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Report to the Hutt River Advisory Committee
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**Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan (HRFMP) Implementation:
Project Leader's Report**

1. Purpose

To update the Advisory Committee on the status of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan (HRFMP) implementation.

2. Background

The planning phase of the HRFMP is now complete. The Advisory Committee will now oversee the HRFMP implementation.

At this meeting the Committee will be asked to:

- consider the scope for implementing non-structural measures (Report 02.166)
- receive an update on the Ava to Ewen improvements, endorse a priority list for the proposed environmental enhancement works in the Ava to Ewen reach, and request Hutt City Council to consider the environmental enhancements in relation to their adjacent “city scape” (Report 02.181).

3. HRFMP Launch

The HRFMP was launched on 9 October 2001 at the Manor Park Golf Club. The programmed distribution of the Plan is complete and the total expenditure for Phases 2, 3 and 4 is within the budget of \$1.34 million. Winners from the poetry competition were taken on a helicopter ride over Hutt Valley and a book containing the poems was sent to all participants.

4. Miscellaneous

The Melling Bridge waterway investigations programmed for the 2001/02 financial year are postponed to the 2008/09 financial year. This is because the other project partners, Transit NZ, Tranz Rail and HCC were not ready to begin the investigations; these are necessary to agree on waterway parameters for any new or upgraded crossings proposed at Melling.

Belmont Edge protections investigations will commence in the 2002/03 financial year.

5. Communications

Communication matters are covered in the project specific reports.

6. Recommendations

That the Advisory Committee:

- (1) *receive the report.*
- (2) *note the contents of the report.*

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