



Infrastructure and Projects Committee

Notice of Meeting

A meeting of the Infrastructure and Projects Committee will be held in the Council Chamber, 156 High Street, Dannevirke on **Wednesday 15 April 2026** commencing at **9:30am**.

Corin Haines
Chief Executive

Agenda

- 1. Welcome and Meeting Opening**
- 2. Apologies**
- 3. Public Forum**

A period of up to 30 minutes shall be set aside for a public forum. Each speaker during the public forum section of a meeting may speak for up to five minutes.

Standing Orders may be suspended on a vote of three-quarters of those present to extend the period of public participation or the period any speaker is allowed to speak.

With the permission of the Chairperson, members may ask questions of speakers during the period reserved for public forum. If permitted by the Chairperson, questions by members are to be confined to obtaining information or clarification on matters raised by the speaker.

- 4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda**

Major items not on the agenda may be dealt with at this meeting if so resolved by the Committee and the Chairperson explains at the meeting at a time when it is open to the public the reason why the item was not listed on the agenda and the reason why discussion of the item cannot be delayed until a subsequent meeting.

Minor matters not on the agenda relating to the general business of the Committee may be discussed if the Chairperson explains at the beginning of the meeting, at a time when it is open to the public, that the item will be discussed at that meeting, but no resolution, decision or recommendation may be made in respect of that item except to refer it to a subsequent meeting.

- 5. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business**
- 6. Confirmation of Minutes 3**
 - Recommendation*
 - That the minutes of the Infrastructure and Projects Committee meeting held on 11 February 2026 (as circulated) be confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting.*
- 7. Reports**
- 7.1 Infrastructure Management Report 7**
- 7.2 Portfolio Programme Project Report 45**
- 8. Items not on the Agenda**
- 9. Closure**



Infrastructure and Projects Committee

Minutes of a meeting of the Infrastructure and Projects Committee held in the Council Chamber, 156 High Street, Dannevirke on Wednesday 11 February 2026 commencing at 9:30am.

1. Welcome and Meeting Opening

Cr S A Wallace (Chairperson), Mayor S M Gilmore, Crs C L Corlett (Deputy Chairperson), A J Amboy, P A Johns and E L Peeti-Webber.

In Attendance

Cr S M Wards

Cr E F Kennedy

Mr M Alexander	- Interim Chief Executive
Mrs K Tani	- Group Manager – Strategy and Information
Mr H Featonby	- Group Manager - Operations
Ms T McDonald	- Chief Financial Officer
Mr M Dunn	- Manager – Programmes and Projects
Mr A Desmond	- Network Manager
Mr E Priest	- Project Management Office Team Leader
Mr M Clifford	- 3 Waters Asset Manager
Mr V Lim	- Water and Wastewater Operations Manager
Mrs A Howell	- External Communications and Intelligence Lead
Mrs A Dunn	- Manager – Democracy Services

2. Apologies

There were no apologies.

3. Public Forum

There were no requests for public forum.

4. Notification of Items Not on the Agenda

Nil

5. Declarations of Conflicts of Interest in Relation to this Meeting's Items of Business

Nil

6. Reports

6.1 Infrastructure Management Report

The Infrastructure and Projects Committee considered the report of the Group Manager – Operations dated 28 January 2026 that provided an update on key activities and items of interest over the period 5 September 2025 to 28 January 2026.

In response to a question raised during discussion of the Transport Activity Management Plan item in the report, regarding footpath maintenance funding, it was noted that funding had been cut significantly by NZ Transport Agency in the previous funding round. The Council had set aside \$150,000 through the Long Term Plan to assist with maintenance requirements. It was advised that a clear policy on how to respond to CRM requests for repairing driveway entrances was required.

It was asked that a more detailed report be provided with options for repairing driveway crossings, for Council to work through, potentially in an open to the public workshop, prior to coming to the Council for decision.

It was noted that roading policies were being worked on and these would be considered through the Transport Activity Management Plan in the Long Term Plan.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15am and resumed at 10:30am.

Officers then spoke to the Three Waters part of the report. In response to a question about the recent high water take in Eketāhuna, it was noted that usage had dropped following communications about the need for reduction. With regard to the Dannevirke Impound Supply, it was advised that during the recent period of high turbidity in the Tamaki River, the water take from the river was paused. During this period the stored water from the Impound Supply was used, with the water level within the Impound Supply dropping to 7 metres. This provided an opportunity for testing of the new pump system. Once the river turbidity levels had dropped, the supply returned to being drawn from the river and the impound supply water level soon increased, and was currently back up to 8.6 metres. Similarly in Woodville, during periods of high turbidity the impound

supply was used until the turbidity levels in the river dropped.

In response to a question about the installation of a new flowmeter in the infiltration gallery, it was advised that this replacement had been scheduled to take place soon. It was noted that replacement of the flowmeter had been scheduled.

Members noted there was still some confusion in the community about the status of the Dannevirke Impound Supply, and it was questioned whether there was an opportunity for simple explainers to be made to talk about the success and resilience of the impound supply, and then providing that information out to the public in an easily digestible way.

With regard to the Akitio water supply, it was advised that faulty ballcocks on the water storage tanks had been replaced and this had addressed the reported problems with overflowing water from the tanks.

With regards to Wastewater, a question was asked in relation to the Pahiatua Wastewater Treatment Plant wetlands about whether there would be additional works required to protect this area from flooding. It was noted that this project was covered in the next report on the agenda.

With regards to the solid waste section of the report, it was asked that comparative data for the previous year be included in the report going forward.

A comment was made about the height of the racks on the Drop Off Centre bins as these were set too high for many people to rest their recycling bins on.

In response to a question about whether there was a cost to dispose of batteries at the Dannevirke Transfer Station, it was advised that it was free to drop these off at the kiosk. With regard to disposal of dangerous chemicals such as brake fluid at the transfer station, it was advised that officers would check the requirements and report back to the committee.

That the report from the Group Manager - Operations dated 28 January 2026 concerning the Infrastructure Management Report be received.

Johns/Gilmore

Carried

6.2 **Portfolio Programme Project Report**

The Infrastructure and Projects Committee considered the report of the PMO Team Lead dated 22 January 2026 that provided an update to the committee on the key portfolios, programmes and project statuses.

With regards to the Carnegie building in Dannevirke, it was asked whether it was planned to provide an update to Council on this project. It was advised that an update was planned to be provided to Council once the Executive Leadership

Team had reviewed the report.

With regard to the improvements underway at the Dog Pound, it was noted this was in order to comply with regulations.

It was also asked that the report include milestone dates.

Information was requested on the integration of services in Woodville and when the completion date for that was expected. An update was expected to be provided in the near future.

That the report from the PMO Team Lead dated 22 January 2026 concerning the Portfolio Programme Project Report be received.

Peeti-Webber/Amboy

Carried

7. Items not on the Agenda

8.1 Nil

There being no further business the Chairperson thanked those present for their attendance and contributions, and declared the meeting closed at 12:01pm.



Report

Date : 10 April 2026
To : Chairperson and Committee Members
Infrastructure and Projects Committee
From : Hamish Featonby
Group Manager - Operations
Subject : **Infrastructure Management Report**
Item No : **7.1**

1. Recommendation

1.1 *That the report from the Group Manager - Operations dated 25 March 2026 concerning the Infrastructure Management Report be received.*

2. Reason for the Report

2.1 This report is to update the Infrastructure & Projects Committee on key activities and items of interest over the period 28 January 2026 to 25 March 2026.

3. Transport

3.1 Alliance Management Overview

We are taking guidance from Council and Downer on the international fuel crisis and have put in place interim measures to protect and conserve diesel and fuel use.

Our teams are taking extra care to prevent diesel theft from vehicles and plant. At the time of writing, we have not paused or reprioritised work and have plans in place should fuel supply be limited in future.

In February we were advised by the independent ISO auditor we have been working with since last year that Tararua Alliance's bid for ISO 55001 accreditation has been successful. This is a significant milestone for the district as the Alliance is the first Road Controlling Authority in New Zealand to achieve ISO 55001 asset

management accreditation — earning international recognition for how we plan, maintain, and invest in the Tararua road network.

Accreditation proves our systems, people, and processes meet international best practice. The audit was a two-stage process with an ISO auditor from Adelaide working with the Alliance over several months, going through all our asset management systems and process documentation, and in February visiting Tararua to see how things happen on site.

ISO 55001 is more than compliance—it is a strategic tool for ensuring the right asset management practices are in place for delivering better infrastructure outcomes, improving community trust, and ensuring long-term value from public assets. We expect the benefits of this to flow beyond roading to how we manage all our infrastructure. The accreditation will be communicated to the wider community and media in April.

We have entered the Land Stabilisation Project into two national awards – the Āpōpō Asset Management Excellence Awards and the Taituara Local Government Awards – with project partners the Ministry of Social Development and Horizons Regional Council. These awards will be announced on 20 May and 18 June respectively.

3.2 **Transportation Network Management Overview**

Footpath maintenance and renewals vs vehicle entranceways

Context and previous Council direction

At the previous Infrastructure Committee meeting, officers presented information outlining the long-running challenges associated with footpath maintenance where it intersects with vehicle entranceways. This included discussion on funding constraints, safety obligations, NZTA expectations, and the practical difficulty of managing responsibility at the individual property level.

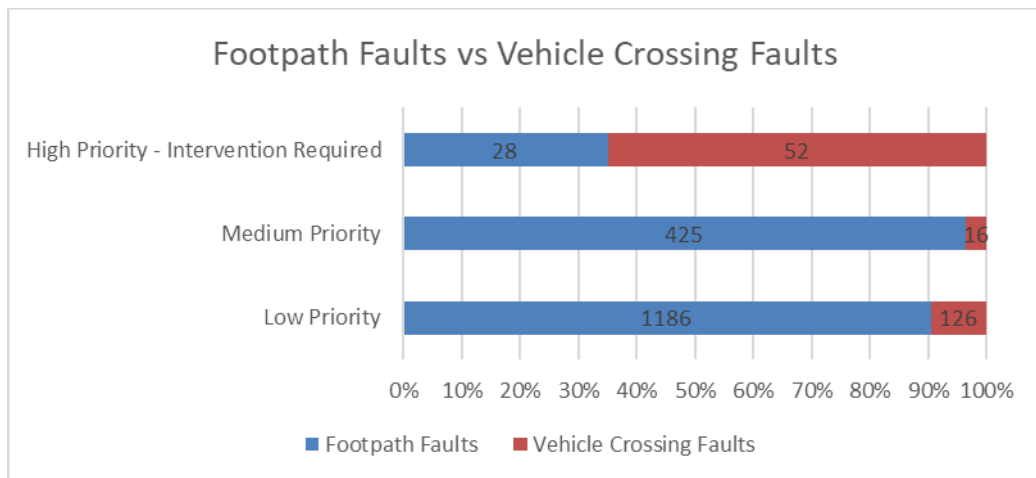
As part of the previous National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) submission, Council recognised that addressing these challenges through targeted action against individual property owners was not feasible or equitable at scale. Council identified vehicle entrance way related footpath defects as a district-wide network issue requiring a consistent and coordinated approach and sought NLTP funding to enable this. That funding request was not approved by NZTA, leaving Council without a funded pathway to implement a network-wide solution.

Subsequently, Council adopted enhanced enforcement provisions under the Traffic and Road Use Bylaw in 2025, providing clearer authority to require the repair, reconstruction, or renewal of vehicle crossings where they are assessed as being in a bad or unsafe state of repair. These powers have not yet been applied in practice, as Council has been mindful of the potential impacts of applying them in the current fiscal environment.

Current position and challenges

Council continues to receive a steady volume of Customer Requests for Service (CRMs) identifying safety-related defects within footpaths and is required to act to meet its duty-of-care obligations and ensure public safety on the roading network.

While individual faults are often reported at specific properties, network fault data demonstrates that vehicle entranceways represent a disproportionate share of the most serious footpath defects. Based on Thinkproject's AWM (Asset & Work Manager) (previously known as RAMM) data, approximately 65% of all high priority footpath faults are located within vehicle entranceways, indicating that this is a systemic, recurring issue rather than isolated instances.



The data highlights the scale of the issue and the ongoing safety and accessibility risks it presents. Defects commonly include uneven surfaces, depressions and pavement failures, which generate repeat customer complaints and present particular challenges for vulnerable users. For example, a recent CRM received in Dannevirke requested repair of deep holes within a footpath, citing repeated tripping incidents and difficulty using the footpath with a mobility scooter.



Image of the Vehicle Entranceway related to a CRM received on the 26th of March 2026

The combination of high fault severity, repeat occurrence, and concentration within vehicle entranceways creates an ongoing operational challenge for Council, particularly in the absence of an approved, funded networkwide solution through the NLTP. While Council maintains the position that vehicle entranceways are the responsibility of the adjoining property owner, the volume and seriousness of these defects require active management to ensure public safety is maintained.

Interim response and next steps

To meet Council's duty-of-care obligations, and as an interim measure, the Urban team has been instructed to undertake temporary or make-safe repairs where necessary to address immediate safety risks. These works are intended solely to manage risk and maintain pedestrian safety and accessibility and should not be interpreted as Council accepting full or ongoing responsibility for vehicle entranceway assets.

Where a vehicle crossing is assessed as being in a bad or unsafe state of repair, Council may, in accordance with the Traffic and Road Use Bylaw, issue formal notice requiring the owner or occupier of the land to repair, reconstruct, or renew the crossing to Council's satisfaction. Council will also review remaining vehicle entranceway faults and, where they pose a risk to footpath users, undertake make-safe works and issue notices as appropriate.

While the use of this enforcement mechanism may attract concern from affected ratepayers and involves implementation, communication, equity, and reputational considerations, it provides a clear and lawful pathway for addressing ongoing safety and accessibility issues where interim make-safe works alone are insufficient. Further refinement of this approach will be considered alongside the development of the Transport Activity Management Plan and the broader roading policy framework.

