

MINUTES OF THE NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY BOARD MEETING

HELD ON THURSDAY 24 MARCH 2010 AT 10:00AM

**HELD IN THE TRANSPORT REGISTRY OFFICE BOARDROOM, LEVEL 5, 43 ASHLEY STREET,
PALMERSTON NORTH**

Approved by the Chair	_____
Date	___/___/___

PRESENT:

Brian Roche (Chair)	Garry Moore
Christine Caughey	Paul Fitzharris
Grahame Hall	Bryan Jackson
Alick Shaw	

IN ATTENDANCE:

Geoff Dangerfield	Jenny Chetwynd
Dave Brash	Ian Gordon
Colin Crampton	Allan Frost
Liz Huckerby	Ernst Zöllner
Mark Yaxley	Karl Ferguson
Dave Whiteridge	Cate Quinn
Clive Führ (item 6c)	Colin MacKay (6c)
Richard Young (6c)	Andrew Scott (6c)
Craig Nicholson (6c)	Brett Gliddon (6c)

INVITEES: Chris Moller

i. Apologies

Harry Wilson, Deb Hume, Bruce Richards, Wayne McDonald

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ii Confirmation of agenda

The agenda was confirmed.

iii. Declarations of Interest

Garry Moore declared that he has been approached by a party involved in the funding issues addressed in item 10c, Board paper 10/03/0350 "*NZTA Groynes Drive to Waterloo Road (SH1) Construction Funding*". Christchurch International Airport Ltd approached Garry before the meeting to seek his assistance in promoting dialogue between themselves and NZTA aimed at resolving access and property issues discussed in paragraph 24 of the report. Garry also advised that he is no longer Chairman of Hunters Hill Lumba Ltd, and that he has become a trustee of Rod Donald Banks Peninsula Trust.

Minutes

1c Confirmation of the 4 March 2010 Board meeting minutes

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency **confirms** the minutes from the 4 March 2010 NZ Transport Agency Board meeting.

Grahame Hall / Garry Moore

2c Matters arising from the 4 March 2010 Board meeting minutes

There were no matters arising from the 4 March 2010 NZ Transport Agency Board meeting.

3c Chief Executive's Report for March 2010

Board paper 10/03/0349

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **receives** Board paper 10/03/0349, the Chief Executive's Report;
- b. **agrees** to keep Board paper 10/03/0349 in Committee indefinitely to allow the Board the opportunity to have a free and frank discussion on all the issues.

Paul Fitzharris / Christine Caughey

4c Whangarei District Council Proposed trial of a Supplier Panel for Road Capital Works Projects

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Board paper 10/03/0355

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- c. **declines** the request from Whangarei District Council for procurement procedure approval for a proposed supplier panel trial as set out in its briefing paper entitled "Proposed Trial of supplier Panel Procurement Method and Variation of Scope to existing Maintenance contracts – Briefing Paper to the NZ Transport Agency" (Attachment 1 to Board paper 10/03/0355).
- d. **requests** the Group Manager Regional Partnerships and Planning advise Whangarei District Council of the reasons for the Board's decision as set out in Board paper: 10/03/0355 and advise Council on alternative ways to achieve value for money from its procurement of activities (Attachment 4 to Board paper 10/03/0355); and
- e. **agrees** to take Board paper 10/03/0355 out of committee once Whangarei District Council has been advised of the decisions arising from its consideration of this Board paper.

Christine Caughey / Grahame Hall

5c Safer Journeys Implementation – NZTA Role

Board paper 10/03/0352

Resolved

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **notes** NZTA's four most significant opportunities to give effect to *Safer Journeys* will be:
 - i) delivering our components of the First Actions Package and Three Year Sector Action Plan;
 - ii) aligning our existing business activities with the high priorities in *Safer Journeys*;
 - iii) amending our investment strategy to give effect to *Safer Journeys*; and
 - iv) working with NZ Police to redirect NLTP investment in road policing towards *Safer Journeys* high priorities and introduce measures to increase the efficiency and effectiveness of road safety enforcement from 2011/12 onwards.

Brian Roche / Paul Fitzharris

6c Workshop – Roads of National Significance

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The Board were most appreciative for the presentations given by the respective Principle Project Managers for each of the Roads of National Significance.

Brian Roche / Bryan Jackson

7c NZTA Board Committees

Board paper 10/03/0356

The paper was discussed and held over to the 29 April meeting in order to allow the new NZTA Chair to be part of the decision.

