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Transmission Gully Motorway Update: Quarter 1 April to 30 June 2008

1. Purpose

To update the Committee on progress with the Transmission Gully Motorway (TGM) project.

2. Significance of the decision

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

3. Background

The TGM is a significant part of the Western Corridor Plan. The Committee has asked for regular updates of this project, as it progresses through its various stages. Transit New Zealand, as the lead agency, will provide these updates for the Committee.

4. **Project Update**

During the quarter, Land Transport NZ approved \$17.5 million in funding to prepare information required for relevant resource and associated consents for the Transmission Gully project.

Work is also continuing to complete the draft Scheme Assessment Report which is expected to be available by the end of July.

Plans were also finalised for the public release of details of the preferred route through Transmission Gully through a four-page insert in the Dominion Post on 11 July after planned earlier dissemination (a few days before) of the same information to affected property owners along the route. Consultation with affected property owners will continue from then on.

A totally revamped website and a special 0800 number will also be operative on 11th July. In addition a brochure providing full details of the preferred route, with a free-post feedback form, will be delivered in the fourth week of July to all households in the Greater Wellington area while arrangements are also being made to provide briefings to community and special interest groups, as well as the manning of information stands at shopping malls in the Greater Wellington area, over the weeks until the end of August.

5. Communication

Transit New Zealand will continue to manage communications associated with this project.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. **Receives** the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.

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