

To: Steve Murrin (MDC Transport Recovery Advisor)

CC: Marianne Aitkens, Dean Heiford, Richard Coningham, Amanda Smith

Subject: Update Kenepuru Road Re Improved Access Work Program (AIWP) and related matters.

Dear Steve

Last night members of the KCSRA Core Road Recovery Team met to discuss and confer on where matters stood on the above.

Improved Work Access Work Program

Based on our own observations and feed back from members we understand that much faster progress has been made on the AIWP than was originally envisaged by Marlborough Roads (MR) "timetable and work allotment "overview schedule dated 16 November.

This is very pleasing news on a number of fronts. **Well done.**

As you will recall a perplexing aspect (to KCSRA) of the AIWP was the approach taken to blocked and damaged culverts. Not address for now. We really struggled to see how delaying this basic road maintenance work was beneficial to the on-going resilience, security and maintaining continuing access to the fragile K Road.

Thankfully, and as per the discussion set out the in the meeting note of 29 November, this excellent progress now provides the funding to undertake the necessary culvert work on K Road that had been "parked" By MR for the time being. A very good outcome that address's our and the communities concerns.

At our last meeting your advice was that a database of blocked and damaged culverts was being created and this would supply the necessary program of culvert recovery work once funding was available.

How is that work programme looking and when can you supply a work schedule? .

AIWP and Hot Spots

Of the four identified hot spots we are again pleased to see/hear work has been done on all of these areas. Our observations are that the urgent remedial work undertaken to date for three sites (Solomon's, Nikau Cove and Torea Bay Road) is reasonably satisfactory.

However in relation to Tui Cove we do have some concerns that the approach taken (eg pushing twice the volume of water into one culvert) may address one geotechnical

concern (water going down the slip face) but create another the “diversionary” culvert (300mm) was never that good before let alone to take more volume.

What we would like to suggest is a combined field inspection when you are back on deck on the 12th of January. Alistair /Kevin will be in touch to progress that.

Back up arrangements over Xmas /New Year

It has been a fairly “soggy “ start to summer (around 20mms in the Kenepuru on Thursday for example). Whilst we appreciate the wish for all to have a break over the festive family season nature does not always behave appropriately.

Accordingly, in this regard, what is the back up arrangements in terms of road supervision etc., of the Council network if (lets hope not!) we have a moderate or even a significant rainfall event before 15 January?

Next ZOOM Meeting

Finally I would like to suggest another ZOOM operationally focussed roading meeting later in January. Say some time in the week beginning 23 January.

At such a meeting it may be expeditious if one of the geotechnical engineers was present as we discuss progress on the assessment of identified mass movement areas, Portage Heights and so on.

How is everyone placed?

I look forward to hearing from you.

Kind regards and best wishes.

Andrew Caddie
President KCSRA
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