say, and may ask questions, or points of clarification but there is no debate allowed. The Chairman explained that this is a public meeting and is to be kept respectful at all times.

Submissions on the Annual Plan and Consultation Document 2019 / 20

173 submissions were received, of these eight were received late. Submissions were circulated to Councillors via email, with hard copies provided today. Seven submitters spoke to their submissions in person. Five submitters who had previously indicated that they wished to speak to their submissions did not attend the hearing.

Keith Rusholme – One District Plan, Rapahoe Proposed Rating District

K. Rusholme spoke to his submission. Cr Robb thanked K. Rusholme for his submission.

Colman Creagh – One District Plan, Rapahoe Proposed Rating District, Transfer of Powers – Navigation Safety

C. Creagh spoke to both of his submissions. Cr Robb thanked C. Creagh for his submissions.

Chris Coll- Westport 2100 Working Group

C. Coll spoke to his submission. Cr Robb thanked C. Coll for his submission.

Garry Howard –Carters Beach Proposed Rating District

G. Howard spoke to his submission and stated that this is his private submission and relates to his property at Carters Beach. Cr Robb thanked G. Howard for this submission.

Carl Horn- One District Plan

C. Horn spoke to his submission. Cr Robb thanked C. Horn for his submission.

Bruce Walsh – One District Plan, Carters Beach Proposed Rating District

Mr Walsh spoke to his submission. It was noted that Mr Walsh also has 86 signatures from ratepayers of Carters Beach in support of his submission. Mr Walsh answered questions from Councillors and provided additional information in support of his submissions. Cr Robb thanked Mr Walsh for his submission.

Buller District Council – One District Plan

Mayor Howard spoke to this submission. He spoke at length and answered questions from Councillors. Cr Robb thanked Mayor Howard for the submission.

Graham Ford – One District Plan

G. Ford spoke to his submission. Cr Robb thanked G. Ford for his submission.

Moved (Birchfield / Clementson) *That the 173 submissions, including the eight late submissions received after the closing date, on the 2019 / 20 Long Term Plan are received.*

Carried

Cr Robb thanked those present for their attendance.

The meeting closed at 12.36 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL HELD ON
28 JUNE 2019, AT THE OFFICES OF THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL,
388 MAIN SOUTH ROAD, GREYMOUTH, COMMENCING AT 10.30 A.M.**

PRESENT:

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

IN ATTENDANCE:

R. Beal (Acting Chief Executive Officer), R. Mallinson (Corporate Services Manager), N Costley (Strategy & Communications Manager), A. Mahuika (Minutes Clerk), Media x 2

1. APOLOGIES:

There were no apologies.

MOVED (Birchfield / Archer)

That Gary Howard (Mayor of Buller District Council) be granted speaking rights.

Carried

Mayor Howard spoke to the meeting.

2. STAFF REPORT ON 2019 / 20 ANNUAL PLAN SUBMISSIONS

R. Mallinson spoke to this report. R. Mallinson went through the staff report and answered questions from Councillors

1. **MOVED** (Clementson/Ewen) *That all submitters be thanked for their submissions.*

Carried

There was substantial debate about One District Plan, with Crs Ewen and Birchfield opposed to adopting the budget and levying the proposed rate. During the meeting notification was received that the Local Government Commission funding of \$200,000 had been confirmed.

2. **MOVED** (McDonnell / Archer)

That the One District Plan budget be amended from \$900,000 to \$700,000 and a targeted rate of \$250,000 + GST be confirmed for 2019/20.

*Crs Ewen and Birchfield Against
Carried*

3. **MOVED** (Birchfield/Ewen) *That the Rapahoe proposal does not proceed.*

Carried

4. **MOVED** (Archer / Birchfield)

That the Carters Beach proposal does not proceed.

That Council continues dialogue with the Carters Beach community, Domain Board & Buller District Council in an attempt to achieve a mutually acceptable solution.

