

**WAIPOUA RIVER MANAGEMENT SCHEME  
ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN**

**PERFORMANCE STATEMENT  
2002/2003**

**1. Financial**

- Deferred asset maintenance requirement not to exceed \$20,000. *Deferred maintenance was \$12,800.*

*Criteria satisfied*

- Scheme not to incur or carry financial deficit without prior Council approval. *The financial deficit of \$29,115 has been approved by the Scheme Advisory Committee. The Scheme rates have been doubled since 2001/02, and the deficit is expected to be repaid within the next two years.*

*Criteria satisfied*

- Average flood damage expenditure not to exceed 15% of the total Scheme expenditure over a 5 year period. *Average flood damage expenditure was 25% of the total Scheme expenditure over the 1998-2003 period. Inadequate funding and maintenance levels and a concentration of severe flooding during the 90's had resulted in heavy flood damage. However increased funding and maintenance levels since the 2001 Scheme review are expected to improve the situation over the coming years.*

*5 Yearly Criteria not satisfied*

**2. Stopbanks**

- Stopbank flood capacities to be reviewed and compared to design flood capacity. *Analysis of the channel bed monitoring surveys do not indicate any decrease of the stopbank flood capacities.*

*5 Yearly Criteria satisfied*

- 3% (<5%) of the rural stopbank length and 0% (<1%) of the urban stopbank length have a deferred maintenance requirement.

*Criteria satisfied*

- As-built stopbank formation levels and dimensions to be restored within 3 months of minor surface damage being reported, and within 1 month of major surface damage being reported. Grass cover to be restored within 3 months of bare patches being reported. Rabbit hole and subsidence damage to be repaired within 1 month of being reported. Trees and scrub on the stopbank to be removed within 3 months of being reported. *Spraying for scrub growth is required on a section of the stopbanks in the rural section of the Scheme. It is expected that with the increase in Scheme maintenance programme, the deferred stopbank maintenance will be carried out over the next 2 to 3 years.*

*Criteria partly satisfied*

### 3. Grade Control Weirs

- The deferred maintenance requirement to be nil

*Criteria satisfied*

- As-built levels, dimensions, and structural materials to be restored within 1 month of significant rock displacement or other structural damage being reported.

*Criteria satisfied*

### 4. Channel Fairway

- The channel fairway to be maintained clear of obstructive debris.

*Criteria satisfied*

### 5. Buffer Zone

- 0.4% (<10%) of the length of river banks were subject to active bank erosion.

*Criteria satisfied*

- No more than 5% of the designated buffer zone area to be lost to river erosion. *There has been no measurable net change in the designated buffer zone area over a five year period.*

*Criteria satisfied*

- The maintenance of a planted buffer zone area of at least 13 hectares.

*Criteria satisfied*

- Stock exclusion fencing to be maintained in satisfactory condition.

*Criteria satisfied*

### 6. Environment

- River management practices to conform with Regional Freshwater Plan, Regional Soil Plan, and Scheme Resource Consent conditions.

*Criteria satisfied*

### 7. Consultative

- Annual reports, Scheme financial statements, and works programmes to be adopted at Advisory Committee meetings.

*Criteria satisfied*

- Confirm ratepayer satisfaction at three yearly ratepayer meetings. *A general meeting of the rate payers was held in March 2001.*

*Criteria satisfied*

- Annual rates, annual reports, and Scheme reviews to be approved by the Council.

*Criteria satisfied*

- Consultation with the Department of Conservation, Wellington Fish and Game Council, and Tangata Whenua to be undertaken consistent with Scheme Resource Consent requirements.

*Criteria satisfied*

## **8. Overall**

- Obtain Council endorsement of Scheme management approach in internal 5 yearly reviews. *A complete review of the Scheme was completed in 2001.*

*Criteria satisfied*

- Endorsement of Scheme maintenance standards when the Scheme is inspected as part of the annual peer review process for Wairarapa river management practices.

*Criteria satisfied*

## **SCHEDULE OF SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION**

Minutes of Advisory Committee Meetings.  
Annual scheme reports & financial statements.  
Completed and proposed works programmes.  
Updated Asset Register, and the Financial Projections for the next 20 years.  
Log of inspections, repair requirements, and remedial works.  
Peer Review Report.

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