Lindauer Trail Enabling Works Update

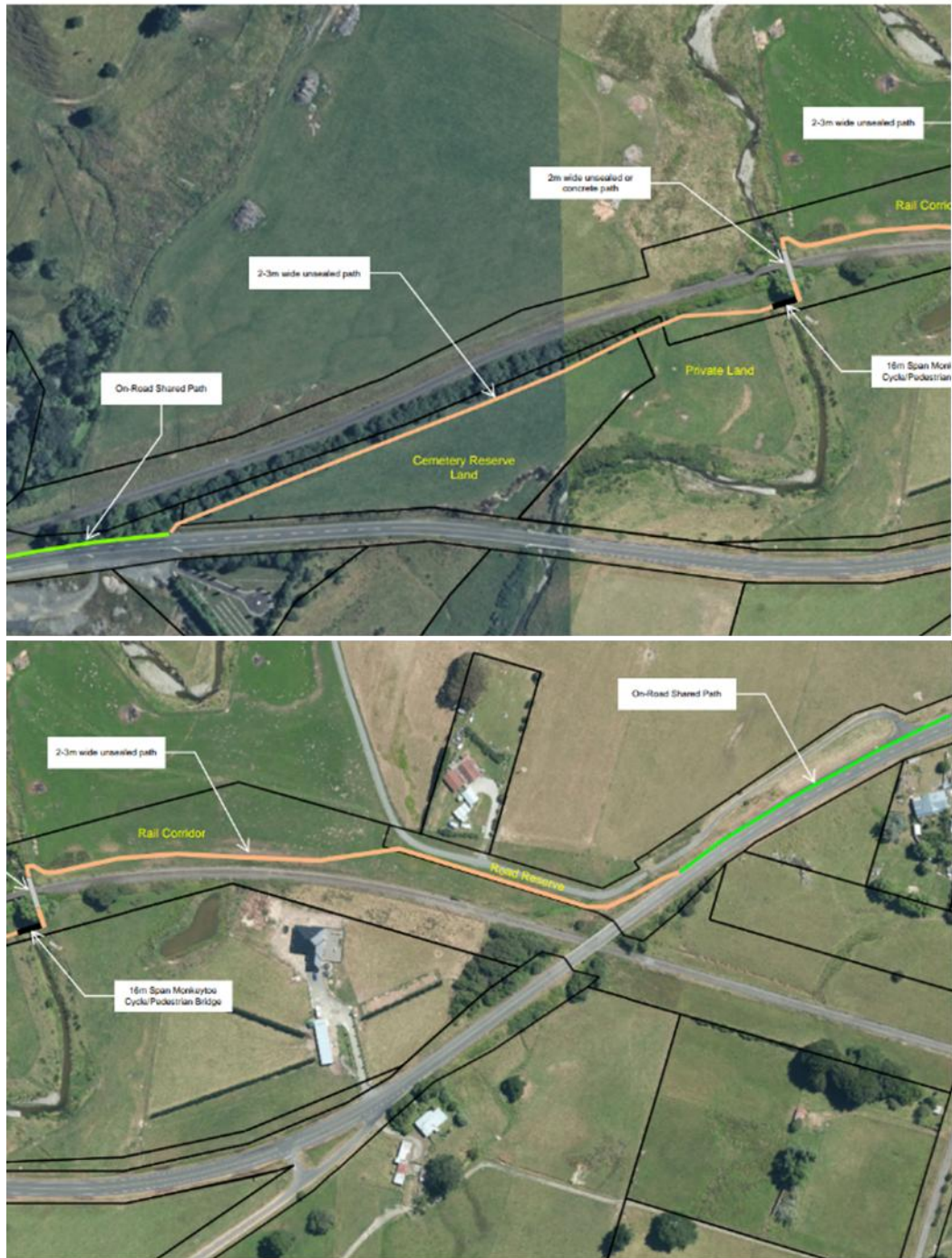
Planning work is steadily progressing with regards to the development of the Lindauer Trail enabling works. After securing an onsite meeting with a KiwiRail representative, we reviewed the original proposed bypass of the Road/Rail overbridge, as well as another option upstream on the north side of the old State-Highway. Fortunately, the KiwiRail representative had historic knowledge of the project, and has endorsed the placement of a bridge over the Mangamania Stream running parallel to the rail bridge. This option provides dual benefit to the pathway, as it bypasses both the road/rail overbridge and the Mangamania Stream road bridge.

This route follows a similar route to the original path identified by Woodville District Vision but differs in that it crosses under the rail bridge and follows the southern side of the railway line. This allows us to avoid the rail crossing at the Woodville Cemetery, which KiwiRail objects to increasing foot traffic at.

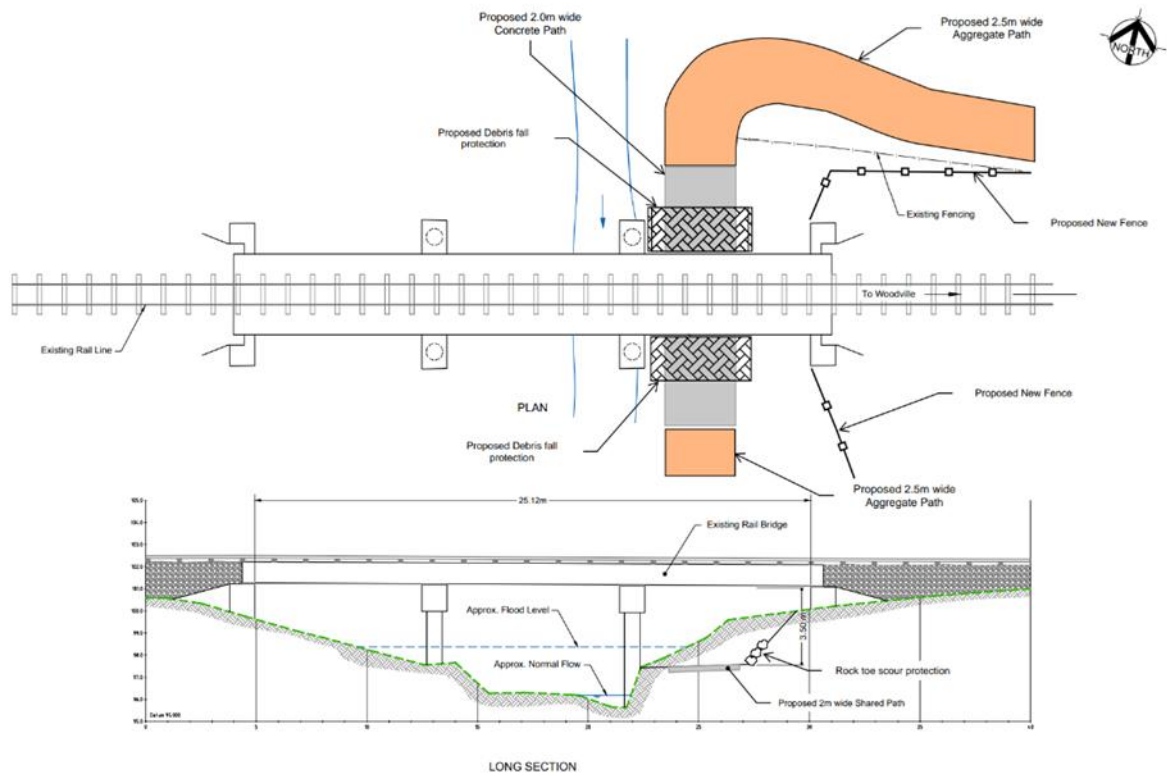
Through the investigation, we have identified that the land where the proposed route is traversing is Cemetery Reserve land, in public ownership, which simplifies things. We are developing a Resource Consent application to Horizons for the proposed bridge, alongside progressing the discussions with KiwiRail over the use of their land.

Below are the revised pathway and associated bridge. Once we have confidence from both Horizons and KiwiRail, we can commit to the purchase of the bridge and commence construction.

With the very tight budget provided to us through the Te Ahu Au Turanga project, our focus is to have the bridge and works within the rail corridor completed, and as much of the pathway off the road corridor as possible, with the remaining Shared Pathway to Ferry Reserve as a discussion point with NZTA as part of the SH3 and Gorge Revocation works.



Proposed pathway between the Woodville Roundabout and the Woodville/ANZAC Cemeteries.



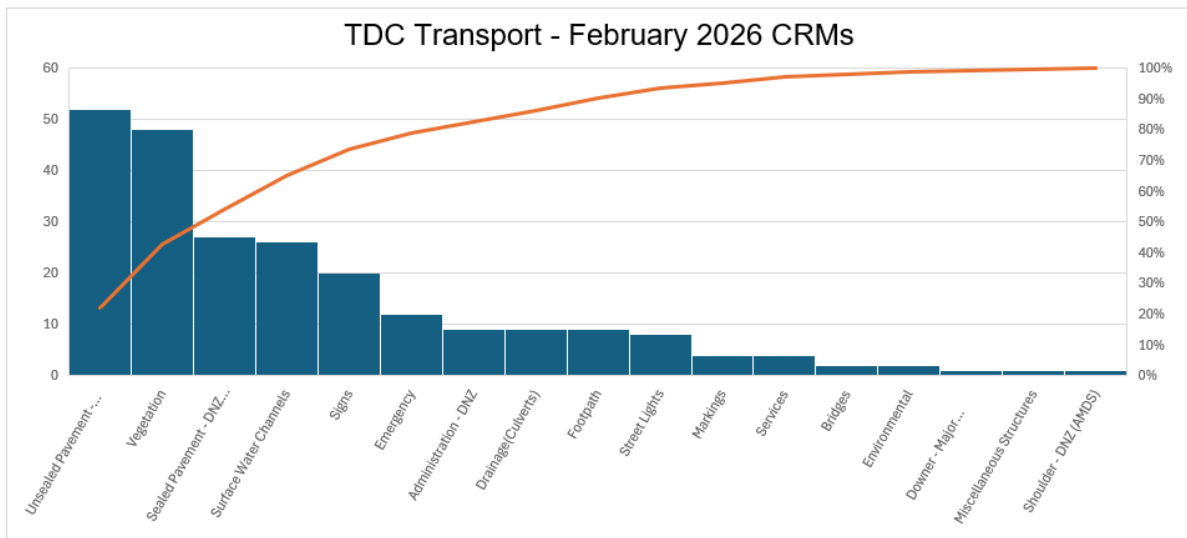
Proposed pathway under rail bridge and across the Mangamania Stream.



Proposed bridge across the Mangamanaia Stream.

3.3 Transport Operational Delivery Management Overview

Customer Requests



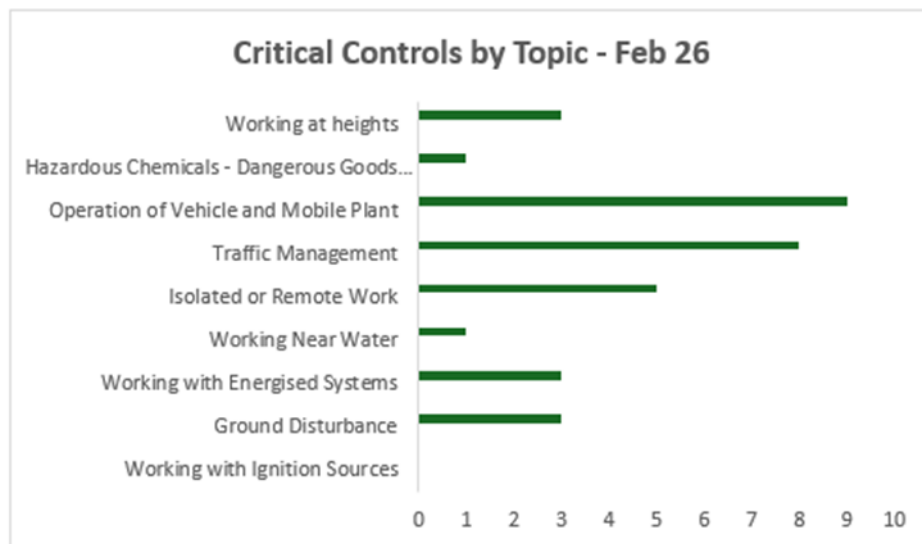
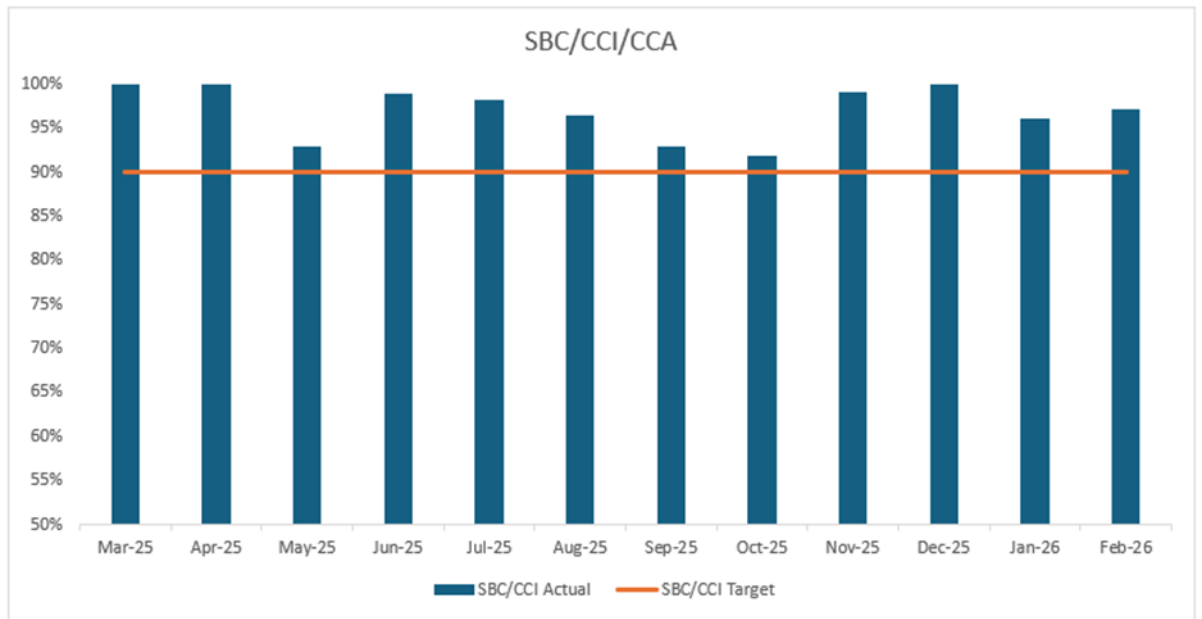
240 CRMs were received in February. There were a high number of CRMs related to unsealed pavement and vegetation making up 42% of the total requests received. The high-reach heavy vegetation programme is progressing with 187km of the network completed and another 460km programmed to be completed by the end of June. With a wetter than normal month in January, it has resulted in a higher number of unsealed network faults during a time where we generally would carry out minimal unsealed road maintenance due to the time of year. To deal with this we are introducing a new activity where we are undertaking an extra pass with the grader to “flank” out the water tables, which both improves drainage and gives better shape to the unsealed road.

Response times to requests have been reviewed and we are keeping on top of ensuring these are happening in a timely manner, also that responses are dealt with in the correct way.

Tararua Alliance Zero Harm Performance Summary

Item	February 2026	FYTD
Total Incidents Reported	10	114
Near Misses	1	51
HiPo/Serious Harm	0	0
TRIFR	0	-
Recordable Injuries	0	0
Cardinal Rule Breaches	0	1
Incidents Involving a Critical Risk	0	41
Working Hours	13980	122307

There has been a drop in near miss reporting - we are working on getting these numbers back up via different reporting methods. Of the 10 reported incidents, 8 were things that affected plant/property, one a first aid case where a person got stung behind the ear by a bee. We are working on what we can do to prevent plant/property damage by following the Just Culture framework, which includes ensuring the information gets captured in a timely manner, investigated, and the correct outcomes in place to tighten up on any poor behaviours or training deficiencies.



