

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chair and Members, Engineering Services Committee

**FROM:** Transportation Manager, Roger Ashworth

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**SUBJECT:** **TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT REPORT**

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## **1 TALBOT STREET**

At the last meeting's public forum, there was a request from C Robinson for more speed enforcement and for yellow no stopping markings across the private access-ways. In response, we have contacted the New Zealand Police and asked for an increased presence; however we attach for information a sheet indicating vehicle speed distribution in Talbot Street for the period of 4 November to 10 November 2005. You will note that 95% of vehicles are travelling at 55 kph and/or lower. The other issue raised with respect to yellow lines is being monitored.

## **2 STREET LIGHTING COMPLAINTS**

An enquiry was raised with respect to the increase in street lighting complaints. The repairs are spread across blown light, light staying on, flickering lights, damaged lights and request for additional lights. It appears that there has been a slowness in response from the contractor to meet their contractual requirements and this has been discussed at a contract meeting. There is less than two months to run on the current contract which will be tendered.

## **3 RIWAKA / KAITERITERI ROAD IMPROVEMENTS**

Following the on-site meeting between Councillors Inglis and Wilkins, we have met with a contractor on site to scope the cost and timing for improvement works on the Riwaka/Kaiteriteri Road. The work identified would need to be taken from the minor safety budget. The 2006-2007 budget will need to be further reviewed to confirm if this work can be carried out next year.

## **4 LAND TRANSPORT PROCEDURAL AUDIT**

Attached, for information, is a copy of the Land Transport New Zealand Procedural Audit Report undertaken in March this year. Page 3 of the report outlines the summary of findings with no recommendations relating to the procedural audit. Under Section 12 (page 5) of the report it is noted that "excellent records were kept of all land transport activities, and claims for financial assistance are well supported by relevant working papers". This is an area that is managed by Mike Price.

## **5 RIVERS**

### **TRMP Section Pt IV: Rivers & Lakes**

The draft TRMP "Section Pt 4 Policies" prepared to date indicates a change of RMA driven policy that may affect sections of the Global Consent when it is next reviewed. Specific references are being generated for the next workshop to note which draft Policy Statements may be affected

#### **Sustainable Gravel Limits**

River Scientist Eric Verstappen has generated a statement of sustainable limits for each of the main rivers where it has been usual to extract gravel. This will have the effect that gravel will need to be relocated within the channel to meet river maintenance and management objectives. There may be cost implications to this outcome.

#### **Motueka-Riwaka Stopbank Review Projects**

Riwaka Stopbank Public Consultation brochure script and graphics has been drafted (see attached). A short presentation to explain the content of the brochure is being provided for the Engineering Services Committee. The area of community of interest needs to be finalised.

The Motueka Stopbank review with input from the consultants is progressing. Cross-section work is needed prior to computer modelling.

#### **River Rating Review**

Work is underway in setting the Q50 inundation areas along the recommend 55km lengths of rivers and streams proposed to extend the current length of classified reaches of rivers. The additional lengths are primarily areas where it has been found that riparian management cannot be effectively arranged under the River Z regime.

## **6 NORTH NELSON TO BRIGHTWATER CORRIDOR STUDY OPTIONS**

Transit New Zealand representatives will present an update on preferred North Nelson to Brightwater Corridor Study options at the meeting. This item will be held in committee.

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