

REPORT OF THE ROADING MANAGER MAY 2008

General

Most of the significant roading projects for this financial year have now been completed and cyclic maintenance formed a major facet of the work undertaken during May. The notable exceptions were the continuation of non pre-reseal concrete works and construction of the Kee Road traction seal. These projects were interrupted at times by the onset of winter weather.

May 2008 - Completed Maintenance Works

- Sealed and unsealed road potholes patched throughout the district.
- Edgebreak repairs carried out on various sealed roads in the district.
- 160km of gravel road inspected and graded accordingly during May.
- Close monitoring, patch metalling and small repairs completed on Clinker Hill Rd.
- Soft spot repair on Waikana Rd and a digout repair on Waikaka Rd.
- Signs and edge marker posts maintenance at various locations throughout the District
- Urban crossings, channels and sump tops cleared during wet weather.
- Regular CBD sweeping in both Gore and Matakana.
- Regular network inspection and litter pickup carried out in Urban Gore & Matakana.
- Regular inspection and litter pickup carried out on rural network.
- Concrete repair works continued on Wolsley St, Burns St & Stratford St.
- Manual removal of vegetation in kerbing continued in various urban streets.
- Remote kerb and channel cleaning in Gore and Matakana continued.
- Cleaning of all bulbous kerbs in CBD undertaken
- Routine bridge maintenance carried out.
- Various rural blocked culverts inspected and cleared.

June 2008 - Programmed Maintenance Works

- Maintenance grading.
- Crushing of maintenance metal and commencement of metalling programme.
- Various cyclic routine inspections and maintenance including potholes, marker pegs and sign maintenance.
- Regular cleaning of CBD areas in both Gore & Matakana.
- Concrete repairs on Huron St, Denton St, Scott St & Ashton St.
- Asphalt repairs on Wolsley St, Burns St & Transfer station.
- Sump replacement and new back entry tops on Broughton St, Thomas St & Wilden St.

- Edge break repairs as required.
- Ongoing routine cleaning of urban streets kerb & channel and Parks & Reserves areas.
- Continue hand cleaning of remote kerb and channels.
- Carry out minor bridge maintenance as required.
- Shoulder mowing as necessary including sections of Gore flood banks.
- Continue sealed road shoulder grading if conditions suitable.
- Clean culverts by hand and water blasting.
- Weed spraying to continue on various rural and urban roads and footpaths if required

Expect some snow clearance/ice gritting as we move into winter.

Programmed Construction Works Includes the following:

- Complete construction of the Kee Road traction seal project.
- Modification to the traffic island at the intersection of Kana Street and Forth Street in Mataura
- Burns Street, Mataura footpath replacement.

Reseals

Preparation of the 2008/09 reseal tender documents is underway. This is being undertaken by MWH. Tenders are scheduled to close on Friday 18 July. Soaring international oil prices directly affect the price of bitumen and are likely to have a significant affect on the tender prices received. This may in turn affect the quantity of work able to be carried out.

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