In February, the Tararua Alliance achieved 97% of the target Safety Behaviour Conversations (SBCs) and Critical Control Inspection/Audit (CCI/CCAs).

We have been working through the six-month subcontractor evaluations, which includes performance, health and safety, and communication to ensure we are getting value for money and ensuring high quality.

3.4 **Maintenance Delivery Overview**

The delivery maintenance teams are working on pre-reseal repairs on the local roads transferred back to council by NZTA where most of the work is in cement stabilisation. For the month of February, there were 12,459 square meters completed in preparation for the sealing crew to waterproof the pavement and to improve roughness and texture of the running surface via reseals.

On 15 February the Tararua District declared a state of emergency due to a high rain and wind event. These events do affect the maintenance programming and depending on the severity can determine the duration of response. The roading teams mobilised on Monday 16 February to assist with keeping the roading network functional safe and operational. The most common closure was from roadside trees falling and blocking access. During that week the field staff were clearing trees and minor slips. There is an investment claim of \$700,000 being presented to NZTA for further clean-up and repairs.

Maintenance wheeled excavators have been closing out the last of the pre-reseal surface water channel cleaning and removal of high shoulders (drainage). There is some targeted investment in the unsealed road drainage in the next three months to close out the year.

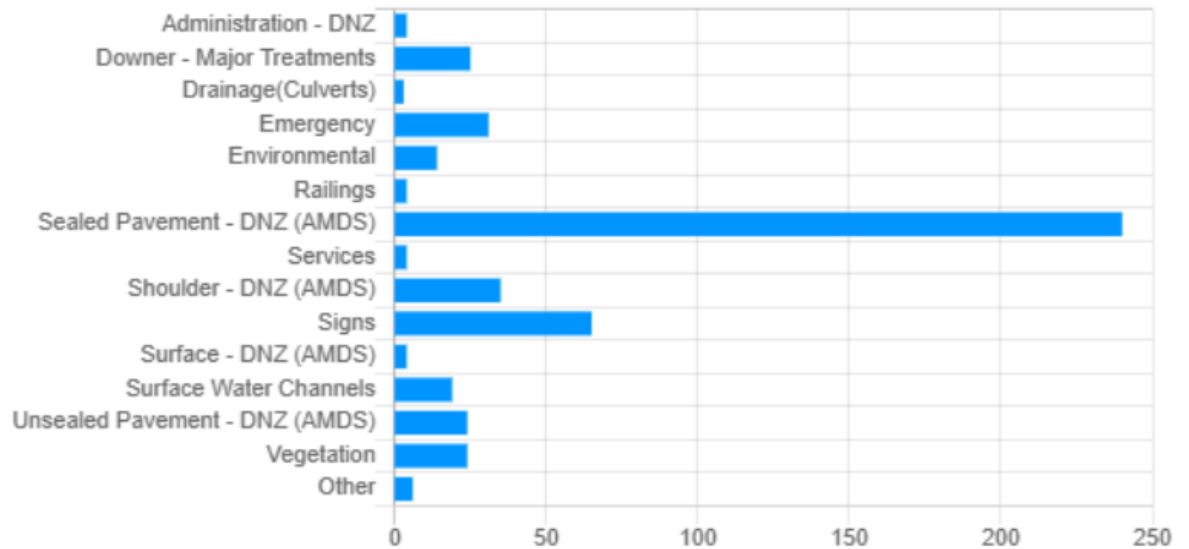
A round of spraying of the unsealed and sealed rural network has been completed, and the urban spraying was also completed in March. There have been some observations and CRMs critical of the overgrowth in the urban setting. It has been a very warm and wet summer which has contributed to this. We are reviewing the time of year this activity occurs so we can combat the growth sooner.

187km of roadside high-reach vegetation has been completed and another 460km is programmed along with the second sealed network flat mowing.

All Works – Dispatches Completed December – By Asset type.

Completed Dispatches Last Month

By Asset Type (Including CRM's)



Routine Maintenance

- 12,459 square meters of cement stabilisation on the sealed pavement network
- 13 emergency treefall
- 96.55km of unsealed grading
- 66 signs either repaired, replaced or cleaned
- 286 sealed potholes filled

Reseal Delivery

The Tararua Alliance team started reseals in December. February has been a better month regarding weather, and we are 78% through the programme. We are working hard to complete the reseals by the end of March and now have two sealing crews working on the network.

25/26 Reseal Programme	Number of sites	Length (Kms)	Area (m2)	Binder (Litres)
Waiting for design	0	0	0	0
Waiting for pre-reseal repairs	0	0	0	0
Ready to Verify	0	0	0	0
Verified Ready to Seal	32	18.2	104,200	239,660
Complete	87	68	420,167	966,384
TOTAL	119	86.2	524,367	1,206,044

Rehabilitation Planning

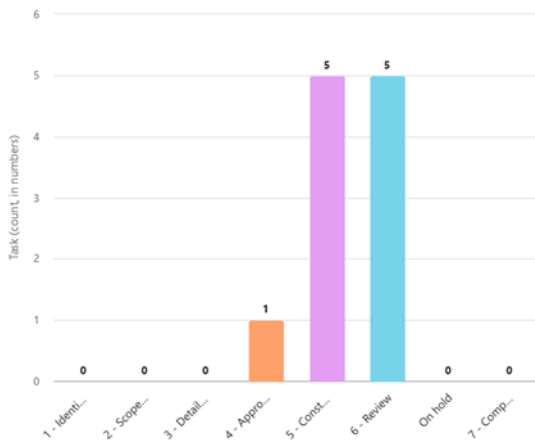
The planned rehabilitation length is 5.028kms of sealed pavement, with all designs now completed, and the Engineering team now working on designs for the next financial year. The 2026-27 rehabilitations sites are identified to validate and determine next seasons sites; we are aiming to have this completed by the end of April 2026 to allow designs to progress over the winter months.

Rehabilitation Delivery

The Tararua Alliance Road rehabilitation team have completed all physical works on five rehabilitation sites to date, most recently on Maharahara Road and Laws Road Dannevirke. These sites are showing that they are in the review stage as there is as built documentation that needs to be completed. With additional resource supporting the delivery of the programme, there are currently five sites under construction as shown below. The construction programme is planned to be completed by the end of May.

25/26 Rehabilitation Programme	Number of sites	Length (Kms)	Area (m2)
Waiting for NZTA approval	0	0	0
Detailed design	0	0	0
Ready for construction	1	0.574	3,444
Under construction	5	2.070	12,420
Review	5	2.384	14,304
Complete	0	0	0
TOTAL		5.028	30,168

2025/26 Progress Chart



2025/26

A Top Grass Rd (RP 16.419-16.993)	4 - Approval / Startup
C Matamau Ormondville Rd (RP 7.843-8.194) 1 🚧	5 - Construction
C Norsewood-Ormondville Rd (RP 5.560-5.931) 1 🚧	5 - Construction
C Takapau Ormondville Rd (RP 5.241-5.724) 2 🚧	5 - Construction
C Top Grass Rd (RP 15.785-16.183)	5 - Construction
C Weber Rd (RP 18.335-18.802) 1 🚧	5 - Construction
R Maharahara Rd (RP 3.46-3.90) 2 🚧	6 - Review
R Oringi Rd (RP 2.740-3.280)	6 - Review
R Oringi Road (RP 1.720 - 2.290)	6 - Review
R Takapau Ormondville Rd (RP 4.455-4.978)	6 - Review
R Laws Rd (RP 6.399-6.710) 11 🚧	6 - Review



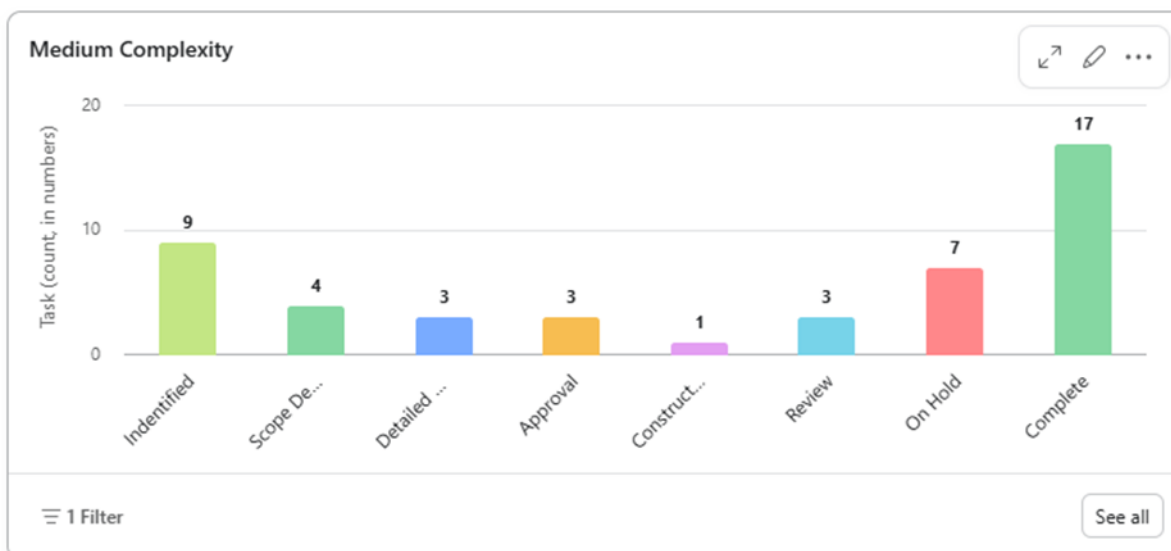
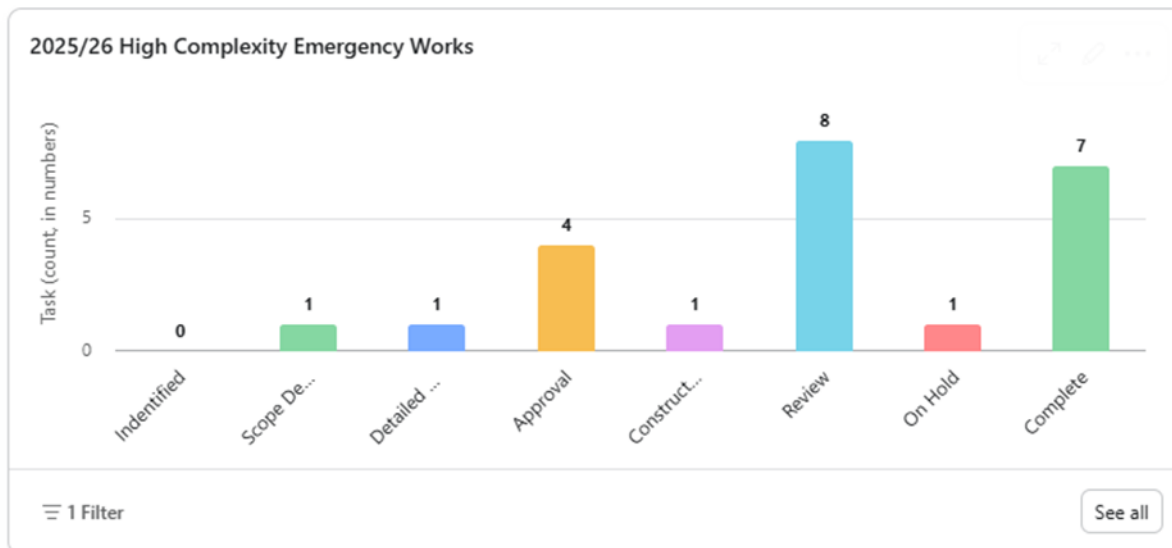
Tararua Alliance Rehabilitation team grading on Top Grass Road.

Emergency Works Recovery

2025/26 FY - Emergency Works Forecast Expenditure

We are continuing to make progress towards completion of final Cyclone Gabrielle recovery works and August 2024 storm event recovery works, with the bulk of priority works progressing into Design and or Construction phases. We are closely monitoring the expenditure with the view to complete the remaining works within the funding limits currently approved in NZTA's Transport Investment online portal (TIO). There is one High Complexity project (Riverdale Road, Dannevirke), that has the potential to impact the budget. This site requires a complex structural design at road level to reinstate the road formation width, as well as scour protection at the stream level to protect the formation – the scale of this repair will determine whether we can complete the Cyclone Gabrielle repairs within the approved NZTA budget. We are awaiting a design output from the external consultant, WSP, to allow us to refine the estimate for this project.

The below chart provides a snapshot of progress for work progressing within the current financial year. The High Complexity works are the priority as these are the faults which have the highest impact to the road carriageway. Medium Complexity works are those which have limited impact to the road carriageway and are relatively simple projects to complete. As the High Complexity works progressively enter construction, focus will shift to the Medium complexity works for completion.



Below provides an overview of the Emergency Works budget for the 2025/26 financial year.

Approved Events	25/26 FAR (Funding Assistance Rate)	25/26 Budget	Spend to Date	% complete	Commentary
August 2024 Storm Event	73%	\$245,812.00	\$245,812.00	100%	Complete
Cyclone Gabrielle Recovery Works	97.5%	\$8,285,401.00	\$4,833,533.00	58%	Based on the completed works, and completed designs, work is on track to be delivered within the remaining budget. NZTA have pre-approved additional budget if required, however we are seeking to deliver the remaining works within the current approved amount. The only project that may impact this is the Riverdale Road dropout repair.

Events Pending Approval	Expected FAR	Under Review	Spend to Date	% complete	Commentary
October 2025 Wind Event	93%*	\$398,190.00	\$298,092.00	75%	The cost of this is currently coded against the Minor Event budget which has a FAR of 73%. This application has been presented to our Investment Advisor and is under review. Approval will see the FAR lifted to 93%.
February 2026 Storm Event	93%*	\$750,000.00	\$197,408.00	26%	The cost of this is currently coded against the Minor Event budget which has a FAR of 73%. This event has been reviewed by our Investment Advisor and presented to the NZTA Board for approval. Approval will see the FAR lifted to 93%.

Emergency Works Delivery

The Tararua Alliance emergency works team have been closing out work on Otanga Road and Maunga Road. The team is currently working on Coast Road at the 4km (Gun Club corner) where they are doing a slight retreat, a MSE (Mechanically Stabilised Earth) wall, drainage renewals and a pavement overlay.



Coast Road 4km retreat, planned construction completion end of April 2026.

4. 3-Waters

4.1 Water Shortages Management Committee

The Water Shortage Management Committee met to review current water supply status, preparedness, and communication strategies across Tararua District.

With the conditions and mitigations currently in place across the district and taking into account the summer period, we have experienced an extended timeframe with no significant concerns or issues requiring formal tracking or escalation to this committee. On that basis, this committee is recommended for closure at this time. Should any urgent issues arise, the committee will be reconvened as necessary.

Current conditions are forecast to remain stable and readily manageable under existing arrangements.

Key Governance Points:

- **Risk & Preparedness:**

- Emergency response plans confirmed
- NIWA forecast indicates 50% likelihood of below-normal river levels, increasing drought risk.

