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Committee Rural Services and Wairarapa

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Proposed Dairy Industry Self-Management Initiative

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee of the Regional Council's submission to the proposed dairy industry's self-management of environmental matters initiative.

2. Background

At the last meeting Alex Benton prepared Report 02.698 on the above initiative. The Committee passed a resolution to support the initiative.

3. The Submission

The submission (attached) was prepared by Kirsten Forsyth of the Rivers Ecosystem Group.

4. Other Matters

In February Alex Benton visited both Environment Waikato and Fonterra to discuss "clean stream" issues. He may well give a verbal report on his findings.

5. Communications

Cr Buchanan has offered to discuss this issue with Fonterra shareholders at their next meeting.

6. Recommendations

That the information be received.

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