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Subject: **Draft Hutt Valley Floodplain Management Plan**

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Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Hutt Valley Floodplain Management Plan.

The Plan is a very impressive document that is a credit to the staff involved in its preparation. A number of qualities distinguish the Plan, including:

- The benefits of following a good process for preparing the Plan are evident in its contents
- The Plan does a very effective job of integrating broad environmental management with flood protection
- The details of floodplain management and operation are made accessible to the people who may be affected.

Sure, there is scope for change and improvement, but the high standard of the draft Plan will be a good document to build on.

My response to the Plan is also reflected in the feedback I received from staff in the Environment Division. Murray McLea has co-ordinated comments from departments in the Division. These are attached. Murray will also provide you with a marked up copy of the Plan that includes some typos and minor editorial changes.

I think there is a lot to be positive about over the way this plan is evolving. We look forward to commenting on the next stage.

JANE BRADBURY