Operational Status by Location (Changes or highlights in red):

Dannevirke: Get Ready (no restrictions) Stable demand; reservoir and consent projects progressing; Pump installed to enable 6m depth draw from Dam (tested at current level and working); Impound at 9m; flow meter works at intake completed; ROV check found no issues

Pahiatua: Get Ready (no restrictions) Higher demand than last year; As a result of our operations team our reservoir recovered well which enabled us at the start of this year to change out the leaking T sections and conduct works on the membranes; reservoir has recovered well, plant back online. River work completed and weir working well; Pump on Trailer configured and on standby.

Woodville: Get Ready (no restrictions) Slightly higher demand; have started drawing from river again; have roughly 30 days of supply (only if we cannot continue to extract from river) , No major concerns at this stage.

Eketahuna: Get Ready (no restrictions) no major leaks found at this stage (identified as the likely factor - forced to wait on CRMs or usage to present itself following teams returned from search provided nothing); River work completed and some rural water issues occurring when plant has to be operating for the treatment of water for the town demand; reservoir levels are holding stable at this stage.

Akitio: Total Outdoor Ban Total Outdoor ban in place; tracking similar to last year; new tanks are online with Scada successfully installed. Callout today to address leak, tanks filling, airlock issue addressed, works to ensure our tank monitoring data is being organised; tanks all full; valve handles removed, new ballcocks installed.

Pongaroa: Get Ready (no restrictions) Operational issues and SCADA data gaps in the current data set; no concerns; Met with community group – went well and some minor actions to follow up on.

Norsewood: Get Ready (no restrictions) Demand doing well and currently within consented limit; Consent application submitted.

4.2 Website page

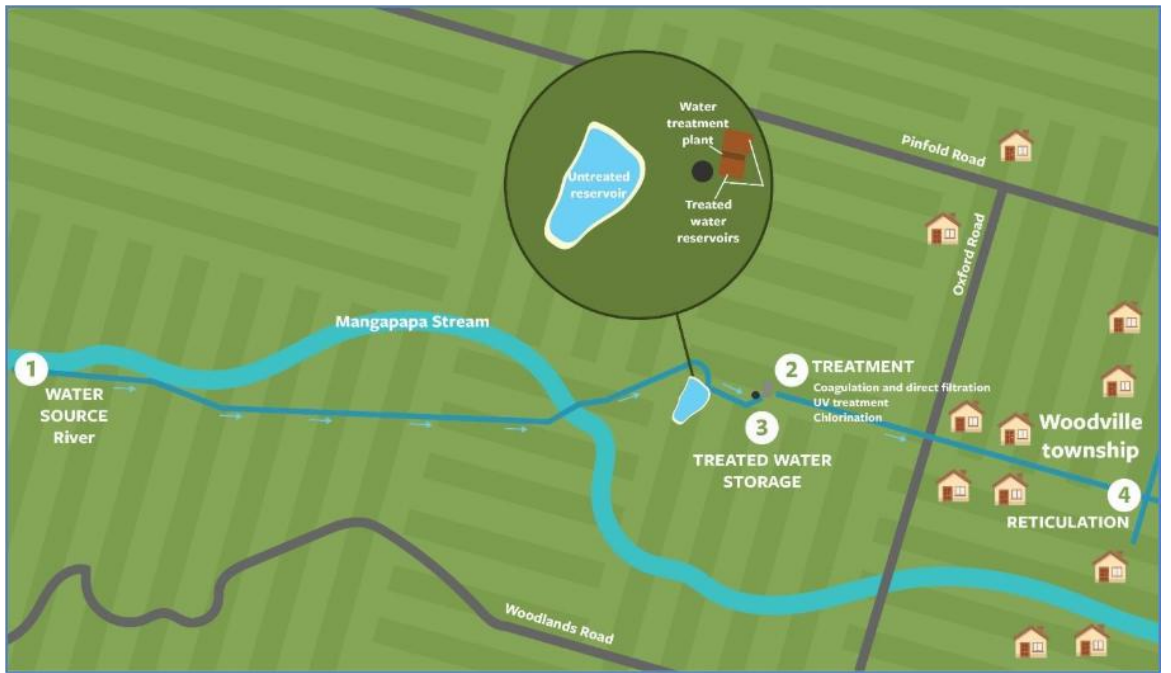
Significant work has been undertaken across operations, compliance and communications teams to compile and present accurate, accessible information

for the new Drinking Water Quality and Testing webpage. This included consolidating technical water quality information, testing regimes, compliance requirements and operational context into a single, authoritative source suitable for public use. The Communications team played a key role in translating this material into clear, well-designed infographics and plain-language content, ensuring the information is both technically robust and easily understood by the wider community.

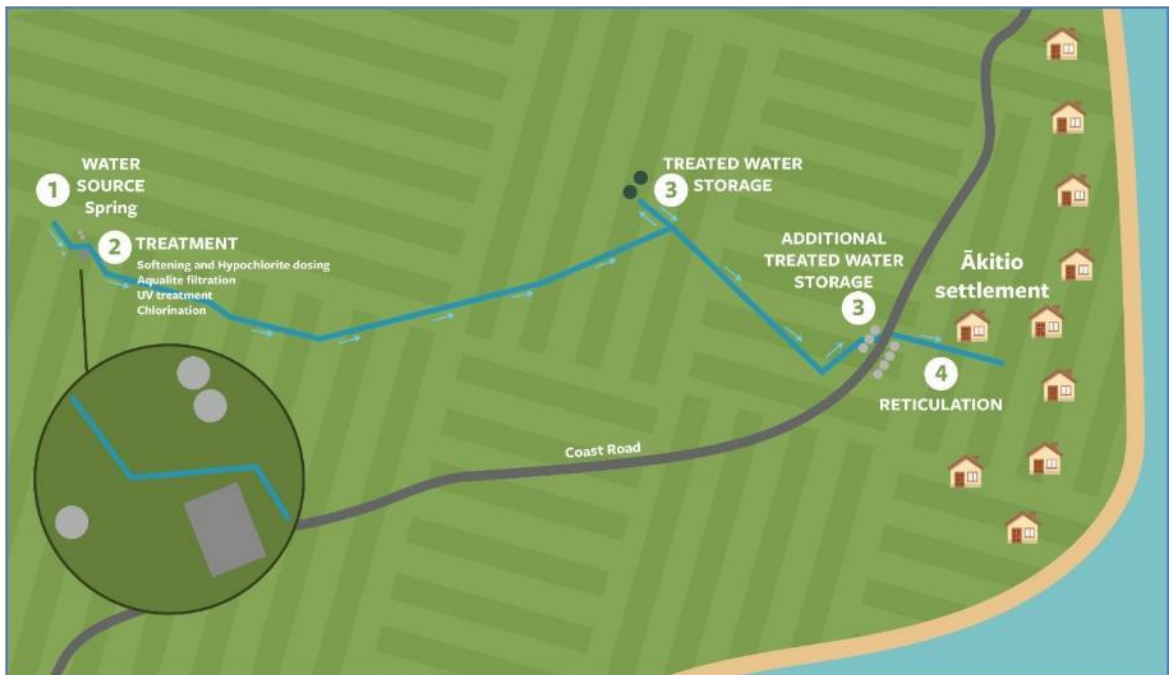
The outcome is a high-quality, reusable communications tool that strengthens transparency and consistency and materially improves how we respond to public enquiries. Importantly, this approach means staff can now direct customers to a trusted source rather than repeatedly providing individual explanations across different channels, improving efficiency and reducing the risk of inconsistent messaging. The success of this work provides a strong foundation for future improvements, including the intent to link the latest water quality sampling results directly from each relevant webpage, ensuring information remains current, visible and easy to access as new data becomes available.

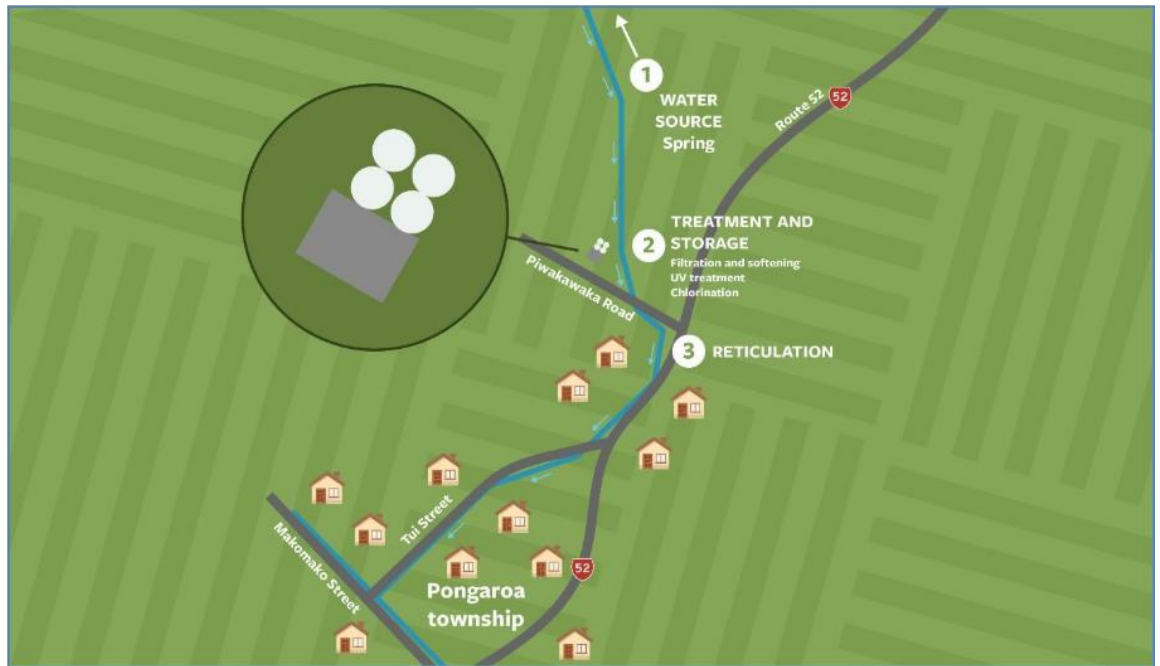
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4.3 Dannevirke Impounded Supply Background and Program update

Tararua District Council (TDC) acknowledges that Dannevirke Dam has a confirmed dam safety deficiency and that, from a dam-safety perspective alone, the dam should either be upgraded or decommissioned as a matter of high priority. However, it is critical that this issue is not considered in isolation. The dam forms an integral part of the wider Dannevirke water supply system and any decision regarding upgrade or decommissioning must be assessed within that broader system context.

If a dam upgrade or decommissioning were pursued as the first and sole priority, there would be a significant and unacceptable risk of the town running out of water. To mitigate this critical supply risk, TDC continues a programme of interdependent projects aimed at reducing reliance on the impounded supply and improving overall system resilience before any major dam intervention is undertaken.

Upstream Source and Abstraction Improvements

- An extension to the Dannevirke water permit is being sought.
- A flow meter has been installed on the intake line.
- Remedial works have been completed on the infiltration gallery to ensure ongoing performance.
- The intake pipeline has been surveyed, and faulty air valves have been replaced.

Alternative Source Investigations

Alternative water sources, including bore options near the impound, were investigated. These options were found to have insufficient yield and recharge and

would also present significant consenting challenges. As a result, they were not considered viable alternatives.

Pre-Treatment and Turbidity Resilience

Procurement and installation of a pre treatment plant and associated residuals management system is currently underway. Based on completed sampling and treatment design, the plant will enable treatment of raw water across the full range of NTU conditions experienced in the river. Currently, abstraction is constrained at approximately 10 NTU, significantly limiting supply during turbid events and reducing resilience. The pre treatment plant is therefore a critical dependency for improving abstraction reliability.

Impound Operational Improvements

Upgrades have been completed to the cover pump, enabling abstraction from below the 6 metre depth mark. This reduces reliance on impound water level and mitigates operational constraints associated with low storage levels and high turbidity river events.

Raw Water Storage Options Assessment

A report assessing replacement raw water storage options was commissioned. Indicative costs exceeded \$50 million, approximately double the estimated cost of comprehensive remedial works to the existing impound. This assessment supports the position that wholesale replacement is currently economically prohibitive.

Transmission System Investigations

Aerial thermal flyover surveys of the main transmission pipelines were undertaken to identify potential leakage. Targeted investigations followed where anomalies were identified.

Treated Water Storage Resilience

Design, calculations and land acquisition have progressed for a second treated water reservoir. The existing reservoir currently provides less than 24 hours of storage and requires remedial works.

The second reservoir will:

- Enable remedial works on the existing reservoir
- Increase treated water storage to just under 48 hours
- Significantly improve supply resilience

Programme Status and Critical Dependencies

Both the pre treatment plant and second treated reservoir projects have selected preferred contractors. Construction contracts and scheduling are underway. Both projects are expected to be completed within 12–18 months.

Strategic Implications for the Dam

Continuation of these projects is essential to reduce reliance on the impound. Once these risk reduction measures are implemented the criticality of the dam can be reassessed as this may influence the assessed Potential Impact Classification (PIC) level. More importantly, without these measures in place, there is no viable way to maintain continuity of supply to Dannevirke during any dam upgrade or decommissioning works.

Ongoing Monitoring

The Dannevirke Raw Water Reservoir Review of the current surveillance regime, including February and April 2025 dive inspections by T&T, is ongoing and continues to inform dam safety and operational decision making.

Infiltration gallery and Alternative Water Infrastructure

We were scheduled to complete a site visit last week. However, weather conditions prevented access and this has now been rescheduled for next week, weather permitting.

Horizons commenced river maintenance works at the Tamaki River on 4 March and completed on 1 April. Works included removal of vegetation and trees within the upstream channel, including any that pose a risk of obstruction, as part of their work to restore flood carrying capacity. This activity is also expected to support more natural downstream movement of riverbed material. The work is completed, with no observable effects on the raw water quality at the Dannevirke Water Treatment Plant. Horizons will be commencing the same maintenance work at the Mangapapa River (Woodville) in the beginning of May.

At the Dannevirke infiltration gallery, Tatana Contracting was engaged between 23 Feb to 9 Mar to execute CCTV, flushing and joint repair works. The work was carried out to rehabilitate and reassess the condition of our gallery, as part of enhancing the resiliency of our Dannevirke raw water intake infrastructure. The team will be reviewing the CCTV footages and reports to update our assets systems and identify any potential issues to be addressed.



We will still proceed with a site visit to assess whether there are any further actions or opportunities available to improve intake performance. This visit is expected to occur next week, weather dependent.

In preparation for Horizons planned activity, we will aim to complete rehabilitation of the existing weirs beforehand. As part of our ongoing assessment of long-term solutions, we are also considering whether extending the in-river portion of the gallery may offer future benefits.

