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REPORT SUMMARY

Report to: Engineering Services Committee
Meeting Date: 7 June 2012
Report Author: Steve Elkington, Transportation Project Engineer
Subject: **Renaming of Pupu Springs and Pupu Valley Roads**

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report provides a summary of the consultation and resolutions passed by the Golden Bay Community Board, regarding the proposal to rename Pupu Springs and Pupu Valley Roads by incorporating as a prefix compound the Maori name for the springs of “Te Waikoropupu”

Pronunciation of the name is Te Wai Koro Pupu

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the report be received and that the road names Pupu Springs Road and Pupu Valley Road remain unchanged as recommended by the Golden Bay Community Board.

DRAFT RESOLUTION

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives this Report, RESC12-06-02 and;

THAT the Engineering Services Committee approves the road names remaining unchanged for Pupu Springs Road and Pupu Valley Road as noted in the report RESC12-06-02.

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 In 2010 the Geographic Board accepted a recommendation from the Department of Conservation to change the name of Pupu Springs to the full Maori name of Te Waikoropupu Springs Reserve.
- 1.2 As a result the Department of Conservation wrote to the Council requesting it consider changing the road names in line with its Te Waikoropupu Springs Management Plan for Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road to Te Waikoropupu Valley Road and Te Waikoropupu Springs Road respectively.
- 1.3 Under the Local Government Act 1974, Council has the power to rename roads.
- 1.4 A report "Road Name Changes – Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road" (RESC11-04-03) was presented to the Engineering Services Committee in April 2011.

The resolution was Moved Crs Edgar/Bouillir

THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives the Road Name Changes – Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road Report RESC11-04-03; and;

THAT Tasman District Council staff prepare a report for the Engineering Services Committee on the options for road name changes following the gazetting of Te Waikoropupu Springs as the official name of the scenic reserve after consultation with Manawhenua Ki Mohua and the Golden Bay Community Board.

2. Background

- 2.1 In 2011 the Golden Bay Community Board was invited to undertake consultation on the proposal to change the names of Pupu Valley and Pupu Springs Roads to Te Waikoropupu Valley Road and Te Waikoropupu Springs Road respectively.
- 2.2 At the Golden Bay Community Board Meeting in October 2011 the Chair presented a report outlining the Department of Conservation's request to Council for the renaming of Pupu Valley Road and Pupu Springs Road to Te Waikoropupu Valley Road and Te Waikoropupu Springs Road respectively.

- 2.3 The Board passed a resolution to consult affected residents of Pupu Valley and Pupu Springs Roads as well as community members regarding this proposal.
- 2.4 At this meeting it was also decided to hold a public meeting on 22 November 2011.
- 2.5. At the Board's December meeting it was noted that whilst the majority of residents were against changing the road names, public submissions had swayed this back to 50% for and against.
- 2.6 At this meeting it was resolved to leave the issue on the table whilst comment was sought regarding retaining the name for Pupu Valley Road.
- 2.7 At the February meeting of the Board it was resolved to leave the issue on the table whilst comment was sought from Manawhenua Ki Mohua.
- 2.8 Further to the above was the Board's recommendation to write to residents of both roads on its recommendation to Council that new bilingual road name signs for the two roads which would include both the original and Maori versions on the same road name blade.
- 2.9 At the March meeting of the Board the Chair reported that there was no requirement in DoC's Te Waikoropupu Springs Management Plan for the road names to be changed and that after completing consultation with the residents of both affected roads, they were overwhelming in their support for the road names to remain unchanged.
- 2.10 At this meeting a resolution was passed recommending to Council's Engineering Services Committee that the Pupu Valley Road name remain unchanged (see below). A further resolution was passed to leave the issue of renaming Pupu Springs Road on the table until the Board's April meeting after consulting with Manawhenua Ki Mohua.

Moved Crs Sangster/Bouillir

THAT as the Department of Conservation has now noted that the request to change the name of Pupu Valley Road is not in accordance with the provisions of the Te Waikoropupu Springs Management Plan and after canvassing the views of the residents and the wider community, the Golden Bay Community Board recommends to Engineering Services that there be no change to the name of Pupu Valley Road.

- 2.7 At the Boards April meeting the following resolutions were passed:

Moved Cr Sangster/Board member Symmons

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board after consultation with Manawhenua ki Mohua and with the residents of Pupu Springs Road recommends to Engineering Services that the name "Pupu Springs Road" remains unchanged.

and:

Moved Board member Brookes/Cr Bouillir

THAT the Golden Bay Community Board writes to Tasman District Council requesting that all the relevant destination blades be changed to “Te Waikoropupu Springs.”

3. Summary

- 3.1 After protracted consultation with residents of Pupu Springs and Pupu Valley Roads, Manawhenua Ki Mohua and the wider community it was agreed that the road names should remain unchanged.
- 3.2 One of the many reasons for retaining the current road names relates to emergency events where address details need to be clearly understood by centralised call centre personnel outside the district.
- 3.3 The New Zealand Transport Agency has already changed the signage at the intersection of SH60 Takaka-Collingwood Highway and Pupu Springs Road to reflect the Maori name of the springs. Other state highway signage will be upgraded when it is due for replacement. Likewise the single sign at the intersection of Pupu Springs and Pupu Valley Roads belonging to Council and which has other tourist information on it will be upgraded when due for replacement.

4. Recommendation

- 4.1 That the Engineering Services Committee accepts the recommendations from the Golden Bay Community Board to retain the names of Pupu Springs Road and Pupu Valley Road.

5. Draft Resolution

- 5.1 THAT the Engineering Services Committee receives this Report, RESC12-06-02 and;**
- 5.2 THAT the Engineering Services Committee approves the road names remaining unchanged for Pupu Springs Road and Pupu Valley Road, as noted in the report RESC12-06-02.**

Appendices

Appendix 1 – Transcripts of relevant Minutes of the Golden Bay Community Board