

**10. PAPARUA STOCK WATER RACE SYSTEM JOINT SEMINAR  
– REPORT OF 22 MARCH 1999**

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At its meeting on 2 March, the Board gave initial consideration to a report providing an update on the administration of the Paparua Stock Water Race System and it was decided that the matter be further addressed by way of a Joint Seminar session with the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board.

The seminar was held on 22 March where representatives of the Selwyn District Council and officers from the Water Services Unit were in attendance to assist Board members with an understanding of the present system.

Members noted the inherent benefits of the system with the provision of water for stock and for irrigation purposes and also noted significant other benefits for the City. These included aquifer recharge, ecological and aesthetic values, augmentation of stream flows and the availability of water for rural fire fighting.

In line with these benefits, members agreed that the ongoing retention of the system was important for the particular area covered, but also agreed that the Christchurch City Council along with Selwyn District should consider the matter of an asset management plan for the long term together with any cost sharing requirements.

The meeting report was received and the Board **decided** that the Christchurch City Council in partnership with the Selwyn District Council develop an asset management plan for the long term enhancement of the Paparua Stock Water Race System including any appropriate cost sharing arrangements.