

## **REPORT OF THE ROADING MANAGER JULY 2007**

### **GENERAL**

The harsh winter conditions experienced for much of June continued into mid July.

A succession of very hard frosts occurred during the first few weeks of July. The frosts were often accompanied by fog and occasionally drizzle. Conditions were treacherous at times with black ice making safe travel almost impossible. These conditions also created significant problems for road maintenance. A lot of time and effort was put into gritting roads and footpaths to keep them trafficable. Frost heave damage was suffered on many roads, both gravel and sealed.

### **MAINTENANCE**

Refer attached report from Works Infrastructure containing details of works undertaken and contract progress.

### **AUGUST 2007**

#### **Programmed Maintenance Works**

- Maintenance grading.
- Various cyclic routine maintenance including potholes, marker pegs and sign maintenance.
- Complete identification and programming of pre-reseal repair requirements.
- Various concrete footpath, vehicle crossing and kerb repair works in Gore and Mataura. Including pre-reseal concrete repairs for upcoming season.
- Edge break repairs to be carried out on various roads.
- Removal of high grass lip at edge of seal on several roads if conditions allow.
- Ongoing routine cleaning of urban and reserves areas streets and channels.
- Continue hand cleaning of remote kerb and channels.
- Carry out minor bridge maintenance.
- Continue sealed road shoulder grading if conditions suitable.
- Clean culverts by hand and water blasting.

#### **Programmed Construction Works**

Completion of the following projects which were programmed for June has been postponed until weather conditions are suitable.

- Complete Mountain Road traction seal safety improvement project.
- Complete Waddle Road traction seal safety improvement project.
- Construct and seal single lane bridge approach sealing safety improvements on Byars, Turnbull and Winsloe Roads.
- Construct seal widening safety improvement on Main Street, Waikaka at approach to Bushy Park Road.

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