

MINUTES OF THE NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY BOARD MEETING

HELD ON MONDAY 1 NOVEMBER 2010 AT 10.30AM

NZTA Board Room, Level 2, Chews Lane, 44-50 Victoria Street, Wellington

Approved by the Chair	_____
Date	____/____/____

PRESENT:

Chris Moller (Chair)	Garry Moore
Christine Caughey	Bryan Jackson
Patsy Reddy	Jerry Rickman
Alick Shaw	

APOLOGY:

Tony Lanigan

NZTA STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:

Geoff Dangerfield	Liz Huckerby
Allan Frost	Ian Gordon
Dave Brash	Stephen Town
Karl Ferguson	Tommy Parker
Harry Wilson (Items 2, 6)	Dave Whiteridge
Dave Bates (Item 3)	Paul Helm (Item 3)
Robert Ewart (Item 3)	Jonnette Adams (Item 4)
Brett Gliddon (Item 8)	

INVITEES:

Members of the Performance improvement Framework assessors team (Item 4):

Garry Wilson

David Moore

Paul Forward

The meeting started on time at 10.30am.

i. **Apologies**

Tony Lanigan made his apologies for the meeting due to overseas travel.

ii **Confirmation of agenda**

The agenda was confirmed.

iii. **Conflicts of Interest**

The updated Schedule of Board Member Interests was tabled and noted. In relation to the agenda, members drew attention to the following interests:

- *Patsy Reddy declared her membership of the NZ Automobile Association.*
- *Brian Jackson advised the Board of his status as Director of the Preston Group of companies.*
- *Chris Moller advised the Board of his intention to step aside as Chair on any matters relating to the Basin Reserve and Buckle Street given his NZ Cricket Inc. and Wellington Regional Stadium roles. Chris will seek a Board member to stand in for him on relevant occasions.*
- *Alick Shaw reminded the Board that he has an interest in a business which as an interest in a store in Matakana.*

1 **Confirmation of the 23 September 2010 Board meeting minutes**

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board **confirms** the minutes from the 23 September 2010 NZ Transport Agency Board meeting.

Bryan Jackson / Garry Moore

2 Chief Executive's Report for October 2010

Board paper 10/11/0427

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **receives** the Chief Executive's report for October 2010;
- b. **notes** that the lack of detail in the MacKays to Peka Peka Expressway alignment in the vicinity of the Waikanae River results in a greater number of the community affected than would occur if the route options were more developed;
- c. **agrees** that community consultation on the MacKays to Peka Peka Expressway should be deferred until the level of route detail is further developed and considered by the Investment & Operations Board Committee;
- d. **agrees** that the Chief Executive will represent NZTA as a non-voting Director on the Board of the Auckland Transport Agency for the foreseeable future; and
- e. **agrees** to keep Board paper 10/11/0427 in Committee indefinitely in accordance with the Official Information Act, Section 9 (2 (g) (i)) to maintain the effective conduct of public affairs through the free and frank expression of opinions by or between Board members and staff of the NZ Transport Agency.

Jerry Rickman / Alick Shaw

Stewardship

3 Quarterly report to end September 2010

Board paper 10/11/0431

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **receives** the quarterly performance report for the period ending 30 September 2010; and
- b. **agrees** that the quarterly performance report be submitted to the Minister of Transport once any changes requested by the Board have been incorporated.

The Board furthermore noted in discussion that the NZTA publication 'Our Strategic Direction' was an excellent example of an effective strategic document, and staff were congratulated on this initiative.

Bryan Jackson / Christine Caughey

4 Performance Improvement Framework draft report

Board paper 10/11/0434

From 12.30pm to 2pm members of the 'Performance improvement Framework Assessors Team' (Garry Wilson, David Moore and Paul Forward) briefed the Board on their report findings, followed by questions and general discussion.

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **receives** the draft Performance Improvement Framework assessment report;
- b. **requests** Board members to provide any comments on the draft report to the Chair and Chief Executive, by Thursday 4 November 2010, to inform a response to the State Services Commission on the draft; and
- c. **agrees** to keep Board paper 10/11/0424 in Committee until the final Performance Improvement Framework report is published by the State Services Commission.

Alick Shaw / Bryan Jackson

Investment and Operations

5 Report back from the Investment & Operations Board committee

Held on Wednesday 18 October 2010 in Wellington

Bryan Jackson presented the draft minutes from the 18 October 2010 NZ Transport Agency Investment and Operations Board Committee meeting. In relation to Item 8 in the minutes (East Taupo Arterial Project), it was noted that careful consideration should be given to any local roading projects that have a high probability of becoming State Highways in the future.

6 **Ngaruawahia section of the Waikato Expressway – construction funding**

Board paper 10/11/0430

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **notes** that the Group Manager Regional Partnerships and Planning approved funding for the construction of NZTA's Ngaruawahia Section Stage 1 project within his delegated authority at an estimated cost of \$7.32 million;
- b. **agrees** funding for the detailed design and construction of NZTA's Waikato Expressway RoNS Ngaruawahia Section Stage 2 project at an estimated cost of \$168.69 million from C and N funds with C funds to be applied first **subject to**, as a condition precedent, an incremental assessment to the satisfaction of the Group Manager Regional Partnerships and Planning of the scoping options for the Waikato Expressway to ensure the final scope and form of the expressway is supported by robust analysis
- c. **notes** that conditions from previous funding approvals will continue under this funding approval, and comprise:
 - i a condition of design funding approval for this project relating the future form and function of the existing State Highway 1 to reflect its local road status with work planned to commence in the near future; and
 - ii a condition of design funding and strategy support for the Waikato Expressway for sub-regional partners to implement the Future Proof growth strategy within various statutory documents, which is being progressed;
- d. **notes** that the construction cost for Stages 1 and 2 of the Ngaruawahia Section project is estimated at \$202 million, the 95th percentile cost is estimated at \$233 million and the 5th percentile at \$181 million; and
- e. **notes** that the reasons for its decision are set out in Attachment 1 of the Board paper and that the profile for the activity has been assessed as 'HML'.

Jerry Rickman / Christine Caughey

7 **NZ Transport Ticketing Limited entity establishment**

Board paper 10/11/0432

This item was deferred to the Investment & Operations Board Committee meeting scheduled for 18 November 2010 in Hamilton.

8 **Puhi to Wellsford design, consent and consultation strategy**

Board paper 10/11/0433

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board:

- a. **agrees** to proceed with consultation on the first section of the project from Puhoi to immediately north of Warkworth as part of the ongoing scheme development;
- b. **agrees** to undertake an internal review of the form and timing of the Warkworth to Wellsford section including exploring interim options for addressing the safety issues associated with the existing alignment; and
- c. **agrees** to keep Board paper 10/11/0433 in committee to enable open and frank discussion on the indicative alignment and proposed design, consenting and consultation strategy until the final Scheme Assessment for the Puhoi to Wellsford project is approved.

Bryan Jackson / Garry Moore

General Business

9 **Board and Board Committee General Business**

Board paper 10/11/0429

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board **notes** the updated Board meeting action list, as set out in Attachment 1 of the Board paper.

Christine Caughey / Alick Shaw

10 **Board and Board Committee Forward Work Programmes**

Board paper 10/11/0428

Resolved:

That the NZ Transport Agency Board **agrees** the dates for the Board committee forward programme for 2011 as set out in the Board paper.

Bryan Jackson / Christine Caughey

The meeting concluded at 5.15pm.