

Report to the Rural Services and Wairarapa Committee
from Dave Cameron, Regional Soil Conservator

Catchment and River Works

1. Purpose

To advise the Committee of Catchment and River Works which have been approved under delegated authority.

2. Schedule

2.1 New Sustainability Plans and Conservation Plans

New Sustainability Plans and Property Plans are prepared for the control of hill country erosion. A summary of approvals made under delegation is as follows:

Number Approved	Catchment Location	Poles	Woodlot Area(ha)	Thinning (ha)	Fencing (m)	Shelter Belts(m)	Regional Grant
3	Whareama	3550	20.6				37,654
1	Awhea	900	7.9		1700		12,623
1	Ruamahanga					1470	2,993
5		4,450	28.5	0	1,700	1,470	53,270

2.2 Sustainability Plans and Conservation Plan Reviews

Sustainability Plans and Conservation Plans are reviewed every five years and include Plans prepared for the control of hill country erosion and wind erosion. A summary of approvals made under delegation is as follows:

Number Approved	Catchment Location	Poles	Woodlot Area(ha)	Thinning (ha)	Fencing (m)	Shelter Belts(m)	Regional Grant
2	Whareama	1,500	5.0	17			10,050
1	Ruamahanga					625	9,909
3		1,500	5.0	17	0	625	19,959

2.3 Sustainability Plan and Conservation Plan Annual Programmes

Annual programmes are prepared from Sustainability Plans and Conservation Plans that have current five-year approvals.

	Annual Plan Target 1998/99	Approved to Date	Approved this Agenda	Balance to Approve	Percentage Approved
Number	175	66	63	46	74%
Expenditure	444,000	251,658	192,018	324	100%

2.4 Isolated Works

Name	Type of Work	Total Cost (\$)	Regional Grant Rate (\$)	Regional Component (\$)
JA & LL Bicknell	Stopbanking	13,268	30	3,980

3. Communications

No particular actions are considered necessary.

4. Recommendation

That the schedule be received and application for the Council's Seal be approved on the Land Improvement Agreements pertaining to properties in 2.1.

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