That Council provides Buller District Council with copies of submissions from both the March survey and Annual plan submissions, and provides support and advice to Buller District Council on the community preferred option, which is a community led sand based bund as a wave overtopping protection option.

Carried

5. **MOVED** (Clementson / Challenger)

That Council reaffirms its commitment to the principle that the communities that benefit from river or coastal protection works are the ones that should pay for those works through an appropriate targeted rate.

Carried

6. **MOVED** (Ewen/Birchfield)

That there be a change to the Punakaiki Special Rating area differentials as per Option 3 in the consultation document, which is no differentials for the maintenance rates.

*Against Crs Archer, McDonnell, Clementson
Carried*

7. **MOVED** (Archer / Birchfield)

That Council proceeds with the Karamea stopbank upgrade proposal as outlined in the Consultation Document.

Carried

8. **MOVED** (Clementson / Birchfield)

That Council proceed with the increase in the Dairy inspection charge as outlined in the Consultation Document.

Carried

9. **MOVED** (Ewen / Archer)

That Council confirms the Transfer of Navigation Safety Powers to Grey District Council as outlined in the Consultation Document.

Carried

10. **MOVED** (Archer / McDonnell)

That submitters seeking outcomes in regards to air shed monitoring, protection of sources of public drinking water supplies, walking & cycling strategies, be advised that Council considered their submissions but did not make any change to the Annual Plan for 2019/20.

Carried

11. **MOVED** (Clementson / McDonnell)

That submitters with concerns regarding climate change be advised that Council does take this into account when preparing Regional Policies and Plans.

Carried

12. **MOVED** (Ewen / Challenger)

That Council formally adopts the information that it relied on for inclusion in the Consultation Document pursuant to Section 95 (4) of the Local Government Act 2002.

Carried

13. **MOVED** (McDonnell / Archer)

That Council confirms the Annual Plan for 2019/20 pursuant to section 95 of the Local Government Act 2002, taking into account the amendments previously determined.

Carried

LATE ITEM

MOVED (Archer/Ewen)

That a late item be accepted.

Carried

Councillors agreed to accept a late item with regard to a Deed extending the agreement with Otago Regional Council (Dam Certification and the Building Act) to June 2021, as the Deed needed to be signed by 30 June 2019. Councillors agreed that the Chairman and Deputy Chairman would execute the Deed under Council Seal.

MOVED (Ewen / Archer)

That the above Deed be executed by the Chairman and Deputy Chairman.

Carried

The meeting closed at 12. 28 p.m.

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Chairman

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Date

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 9 July 2019
Prepared by: Paulette Birchfield – Engineer, Brendon Russ - Engineer
Date: 27 June 2019
Subject: **ENGINEERING OPERATIONS REPORT**

FUTURE WORKS

Waitangitaona = 1,500T of AGPR damage repair
Wanganui = 4,000T of AGPR damage repair
Kaniere = 3,000 of AGPR damage repair
Inchbonnie = 3,000T of AGPR damage repair

WORKS COMPLETED AND WORKS TENDERED FORLower Waiho Rating District

Re-construction of Milton and Others Stopbank- Progress Update:

375m of new the stopbank has been completed to full height with rock placed to half height.



Completed section of new Stopbank – with rock placed to half height

The following plant is currently being used onsite:

Arnold Contracting Team

- 1 x 20T Excavator
- 3 x 30T Excavators
- 1 x 50T Excavator
- 1 x 26T Dump Truck
- 1 x 40T Dump Truck
- 1 x 12T Construction Roller
- 1 X D375 Bulldozer

Blakely Construction

- 1 X 50T Excavator
- 1 x 40T Dump Truck
- 1 x D11 Dozer

As of 21 June 2019 approximately 21,000T of rock has been recovered and placed into the new stopbank and the temporary diversion channel. Rock recovery from all sources is currently costing approximately \$21.50+GST per tonne.

As of 31 May 2019 \$614,330.12+GST has been spent on this project.

