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Committee Ara Tahi
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Progress Report - Policy Advisors-Māori

1. Purpose

To provide Ara Tahi with an update since our last meeting on 7 September 2005.

2. Policy Advisor-Māori resignation

Graham Cameron has resigned from his position as Policy Advisor-Māori as of 22 December 2005. Ka mihi ki ngā rangatira o te motu nei i manaaki mai i te tau nei, ahakoa ka hoki atu te pipi nei ki te kōhanga kotahi.

3. Wellington Regional Strategy submissions

GW would like to draw the attention of iwi to the submissions on the Growth Framework of the Wellington Regional Strategy attached in full after this report.

4. Workshops for 2006

As mentioned in the *Outcomes of the 2005 Consents Review* (05.612) and the *Hui-a-Ara Tahi report* (05.661), a workshop on Iwi Commissioners and the amendments to the Resource Management Act 1991 is proposed.

This would ideally be prior to the first Ara Tahi meeting for 2006 to allow Ara Tahi to finalise their proposed Iwi Commissioners to Greater Wellington for consideration at the 1 February 2006 meeting.

Following this workshop, the next topic for consideration could be the finalised State of the Environment Report. The information in this report is very important and makes sobering reading. However we are interested in your views as to whether a technical workshop is the most appropriate forum to discuss this.

5. Ara Tahi for 2006

The proposed Ara Tahi meeting dates for 2006 are:

Wednesday 1 February 2006

Wednesday 19 April 2006

Wednesday 14 June 2006

Wednesday 9 August 2006

Wednesday 27 September 2006

Wednesday 6 December 2006

6. RLTC for 2006

The proposed Regional Land Transport Committee meeting dates for 2006 are:

Thursday 2 March 2006

Thursday 20 April 2006

Thursday 8 June 2006

Tuesday 25 July 2006

Thursday 14 September 2006

Tuesday 31 October 2006

Tuesday 12 December 2006

7. Iwi Projects

7.1 Ngāti Toa Rangatira

Ngāti Toa Rangatira has completed their iwi project, having recently weed sprayed the path. An opening ceremony may be conducted in February 2006, though details and dates are to be confirmed.

A proposal from the Hongoeka Community Development Trust with the support of Te Runanga o Toa Rangatira for further track work around the Hongoeka coast has been presented to Greater Wellington.

8. Recommendations

It is recommended that Ara Tahi:

- 1. receive the report; and*
- 2. note the contents.*

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