

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman and Members, Tasman Regional Transport Committee

**FROM:** Gary Clark, Transportation Manager

**DATE:** 16 October 2009

**SUBJECT:** **REGIONAL LAND TRANSPORT STRATEGY - PROGRESS REPORT**

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## 1 PURPOSE

The purpose of this report is to provide information on progress with the Regional Land Transport Strategy (RLTS) and Regional Plans.

## 2 BACKGROUND

The Regional Transport Committee has approved the draft RLTS and Regional Plans for consultation. The document has been reviewed and some minor corrections have been made in preparation for final layout work to be carried out.

## 3 COMMENT

The RLTS is an important document that will have a life of six years. The current document along with its supporting strategies is in need of improvement to change them into a more consultation friendly material.

We are in the process of having the document reformatted to include images and make it more readable. Upon completion of the layout improvements, we will provide the document to the key stakeholders as required by the Act along with other interested parties that have shown an interest in the strategy.

The consultation process will start in mid-November and currently we are thinking of closing the submissions in early February. This reason for the long consultation period is to allow interested submitters to prepare comments before Christmas and after the holiday period. This will allow us to prepare a report to the committee in time for the first meeting in the new year.

Hearings will also be scheduled early in the new year. It is assumed that submissions will be heard by the whole Regional Transport Committee rather than a sub-committee.

## 5 RECOMMENDATION

**THAT** the committee receives this report.

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