

Meeting: FNDC Infrastructure Committee

Name of item: Contractual Maintenance Obligations – Unsealed Roads

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1 Purpose

The purpose of this presentation is for staff to provide Elected Members with an increased understanding of the current unsealed road contractual obligations, as adopted through the Road Maintenance & Renewals Contracts and enable opportunity for clarification via Elected Member questions on specific items.

2 Background

The current Road Maintenance & Renewals Contracts were adopted following Council approvals for commencement in July 2018 and are currently at the beginning of separable portion 2, extending them out a further two years through to June 2024.

The Northland Transportation Alliance (NTA), on behalf of Kaipara, Far North and Whangarei District Councils led the process to develop an integrated regional or 'one-network' approach to the delivery of maintenance and renewals activities for the local roading networks.

The NTA Road Maintenance & Renewals Contract introduced an inspection led process for the identification of work requirements across the network, with levels of service based on the road hierarchy being achieved through frequency of inspection and response times for routine (lump sum) activity completion. In addition, the identification of ordered work (non-lump sum) activities are recorded, prioritized, and programmed based on holistic network need then presented as discretionary activities for Council staff approval on a monthly basis.

We have recently received an increase in Council Elected Member enquiries into the contract mechanisms and obligations, particularly pertaining to unsealed roads.

3 Discussion

In response to recent enquiries from Elected Members on the maintenance and management of the unsealed road networks, we have prepared a presentation covering the contractual obligations in relation to inspections, routine response timeframes, lump sum (routine) and ordered work (discretionary) activities, audit coverage and key performance measures.

4 Attachments

1 - Unsealed Road Contractual Obligations presentation

5 Report Approval

Approved by:



Calvin Thomas, GM NTA
4th August 2022