Quarry Rock Movements 1 May 2019 - 31 May 2019

| Quarry | | Opening Stockpile Balance | Rock Sold | Rock Produced | Closing Stockpile Balance |
|---------------|--------------|---------------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| Camelback | Small/medium | 11,943 | 0 | 0 | 11,943 |
| | Large | 3,165 | 0 | 0 | 3,165 |
| Whataroa | Small/medium | 9,056 | 3,416 | 0 | 5,640 |
| | Large | 790 | 0 | 0 | 790 |
| Blackball | | 850 | 0 | 0 | 850 |
| Inchbonnie | | 16,476 | 30,521 | 29,666 | 15,621 |
| Kiwi | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Miedema | | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Okuru | | 1,000 | 0 | 0 | 1,000 |
| Whitehorse | | 1,334 | 0 | 0 | 1,334 |
| Totals | | 43,866 | 30,521 | 29,666 | 43,011 |

RECOMMENDATION

1. That the report is received.
2. That the rebuild budget of \$2,600,000 +/- 10% for the Milton and Others Stopbank is approved.

Randal Beal
Director of Operations

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting – 9 July 2019
 Prepared by: Nichola Costley – Manager Strategy and Communications
 Date: 9 July 2019
Subject: Variation 6 to the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 - 21

Purpose

The purpose of this request is to ask the Regional Council to vary the 2015-21 Regional Land Transport Plan (RLTP) to include the West Coast State Highway Speed Management Guide Implementation. This request is made pursuant to section 18D of the Land Transport Management Act 2003 (LTMA).

Overview

The Regional Transport Committee (RTC) may prepare a variation to its RLTP during the six years to which it applies if the variation addresses an issue raised by a review; or good reason exists for making the variation.

A variation may be prepared by the RTC at the request of an approved organisation of the NZ Transport Agency or on the RTC's own motion. The provisions of the LTMA that apply to the preparation of a full RLTP apply with the necessary changes to a variation of an RLTP. Consultation is not required for any Variation that is not deemed significant in the criteria set out in the RLTP.

The RTC may recommend that the West Coast Regional Council vary the RLTP, however final approval of the variation is determined by the Council.

Background

The Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) 2018 presents a number of changes in direction for the New Zealand transport system, including prioritising a safer transport system free of death and injury. The Investment Assessment Framework (IAF) assessment methodology enables programmes of safety projects to be included in the 2018-21 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) to deliver the step change in safety outcomes sought in the GPS by allowing for assessment and investment decisions to be made at a programme rather than individual project level.

Safer speed is a pillar of the Safe System approach that can deliver safety outcomes, i.e. in some situations, the best safety improvement option may be to simply lower the operating speed to a safe and appropriate level through the use of speed limit signs and minor infrastructure improvements that align with the adjusted speed limit.

When the RLTP, was published the SH Speed Management Programme was being developed as a national programme and hence was not submitted to the Regional RLTP's. The Transport Agency has now formalised the approach to speed management and seeks to include regional SH activities in all RLTP's.

Implementing a speed management approach, focusing on the top 10 percent of the SH network, will result in the greatest reduction in deaths and serious injuries. It aligns very highly with Priority 1 under the IAF.

The Safe Networks Programme (SNP) was endorsed by the NZTA Board at their November 2018 meeting. Three key components will be used to deliver the three-year national safety programme through the 2018-21 NLTP. The key work streams include:

- Safe Roads and Roadsides - State Highways and Local Roads
- Safe and appropriate speeds
- Safe level crossings

The work streams are complemented by a toolbox of measures to support their rollout, including investment in cycling, walking, effective enforcement, safer vehicles and customer behaviour measures. The NZTA Board reconfirmed its commitment to the acceleration of the speed management approach at its December 2018 Board meeting, including the implementation of the Speed Management Guide (SMG).

