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Committee Regional Transport  
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## **Recommended Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 – 2040 for Approval**

### **1. Purpose**

To provide the Committee with the final version of the Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 – 2040 (RLTS) for approval.

### **2. Significance of the decision**

The matters for decision in this report **do not** trigger the significance policy of the Council or otherwise trigger section 76(3)(b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

### **3. Overview of the consultation process**

The Committee, at its meeting on 9 March 2010, approved the Proposed RLTS for public consultation. Consultation commenced on 22 March 2010.

A letter inviting submissions, a copy of the Proposed RLTS and a summary document were sent to parties identified in section 78 of the LTMA, including local councils, the New Zealand Transport Agency, KiwiRail and New Zealand Police. Other groups and interested parties, such as user groups and operators, were mailed a letter inviting submissions and the summary document.

Copies of the Proposed RLTS and summary document were made available at libraries, Greater Wellington offices and on request.

Public notices were placed in the Dominion Post and all local community newspapers. A media release was prepared and distributed. Stories appeared in several local newspapers about the Proposed RLTS and the consultation process. Greater Wellington's website had a page dedicated to the Proposed RLTS, with an electronic submission form.

Submissions closed on 23 April 2010.

35 submissions were received on the Proposed RLTS. Of those, 26 were from agencies or groups and 9 were from individuals.

Of the 35 submitters, 21 indicated a wish to be heard in support of their submission. Oral submitters were heard by the Committee at its 29 April 2010 meeting. A full copy of all submissions had been provided to the Committee.

At the 20 July 2010 meeting, the Committee deliberated over all the submissions received. A summary of all the submissions, officer comments and recommended changes was provided in attachments to that report (**Report 10.299**).

Having considered the points and key issues raised in the submissions, a number of wording changes and points of clarification were agreed by the Committee.

#### **4. Changes to final version**

**Attachment 1** to this report is the final version of the RLTS 2010 – 2040.

Several changes have been made to the final draft along the lines of:

- Changes agreed by the Committee to respond to submissions
- Minor alterations to cross-reference changes with other parts of the Strategy
- Updated information from the 2009/10 Annual Monitoring Report
- Removal of duplicate and redundant text
- Minor editorial improvements and chapter reshuffle to enhance readability.

RLTS Chapter 4: ‘Strategy development’ has been significantly reformatted to incorporate the former Appendix 3: ‘Strategic options’. The new Appendix 3 now covers the legislative alignment of the RLTS.

Formerly Chapter 10, ‘Implementing the RLTS’ is now Appendix 4.

#### **5. Independent auditor statement**

John Bolland Consulting was contracted to provide an independent audit of the RLTS development process and the final version.

The auditor has been involved in the process from early in the development of this RLTS. He has agreed that the process undertaken and the final version meet the requirements of the Land Transport Management Act 2003.

The auditor statement has been included as **Attachment 2** to this report.

## 6. Next steps

Following approval of the final Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 – 2040 by the Committee, it will be presented to the Council for adoption at the meeting on 28 September 2010. This is a formal process required by the Land Transport Management Act 2003.

Step	Who	Timing	Status
Process report to RTC	RTC	5 Aug 2009	Completed
Supplemental Technical Working Group meeting	Officers	22 Jan 2010	Completed
RTC workshop	RTC	10 Feb 2010	Completed
Proposed RLTS for approval	RTC	9 Mar 2010	Completed
Adopt consultation plan	RTC	9 Mar 2010	Completed
Adopt summary document	RTC	9 Mar 2010	Completed
Consultation time	GWRC	22 Mar 2010 / 23 Apr 2010	Completed
Hearing of submissions	RTC	29 Apr 2010	Completed
Summarising of all submissions	GW officers	26 April 2010 / 28 May 2010	Completed
RLTS submissions and recommended changes deliberation	RTC	20 July 2010	Completed
Final RLTS for approval (this report)	RTC	14 Sept 2010	
<b>Adoption by GW</b>	<b>GW</b>	<b>28 Sept 2010</b>	

Once the Council adopts a final Regional Land Transport Strategy, it will be printed and distributed to the Committee, stakeholders and interest groups.

The final RLTS will also be available online at Greater Wellington's website.

Submitters will be sent a letter with specific responses to the key points raised in their submission with a link to the online version of the final RLTS. Submitters will also be informed in the letter that printed copies are available on request.

## 7. Communication

A media release will be issued in relation to the adoption of the new RLTS 2010 – 2040 after the 28 September Council meeting.

## 8. Recommendations

*That the Committee:*

1. ***Receives*** the report.
2. ***Notes*** the content of the report.
3. ***Agrees*** to amend the Proposed Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 - 2040 in accordance with the changes outlined in section 4 of this report.
4. ***Agrees*** to recommend to Greater Wellington Regional Council that it adopts the Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 – 2040, as set out in Attachment 1.

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Attachment 1: Regional Land Transport Strategy 2010 – 2040

Attachment 2: Independent Auditor Statement