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Divisional Manager's Report

1. Purpose

To inform the Committee about activities that promote the sustainable management of the region's natural and physical resources by overseeing the Council's regulatory responsibilities in relation to resource management and harbour navigation and safety.

2. Managers' reports

Managers' reports from the Environmental Policy, Environmental Monitoring and Investigations, Environmental Regulation and Harbours Departments follow as **Attachment 1**.

3. Beacon Hill Visit

We will try again, at the conclusion of the Regulatory Committee meeting, to visit the Beacon Hill Signal Station. You are aware that we are progressing work around the construction of a new facility at Beacon Hill, and this trip will allow Councillors to see the existing signal station, as well as the location and some initial plans of where the new station will be located. It is anticipated that this trip will take around one hour, door to door, from the Regional Council Centre.

4. Managing Flash Flood Hazards

Given the recent tragic events in the Mangatepopo Stream, we have commenced a review of our procedures for staff operating in and around rivers and streams, and around our ability to predict flash flood events so that associated risks are minimised. While not yet formally completed, progress in the review to date indicates that while there will be things we can do to improve, such as improving our hazard identification with respect to specific sites, our systems and procedures are fundamentally robust.

5. Methyl Bromide

I will provide a brief update on the use of methyl bromide for log fumigation at the Committee meeting.

6. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. Receives the report; and*
- 2. Notes the content.*

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Attachment 1: Departmental Managers' reports