Dannevirke Flow Meter

Max Tarr and Dirtworx were engaged between 23 Feb to 10 Mar for the installation of Dannevirke raw water flow meter at the end of our infiltration gallery. This work is part of TDC's commitment to maintaining compliance with Horizons' intake consent at Dannevirke by having a verifiable flow meter on the raw water intake line. The following photos show the massive work executed onsite to install the flow meter, which was successfully blue tick verified by WaterForce under the supervision of Horizons staff on 31 March





4.4 **Pongaroa Water**

Recent engagement with the Pongaroa Rural Water Supply Society has been constructive and has helped clarify both immediate operational priorities and expectations around how we work together. A well attended meeting in Pongaroa was positively received with feedback emphasising the value of having the right operational and governance representatives present and the importance of continuing to take the community along on the journey. A site visit of the scheme is to be planned and scheduled, as it was acknowledged that the scale, layout and contours of the system are not readily apparent from documentation alone.

Concurrently, a number of practical actions are progressing to improve reliability, access and incident response for the Pongaroa Rural Water Scheme. These include refining internal communications processes for pump shutdown events (including out of hours and on call arrangements), formalising site access through controlled key handovers and inductions and progressing the induction of local support at the Water Treatment Plant, subject to health and safety and operational considerations. Work is also underway to review and update the existing agreement, ensuring that both parties are well positioned for the transition to the future CCO service delivery model.

4.5 **Norsewood Water**

It is intended that funding currently held within on-hold water programmes be redirected to the Norsewood Water Network to address an identified and ongoing drinking water compliance risk. This redirection does not increase the overall portfolio or capital programme and will be delivered within existing approved budget allocations. No additional funding is being sought. The timing and prioritisation of this work acknowledges heightened regulatory focus and expectations.

Although the Norsewood Water Treatment Plant is consistently producing compliant water, monitoring has confirmed that iron and manganese exceedances are occurring within the distribution network, particularly at downstream monitoring locations. This establishes the issue as network-based rather than treatment-based, with the source of non-compliance associated with residual debris, internal corrosion and historical materials within customer laterals, toby assemblies and ageing network pipes.

Operational mitigation measures, including network flushing, have proven insufficient to provide a durable solution. Due to the configuration and condition of the network, flushing cannot fully remove deposits within low-velocity or deteriorated pipe sections, resulting in ongoing mobilisation of material and repeat exceedances. Addressing this risk therefore requires physical renewal of the affected assets rather than further treatment-side intervention.

The proposed redirection of funding enables a targeted programme of lateral replacements, toby renewals and selected network pipe repairs focused on removing the known sources of contamination. This approach directly addresses

the root cause of non-compliance, aligns with regulatory expectations for end-to-end control of drinking water quality and represents an efficient re-prioritisation of existing budget toward a high-risk and high-priority outcome.

Overall, the redirection of funding supports improved regulatory assurance, reduces operational and reputational risk and strengthens long-term network resilience, while remaining fully within the current budget envelope.

4.6 **Akitio Water**

To address the intermittent leaks around the treated water storage tanks experienced early this year, the team has since upgraded the ballcock valves, isolation valves and pipeline around the tanks. These works prevent the tanks from overflowing and enable each tank to be isolated during low use seasons to maintain compliant free available chlorine (FAC) levels in the treated water for the Akitio residences.

4.7 **Wastewater**

Trade Waste

Trade waste work is currently on hold pending the establishment of the CCO and ongoing engagement with the CCO transition team and associated resourcing decisions will be reconsidered once the future service delivery arrangements are clearer.

Dannevirke Solar Farm

Progress has been made at the Dannevirke solar farm. Adjustments have been made to the scaffolding launch pad to reduce the slope gradient to ease the gradual launch of the solar array. The first solar array commenced construction late March and is expected to be complete by the second week of April. Following completion, the array will be guided into its location across the pond by cables and a boat. A total of five arrays will be installed for this solar farm.



Norsewood, Ormondville and Pongaroa

The 12-month trial of the AdvanTex system by Innoflow at Norsewood Waste Water Treatment Plant, which commenced in January, is continuing as planned. The system remains under assessment for its ability to improve treated effluent quality through reductions in total suspended solids and nitrogen nutrients, with performance monitoring ongoing.

4.8 3 Waters Network Programme

While renewals are routinely managed across the network, delivery of the programme must be continually balanced against unplanned callouts and emerging operational issues. In general, standard renewal activities are relatively straightforward when compared to the five key projects currently underway.

These projects are inherently more complex due to their significant integration requirements with the wider network and their role as critical enablers for both the growth strategy and the District Plan. Complexity is further increased by the need to assess treatment plant production capacity and reservoir sizing, requiring a coordinated, system-wide approach.

As a result, these projects are being actively coordinated across the full 3 Waters work programme to ensure future works are enabled, renewal activities are appropriately aligned and sized, plant and pond performance issues are addressed and growth demands are planned for in a timely manner. The successful delivery of these projects is closely linked to the broader programme and long-term strategies, ensuring that infrastructure is delivered at the most efficient, resilient, and appropriate scale.

Priority	Project Name	Comment
1	Dannevirke Southern Sewerage Trunk Main Upgrade	Draft Detailed Design – April Scheduling phased delivery. Hand over for delivery to the PMO underway.
2	Pahiatua Treated Water Transfer Main Upgrades	Detailed Design complete. Tender documents and drawings delivered. Scheduling delivery. Hand over for delivery to the PMO underway.
3	Woodville Water Supply Trunk Main Upgrades	Detailed Design complete. Tender documents and drawings delivered.
4	Pahiatua Sewer Trunk Mains Upgrade	Detailed Design complete. Tender documents and drawings delivered.
5	Dannevirke Water Trunk Main Upgrade	Detailed Design complete. Scheduling phased install.

Pahiatua Treated Water Transfer Main Upgrades

The existing 200 mm mPVC transfer (rising) main conveying treated water from the Pahiatua Water Treatment Plant on Boundary Road to the town storage reservoir at Wakeman Street continues to present a significant reliability risk. A further leak occurred and was repaired yesterday at the tee junction associated with the Titoki Street take-off, reinforcing the ongoing vulnerability of this asset and confirming that failures are not isolated incidents.



This transfer main remains a critical single point of failure within the network, with any significant break having the potential to interrupt supply to the town for extended periods. Repeated leaks further highlight the urgency of replacement, particularly when considered alongside projected population growth identified

through the urban growth strategy, which will place additional demand on the system over the next 30 years.

Detailed design and tender documentation for the new transfer main are complete, and the project is now being transitioned to the Project Management Office (PMO) for pricing and delivery. The recent failure reinforces the importance of timely progression to reduce operational risk and improve long term supply resilience.

4.9 **Storm Water**

A number of modelling and concept designs have been conducted for the district in particular Pahiatua and Woodville areas. These have been focussed on areas known to be at risk or contributing to flooding.

Woodville. The flood alleviation project in the southern area around Broomfield Road is ongoing. The works are focused on reducing flood risk at the point where stormwater from the Woodville catchment discharges. Some challenges have been encountered, largely due to the complex interaction between the stormwater network and high river levels, which impact the effectiveness of stormwater conveyance. These issues are being actively worked through as the project progresses.

Pahiatua. The first phase of stormwater improvements is scheduled for delivery at Tiraumea Road, where previous flooding has been experienced. The aim of this phase is to improve stormwater conveyance through improved swale design, larger culverts at road crossings improving overland flow paths and drainage utilising green solutions.

Work to improve a culvert in Huxley street is near completion, the purpose of this work is to improve flow, reduce scouring and increase hydraulic capacity through the culvert. Further investigations continue for Huxley Street to create stormwater retention and pump system to transfer flows past known hydraulic ‘pinch-points’ and reduce surcharging in the channel during moderate storm events.

Following phases are being investigated in Halls Road to improve stormwater conveyance and reduce downstream hydraulic loading on the network in the west side of the town.

4.10 **Consenting and Compliance**

We reported on the below abatement notice, work is well underway to meet this requirement.

- Abatement Notice 1495 to undertake flow meter verifications at the water abstractions that relate to the Pahiatua Municipal Water Treatment Plant, Eketāhuna Municipal Water Treatment Plant, and Dannevirke Municipal Water Treatment Plant.

- This Abatement notice relates to the installation and verification of flow monitors. Pahiatua flow meters were installed last reporting period.
- Both Pahiatua and Eketahuna flow meters were installed and verified by Q3 2025.
- Referring to the above update on the completion of Dannevirke flow meter installation and verification, all the outstanding regarding the abatement notice has been addressed.

Water Permits

The Section 92 information for the Eketahuna (expired 2019), Woodville (expired 2021) and Pahiatua (expired 2022) water permits have been submitted.

Assessments for Woodville and Pahiatua have been returned by Horizons. Woodville requires updates to planning analysis due to allocation limits, which WSP will address. For Pahiatua, clarification is required on conditions relating to combined daily take limits. The Eketahuna permit requires an updated hydrological assessment, additional river flow data from Horizons, updated offtake meter readings, and engagement with farm offtake owners.

For Norsewood, Horizons have queried the requested abstraction of 100 m³/day. WSP has confirmed that this volume meets reasonable use calculations and will continue discussions with Horizons. Remaining work includes finalising the abstraction amount and incorporating iwi feedback, which has now been received from both Rangitāne and Ngāti Kahungunu.

The Dannevirke water permit does not require lodgement until 2027, allowing time to finalise abstraction requirements and inlet development. Given uncertainty around forthcoming RMA changes, work will continue to ensure the consent is well prepared when lodged.

4.11 Administration

We are currently progressing a potential candidate for the Water Treatment Plant Operator role and recruitment is continuing with the aim of strengthening operational capability as soon as practicable.

Within the Compliance team, the recent departure of the manager, along with a staff member leaving for other opportunities, has created a temporary compliance capacity gap. With the establishment of the CCO imminent, the preferred approach is to discuss this issue with the CCO transition team before making permanent resourcing decisions noting another of the councils also has a similar situation. In the interim, we will engage contractors and consultants where possible to maintain coverage and manage consenting and compliance requirements, ensuring regulatory obligations continue to be met until the CCO is established and able to assume direction across water services for the four councils.

Notwithstanding these challenges, operations and capital projects are progressing well. Operational expectations and delivery approaches have been increasingly aligned with the future CCO model, and a number of service and process improvements are already underway. Focus remains on maintaining day-to-day performance while preparing the organisation for a smooth transition to the new service delivery arrangements.

5. Solid Waste

5.1 Operational Activities

Budget/Activity									
Refuse Transfer Stations (RTS Sites)	<p>All transfer stations are operating smoothly with no disruptions.</p> <p>Dannevirke Transfer Station - Ruahine Property Works team have been onsite laying the concrete pad for the District Recycle Bays, These bays will be for recyclable items that are NOT accepted in kerbside collections or in the town drop off centre bins, such as e-waste, gas bottles, oil, paint, car batteries, scrap steel, & whiteware. Each bay will have signage explaining what is and isn't accepted. <i>(see progress photo below)</i></p> <p>Pahiatua & Woodville Transfer Stations – These sites are being broken into on a regular basis, with both sites experiencing the same issues, gates being cut, steel taken & any motors removed. Reports have been made to police. <i>(see photo below)</i></p> <p><u>February 2026:</u></p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Waste diverted from landfill</td> <td style="text-align: right;">3.01 Tonne</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contaminated recycling to Landfill</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1.48 Tonne</td> </tr> </table> <p><u>March 2026:</u></p> <table style="margin-left: 40px;"> <tr> <td>Waste diverted from landfill</td> <td style="text-align: right;">4.37 Tonne</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Contaminated recycling to Landfill</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1.59 Tonne</td> </tr> </table>	Waste diverted from landfill	3.01 Tonne	Contaminated recycling to Landfill	1.48 Tonne	Waste diverted from landfill	4.37 Tonne	Contaminated recycling to Landfill	1.59 Tonne
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Recycle Drop-off Centres (DOC Sites)	<p>We continue to experience a moderate amount contamination in the town drop off bins across the district.</p> <p>Although we experienced a very low level of contamination in the first kerbside collection service in Ormondville, the town DOC bin located in Ormondville was highly contaminated with items such as wallpaper, oil filter, clothes, and black plastic from planted shrubs.</p> <p>Norsewood DOC site: We are investigating another suggested location.</p>								
Kerbside Recycling	Kerbside collections are going well.								

Budget/Activity

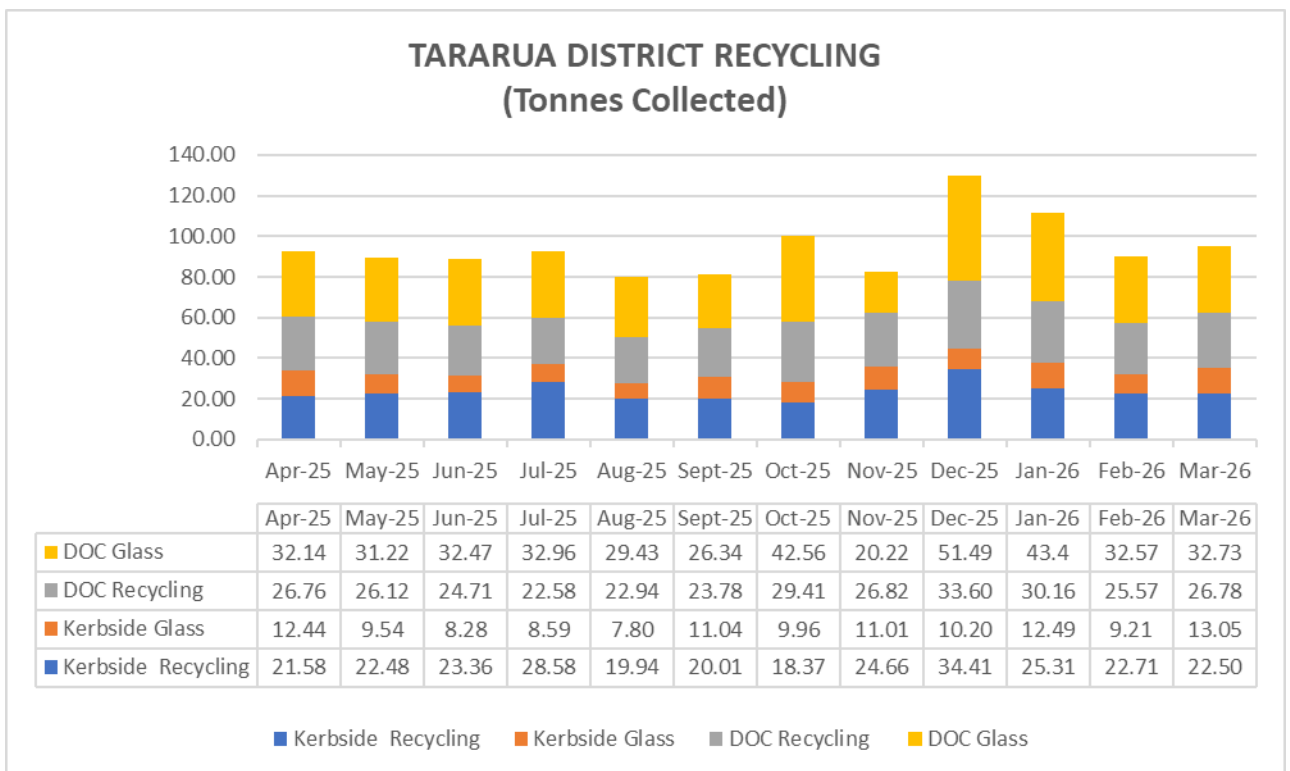
Services

We have just completed the first kerbside mixed recycle collection service for Norsewood/Ormondville, and experienced a very low level of contamination.