The SMG is a document that helps modernise the approach to managing speed in New Zealand. It supports a consistent approach to speed that is appropriate for road function, design, safety, use and the surrounding environment (land use). It helps Road Controlling Authorities (RCAs) to identify and prioritise the parts of their networks where better speed management will contribute most to reducing deaths and serious injuries, while supporting overall economic productivity. It also assists RCAs to have better conversations and engagement with their communities, to better understand priorities and perspectives on local roads, and improve understanding of speed management activities.

To help ensure future speed management efforts are better targeted to risk and applied consistently across the country, regional maps are produced by the NZTA for RCAs that identify the top 5-10 percent 'high benefit' speed management opportunities. These maps highlight the appropriate intervention based on the road's function, which may be a mix of safety improvements that support current or higher travel speeds and possible changes to the limits, up or down. These maps provide a starting point for RCAs to engage with their communities. The SMG promotes a tailored approach to engagement, supported by a variety of engagement tools. RCAs can use and adapt these tools to suit their engagement needs.

For many roads, no change to travel speeds – or speed limits – will be needed. It is for those corridors where current travel speeds or speed limits may be too low or too high that changes should be made.

Key Points

The Government Policy Statement on Land Transport (GPS) 2018 presents a number of changes in direction for the New Zealand transport system, including prioritising a safer transport system free of death and injury. NZTA has developed the Safe Networks Programme to deliver the safety objectives within the GPS, including acceleration of the implementation of the Speed Management Guide.

GPS 2018 supports investment in state highways and local roads to accelerate the implementation of the new Speed Management Guide, focusing on treating the top 10 percent of the network which will result in the greatest reduction in death and serious injury as quickly as possible. This Guide was developed to provide a nationally consistent approach to speed management, delivering both a safe system and network efficiency.

MegaMaps (the Safer Journeys Risk Assessment Tool) is used to assess an appropriate operating speed for all roads, both local roads and state highways. The results from this technical exercise can then be used to increase community awareness and understanding of road risk, informing local communities so that they can effectively engage in discussions on proposed interventions.

As part of the SNP, a nationwide programme of activities is being developed and the West Coast region is identified as a Very High priority area for the implementation of speed management and a wider range of network safety improvements.

The Agency has established a framework through its Speed Management Guide to allow a systematic and consistent application and implementation of safe and appropriate speed across both the state highway network and local roading network under local government jurisdiction.

This comprehensive programme has identified those sections of the network which have the top 10% Death and Serious Injuries (DSI) savings on the network and because they will provide the greatest immediate benefit due to the level of traffic, regional speed reviews in Auckland, Waikato and Canterbury have commenced.

The West Coast SH Speed Management Guide Implementation activity covers the identification and implementation of the highest benefit safety improvements on the state highway network within the West Coast region and is part of the three year nationwide Safe Network Programme announced by the Minister on 16 December 2018.

Complementary projects may be required on local roads and these may be the subject of later RLTP variation requests. NZTA and local road controlling authorities will work collaboratively on developing the detailed programmes of work required.

Complementing this systematic approach, the Agency is concurrently seeking to undertake speed reviews of state highway corridors and parts of the network where it has given a historic commitment or there has been similar sustained historic local authority or community interest and where a similarly high potential benefit has been identified.

Public engagement and consultation form an important part of the speed review process so the community will be informed when the speed review publicly commences. This specific initiative and the wider programme are proceeding as they are a critical part of the Governments stated policy of improving road safety for all New Zealanders.

Note that the cost estimates presented are budget only and are subject to the business case and final NZTA funding approval process. We re-iterate that inclusion in the RLTP is the first step in the process to access funding from the National Land Transport Fund, with subsequent steps for inclusion in the National Land Transport Programme and more stringent tests that apply to activities for which funding approval is sought.