8c NZTA Tauriko Bypass (SH29) Investigation Funding

Board Paper 10/03/0354

Resolved

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **approves** funding for the investigation of the NZ Transport Agency's Tauriko Bypass project at an estimated cost of \$1.5 million and a funding assistance rate of 100% from N funds, **subject to**, as conditions subsequent:
 - I. the activity to be developed consistent with the SmartGrowth Strategy and Western Bay of Plenty Corridor and Strategic Roading Network Study;
 - II. a hold point at the macroscopic confirmation to enable the NZTA Board to consider and endorse the preferred option and revised economic evaluation before lodgement of a Notice of Requirement; and
 - III. exploring opportunities for supplementary funding for the project and the documentation of these through an appropriate agreement that will also consider supplementary funding arrangements for SH29 covered under existing agreements;
- b. **notes** that the total construction cost for the Tauriko Bypass project is estimated at \$57 million, the 95th percentile cost is estimated at \$74 million and the 5th percentile at \$52 million;
- c. **notes** that the reasons for this decision are as set out in the Reasons for recommendation section and that the profile for the activity has been assessed as HML;
- d. **requests** that interim options to facilitate walking and cycling access to the school be investigated and, if appropriate, implemented; and
- e. **agrees** to take Board paper 10/03/0354 out of committee when the Board has published the notice of decision.

Grahame Hall / Garry Moore

9c NZTA Vickers Road to New Plymouth City (SH3) Investigation Funding

Board paper 10/03/0353

Resolved

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **approves** funding for the investigation of the NZTA's Vickers Road to New Plymouth City (SH3) project at an estimated cost of \$550,000 from N funds, **subject to**, as a condition subsequent, a hold point at confirmation of project macroscope to enable the Board to consider and endorse the preferred option for the project;
- b. **notes** that the upgraded network will improve safety, address peak time congestion, reduce travel times and travel time reliability, but will not improve route security;
- c. **notes** that the construction rough order cost of the project is estimated at \$28 million, the 95th percentile cost is estimated at \$37 million and the 5th percentile at \$26 million;
- d. **notes** that the reasons for this decision are as set out in the Reasons for recommendation section and that the profile for the activity has been assessed as MML;
- e. **notes** that approval of funding for the investigation of the Vickers Road to New Plymouth City project is recommended to enable designation to protect the project's footprint and that the approval of funding for investigation of the project does not signal that its construction will commence in the near future; and
- f. **agrees** to take Board paper 10/03/0353 out of committee when the Board has published the notice of decision.

Grahame Hall / Christine Caughey

10c NZTA Groynes Drive to Waterloo Road (SH1) Construction Funding

Board paper 10/03/0350

Resolved

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **approves** funding for the construction of four NZTA projects that form part of the Christchurch Motorways RONS, as set out as stages in the table below, at an estimated cost of \$72.13 million from N funds, subject to the Group Manager Regional Partnerships and Planning:
 - i. as a condition precedent for stage number 3, being satisfied that an independent external peer review of the construction cost estimates and risks of the Wairakei Road to Yaldhurst Road stage has been completed and that there are no material issues outstanding from the review;

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- ii as a condition precedent for stage numbers 1,2 and 4, being advised of the final scope and cost of each stage currently under design and being satisfied that the scope and cost of each stage is consistent with the funding application in this Board paper;
 - iii as a condition precedent for stage numbers 1,2, and 4, being satisfied that an independent external peer review has been completed for each stage currently under design and that there are no material issues outstanding from the peer review prior to release of funding for that stage, and
 - iv as a condition precedent for all stages, being satisfied that all property purchases and resource consents consistent with the funding application in this Board paper are completed prior to release of funding for each stage;
- b. **notes** that these projects have a total construction cost estimate, including property and escalation, of \$83 million, an 5th percentile construction cost estimate of \$79 million and a 95th percentile construction cost estimate of \$101 million;

Stage number	Stage	Construction funding sought (\$million)
1	SH 1 Groynes Drive to Sawyers Arms Road	21.41
2	SH 1 Sawyers Arms Road to Wairakei Road	13.85
3	SH 1 Wairakei Road to Yaldhurst Road	25.18
4	SH 1 Yaldhurst Road to Waterloo Road	11.70

- c. **notes** that the reasons for this decision are as set out in the Reasons for recommendation section and that the profile for the activity has been assessed as HHM; and
- d. **agrees** to keep Board paper 10/03/0350 in committee until the property acquisition issue discussed in paragraph 24 has been resolved.

Paul Fitzharris / Christine Caughey

11 April – June 2010 Board Forward Programme

Board paper 10/03/0351

Resolved

That the NZ Transport Agency Board **receives** the forward programme.

Brian Roche / Garry Moore

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External presentations

None

Next meeting

The next meeting of the NZ Transport Agency Board is confirmed for 29 April 2010 in the NZ Transport Agency's Board room in Chews Lane, commencing at 8am.