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Dear Terry

**Regional Land Transport Committee Prioritisation of the National Land Transport Programme**

As you are aware, Transfund's Funding Allocation Framework states that the decision making process for the preparation of the National Land Transport Programme will "take account of priorities (in terms of project ordering) expressed by Transit New Zealand, territorial authorities and by regional land transport committees".

I am now able to confirm the timetable for the preparation of the 2003/2004 National Land Transport Programme (NLTP) and so advise the RLTC of the period available for consideration of priorities. Transit New Zealand is also submitting information to you for the RLTC's consideration. I believe it would be desirable for the RLTC to consider Transit's and Transfund's information at the same meeting.

Transfund will supply to the RLTC the information described below by **7 February 2003**. In order to meet the 30 June 2003 deadline for publication of the NLTP Transfund will need to 'receive the RLTC's recommendations on priority no later **than 31 March 2003**.

Output Groups to be prioritised by the RLTC are:

- Local Road Improvements;
- Alternatives to Roading; and
- Promotion of Walking and Cycling.

As stated above, State Highway Improvement projects will come to the RLTC directly from Transit New Zealand.

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The information that we will supply to the RLTC includes Project Attribute Sheets prepared by Transfund staff listing all projects within the region by Output Group and giving the following project information:

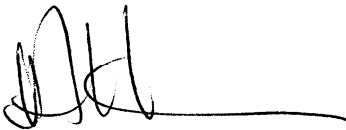
- project cost;
- benefit values;
- BCR;
- development status;
- a statement on why the project is being promoted in a particular Output Group; and
- how the project contributes to the governments priorities for transport spending.

We would like the RLTC's advice to include:

- a view on any relationship between projects across the various lists; and
- advice on any projects the it considers are not consistent with the Regional Land Transport Strategy.

Please contact me if you have any questions about this process.

Yours sincerely



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