The West Coast SH Speed Management Guide Implementation activity is estimated to cost \$1.45m in total (over 3 years). It will be funded through Work Category 324 "Road Improvements" with a 100% Funding Assistance Rate.

| Project | Phase | Anticipated Cost | Profile | Work Cat |
|---|-----------------------------------|------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| West Coast SH Speed Management Guide Implementation | Pre-implementation Implementation | \$1.45 million | Very High, (Priority 1) | 324 (Road Improvements) |

This project is strongly aligned with the strategic direction of the RLTP.

This variation is low cost and is not significant, therefore public consultation is not required.

Regional Transport Committee support

The RTC accepted the following recommendations at its meeting on 14 June 2019:

That the West Coast Regional Transport Committee:

1. *Notes that the following state highway activity is proposed as a variation to the Regional Land Transport Plan:*
 - a. *West Coast SH Speed Management Guide Implementation*
2. *Determines that the requested variation is not significant.*
3. *Agrees to vary the Regional Land Transport Plan by adding the above proposed activity to Table 9 – "Activities included in the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan" in the RLTP.*
4. *Recommends the variation and change to the West Coast Regional Council.*

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. *That Council approves the variation to the Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 for the inclusion of a West Coast State Highway Speed Management Guide Implementation.*
2. *That Council agrees to vary the Regional Land Transport Plan by adding the above proposed activity to Table 9 – "Activities included in the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan" in the RLTP.*
3. *That Council submits the variation to the West Coast Regional Land Transport Plan 2015 – 21 to the New Zealand Transport Agency.*

Nichola Costley
Manager Strategy and Communications

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 9 July 2019
 Prepared by: Robert Mallinson – Corporate Services Manager
 Date: 2 July 2019
 Subject: Corporate Services Manager's Monthly Report

Financial Report 1 July to 31 May 2019

SUMMARY OF COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

FOR THE ELEVEN MONTHS ENDED 31 MAY 2019

| | ACTUAL Year to Date | BUDGET | BUDGET Annual | % ACTUAL vs BUDGET |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| REVENUES | | | | |
| General Rates and Penalties | 3,109,528 | 3,144,167 | 3,430,000 | 91% |
| Investment Income | 465,288 | 831,150 | 906,709 | 51% |
| Resource Management | 785,269 | 1,222,269 | 1,333,384 | 59% |
| Regional Land Transport | 76,081 | 75,469 | 82,330 | 92% |
| Emergency Management | 1,049,186 | 1,054,167 | 1,150,000 | 91% |
| Economic Development | 37,500 | 137,500 | 150,000 | 25% |
| River, Drainage, Coastal Protection | 1,760,542 | 1,427,454 | 1,557,222 | 113% |
| Warm West Coast | 78,257 | 14,200 | 15,491 | 505% |
| VCS Business Unit | 3,001,485 | 3,708,833 | 4,046,000 | 74% |
| Commercial Property Revaluation | - | - | - | |
| | 10,363,136 | 11,615,208 | 12,671,136 | |
| EXPENDITURE | | | | |
| Governance | 448,347 | 440,039 | 480,042 | 93% |
| Economic Development | 254,786 | 275,000 | 300,000 | 85% |
| Resource Management | 3,627,479 | 3,470,847 | 3,786,379 | 96% |
| Regional Land Transport | 175,326 | 186,626 | 203,592 | 86% |
| Hydrology & Floodwarning Services | 776,943 | 880,201 | 960,219 | 81% |
| Emergency Management | 1,216,720 | 1,102,195 | 1,202,394 | 101% |
| River, Drainage, Coastal Protection | 1,867,984 | 2,593,276 | 2,829,028 | 88% |
| VCS Business Unit | 2,805,835 | 3,106,583 | 3,389,000 | 83% |
| Other | 111,811 | 56,867 | 62,037 | 180% |
| Warm West Coast | 8,438 | 9,371 | 10,223 | |
| | 11,907,074 | 12,121,005 | 13,222,914 | |
| OPERATING SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) | - 930,533 | - 505,797 | - 551,778 | |