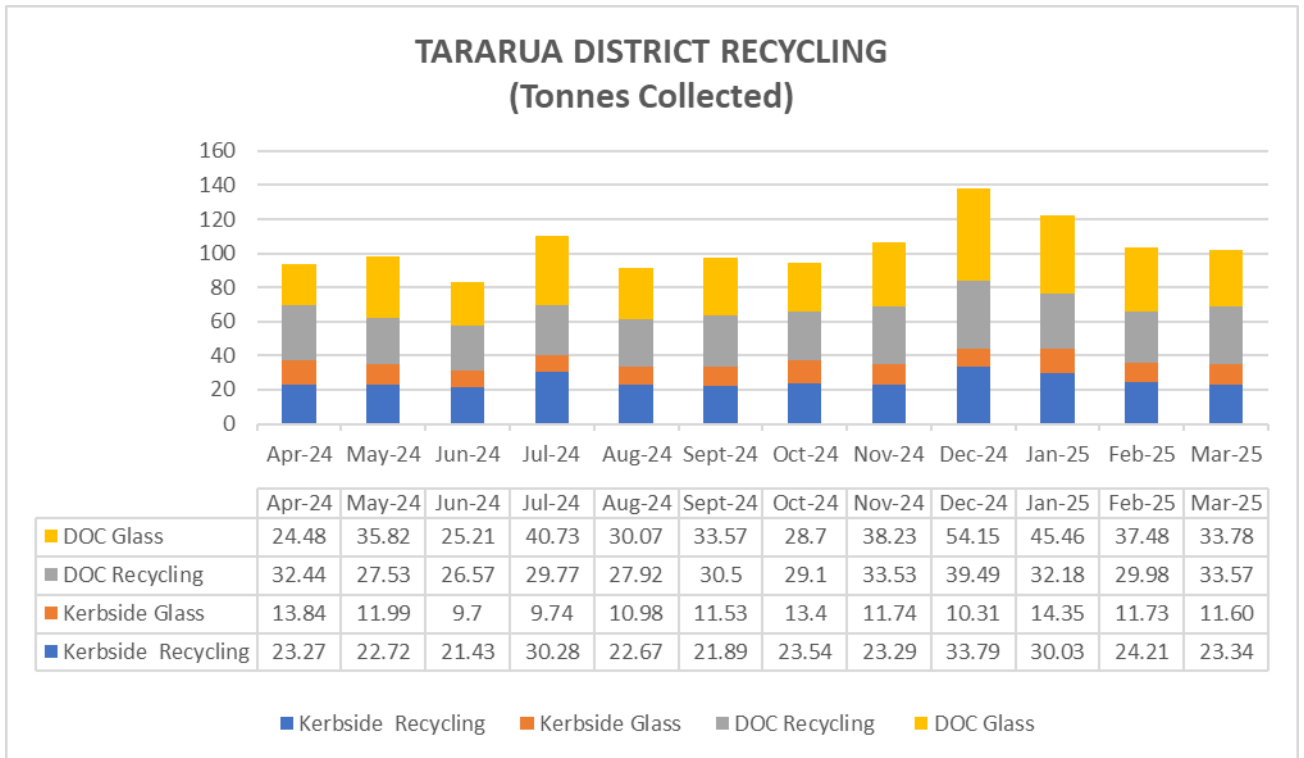
Contaminated Bins Removed Due to Misuse to Date:
 Dannevirke 32 – Pahiatua 3 – Woodville 7 – Eketahuna 1

5.2 Waste Minimisation

April 2025 – March 2026



April 2024 – March 2025



Dannevirke RTS – Recycle Bays



Woodville RTS – Gate Cut Again



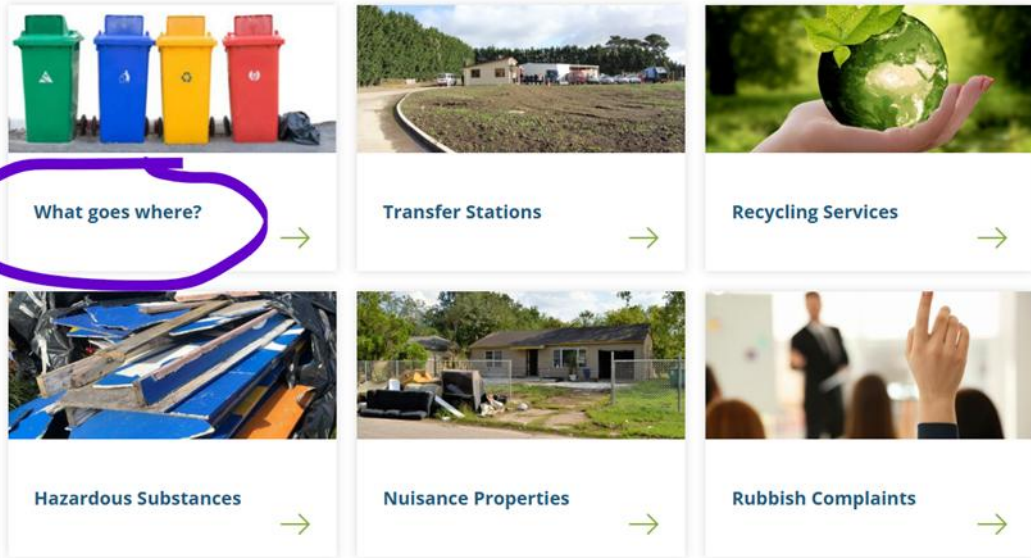
5.3 Chemical Waste

Chemical or Hazardous waste is NOT permitted at any Tararua Refuse Transfer Station or Landfill; we are not licenced to accept this waste. These need to be handled by 3R Group.

We have a link on Tararua District Council website - see below Click on What goes Where? This takes you to an extensive A-Z list of common refuse & recycling items that contain information about the item you are wanting to find out about, and where to dispose of it.

<https://www.tararua.govt.nz/services/rubbish-and-recycling/what-goes-where>

Rubbish & Recycling



Once in A-Z then click on 3R Group, this will take you to their website

		item to any Tararua Refuse Transfer Station.
Chemical Waste	Please protect our waterways. NEVER put this item in the bin or pour it down the drain. Contact 3RGroup for collection.	Chemical or Hazardous waste is NOT accepted at any Tararua Refuse Transfer Station.
Child Car Seat	This item is not currently collected	You can take this item to

Attachments

Nil.

Report

Date : 10 April 2026
 To : Chairperson and Committee Members
 Infrastructure and Projects Committee
 From : Eugene Priest
 Senior Project Manager
 Subject : **Portfolio Programme Project Report**
 Item No : **7.2**

1. Recommendation





1.1 *That the report from the Senior Project Manager dated 25 March 2026 concerning the Portfolio Programme Project Report be received.*







2. Reason for the Report

2.1 This report is to update the Infrastructure and Projects Committee on the key portfolios, programmes and project statuses.







3. Capital Portfolio Report

3.1 This report has a new focus to bring in all the projects and programmes into one report and will require some additional adjustments.

Portfolio Health Status	Forecast	General Comment
 Green		Committed projects have increased delivery momentum during this reporting period with two significant high value projects entering into the delivery phase. This year has many significant high value critical infrastructure projects to move forward which requires a sharp eye on resourcing and ensuring capability to deliver versus workload.
Schedule	 Green	
		Priority will be moved to focus on those projects that require technical assistance to ensure they are moving

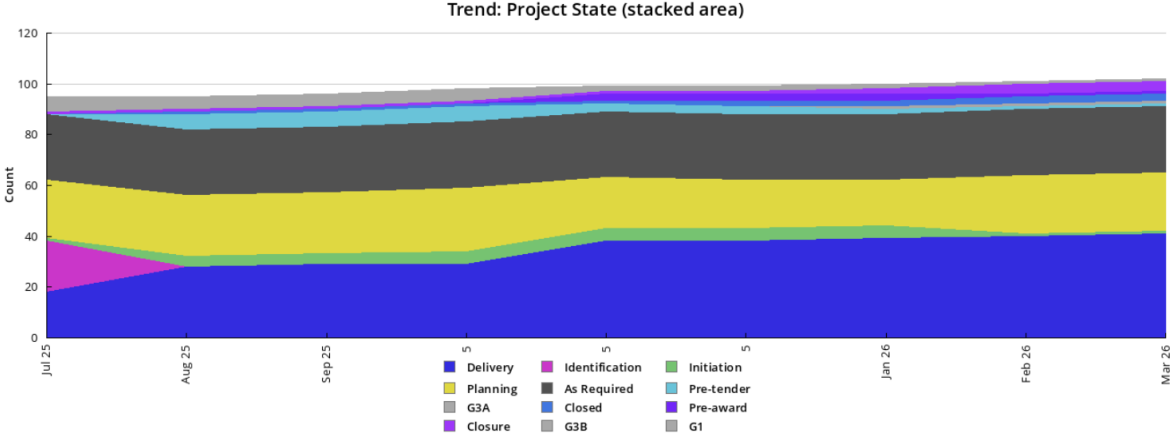
Portfolio Health Status	Forecast	General Comment	
		forward at a pace that aligns with AP forecasts. Recent good weather has allowed significant progress at Pahiatua wastewater treatment plant and has meant previous forecast for completion is not compromised.	
Budget	 Green		Budgets are currently tracking well. The Reservoirs project costs will need confirming so that we ensure we have certainty however can be mitigated within the programme tolerances. Impound supply pre-treatment costs have been confirmed and has been allowed for in the Annual Plan for year 3.
Risk	 Green		Project risks to note are the ongoing concerns with the Dannevirke Impounded supply programme, Wastewater programmes and maintaining a strong focus on complex project expenditure. All of these are being effectively mitigated utilising project specific risk registers.
Resourcing	 Amber		We are prioritising our resource limitations, continuity issues, specialised skills and contractor availability against our operational requirements and delivery schedules. However, PMO (Project Management Office) will have reduced capacity for a period due to one team member leaving and some high value critical projects having to be added to other capable PM's workloads for the time being.

Legend

Status				
On track against baseline plan	 Green	Corrective action required	 Amber	Critical state - needs urgent attention
				 Red
Forecast				
<i>Green</i> - the forecast for the next period is that this area will remain in a positive status or will improve from current reported state.				
<i>Red</i> - the forecast for the next period is that this area will remain in a negative status or will deteriorate from current reported state.				
<i>Amber</i> - the forecast for the next period is that the current status may change.				

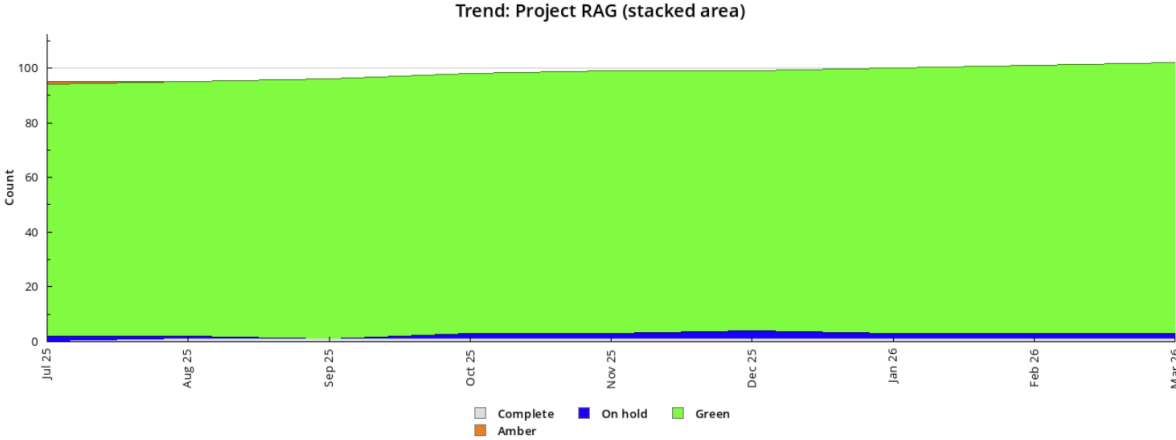
4. Capital Project by State

4.1 Our project management framework stipulates Gates for approval processes as depicted by G0, G1 etc. Monitoring the overall inflight project states is crucial as this enables greater oversight and ensures transparency and accountability throughout the project’s lifecycle.



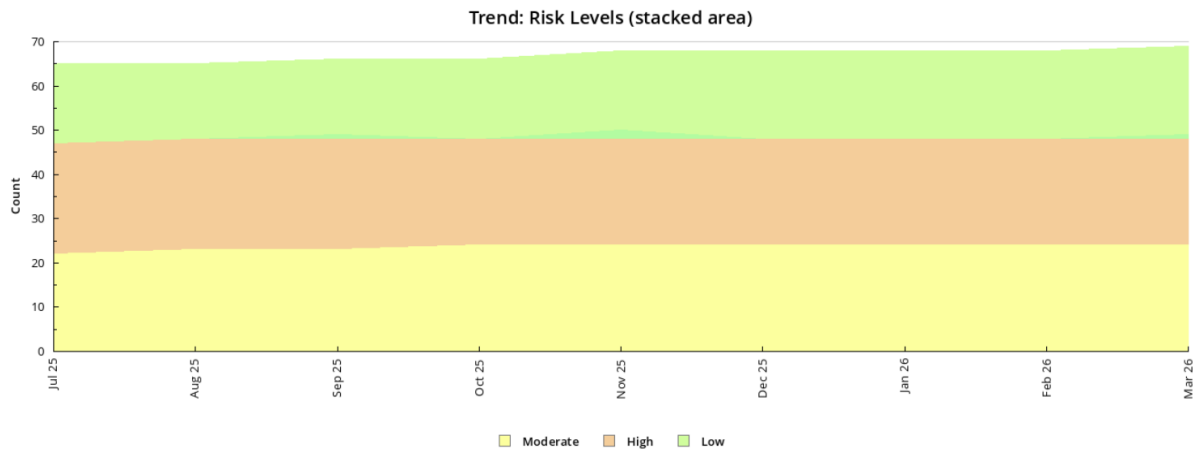
5. Capital Project by Status

5.1 By tracking the above project status indicators over time, stakeholders can identify emerging patterns, assess the portfolio, and proactively address potential issues. A consistent green status indicates progress according to plan, while amber signals caution, suggesting potential risks or delays that require attention. Red status indicates critical issues that demand immediate action to mitigate negative impacts. Regular review of RAG (Red Amber Green) status trends enables leaders to make data-driven decisions, allocate resources strategically and optimise project outcomes.



