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## **Parks and Forests capital works programme unbudgeted expenditure for 2004/05**

### **1. Purpose**

To seek Council approval to complete part of the 2003/04 capital works programme in 2004/05 within a total project overspend of \$22,200.

### **2. Queen Elizabeth Park toilets**

As reported in Landcare Committee report 03.573, we did not make as much progress as we had planned to in 2003/04 on the construction of the MacKays Crossing toilet block in Queen Elizabeth Park. Two toilet blocks, MacKays Crossing and Whareroa were planned to be designed and built over two financial years, with the planning, design and tendering phases to take place in 2002/03 and construction in 2003/04. We had budgeted \$110,000 to be spent in 2002/03 and \$130,000 to be spent in 2003/04.

In September 2003 we got Landcare Committee approval to carry over \$88,000 from 2002/03 to 2003/04 to complete the construction of both blocks.

While the Whareroa toilet block was essentially complete at 30 June 2004, the MacKays Crossing block ran into problems with water table levels and drainage which would seriously compromise the toilet's operations. The problems showed up following the February 2004 floods and hence the toilets were not completed as planned by 30 June 2004 and will overrun the budget.

### **3. Financial implications**

#### **3.1 Expenditure**

We estimate that the cost to complete the toilet block at MacKays Crossing in 2004/05 will be around \$35,000. Of this, \$12,800 is still available from the \$240,000 total project budget, which means the total project will be exceeded by \$22,200.

The full cost of the two toilet blocks is set out in the following table:

	<b>Budget</b>	<b>Actual</b>
2002/03 (revised)	\$22,000	\$ 22,000
2003/04 (revised)	\$218,000	\$205,200
Estimated 2004/05	0	\$ 35,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$240,000</b>	<b>\$262,200</b>

### 3.2 Funding

As with most capital works, funding is via loan and we do not accrue interest until the loan is drawn down.

Funding for the loan repayments for this project is already included in the budget up to \$240,000. The remaining \$22,200 is unfunded and equates to \$2,500 per annum for the next 15 years. This will be funded by operational savings and no additional funding is required.

### 4. Communication

At this stage no further communication is required.

### 5. Recommendations

*That the Committee:*

1. *receive the report.*
2. *note the contents of the report.*
3. *approve unbudgeted capital expenditure of \$35,000 in 2004/05 to complete the MacKays toilet block. Of this, loan servicing budgets are available to fund \$12,800 with the balance of the loan servicing to be funded by operational savings.*

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