10 September 2001 File : G/6/1/1

Report to the Wellington Regional Council from Lloyd Bezett, Policy Analyst, Council Secretariat

#### 2001/02 Bovine Tb Vector Control Rates

# 1. Purpose

To recommend that Council make the 2001/02 Bovine Tb Vector Control Rates.

# 2. Background

On 2 August 2001 Council resolved to make the following rates:

- General
- Regional Transport
- Stadium Purposes
- Rivers Management
- Wairarapa Catchment, Drainage and Water Supply Schemes

The Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate was not made at this time because of the intention to change from a differentiated rate on all property 10 hectares and over in area to a uniform rate only on those properties of 10 hectares and over within operational areas.

The Special Order abolishing the differential rating scheme for the Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate was confirmed at the meeting of the Council on 23 August. Public notice of the Council's intention to make a replacement Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate on a uniform land area basis on all land within operational areas was given in the *Dominion*, *Evening Post* and *Wairarapa Times-Age* on Saturday, 29 August 2001 (**Attachment 1**).

Maps and the roll showing the operational areas (29 in all) have been available for public inspection at the offices of the Council in Wellington and Masterton.

### 3. Comment

The Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate is collected on a land area basis directly by the Wellington Regional Council by a single annual assessment. Invoices for this rate will be issued at the same time as the Wairarapa Scheme rates. The penalty date for late payment is 22 February 2002.

## 4. Recommendations

That, pursuant to the Rating Powers Act 1988 and all other Acts and powers enabling on that behalf, the Wellington Regional Council make the following rate for the period commencing 1 July 2001 and concluding 30 June 2002.

A rate to be known as the Bovine Tb Vector Control Rate yielding \$232,741 including GST, made under the provisions of section 44 of the Rating Powers Act 1988. This rate shall be applied to all rateable land within defined operational areas of ten hectares or greater in the Wellington Region and assists payment of the costs of the Council's Bovine Tb Vector control activities.

Scheme No.	· Control Rate Amount Payable \$	Dollars per Hectare
867	232,741	0.5450

(a) Minimum rate

The minimum rate to be levied shall be \$11.25 (eleven dollars and twenty-five cents), GST inclusive, per assessment.

- (b) Payment Dates
  - The rate shall be due and payable in one instalment on Monday 1 October 2001 at the Council's Office, 34 Chapel Street, Masterton. Pursuant to Section 132 of the Rating Powers Act additional charges are as follows:
  - (i) A charge of 10 per cent shall be added to rates levied after Sunday 1 July 2001 which remain unpaid on Friday 22 February 2002.
  - (ii) An additional charge of 10 per cent shall be added to rates levied prior to Sunday 1 July 2001 which remain unpaid on Thursday 20 September 2001.
  - (iii) A further additional charge of 10 per cent shall be added to rates levied prior to Sunday 1 July 2001 which remain unpaid on Wednesday 20 March 2002.
- (c) Rating Records for rates collected by the Wellington Regional Council are available for inspection at the offices of the Wellington Regional Council at The Regional Council Centre, 142-146 Wakefield Street, Wellington and at 34 Chapel Street, Masterton, during normal office hours.

Submitted by: Approved by:

LLOYD BEZETT
Policy Analyst, Council Secretariat

TED MAGUIRE Council Secretary

COLIN WRIGHT Divisional Manager, Wairarapa