6. Portfolio – Projects Risk Levels

6.1 The below graph displays our efforts to start compiling project risks into our project management software to better mitigate, manage and report on our risk registers at a portfolio level.



7. Project Updates

Complete	On Hold	On Track	Revised but on track	Off Track
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Infrastructure

Project	Managed by	Comments	Status
Wastewater Ponds Perimeter Safety Fencing	Dave Watson	Dannevirke completed. Dave is consulting on next site priority.	
Dannevirke Alternate Water Source Investigation	Dave Watson	Horizons doing work upstream of infiltration gallery Feb/Mar. Site visits planned for scope assessment	
Woodville Reservoir	Chantelle Smit	Vendor selected. Procurement is drafting letter to go out to both successful and unsuccessful vendors.	
Pahiatua Recycling Centre	Robert Hood	Vendor engaged to supply quote to design & provide rough order costings which is to be used for Business Case to Council	
3Waters Infrastructure Enhancement Project	Sue Lawrence	Backflow prevention policy is currently on hold due to new Council and CCO. Looking at new CCO requirements.	

Project	Managed by	Comments	Status
		Project will be completed and all funding spent by end of June.	

Facilities and Corporate

Project	Managed by	Comments	Status
Carnegie	Sue Lawrence	Building report to be presented to Community Connections Committee	
District Parks and Reserves Playground Equipment	Robert Hood	PM's have been doing minor repairs across the district. Shade sails for Eketahuna have been ordered and due for install in 6 weeks. Junior playground for Dannevirke Domain playground has been ordered. Need further funding for the surface at Eketahuna. Awaiting quote for edging work to contain bark placement at various other playgrounds	
Dannevirke Dog Pound Improvements	Chantelle Smit	Lights and fans have been installed. Concrete and roof structure will be done mid-end April. Enclosure for front should be completed by end of April.	
Eketahuna Cliff Walk Track Upgrade	Fontayne Chase	Working on an alternative delivery of the Cliff Walk upgrade with the Eke Our Town committee.	
Integration of Services - Woodville	Robert Hood	Waiting to receive preliminary design. Expected by 10 th April.	
Other significant completed projects	Robert Hood	Dannevirke Library - replacement of façade roof gable cladding completed (in conjunction with neighbours). Painting scheduled for Tues next week. Eketahuna Health Centre - new boundary fence built	
Pahiatua Infiltration Gallery	Robert Hood	Good progress made esp. working out planning requirements. Currently reviewing design proposal/SFA. Site visit week of 6 th April	



Aerial view of Pahiatua wastewater treatment plant upgrade and wetlands under construction.

Attachments

- 1 [↓](#). SCADA Phase 2 Committee Report March 2026
- 2 [↓](#). Dannevirke Water Treated Reservoir Committee Report March 2026
- 3 [↓](#). Pahiatua WWTP Upgrade Committee Report March 2026
- 4 [↓](#). Pahatua WWTP Wetland Committee Report March 2026
- 5 [↓](#). Dannevirke Impounded Supply Pre-Treatment Clarifier Committee Report March 2026
- 6 [↓](#). New Pahiatua Pool Committee Report March 2026



Project name

Telemetry and SCADA Upgrade Phase 2

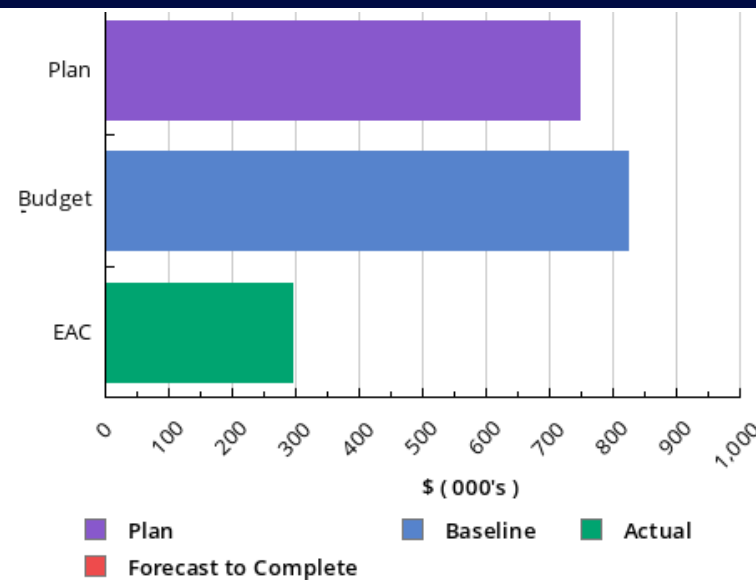
Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:
Mar-26	Jul-24	Jun-27	Jun-26

Purpose: This project has been initiated to align and comply with new requirements for resource consent monitoring for compliance with NZ water standards. This project will pull the different upgrade funding together to develop and rationalise SCADA and Telemetry framework, architecture, software and dashboarding that provides operational visibility across the entire TDC treatment and network systems. Phase 1 is to determine asset and system Stocktake, Framework, Architecture and system implementation to achieve operational visibility across the network. Phase II is the implementation and delivery of agreed recommendations provided by the investigation and report of the Phase I vendor.

Project team: Sponsor: Mike Dunn
Project Manager: Eugene Priest

Key stakeholders: Horizons Regional Council
TDC 3-Waters Team
TDC IS Team
Tararua Alliance

Project budget:



Current Financial Year
Approved budget:
\$824,580
Actuals:
\$295,515
Estimate at completion:
\$295,515

64% Under budget

	Status update:		
	PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	
Overall:	G	G	VPN/Server upgrade vendor is 99% complete with only the closing paperwork and manuals to be supplied. Pongaroa & Akitio Water Treatment Plants (WTP) have had their upgrades successfully completed. Dvk WTP upgrade has been planned through a multi-vendor workshop and is due to take place in May. Pahiatua wastewater pumpstations along with repeater stations to be installed in this financial year to lessen the load on next year's push to complete this multi-year project. A portion of Better Off Funding (BOF) has been allocated to this project to facilitate the necessary work in capturing Asset information, P&ID, plant functional descriptions & asset valuations.
Scope:	G	G	Pre-determined scope to be followed in Tender process with detailed solution provided by successful respondent. IS added scope of separate servers to add cyber security resilience. Remote site to be prioritised for upgrade to new SCADA for increased remote operator capability, these are Pongaroa WTP & Akitio WTP. Dannevirke WTP is the last upgrade to be completed in this financial year and will be pencilled in for completion late April/May.
Time:	G	G	Long Term Plan budget has allowed for up to 3 years to deliver this project. It has many complexities that are outlined in the Risk Register. The intention is to aim for full project completion in FY 26/27 (LTP Yr3)
Budget:	A	A	We are currently on schedule to spend all of the Yr 2 budget on completion of Dannevirke WTP. Annual Plan has been accepted which had projected completion of these works in 26/27.
Quality:	G	G	To follow best practice and all NZ Standards that are applicable.
Risks:	A	A	Risk and prioritisation workshop has been held on 11/7 for Phase II of project. Licensing costs have been confirmed and TDC are happy to proceed with project as it outlined.
Opportunities:	G	G	Increased cyber security and redundancy due to physical server separation. Server separation will allow easier CCO (3waters) handover. Increased remote capability = reduced OPEX costs for operator travel/time. Fully integrated wastewater & water visibility will give operators greater control, faster response times and better accuracy. This will lead into better and more accurate reporting to the required regulators.
Health & Safety:	G	G	All vendors are Sitewise accredited
Resources:	G	G	Appropriate resources are available and workloads are currently sufficient.
Comms:	G	G	Communications plan complete

Next steps:

- Upgrade of Pahiatua wastewater pumpstations and radio repeaters
- Dvk WTP upgrade
- Outstanding sites prioritisation planning meeting

Project timeline:

START	Vendor Agreement	Infrastructure Upgrade RFP	Select Infrastructure Vendor	Kick-Off Meeting	VPN/Server Upgrade	Prioritised WTP Site Upgrades	Pongaroa WTP Upgrade	Complete Infrastructure Upgrade	Akitio WTP Upgrade	Pahiatua WwPS & Radio Repeater Upgrade	Dannevirke WTP/WI/Res	Workshop Planning Meeting for Project Completion Schedule	FINISH
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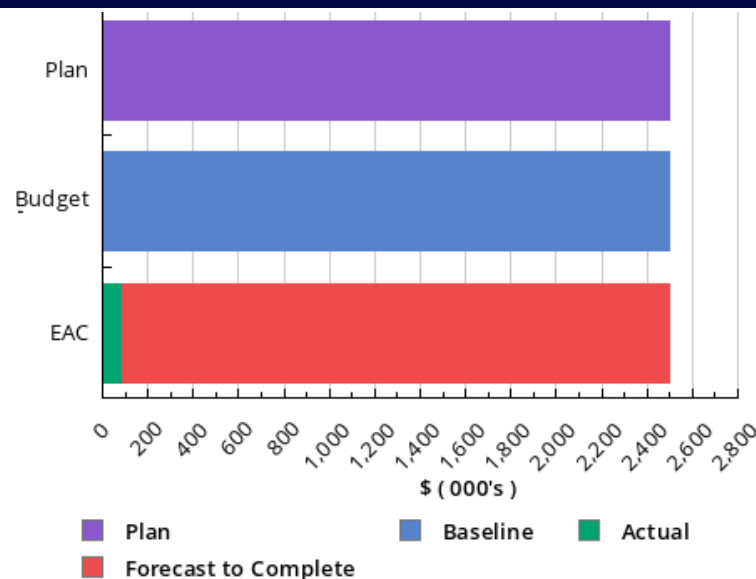


Project name

Dannevirke Impound Supply - Treated Reservoir

Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:	Status update:
Apr-26	Jul-23	Aug-27	Aug-27	
Purpose:	Supply and install an additional treated water reservoir for the Dannevirke township.			
Project team:	Sponsor: Mike Dunn Project Manager: Chantelle Smit			
Key stakeholders:	Horizons Regional Council Tararua District Council Dannevirke Community Alliance Group Contractor - Concrete Structures Consultants Ngāti Kahungunu Rangitāne Land owners / accessway residents			

Project budget:



Current Financial Year
 Approved budget:
\$2,500,000
 Actuals:
\$88,923
 Estimate at completion:
\$2,500,000

0% Over budget

	PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	
Overall:	G	G	Resource consent for earthworks received from TDC. Location identified for stockpiling. Phocus Planning working on obtaining resource consent from TDC and Horizons for depositing cleanfill. TPG is continuing to work through the property purchase and to remove covenant conditions. TPG reached out to their legal team for advice on moving forward to get covenant removed through LINZ. Three contractors presented their proposals on 09/03/26 followed by evaluations. A Contractor was chosen on 17/03/26 – Concrete Structures. Procurement completed a memo to notify the preferred contractor. Once all signatures received, contractor can be informed and a Professional Services contract for design can be put in place.
Scope:	G	G	Concept to Detailed design of the Dannevirke and Woodville reservoirs to be completed concurrently. Construction will be completed sequentially. Scope covers all engineering, planning and construction activities required to deliver the reservoir successfully under the supervision of TDC/designer and project engineer.
Time:	A	A	Signage and removal of the covenant on the proposed property are still experiencing delays. A timeline has been set to get regular updates and for regular follow up with property owners. Feedback from TPG legal team have been requested on how to proceed through LINZ to lift the covenant.
Budget:	G	G	Negotiations will be undertaken with the chosen contractor to ensure the design and build of the reservoir is within the current budget.
Quality:	G	G	Quality of the design will be reviewed with the three waters manager, operations manager and engineers.
Risks:	A	A	Delay with property purchase and covenant removal remains a risk. This is closely being monitored.
Opportunities:	G	G	There are several other projects being undertaken concurrent with this project such as pipeline upgrades which creates opportunities for material reuse, shared resources, coordinated construction and reduced community disruption. There is an opportunity to use soil from this project on the construction of the Woodville Reservoir and possibly other projects in the PMO team.
Health & Safety:	G	G	The health and safety team will be involved throughout the project to ensure H&S requirements outlined by the contractor is implemented.
Resources:	G	G	The planning team have been engaged to provide advice on property designation application. Phocus Planning have been engaged to apply for consents through TDC and Horizons Regional council and provide advice on further consents or permits prior to construction. The chosen contractor has local connections within the Tararua District and majority of their products are locally sources or constructed not relying on imported materials.
Comms:	G	G	A communications plan will be created. The communications team have been involved throughout the project and is working closely with the project team.

Next steps:

Property Purchase continues to progress.
 Chosen contractor to be notified and Professional Services Agreement to be set up for design phase.

Project timeline:

START	Planning	Specialist Engagement	Property Purchase	EOI to Market	RFP - Design and Build tender. Property purchase ongoing	Professional Services contract, Prelim design to detailed design	Detailed design - Project team review and approve	Design and Build contract for construction	Construction of Reservoir	Completion	FINISH
	Dec-24	Mar-25	Apr-25	Jun-25	Dec-25	Apr-26	Aug-26	Sep-26	Oct-26	Aug-27	

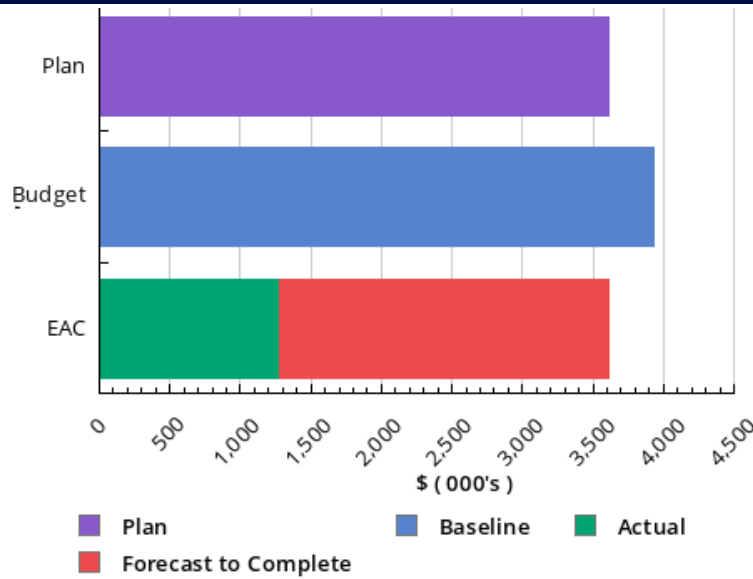


Project name

Pahiatua Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrade

Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:	Status update:				
Mar-26	Jul-24	Jun-26	Oct-25		PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS		
Purpose:	To provide an upgrade to the existing Wastewater Treatment plant that will meet current and future consent conditions and align with the design and build of the required wastewater wetlands that will be constructed concurrently with this project.							
Project team:	Sponsor: Mike Dunn Project Manager: Eugene Priest							
Key stakeholders:	Horizons Regional Council Elected Members Ngāti Kahungunu & Rangitāne Rate payers/general public Landowners ELT Compliance Manager							
Overall:		G	G	Project is in full swing with all components ordered and the DAF units being fabricated for shipping to NZ. Some smaller components (pumps, valves etc) have been arriving and are being stored offsite with the vendor. Some delay was experienced with contract finalising, but this has been allowed for in the schedule and we are still expecting this project to be commissioned this calendar year. Work has progressed considerably due to an extended fine weather window with DAF pad and chemical tank concrete pads being poured and pole shed structures erected. Irrigation (DAF plant to wetland delivery) has been finalised with agreement with vendor in place. Equipment has been ordered so offsite work can start ready for installation in May/June. A redesign for the sludge handling process has been initiated that will create a more efficient handling process for operators and waste vendor.				
Scope:		G	G	Detailed design complete with supplied equipment lists, Control Philosophy & Design Report.				
Time:		G	G	It is expected to have this project completed and commissioned in August 2026				
Budget:		G	G	Contract value with main Vendor is \$3,411,517. Irrigation supplier costs expected to be approximately \$200k				
Quality:		G	G	Will be determined by any agreement with the constructor and SME's assisting with this project. Inspection & Test Plan & adherence to NZ standards will be paramount for this project				
Risks:		A	G	Risk & Hazops workshops completed with major stakeholders Possible delay in foundation construction due to weather conditions				
Opportunities:		G	G	Efficiencies in design with wetland. Collaboration with Stakeholders Pathogen removal studies with design partners (UV removal related) Possible extended consent periods National interest due to mechanical and wetland process interface and performance				
Health & Safety:		G	G	NZ H&S standards to be followed in all instances. All contractors Sitewise accredited				
Resources:		G	G	Resources are being utilised as expected				
Comms:		G	G	Comms plan completed				

