

## **REPORT OF THE ROADING MANAGER FEBRUARY 2009**

### **GENERAL**

All pre-reseal repair works on this season's reseal sites were completed and the sites were made available to the reseal contractor, Blacktop Construction during February. Completion of the pre-reseal repairs is well ahead of that achieved for a number of years and reflects Works commitment to continuing improvement. Construction of a kea crossing in Robertson Street, Gore was also completed except for pavement marking and signs, which will be installed following the reseal.

Extra effort was made by Works to prepare for the Waikaka cavalcade including cleaning signs, painting posts, marker pegs and litter removal. An additional staff member, who can be utilised in the rural cyclic maintenance, has been employed by Works.

February grading continued with the focus on returning, as much as possible, to the cyclic grading schedule following the recent catch up on a grading backlog.

Assistance with temporary traffic management at a number of local community events was provided by Works and demonstrated its commitment to being involved in the local community. Events included the Kaiwera School trail ride, Hokonui Moonshiners festival, Gore junior triathlon, Gore Hot Rod Club sealed sprints and a church youth group event. The assistance provided contributed significantly to the running of these events.

### **Completed Maintenance Works – February**

- Routine cyclic rural and urban maintenance.
- 127km of gravel roads were graded.
- Concrete footpath and kerbing pre-reseal repair works completed.
- Service top adjustments completed on reseal sites.
- Stabilising repairs to pavement completed on all reseal sites
- Traffic services night inspection commenced

### **Programmed Maintenance Works - March**

- Routine cyclic rural, urban and reserves inspections and maintenance.
- Begin identification of next season's pre-reseal repairs.
- Various pavement repairs
- Culvert repairs and installation including Diamond Peak Road
- Vegetation control spraying with all culverts, rural sealed shoulders and urban spraying.
- Vegetation control- various sites including trimming Dolamore Park Road and Waimumu Road trees

- Concrete repairs including footpaths and vehicle crossings
- Gravel road metalling
- Installation of speed advisory signs
- Removal of trip hazards to concrete footpaths by grinding
- Completion of night inspection of signs and marker pegs
- Maintenance of remote urban channels



Downer Edi Works new DAF sweeper/suction truck sweeping in Gore.  
This vehicle has recently been assigned to the Gore depot.

## **RESEALS**

Construction of reseals by Blacktop Construction commenced during the latter part of February.

Good progress has been made and the quality of work produced also appears to be of a good standard. A number of unsolicited complimentary comments have been received from the public regarding the contractors operation.