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# Financial Report for the Eleven Months to 31 May 2004

## 1. Purpose

To inform the committee of the Division's financial performance to budget.

### 2. Operating Performance

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Net Capital Expenditure	363	344	19U	427	349

#### 3. Comment

At the end of May the Division overall was \$755,000 over budget with revenue being \$61,000 below budget and operating expenditure \$694,000 above budget. Capital expenditure at May was \$19,000 above budget.

Significant components of this favourable variance are as follows:

(1) Biosecurity Department \$88,000 Favourable

Total income and expenditure for the Bovine Tb activity were both about \$1.6m below budget due to operational timing, contract price savings and reduced control area because of low pest densities. Expenditure for Pest Plants was \$127,000 under budget. Plant control programmes have been affected by wet weather and staff turnover

(2) Land & River Operations \$814,000 Unfavourable

The LARO Department had several offsetting variances including; additional roading costs and reduced net logging revenue of \$207,000 for the Reserve Forests business unit. River Management was \$590,000 over budget because of flood damage repairs, additional expenditure for the Lower Wairarapa Scheme review, and the painting of the Barrage gates brought forward from 04/05. Administration was \$83,000 over budget due to incorrectly budgeted vehicle depreciation. Riparian Management expenditure was \$64,000 below budget, due to timing of projects.

(3) BioWorks \$87,000 Unfavourable

Due to the timing of control operations.

(4) Planning & Resources \$49,000 Favourable

Personnel cost savings and the timing of water quality monitoring charges.

### 4. Recommendation

That the report be received and the contents noted.

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