| | Net Variance ACTUAL vs BUDGETED Year to Date | ACTUAL | BUDGET Year to Date | ANNUAL BUDGET |
|---|---|-------------|------------------------|---------------|
| BREAKDOWN OF SURPLUS / (DEFICIT) | | | | |
| Rating Districts | 118,149 | 187,936 | 306,085 | 333,911 |
| Economic Development | 79,786 | 217,286 | 137,500 | 150,000 |
| Quarries | 381,102 | 108,633 | 272,469 | 297,239 |
| Investment Income | 365,862 | 465,288 | 831,150 | 906,709 |
| VCS Business Unit | 406,600 | 195,650 | 602,250 | 657,000 |
| General Rates Funded Activities | 695,192 | 1,866,296 | 1,171,104 | 1,277,568 |
| Warm West Coast | 64,990 | 69,819 | 4,829 | 5,268 |
| Revaluation Investment Property | - | - | - | - |
| Other | 54,943 | 111,811 | 56,867 | 62,037 |
| TOTAL | - 1,038,141 | - 1,543,938 | - 505,797 | - 551,778 |

| Net Contributors to General Rates Funded Surplus /(Deficit) | Net Variance ACTUAL vs BUDGETED Year to Date | ACTUAL | BUDGET Year to Date | ANNUAL BUDGET |
|--|---|-------------|------------------------|---------------|
| Rates | 34,639 | 3,109,528 | 3,144,167 | 3,430,000 |
| Representation | 8,309 | 448,347 | 440,039 | 480,042 |
| Resource Management | 593,631 | 2,842,210 | 2,248,579 | 2,452,995 |
| Transport Activity | 11,911 | 99,246 | 111,157 | 121,262 |
| River, Drainage, Coastal Protection | 54,276 | 641,544 | 587,268 | 640,656 |
| Hydrology & Floodwarning | 103,257 | 776,943 | 880,201 | 960,219 |
| Emergency Management | 119,506 | 167,534 | 48,028 | 52,394 |
| TOTAL | - 695,192 | - 1,866,296 | - 1,171,104 | - 1,277,568 |

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting 9 July 2019
Prepared by: Councillor Terry Archer
Date: 13 June 2019
Subject: **LEAVE OF ABSENCE – 13 AUGUST 2019 MEETING**

I have made travel arrangements to travel overseas from the 16th July 2019 until 20th August 2019. Regretfully my travel itinerary has resulted in my not returning to New Zealand for the scheduled 13 August 2019 Council meeting. In terms of Standing Orders 3.6.1, I subsequently request a Leave of Absence from attending the 13 August 2019 Council meeting.

RECOMMENDATION

That Council grants Councillor Archer a Leave of Absence from attending the 13 August 2019 scheduled Council meeting.

Terry Archer

Councillor

THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL

Prepared for: Council Meeting- 9 July 2019
Prepared by: Andrew Robb – Chairman
Date: 28 June 2019
Subject: **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

Meetings Attended:

- I attended the Regional Transport Committee meeting on 14 June.
- I attended the NZTA Stakeholder meeting on the afternoon of 14 June.
- I took part in the Essential Freshwater Regional Sector Advisor Group meeting on 17 June.
- I attended the Pounamu Pathway hui on 20 June.
- I chaired the two special meetings for the annual plan on 21 and 28 June.
- I took part in the South Island Regional Transport Committee Chairs Group Teleconference on 25 June.
- I attended the South Island Destination Management Plan meeting on 26 June.

RECOMMENDATION

That this report be received.

Andrew Robb
Chairman

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.

- 21 – 23 8.1 Confirmation of Confidential Minutes 11 June 2019
- 8.2 Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled)
- 8.3 Response to Presentation (if any)
- 8.4 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 11 June 2019 | | Clause 7 subclause 2 (a) |
| 8.2 | Overdue Debtors Report (to be tabled) | | Clause 7 subclause 2 (a) |
| 8.3 | Response to Presentation (if any) | | Clause 7 subclause 2 (i) |
| 8.4 | 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.