

# STAFF REPORT

**TO:** Chairman & Members, Engineering Services Committee

**FROM:** Development Engineer

**REFERENCE:**

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**SUBJECT:** Stormwater Best Practice Guide

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## PURPOSE

The attached "Best Practice Guide" serves as a toolbox of measures carried out by the Tasman District Council to verify its compliance with environmental standards expected in this day and age.

## BACKGROUND

For many years services such as roading, wastewater and water supply have been prominent in Council agendas for Engineering.

With recent storm events and higher expectations from the ratepayer in regard to contaminants in waterways and environmental and ecological sustainable stormwater management, Council must promote itself as addressing these new practices and fulfilling its obligations under the Resource Management Act 1991.

## COMMENTS

The stormwater "Best Practice Guide" gives an overview of the legal requirements imposed on Council and these subsequently being reflected in Council's Engineering Standards.

It gives examples of good and bad designs, together with sustainable operations and maintenance activities carried out by Council's contractors.

## RECOMMENDATION

**That the Stormwater "Best Practice Guide" be received and approved for public release.**

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