Project budget:



Current Financial Year
 Approved budget:
\$3,928,699
 Actuals:
\$1,275,916
 Estimate at completion:
\$3,611,517

8% Under budget

Next steps:

- Inter plant services trenching and placement
- Concreting of subsidiary plant slabs
- Completion of IL3 pole sheds
- Installation of chemical/wastewater holding tanks
- Arrival of main DAF plant

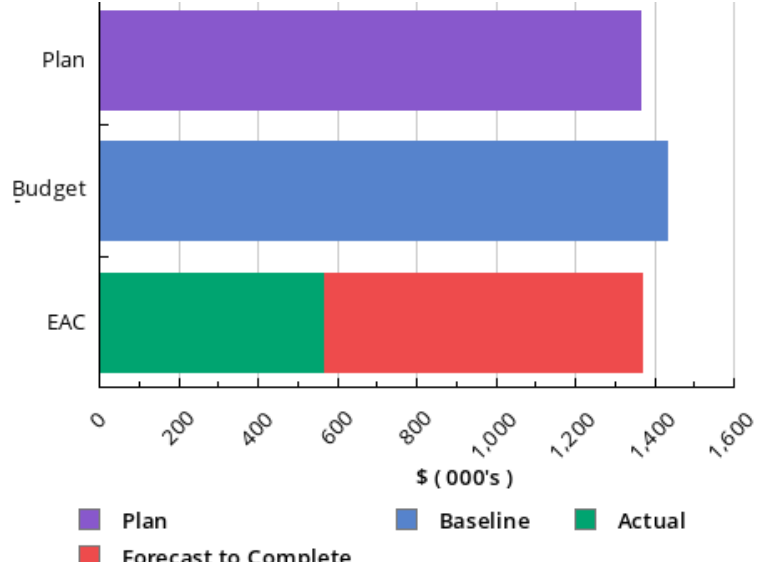
Project timeline:

START	Detailed Design & Costs	Design & Costs Review	Negotiate Construction Agreement	Equipment Procurement	Site Establishment	DAF Foundation Construction	Inter-Plant infrastructure service install	DAF/Wave Press Construction	Irrigation to Wetland Installation	DAF & Irrigation Commissioning	DAF Handover/Project Close	FINISH
	Nov-24	Apr-25	Nov-25	Jan-26	Jan-26	Mar-26	Apr-26	May-26	Jun-26	Jul-26	Aug-26	



Project name

Pahiatua Wastewater Wetland Development + Carryforward

Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:	Status update:			
Mar-26	Jul-24	Jun-26	Jun-26		PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	
Purpose:	In order to meet wastewater discharge consent conditions, primarily for the reduction of nitrates, suspended solids and phosphorus levels, the construction of a new wetland and wastewater treatment plant (DAF) is required. The wetland will assist the new DAF plant in achieving these conditions by the removal of ammonia (VFW) and nitrates (SFW) to acceptable limits.			Overall:	G	G	Progress has quickened at a good pace with some good weather allowing work to proceed unhindered. Vertical Flow Wetland (VFW) walls have been completed with the drainage pipe and first two layers of gravel placed. The surface flow wetland (SFW) has had the central barrier placed ready for concreting with the SFW base layer at its finished level on the western side. Winter construction will need to be applied for to complete any works outstanding from May 1st. This mainly concerns some possible finishing works and planting of SFW in May/June.
Project team:	Sponsor: Mike Dunn Project Manager: Eugene Priest			Scope:	G	G	VFW, Surface Flow Wetland (SFW) Construction with supervision by Designer/TDC. This includes interface with Pahiatua WwTP DAF upgrade. Biodiversity Wetland to be designed in partnership with iwi.
Key stakeholders:	Horizons Regional Council Elected Members Ngāti Kahungunu Rangitāne Rate payers/general public Immediate Landowners ELT TDC Compliance			Time:	A	G	Some weather delays experienced. Completion still expected to be before winter construction period starts.
Project budget:				Budget:	G	G	Value of Agreement with Vendor is \$1,365,400 some small variations could be expected due to ground conditions and minor scope change. Change management to be utilised for these to ensure affordability.
				Quality:	G	G	Built according to Construction issued designs and supervised by designer with sign off by TDC. All NZ applicable specs and standards to be adhered to.
				Risks:	A	G	Wet weather delays - Planned for, and early construction start has mitigated this risk.
				Opportunities:	G	G	Higher quality effluent discharge with aesthetic biodiversity wetland providing a return to natural topography National interest due to VFW installation coupled with DAF technology Low OPEX costs Longer Consent periods possible for performance outcomes
				Health & Safety:	G	G	All subcontractors are Sitewise accredited
				Resources:	G	G	Committed resources are not over-reaching
				Comms:	G	G	See communications plan
				Next steps:			
				VFW gravels installation completed Concrete barrier base concreted SFW delivery channel installed Both sides of SFW down to finish level ready for topsoil			
				<p>Current Financial Year Approved budget: \$1,432,338 Actuals: \$568,025 Estimate at completion: \$1,367,307</p> <p>5% Under budget</p>			

Project timeline:												
START	Design Completion	Pricing	Agreements Complete	Construction Start	Wetland Discharge Outlet Construction	VFW/DAF Pad Construction	SFW Delivery Channel Installed	SFW Excavation Complete	SFW Planting Completion	Wetland Construction Project Completion	VFW/SFW commissioning with DAF	FINISH
	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Nov-25	Nov-25	Feb-26	Apr-26	Apr-26	May-26	May-26	Oct-26	

Project name

Dannevirke Impound Supply - Pre-treatment

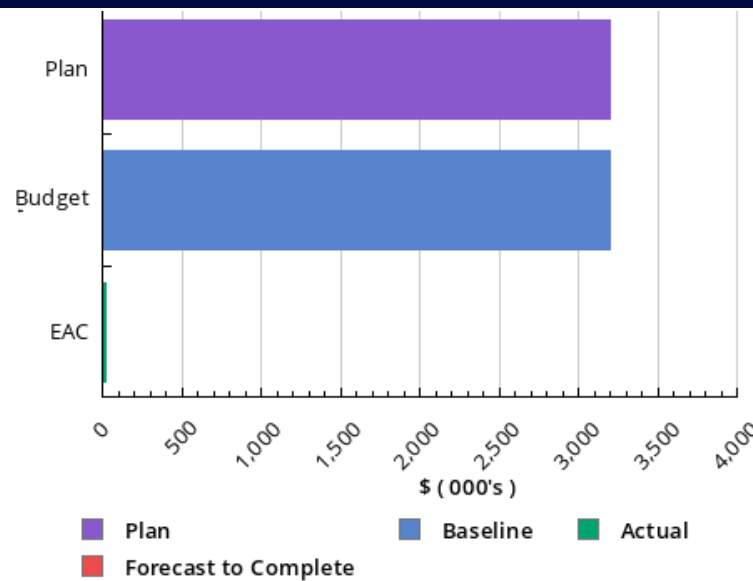


Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:	Status update:
Mar-26	Jul-23	Jan-27	Jan-27	

Purpose:	Run-of- river treatment is required to allow the raw water storage dam to be taken offline for repair works. A permanent pre-treatment solution is required that can treat either run-of-river, or water from the storage reservoir. Turbidity levels of < 10NTU (preferably < 5NTU) must be achieved to ensure that the existing direct filtration process is not overloaded. Based on the jar testing conducted, TDC is progressing installation of coagulation, flocculation and clarification as the pre-treatment option for the Dannevirke WTP
Project team:	Sponsor: Mike Dunn Project Manager: Eugene Priest
Key stakeholders:	Horizens Regional Council TDC Dannevirke Community Contractor - TBC Consultants

	PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	
Overall:	G	G	All tender processes have been completed with a letter of acceptance issued to successful vendor to facilitate procurement of long lead items whilst final details are negotiated for the NZS 3916 contract. Offsite fabrication of process plant will take place over the winter months with the site civil works to commence in Oct 2026. Land purchase is being surveyed for legalisation purposes to be ratified by LINZ and be in place before civil works is programmed to start.
Scope:	G	G	All scope has been confirmed within the accepted tender and is under final contract negotiations.
Time:	G	A	Offsite fabrication to start on issuing of deposit with civil works to start in October 2026. Final schedule to confirm commissioning date still to be released to TDC.
Budget:	G	G	Pre-Treatment Clarifier - \$3.2m Residuals Management - \$600k P & G - \$600k Amounts have been allocated within Impounded Supply Annual Budget for year 3
Quality:	G	G	Contract QA specs are embedded in contract with a detailed commissioning document to be reviewed and accepted to ensure all performance guarantees are met.
Risks:	G	A	Current main risk is legalisation of purchased land through LINZ and ensuring all planning outcomes are met before civil works commence. This risk is being managed and mitigated. All other risks are listed and managed through project risk register.
Opportunities:	G	G	To construct and complete Dvk WTP to a standard for all water take conditions and securing safe community water supply regardless of river turbidity.
Health & Safety:	G	G	This will be managed by vendor with oversight by PM to ensure all applicable NZ safety standards are adhered to.
Resources:	G	G	No current concerns.
Comms:	G	A	Communications plan to be drafted

Project budget:



Current Financial Year
Approved budget:
\$3,200,000
Actuals:
\$16,380
Estimate at completion:
\$16,380

99% Under budget

Next steps:
Contract signing
Procurement of long lead items
Offsite plant fabrication
Main water line tie-in
Civil construction starts

Project timeline:

START	Review and investigation of feasible options developed	Jar Testing	Clarifier requirements defined	Geotech investigations	RFP for Design and Build	RFP Submissions and Evaluation	Contractor Evaluation	Preferred Contractor engagement	Contract Awarded	Procurement and Fabrication	Main Water Line Tie-In	Civil Construction Starts	New Plant Commissioning	FINISH
	Mar-25	Apr-25	Jun-25	Jul-25	Sep-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Jan-26	Apr-26	Jul-26	Aug-26	Oct-26	Feb-27	

Project name

New Pahiatua Pool



Report date:	Start date:	Approved end date:	Projected end date:	Status update:			
Mar-26	Jul-23	Jun-26	Mar-27		PREVIOUS STATUS	CURRENT STATUS	
Purpose:	The current Pahiatua outdoor pool is nearing the end of its life cycle, has large maintenance costs, and is limited to a 10-week, weather dependent season. This new project will permit the community to operate for longer over the year and run swimming classes and host events.			Overall:	G	G	A lead contractor has been engaged and is working closely with the project team and architect to progress commercial negotiations and ensure deliverability. Building consent has been resubmitted in line with the original design to meet funder requirements, while design drawings are now being prepared to support a proposed variation and enable construction contract sign-off. Parallel work is also underway on site establishment, access and carparking to support an efficient start to construction.
Project team:	Sponsor: Hamish Featonby Project Manager: Mike Dunn			Scope:	G	G	Targeted rework of the design is underway to deliver the pool within available funding while continuing to meet the outcomes outlined in the business case and community needs. This includes the introduction of a new children's wet deck area as a family-focused feature. This approach has been reviewed and agreed by the project group in January, ensuring the refined scope remains aligned with funding constraints while retaining key community outcomes.
Key stakeholders:	TDC Bush Aquatic Trust Elected Members Funders - Through B.A.T. Pahiatua Community Ratepayers / General Public			Time:	G	G	Based on contractor feedback and seasonal construction windows, the proposed build timeframe is estimated at 8–10 months.
Project budget:				Budget:	A	A	Working with the design to ensure this budget constraint is met as we've advanced through design, procurement, and construction planning, we've continued to refine this figure. Assisting funders requirements as necessary to provide assurance.
<p>Plan Budget EAC</p> <p>0 500 1,000 1,500 2,000 2,500 3,000 3,500 4,000 4,500 5,000 5,500 6,000 6,500 7,000 7,500 \$ (000's)</p> <p>■ Baseline ■ Actual ■ Forecast to Complete</p>				Quality:	G	G	No current issues with quality.
<p>Current Financial Year Approved budget: \$6,383,628 Actuals: \$69,003 Estimate at completion: \$6,038,003</p> <p>5% Under budget</p>				Risks:	A	A	The main risk is budget and timeframes, amplified by funder requirements. Due to the uncertainty around the outcome of market engagement it is prudent that we continue the fund raising plan to its planned targets.
				Opportunities:	G	G	The operational model was developed as part of the original business case, which was utilised in our Long-Term Plan. While the existing model remains valid, we are also taking the opportunity to review and enhance it. As a result Facilities department is engaging the market to review and confirm the operational model.
				Health & Safety:	G	G	No issues presently.
				Resources:	G	G	In our ongoing review of this project's delivery, we are taking steps to strengthen our position for effective execution by aligning and optimising our resourcing.
				Comms:	G	G	Stakeholders and communications team are working together.
				Next steps:			
				Design variations to be confirmed and submitted Site access to be organised Construction contract to be finalised Comms plan to be drafted			

Project timeline:										
START	QS review	EOI - Market engagement	Detailed design	Tender - RFP	New building consent	Project team Design Review	Detailed design finalised, Build Contract	Delivery and Construction	Project closure and handover	FINISH
	Mar-25	Apr-25	Jul-25	Oct-25	Nov-25	Jan-26	Apr-26	Jun-26	Mar-27	