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Report to Environment Committee from Maree Sanders, Policy Advisor (Statutory)

Regional Council Input to District Planning

1. **Purpose**

To inform the Committee of Regional Council input to the statutory resource management processes of territorial authorities in the western part of the Region.

2. **Overview**

2.1 **Resource Consents**

Nine notified resource consent applications have been received since the last report to the Committee.

A submission will be made on a proposed subdivision off Homebush Road in Khandallah. The site is listed as *Contamination: Acceptable Managed/Remediated for Residential Use* on the Wellington Regional Council Selected Land Use Register. While remediation works have occurred, some validation testing will be suggested.

2.2 **District Plans**

2.2.1 Proposed Plan Change 1, Porirua District Plan

Porirua City Council has notified Proposed Plan Change 1: Above Ground Line Network Utilities. This proposed plan change relates to the introduction of Objectives, Policies and Rules to the operative Porirua District Plan requiring land use consent for new above ground line network utilities. A submission from the Regional Council is considered unnecessary.

2.2.2 Proposed Plan Change 53, Kapiti Coast District Plan

A decision was released on Kapiti Coast District Council Proposed Plan Change 53. This private plan change involves the rezoning of land at the northern end of Waikanae Beach from rural to residential. The Regional Council had made a submission on the

proposed plan change relating to the retention of the sand dune landform and water supply issues.

The KCDC decision recognised the value of the remnant sand dune by delineating a "no earthworks" area along the dune. It also requires the installation of water saving devices.

2.3 **Designations**

2.3.1 MacKays Crossing Overbridge, State Highway 1

Environment Court mediation was held on Tuesday 24 September between Transit New Zealand and one of the MacKays Crossing appellants, Tony Edwards. Staff from the Regional Council attended as an interested party to the appeal. The mediation was successful with Mr Edwards and Transit New Zealand reaching agreement over a number of issues relating to the recognition of the special geology of the area. One appellant remains on this project.

3. Communication

The matters referred to in this report are part of an on-going statutory process, and these processes are the appropriate way of communicating the relevant information.

4. **Recommendation**

It is recommended that the Committee:

- (1) **receives** the report; and
- (2) *notes* the contents.

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